

## *Looking Back*



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Meet the Allens of Prospect Harbor, Maine. That's Captain Rufus Allen and his wife, Rhoda. The year is, oh, 1890 or thereabouts. It was Captain Allen who was awarded the ship's bell from the Canadian steamship *Queen Victoria* after he and his men saved the lives of *Queen Victoria's* crew when their steamship went down off Cape Hatteras (North Carolina) in 1866 after being battered by a hurricane. The bell tolled the start and end of school in Prospect Harbor for decades and remains in the keeping of the town of