

ENOCH BOWN::: AMIGARI ONT. E.S. CONCESSION ROAD. 1826- 1916.
marr. Esther Southran . 1826- 1921

Born in Lancashire England , Oct. 24th. 1826, he came to Canada as a young man in 1857. He was an Engineer on the Grand Trunk Railroad, formerly the Great Western. He worked on the Niagara Falls, London, and Windsor run. His reputation as a pioneer railwayman soon spread. In 1873 when the first engine The Scotia, crossed the International bridge, he was in the cab with the operator Peter Schryer. At the time Enoch Bown was locomotive foreman, or master mechanic on the Grand Trunk.

He started as foreman in the old roundhouse on the Gilmore Road, next to the Grand Trunk Hotel. For eight years from 1897- 1905 he piloted the Dummy that ran across the International from Fort Erie to Black Rock.

In 1905 he retired from the railroad, after being a member of the Brotherhood for sixty-five years. He was 79 at the time the oldest operating engineer in Canada. The diesel powered Dummy operated by Enoch Bowen was # 6063.

Mr. Bowen had six sons, three who remained in Fort Erie, and almost all of them followed him into railroading.

Children of Enoch Bown & Esther

William Garrick Bown	nite foreman	1862.	1940.	burr.	St. Paul's.
THOMAS Frederick Bown	Engineer	1856	1939.	"	"
ROBERT H. BOWN		1860.	1906	"	"

PETER railroad U.S.A.

John Theodore 1874. 1959. burr. St. Paul's.

JOSEPH (BUFFALO)

Esther E. Mrs. Arnum: Buffalo 1858 1940

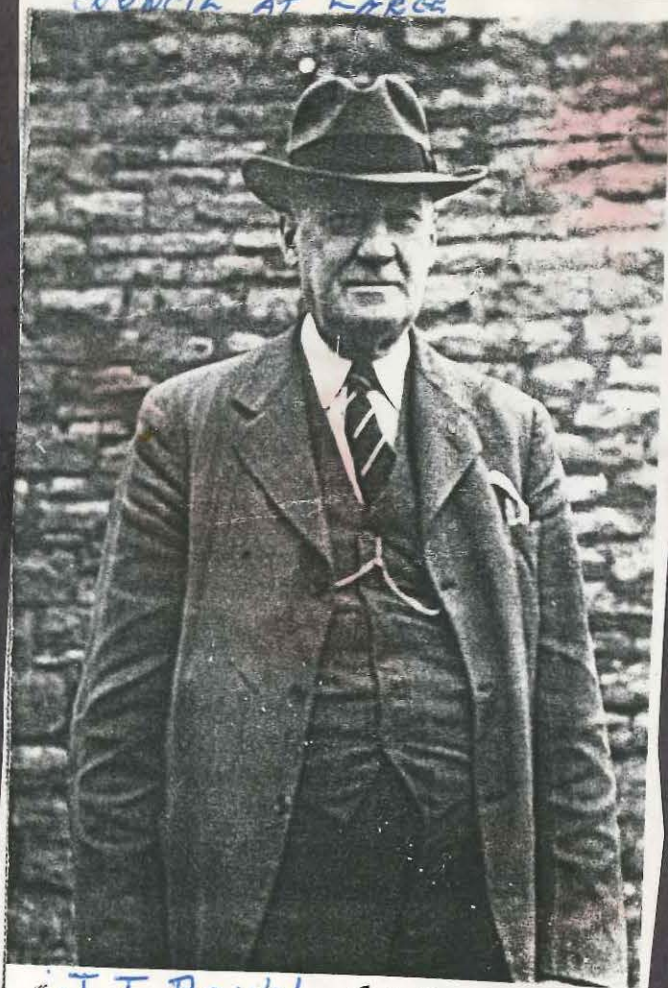
Alice Emma Mrs. Roberts 1871. 1942.

