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Introduction

The profiles on the following pages, of Scugog Township residents and business persons, are just a small number of the men and women who helped shape the Scugog Township community over the past 175 years

There are many other individuals worthy of inclusion, in fact there are hundreds of others, but due to lack of adequate and accurate family information, some have not been included.

As with all research, it is inevitable that there will be conflicting facts and information pertaining to dates, names and locations, due to the discrepancies in historical and personal documents.

We have endeavoured to be as accurate as possible by researching newspaper stories, obituaries and obtaining personal information from families.

If there are errors, we would be happy to hear about them and if the new information can be confirmed, corrections will be made if the publications is reprinted in the future.

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Dr. Niven Agnew

Physician

One of the early physicians of Reach Township was Dr. Niven Agnew, who had an medical office and residence in Boynton Hotel, in Prince Albert. Niven Agnew was born on May 6, 1828, in Edinburgh, Scotland. He married Jane Sommerville Ross on January 14, 1863 and they had seven children in ten years.

Niven's wife Jane, 34, died in Toronto as a young mother on April 19, 1875, following a miscarriage. Two years later he married Jennie E. McEwen on July 19, 1877, in York (Toronto), Ontario.

Dr. Agnew and his wife moved to Winnipeg in 1879, following his lawyer son John, who became a prominent politician in the western province. Dr. Niven Agnew spent the rest of his life in Manitoba, passing away on March 1, 1905, in Winnipeg, at 76 years of age.

N. AGNEW, M. D.,
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, AND AC-
COUCHEUR, Medical Adviser of the
Scottish Provincial Life Assurance Com-
pany, PRINCE ALBERT.



BOB ARCHER

Robert V. Archer

Automobile Dealer

Robert Vernon Archer was born into the automobile business, his father being one of Port Perry's leading citizens, and a long standing dealer with cars.

Born in 1927 at Port Perry, he is the son of Harold and Amelia Archer. He attended elementary and high school in his hometown, and began working at his father's car dealership as a young man.

Bob met his future wife Audrey Anne (Harrison), while pumping gas at the family dealership. They later married and raised a family four children - Dean, Steven, Sandra and Vernon.

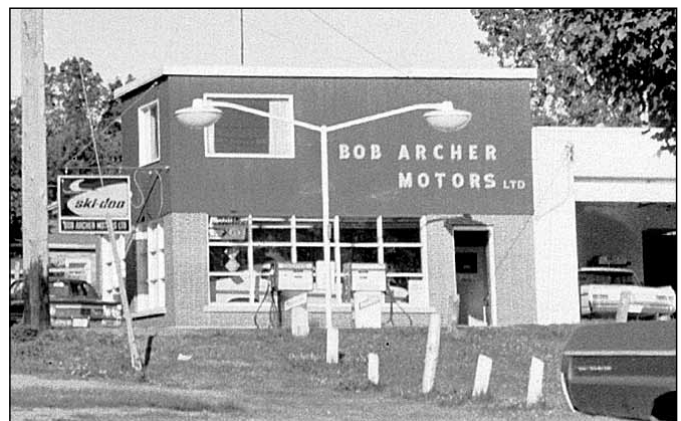
Bob entered the business in 1945, and when his father retired due to ill health, he took over ownership of the Pontiac-Buick dealership which was located on Queen St. In the middle of town.

In 1956 Bob purchased the garage site of Irwin Tripp, on the northwest corner of Water and Mary St., and relocated the dealership to the new site overlooking Lake Scugog, and renamed it Bob Archer Motors. He operated the business from this site until April 1972 before retiring, after spending 45 years in the car business.

In addition to operating a busy car dealership, Bob was also active in the community, and a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, serving as president of Branch 419 in 1965. He also had an interest in politics, and served as secretary/treasurer of the local Liberal Association.

Bob had 45 years in the car business, and after he retired, he turned to his favourite hobby of building bird houses, which soon became a small home-based business.

Robert Vernon Archer died with his wife Audrey at his side, on December 31, 2018, in his hometown at the age of 91. Audrey passed away on January 16, 2021.



Bob Archer Motors Ltd., Water St., Port Perry.

Joel Aldred, Sr.

Early Settler / Farmer

Joel Aldred (Aldred) was born on May 2, 1812 in Nottinghamshire, England, one of four children for his parents William and Hannah Aldred.

He married Elizabeth Selina Holmes on September 1, 1830, and not long after, the newly-wed couple immigrated to Canada, settling at Huntley, Carleton, Ontario just outside of Ottawa.

It was here their first child was born in May 1832. Their other seven children were also born at Huntley, the last one about 1850.

An article in the book, Scugog and Its Environs, by Rev. F.G. Weir, tells of Joel Aldred arriving on Scugog Island about 1845 to locate a suitable piece of property to purchase for his family, but archival records show he didn't arrive before 1850.

About a year after that first visit, he returned to Ontario County with his family, arriving at a landing along the shore of Lake Scugog. From here he transported his family and personal baggage to the "Island", by means of a raft, landing at a place then known as Smith's Landing.

From here one of the earliest settlers in the area, William Rodman, moved their belongings with a yoke of oxen, from the landing to their new homestead on Lot 4, Conc. 10.

A year later, the Canada Census (1851), shows Joel Aldred and his family as residents of Scugog Island.

Joel's wife, Elizabeth Selina, was 73 when she died on January 25, 1884. He died on February 18, 1892, having lived a long life of 79 years, and was buried at Scovilles Cemetery, Scugog Island beside his wife.

Chester Asling

Store Keeper



CHESTER ASLING

Chester Asling was a native of Greenbank, being born on January 10, 1859. He was one of three sons and four daughters for his father Walter, a carpenter, and mother Amanda.

He attended elementar school at Epsom, and high school in Port Perry. His ambition was to be a school teacher, a goal he achieved and spent almost 40 years teaching youth in Epsom, Marsh Hill, Bethesda and Bowmanville. Chester was held in the highest esteem and affection by his pupils and his colleagues. He retired in 1923.

Chester was 24 when he married Jane McGregor, of Bethesda, on July 26, 1883. They had four children during their marriage William, Allan, Mary and Kathrine.

Chester purchased the Epsom store in 1887 and operated it until his death. He also was the postmaster from the time he bought the store until 1913. He was an active Mason at Uxbridge and also a member of Zeredatha Lodge, No. 220.

One day in July 1926, while helping his neighbour, Mr. Wilson, fix a windmill at his Epsom farm, Chester suffered a severe stroke. Mr. Wilson climbed the windmill and held him from falling until help arrived to rescue him from the tower.

Chester Asling died less than a month later, on August 18, 1926, at his home in Epsom, at the age of 67. His funeral was one of largest held at the Epsom United Church. He was described as kind and dignified man, and held the affection of his entire community.

Chester Asling was laid to rest following the funeral service in the Uxbridge Cemetery.



Epsom General Store

B

Robert Baird

Pioneer Settler

Robert Baird was one of the pioneer settlers in the northern districts of Reach Township, arriving in the mid-1830s. He was born in Ireland in 1811, the only child for his parents, James and Ann Baird, and immigrated to Canada as a young man.

He settled in Reach Township about 1833 near Greenbank where he began his life work as a farmer.

After settling into his new home, he sent for his fiancée, Mary McCully who joined him in Canada. They were married July 9, 1839 he married Mary McCully. Robert and Mary raised a family of 10 children.

He lived his entire life on his farm Lot 16, Con. 13 and died on May 16, 1898, in at his home in Reach Township, having lived a long life of 87 years. Mary died on December 28, 1903 at the age of 84.

Samuel Baird

Merchant, Post Master

Samuel Baird was born on June 15, 1850, on the Reach Township farm of his parents, Robert and Mary, who had immigrated to Canada from Ireland. He worked on the family farm until the late 1870s when he opened a general merchant shop in Saintfield. Here he also provided shoemaking services.

On February 24, 1881, he married Ellen Louisa Town, and they had two children, Joseph R., and May while living in Saintfield. Samuel and Ellen operated the general store in Saintfield for more than 35 years in the village.

Samuel served as the postmaster in Wick, about three miles north of Saintfield, from November 1888 to September 1893 before resigning. In February 1894 he became the postmaster for Saintfield. He provided postal services from his store until December 1910 when he resigned from the position

It appears as if Mr. Baird returned to farming, as a census report in 1911 shows him as a farmer. Samuel Baird was 68 years old when he died on July 9, 1918 at Lot 15, Con 5, Reach Township. He was buried at Prince Albert.



SAMUEL BAIRD

Samuel P. Barber

Hardware Merchant

Samuel Patterson Barber was born in January 1819 in Quebec City, Quebec and later moved to Ontario.



SAMUEL BARBER

When he was 22 years old, he married Ann Gordon, and couple had two children during their marriage. Ann died as a young woman of 36 years.

Samuel remarried in 1856 to Margaret Gordon. Two of their three children were born before they moved to Reach Township and purchased a 30 acre property on Concession 5, Lot 16, in the village of Prince Albert.

He was honoured with a street being named Barber Street, (see map).

During 1861 he opened a business selling stoves, sheet iron, tin and copper in the village. The same year Samuel also served as a councillor on the Reach Township council. Ten years after opening his hardware business in Prince Albert he left the village, moving first to Caradoc, Ontario and later to Emerson, Manitoba. Samuel returned to Port Perry about 1888, after the death of his wife, to live with his daughter Sarah and son-in-law. He was 78 years old when he died at Franklin, Manitoba.

John Beare

Successful Farmer

John Len Beare was born on November 14, 1820 at Devon England. While a young man living in England he met his future wife, Harriett F. Abbott, but left there to immigrate to Canada at age 19,

After arriving in Canada, John worked as a tailor in Markham for a short time before moving northeast into the newly opened Township of Reach In 1843. Here he squatted on 100 acres on the south half of Lot 5 on the 11th Concession, which is now known as 475 Cragg Rd. in Scugog Township.

After building a two-storey frame house and log barn, he sent for his fiance Harriet, back home in England. Next he purchased his 100 acres of land, plus an additional 200 acres where he grew wheat, hay and peas and raised pigs and cattle.

Harriett and John raised five sons and six daughters and quickly outgrew the original farmhouse, leaving behind a hired hand to run the farm. Mr. Beare would go on to become one of the most successful farmers and largest landholders in the area.

John Len Beare was 92 years old when he died on April 5, 1914, after spending his entire life in Reach Township farming. He was buried at the Bethel Cemetery, Greenbank.

Stewart I. Bennett

Retail Merchant

If ever any Canadian wore the pride of his birth nation proudly, it's Stewart Bennett who for the past 23 years has made Port Perry his home, where he proudly promotes the richness of his homeland.

Stewart Irving Bennett was born in Dumfries, Scotland on March 3, 1948, the only child of James Irving and Amy Bennett. His early education was in Scotland, but immigrated to Canada in June 1957 with his parents, settling in Weston. It was here he completed his high school education.

While living in Winnipeg he met Marlene Allan, whom he married on October 4, 1969. He moved to Ontario in 1979, and three years later was married for a second time, to Janette Kay Parker. He is father of four daughters, all of who became highland dancers.

After moving to Toronto, Stewart became the owner and operator of a small sign company for a short time. Next he moved to Uxbridge, where for two years he operated a restaurant pub called the Hobby Horse Arms.

About 1996 he moved to Port Perry, where he opened "The Wee Tartan Shop" at 227 Queen Street. A few years later as his business grew, he moved to larger space at 177 Queen Street. His shop shows his true love for Scotland, which he stocks with famous named products from his homeland.



STEWART BENNETT



The Wee Tartan Shop, 177 Queen St., Port Perry.

In addition to his busy schedule at his retail outlet, Stewart has also taken an active part in his chosen community. He served as a member and chair of the Port Perry Business Improved Association for 16 years; a member of the Town Hall board of directors; the Highland of Durham Scottish Dancers Association and the Highland of Durham Celtic Festival.

For years he has been leading tours to Scotland and Britain, and is a member of the Scottish singing group "Claidhmor", who performs throughout southern Ontario.

Stewart Bennett has a full life, and says he's proud to his accomplishments, in particular his passion as owner of The Wee Tartan Shop.



I.R. BENTLEY

Ivy Roblin Bentley

Jeweller

Ivy Roblin Bentley spent half a century in Port Perry, becoming one of the town's most prominent and respected citizens.

I.R. Bentley, as he was known, was born at Harriston, Ontario on February 19, 1886. He lived and was educated in Grand Valley village, Wellington County until the early 1900s when he moved to Port Perry.

After settling in town, he opened a jewellery and watch repair business in October 1916, next to Byer's Drug Store. Nine years later he bought McKee Jewellery and moved into larger premises.

For 48 years "Bentley's Jewellery" was one of the most well known and respected jewelry stores on the main street of Port Perry.

On June 24, 1918, when he was 32 years-old, he married Hazel Dhel Purdy of Port Perry, daughter of Mary and Edward H. Purdy, a local and prominent grocery and feed merchant.

I.R. Bentley died on March 4, 1965, leaving behind his wife, one son, David, and one daughter Joan. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 16 from McDermott-Panabaker with interment in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto.

Following his death, his business was sold to George W. Pentland of Oshawa. His wife, Hazel Dhel, 87, died on July 13, 1979 in Port Perry.

John Billings

Attorney At Law

John Billings was born in Ontario about 1829. It's unknown when he arrived in Prince Albert, but he set up his business as a lawyer, chancery and conveying officer in the village about 1857.

While a resident of the village he became a member of the Prince Albert Infantry Company. As a Captain in the 60 man infantry, Mr. Billings put the members through their drills in the drill shed in preparation for battle. In 1901 he was presented a medal for his patriotic service during the Fenian Raids, as part of the Prince Albert Infantry Co.

John Billings moved to Port Perry in September 1860, at which time he entered into a law practice partnership with Philander A. Hurd. Mr. Billings operating from Port Perry and Mr. Hurd from Prince Albert.

A few weeks after his move to Port Perry, John Billings married Joanna (Annie) Proudfoot in Whitby on October 2, 1860. They had two sons, Charles Clark and John Gordon and one daughter Julie Beatrice, both born in Prince Albert.

Billings operated his business for more than 20 years when tragedy struck. In the summer of 1884 his office destroyed during the great fire of 1884. Undeterred, he re-opened after the town was rebuilt in the Ross Block of stores.

John Billing, continued his work as a barrister for more than a decade after the fire. He was a clever man, and did considerable business, much of it to do with the loaning of money, and the collection of debts.

John Billings, 74, was still practicing law when he died on March 28, 1900, in Toronto (York), Ontario. In March, the following year, his home on Cochrane Street, Port Perry was sold by auction.

His wife Annie was 45 years old when she died on September 5, 1888. She was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

JOHN BILLINGS,
Law, Chancery, & Convey-
ancing Office,
PRINCE ALBERT.

Abram Caniff Bongard

Drover

Few men are better known throughout the country surrounding Port Perry than Mr. Abram Bongard, drover, of Prince Albert.

For over half a century Mr. Bongard has lived at Prince Albert as boy and man. He was born in Prince Edward county, and removed to the village where he now lives in 1855. For 40 years, Mr. Bongard has been going up and down the concessions and sidelines of Reach, Scugog Island, Whitby and Cartwright Townships, buying stock of all kinds from the farmers.

He is the veteran drover of the district, and there are none better than he. His long experience has eminently fitted him for his work, and he practically knows all that is to be known about his business. He is a splendid judge of the weight of an animal. Up to two years ago Mr. Bongard exported to the Old Country, but this he does not follow now. His turnover during the year would aggregate \$50,000.

Mr. Bongard has a beautiful home at Prince Albert, and a small farm of 12 acres, where he lives happily with his family.

