Thomas Ball Worshipful Grand Master of Orange Lodge in 1913
George Ball in 1915. Orange Lodges - Guysboro LOL No. 556 - May 23, 24 - 1954.

The present house was built in 1884 and the barn was built in 1890. The first well at present house location about 1885 (where front yard is now (March 27, 1966). Water was on tap in house, 1950. Electricity was installed in 1936.

The year that the telephone was installed is unknown but the Bayham and Malahide Telephone Co. was the line. The house was renovated in 1964 with basement, furnace and new kitchen. There have been no fires.

The old barn was a hip-roofed barn and up until 1956 was used for general farming. Dates of barns, 1850 and 1890 - (20 ft. x 30 ft.)
In 1956 was built into a tobacco farm by "Ball Plantation" sizes 32 ft x 60 ft
18 ft. x 24 ft.
8 kilns, 150 ft. greenhouse.

Tobacco is grown now as well as corn, wheat and rye for ploughing under. The farm has 48 acres rights for growing tobacco. And the outstanding yield was in 1965 with an average of \$1277.00 per acre. The orchards of apples, peaches, cherries, etc. have since been cut down. The present acreage of the Plantation is 177 acres.

March 14, 1906 A Wedding of Ball - McKim

The residence of Mr. Robert McKim, North Road, Houghton, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday of this week, when his only daughter, Bertha, was united in marriage to Mr. Carmon Ball, third son of Robert Ball of Bayham. The ceremony, which was performed by Rev. A.W. Dever of Straffordville, in the presence of a number of immediate relatives of the happy couple, took place under an evergreen arch.

Attired in a beautiful dress of white wool tafetta, trimmed with lace, the bride entered the room leaning on the arm of her father. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Percy Spence of Brantford. The bridesmaid was Miss Sophia Ball and the groom was supported by Mr. Chas. McKim.

After the ceremony the guests sat down to a sumptuous repast. In the afternoon, the happy couple left for Courtland where they took the train for eastern points.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball will spend a few weeks with relatives here, after which they will go to reside in Wisconsin, where Mr. Ball has secured a good position as cheesemaker. The best wishes of the neighbourhood go with them.



MR + MRS. CHAS. BALL



MR + MRS CARMON BALL

On Wednesday March 14, 1956, Mr. and Mrs. Carmon Ball celebrated their 50th Wedding anniversary at their winter home in Orange Grove Park at Lakeworth, Florida. They were both surprised and delighted to receive over 70 cards and letters of congratulations a wedding cake, flowers and other gifts from relatives and friends in Florida and Ontario.

On March 14, 1906 Bertha McKim, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKim, of North Road, Houghton, was united in marriage to Carmon Ball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ball of Guysboro at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. A. W. Dever of Strafford-ville performed the ceremony in the presence of the immediate relatives. The bridesmaid was Miss Sophia Ball, another sister of the groom and the best man was Charles McKim, brother of the bride. The Wedding March was played by Mrs. Percy Spence of Brantford, another sister of the groom.

After the wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Ball left for Wisconsin where Mr. Ball was employed as a cheesemaker. Later they returned to the Guysboro district where they were engaged in dairy and tobacco farming until their retirement in 1958.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball spend their summers at home in Eden and each winter in Lakeworth Florida.

They have three sons, Robert of North Bayham, and Cecil and Mack of Eden and seven grandchildren.

The Beaman Family

by Lloyd Cartwright of Saginaw , Michigan. (from Mrs. F. Hanley)

Henry DeBeaumont, a French Huguenot, is said to have fled to England in the 13th century and one of his descendants, Gamliel DeBeaumont (Beaman) came to America in 1635 at the age of 12 years. He settled in Dorchester Mass. and married Sarah Clark, dau. of William Clark, and his wife, Sarah. In 1659 he moved to Lancaster.

John Clark Beaman b 1657

married about 1674 Priscilla, dau. of Thomas Thornton. they had ll children are buried - Lancaster.

Ebenezer Thornton Beaman born about 1691 married about 1713 Rebecca Kendall of Woburn.