Mary Ann Mrs. Dixon : St. Thomas

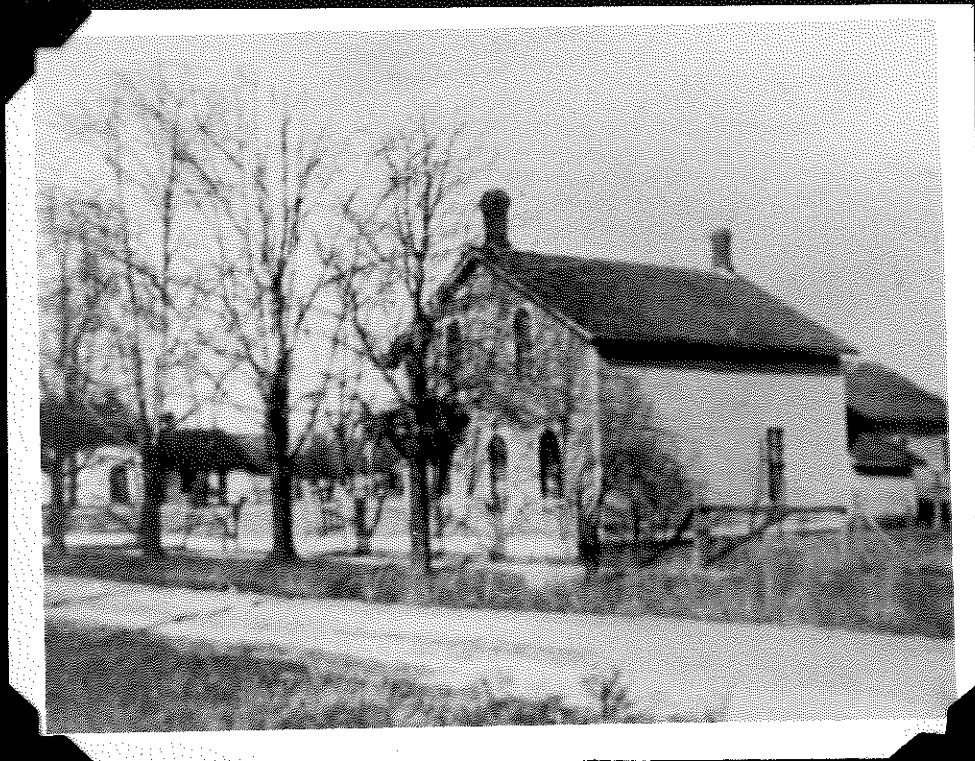
ENOCH BOWN ENGINEER.



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HOME OF ENOCH BOWN & FAMILY # 57.
E.S. OF CONCESSION RD. built 1872.



The old E. Bown home.
Demolished May 1978.

families to see.

Enoch Bown Buried.

The funeral of Enoch Bown, pioneer railwayman, whose death was related in Saturday's NEWS, was held this afternoon. Under the auspices of Palmer Masonic lodge, services were held in Saint Paul's Anglican church at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Canon D. Russell Smith conducted the services. Interment took place at Saint Paul's cemetery. Surviving are four sons, Thomas, Garrett and Theodore Bown of Amigari, Joseph Bown of Buffalo, and three daughters, Mrs. Dixon of Saint Thomas, Mrs. Arnum of Buffalo and Emma of Amigari. His wife, who is in her 90th year, also survives.

Mr. Bown, who was, before retiring from railroading, locomotive foreman of the Grand Trunk shops here, was 91 years old. Sixty years he was affiliated with the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, 40 years he was a Mason. He came to Canada in 1857, and took a position on the old Great Western railway. He was the engineer who brought troops from Toronto and other points at the time of the Fenian raid.

Matthews, Corbin, Home

1916

Pioneer Passes Away

The death occurred on Friday morning of Enoch Bown of Amigari, one of the oldest residents of the Niagara Peninsula. Deceased was ninety one years and five months of age. He came to Canada from Lancashire, England, in 1854, and took a position on the old Great Western Railway, long since absorbed by the Grand Trunk. The late Mr. Bown was one of the oldest living engineers in North America. He came to Canada when railroads were new. For years he was an engineer. He was the engin-

eer who brought reinforcements for the hard-pressed Canadians in the Fenian raid from Toronto. He brought the heavy artillery down at the time the Fenians were leaving Fort Erie in Scows, and it was an old story of his to tell of how the battery he brought on his train could have blown the barges to pieces, had the officer wished to do so. Many years ago he narrowly escaped with his life when his engine fell into the Welland canal at Port Colborne. After many years service on the road, he was made locomotive foreman of the Grand Trunk shops in Amigari. This position he held for many years. In his last years of service with the Grand Trunk International bridge dummy motive car. Four sons, Thomas, Garrett and Theodore survive him here, and another son, Joseph, resides in Buffalo. Three daughters, Mrs. Arnum of Buffalo, Mrs. B. Dixon of St. Thomas and Emma at home, also survive. His widow, also survives. She is in her ninetieth year. For sixty years he was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and for about forty years a member of the Masonic Order. He was for twenty-seven consecutive years treasurer of the local Palmer lodge. The funeral will be held on Monday afternoon of this week. Interment will take place at St. Paul's cemetery. The Palmer Masonic lodge will conduct the services, Rev. Canon D. Russell Smith performing the last rites.

William Brown

William Brown, an old resident of Bridgeburg, who has been living in California for the past four years, died at Pasadena on Monday, February 14th. He was about 83 years old.

Mr. Brown settled in Bridgeburg about the year 1875. He was an engineer on the old Great Western Railway, and for a time was engineer on the International Bridge "dummy." He had retired from active work many years before going to California to spend his declining days with his son, William R. Brown, who is the only near relative surviving.

Interment was made at Pasadena.

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