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More True Tales of Crime and Justice from Nova Scotia's Past

Dean Jobb

Nonfiction: Crime, Nova Scotia History

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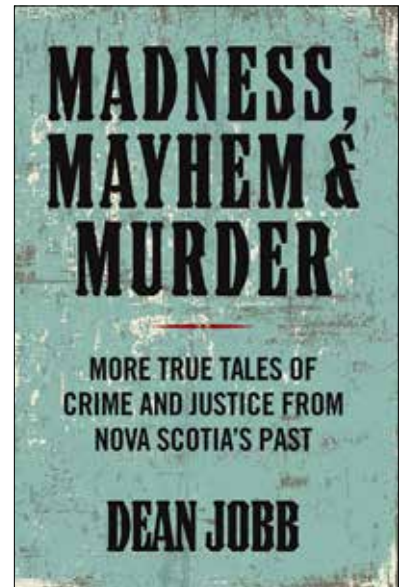
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Madness, Mayhem & Murder, the sequel to 2020's bestselling *Daring, Devious & Deadly*, is a collection of 16 more true tales of crime and justice, drawn from almost two centuries of Nova Scotia's history, from the province's first murder case in 1749 to its last execution in 1937. The cast includes pirates and privateers, terrorists, shadowy Confederate agents, and a motley crew of smugglers, thieves, killers, duel-fighting gentlemen, and a few people who were in the wrong place at the wrong time. These are stranger-than-fiction tales of crime and punishment, tragedy and redemption, and guilt and innocence, with a lot to say about the past – and the unending quest for justice.

Meet the larger-than-life characters from Nova Scotia's past who broke the law as well as the mold. Jack Randell, skipper of a Lunenburg-based rum-running schooner, sparked a diplomatic row in 1929 when he tried to outrun the United States Coast Guard. Henry More Smith was a nineteenth-century thief so brazen that he swiped law books from the office of a Halifax judge, then returned them to collect a reward. Samuel Herbert Dougal preyed on women and likely murdered two of his wives while serving with the British Army in Halifax in the 1880s. And Irish-American terrorists hatched a plot to blow up a Royal Navy warship anchored in Halifax Harbour in 1883. Their target? Prince George of Wales, a midshipman on board who would one day ascend to the British throne as King George V.

Dean Jobb is the award-winning author of *The Case of the Murderous Dr. Cream* (HarperCollins Canada). His previous book of Nova Scotia true crime stories, *Daring, Devious and Deadly*, was an Indigo/Chapters/Coles local bestseller in 2020. His true crime features appear in *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine* and *CrimeReads*. He teaches nonfiction writing at the University of King's College in Halifax. (Website: www.deanjobb.com Twitter: @DeanJobb)



Unfiltered

An Irreverent History of Beer in Nova Scotia

Steven Laffoley

Nonfiction: Beer, Nova Scotia, History, Humour

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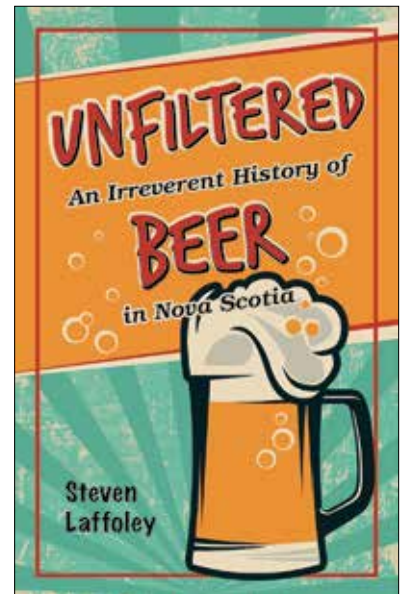
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"My reason for being in the tavern was important. I wanted to better understand the history of beer in Nova Scotia. Or more specifically, I wanted to know how it was that Nova Scotians became the foremost makers and drinkers of the stuff. In truth, Canada had long ago tumbled down the consumption of beer per capita mountain among the world's nations, finding itself in paltry thirty-fourth place, lagging far behind beer-drinking powerhouses like Mexico and Botswana. And Nova Scotia, well, on average, Nova Scotians consumed only about eight litres per capita of beer per year, placing beery Bluenosers a scant eleventh among the provinces and territories, though we did have brew house bragging rights over the drinking denizens of Nunavut."

After extensive initial research, author Steven Laffoley discovered that the history of beer in Nova Scotia was as cloudy as a good pumpkin lager or a cold wheat beer on a dark winter's day. So with an intrepid, albeit mildly inebriated, explorer's courage, he packed up his notebook and set off in search of Nova Scotia's beer-filled past, which, as it turned out, was far stranger than he expected. It was a fascinating tale of heartwarming heroes, despicable villains, astounding secrets, and a gruesome murder or two, all with the added amusements of Victorian cross-dressing tavern patrons and a few goats with a passion for warm ale and chewing tobacco. And now the story can be told. You may want to pour a good glass of IPA for this.

Steven Laffoley is a writer, educator, and traveller. His numerous fiction and nonfiction books – including the award-winning *Shadowboxing: the rise and fall of George Dixon*, *The Blue Tattoo*, and *Halifax Nocturne* – explore the compelling people, unique character and uncommon stories of Nova Scotia. He lives in Halifax.