He has served on the School Board of his Section, and in other ways has proven his interest in the affairs of the community in which he lives.

Irving A. Boyd

Printer & Publisher

Arthur Irving Boyd was born on October 6, 1911 at Toronto, Ontario, one of five children for John McIntyre and Helen (Ward) Boyd. He attended school in the east end of Toronto as a youngster.

"Irving" as he was known, married Marian Grace Farmer, daughter of Samuel Farmer, owner of the Port Perry Star, on July 27, 1936 in Whitby. They had three children during their marriage, Clive, Ken and Terry.

Irving began working for his father-in-law at the printing plant shortly after his marriage to Marian, and following the death of Mr. Farmer in 1948, he and Marian, along with other family members continued to publish the newspaper for 15 years. They sold Port Perry Star in September 1963 to Per and Leila Hvidsten of Uxbridge.

While publishing the Port Perry Star, he became active in the community. He was a member of the Port Perry Businessmen's Association and served as its president in 1954. He was elected to the council of Port Perry in 1957 and served on the council for a more

than 10 years, including being elected Deputy Reeve for 1965.

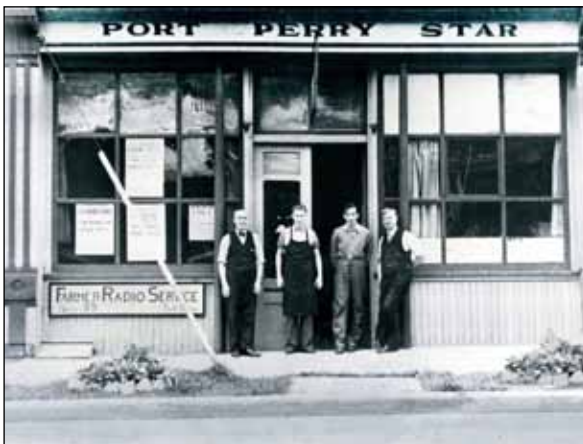
During his time on council, in 1962 that he took part in numbering homes in the community.

Marian Boyd was an accomplished writer and illustrator, having sketched all of the illustrations in her father's book, *On The Shores of Scugog*.

After retiring from the hectic newspaper business, Irving became a salesman. Arthur Irving Boyd was 84 when he passed away on August 18, 1996. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife Marian passed away on November 12, 1999.



IRV & MARIAN BOYD



The Port Perry Star office, 235 Queen St., Port Perry. From left, George Davey, Bruce Beare, Irving Boyd, Samuel Farmer.

William Boynton, Sr.

Pioneer Settler

William Boynton, Sr., was born on October 22, 1796, at Stillington, Yorkshire, England to parents Bartholomew and Catherine Boynton. He married Frances Cass on June 25, 1820 at Stillington and over the next 11 years they had five children - William James, John, Thomas, Edward and Robert. Only one child was born in Canada.

William was 40 years old when he and his family immigrated Canada in 1836, first settling in York Region. In 1839 he moved to Reach Township, taking up residence in Prince Albert where he built a tavern on Simcoe Street. The area in which he made his home became known as Boynton's Corners but the village was later named Prince Albert.

William was elected to Reach Township council by a show of hands at the Town Hall in Manchester in 1858. His career was a prosperous one, accumulating considerable property. He was a kind and generous man and highly respected by a large circle of friends.

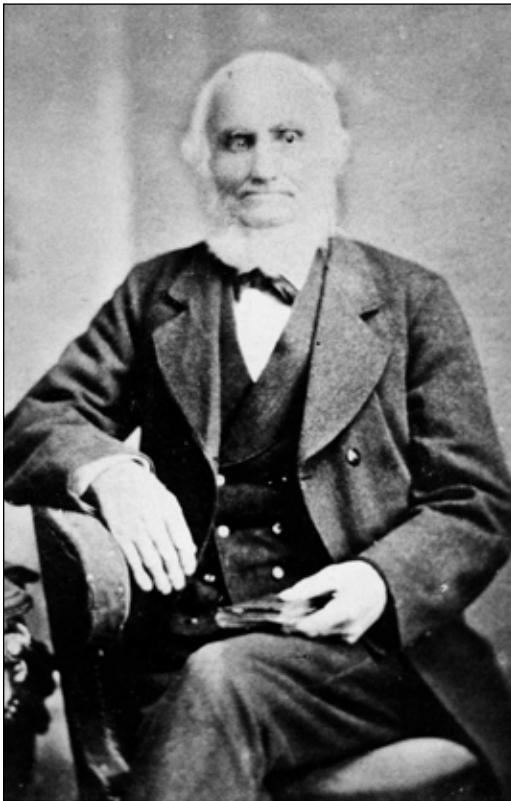
William Boynton, 72, died in Prince Albert on June 29, 1868. Following a service at the Prince Albert Presbyterian Church, a procession was formed and marched to the place of interment at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife, Frances, was buried beside her husband four years later.

William J. Boynton

Hotel Proprietor

William James Boynton, Jr. was born on May 8, 1821 at Stillington, West Yorkshire, England to parents William and Frances Boynton. He received his early education in England and when he was a young man immigrated to Canada with his family, settling in Reach Township about 1839.

William J. Boynton Jr. married Mary Ann Mark on July 14, 1844 at Prince Albert in Reach Township. They had 12 children during their life together.



WILLIAM J. BOYNTON

He was about 36 years old when he took over operation of his father's "Boynton Hotel" in 1857 and is believed to have renamed it the Victoria Hotel, presumably after Queen Victoria.

Mr. Boynton, jr., served as innkeeper of the hotel only for a couple of years before selling it in July 1861 to William Scott.

William and his family moved to Lindsay, Ontario and in December 1864 he took over Jewett's Hotel on William Street. He operated it as Boynton's Hotel until his death. William J. Boynton was 51 years old when he passed away on November 21, 1872 at Lindsay, Ontario. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

His wife, Mary Ann died on November 30, 1894 at Saginaw, Michigan, USA.

BOYNTON'S HOTEL, (LATE JEWETT'S.)

W. M. BOYNTON begs to inform the inhabitants of the County of Victoria and surrounding Counties, that he has opened the Hotel on William Street, lately occupied by Jewett, and as he has had it fitted and furnished in first style, visitors will find every convenience. Wines, Liquors and Cigars of the best quality.

An attentive ostler always in attendance.
Lindsay, Dec. 16, 1864. 229-tf

Dr. Francis H. Brathwaite

Physician/Surgeon

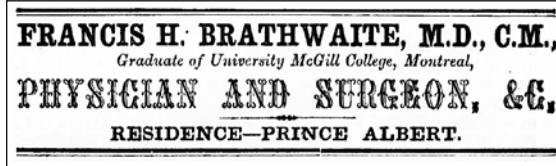
Frances Horne Brathwaite was born in Middlesex, England about 1840 and immigrated as a young man to Canada, settling in Reach Township as early as 1855.

In 1865, he took over the practice of Dr. N. Agnew of Prince Albert. About 1871 he joined the exodus of business moving from Prince Albert to Port Perry due to the arrival of train service to the village. He moved into an attractive brick house and set up his new office, which was located at the corner of Queen Street and Lilla Streets, across from the Port Perry Town Hall.

Dr. Frank, as he became known, married Anna Warren about 1869, and the couple had two children, Augustus and William.

Dr. Brathwaite became severely ill about 1873 and suspended his service to the people of Prince Albert and Port Perry for a time. On the urging of more than 200 residents of the townships, he agreed to return to Port Perry as soon as his health and strength permitted. Dr. Brathwaite did return to work for a short time, but at only 38 years of age, died in Port Perry on July 15, 1879.

A notice of his death, in the local newspaper reported: "Deceased had been in the habit of taking advantage of the soothing influences of chloroform, to cool down a somewhat excitable, over wrought brain. And as much depends upon the present state of the system for the effects of this narcotic, his having taken it when alone with no one to attend to him, was doubtless the cause of the fatal effects."



James Broad

Ocean House

James Broad was born in Cornwall, England in 1829. During 1853, when he was 24 years old, James was married to Roxanna M. Phillips, and they had two sons before immigrating to Canada during the mid-1860s.



Ocean House hotel, Seagrave.

By 1871 James and Roxanna settled into Reach Township where he worked as a clerk, possibly in a Seagrave hotel. Roxanna died in 1877. James either built, or purchased the Ocean House hotel, about 1881 and worked as the innkeeper there until April 1896 when he sold the Ocean House to Robert Brown.

Not long after selling the hotel he moved to Parry Sound to live with his daughter and son-in-law. James Broad died at Parry Sound in May 1904, and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

William Butson

Cottage House Hotelkeeper

William Butson appears to have been a farmer and laborer, turned innkeeper of the Cottage Hotel, for a short time in Greenbank.

Born in Cornwall, England in 1823, he emigrated to Canada, residing around Brooklin, in Whitby Township in the late 1840s, working as a farm laborer. He married Susan Adams of Whitby on May 30, 1850 and they had five children. The Butsons moved to the Greenbank area of Reach Township during the late 1860s and by 1870 he was operating "Butson's Hall" in the village.

Although there are no definitive information, it's believed Wm. Butson purchased the Cottage Hotel from Robert Murta before his death. Butson's Hall may have been in the Cottage Hotel.

The Butsons returned to Brooklin by 1876, and then moved to Muskoka, Parry Sound about 1880. The family remained here until his death in March 1900.

Charles L. Brignall, Sr. Businessman

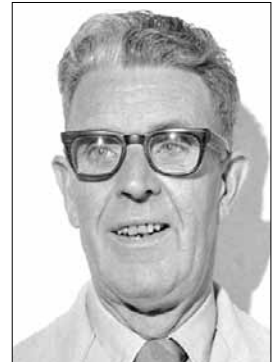
Charles Leslie Brignall was born on August 21, 1909, in Gravenhurst, Ont. He was the only child for his parents John Thomas and Ethel May (Fortier) Brignall.

Before settling in Port Perry, "Charlie", as he was best known, was the manager of the Dominion grocery store in Bowmanville. He married Minnie Eliza Hayden in the Anglican Church, Port Perry on November 12, 1934. They had one son, Charles H., born in 1936 in Port Perry, Ontario.

Charlie enlisted in the Canada's war effort, serving in the army overseas from 1940 until 1944. After returning from the war, Charlie was an employee of Canada Public Works for many years, as caretaker for the local post office. In February 1965 he was given the honour of hoisting Canada's new Maple Leaf flag to the top of the Port Perry post office.

The following year, he joined his son Charles Jr., in the operation of a service station, on Hwy. 7A, near Simcoe Street. His son also owned the local ambulance and taxi service. Charlie was well known and respected around the town. He was a long-time member of the local Masonic Lodge, for which he served as Master for two terms.

Charles L. Brignall was 83 when he passed away on June 13, 1992 in Port Perry. His wife Minnie, 56, predeceased him on June 29, 1964 in Port Perry.



CHARLES L. BRIGNALL

Charles H. Brignall, Jr. Ambulance, Taxi Owner

Charles H Brignall was born in 1936 in Port Perry and he was the only child for his his Charles Sr., and mother, Minnie. Charles received his elementary and high school education attending Port Perry schools and when he was a young man, he was employed at A.L. McDermott's funeral service. This business later became known as McDermott-Panabaker Ltd.



CHARLES H. BRIGNALL

His experience working at the funeral home led him to start an ambulance service for the community in 1953. Three years later, he expanded his business adding a taxi service. Both business were run successfully, from his home on North Street, behind the town's municipal office.

Charlie was married to Beverley Marsh and together the couple had three children - Julie, Karen and Paul.

In September 1966 Charlie expanded his business again. This time he he took over the vacated Texaco service station on the northeast corner of Hwy. 7A and Union Ave., and went into partnership with his father, Charles Sr., providing gas and auto service. Three years later he sold his taxi business to Mary Sweetman, who operated Sweetman's Taxi service.

In March 1977, Charlie moved Brignall's Ambulance Service to larger facilities just south of Manchester. He had provided quality ambulance service to Port Perry and surrounding area for more than 25 years when he died.

Charles Hayden Brignall was 44 when he passed away on January 20, 1980. Interment was at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Charles Jr., and Charles Sr.

Rev. William P. Brown

United Church Minister

William Panhaulrick Brown was born on June 9, 1847, son of William Henry Brown, a rugged farmer of Cornwall, England. In 1869, at the age of 22, he immigrated to Canada and went to school mastering at Marmora, Ont., for a short time before entering the ministry.



REV. WILLIAM P. BROWN

His early academic training was at Victoria College, Cobourg, and then Wesleyan University in Illinois, before being ordained in 1879.

His service began in the Georgian Bay district, as he threw off his black coat and joined his parishioners, felling trees to clear land for his churches, pounding away with a hammer, putting his powerful muscles behind the saw. Her provided ministry in Parry Sound district, Muskoka and Manitoulin, during his lifetime.

Rev. Brown was married to Maxey O'Beirne, at Parry Sound, Ont., and they enjoyed a life together until 1931 when she passed away. They had no children.

His last ministry was at Mattawa and in 1912 he retired to Port Perry, a bit worn and a bit unnerved with the rigorous of his work. In the quiet of the town, on the shores of Lake Scugog, his health came back.

While living in the town, he began to take prayer meetings, became an elder of the United Church and a sick-visitor of the parish.

On Monday, June 9, 1947, the Rev. W.P. Brown celebrated his 100th birthday at his home, where he was honoured by the church, state, and his fellow citizens of Port Perry, and received congratulations from the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

The Port Perry United Church presented him with a specially prepared booklet, being an outline of his early life, his ordination and his work in the ministry for more than 40 years.

At the time of his 100th birthday, Rev. Brown was in poor health, bedfast, with failing hearing and poor eyesight. He was the oldest living minister of the United Church in Canada on the occasion of his birthday.

The Rev. William P. Brown had lived in Port Perry for 35 years before passing away at his home on June 18, 1947, just a few days after celebrating his 100th birthday. Rev. Brown was buried at Riverside Cemetery, Lindsay, Ontario.

Herbert "Herb" Brooks

Farmer

Samuel Herbert Brooks was born December 28, 1902 in Ontario, one of two sons and two daughters for William E. and Minnie Maud (Dennison) Brooks.

Herbert operated a large farm on his beautiful property, overlooking Lake Scugog on the northern edge of town. He also owned a feed store in downtown Port Perry, which he operated for years.

He was married to Sadie Irene Hortop in Ontario and they lived on the Port Perry.

Herb Brooks was very involved in his community serving as a councillor on the Port Perry council for a number of years. But he was most passionate about the town's medical facilities and in 1950 became a member of a a committee to building new hospital. He was president of the hospital's Board of Directors, a position he held for four years before resigning in January 1953.

Herb Books passed away at the hospital he loved on February 11, 1985

In 1988 his wife, Sadie, sold his farm for a large housing development which became Canterbury Common.



HERB BROOKS



ORVAL BYER

Orval Byer

Pharmacist

Orval Byers only spent seven years in Port Perry, but during his brief time in the community, he provided quality pharmacy services to the people of the town and surrounding area.

Orval was born on January 26, 1884, in Pickering, Ontario to parents Henry and Jane Byers.

He married Elizabeth "Libbie" Bowers on December 25, 1912, in Markham, Ontario and during their time together they had one child.

Orval, was a recent graduate of the school of pharmacy, purchased the drug store business of Edward B. Flint in June 1912, and for the next seven years cared for the needs of his customers. He was a member of the Methodist Church, a Mason and an Odd Fellow. There is no record of Mr. Byer becoming involved in politics

or social matters during his time here.

