

Barachois around 1900.

FRENCH SETTLERS

The French group gathered very slowly. Excepting the Jersey Island settlers who originally spoke French only, the first French Speaking settlers who came to Gaspé were Antoine Painchaud, a landsurveyor, from Ste. Anne-de-la-Pocatière, who arrived in 1840, and married one of ^{The} Hon. John Le Boutillier's daughters; Colonel Jean Colet Belleau, who came a little later and succeeded his brother-in-law, Henry Kavanagh, in the customs service about 1850. It was he who built the house now occupied by the Missionaries of Christ the King. About the same time, Mellon Morin, of ^{ST ANDRÉ DE NAMOURS,} ~~Lexis~~, arrived at Gaspé, Hon. John Le Boutillier engaged him as a painter. His son, Isidore Morin, who is most kindly remembered by all, was a true pioneer and built a number of homes on what is known to-day as Morin Street.

In 1875 The La Couvée family settled in Sandy Beach. The principal French group is of rather recent origin and came mostly from the neighbouring parishes, Cape-Aux-Os, Cape-Des-Rosiers, Anse-Au-Griffon, Rivière-Au-Rénard, Petit-Cape, St. Georges-de-la Malbaie, Barachois and Percé. A small number from the Upper Parishes, Rioux, Labbé and Thibault. The Leblanc family arrived from Dalhousie N. B. in 1919.

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Many of the names well known have completely or nearly disappeared, Garrett, Gault, Mabe and ~~McRae~~ of Haldimand, Baley, Lelievre, Williamson, and Harbour of Sandy Beach, Munroc, McConnell, Perchard, Shaw, Short, Wilson, Arnold, Richmond, Fruing, McNiël, McKennon, Prendergast, Pinchaud, Belleau, Lownde, Shous, Quigley, O'Hara, De-Ste-Croix, Shieldstream, Viet, Fingelant, Joppling, Valpy, Orviss, McCartney, McKenzie, Kavangah and Cosgrove of the Village of Gaspé and Gaspé Harbour. Laws of York and Moran of Wakeham.

SETTLERS

THE BOULEY FAMILY

Bouley's Nationality - French,

The time the family immigrated to Canada is not known, however they settled in the Upper Parishes. In the Spring they came down the St. Lawrence to Cape -Des-Rosiers and Grand Greve fishing and returned to their homes in the Parishes in the Fall. They did this for several years before any of the families moved to the fishing regain. Around 1855 three of the families moved to Cape- Aux-Os.

Michel first member of the family to settled in Gaspé, was born in 1872 at Cape- Aux-Os son of Paul Bouley and May Tivierge. He married in 1900 to Nora Perreault of Fontenelle (she was born in 1880) daughter of Joseph Perreault and Mary Smith.

In 1901 Michel and his wife moved to Point Navarre, after living there four or five years, they lost their home by fire and moved again this time to Gaspé Basin. Harris their son, reside in their old home to-day.

Michel Bouley died in 19~~65~~⁵⁶ age 84, they had nine children.

Glibert	Born 1901	Married Letitia Sinnett of Gaspé Basin
Guy	Born 1903	Married Rose Element of Seal Cove
Edna	Born 1905	Married Fabien Bouley of Gaspé Basin
Russell	Born 1907	Single died in 1943 age 46
Kathleen	Born 1909	Married James Hipson of Seal Cove
Harris	Born 1911	Married Veronique Ouillet of Fox River
Annie	Born 1913	Died in 1917 age 4
Leonard	Born 1915	Died in 1917 age 2
Eileen	Born 1917	Single died in 1945 age 32

THE COULOMBE FAMILY

Coulombe's Nationality - French,

The year the family immigrated to Canada is not known, however the land grants and sales records reveals, that there were a few Coulombe Families living in The Upper Parishes in the 1850's. This would indicate that the Upper Parishes was their original home in Canada.

Cyriac Coulombe was born in 1831 in The Upper Parishes. He began fishing at an early age, for a few years at the begining of May, he would come down the St. Lawrence to Cape-des-Rosiers, fish during the summers and returned to The Parishes for the winters. In 1851 he settled in Cape-des-Rosiers, the same year, at the end of the fishing season, on November 12th., he Married Marie Ste. Croix, whom he meet at Cape-des-Rosiers. She was born in 1836 in The Upper Parishes, They were married in St. Patrich Church Douglastown.

Marcel their son and the first member of The Coulombe Family, to settle in Gaspé, was born in 1867 in Cape-des-Rosiers. In 1890 he moved to the Basin and took up shoemaking, two years later, he bought from Father M. F. Gauthier, a plot of land and a home, on the corner of Morin and Main Streets. (To-day the property belongs to The Bank Canadian National) On Ocotber 25th. of the same year, at Jacques Cartier Church Gaspé Basin, Marcel married Marie Ann Gauthier of Nouvelle, Que. (A sister of Father Gauthier,) She died in 1900 at the age of 31. They had three children.