Down Home for Christmas:

Holiday Stories from Atlantic Canada

Edited by Julia Swan and Lesley Choyce

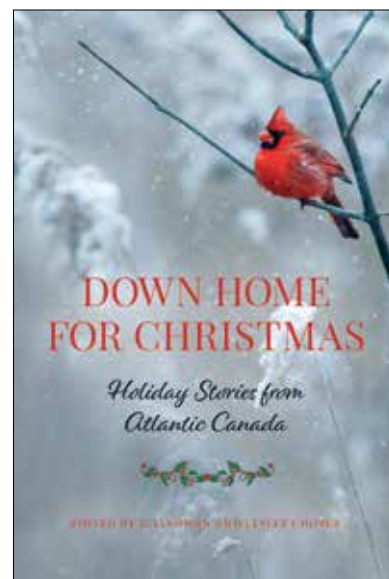
Anthology: Fiction, Memoir

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In this eclectic collection of both fiction and nonfiction, adult and children's stories, writers from the Atlantic Provinces describe Christmas and winter experiences that are both challenging and heartwarming, funny and serious, ridiculous and sublime. Readers of varied ages will enjoy the thrill of receiving an orange from Portugal in Hugh MacLennan's classic tale, the pathos of a lame boy who knows the true meaning of Christmas in an excerpt from Steven Laffoley's *A Halifax Christmas Carol*, Sharon and Mary O'Hara's childhood excitement of anticipating Santa from their home on the remote and fabled Sable Island. Mi'kmaq educator and advisor Theresa Meuse describes the ways in which the Mi'kmaq celebrate the season, both as Indigenous Peoples and as practicing Catholics. And Lindsay Ruck recalls the Christmas of 1991, when her repurposing of ordinary (and some might say throw-away) items for holiday gifts was at its zenith.



Sandra Phinney holds a mysterious gold-coloured "thing" in her hand on Christmas morning, puzzling over what it can be. In Budge Wilson's "The Imperfect Perfect Christmas," December 24 finds young Andrea Doucette feeling none of the holiday spirit as she ponders what sort of Christmas they will have this year. Janice Landry recalls the dollhouse her father Basil made for his granddaughter one special Christmas. Patrick O'Flaherty describes the hardships of a Newfoundland fisherman facing a difficult season in a hard, unforgiving landscape. And Farley Mowat tells us what snow means to people around the world: "settling in great flakes on a calm night over a vast city" or "slanting swiftly down across a cluster of tents huddled below a rock ridge on the arctic tundra."

Down Home for Christmas offers a rich tapestry of seasonal stories from some of Pottersfield Press's most talented and beloved authors and is sure to touch both those who love Christmas and those who enjoy the entire winter season in our rugged Down East region.

Julia Swan is a long-time editor of Pottersfield Press and Lesley Choyce is the author of dozens of books for adults, teens, and children.

A Dangerous Age

A Novel

Bette L. Cahill

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From the bestselling author of *Butterbox Babies*.

While investigating the mysterious death of a scuba diver in Bear Cove, Nova Scotia, journalist Luke Hayes and his partner, Julie Danforth, uncover highly confidential documents confirming that medical researchers have made a miraculous discovery in the darkest reaches of the ocean – one that will enable people to live well beyond 120 years and remain healthy and disease free. As Hayes and Danforth dig deeper, they discover a team of scientists are preparing to launch North America's first-ever human clinical trials on aging in New York City. Enamoured with the idea of living 30 to 40 years longer than the average life expectancy, they apply to become participants.

When they discover unethical practices threaten the legitimacy of the trial and result in the death of a participant, their own lives are threatened. Before their journey is over, they'll come close to losing everything, and everyone, important to them. *A Dangerous Age* is a gripping medical mystery about the race to prevent the effects of aging, at any cost.



Bette L. Cahill is an award-winning journalist who wrote the Canadian bestseller *Butterbox Babies*. She contributed to the 1995 movie version, which attracted 3.2 million viewers – one of the highest-rated two-hour television dramas in the history of Canadian television. Bette was a reporter and producer at the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation for 35 years and is the recipient of four major journalism awards for her work in television news and documentaries. She resides in Halifax.

Madam of the Maritimes

The Life and Times of Ada McCallum

Blain Henshaw

Nonfiction: Nova Scotia, History, Biography, Politics

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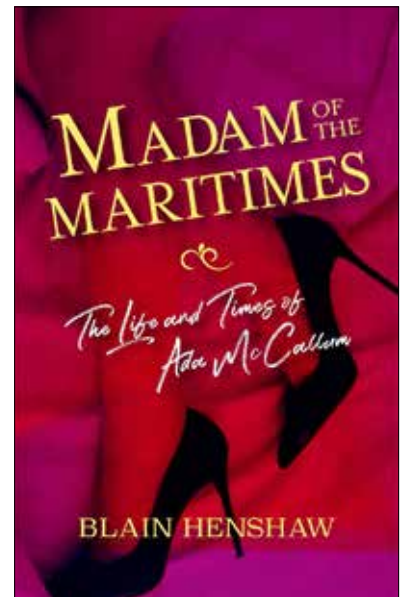
Here is the fascinating true story of how a poor girl from the Prairies rose above poverty and hardship to become the best known, and seemingly untouchable, madam in this country. Everyone from housewives to politicians knew her simply as Ada – the renowned madam of Canada's most notorious brothel at 51 Hollis Street in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

For more than four decades, Ada Jane McCallum and the women known as her girls offered sex for sale to the local gentry and to thousands of sailors, soldiers, and merchant seamen from around the world as they passed through the port city. Although she operated an illicit business, Ada was respected and earned a reputation as one who protected and treated her employees well, dealt with her clients with discretion and respect, and cultivated a remarkably tolerant relationship with the powers that be.

Madam of the Maritimes looks into McCallum's entry into the bustling brothel business during the war years, her three short-lived marriages, and her challenges with the law and Revenue Canada. It provides a look at Ada as seen through the eyes of some who knew her – a prostitute who worked for her for five years, her Halifax hairdresser in the 1950s, a retired judge who sentenced her in his court, an adoring niece, a curious young reporter, and an anonymous client. As Ada's friend and Halifax journalist the late Doug Harkness once said, "She was part of our cultural life."

This story is not about the legality or morality of prostitution. Instead, it is about a respected and generous woman of class and dignity who made a name for herself in the world's oldest profession.