It came as a surprise when he gave notice that he would be moving from the community. Byer's drug store business was sold in May 1919 to P.G. Morrison, who took over the drug store. The Byers moved to Brampton after the drug store was sold and it was in that city their only child, Wallace, was born in 1919.

Orval Byer was a young man of 40 years, when he passed away on August 22, 1924, at Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, Ontario. He had been ill for almost a month before he died. His funeral took place at Stouffville at the residence of his brother-in-law under Mason auspices. He was interred in Stouffville Cemetery, Ontario.



Ralph John Ballard

Businessman

Ralph John Ballard was born on October 15, 1947 in Port Perry, one of two sons and three daughters for John and Joy Ballard. He attended both elementary and high school in Port Perry.

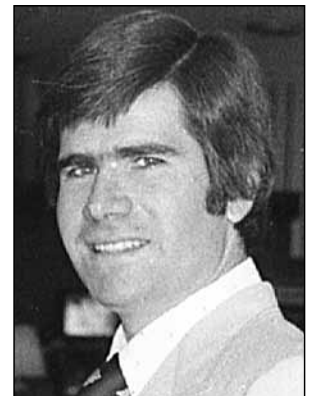
Ralph was 20 years old when he joined his father in business, John Ballard Lumber, which was located on Casimir St. About five years after he joined the business, plans got underway to build a large new facility on a five acres parcel of land, at the eastern boundary of Port Perry, on Hwy. 7A, beside the Lake Scugog.

Construction got underway on the 15,000 sq. ft. building in the fall of 1972, and about one year later, on October 25, 1973 John and Ralph proudly held a grand opening in the large new showroom of Ballard Lumber Home Building Centre. The building and business was sold to Peterborough Lumber in 1978.

The Ballards constructed a new building, just east of their lumber yard in 1976, and here Ralph, teamed up with long-time friend Richard "Chic" Carnegie, and opened a modern new store they called Homestead Furniture. Ralph operated this very successful venture until 2013, when he retired and sold the business.

Ralph married Patricia Gale Forder and they lived on Spring Blv., Scugog Island where they raised three daughters, Tonya, Megan and Kiley. They later moved to Gerrow Rd. Where they live to this day.

During his 46 years in business, Ralph served six years on the Board of Directors, Scugog Chamber of Commerce and was an active member of the Port Perry Tennis Club. Since his retirement, he has worked part time at "Fill-Up Fuels" gas bar on Scugog Island.



RALPH J. BALLARD



JAMES 'JIM' BAIRD

JAMES A. BAIRD

GM Worker / Park Operator

James Allan Baird was born on March 4, 1930, at Saintfield, Ontario and was one of four children for his parents George and Mary Baird. His first education was in a one room schoolhouse in Saintfield, followed by attending Port Perry High School.

While a student at high school Jim met the girl that he would later marry. The high school sweethearts were still in their teens when Jim married Mary Howsam, at the Port Perry United Church on June 18, 1949. From this marriage they raised four children, Sharon, Janet, Cynthia and Jay.

The first 10 years of their life was spent in Saintfield, before moving to Port Perry in 1959, where they could be closer to Jim's work at General Motors. He spent 32 years working at the GM plant in Oshawa before retiring.

One year after settling in Port Perry, Jim and Mary opened Poplar Park on the sprawling property located along Sexton St. The public park provided camping, family and company picnics, and swimming in a large pool they installed. Here they provided swimming lessons for youngsters. Jim and his family operated this business for 20 years.

Jim was also very involved in his new community. He was an avid curler, volunteer for the Cancer Society, Steward at the United Church and served as Grand Master of the Masonic Lodge.

Jim Allan Baird passed away suddenly at St. Michaels Hospital, Toronto on Friday October 5, 2012. His wife and partner, Mary Ida Baird passed away at Lakeridge Health, Port Perry on Friday, February 28, 2014.

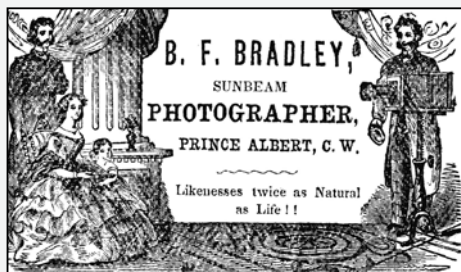


MARY BAIRD

Bryant F. Bradley

Photographer

Bryant F. Bradley was born in 1832 in Maine, USA, the son of Sarah and Bryant. Just when he arrived Canada is not known, but by the time he was 30 years old, he was living in Reach Twp., and had opened a photography business, working from a Photograph Car.



In May 1861 he announced he had moved into a large commodius room with a spacious skylight above Ames' Shoe store, at the corner of King and Simcoe St., Prince Albert. He called his business the Ambrotype & Photograph Gallery.

Five years after arriving in Prince Albert, he married Catharine Walker, a Reach Township girl. The wedding took place in Whitby on January 1, 1866, and one year

later their only child, Isabella, was born in Prince Albert.

In November 1866, the Bradley's sold their residence and household furnishings by public auction. Their home was located at Lot #15, on the east side of Queen St., Prince Albert.

Following the auction, Bryant and Catharine Bradley moved to the USA, settling in Grove Lake, Minnesota. The 1870 USA census shows him working as a farmer, and Catherine as a housekeeper.

Dr. Merrilee Brown

Family Physician

Port Perry physician Dr. Merrilee Brown was named the “Family Physician of the Year” by Ontario College of Family Physicians in 2013, becoming the first doctor from the community to be recognized with this prestigious award.



DR. MERRILLEE BROWN

Dr Brown completed her medical degree at the University of Western Ontario in 1995. She received Certification in Family Medicine from the College of Family Physicians of Canada in 1997.

She was encouraged to come to Port Perry by her brother Douglas, who operated a drug store in the town. She loved the town, but followed her heart to Alberta, where she and her husband Steve Gray lived for a year before returning to Port Perry in July 1998.

Dr. Brown exemplifies the skills of a strong rural generalist practitioner. Her wide clinical scope includes intrapartum care, emergency medicine, house calls, hospital inpatient care, and palliative care.

She is devoted to supporting rural medicine through education and practice and has worked with the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada since 2006 and serves on the Rural Ontario Medical Programme Foundation’s Board of Directors. Dr. Brown’s efforts have won her several prestigious awards.

Merrilee’s husband, Stephen Gray joined Medical Associates in 2007 as the CEO of the administration team and in 2021 was selected as the Chairman of the Board for the Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham.

Merrilee and Steve have two children and live in a restored 140 year old home on Cochrane Street, Port Perry.

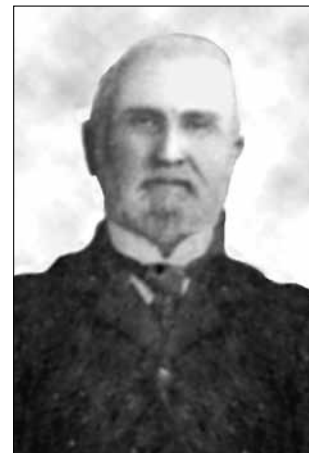
Anson T. Button

General Store Operator

Although Anston T. Button only spent a few years in Reach Township he is important to note, as he did play an important part in the development of Epsom and area.

Anson T. Button was born on May 21, 1821 in Connecticut, USA. After immigrating to Canada, he settled in Uxbridge and married Mary Plank of that town. The couple lived in Uxbridge but Anson opened a general store in Epsom during the early 1850s. He was Epsom’s first postmaster, serving for eight years, from 1852-1860.

Anson later returned to Uxbridge to open a new business, and then become Reeve of the township in 1871. He died on October 11, 1913, in Uxbridge, Ontario, at 92 years of age, and was buried there.



ANSON T. BUTTON

William Bond Boot & Shoemaker


William Bond was a labourer, and only 22 years old when he decided he wanted to seek a better life in Canada. On April 24, 1866, he married his sweetheart, Mary Anne Grace, in Dublin, Ireland, and one month after the marriage, William and Mary set sail on the S.S. Peruvian, crossing the Atlantic and disembarking in Quebec City, Quebec.

Their road to Prince Albert, Ontario is a mystery, but by 1869 he had set up a boot and shoe shop in that village. The young couple began their family while living in Prince Albert and they raised four children.

When the railway made its way into Port Perry in the early 1870, William packed up and moved with many of the village businessmen to this bustling village. After the destructive fire of 1884, he set up shop just north of Queen St., on Perry St., beside the Market Building. Here he laboured for the rest of his life as one of the towns best known and respected shoe makers.

Aside from his work, William took time to get involved in his new community. He was a faithful member of Warriner Lodge No. 75, I.O.O.F. for his entire adult life. He was also a Captain and secretary of the Port Perry Rescue Fire Company, and served on the Port Perry Board of Education.

William Bond was only 53 years old when he passed away in Port Perry on January 12, 1896. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

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Port Perry, Nov. 14, 1893.

Abram C. Bongard Butcher / Drover

Few men were better known throughout the country surrounding Port Perry than Abram Bongard, drover, of Prince Albert. He was the veteran drover of the district for many years, and it was often said that "there was none better than he."

Abraham Caniff Bongard was born on January 26, 1833, in Prince Edward Cty., Ontario. He was one of seven children for his parents, Conrad and Jane (Dulmadge) Bongard. He was about 22 years old when he moved to Prince Albert and began business as a butcher.

He was married to Mary Ross in 1862, and the couple lived in a nice home on a 12 acre property in the village and it was here they raised their family of seven children.

Abram spent the more than 40 years travelling up and down the concessions and sidelines of Reach, Scugog Island, Whitby and Cartwright Townships, buying stock of all kinds from the farmers. Although his business took up most of his energy, he did find time to serve on the school board.

He established a meat and grocery business in Port Perry during 1873, next door the Port Perry House hotel. About a year after opening, he formed a partnership up with William Robinson, selling fresh products under the name Bongard & Robinson. This partnership was dissolved in April 1876

Abram Caniff Bongard died on April 16, 1910, in Orange City, Florida, having lived a long life of 77 years. In June 1912, Mary Bongard listed her family Prince Albert home and property for sale.

A. Bongard
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At such Prices as will put Competition out of the Question!
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Port Perry, Jan. 15, 1873.

Thomas Bedford

Farmer / Businessman

Thomas Bedford was born in Hope Twp., Durham County, Ontario on March 5, 1823, and lived on the farm of his parents, David and Alice Bedford until he was a young man.

It's estimated he arrived in Reach Township about 1860, and settled on a parcel of land south of Prince Albert. He farmed the land until about 1875, when owing to health issues he retired from farming. It was said he was second to no man in the execution of a day's work. A few years after retiring he moved into Port Perry, purchasing a comfortable home and he lived there for the next 30 years.

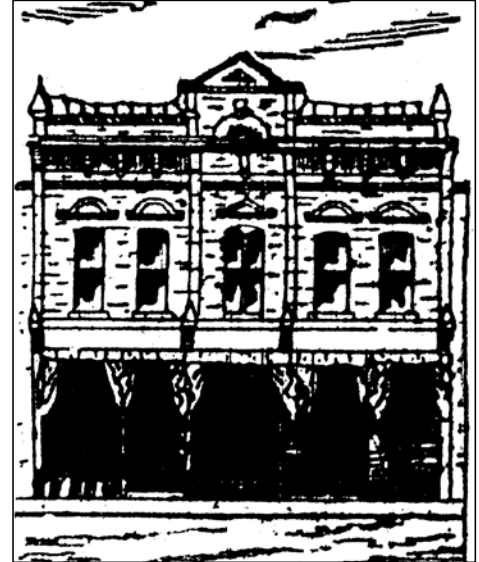
In addition to farming he was noted for his industry and enterprise. He invested in his new community in 1884, erecting a two-story red brick block, which became known as the Bedford Block, on Queen St. The building was 42 feet by 103 feet deep and was rented to a variety of tenants over the years.

Thomas was married three times during his lifetime. His first marriage took place, on April 29, 1851. He married Margaret Jane Fisher, in York, Ont. They had four children during their marriage. She died as a young mother on October 26, 1864, in Whitby, Ontario, at the age of 33.

He was 43 years old on September 27, 1866, when he married Marion S. Burns, of Whitby. She passed away in April 1879 in Port Perry, and was buried in Oshawa Union Cemetery.

His third marriage took place about one year later, on May 12, 1880 when he married Sabra Jones whom he spent the remainder of his life with.

Thomas was a dedicated member of the Methodist Church, Port Perry, and a staunch Liberal in politics. He died peacefully having lived a long life of 83 years, on April 13, 1906, in Port Perry. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



The Bedford Block, Queen St.



Donald Campbell

Farmer, Tavern Owner

Donald Campbell is believed to have been the first hotel/tavern owner in the village of Saintfield, Reach Township. He would have been 24 years of age when he announced the opening on July 27, 1864, noting that his house was new, commodious and well furnished.

Donald Campbell was born October 1, 1840 in Eldon, Victoria County, as son for Archibald and Sarah Campbell. As a young man he farmed the land he acquired in Eldon Township.

When he was 20 years old he married Christiana McArthur on May 12, 1860. Three years later, in 1863 he purchased 60 acres in Reach Twp., just west of Saintfield. Disheartened with the hardships of farming, Donald purchased a tavern and became a hotelkeeper from 1864. He called his tavern, the Saintfield Hotel.

By 1869 he had grown tired of the tavern so he sold and moved to Brock Twp. where he purchased another farm. Donald Campbell died on October 7, 1906 and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.

John Carswell

Watch Maker



JOHN CARSWELL

John Carswell was born in Suffolk, England in February 1790. John married Sarah Piper in London and they had two children, Lydia and Ann. The family emigrated to Canada, settling in Toronto, in 1834 during the massive migration from the British Isles in the 1830s.

In Toronto, Carswell perfected his skills as a watchmaker, working for a number of jewellers and watchmakers. With their young family, the Carswells made their way to Prince Albert, finally settling here in 1847.

Initially the Carswells lived on King Street, but later purchased a lot on Simcoe Street and built a modest home in 1857.

John opened a small business as a watch maker in Prince Albert and worked at his craft for until he was in his 80s, before retiring. John Carswell died on November 9, 1880 in Prince Albert and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery beside his wife, who had died two years earlier.

Elija Cash

Pump Maker

Elija Cash, was born at Markham, Ontario, Canada West about 1840, the eldest son of David Cash. Elija, 21, married Emma at Burchville, on June 1861. He moved to Prince Albert after his marriage, having opened a Pump and Fanning Mill in the village a year earlier.

A number of years later, in 1867 Mr. Cash constructed a new building and opened a Cheese Factory. Two years later, due to an increase in business he moved to a larger store, which provided an excellent stock of groceries and provisions.

Elija and his family moved to Michigan, United States about 1875, where he changed his career, becoming a preacher. He later moved to Los Angeles, California to continue his new career path.

While visiting his father in Prince Albert, Elija Cash died on Wednesday, December 7, 1904. A funeral service was held at the residence of his father followed by buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.

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Prince Albert, Sept. 25, 1860.

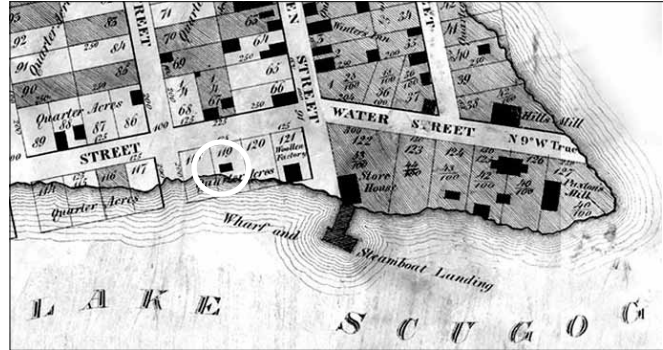
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John Cameron

Banker / Financier

John Cameron was never a resident of Port Perry, or Reach Twp., but he did have an early impact on the young village when it was no more than a cluster of small wood homes, stores and industrial buildings.

