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As part of our 60th Anniversary celebrations, Trinity Historical Society will be hosting a Summer Seminar Series on one evening each week in July and August. Please see our website, Newsletter, and Facebook page for details this spring.

In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of the fourth of the men who are remembered on the War Monument in Trinity East.

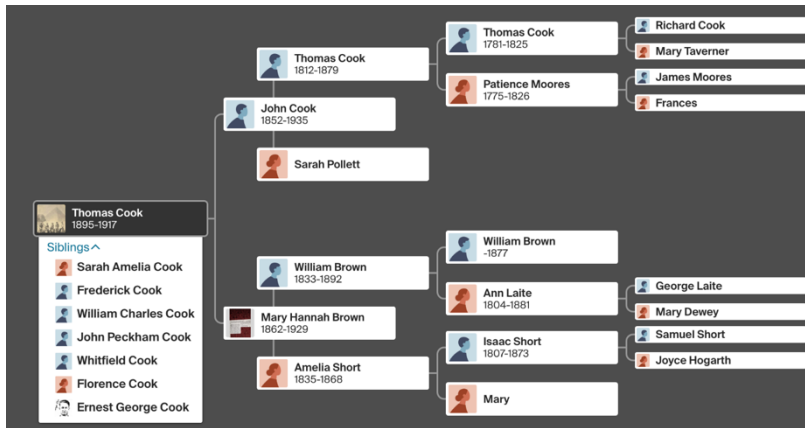
As always, the THS welcomes application for membership from anyone interested in the objectives and activities of the Society.



Thomas Cook



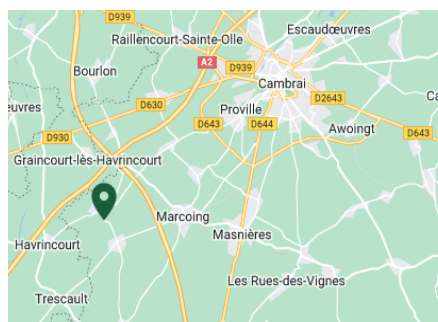
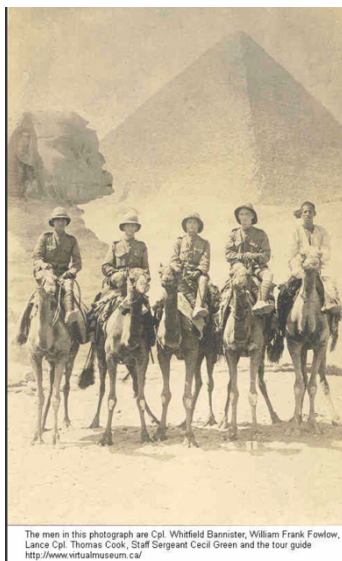
Thomas Cook was born at Pease Cove, Trinity East on July 15th, 1895 to John Cook and Mary Brown. He was a fisherman before enlisting in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on February 15th, 1915. He was killed in action December 3rd, 1917 at Cambrai, France. He was 22.



Family Tree

Thomas saw first action with the regiment at Gallipoli where he was wounded by shell fire and evacuated to England in January 1916. He rejoined the regiment in Belgium in September 1916. He was promoted to Lance Corporal on June 24th, 1917. Thomas was killed in action near the villages of Marcoing and Masnières during the last days of the Battle of Cambrai. He is buried in Flesquières Hill British Cemetery.

Lance Corporal Cook was a recipient of the Military Medal which was awarded after his death for his conduct during the Battle of Cambrai: *'Action date, November 20th, 1917 - When his platoon was being checked by snipers, he went forward on his own initiative to locate them, and throughout the day set a great example by his courage, energy and determination.'* - London Gazette, March 13, 1918



Death Location



Flesquieres Hill British Cemetery

Thomas, third from left, is pictured here with fellow Newfoundlanders.