Blain Henshaw is an award-winning journalist, broadcaster, songwriter, and performer. He lives in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, and is an announcer at 105.9 Seaside FM community radio in Eastern Passage. His previous books include: *The Peddlers: The Fuller Brush Man, the Lords of Linament and Door ro Door Heroes in Nova Scotia and Beyond*; *All Hands Lost: The Sinking of the Nova Scotian Gypsum Freighter Novadoc*; and *Rescue at Moose River: Birthplace of on-the-spot-reporting*.



Short Mercy

A Novel

Colin Sweets Arsenault

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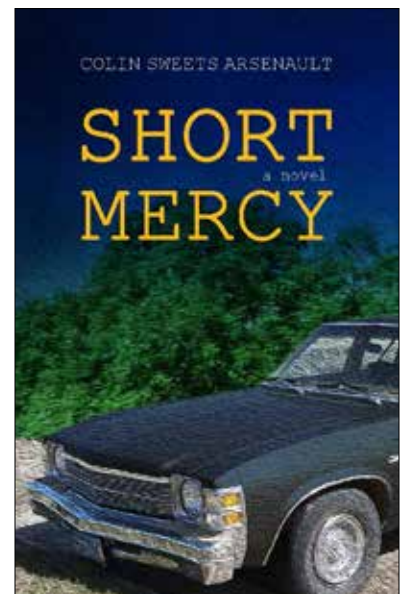
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Jim Short doesn't want any trouble. Unfortunately, trouble tends to lurk everywhere. Even in quiet towns like Hethering, Nova Scotia. Lately, 17-year-old Mackenzie White has been hanging around Jim's bookstore, and if small-town gossip is to be believed, she has a knack for finding trouble wherever she goes. Sure enough, on the same night Jim makes the biggest sale of his career, he's held at gunpoint by a stranger in black and is robbed of all the cash in his register. Suddenly, Mackenzie's mischievous familiarity seems a useful resource. Jim's description of the thief bears a resemblance to a certain notorious criminal in the area, and Mackenzie claims to have an intimate knowledge of that same figure.

The unlikely duo take each other on as road trip partners, in an effort to track down the crook and gain redemption. Along the way, they swap origin stories and impart the wisdom of their respective worlds; he is loath to live a little, and she's a born disruptor. But countless hours of Maritime highway travel help them to discover that more unites them than divides.

This book delivers a series of clues about the backgrounds of its characters and the relatives who helped shape them. As more is revealed, the clearer it becomes that many of us are upholding the very same airs, but in different ways. With getaway cars, ineffectual police, and the heavy pressures of family history, *Short Mercy* is for anyone who knows small towns on the East Coast are as rife with mystery as anywhere.

Colin Sweets Arsenault is an award-winning radio host on CKUL in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he currently hosts the afternoon drive show. He also co-hosts the pop culture podcasts *REcorder 66* and *The Show Show with Sweets & Slaney*. He lives in Dartmouth with his wife, Becky, and their two cats. *Short Mercy* is his first novel.



Daystart Songflight

A Morning Journal

Brian Bartlett

Nonfiction: Nature, Atlantic Canada, Birds

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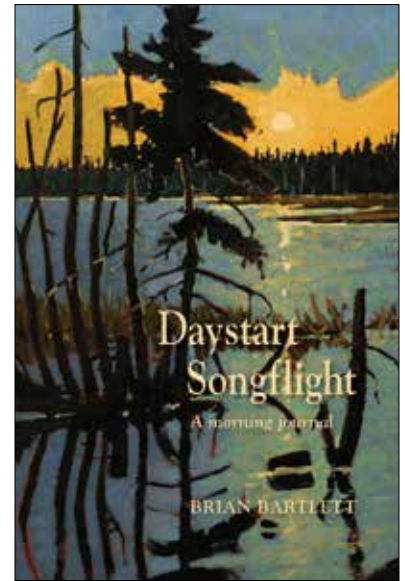
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In the spring of 2018, Brian Bartlett embarked on an experiment of going outdoors before sunrise to find what could be seen, heard, felt, and thought in the days' earlier hours. Composed of entries drafted over 18 months, *Daystart Songflight: A Morning Journal* combines nature writing, travel, autobiography, and reflections on reading. During in-the-field excursions Bartlett found more to learn about dawn, sunrise, and morning than he'd imagined; in his reading he encountered morning thoughts by many sorts of writers, including naturalists, poets, painters, religious figures, and translators from oral traditions.

Following in the footsteps of his earlier plein-air work, *Branches Over Ripples: A Waterside Journal*, Bartlett's new book is characterized by close observation, a curious mind, and a love for meandering. Bartlett is keen both to record the unique textures of particular mornings and to muse on how mornings overlap with each other. His layered prose is open to both concentration and digressiveness, poetry and science, memory and mindfulness, grief and humour. Aging, mortality, and climate change are realities the author faces even while he observes and celebrates birds and other creatures, flowers and other plants, clouds and sunlight.

More than half of the journal's entries were written in and about sites in Nova Scotia (including Halifax, Colchester, Lunenburg, Hants, Kings, and Digby counties). Bartlett's travels also take him to other locations in the Atlantic Provinces, as well as to Maine, Montreal and Vancouver, southern Sweden, and northern California.

Brian Bartlett's 14 collections and chapbooks of poetry include *The Watchmaker's Table*, *Granite Erratics* and *The Afterlife of Trees*. His poetry has received the Atlantic Poetry Prize, the Acorn-Plantos Award for People's Poetry, and two *Malahat Review* Long Poem Prizes. He taught creative writing and literature at Saint Mary's University for nearly 30 years.



It's Not So Simple Now

Christopher Heide

Poetry

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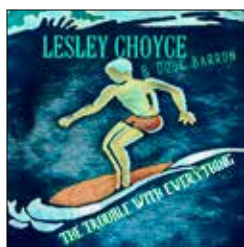
"These poems were first written from many different places, different views outside windows, different earth underfoot. Most are from the East Coast of Canada: Mahone Bay, where I have lived longest, Lunenburg, Guysborough, Cape Breton. Others further afield: Montreal, Ottawa, Banff, British Columbia, beloved Baffin Island. Some a touch exotic: Lancashire, Edinburgh, even distant Indonesia. The journey, across South, North, West, and finally East has not been aimless. It was always intended to bring me here, by the ocean. I was born by the sea on Prince Edward Island. My mother was born by the Irish Sea. My great-grandfather crossed the ocean arriving here from Russia. When I was young, my father shared poetry with me, including the work of the Russian poet Yevtushenko. I've shared my poems with many people since then as I am sharing them now with you, my reader. Thank you for coming on this little voyage."