Ivan	Born 1895	Single died in 1927 age 32
Roma	Born 1898	Single died in 1926 age 28
Louis-Jean	Born 1900	Died 1900

On November 4th. 1901, at St. Jean Baptiste Church, Cape-Aux-Os, Marcel married again to Marie Fortin of Cape-Aux-Os, Marcel Coulombe died in 1932 age 65 His wife Marie died in 1943 age 62, they had twelve children.

Auralie	Born 1902	Single died 1923 age 21
Oscar	Born 1903	Married Mraia Alain of Caplin, Que.
Olia	Born 1904	Married Lionel Lajoie of Bagotville, Que.
Mignonnette	Born 1906	Sister Marie de Lourdes, Order of St. Augustine,
Louis	Born 1908	Married Jeanne Rioux of <i>Quebec</i>
Leopold	Born 1909	Married Lauraine Maloney of Douglastown, Que.
René	Born 1911	Married Francisa Grenier of St. Godfrey, Que.
Germaine	Born 1913	Married Henry St. Pierre <i>Quebec</i>
Eveline	Born 1915	Married Theodore Langlois of Port Daniel, Que.
Adéodat	Born 1917	Married Edith Green of Campbellton, N. B.
Adrien	Born 1919	Married Mabel Godfrey of Gaspé Basin, Que.
Romuald	Born 1921	Married Yvonne Sylveste of Fox River, Que.

CLEMENTS

The Clements' Nationalty - Irish.

The time the family immigrated to Canada and settled in Prince Edward Island, is not known.

Ambroise first member of the family to settle in Gaspe. Was born in 1860 at Grand River, Prince Edward Island. son of Peter Clements and Esther Phalau. In 1877 he married Margaret MacNiel daughter of Dominique MacNiel and Mary Cameron of Wellington, Prince Edward Island.

In 1891 Ambroise, his wife and six children came to Gaspe with R. J. MacNiel and Henry Mc Call as millright. The family first home in Gaspe was on the front side of the highway near Sydney Sams.

They had eight children,

William	born 1880	Single died 1955 age 75
John	born 1885	Married Elva Horie of Gaspe
Theresa	born 1888	Died in infancy
Braford	born 1889	Single drowned in 1916 age 27
George	born 1891	Married Annie Savidant of York
Peter	born 1893	Single Died of mill accident in 1911 age 18
Joseph	born 1896	Drowned fishing at the Old Mill Point Gaspe
Jenney	born 1901	Single
Frederick	born 1902	Married Monica Rooney of Douglastown

Ambroise Clements died on January 25th. 1935 age 75, his body was placed in the Cemetery Vault, to wait for Spring Burial. His Wife died on April 21st. of the same year age 79. The two Bodies were Buried on April 23rd. in the same Grave.

J O S E P H

Joseph's Nationality - Portuguese

The Joseph's original Family Name was J O S E P H K I L L E R, the double Family Name was always used in Portugal, but not in Canada. When Benjamin Joseph Killer, immigrated to Canada around 1800, from his native home (Hbulas Portugal) he dropped Killer and kept Joseph for his Family Name.

Upon his arrival in Canada, he settled in Paspébiac Quebec. In 1875 his Grand Son Joseph Joseph married Josephine Castilloux of Paspébiac and moved to St. Godfroi, after they had six children, his wife died. He remarried to Lucille Huard of St. Godfroi and they had nine children. Joseph Joseph died at the age of 88, his wife died at the age of 91 and his Wife's Father died at the age of 99 years and 10 month.

John first member of the family to settle in Gaspé, was born in 1890 at St. Godfroi son of Joseph Joseph and Lucille Huard. At an early age John began barbering, in May 1915,,he rented from Alfred Carter at Gaspé Basin a building on Main Street, next to Morin's Hotel and opened a Barber Shop. The following year he married Ida Grenier of St. Godfroi, in October 1918 he Purchased from Isidore Morin a house and a plot of land and built his own shop. John wife died in 1957 age 59, they had ten Children.

Salomen	Born 1917	Married Marie-Réine Cotton of St. Yvon
Ovide	Born 1918	Married Stella Perreault of Fontenelle
Georgette	Born 1919	Married B . Macdonald of Sydney N. S.
Ernest	Born 1921	Married Aimé Cotton Of Fox River
Philippe	Born 1922	Married Marguerite Gerard Paris France
Gilberte	Born 1924	Married Raymond Turgon Lévis Que.
Alicia	Born 1926	Married Roland Germain of Gaspé Basin
Maurice	Born 1928	Single

Two Boys died in infancy.

LAVOIES

The Lavoie's Nationality - French.

The year the family immigrated to Canada is not known, It's believe they settled in the Upper Parishes upon their arrival.

Jean-Baptiste first member of the family to settle in Gaspé was born on August 10th. 1870 , at Ste. Angèle-de-Mé¹rice Rimouski Co. son of Cyrille Lavoie and Elé¹onore Levesque. He was married on January 15th. 1900 to Marié Levesque, who was born on February 23rd. 1877, at Ste. Angèle-de-Mé¹rcie Rimouski Co. daughter of Joseph Levesque and Adèle LePage.