Thomas Kendall Beam born Sept. 16, 1729 married Elizabeth White of Shirley Mass.

Thomas Kendall Beaman was a sergeant in Capt. Abijah Willard's company in the expedition to Nova Scotia in 1755 (the year of the Acadian deportations.)

When the Revolutionary War broke out, Thomas Beaman was living in Boston and took sides against the American Army. He was appointed Lieutenant by Gen. Gave in Col. Timothy Ruggles' company called the Loyal American Associates. Thomas died at Bedford, N.Y. in No. 1780 and his estate was confiscated and sold. His widow's claim of £805 17 s 6 d was met by the British government for £600.

(pounds)

Their children were:

Elizabeth baptised at Lancaster June 3, 1759

Thomas born Aug. 25, 1759

Ebenezer

William

In 1784 the widow Beaman, with two children over 10 and two sons, Thomas and Ebenezer, moved to Digby, Nova Scotia, where Loyalists were given grants of land by the British government. The widow Beaman was given 200 acres of land which lay below what is known as "Beaman Mountain" behind the present location of the Pines Hotel at Digby. The widow Beaman died July 3, 1811 of old age.

Here the gealogical record is not clear, but according to Garfield Hayden of Digby, one of the two children over ten was Joseph who married Anne Rector Apr. 14, 1804. Their children were:

Roseanna baptised Juy 6, 1805 Elizabeth White baptised Mar. 22, 1807 William Rector born Dec. 7, 1809 Dorothy Maria born Dec. 10, 1812 Sarah twins born Jan. 23, 1816

John Andrews

No. 4 Dorothy Maria Beaman was well suited to the life of the pioneer farm for she was large and strong - a Beaman trait. The family registrar of the McQuiggans' by Rev. W. E. McQuiggan(1939) records that Joseph Beaman and family trekked their way from Nova Scotia with oxen and settled east of Vienna.

This biography doesn't list the children of Joseph Beaman. Dorothy Maria married Ezra Cartwright and the story continues with this family.

William R. Beaman who was reportedly born in the U.S. A. is buried at Port Royal, date Dept. 17, 1865.

William Henry Beaman was the father of Leonard Beaman who lived near Cultus and is buried near there. His mother was Sarah Buchner.

Leonard Beaman was the father of Wilfrid Beaman who married Ola Butler and also the father of Harry Beaman. His wife was Eva Scanlan (Len's). Hazel Beaman married Gordon Robinson Brother Louis Beaman married Victoria (Tory) Scanlan, a sister of Leonard's wife. Reg. married June

They lived in Walsingham, township Lot 3, Range A.

Jennie's mother had bros. Henry & George Buchner & sister Millie(mEarle). Leonard Beaman was Jennie Beaman Small's grandfather.

Jennie was born over where the Stilwells lived. In 1922 Jennie married Walter Small and they had three children - Lucille Sept. 8.1925 Mildred Nov. 3, 1932 and Donald.

There are Beamans buried in the Claus cemetery. James M. 1855-1938 and John A. died Dec. 24, 1902 in his 88th year. The Len Beaman place was where James Smith lived afterwards) (This was also the place where a pilot crashed while on a training flight from Aylmer airport during the second world war.) James Smith was Agnes, Bruce & Freda's father.

Jennie's parents lived where Jessie Caswell lived, at one time. They lived at the Beaman place in 1922 when they were married. When Mildred was born they lived in the 10th Con. Bayham next to the Otter Creek on the east side, west of the Craven farm. They lived on the Helsdon place when Donald was small. Eva Inman helped Smalls when they moved in to the present home. Laurs lived in the Chrysler house and they had a girl about Jennie's age who was named Lucille after whom she named her first daughter. John Phelps fixed the Small house over. Alvin Sitts lived there at one time (wife was dau. of Geo. Stilwell, Goshen).

Vermeersch bought the Beaman place - Burgoynes lived there, Baldersons, Leslie Pengale, Stacey, Lou Underhill.

Some of Jennie's teachers were Miss House, Evelyn Peck, Clara Peck, Retha Oatman. Jennie cooked for the threshers after Mrs. Milt Inman died.