In this collection of poetry the author takes us on a journey through personal relationships and internal struggles. Love is central to this travelling – the joy of love and the challenge of sustaining it – the pain only love can deliver – and ultimately the loss and grief when loved ones depart. Sixty poems are divided into four directions: Southbound, Northbound, Westbound, and Eastbound – warmth and happiness, ice and depression, being lost and finding home. The author's considerable travels are enunciated – within the Maritimes, Western Canada, Nunavut, and abroad to the UK and Indonesia – giving colour to the experience associated with each.

Through a variety of styles, the author's voice emerges with passion and sometimes with humour. The speaking voice is direct and often conversational. Many of the poems are spoken to particular individuals, bringing the reader into honest, revealing conversations that arise from being completely inside a moment.

Heide's first collection of poetry, *Poems of a Very Simple Man*, was published by Fiddlehead Press. Writing primarily for the theatre, Heide has four books in print and has had dozens of plays professionally produced in almost every Canadian province and abroad. He has been the recipient of several awards for his writing. Heide is also well-known as a director and producer of both theatre and music.

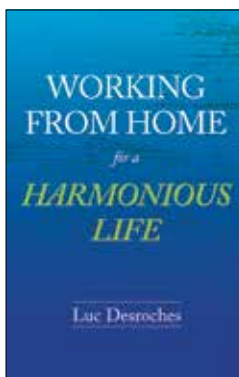




The Trouble With Everything Lesley Choyce and Doug Barron

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This audiobook offers 27 studio readings of poems accompanied by original music. Author Lesley Choyce and musician/record producer Doug Barron created a full-length CD audiobook recording of a unique alternative brand of spoken word poetry and music. This is a highly eclectic mix of Choyce's published poetry and Barron's studio wizardry that will help to shake off the bad vibes of the past year and inspire listeners with some heartfelt words. Lesley Choyce is the author of over 100 books. Doug Barron has been producing music, film, and art since the 1970s and runs Brussels Street Studios in Halifax, Nova Scotia.



Working From Home for a Harmonious Life

Luc Desroches

Self-help
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Luc Desroches began working from his home office in 2016, which has allowed him to create a more harmonious life for himself and his family. The book was mostly written before COVID-19 struck. Desroches delves deep into the personal experience as he also reflects on the values and teachings of the Mi'kmaq people.

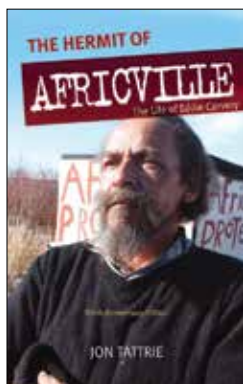
New Editions

The Hermit of Africville *The Life of Eddie Carvery*

Jon Tattrie

Nonfiction: Biography, Racism, Nova Scotia, Africville, History
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As Black Lives Matter protests swept the world, one of Canada's greatest anti-racism fighters returned to reclaim the Black space and Black history to which he's dedicated his life. Eddie Carvery's Africville protest reached its 50th year in 2020. The City of Halifax bulldozed Africville, a small community on the shores of Bedford Basin. He returned to pitch a tent and vowed to stay until everyone saw what he saw: that it was racist and wrong to destroy Africville. This updated edition includes an introduction from Eddie himself reflecting on 50 years of fighting racism and his vision for a Canada that embraces all its peoples. (100% of the royalties from the book go to Eddie Carvery and his Africville protest.)

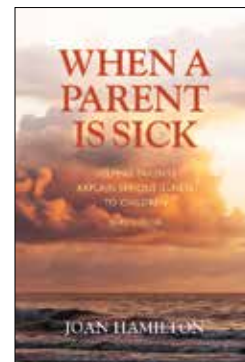


When a Parent is Sick *Helping Parents Explain Serious Illness to Children, Third Edition*

Joan Hamilton, RN, BN, MSc(A)

Nonfiction: Healthcare, Illness, Dying, Child Psychology, Parenting
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This book provides parents and other caregivers with suggestions on how to approach children with the information that their parent is seriously ill. There are many examples of how and what to say to children and teens. The author reviews a child's understanding and response to serious illness at different stages of development. She provides suggestions of how adults may help children understand their feelings and cope with the daily disruptions the illness has created. There are chapters on what to do when a parent is dying and what to do when a parent dies. Also included is a list of books and other resources for parents and children who want to read further on the subject. Joan Hamilton was a clinical nurse specialist in cancer care in Halifax, Nova Scotia, for more than 30 years.

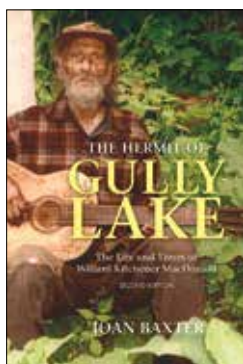


The Hermit of Gully Lake *The Life and Times of Willard Kitchener MacDonald, Second Edition*

Joan Baxter

Nonfiction: Nova Scotia, Hermit, Wilderness Survival, Biography, Eccentrics
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Willard Kitchener MacDonald (1916-2003) lived for 60 years as a recluse in the deep woods of Nova Scotia, enduring hardship and isolation. In this colourful, intimate, and respectful book, readers are offered a glimpse of the man behind the legend. Joan Baxter has crafted this book out of the memories and fascinating stories told by his friends and remaining relatives, a tribute to those who loved and looked out for their friend over the years.