Jean-Baptiste and his family Resided sevrsal years at Amqui, Quebec. In April 1919 the family moved to Gaspé Basin and settled on Morin Street, He Died in July 1942 age 72.

They had fifteen Children.

Alcied	born 1900	Single died 1927 age 27
Annette	born 1902	Single
Joseph	born 1903	Married Yvonne Dayon of St.- Come-de Beauce, QUE.
Armand	born 1904	Married Yvonne Francis of Barachois
Adèle	born 1905	Single
Aime'	born 1906	Single
Isola	born 1908	Single died 1929 age 21
Evelyne	born 1910	Married Ernest Belanger of Mont - Joli Que.
Fernande	born 1912	Single
Fleur-Ange	born 1913	Married George Rioux of Luceville, Que.
Eleonore	born 1915	Died 1918 age 3
Cécile	born 1916	Single
Beatrice	born 1918	Single
Simone	born 1920	Single
Yvette	born 1920	Single

L'Esperances

L'Esperance's Nationality -- French.

The Family immigrated to Canada about 1665 from France. The first member was a FRENCH COLONIAL GOVERNOR of TALON. He made his home in Quebec City and started Canada's first shipyard there, shortly after his arrival.

Elzear first member of the Family to settle in Gaspé, was born in 1858 at Montmagny, Quebec. Son of Edouard L'Esperance and _____ Morin. He came to Gaspé in 1880 from Montmagny and settled on the Basin Point at the foot of Robin's Hill. About the same time his brother Arthur settled in Percé, another brother (SENATOR OVIDE L'ESPERANCE Resided in Quebec City, DOCTOR ALPHONSE L'ESPERANCE MEDICAL DIRECTOR of LAVAL SANATORIUM QUEBEC, is a son of SENATOR L'ESPERANCE.) Elzear was a PHOTOGRAPHER by trade, In 1882 he married Ernestine Laumailier of St. Helier Jersey. He died in 1893 at the early age of 35, leaving two small children Emile born in 1886 and Camille born in 1889. At Elzear's Death Mrs. L'Esperance kept up her husband's photograph business, and later opened a Jewelry and Greeting Card business in her home. She took care of two boys, educated them, look after her shop but she never kept any help.

In the early hours on the morning of January 7th. 1927 The Family's Home was destroyed by fire, along with Robin, Jones and Whitman's Ltd. Store and Baker's Tavern. They rebuilt their Home the same year.

Mrs. L'Esperance Died in 1946 at the age of 87. Emile is a JEWELER by trade and was one of the FIRST HIGHWAY POLICE for the Gaspé Coast. Camille was a OPTOMETRIST, He Died in 1956 age 67.

SINNETT

The Sinnett's Nationality - French and the original spelling of the name was SINET. In 1685 the family was kicked out of France during a Religious Revolt. From there the family settled in Northern Ireland. The first member of the family (name unknown) to immigrate to Canada, settled in Griffon Cove in 1785. He was a survivor from a ship wreck of Cape-Des-Rosiers.

Jerry Sinnett was born in 1855 at Griffon Cove son of André Sinnett and (~~mother~~-maiden name unknown) In 1886 he married Cecile Thivierge of Griffon Cove. They came to Gaspé Basin in 1907 and made there home on the Point.

Jerry Sinnett died in 1927 age 72, his wife died in 1934 age 76, they had six children.

Jerry jr.	Born 1887	Married Ada
Sensida	Born 1888	Married Clarence Moran of Gaspé Basin
Michel	Born 1889	Married Aglaie Duguay of Griffon Cove
Philip	Born 1890	Died in 1907 age 17
Eugene	Born 1896	Married Germaine Rioux of Gaspé Basin
Leda	Born 1899	Married Wilfred Rivest of Montreal

WHALENS

The Whalen's Nationality - Irish.

William Whalen was born in 1862 in Ireland. He and his Mother were the first members of the family to settled in Gaspé. They arrived from Ireland in 1872. - His Mother died in Gaspé at the age of 81.

William first wife was Eileen Element of Barachois, they had three children, (their names are not known) Mrs. Whalen died at the early age of 25. William remarried in 1891 to Julia Russell of Barachois. William Whalen died in 1932 age 70, His second wife Julia died in 1907 age 35,

He had seven children by his second marriage.

Archie	born 1892	Married Nellie Kelley of Gaspé
Roseanna	born 1893	Married Eugene Rail of St. Georges
Alfred	born 1894	Married first wife Margurete Trudél of Barachois Married second wife <i>Alexina</i> Deon of Mal Bay
Ralph	born 1898	Married Selena Trudel of Barachois
Napolean	born 1899	Married Angeline Samuel of Fox River
Manul	born 1901	Single
James	born 1902	Single