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Donors' Descendants Present Sun Dial to Famed Beauty Resort

The transcending interest of the Bowring family in the famed beauty resort that bears their name was once again evidenced yesterday when the attractions offered by Bowring Park were enhanced by descendants of the founders.

That was the unveiling of a Sun Dial in honor of Sir Edgar Rennie Bowring, who died in England nine years ago but chose to be buried in Newfoundland.

Despite lowering skies and light rainfall there was a fair attendance at the simple ceremony on the main lawn fronting the Bungalow, where the memorial has been erected.

Among those present were: His Worship Mayor Mews, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rennie Bowring from England, Eric Bowring, C.M.G., Mr. and Mrs. Derrick Bowring, Councillor and Mrs. Leo A. Earle, Councillor and Mrs. Doug Oliphant, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Outerbridge, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Williams, City Comptroller and Mrs. Eric Bavidge, former Deputy Mayor James J. Spratt, ex-City Clerk John J. Mahony, Hon. J. C. Currie.

The official unveiling was performed by Mayor Mews who, in a brief address, remarked that the interest of the Bowring family and Sir Edgar was evidenced not only in the gift of a site for the Park

but, following that, in the erection of the monuments that adorn it and the green-house.

Of this scion of the house of Bowring, the Mayor said that he was a worthy resident of Newfoundland and later a dignified representative of this country when he settled in England after his retirement from business.

Even after this retirement, Sir Edgar was a frequent visitor to the Oldest Colony, and his love of the land was evidence that he chose to have his ashes rest here, in the Topsail cemetery.

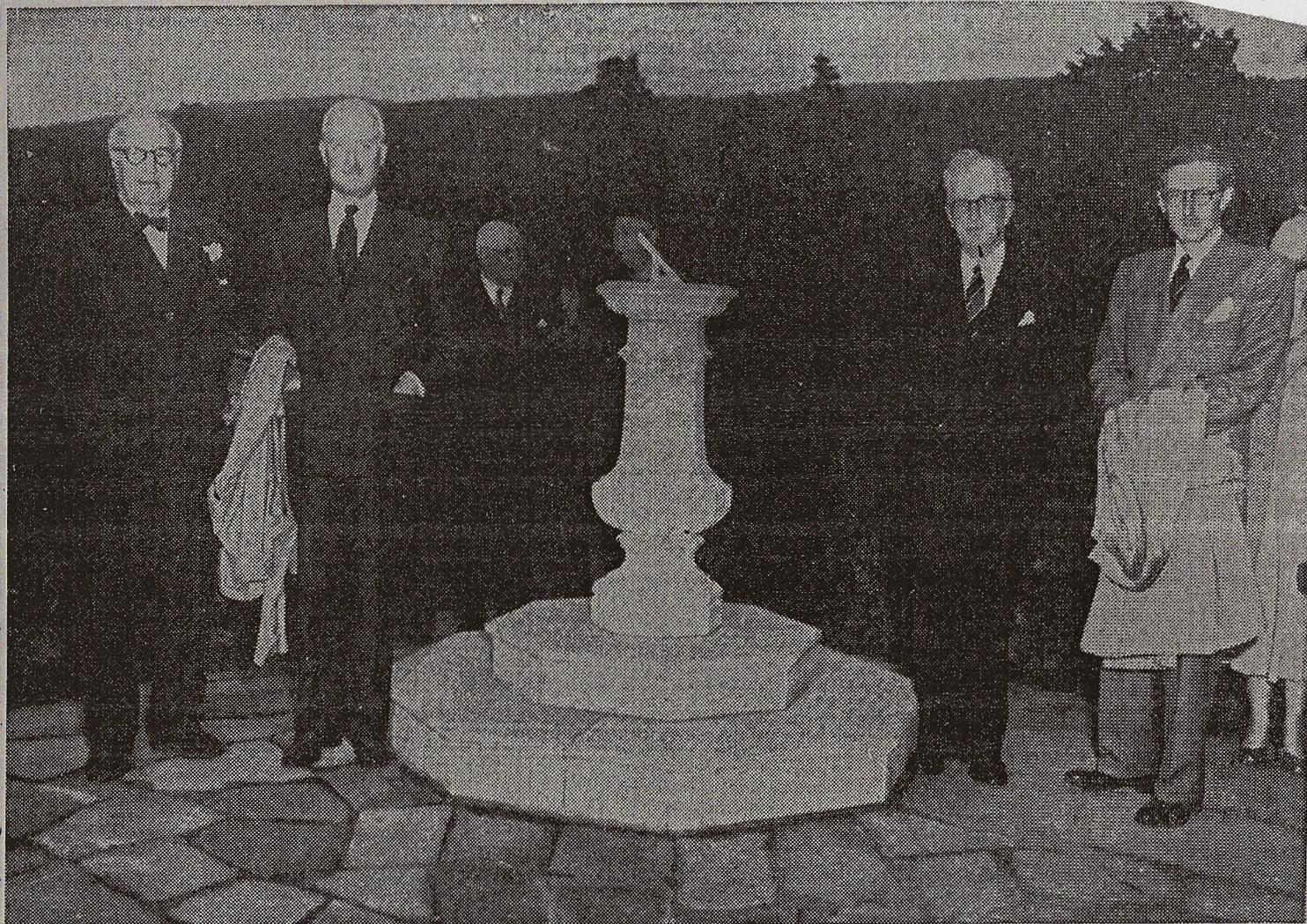
Following the unveiling by His Worship, Edgar R. Bowring, a nephew of the man whose memory it perpetuates, thanked the Mayor for his glowing testimonial, and also expressed his appreciation for the honor accorded the family in being granted the space to place the Memorial in the Park.

After the ceremony had concluded, refreshments were served in the bungalow.

The Sun Dial occupies a prominent spot in the spacious lawn fronting the bungalow. It is made of light Yorkshire stone with the shaft and bowl being mounted on two octagonal pedestals.

Around it Parks Superintendent Harry Hamlyn has placed four flagstone walks which are bordered by flower beds.

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His Worship Mayor H. G. R. Mews (second from right), yesterday unveiled at Bowring Park a Sun Dial in memory of one of the Park's greatest benefactors, Sir Edgar Rennie Bowring, K.C.M.G. Seen standing on either side of the memorial are: left to right, Eric Bowring, C.M.G., Edgar Rennie Bowring, Mayor Mews, Derrick Bowring. Also seen in the photo, background, are ex-City Clerk John J. Mahony and Herbert Outerbridge.