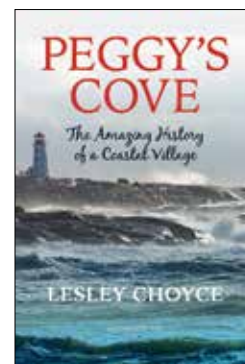


Peggy's Cove *The Amazing History of a Coastal Village Second Edition*

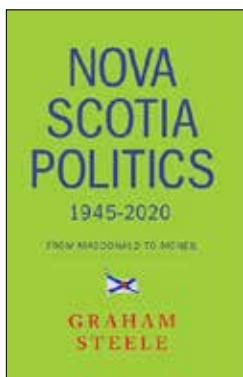
Lesley Choyce

Nonfiction: Nova Scotia, History, Travel, The Sea, Disasters
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Here is the complete history of the famous cove and the unique village that hosts thousands of visitors each year. The story begins with the formation of the rocks along these shores and the impact of the glaciers. The Mi'kmaq were the first to live here in the summers, harvesting the riches of the sea. A land grant in 1811 brought the first hardy European settlers, who built homes and wharves and discovered that the sea could provide bounty but was also a source of great danger.



Recently Released



Nova Scotia Politics 1945-2020 *From Macdonald to McNeil*

Graham Steele

Nonfiction: Nova Scotia, Politics, History, Famous Nova Scotians
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Who has held political power in Nova Scotia? How did they get it? What did they do with it? Best-selling author and former cabinet minister Graham Steele takes us on a roller-coaster ride through 75 years of Nova Scotia politics from 1945 to 2020.



The Painted Province *Nova Scotia Through an Artist's Eyes* **Joy Sinhur Wyatt Laking**

Nonfiction: Art, Landscapes, Nova Scotia.
\$24.95 96 pp, 6"x9" **Full colour illustrations throughout**
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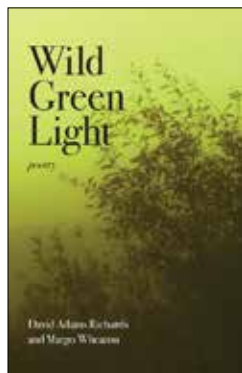
This book features over 200 paintings of Nova Scotia paired with word pictures, funny stories, and tips to enhance creativity. In the 40 areas that are featured, there is one painting with GPS coordinates so that the reader can find the exact spot where Joy sat and painted.



UnSpoken Truth *unmuted and unfiltered* **Angela Bowden**

Poetry
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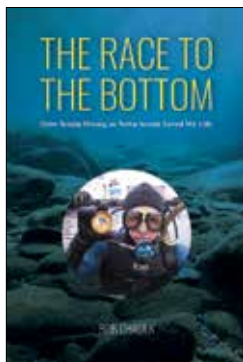
A bold collection of poetry highlighting the generational pain of Africans living in the diaspora. The poems pay homage to the ancestors, honour the elders, and provide inspiration for the youth so they can heal from this historical inheritance and build upon their own narratives.



Wild Green Light *poetry* **David Adams Richards and Margo Wheaton**

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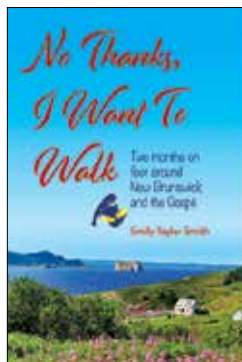
A collaboration that brings together the poetry of acclaimed author David Adams Richards and award-winning writer Margo Wheaton. Each of these New Brunswick-born writers pays a powerful tribute to a rapidly disappearing rural way of life.



The Race to the Bottom *How Scuba Diving in Nova Scotia Saved My Life* **Bob Chaulk**

Nonfiction: Diving, Shipwrecks, Nova Scotia, History, Oceans
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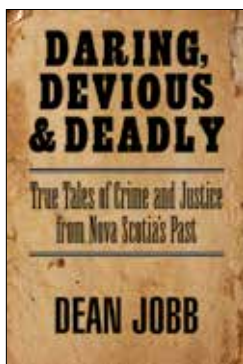
This is the story of one man's hobby and its overwhelmingly positive effects on his life. This is about diving in Halifax Harbour, winter and summer, in one of the biggest and deepest harbours in the world. The author spins yarns about the strange and fascinating objects he finds and the hair-raising moments he's experienced.



No Thanks, I Want to Walk *Two Months on Foot Around New Brunswick and the Gaspé* **Emily Taylor Smith**

Nonfiction: New Brunswick, Quebec, Adventure, Hiking, Rural Life
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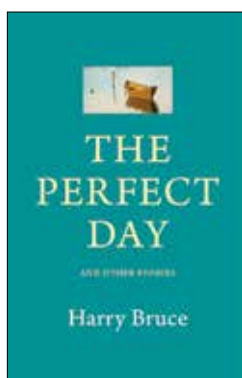
After completing a 3,000-kilometre hike of coastal Nova Scotia (*Around the Province in 88 Days*, Pottersfield), Emily Taylor Smith is compelled to take another solitary journey on foot – following the coastline of New Brunswick and the Gaspé all the way to Quebec City. The regimen of 45 kilometres a day is transcended by a growing spiritual bond with the landscape



Daring, Devious & Deadly *True Tales of Crime and Justice From Nova Scotia's Past* **Dean Jobb**

