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Interview

1 1/2 hrs.

1. Arthur Pelletier
4. Haileybury Ont
6. 80 yrs.
7. Ottawa Valley

In the year 1897 we left Otter Lake Quebec to come North to Haileybury this included my Uncle Henry Giroux and his wife Aunt Jenny my father brother and myself.

My grandfather drove us to Shawville here we got the train which took us to Mattawa then by boat up Lake Temiskaming to Lawlors Landing which would be about one mile south of the present dock.

We moved in with my Uncle Fred Giroux which was a hewed log building on his farm in North Cobalt, this was situated east side of railroad at the North end of Station Street.

We later moved to a farm which Uncle Herry took up this was just east of the Guen Meehan Mine. About 1900-01 My brother and myself started to school in Haileybury we walked down the old road, which went through the Owen Robinson farm onlto the east of the old Cemetry through to the school on a bush tmail school situated where Matabanich Hotel is now.

In the yr. 1904 I left Haileybury to go Pointe O Trembe college sitnated on the St. Lawrence River this college was operated by the Presbyterian Church my fee per term was five dollars this fee was established according to your wage. Here I remained for three yrs. then came back home to go prospecting with my Dad and Uncle up around Monroe Township then some around Mac-Dougal Chutes now known as Matheson.

In about 1900 my Dad operated his own lumber camp which was on what later was Mr. Waldo Brown's farm in Lorraine Township. In the yr. 1909 I worked for Mr. C. A. Foster driving a team hauling slabs from his saw mill to the wood yard.

In the yr. 1912 my brother and myself worked at the Argentite street car overpass this is the yr. I took up 160 acres in Lorraine Township. In the yr. 1926 I drew ice off Lake Temiskaming for the fish market which was operated by Mr. Bill Tent and Mr. Proulx.

In 1927 Mr. Ed. Daves took a contract to build break-water along lake shore I worked for him hauling rock from the Agenico Mine. On Dec 19, 1922 I freighted with horses form the Keeley Mine in Silver Centre to Mileage one Hundred four mill. Most of material which I used for to build my home and barn was taken by boat as far as Martineau Bay then hauled the rest of the way by horses on a wagon on a bush road. My far m as I bought it was all standing timber which I cleared with a team of horses and lots of hard work. In the yrs. 1927 I was married and raised ten children and farmed here till 1958.