Mr. Cameron was an agent for the Commercial Bank, Toronto, when he first took an interest in Port Perry's development. About 1853, while representing the Port Perry Land Co., he helped finance the building of one of the first steam flouring and saw mills along Lake Scugog's waterfront. It was located in the centre of what is now Palmer Park, near the present day gazebo.



Port Perry's lakefront, with location of grist mill (circled) in 1854.

In an advertisement in the Toronto Globe newspaper in May 1855, Mr. Cameron advertised 100 lots for sale by the Port Perry Land Company, boasting that the town had a grist mill, with four runs of stone, and another saw mill in the course of construction.

The mill operated for a number of years, then sold to Thomas Paxton, who owned it when the mill was destroyed by fire.

William H. Cline

Pastor / Publisher

Rev. William Henry Cline's time in Port Perry was short, less than two years, but he made a simple change that continues to stand more than a century after he came to town.

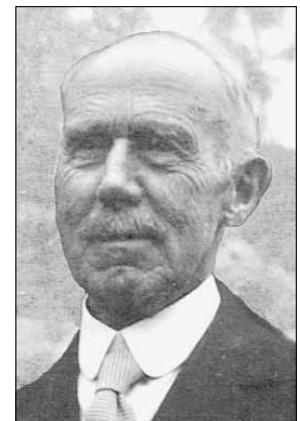
William H. Cline was born the family homestead at Boston, Ontario, just 12 miles south of Branford, Ontario on April 25, 1853. When he was 20 years old he attended Woodstock College to study for the ministry. He taught at the college for one year before attending Toronto University and Baptist College.

On October 21, 1884 he married Emily Crawford. They travelled to Halifax, Nova Scotia on their honeymoon, where he was ordained and spent the next five years. During his career he held pastorates in many Ontario villages, including Paris and Own Sound. The Clines raised five children during their marriage.

For some reason unexplained, he left the ministry for a short time. At an unknown date in 1906 he purchased the Port Perry Standard, taking on the role of publisher. It was during his brief ownership, he changed the name of the newspaper to "The Port Perry Star". Mr. Cline leased a residence on Cochrane St. for some time before his family arrived from Toronto in April 1907.

Only five months after his family settled into their Port Perry home, Mr. Cline announced he was going to sell the newspaper. In September 1907, he wrote, "having been called somewhat unexpectedly to assume the pastoral oversight of a church in the vicinity of Buffalo, N.Y., the writer decided a few weeks ago to dispose of the newspaper and return to the work of the ministry."

Later that month, the newspaper was taken over by Samuel Farmer, and the Rev. W.H. Cline and his family move to East Aurora, New York where he became pastor of the First Baptist Church.



WILLIAM H. CLINE

David “Gord” Carnegie

Hardware Merchant

David “Gordon” Carnegie was born on October 27, 1923 at the family home at 196 Cochrane St., Port Perry. He was the fifth of seven children for David and Marian Carnegie. He attended public and high schools in Port Perry, and was active in numerous sports. After leaving high school he became a machinist, working for a short time in Peterborough before returning in the fall of 1941 to work at the Bank of Commerce in Port Perry.

At the age of 18, he enlisted into the Canadian Army, but never seeing action due to health complications. He received an honourable discharge and returned to Port Perry to rejoin the Bank of Commerce in March 1946. While with the bank, he work at a number of southern Ontario branches, before his father asked him to join the family hardware business in 1949.

Gord was married to Margaret Janet Bigwood, on February 14, 1948, at Toronto, and during their life together the raise two children, Stephen Bigelow and Janet.

Gord returned to his hometown, joining his three brothers, Bob, Harry and Don at Carnegies hardware store on Queen St. The business operated under the Carnegie Brothers until it became a Crest Hardware affiliate in 1958. Eventually, the business included plumbing and heating, furniture and propane gas, as well as hardware.

During the 1950s, Gord was active not only in business, but also in local politics, being elected a councillor for Port Perry in 1954 and 1955. His other interests included being a life member in the Port Perry Legion, the Masonic Lodge and the Oddfellows Lodge.

Sports was another of his interests. He played hockey as a goalie at a high level throughout life, and also competed in lawn bowling, curling and golf.

The Carnegies sold the thriving hardware store on Queen Street in 1976, but retained their propane and gas business on North Street for another dozen years, before selling the last remaining part of their successful business.

Gord’s wife, Margaret, passed way on April 28, 1993. Two years later, David Gordon Carnegie died on June 3, 1995. Gordon and Margaret were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.



GORDON CARNEGIE



Carnegie “Crest” Hardware store 1958.

Harry B. Carnegie

Hardware Merchant

Harry Bigelow Carnegie was born November 9, 1919 at their Port Perry home on Cochrane Street.

He was married to Ella Marie Armstrong and they had three children. His first son, Gordon was born in Brandon, Manitoba, when Harry was in the Air Force. The other two children are Connie, Elizabeth.

He attended a tinsmith course in Hamilton after the war, and basically learned his plumbing skills on the job. He was very skilled in tin shop metal work.

In January 1949 Harry and his three brothers bought the hardware store owned by his father, David, and uncle Arthur. Over the next 25 years, through long hours and hard work, they built a successful business, eventually providing plumbing and heating, furniture, appliances, and a propane gas services. They operated it as Carnegie Brothers until 1958 when they changed their banner, becoming a Crest Hardware affiliate.

The sold the family business in 1976, but three brothers, Harry, Bob and Gord, retained the Superior propane gas business, which they operated on North Street until 1986, when they retired.

Harry Bigelow Carnegie, passed away on December 18, 1996.



HARRY CARNEGIE

Robert “Bob” Carnegie

Hardware Merchant

Robert James Carnegie was the first born of seven children for David and Marian Carnegie. “Bob” as he was most often called, was born on October 16, 1915, in Port Perry, Ontario.

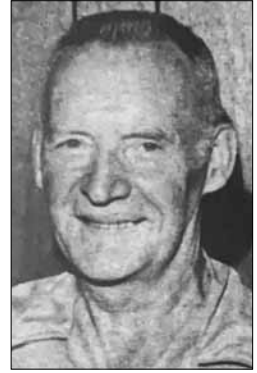
Bob was 21 years old, working in the family hardware business, when he married Myrtle Georgina Hood, of Oshawa on September 6, 1937 at Whitby, Ontario. They had five children during their marriage.

Bob and his brothers, Harry, Gordon and Don, bought the family hardware business from their father in January 1949, Over the ensuing years, through long hours and hard work, built a highly successful business which they expanded to include plumbing, heating, furniture, appliances, and a propane gas business.

They operated under the Carnegie Brothers name until 1958 when they became a member of the Crest Hardware chain of stores. The brothers opened a second hardware in Bowmanville in the early 1970s. Both hardware stores were sold in 1976, but Bob and his brothers continued to operate the Superior propane gas business, located on North Street until 1986.

In addition to his busy life in the hardware business, Bob was active in the community as a member of the Masonic Lodge, Curling Club, Port Perry Legion and Chamber of Commerce.

Robert James Carnegie died on October 31, 1979, at the age of 64.



BOB CARNEGIE

Donald A. Carnegie

Hardware & Clothing Merchant

Donald “Don” Carnegie was born on February 2, 1925, into one of the most respected families in Port Perry. He was the youngest of four sons for David Carnegie and his wife Marian. As a young boy, he attended elementary and high school in his hometown.



**Don Carnegie's Men's Wear
186 Queen St., Port Perry.**

He was married to Louise Howsam and they had two children, Beverly and Karen.

As a young man he enlisted and served in the Royal Canadian Navy in World War II, stationed at Halifax, Nova Scotia. It was while in the navy that he earned his pipe fitter and plumbing training, trades that became valuable a few years later.

A few years after the war, Don and his three brothers, Bob, Harry and Gord, purchased the Carnegie hardware business from their father, David, on January 1, 1949.

More than a decade later Don sold his interest in the hardware store to his brothers to pursue other interests. He opened Don Carnegie's Men's Wear, in October 1963, almost across the street from Carnegie Hardware, at 186 Queen Street. He closed this store in 1973, and sold the building to Becker's Milk Co.

In addition to his business career, Don took an active part in many aspects of his hometown. He was a long-time member of the Port Perry Yacht Club and the local Lions Club, and served as its president in 1970; he served many years as a volunteer fireman on the Port Perry brigade, and was a Charter Member of the Port Perry Rotary Club.

Don Albert Carnegie died on August 14, 2000.



DONALD CARNEGIE

David Carnegie

Businessman

David Carnegie was born on November 28, 1884, at Port Perry, the fifth son of 12 children for his parents James and Louisa Fincham Carnegie.

David married Marion Bigelow McCaw, on September 16, 1914 at Port Perry. Marion was the sixth of eight daughters born to William Hugh McCaw and Emma Josephine (Bigelow), the only daughter of Joseph Bigelow.

They moved into a red brick house behind the United Church and lived there until they purchased the Ebbels residence at 196 Cochrane Street in 1920.

Throughout his life, David was active in the community, as a long-time member of the United Church, member of Fidelity Lodge No. 428, A.F. & A.M., and the Romeses Temple Shrine, Toronto. He was also active in sports for much of his life, being an outstanding hockey player as a young man and an avid lawn bowling club member.

David and his brother Art purchased the Carnegie Milling Company from their father in 1907 and

operated the business until about 1920. David then purchased the family hardware store from his brother William, and for the next 26 year operated the business along with his brother Art.

On January 1, 1949 David transferred ownership of the hardware store to his four sons, Robert, Harry, Gordon and Donald, and retired. He had been a businessman in Port Perry for more than 40 years.

David Carnegie, one of Port Perry's most prominent and highly respected businessmen, passed away at his home on Saturday, December 16, 1950. He was in his 67th year. A private funeral was held at the family residence on Cochrane Street, followed by interment at Pine Grove Cemetery.



DAVID CARNEGIE



Carnegie Bros. Hardware circa 1950.

Abram F. Carnegie

Retailer & Auto Sales

Abram Fincham Carnegie was born on August 19th, 1876 near Raglan, Ontario, the fourth, of twelve children raised by James and Louisa Fincham Carnegie. In 1888, James and his family moved to Port Perry, taking up residence near the lumbering mill he purchased.

If was in Port Perry that Abram received most of his education, attending both elementary and high school in the town. When he was old enough to work, he joined four of his brothers working at their father's lumber business at the lakefront.

In the early 1890s, Abram F. Carnegie opened a store on Queen Street selling clothing, boots and shoes. He operated this until about 1905 when he sold the business.

He married Amita Flood, 23, at Paisley, Ontario, on July 11, 1906. They had four children during their lifetime. On the marriage license, he listed his occupation as a "speculator".

A few years after disposing of his clothing store, he purchased a garage, and in May 1917 took over the dealership for Overland automobiles.

The Canadian Census for 1921 shows Abram as a "traveller," although he continued to live on Queen St., in Port Perry. At the time of his death he was on the sales staff of the Willys-Overland Company, Toronto, which he had joined a year earlier.

Abram Fincham Carnegie died on September 22, 1924, at his residence at 350 St. Clair West, Toronto, Ont., when he was only 48 years of age. A funeral was held from his mother's residence in Port Perry and he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.



Abram F. Carnegie clothing store 1899.

William Urbane Carnegie

Hardware Merchant

William Urbane Carnegie was born on July 30, 1886, in Port Perry, Ont., He was one of four sons for Louisa (Fincham) and James Carnegie, a well respected businessman in the community.

Wm U. Carnegie, 24, married Beatrice May Whiteway, 22 on September 21, 1910, in Port Perry, Ontario. They had three children during their marriage; George, Barbara Jean, and Peter.

At the time of their marriage, William was the owner of a hardware store on Queen St. He had purchased the business from his brother-in-law Robert Bruce in



W.U. Carnegied Hardware store.

1906 and renamed it W.U. Carnegie Hardware. Tragedy struck his business in December 1916 when a fire razed the top story of the building, but William held a fire sale and continued with his business.

Following the death of local Ford agency owner Percy Graham, William took over Mr. Graham's dealership. In April 1919 he built a large Ford garage behind the Bank of Commerce and added a gas bowser in front of his hardware store.

His brother David became a partner the business, in 1920, and about three years later, William dropped out of the hardware business.

William Urbane Carnegie passed away on October 23, 1950, in Ontario at the age of 64.



WILLIAM URBANE
CARNEGIE

Henry Charles

Hotel and Store Keeper

Henry Charles was one of the early businessmen in Port Perry, operating a store and hotel at the corner of Queen St. and Water St. as early as 1867.

Born about 1814 in England, Henry immigrated to Canada as a young man. It's unclear exactly when he arrived, but by 1861 he and his wife Clara were living in the Medonte, Simcoe area of Canada West.

A few years later they relocated to Port Perry and by 1867 he had acquired a the hotel, grocery and liquor business at the busy intersection near the lakefront. About 1881 the building was severely damaged by fire, but he rebuilt the wooden structure again. Three years later, this building, along with the rest of the commercial section of downtown Port Perry perished in destructive fire.



St. Charles Hotel, Port Perry.

Following the fire, he partnered with a Mr. McHardy from Toronto on constructing a magnificent new hotel at the corner. It was a three story structure of yellow brick with a mansard roof. The hotel, which became known as the St. Charles Hotel, featured 30 rooms and a spacious dining room. At street level were two stores including a sample room.

After the hotel was completed, Mr. Charles continued with his grocery and liquor business, but leased the hotel, one manager being Louis Seberty, who later moved across the street to a hotel later named the Seberty House.

Henry Charles was about 92 years old, and widowed, when he finally sold the hotel in July 1903. Mr. J. R. Marshal, who had operated the hotel under a lease for the past three years, purchased the building from Mr. Charles.

Joseph Cook, Sr.

Carter

Joseph Cook was born on August 3, 1826, in England to unknown parents. It's believed he immigrated to Canada about 1840 while still a young man. Although nothing is known of his early years in Canada, about 1850, when he was 23 years old, he married Mary Ann Corrin, from Hastings County, Ontario. The 1851 Census shows he was working as a ferryman at this time near Belleville, Ontario.

Mary Ann and Joseph had four sons and three daughters during their life together. The children were Thomas 1850; Joseph, 1855; Mary & Elizabeth, 1861; Maria, 1865; William, 1867; John, 1870.

Joseph and his family arrived in Port Perry about 1863 and for at least part of that time lived on Lilla (Simcoe) Street. By 1881 he was working as a mail carrier, or carter which he did until he was into his 60s.

Little information is available about Joseph Cook, although records show he opened a restaurant on Perry Street, just north of the Ontario Carriage Works building, about 1900, when he was 69 years old.

In 1902, he moved his restaurant to a new larger location, above the Observer Office on Queen Street. He operated the restaurant until he passed away in his 78th year, on May 22, 1904. Following his death, it continued to be operated by family members until November 1928.

His wife Mary Ann, 81 years old, died on January 4, 1912 in Port Perry.



Cook's Restaurant, Perry St., Port Perry.



Cook's Restaurant, above Curtis & Henderson.

COOK'S



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the deep sea variety—direct from Baltimore (daily)—always in stock, and served as they should be, or sold by the pint, quart or in larger quantities; special quotations for Church and Society Entertainments and private parties.

Sandwiches, made from a recipe supplied by the Earl of Sandwich.
Pork Pies, &c.
Fresh Fish in the proper season.

Yours truly,
JOSEPH COOK.
Port Perry, Nov. 12, 9'2.