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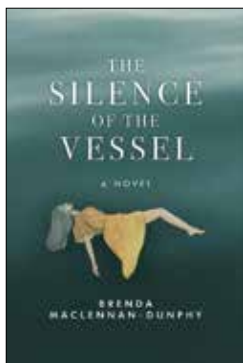
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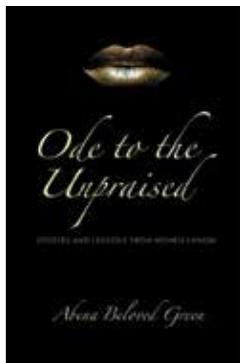
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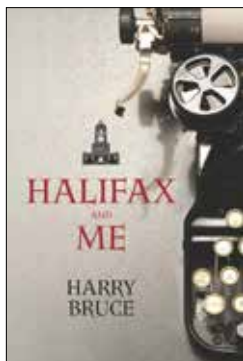
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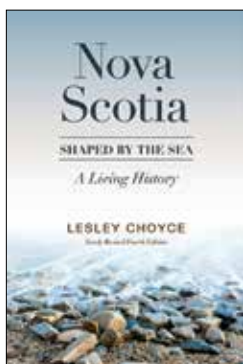
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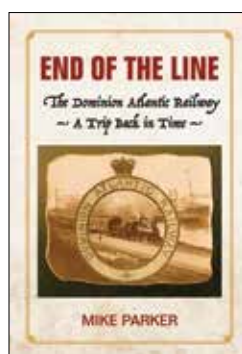


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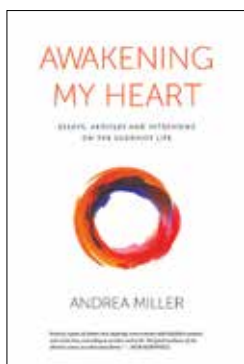
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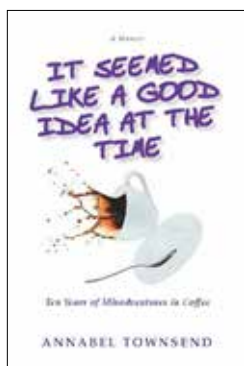


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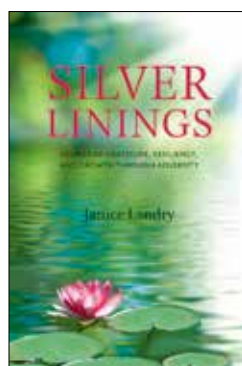
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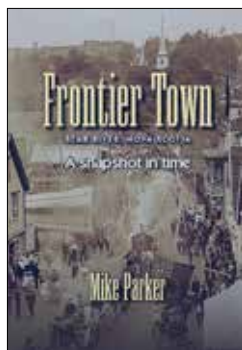
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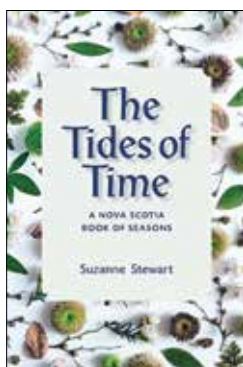


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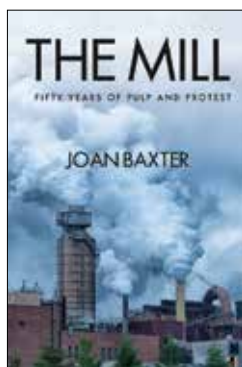


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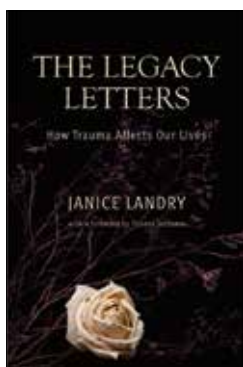


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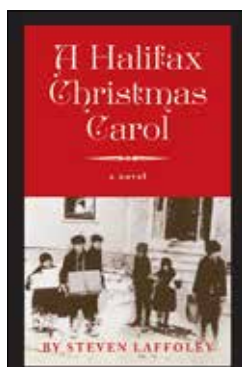
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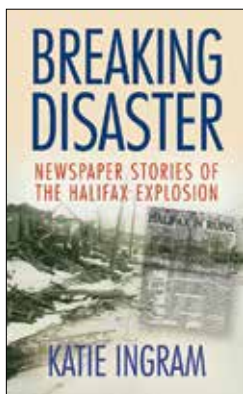
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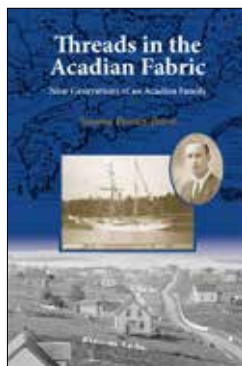
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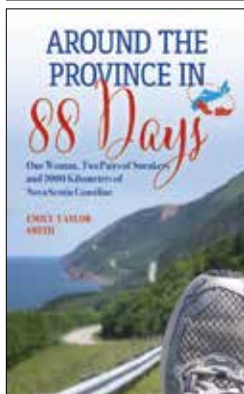