Shelly lived in house on the site of Ray Roloson's present house. Elmer White.

McDowells and Phelps lived in the Vallee house. People who lived in the stone house south of Small's were Violet Monteith's son, Ludwigs, Harold Sawyer's son, after Caplings.

Neil Ketchabaw, Ida Bell French who married a Wicks lived there after Monteith.

Harley & Vivian Howey lived there.

Ford for 1 season.

Clayt Wilson lived on the ridge road when they moved there. H. Scott lived where the house burned on the ridge road. Sam Williams went from the Gray place over there. Lloyd Johnson & wife Gladys lived there. Gladys McMullen lived there (related to Nickersons). The twins Faith & Hope Wilson were born there and kept in an oven to keep them warm. After Frank Travis & Camby's mother was ill Jessie Herron lived in Clayt's house. Saunders lived east of them - daughters Hazel who married Geo. Herron and Grace who married a McGee.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES BENTLEY

On April 28, 1958, Mr. and Mrs. James Bentley celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary. They were married April 28, 1908, by the Rev. J.W. Silcox, Eden Baptist minister at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ulric Bentley.

The late Mrs. John Weeks (Miss Lena Smith), Mt. Elgin and Orville Fleming, brother of the bride, were the attendants.

Until six years ago, when he retired, Mr. Bentley was a dairy farmer in the Eden vicinity. Mrs. Bentley is still a busy woman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bentley have two children, Mrs. Emery Lilly (Evelyn) of Toronto and Howard of Eden. There are nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

On Sunday, a family dinner was enjoyed by 30 guests at Mil-Mar Manor.

Relatives were present from Detroit, Michigan, Windsor, Toronto, London, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Mt. Elgin, Dereham Centre, Ostrander and Eden.

At their home, 30 Pearl Street, Tillsonburg, on Monday afternoon and evening, friends and neighbours from Eden as well as Tillsonburg called to offer their congratulations.

The tea table was centred by a beautiful 50 year anniversary cake. It was decorated with gold leaves and yellow roses.

Many lovely gifts and a hundred congratulatory cards were received by the happy couple.

Mr. Bentley was born March 7, 1883, Yarmouth township died Nov. 15, 1960, Tillsonburg

married Sarah M. Fleming, April 28, 1908

He was son of Ulric Bentley and Sarah M. Stilwell He had one brother Lewis, of Eden, two sisters Mrs. Alberta Dumeah, Windsor and Mrs. Flossie Chute, Springfield.

In 1960 there were two more great grandchildren, making sixteen in all.

Notes taken from Cyril Bowes recollections.

Allan, the Black Count of Richmond came from Normandy with William, Conqueror. He built the Tower of Bowes, appointed by his cousin William to oversee the archers and gave him a crest - 3 arrows and bow.

Cyril's ancestor, Joseph Bowes had the Riddle place going south toward Calton, land and mills on the Otter Creek. He was Cyril's great great grandfather, the first to come to Canada (from New York) and is buried in the east Richmond cemetery Mar. 9, 1848, aged 82 years 4 months. He was well-to-do when he arrived in this area. Ten of the original cedar trees were cut for poles for the Aylmer and Malahide Telephone line costing \$1.00 each. (1 share was received) Note that there is a Richmond County in New York State.

Juliet was a daughter of William and Margaret. The house just west of the mill was moved up to the front (west) road when the McDowells had it. There was a ram used on the stream for a water supply.

In starting the rural mail delivery they used to tie a rag on the buggy wheels and count the rotations as they drove around the route to measure the mileage.

Lula Kennedy was a music teacher in the area.

Fanny Allemand's mother, Mrs. Johnson, was Burwell and claimed to have danced with Col. Talbot. She lived to be over 100.

John Teall built the railway to Port Burwell. C. C. Travis worked on it for one day. Frank William was the conductor.

Belle Pearce was a teacher at Maple Grove school when Cyril went to school there.

Mrs. Mabel Healy married a Meadows - Alf Meadows was a blacksmith at Straffordville.