DONALD "DOC" CHRISTIE

Donald C. "Doc" Christie

Large Animal Veterinarian

Donald C. Christie was born on April 25, 1922 at Manchester, Ontario, one of four sons for Grant and Lillian Christie, who operated a farm at R.R.4, Port Perry.

He attended both Manchester and Prince Albert public schools and Port Perry High School before attending Ontario Veterinarian College in Guelph. He graduated as a certified veterinarian in 1943.

He was active in the community, in particularly anything to do with agriculture, and he was a long-time member of the Port Perry Agricultural Association, serving as its president in 1962.

Don married Grace Demara from Scugog Island in 1948, and from that marriage they raised two daughters, Miriam, and Carole.

"Doc" Christie practiced large animal medicine throughout Reach Twp. for the next 53 years, travelling many country miles providing professional service to his farming friends and family.

Following a lengthy stay in hospital, Donald C. Christie passed away on July 31, 2008, at Lakeridge Health hospital, Bowmanville. He was 86 years old at the time of his death.

Fred G. Christie

Farmer

Frederick G. Christie was born on January 25, 1921, on the family farm in Manchester. His parents John and Lillian, raised four children, all boys during the marriage - Fred, Donald, Mac, and John.

Fred grew up working on the farm as a young boy, while attending public school in Manchester before attending Port Perry High School. It was during these years his love for farming developed.

He married Marguerite A. (Brown), who tragically died suddenly at home on April 14, 1952. He later was remarried, to Ruby (Dunford). He was the father to two children, Paul and Susan.

As a young man Fred took great interest in the agricultural community, and dedicated his spare time to its betterment. In 1941 he was elected vice-president of the Port Perry, Reach, Scugog Agricultural Society and a year later became the organizations president.

By 1950, his reputation as a hard working volunteer was recognized when he was elected Chairman of District No. 4, Ontario Agricultural Societies. The youngest person to have ever achieved that distinction.

He also had an interest in the preservation of cemeteries, and was named to the Cemetery Advisory Board of Ontario in 1962.

Fred Christie was 81, when he died peacefully, on Thursday, October 31, 2002, at his home in Prince Albert. Interment Pine Grove Cemetery. His wife Ruby died on December 10, 2008 at Community Nursing Home, Port Perry, at 95 years of age.



FRED CHRISTIE

Charles Coryell

Coryell House

When Charles and Elizabeth Coryell moved to Reach Township in 1850, they opened a hotel and called their new venture the "Coryell House."

Charles Emerson Coryell was born on April 12, 1816, in New York, USA. His parents, Sarah (Emerson) and Abraham Coryell immigrated to Canada about 1830 and settled into farming.

When Charles was 20 years old, he married Elizabeth Farewell on February 29, 1836 and during their marriage they raised 11 children. After opening the Coryell House in Seagrave, he served the community as hotelkeeper for more than 20 years, until his unexpected death on May 5, 1872 in Whitby. His wife, Elizabeth, sold the hotel and moved back to Whitby following his death.

Kimberlea “Kim” Coates

Township Clerk

Kimberlea “Kim” Coates was born, raised and worked in Port Perry for the greater part of her life, working only for a short time outside of the town following her graduation from Port Perry High School.

Kim was born on July 25, 1957 at the new Port Perry Hospital, becoming the only child for her parents William “Bill” and Annabell Harrison. After completing her education at the local high school, at the age of 17 years, she took a job in Richmond Hill, where she spent four years as secretary to a plant manager.

In 1981, when she learned of an opening in Scugog Township clerk’s department. She applied and was hired by the township.

When her boss, Earl Cuddie retired, his job as CAO and Clerk was split into two positions and Kim assumed the role of Township Clerk in October 2000. She was only the second woman to have held the post of “clerk” for the community since it was formed in 1973.

Kim successfully carried out her duties in this position for the next 13 years, retiring in July 2013. In her retirement she planned to spend more time with her daughter Amanda “Mandy” and her grandson and enjoy all the things her community has to offer.

Despite her busy duties as clerk, Kim found time to volunteer and work with local organizations, including six years as secretary for “North House”, which provides transitional housing for people. More recently has become a director for the Port Perry Hospital Foundation.

During her career with the municipality, Kim was proud to have been able to serve and provide guidance to five of Scugog’s mayors, and 11 councils.

PHOTO:

Scugog Township staff, October 1989, in a renovated home on North Street, which became the Administration office.

Back left, Wendy Bourgeois, receptionist; Earl Cuddie, administrator; Seated left, Kim Coates, secretary; Diane Knutson, secretary and Bill Henshall by-law officer.



KIM COATES



Abram Coryell

Postmaster

Abram Coryell (O’Coryell) became the first postmaster for the village of Seagrave in 1873.

Mr. Coryell was the grandson of one of the village’s earliest settlers, Abram Coryell, and son of Charles E. Coryell who arrived in the village in 1850 and died in 1872.

After the death of his father, his mother returned to Whitby, but the young Coryell, who was 24 years old, became the first postmaster for Seagrave.



ABRAM CORYELL



GEORGE COPE

George Cope

CEO/ President Bell Canada

George Cope was born in Scarborough, Ont, on July 28, 1961, and moved to Port Perry with his parents, Lang and Daisy in 1975 when they opened a store in the town.

George attended Port Perry High School where he excelled in both academics and sports. He elected president of the Student Council during his years there, and took an active part in basketball.

George lived in Port Perry for only five years, but while attending high school, he made an impact on the school's sports program. Highlights of his basketball career was being a member of the All Ontario Championship team, and winning the Most Outstanding Athlete in his final year at PPHS.

After graduating from high school, George enrolled in the Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario. He received the Richard Ivey School Distinguished Service Award in 2009.

George began a career in the electronics industry, creating a company called Clearnet. After 13 years as its CEO, he sold the telecommunications business to Telus, and was appointed CEO of the company.

Before retiring in 2020, he had served in chief executive roles in the communications industry for more than 25 years including President and Chief Executive Officer for BCE Inc. and Bell Canada, the country's largest communications company, from 2008-2020.

While at BCE, he initiated a five-year, \$50-million charitable program with Bell dedicated to supporting programs that improve understanding and treatment of mental health. His interest in mental health issues stems from his mother's battle with depression

Among his many accomplishment are dozens of award, including Order of Canada (2014), induction into the Canadian Business Hall of Fame (2018), and Canada's Outstanding CEO of the Year (2015).

George Cope retired on January 5, 2020, after nearly 12 years as chief executive of BCE Inc.

George and his wife Tami have three children and live in Toronto.

Whitney Cohoon

Registered Nurse / Farm Operator

Marion Whitney Laird was born in Toronto in 1939, two days before Christmas, one of five daughters for her parents Robert Clarence and Kathleen Patricia (Bryant) Laird. Two of their daughters, including Whitney followed their father's path in medicine, becoming nurses.

Whitney attended school in Toronto and Thornhill before graduating the Sick Children's Hospital School of Nursing. She worked as a cardiac researcher for five years at the research lab of Toronto Western Hospital, he same hospital her father had been surgeon-in-chief and professor of surgery years earlier.

While working at Western Hospital she met Dr. William James Cohoon. They were married at Maple, Ontario on June 23, 1967, and during their life together raised five children, Zachariah, Log, Tallara, Aaron and Ceilidh.

Whitney and Bill moved to Port Perry in September 1968, where they opened a family clinic in the front room of their new home on North Street. A few years later they purchased a farm north of the town, where they built a new home and began farming, and in 1972 Whitney started her company, Twin Erin Farms Inc. which she has operated for almost 50 years.

Devoted to both her family and her business, she still made time to be active in community endeavors. She was a dedicated volunteer for the Port Perry Agricultural Society and served as its president for two years, before resigning in January 2021. She also was a strong promoter and participant in the local Farmer's Market, and an active participant in saving the Port Perry fairgrounds from development.

For her commitment and efforts on behalf of the community, she was recognized with the Outstanding Volunteer Community Service in 1995; the Ontario Volunteer Service Award in 2001 and inducted into the Mayor's Honour Roll in 2011.



WHITNEY COHOON

Langley “Lang” Cope

Business Owners



“LANG” COPE

Lang Cope, and his wife Daisy called Port Perry home for more than two decades and anyone who had the pleasure of meeting the man, would not quickly forget him. He was an inspiring and remarkable man, known for his optimism, and love of life.

Edwin Langley “Lang” Cope was born on December 2, 1934 in Toronto, Ontario, the only child for his parents Edwin and Marion Cope. Growing up as a member of Balmy Beach Club, Lang was an avid paddler and exceptional football player. His love for being on the water progressed as he developed a passion for fishing.

It was while attending Danforth Technical School he met Daisy Ann Skelton and they were married in Toronto in 1956. During their almost 55 years of marriage they raised three children, Karen, George and Kira.

After graduating from Danforth, Daisy studied fashion at Ryerson Polytechnical and taught night school. This led her to wanting to hope her own business. This desire

led to Lang and Daisy to move to Port Perry from the Beaches in 1975. Here they opened Daisy’s Fabrics, at the rear of Luke’s Country Store, on Queen St.

They fell in love with the community and Lang later commented, “We always wished we had moved to Port Perry earlier in our lives.” Lang became a tireless worker for the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, taking part in Festival Days and Ice Carnivals on the lake. He was a great promoter of the town they enjoyed 20 years in business before retiring, due to health issues.

Port Perry was perfect for his love for fishing and after retiring he began paintings, completing over 100 landscape oil paintings.

Four years after he underwent heart surgery, Lang and Daisy decided to downsize and moved into a condominium in Whitby where they spent the remainder of their lives.

Edwin Langley Cope was 76 when he passed away at Whitby General Hospital June 6, 2001. His wife Daisy, passed way on May 31, 2016.



DAISY AND LANG COPE.

John D. Cottingham

Dental Surgeon

John Daniel Cottingham was born in England about 1829 and emigrated to Canada about 1850. By 1860 he had graduated as a dentist and was practicing his trade in Toronto.

While living in Toronto he married a young woman named Jeanette Murray, and over the next ten years they had five children; Joana, Martha, Susan, Rebecca and John.

The family moved to Reach Township during the early 1860s, settling in Borelia. Here he opened a practice as a surgeon dentist and druggist. He practiced dentistry in the community until about 1890 when he retired. Throughout his career Dr. Cottingham appears not to have got involved with many social or political issues in the community. He died in Port Perry, on December 20, 1889.



ISAAC CRAIG

Isaac Craig

Pioneer Farmer

Isaac Craig was one of the founding fathers of Greenbank. He was born on May 15, 1808 in Lancaster, Lancashire, England and at the age of 25 emigrated to Canada with his parents, David and Mary and his siblings. They first settled in York (Toronto) before moving to Reach Township settling on Lot 11, Conc. 11.

Upon settling the land, Isaac married Margaret Wells at Greenbank on August 29, 1836. They had nine children before Margaret became ill and died in 1857. Isaac then married Hannah Smith of Minden on August 29, 1858 and they had six children together.

He established the first inn in the town, with himself as innkeeper and farmer. By 1851, Isaac had cleared 46 acres of land, well above the average farmer who cleared 22 acres. He focused his production on butter, wool and cloth. His inn was very successful early on, as there were few places for travellers to rest along the Brock Road between Epsom and Brock Township.

One of the first community buildings to be erected in a new settlement, after the churches, was the school. Greenbank's school, SS#12, was the first in the Township of Reach. Isaac Cragg donated land and the logs to build it, circa 1847. The school was located the

southeast corner of his property, west of the village, then moved east in 1865. The "old school", a later board and batten building, was built in 1874.

Isaac Craig died on February 14, 1874, in Greenbank, Ontario, at the age of 65, and was buried there.

Dorman Corbman

Businessman

Dorman Daniel William Corbman was born on October 11, 1882, in Port Perry, Ontario, his father, Daniel, was 49 and his mother, Almira, was 47. He had four brothers and five sisters.

As a young man, Dorman lost one of his legs through an illness, and he spent the rest of his life getting



DORMAN CORBMAN

around on crutches. He lived with his mother in their Bigelow St. home until at least 1917.

Despite his handicap, the young man was successful in his endeavours in the village. In 1910, he took over the local skating rink, and the following year purchased the facility and named it the "Olympia Skating Rink". Before opening to the public he refitted and renovated the entire building.

In addition to his interest in the healthy welfare of the community, he opened a grocery department store in 1918. Here he served up fruits, confectionaries and also sold photographs and records. Later in his life, he operated a greenhouse and did gardening for many people around the town.

Dorman Corbman passed away in Oshawa, Ontario on February 9, 1949, at the age of 66. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Dorman Corbman behind the counter of his Queen St. store.

James L. Crooks

Seagrave Station Master

James Loudon Crooks was born on June 19, 1849, in Calder Vale, Yorkshire, England. Just when the Crooks immigrated to Canada is unclear.

James was 24 years old when he married Isabella Kelly in Windsor, Ont., on May 12, 1874. They moved to Reach Township, and on April 1, 1878 he was appointed station master at Seagrave for the Grand Truck Railway station.

In April 1913, tragedy struck the popular Seagrave couple. Mr. and Mrs. Crooks were lucky to escape their station home when fire woke them up during the middle of the night.

With fire crackling all around them, James on crutches led his wife out of the building, before it burned right to the ground. They lost everything, including Mr. Crooks artificial limb.

Mr. and Mrs. Crooks had worked for the railway for 35 years, before the fire destroyed the station.

Five months later, on September 18, 1913, James Crooks passed away while visiting friends in Port Perry. He had not been in good health ever since the fire. His widow, Isabella, and three children Letta, James and Alfred were left to mourn his loss.



James Crooks, with crutches, in front of the Seagrave station.



CLIFF CROWELL

Clifford Crowell

Marina & Realtor

Clifford "Cliff" Crowell spent a good part of his life on Scugog Island, his family having a cottage there as early as 1933. But it wasn't until he was married to his wife Norma in 1954, that they became permanent residents of the Island.

He started his business career working a DuPlate Canada, in Oshawa, but looking for a change he opened Island Marina on Scugog Island. The marina became their life and was where they raised three children, Marty, Dianne and Eric, all who helped out at the marina while attending high school in Port Perry.

Aside from his busy life operating a marina, Cliff also became involved in his community. After being acclaimed for a seat on Scugog Island council in 1970, he went on to become its last Reeve in 1973, before Durham Region came into effect.

In 1973 the Crowells sold their Island Marina business, and Cliff was appointed general manager of Peel's Poultry Farm, in Port Perry. He was also an active member in the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, serving as a director for a number of years before being elected president for the 1977-78 term.

Cliff also took on good causes outside of Scugog, becoming a governor of Durham College, and president of the Pine Ridge District Scouts, and served as the chairman of the Scugog Island Hall board.

Like Cliff, his wife Norma was also very active in the community serving on the Scugog Island Women's Institute and as secretary for the Port Perry Hospital Auxiliary.

In 1986 Cliff looking for a new challenge, teamed up with a couple of local realtors to open Ridge North Realty. He retired 20 years later when the company was sold to Coldwell Banker R.M.R.

After moving from the community, settling near Niagara Falls, he continued his work, serving as treasurer of the Greater Niagara Boat Club. In his later days, he was a resident of Maple Park Lodge, Niagara Falls. It was here he passed away on February 3, 2016, in his 88th year.

Herbert L. Collacutt

Horse Dealer

Port Perry lost a highly respected and beloved citizen in 1941 with the passing of Herb Collacutt, a resident of Port Perry and Scugog for more than 50 years.

Born in Darlington, Ontario, on March 8, 1869, Herbert Llewellyn Collacutt, one of three children for his parents Charles and Catherine. He received his early education in Bowmanville, and when he was about 10 years old, moved with his family to Scugog Island. Here he grew into manhood.