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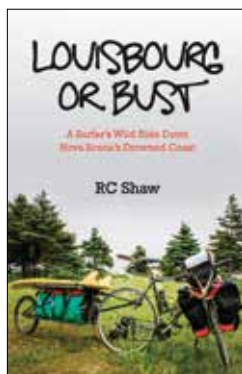
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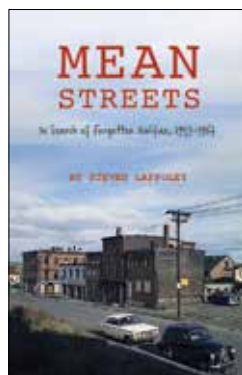
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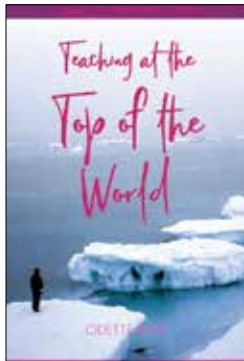
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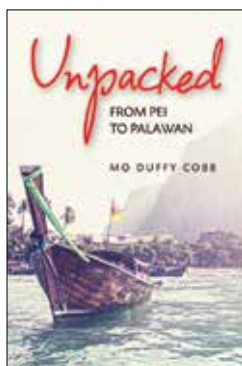
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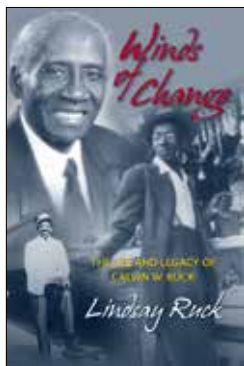
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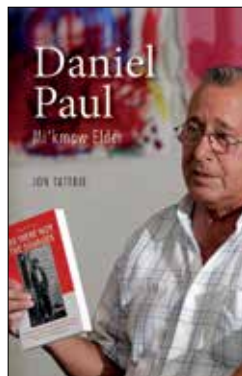
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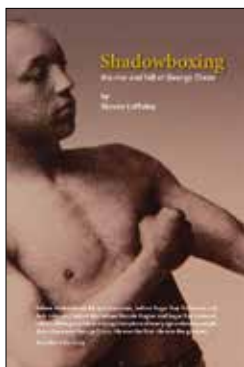
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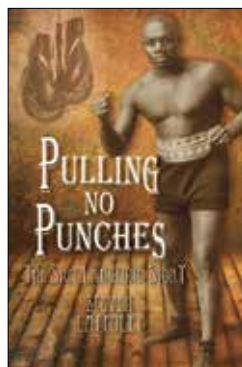
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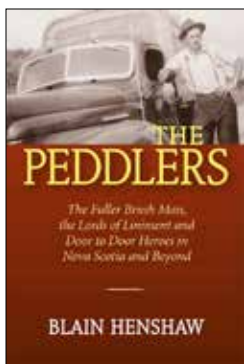
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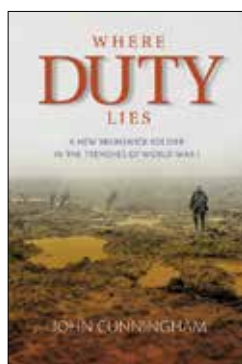
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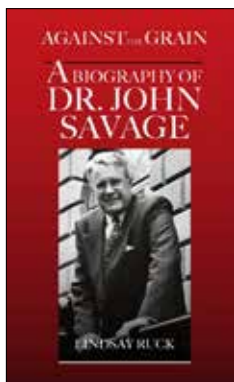
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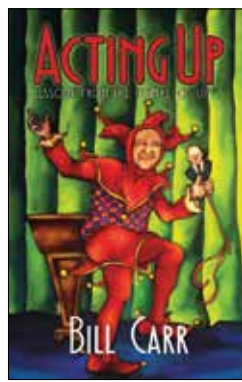
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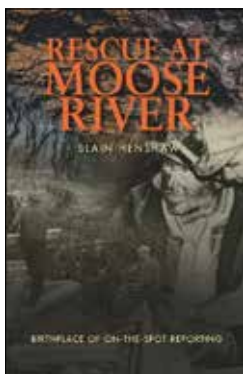


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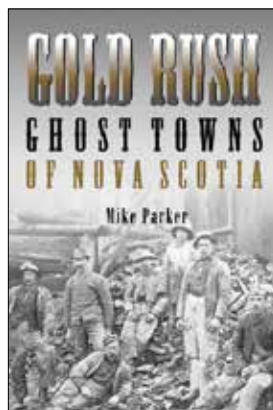


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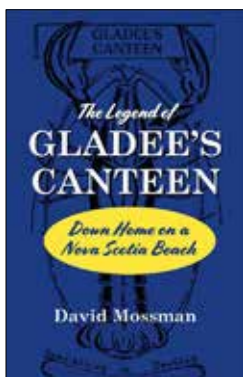


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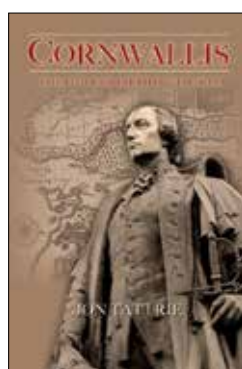


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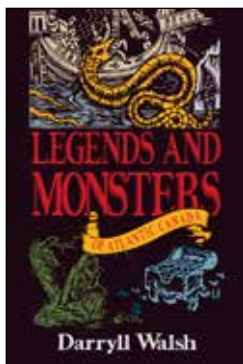


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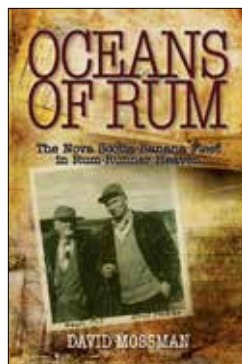
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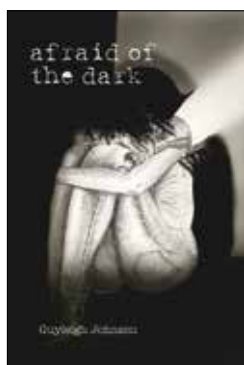
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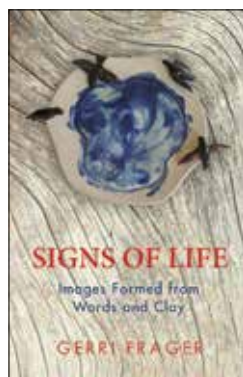
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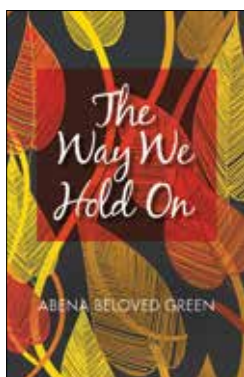
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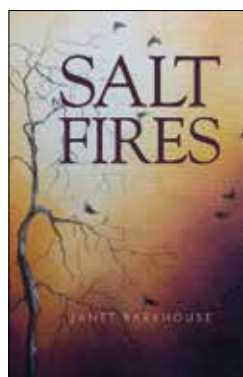
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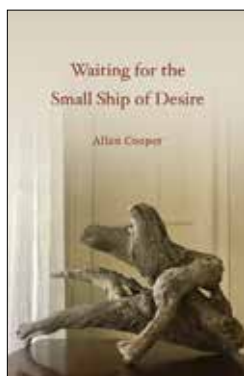
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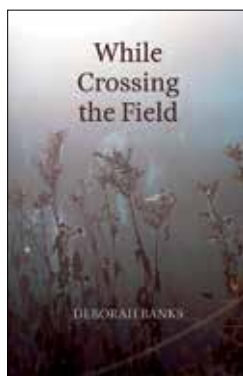
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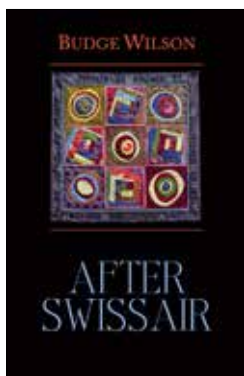
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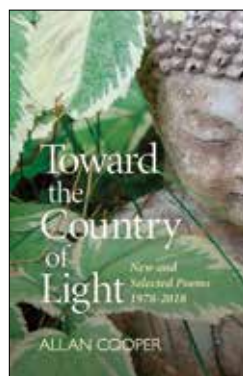
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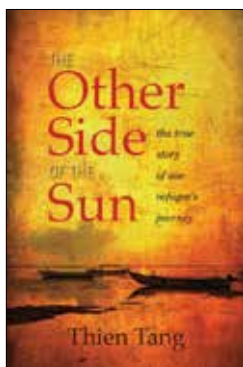
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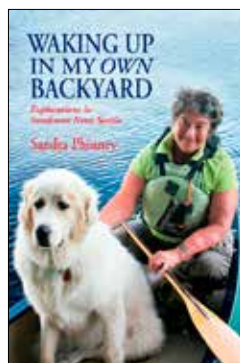


