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Trinity Historical Society is pleased to present a series of Author Readings this fall in partnership with Breakwater Books. The next reading will be by Clayton B. Smith, author of A Seal of Salvage, and will be presented on September 27th at 5:00 pm at the Lester Garland House. Please see our website and The Trinity Bight Enterprise for more details.

In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of the sixth of the men who are remembered on the War Monument in Port Rexton.

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



Reuben Ploughman



Reuben Ploughman, the son of Mark Ploughman and Mary Ann Penney, was born at Ship Cove on August 8th, 1895. He died in the sinking of the SS Larchgrove on October 27th, 1918. He was 23.



Family Tree

Reuben, an ex-member of the Royal Navy Reserve, was a crew member on-board the SS Larchgrove (Merchant Fleet Auxillary) in the fall of 1918. The Larchgrove left Seville, Spain carrying a load of pig iron and was part of a convoy when she was struck amidship and cut in two by the USS Hawaiian off Tangiers, Morocco. She sank in less than a minute with the loss of all but 16 of her crew.



Death Location



Port Rexton Cemetery