Herbert & Christina Collacutt.

He was 29 years old when he was married to Christina "Tina" Houck, also from the island, and they were married at Scugog Centre on October 25, 1898. During their life together he and Tina raised five children, Jack, Grace, Robert, Glenn and Hubert.

Herb became interested in horses at an early age, and became an outstanding horseman, whose knowledge and experience in judging of horses was recognized throughout Canada. He had been a judge at the Toronto Exhibition, Royal Winter Fair, and travelled extensively throughout Canada.

His knowledge of horses made him a perfect choice for many years of the Port Perry Trotting Association, which held the winter races on Lake Scugog. He also paid considerable attention locally at Port Perry Agricultural Fair.

Herbert L. Collacutt, passed away at his home in Port Perry on October 19, 1941. Following a funeral service, he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

F. Charles Collacutt

Store Keeper

Franklin Charles Collacutt was born in December 23, 1871 at Orono, Ontario, where he grew up on the family farm and began his early education. He was one of three children for his parents, Charles and Catherine Collacutt.

The Collacutt family moved to Scugog Island in 1879 and it was here that he finished his elementary education, before attending high school in Port Perry.

Charles was married to Louisa Jemima Savage, a resident of Brooklin, West Whitby, and they were married about 1890. They had three sons, Herbert, William, Orville and Frank, during their marriage.

Charles worked as a tinsmith for a number of years before opening a grocery and general merchant store on the northeast corner of Queen and John St., beside Beare Motors garage. The corner became known as "Collacutt's Corner".

After less than 20 years after arriving in the town, in June 1917, he sold the store and property and moved his family to Toronto. In 1921, he was listed in a census form as working as a plumber in that city.

F. Charles Collacutt was 73 years old when he passed away at his home on Glebeholme Blvd., on April 17, 1946. His wife Louisa died two years later in August 1948.

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F. C. Collacutt

Prompt delivery

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F.C. Collacutt advertisement, April 1915

Martin Luther Crandell

Engineer / Gameskeeper

Martin Luther Crandel came from a long line of Crandells, his grandfather Reuben having been the first white settler in Reach Township in 1821 and his father being the first white child born in the township.

Martin was born on October 5, 1955, one of nine children for his parents Benjamin and Annie Crandell. He was 27 years old when he married Mary Caroline Anderson, on January 25, 1883, in Cannington, Ontario. They raised ten children during their time together.

As a young man he worked as a clerk in Port Perry, but later became an steamboat engineer, quite likely on one of his uncle, George Crandell's' line of steamers on Lake Scugog and the Kawartha lakes.

Martin Luther was an avid outdoors man and loved fishing. In March 1891 he was reported to have caught 40 bass in and day with a number tipping the scales at six pounds.



M.L. Crandell in the Syndicate marshland.

In 1892 he left working on steamships to become the gamekeeper and caretaker of the Scugog Game Preserve Syndicate. The property spanned hundreds of acres of submerged land out of the Port Perry floating bridge. He was responsible for keeping poachers off the property and ensuring the channels were kept open for hunting.

In 1898 Mr. Crandell claimed he was the first man in the province to succeed in inducing wild geese to hatch in captivity. One of his wild geese came off with four fine goslings.

He performed these duties for about 20 years before retiring from the Syndicate position.

Martin Luther Crandell died on March 12, 1937, in Whitby, Ontario, at the age of 87.



MARTIN L. CRANDELL

David & Helen Chow

Restaurant Owner

David and Helen Chow came to Port Perry from Toronto about 1973 to opened a restaurant and they stayed for 25 years. The young couple took over the former Rio Restaurant, at 227 Queen Street, and after extensive renovations they opened David Chow's Chinese Restaurant.

David had many years experience in restaurants, having spent most of working career as a cook in Toronto. In 1980, the Chows closed their restaurant and completely remodelled the facility, holding a grand opening in October that year.

The Chows lived a quiet life, but worked 16 hours a day, seven-days-a-week for many years to create a successful business. Their three children, Kelly, Juliette and Linda, also helped in the restaurant when they were old enough to work.

David and Helen were disappointed in 1998 when they were unable to renew their new lease with the landlord, so retired and closed their restaurant. Their last day in business in Port Perry was on February 16, 1998, after which they returned to Toronto to be closer to their children.



Helen and David Chow.

Kenneth Carruthers

Businessman / Politician

Kenneth Rexford Carruthers was born in Scarborough on November 24, 1932, and was the oldest of nine children for his parents, Rexford George and Annette Laura Carruthers.

Ken grew up in Toronto and moved to Port Perry about 1989, where he opened up a Country Style Donuts restaurant on Hwy. 7A near Simcoe Street. He had immediate success in his new business, and one year later his store was named the No.1 franchise of 156 Country Style shops across Canada. A few years later he opened a second location in Manchester.

Aside from his busy business career, Ken took an active interest in the community. He became a member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce and served as its president during 1991-92. He also found interest in the local political scene, serving as both a councillor, and regional councillor for the township. In January 2004, while serving as regional councillor, Ken became ill and took a leave of absence from his position.

Three months later, on March 24, 2005, Kenneth Carruthers passed away at Sunnybrook Health Centre, Toronto. He was 71 at the time of his death. A service to celebrate his life at Port Perry United Church, after which he was buried at Pine Hills Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario.



Ken Carruthers

Joshua W. Curts

Merchant / Politician

Joshua Washington Curts was born in West York on December 23, 1846 in York (Toronto) Ontario, one of six children for his parents, Jacob and Mary (Mabley). As a young man he helped on the family farm, while attending school

Joshua was 18 years old when he married Frances Collier Lewis, 17, in York, on January 4, 1865. After marrying, he left home to run a grocery store in Toronto. He moved to Whitby where he continued to engage in mercantile pursuits, and displayed a natural aptitude for business



JOSHUA CURTS

Joshua Curts came to Port Perry in 1875 as an employee of the Port Perry & Port Whitby Railway, first as baggage handler and freight checker, and later he became the railway's agent.

About 1889 he went into the produce business with C.R. Henderson. He erected two refrigerated warehouses capable of holding up to 25,000 dozen eggs. The largest of these, on Water Street burned with its contents in November 1892.

The business prospered for a number of years, as Mr. Curts sent two teams out on the road gathering eggs and butter. In later years he busied himself with his farm located at the west end of the Scugog Bridge.

In addition to the two warehouses he erected, he built two fine brick houses, one at the west entrance to the Scugog Bridge, he called Lakeview Lodge. This home was destroyed by fire in November 1930. He built a second home on the southwest corner of Water and Mary St.

Mr. Curts was actively interested in public affairs, holding positions on council and was elected Reeve in 1895, serving for six years. He also served as a member of the Board of Education. He was a veteran of the Fenian Raid and while in Toronto was a member of the Queen's Own Rifles.

In 1902, Joshua married Melida May Abbot in Niagara Falls, New York. He was charged with bigamy in marrying Melinda while his first wife, Frances, was still alive. A year earlier he had been granted a divorce in Ohio, USA, from Frances, and following the court case, he was found not guilty of the bigamy charge.

Mr. Curts died at 74 years of age, on Thursday, February 17, 1921 in Port Perry. His wife, two sisters and a half brother survived him. His wife Melinda Curts died on March 31, 1933 in Port Perry.

Revised and updated from Faces of Scugog, Book One.

Hugh Chisholm

Shipbuilder

Hugh Chisholm only spent a few years in Port Perry, but in that short time he made a tremendous impact on the fledgling village, along the shores of Lake Scugog.

Born in Toronto, Ontario about 1824, Hugh chose a career as a carpenter and builder. He became so skilled that Port Perry shipbuilder George Crandell hired him in 1850 to assist him in the building of the "Woodman", which became the first steamship on Lake Scugog.

The Woodman was 96 feet long at the keel and had an overall length of 110 feet. Its huge 14-foot diameter side paddle-wheels gave it a width of 30 feet. It was launched on August 29, 1850 and Hugh Chisholm became the first Captain of the sturdy new vessel. He spent three years, plying Lake Scugog and the Scugog River between Port Perry, Lindsay and Fenelon Falls.

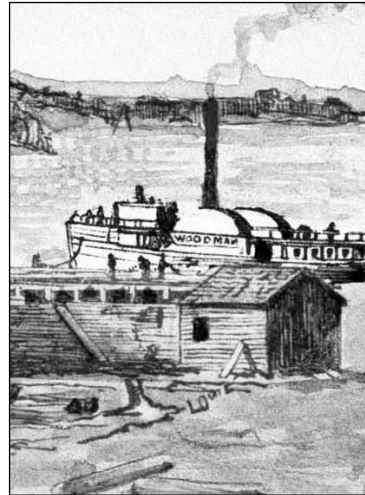
This first experience with ship building propelled him to becoming one of the most reliable pioneer shipbuilders and navigators of Canada.

While the Woodman was the first ship the young Chisholm built, it wasn't his last. He built a number of steamers, including, in 1854, a large one for the Northern Railroad Company, on Lake Simcoe. Another of the large ships he built was for the North Shore Navigation Co., at Collingwood.

Hugh Chisholm was living in Whitby, when he married was married about 1858. He and his wife Jane had two children, Alexander J., and Marcella A.

Chisholm was one of the pioneer shipbuilders and navigators of Canada. He settled down at Meaford, Ontario during the early 1870s, where for the next quarter of a century he carried on a large mercantile, grain and forwarding business.

Hugh Chisholm was a highly-esteemed citizen of little town of Meaford when he passed peacefully away at noon July 7, 1896, aged 72 years. His wife Jane, passed away less than one month before her husband, on June 2, 1896. Interment at St. Vincent Cemetery, near Meaford, on Wednesday.



Woodman steamer 1853.

John Collins

Scugog Island Farmer

John Collins was born on May 15, 1928 in St. Gennys, Cornwall, England, the fourth born of eight children for his parents, William and Catharine Collins. He was educated in England and married Mary Ann Dark, 20, on March 4, 1852, in here hometown of Parkham, Devon, England when he was 23 years.

John and Mary immigrated to Canada, first landing at New York city in October 1855, before crossing into Canada and making their way to Scugog Island, becoming among the earlies settlers on the Island. Ten of their 13 children were born on Scugog Island, the other three in England before moving to Canada.

John Collins property encompassed Lot 22 on the 6th concession of the Island and here he farmed for his entire life. He was also

He had an active voice in municipal affairs, serving on the Scugog Island council. His first foray into the politics came when he was elected to council 1869 and he served four more terms through to the 1880s.

John Collins died on May 12, 1904, in Port Perry, Ontario, having lived a long life of 75 years, and was at Scoville Cemetery on the Island. His wife, Mary Ann, died on August 30, 1909, when she was 78 years old.

James Caesar

Pioneer Settler

The Caesar family was among the first settlers who arrived in the dense bush surrounding Lake Scugog's eastern shores in Cartwright, Durham County in 1836. There were four men in the Caesar family, and they acquired about 1,000 acres of Crown Land near the shore of Lake Scugog. It was here they cleared land to build a simple log cabin for the families.

Records suggest the Caesar log cabin was constructed on what is now the corner of the Main Street and was used as both a church and school for many years.

The village of Caesarea, was named after the Caesar family about 1853 with the opening of a post office, of which James was the first postmaster. Prior to that the settlement had been called Lasherville. There are no records of him having been married.

James Caesar was born in Ireland about 1806 and immigrated to Canada during the 1830s. When the first township council was elected in 1837, James Caesar was elected reeve. James headed the council for 22 years until 1859, holding their meeting in private homes.

James Caesar was 60 years old when he died in 1866. He was interred at Caesarea Cemetery, on land donated by the family to the to community for that purpose. There are five identical monuments in a row, marking the grave sties of the Caesar family

Clifford L. Coulter

Farmer

Clifford Lloyd Coulter was born on August 4, 1890 on the family farm in Manvers Twp., a son for William and Elizabeth (Brown) Coulter.

Clifford moved to Reach Township when he was a young man, bringing with him his mother and father. In May 1918 he purchased a farm, which sloped to Lake Scugog, at the northern edge of Port Perry. While farming the land, he saw a opportunity to develop a section of his property along the lakefront, into a recreation area for area residents.

Clifford cleaned and cleared about 1,100 feet of shoreline of weeds and created a large beach suitable for wading and bathing, which he named "Highland Beach." From the water's edge the property rose in elevation about 20 feet, making the property high and dry and providing a commanding view of the lake.

Access to the park was by way of a private entrance from the main road (Simcoe St.), and provided a pier for boaters and bathers, access to the lake for cottagers.

Highland Beach was in a perfect location to attract visitors, abutting the northern boundary of Frederick Kent's popular "Beechcroft Estate". Thousands of people made their way to the Kent's famous property, which feathered magnificent rose gardens, fountains and manicured tiered lawns.

After a number of years operating Highland Beach as a summer playground, in June 1929, Clifford filed a development plan for the Highland Beach property, selling 43 lots facing Lake Scugog. In the middle of the property was a small public area known as "Coulcliff Park".

Clifford was 39 years old when he married he married school teacher, Edith Marion Appleyard at Port Perry, Ontario in September 1928. They had three children, Edith, Philip and Tom.

Clifford Lloyd Coulter was in his 84th year when he died in Newmarket on August 20, 1873. He was returned to Port Perry for a funeral at McDermott-Panabaker Chapel, and interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Coulter Street and Coulcliff Boulevard, both derivatives of his name, honour the man who developed the area which became known as Highland Beach.

Ronald Compton

Cable TV Operator

Anyone growing up in the Port Perry area during the last five decades has probably heard the name "Ron Compton", the successful owner and entrepreneur who owned and operated the Compton Cable TV company.

Ron Compton was born in Toronto on November 29, 1951, one of four children in the family of Simon and Jean Compton. Ron's father operated a TV and antenna sales and repair shop in Toronto. He worked with his father while attending school, and it was here his interest was nurtured for the communications industry.

He attended elementary and secondary school in Toronto, before attending both Seneca and Durham Colleges. After completing his education continued working with his father, until in the late 1960s his father was licensed to start a new Cable TV company in Uxbridge. In 1976 Ron bought the business from his father, and a short time later was awarded the cable license for Port Perry. They operated out of the old creamery building on Water Street.

Ron met his future wife, Nancy, in 1979 and less than a year later, on August 9, 1970, Ron and Nancy (Burger) Compton were married at her family home in Uxbridge. They have two children, Nicole and Brook who both worked for the company over the years.



Ron and Nancy Compton.

Ron and Nancy decided to make Scugog their home, first living in Caesarea for a few years before purchasing a property in Utica in 1982, to build a new home, office complex and a large cable tv tower.

Despite the energy required to operate a cable company, Ron always found time to give back to his communities. He served numerous organizations during his career. He served on the Port Perry Hospital fund raising committee; co-chairman for construction of a second ice pad at the arena; board member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce. For his community service he was recognized with the Rotary Club's Paul Harris Fellow award, and inducted into the Mayor Hour Roll, and his business was honoured, being named "The Business Of The Year."

Over a time-span of almost 40 years, Ron and Nancy grew the Compton Cable Co., into one of the most advanced and respected cable companies in Ontario, serving more than 5,500 customers. But in 2011, the family made the tough decision to sell their family company to Rogers Cable Co.

Looking back, Ron says he takes great pride that he and Nancy, along with an amazing staff, were able to build "one of the most advanced Cable TV and Internet systems in Canada".

Even after selling their company, the Compton's continue to give back to their community. They immediately took some of the money from the sales of their company and formed The Compton Family Foundation, which provides generous grants to non-profit organizations throughout Scugog and Durham Region.

Ron and Nancy continue to live on their large Utica property to this day.

