

# Mr. Alexander Cameron Reaches 100th Birthday

—Mr. Alexander Cameron, the grand old man of Elmsdale, P. E. I., was a visitor with many of his old friends in Long River and Kensington during the past week. Mr. Cameron will have seen his one hundredth birthday on Christmas day 1951. He is quite bright mentally and can recall happenings of the last fifty years as readily as those of the first fifty. His physical condition appears good also. He keeps active, and in fact is an apostle of activity to keep in good physical condition and thereby prolong life. He complained slightly about having to split a cord of tough spruce wood this spring, which he bought from a neighbor. It was as a challenge to him, but he was able to accomplish it.

It is to be hoped he will not indulge in such violent exercise again. Mr. Cameron spent most of his first fifty years in Long River and Kensington, with the exception of four years spent at Fort Garry (Winnipeg), Manitoba, previous to the last Riel rebellion. About fifty years ago he moved to Alberton, where he and his wife ran the Albion Terrace hotel, which is now part of the Western Hospital.

One hundred years is a remarkable and unique span of human life—allotted to a very few in all the 2300 millions of dwellers on this planet. Greater changes and inventions have taken place in the last hundred years than in any other equal period in the history of the world. Although the writer spent over two hours in the company of this outstanding man, we didn't get around to contemporary history of events and conditions, before steam trains, steamships, telephones, daily mail, daily papers, improved agricultural machinery, etc. The writer hopes to contact Mr. Cameron again in the near future, in order to get a better picture of life in the real primitive conditions of early days. K

## Californians Visit Island

—Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Allan Campbell, Long River, were Grafton Campbell, Mrs. May Campbell and her daughter Olive, of Hollister, California. Mrs. Campbell, formerly May Gillespie, had not visited the place of her birth since 1903 when she left here as a young girl with her parents. Needless to say she saw a great many changes and thoroughly enjoyed her visit with her many friends and relatives here.

Grafton, who is a control officer with the Department of Public Health in the State of California, has not visited the Island since 1937.

During their stay several parties were held in their honor. A social evening and sing-song at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allan A. Campbell, with solos, duets, quartets and group singing featured in the evening's entertainment. Home made ice cream and cake, tea and sandwiches were served by the hostess assisted by several ladies who were present.

A picnic was also held at Cavendish Beach, where the relatives and friends of the visitors met and enjoyed an afternoon's outing, and a beautiful luncheon was served in one of the kitchen shelters. Among the relatives attending the picnic were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Campbell, also of Hollister, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. MacLeod and Mrs. Ina Sutherland of Charlottetown, and Miss Mary C. Campbell, formerly of Portland, Oregon, but now of Grafton's Road.

The Campbells left on July 4th for their home, with many pleasant memories of the friends they made while here, and also the beautiful scenery of P.E.I. which, they said, surpassed any in their home state. En route they will spend some time with friends in Boston, Perthamboy and New York.—Bur.

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