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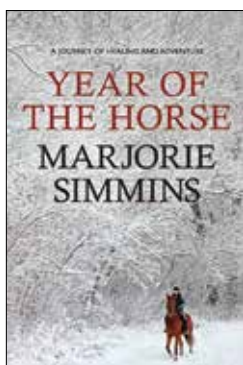


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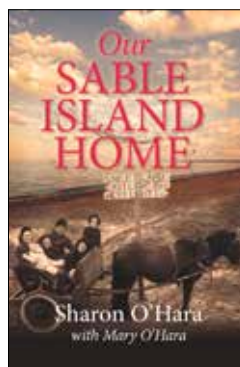


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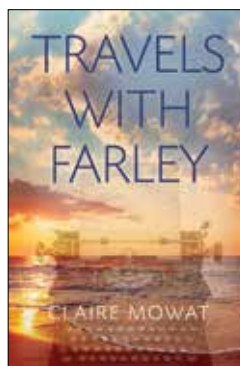
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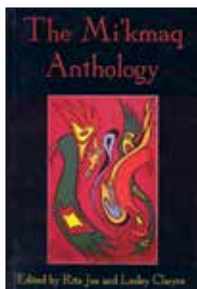


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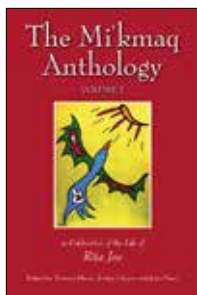
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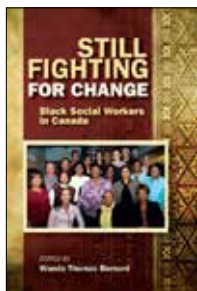
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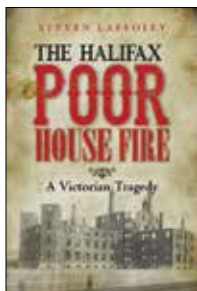
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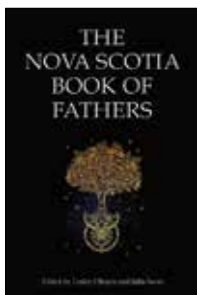
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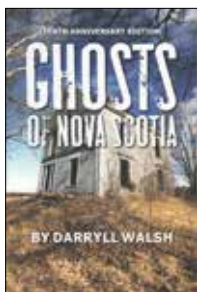
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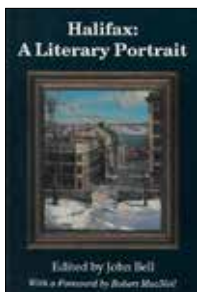
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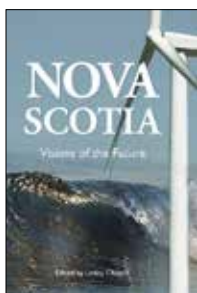
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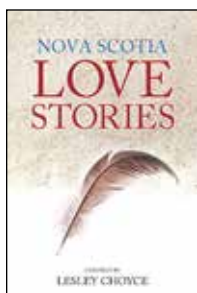
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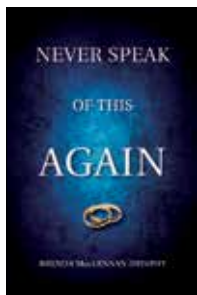
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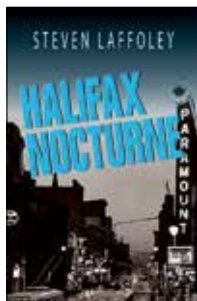


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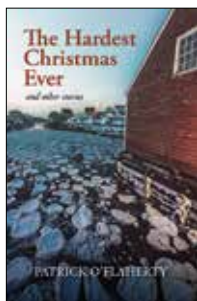
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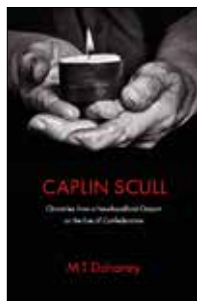


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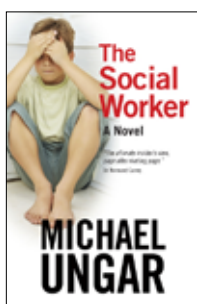
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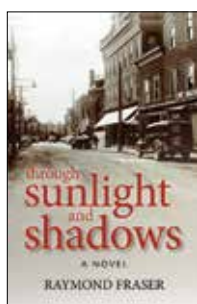
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