John Cassidy

Chief Constable

Thomas and Ellen (Helen) Cassidy arrived in Reach Twp., in the early 1850s and their eldest son, John Cassidy, was born there on April 2, 1853. He was the oldest of ten children in the Cassidy family.

John was 21 years old, and working as a laborer in Port Perry, when he married Mary O'Brien, 27, in Brock Township on September 18 1883. They had seven children during the life together.

He was later employed as Port Perry's street commissioner and was responsible for keeping the roads graded and in good condition. In 1911 he was appointed the town's Chief Constable

He took over the new post in October 1911 and served as the town's law enforcement officer as well as other duties. He took an active interest in the town and in addition to his duties as chief constable, he continued to undertake the responsibility of street commissioner, as well serving as the tax collector and becoming a member of the local fire brigade.

He was 61 years old when he retired, after serving five years as Chief Constable.

On December 1, 1921, while visiting his son in Trenton, New Jersey, Port Perry's former chief constable died in St. Francis Hospital, from complications during surgery. He was returned to his former home in Canada.



JOHN CASSIDY

Robert J. Cameron

Police Chief

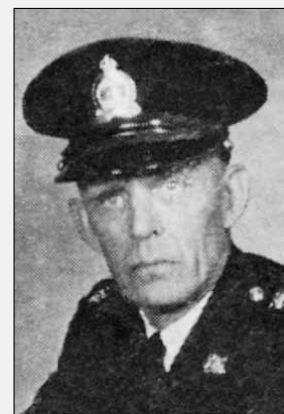
Robert J. Cameron was born in Aberdeen Scotland about 1905, and immigrated to Canada in 1920. He served with an artillery unit during World War Two, and after returning home, worked at the Ontario Reformatory in Mimico, where he held the position of lieutenant.

He was hired in March 1956 to take on the role of Police Chief for the town of Midland, in Simcoe County. Three years later he applied for a policing position in Port Perry and was hired in July 1959, as a Sergeant for the village. Following a short trial period he was elevated to become the new Chief of Police for the village.

His tenure appeared to be successful for nine years, when in June 1968, council discharged Mr. Cameron from his duties as Police Chief. They cited he was negligent in his duties of not reporting a loss of funds, and that he could not effectively carry out his duties as police chief, and requested a written resignation.

Chief Cameron told council he would not provide a written resignation, but would leave on his own accord. He feared there may be animosity in the police department, but told councillors he did not hold a grudge.

It was at this time, the town decided to abandoned having a Port Perry Police Department, and reinstated the Ontario Provincial Police to assume policing in the town.



ROBERT J. CAMERON

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Jacob Dafoe

General Store & Innkeeper

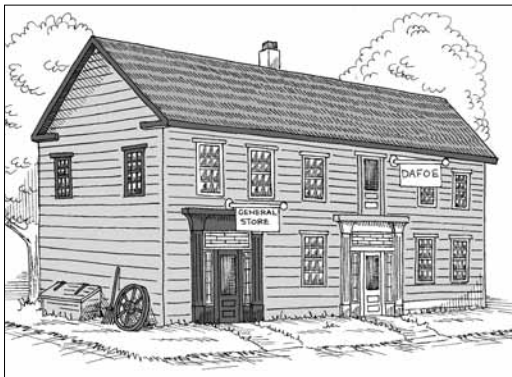
Jacob Dafoe was one of Reach Townships longest serving and most respected innkeepers, owning and operating a hotel for almost four decades.

Born near Markham in about 1838, Jacob grew up and was educated in that community. On Christmas day, in 1860, when he was 22 years old, he married Jane Berry in Witchurch Township. He was active in farming for a number of years before he and his family moved to Reach Township in 1866.

Not long after arriving in Utica, Jacob took over the local hotel, which later became known as Dafoe House. In addition to his innkeeper duties, he also operated the general store and served as post master from 1868-1887.

Jacob's wife, Jane, shared the duties working in the general store, and after Jacob retired as postmaster, she took over as Utica's postmaster for the next 19 years, from 1887-1906.

Records show Mr. Dafoe tried to sell his hotel, store and dwelling in 1873, but it appears he was unsuccessful, remaining there for much of their lives, although it is speculated he leased the hotel for a number of years.



Dafoe House hotel and store, Utica, Ontario.

Jacob Dafoe and his wife left their home at Utica after living in the community for almost 40 years, moving to Toronto in 1905. He died on July 8, 1916 and was interred at Utica. He was survived by his wife and six children.

DAFOE HOUSE
UTICA

GOOD accommodations. Careful attention to the requirements of travelers and guests. The bar supplied with the best wines, liquors and cigars. Good stabling.

J. DAFOE, Proprietor.

June, 1871.

John W. Davis

Cabinet Maker

John W. Davis was born about 1822 in New Jersey, USA. He was about 17 years-old when he married Elizabeth Slanton on April 14, 1839 in West Virginia.

The couple immigrated to Canada about 1846, settling in Reach Township. Here they raised a family of three children, Isaac J., Joshua M. and Albert J. Davis.

John W. Davis came to Port Perry in 1846, when there were not more than 12-14 houses in the settlement. In 1847 he went into partnership with John Nott in Borelia, manufacturing furniture. He moved to Port Perry in 1858, setting up shop at the corner of Queen and Perry Street.

John Davis was a valued member of Fidelity Lodge, No. 428 A., and in 1895 received a Past Master's jewel in recognitions of his services to the organization.

John W. Davis was 76 years old when he died, and one of the town's oldest citizens. He passed away during November 1898. He had been in the furniture and undertaking business for more than 50 years.

The Port Perry Ware-Rooms!

IN returning thanks to his numerous customers for their patronage during the past nineteen years, the subscriber solicits a continuance of the same.

MY STOCK CONSISTS OF

Bureaus, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Cradles,
Lounges, Sofas, Sideboards, Sheretaries, Book Cases, and several Sets of Bedroom Furniture, and two Organs—one with six stops, and one with two.

They will answer for Church or Parlor purposes, and will be sold Cheap for Cash or approved credit.

UNDERTAKING

Done on the shortest notice. Coffins always on hand. Hearses at reasonable rates.

Port Perry, Aug. 6, 1866. 1-tf **J. W. DAVIS.**

William J. Dafoe

Hotel Inn Keeper 1871-1875

William Jarvis Dafoe was owner of the Commercial Hotel in Borelia for about 14 years before his death.

William was born in the Township of Markham on August 26, 1842, one of seven children for Jacob and Anne Dafoe. Jacob Dafoe senior was an Inn Keeper in Markham.

William was 24 years old when he married Randella Worden in Michigan, USA on April 21, 1866. They had two children; William and Madeline Ruth.

The Dafoe family moved to Reach Township about 1861 and took over ownership of the Commercial Hotel in Borelia. In June 1875, the ambitious young man leased a hotel in Port Perry and renovated it from top to bottom. This became known as Dafoe's Hotel.

Unfortunately two months later, on August 31, 1875, at the age of 33 he died in Port Perry. His death certificate listed his cause of death as a pistol shot in the right temple. A report in the local newspaper reported that he had gone up to his room in the hotel and had only been there for a few minutes when he was found stretched on the floor by a woman occupying a nearby room.

Dr. Jones, the coroner, held an inquest and the verdict of the jury was, "that in a fit of temporary insanity, the deceased died by his own hand". Despite the verdict, there were some in the community convinced his death was accidental.

The Dafoe family sold the Commercial Hotel not long after his death. By March 1876, the owner of the Dafoe's Hotel in Port Perry leased the building to Charles Holt, but continued to operated as the Dafoe House. *Note: William Dafoe's father, Jacob, was an inn keeper in Markham; and his brother, Jacob operated a hotel in Utica, Ontario for 38 years.

Clement Dawes

Revere House Innkeeper

Clement (Clem) Dawes had a long history in the hotel and tavern business, which started in about 1859 when he a young man.

Born in England in 1831, he emigrated to Canada with his family and married Margaret Armstrong in 1854. His wife died in 1872 and he remarried about a year later to Euphemia Caroline Mill in Whitby. He had five children with his first wife and seven with his second wife.

While living in Whitby he began his career as a hotelkeeper in June 1859, purchasing the Globe Hotel in Brooklin. Five years later, he took over the Ontario Hotel in Whitby. The following year, 1865, he purchased

Revere House in Manchester. Whether he was operating all three at the same time is hard to determine.

In addition to his career in hotels, in 1870 the ambitious young man purchased the S.S. Ogemah, a steamboat that provided excursions on Lake Scugog until 1876, when the ship was destroyed by fire.

He moved to Port Perry sometime in the early 1880s. Clement Dawes was only 54 years old when he died on February 8, 1886 in Port Perry. His wife Euphemia died on February 28, 1907 in Port Perry.



Clement Dawes "Ontario House" hotel, Whitby.

Daniel R. Davenport

Retail Businessman

D.R. Davenport was an successful Port Perry businessman, but a mystery surrounds the short time he spent in the town. Until recently little was know of the man known as "D.R.", but research has unveiled his full name, that being Daniel Romayn Davenport.

Daniel R. Davenport was born in Corning, Steuben County, New York, in August 1842. He was about 25 years old when he married Sarah Pynchon Bement of Ashfield, Massachusetts on October 9, 1867. Her parents were Rev. William Bement and Sarah (Pynchon) Bement.

Mr. Davenport entered into business with his brother-in-law Edward about 1871 forming the firm, "Bement & Davenport" in Elmira, New York. Edward was operating a prominent and extensive business in Elmira, before he partnered with Daniel.

What led Daniel to come north to Canada, and in particular Port Perry is unknown, but it appears he arrived in Port Perry about 1883 and partnered with Charles W. Jones, forming "Davenport & Jones", in the Jones Block. Their first piece of business was purchasing the entire stock of the J.A. Wightman estate. Next they purchased the Abbs & Patterson business and moved into their extensive premises in August 1883.

The company lost more than \$10,000 in the fire of July 1884, but they rebuilt. In early 1889, the *Toronto World* newspaper reported that Davenport & Jones employed 30 hands and were doing a business of \$80,000 annually.

A few months later, in October 1889, D.R. Davenport announced he had been appointed postmaster at Imlay City, Michigan, being engaged by his partner Charles' brother, Dr. George Jones, a prominent doctor in that city who was also the local postmaster.

Records show, that while Daniel was living in both Port Perry and Imlay City, he was still involved in the Bement & Davenport business in Elmira, N.Y., with his brother-in-law. He returned to Elmira, New York where he became the Chief City Assessor.

Mr. Parsons noted that it was 33 years ago when D.R. Davenport was one of the town's most enterprising and energetic citizens, being the leading member of the firm Davenport & Jones, which was noted for the immensity of their mercantile business which in one year exceeded the sum of \$125,000.

In a short period of about six years, Mr. Davenport became one of Port Perry's leading businessmen, then as suddenly as he arrived, he left town and returned to the USA. On April 14, 1924, Daniel Romayn Davenport passed away in his 79th year, and was interred a Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira, New York.

Change of Base

DAVENPORT, JONES & CO.

Have Removed their entire Stock
to the Store lately occupied by

ABBS & PATERSON,

Where they will be pleased to see all old customers and as many new ones as possible.

Now in Stock and to Arrive

50,000 FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS 50,000

Worth of new and desirable Goods all of which are to be closed out between now and the coming in of the new year, we shall continue to sell Goods in our new place of business at the same

EXCEEDINGLY LOW PRICES !

Which have made our Store so popular since we opened business in Port Perry.

We are here to do you good. We have come to stay and we are going to share our profits with our customers. So come and see us and

Get Your Share of the Great Bargains.

DAVENPORT, JONES & CO

Davenport & Jones advertisement,
August 23, 1883.

Announcement Extraordinary

DAVENPORT & JONES

Having purchased the Extensive Stock of the J. A. WIGHTMAN Estate amounting to

\$20,000. Twenty Thousand Dollars ! \$20,000.

Would respectfully announce to the people of Port Perry and surrounding country that in order to reduce the same from its present large proportions they are now offering this entire stock at

PRICES NEVER BEFORE HEARD OF IN PORT PERRY.

Most of these Goods are New being late styles purchased this Spring and are to be SOLD REGARDLESS OF THEIR ORIGINAL COST. STOCK MUST BE GREATLY REDUCED WITHIN THE NEXT SIXTY DAYS!! COME AT ONCE AND SECURE THE GREAT BARGAINS WE ARE NOW OFFERING. All goods marked in Plain Figures which will be shown freely to customers. In order to make the stock more than Complete in Every Department we have just been to Market and added largely of New Purchases which will be put in with the other stock and sold at the same ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES.

COMPETENT DRESSMAKERS AND MILLINERS will be employed and no pains spared to please our customers in these Departments. **CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER AND A FIT GUARANTEED.** A full stock of Cloths and Ready-made Clothing now in stock. Bargains in Dress Goods. Bargains in Lace Curtains. Bargains in Staple Dry Goods. Bargains in Carpets. Bargains in Groceries and Crockery. Bargains in Boots and Shoes. Bargains in Every Department. Bargains that are Bargains. Come and see us and we will do you good. No trouble to show goods. BUTTER AND EGGS taken in exchange for goods the same as CASH.

D. R. DAVENPORT.

C. W. JONES.

Davenport & Jones advertisement, May 17, 1883.

Hiram E. Dake

Innkeeper

Little is known about Hiram E. Dake and his family, except that he was the operator of the hotel in Utica for a number of years during the 1860s.

Hiram, Edward Dake was born in 1827 in Greenfield, New York, USA. His parents were Thomas and Sarah Dake. He married Hannah Jane Right of Whitby, Ontario, on August 11, 1846. During their life together they raised 11 children.

By 1851 the couple were living in Waterloo County, where Hiram worked on a farm. They moved to Reach Township about 1858 and in December 1862 he purchased a hotel located on Lots 11 and 12 on the Brock Road, and became innkeeper of "Dake's Hotel".

Four years later, in March 1866 he sold the property to George Smith and it's not clear if Mr. Smith continued as a hotel operator, or closed the business.

During the late 1870s he moved to Lampton, Ontario. After returning to the USA, Hiram Dake died in Michigan on January 16, 1900, at 73 years of age.

Daniel B. Dennison

Union Hotel Innkeeper

Daniel Brown Dennison was born, in 1815, and raised in Vermont, USA . He was 22 years old when he married Mary Bundy in his hometown of Burke in November 1837. They had five children before she died as a young mother in 1848.

Daniel was working as a farmer at his home in Vermont when he was remarried to Lucy C. Kibby on April 8, 1849. Daniel and Lucy emigrated to Canada and in 1861 they were living in Whitby and he was working as an innkeeper.

About 1865 they moved to Port Perry and he become the proprietor of the Union Hotel in Manchester. It's not known how long he was innkeeper at the Union Hotel, although he did lease the "Victoria Hotel" in Oakwood in March 1868. He may have operated both for a time.

Mr. Dennison worked as a hotelkeeper until 1881. Daniel B. Dennison died in Port Perry on March 12, 1884. He was 68 years of age.

Decker/Doll/Diesfeld

Jewellers

William Decker, was born in Germany about 1821. He and his wife Christiana Barber (Lutz) immigrated to Canada, eventually setting up a jewelry store in Borelia About 1850.

They relocated their store Prince Albert in June 1862, setting up shop next to Charles Hiscock's bakery. He described himself as a practical watch maker and jeweller who repaired any style of watch, clock or jewellery.

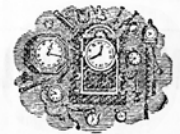
Mr. Decker died at the young age of 43 years, on May 9, 1868. He had advertised himself as William Decker, and in his obituary he is given that name. Mysteriously however, his tombstone in the Prince Albert cemetery is not marked William Decker, but William Doll.