Fred Wilson bought the place from Lee Bowes - wife was Josephine Bowes (Lee's sister.)

Lou, Ed and Neil Ketchabaw were Hiram's sons. Lou was Grove's father. Wife of Ira Ketchabaw was a Fenn. They lived where Fargusons live now across from the Wilford Burwell place.

Ed Ketchabaw married Zereka Jones, dau. of Mike Jones. She had a brother George Jones.

Harry Jones was an engineer at Bordens - dau. Glenda was a psychiatric nurse in London, and is now a neighbour of Cyril's - small world.

Cyril's children were five - Murray, Kay, Dorothy, Ronald, Wilma. His wife was Eva Berniece Sinclair.

Bill Lipsit's wife (Aunt Sue) was aunt to Eva Sinclair. Geo. Stratton from Guysboro was Eva's grandfather. Her father was a cheese maker (in Wisconsin for a while). He died in 1901. Her grandmother's name was Eudora. Silverthorn's now live in Geo. Stratton's house.

Cyril injured his hand when very small. When the house was built he fell through the stove pipe hole down in to the living room (about 1899) his birthday was Sept. 4. They lived in the barn while the house was being built.

The old Pygall place was where Cyril Bowes family lived. It is now Bob Balls.

There were lime kilns in the early days on the Burwell farm.

There was 20 acres of swamp in front of the Maple Grove school, it had never been plowed. Bricks from that school went to build the Orange Hall in Tillsonburg on Brock Street. The bricks from the Maple Grove church went into Geo. Moore's house on west side of # 19 south of the mill. Andrew Dean built the pulpit in the church.

Gerald Caldwell married a Bowes and is buried in Eden. Ida Bowes married Lou Thomas a barber at Straffordville. They had a son Cliff Thomas.

Wesley Kennedy was west of Archie's place at Maple Grove. Wilson Kennedy was next (Robert's son). Uncle Will Kennedy was next and Zaccheus Kennedy was next on the corner.

The Bowes house was across from Chet Ketchabaw's house (north of Grove's house and it was moved to Eden and a shed added at the back. (Alex Chandlet house next to Wilfred Nelson)

Arol was born bec. 5, 1899 in the new house and Cyril in the old house Sept. 4, 1895. Arol married Gertrude
The house was built by Andrew and Harry Dean approximately 1897-8; it was Harry's first job - he was 16 years old at the time.

Eichenberg girls married Mitchells. Grant Mitchell's grandfather's name was same as Maud Mitchell's)her father was Alex Mitchell).

Cyril walked to Eden for the mail - down hill to Stenabaugh house and up the west road to the first house west of the corner (at that time) place before the rural route began. This house is now Lucy Chrysler's and was the first post office at Eden. (Jones postmaster & mistress). The Will Wilson house was one Uncle Russell McDowell lived in. John Wilson was Will's father). Mrs. Will was Hester, sister of James Bowes' grandfather.

James Bowes married Candace Kennedy and they had three children Adelaide Bruce and Lee. Lee had three - Cyril, Arol and Inez. Arol had two girls in Cobalt and Toronto. Inez has adopted daughter Donna and two boys.

Birthday Party For Grandma Bowes

ushers her into 78th year of busy life. Two hundred relations and friends gather to pay respects to woman who has been leader in community; recalls the Great Rain.

Maple Grove June 19 - Candace is a good, queenly, old Bible name. But if the parents of the dear old lady whose birthday picnic-party was held Wednesday at the home of her son, Bruce Bowes, Maple Grove, could have foreseen the future, I venture to say they would have given the little girl born to them in 1849 the name of Penelope instead.

For a busier woman with the shuttle has probably not been known about these parts. If the houses of the countryside could talk, they would mostly all tell you that the first carpets that padded their floors were woven on the loom of Mrs. Candace Bowes.

And now that the weak hands may no longer flash, the shuttle they love, the click of the knitting needle instead, turning out mitts and sox and sweaters for numerous grandchildren. She patted a new knitting-bag, presented by a granddaughter as she talked, anticipating with interest its use and handiness.