

The CABHC Patch

News from the Community Archives February 2018

Behind the photograph

In the process of digitizing the Historical Society's photographic collection, we sometimes have to do some detective work to find out more about the images we're scanning. On the back of this photograph (HC02224), five of the men are identified as Lieut. Day, Lieut. Klotz, Captain Gordon, Lieut. Fraser and Captain O'Connor. A note states that the first three men were all killed at Ypres.



CABHC: HC02224

With the help of the digitized service records of the Canadian Expeditionary Force and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's casualty records, we were able to more precisely identify the three men who died.

Their full names are Calvin Wellington Day, Hubert Norman Klotz and Walter Leslie Lockart Gordon. From the service records we could also work out that the ship in the photograph was the SS *Cassandra*, which left Canada on October 3rd, 1914.



Postcard of the SS *Cassandra*, shared on Flickr by Hallaig at https://www.flickr.com/photos/mara579/1354150537

All three men were killed on the same day during the

Second Battle of Ypres: April 23rd, 1915, just six months after the photograph was taken.

Recent Additions to the Archives

2018-001 City of Belleville Council Minutes, 2017

2018-002 Digital copies of photographs of 72 Geddes Street, Belleville, 1880-1900

2018-003 Presto Musical Club minute book, 1925-1933

2018-004 Digital copies of photographs of Thomasburg, c.1900

2018-005 'Quintessentially Quinte' cassette tape of audio recordings on local topics, 1999

2018-006 Hannah Harrison collection, c.1900-1970

2018-007 Doug Knutson's copies of 1816 Belleville maps, images, 2016

What's in the **Display Case?**

This month we have handed over responsibility for the display case to our student workers, Jonathan and Sarah. They have chosen to create a display on the life and works of Susanna Moodie, possibly Belleville's most famous former resident.



CABHC: HC04711 John Dunbar Moodie and Susanna Moodie with their niece, Miss Russell, in front of **Moodie Cottage**

Extra help

From January to March this year we have a new full-time Archives Assistant, Jonathan Chircop, whose position has been funded by the Federal Government's Young Canada Works scheme.

We are also happy to host Sarah Taylor, who is enrolled in the Durham College Library and Information Technician program. Sarah will be working at the Community Archives on Thursdays in February and March.

Welcome to you both!



YCW Archives Assistant, Jonathan Chircop





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