

Adam Gillmore Sweezey

One of the first pioneers in Capreol was Adam Gillmore Sweezey, He was born in 1890. He married a girl from Byng Inlet near Perry Sound, her name was Alice Frazer. The moved to Capreol and Mr. Sweezey Became a conductor for the Canadian National Railway. In those days he didn't have a telephone so the call boy, as they would say would come and give them a two hour call for work. When conductor Addie Sweezey retired a man from the C.N.R. magazine Fred Solman wrote an article about him which appeared in Time magazine, this is what Fred wrote.

" The first time I saw Sweezey in action he was putting a pillow under the head of a sick child in his caboose, it was child he had picked up at one of the flag stops beyond reach telephones or Doctors. When the train arrived in Capreol there was an ambulance waiting with one of the best Doctors in Sudbury aboard, who was also Sweezey's friend.

The last time I saw Sweezey in action he was collecting kisses from women at flag stops, he got a total 69 kisses, among them he got one from an Indian Princess, one from a U.S.A judges wife, and one from a mother who was a sick child in Sweezey's van thirty years ago.

Addie Sweezey's name also appeared in Ripplies believe it or not for having all his three sons become brakemen, and three of his daughters married to brakemen.

Adam Gillmore Sweezey died at the age of 77 on July 12, 1967.

Addie was my Great Grandfather, and although I was not around in his time, from my research I feel like I knew him.

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