Within weeks of William Decker's death, his widow advertised that she was continuing to operate the jewelry shop as "Mrs. Doll, formerly Decker".

The widow Christiana Decker/Doll remarried in September 30, 1869, to John Diesfeld who had been born in Germany in 1833. He arrived in Prince Albert in 1867. After the marriage, the Prince Albert Jewelry store became known by the Diesfeld name.

The Diesfelds joined in the migration from Prince Albert in January 1875 when John Diesfeld, Watchmaker, announces his removal from Prince Albert to take up new premises.

Wm. DECKER,



**PRACTICAL WATCH MAKER,
JEWELER, &c.,**

WOULD respectfully inform the inhabitants of PRINCE ALBERT and surrounding country, that he has removed from his old stand in Borelia, to the stand formerly occupied by G. H. Ford, next door to C. Hiscock's Bakery, Prince Albert, where he intends keeping a good assortment of

Clocks, Watches, and Jewelry, which he intends to sell as *cheap as the cheapest.*

N. B. Being a practical workman he feels confident that all work entrusted to his care will give satisfaction. Every style of Clocks, Watches, and Jewelry, repaired in the best manner and warranted.
Prince Albert, June 18, 1862. 27

Christiana Decker-Diesfeld

Jeweller Store Operator

Christiana Decker-Diesfeld was one of a number of women settlers in Reach Township that undertook to continue the business of their husband following their death.

Christiana Barber (Lutz) immigrated to Canada with her husband William Decker about 1850, settling in Borelia where the Deckers opened a jewellery store. They relocated their store Prince Albert in June 1862.

William Decker passed away when he was only 42 years old, but mysteriously, while his obituary provided the Decker name, his tombstone was engraved as "William Doll".

Within weeks of her husband's death in May 1868, Christina advertised she would continue to operate the Prince Albert Watch, Clock, Jewelry Establishment as "Mrs. Doll" (the late Mrs. Decker).

She operated it alone until she remarried about one year later, to watchmaker John Diesfeld. Following the marriage, on September 30, 1869, the shop was renamed Diesfeld Jewellers.

By 1875, they moved their business to Port Perry, constructing a new building and naming it the "Diamond Hall." Directly in front of the store they erected on a pole, a large, double faced clock.

John and Christiana Diesfeld had three children, two died in infancy. Their daughter Olga took a major role in the operation of the store in their later years, although Christiana continued to play a major role in the business affairs of the store.

Christiana Diesfeld was 72 years old when she died in 1905. She was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert

Christiana's husband, John Diesfeld, and his daughter Olga continued to operate the Diamond Hall until March 1910 when they sold their business.

Prince Albert Watch, Clock, Jewelry, &c. Establishment.



WATCH MAKER AND JEWELER!
AND DEALER IN
**Gold and Silver Watches, Jewelry,
Clocks, Fancy Goods, &c.**

ALL of the newest styles and of the best workmanship, and at such prices as cannot fail to secure purchasers.

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, &c., repaired with neatness and dispatch by a thoroughly trained workman.

All work warranted. Charges moderate.

MRS. DOLL,
[LATE MRS. DECKER.]
Prince Albert, June 23, 1869. 25

Diesfeld's **
DIAMOND HALL

We are prepared to give SPECIAL BARGAINS in
GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES.

Gold Filled Cases in great variety, some as small as a Quarter of Dollar, nicely Enameled and Set with Pearls, &c.

Prices to suit you all right.

WEDDING AND ENGAGEMENT RINGS
in Pearl, Opal and Diamonds, all fine and New Designs. Clocks in GREAT VARIETY VERY CHEAP.

Knives, Forks, Spoons, Fruit Dishes, Butter Dishes, Cake Baskets Tea Sets, &c., and some more to follow.

Also Fancy Goods. EVERYTHING GOES CHEAP. Repairing as usual.

Port Perry, Nov. 30, 1898. **DIESFELD'S**

John Thomas Doble

Farmer / Politician

John Thomas Doble was born into a farming family on April 4, 1860, at Victoria Corners, in the northwest corner of Reach township. He was one of eight children raised by his parents, Robert and Anne Doble.

He was 21 years old, when he married Susanna Gregg of the same township, on December 26, 1881. A farmer by vocation, he grew up on the family farm, eventually owning 225 acres of his own which he sold about 1888.

On retiring from farming he purchased 50 acres, lot 6, con. 12, where he lived for the remainder of his life. The property, which is about 10 miles from Port Perry, had a substantial brick house, good barns and an orchard. Mr. Doble keeps a horse and four cows.

He was a devoted member of the A.O.U.W., and the I.O.F. and was a staunch Methodist.

In his later life he took a keen interest in local politics, serving as a councillor for Reach Township for two years before seeking the position of reeve. He was defeated at his first attempt, but ran successfully for reeve of Reach township in 1905 and 1906.

John T. Doble was 74 when he died on December 27, 1924 at Scarborough, Ontario. Buried at Uxbridge Cemetery.

James Dewart

Hotel Keeper

James Dewart was one of Ontario North's early hotel/tavern owners, operating a small facility on the north side of the Nonquon River, at Seagrave, as early as 1865.

Born in Ireland about 1932, he immigrated to Canada when he was a young man, first settling in Haldimand County, Canada West. By 1861 he had settled on a parcel of land in Mariposa, Victoria South, where he became one of the area's two hotel operators. In March 1873, as he was returning home in his wagon, he noticed flames in the distance, and he neared found it was his hotel, which despite efforts was completely destroyed by fire.

James left the Nonquon area and settled in Port Perry before the end of the year. Here he worked at the Queen's Hotel, owned by Dan Ireland until February 1876 when he leased the Commercial Hotel in Williamsburg (Blackstock), remaining there for a period of three years.

It's believed during the time James Dewart was manager of the Williamsburg hotel, he constructed the Railroad House Hotel, on Water Street, Port Perry, across from the train station. The small two-storey frame hotel was a neat structure, with a verandah facing the railway station and Lake Scugog on both floors. His wife Jane worked with him as a hostess for the hotel, which was extensively patronized by locals and visitors to the village. Mr. Dewart was also an avid hunter, shooter and owned a number of boats, some of which he provided to guests at the hotel.

Dewart also built large driving and implements sheds, just north of his hotel for guests, and it was from here he also provided stagecoach service from Port Perry to Whitby and return.

James Dewart was married to Jane Burgess, and the couple had three children. He was still listed as a Port Perry hotelkeeper when he passed away on August 19, 1888. His wife Jane died January 22, 1914. They were both interred in the family plot in Pine Grove Cemetery.



Railroad House hotel, Water St., Port Perry.



James Dewart's hotel, Blackstock

Joshua M. Davis

Cabinet Maker

Joshua M Davis was born in November 1851 in Reach Township, one of three children for his parents John W. and Elizabeth Davis. After attending school, he joined his father in the family business, manufacturing furniture and undertaking, working as a cabinet maker in Port Perry.

He was 29 years old when married Louisa Dixie Dawes on December 29, 1880, in Caddo, Louisiana, USA. They returned to Canada, and Joshua continued working with his father until his death in 1898.

Joshua also developed the first electric light plant in Port Perry, using a steam generator to supply street lights for the town. About 1890 he went into a partnership with David Carnegie to provide an electric light system for homes and businesses.

Louisa and Joshua moved to Spokane, Washington, about 1889, where he became a broker for a few years before moving to Los Angeles, California, entering the real estate profession.

Joshua M. Davis died at his home in Los Angeles on One 29, 1928, after living in the United States for the last 32 years of his life.

Hank De Jong

Bakery & Retail Store

Hank DeJong immigrated to Canada from his native Holland in 1963. He had apprenticed as a baker at the young age of 15, and then operated a bakery in Holland for 13 years. He immigrated to Ontario in 1961 and worked as a tradesman, then a baker for two years in Whitby Home Bakery.

Already an accomplished baker, Hank and his family settled in Port Perry in 1963, and he purchased the Jackson's Bakery, which was located on the north side of Queen Street, next to Emmerson Insurance.

A few years later, on May 4, 1967 he purchased the building and bakery operated by Wentworth Watson, on the south side of the street, and renamed the popular bakery Hank's Pastries. Hank, along with his wife Minni and children Wayne, Diny, Edith, Ken and Henry all worked at the bakery at one time or another, building a thriving business.

Hank went into semi-retirement from his business in 1979, selling the business to son Wayne, who expanded the restaurant and prep areas. About six years later, Wayne moved to Haliburton and sold the family business to his brother Ken and wife Angie.

The DeJong family suffered a tragic blow with the loss of their founder Hank, on March 12, 1988. Hank DeJong was 67 when he passed away doing what he loved best, baking, until the night before he died.



HANK DEJONG

Jeanne Dymond

Hospital Auxiliary

Phyllis Jeanne Clifton, was born January 28, 1903, in Shelby, Ohio, USA. Her parents were Walter and Cora Clifton and she was one of five children in the family.

In 1918 she immigrated to Canada, and settled in Woodstock, Ontario. It was here Jeanne, 23, was married to Matthew Bulloch Dymond, 27, on June 25, 1930, and the couple had two daughters, Beverley and Nancy.

Following the end of World War II, in 1946, she moved with her husband to Port Perry, where he set up a practice in medicine. While her husband was busy with his medical practice, and also in local and provincial politics, Jeanne put her energy into improving the health facilities in the town.

When the first Hospital Auxiliary was formed in November 1952, Jeanne was elected the auxiliary's first president. This was a post she held for 12 consecutive years.

She also took an active part in other parts of the community, becoming vice-president of the newly formed Community Figure Skating Club in 1958. Nine years later, she was elected the first president of Central Seven Association for the Mentally Retarded, an organization that served seven surrounding townships.

Even with her busy schedule, she always faithfully by the side of her husband Dr. M.B. Dymond, M.P.P., who served as the Minister for Reform Institutions, Transportation and Health during his years in politics.

Jeanne's husband, of 66 years, pre-deceased her on February 24, 1996. Phyllis Jeanne Dymond passed away on March 25, 2002, at Port Perry. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



JEANNE DYMOND



MATTHEW B. & JEANNE DYMOND

Ken De Jong

Bakery & Pastry Chef

Ken De Jong grew up in a bakery family, but he never intended it as a career. In fact he was working as a correctional officer, and his wife Angie a mechanical engineer when his father's bakery was "dumped into their lap".

Born in Sneek, Netherlands on August 21, 1960, Ken (Keimpe) was one of five children for his parents Hank and Mini De Jong. He was an infant when the family immigrated to Canada from Holland in 1961.

After arriving in Canada the family settled in Port Perry where in 1963 Ken's father opened a small bakery on the north side of Queen St., he called Hank's Pastries. He operated it for about four years before purchasing an existing bakery with larger facilities, on the south side of Queen Street.

Ken attended school at R.H. Cornish, Port Perry High School and Sir Sandford Flemming College. After finishing his education, he worked as a corrections officer at the Whitby Correctional facility.

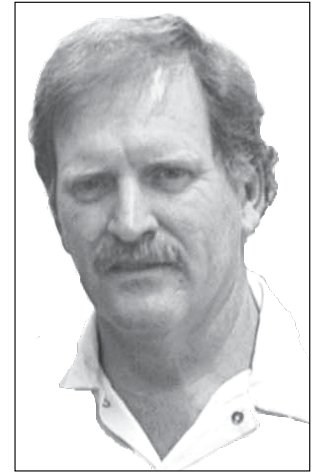
While working at the correctional facility he met Angela "Angie" Goodwin, whom he married in Whitby on May 24, 1986. They have raised two boys, Aaron and Adam.

Ken's older brother Wayne purchased the bakery from his father in 1980, but in the spring of 1986 decided move north. Four months after being married, Ken and his wife Angie agreed to take over operation of Hank's Pastries, with Hank assisting his youngest son. Tragically Hank passed away in 1988, leaving his youngest son, Ken, and his new wife Angie, to carry on the families bakery legacy.

Splitting the responsibilities Ken gets up early and is on the job in the middle of the night, beginning preparations for his full line of bakery products. Angie handles the day-to-day operation of the business, and uses her creative talents for specialty products like wedding cakes.

Now some 35 years after being thrust into ownership of Hank's Pastries, Ken and Angie continue to operated the popular small-town bakery, which has become a must-stop for locals and visitors to the community.

They plan retire within five years and have hopes their eldest son, one day will assume ownership of this long-time family bakery.



KEN DEJONG



ANGIE AND KEN DE JONG, 2010.



Hank's Pastries storefront, 204 Queen St., Port Perry.

John Hooper Doubt

Boot and Shoe Maker

John Hooper Doubt, was a Devonshire man, born at Holsworthy, England on Christmas Day, 1849. His family immigrated to Canada about 1870, settling near Columbus, Ontario, and later moving to Myrtle.

While living in Columbus, John met Mary Jane Northcott and the couple married on December 25, 1871. During their life together they raised four children, two girls and two boys.

John and Mary Jane moved to Port Perry two years after their marriage and in 1873 he opened a shop in the village providing boot and shoe making and repair services. He had learned his trade while a young man living in England.

During his business career he was witness to the fire of 1885, the disastrous fire which wiped out his place of business with all other businesses in the community, except one.

He was a very enthusiastic fireman for many years and he together with his brother firemen purchased and erected the town hall bell.

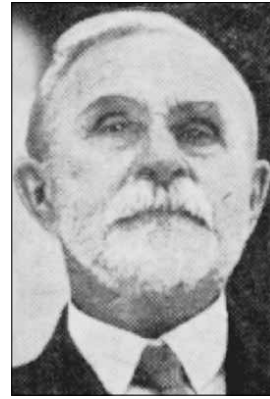
He was a Past Noble Grand of Warriner Lodge No. 75, I.O.O.F. , and was honoured with all the principal offices in the lodge. He was a member for more than 64 years, and was recipient of the 60 year jewel.

John H. Doubt was a member of the United Church, and held the office of Elder since the church's inception. He was for years a class leader in the old Methodist Church.

During his active church work his Sunday afternoons were continually spent visiting the sick of the town. Children were of particular interest to him and he had always striven to direct them in ways of Christian living.

John Hooper Doubt, one of Port Perry's most worthy and respected citizens, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J.C. Taylor on March 12, 1940 in his 91st year. A funeral service was held at the Taylor's home, and members of Warriner Lodge attended.

Surviving his death were two daughters, Mrs. J.C. Taylor and Mrs. R.B. Smallman, Port Perry, and two sons W.H. Doubt, Lakefield and R.F. Doubt, Toronto. His wife predeceased him on October 2, 1907. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



JOHN H. DOUBT

Dr. John Diamond

Physician

John "Jack" Diamond was born July 8, 1923 in Glasgow, Scotland to Gerald and Ethel Diamond. He received a medical degree from the University of Glasgow and after fulfilling an internship in Leicester, England, he immigrated to Canada in 1956.

Dr. Diamond was associated with a medical clinic in West Hill, Ontario when he visited Port Perry. He was very impressed with the town, the hospital and the small town feel, and in 1957 was hired at the Port Perry Medical Centre, on Queen St., to assist at the clinic following the retirement of Dr. Matthew B. Dymond. He and his wife Elizabeth S.M (Reid) lived at 214 Bigelow St., in Port Perry and had four children, Elizabeth May, Michael, Ian and Jonathan

As a young physician he was always available for his patients and was in many ways ahead of his time in his practice. On one occasion he is said to have brought a man dressed in operating room greens and mask to watch the delivery of a baby. He told the nurses it was "Dr. Smiley, father of Obstetrics. It turned out it was the father of the the new infant, and Dr. Diamond was severely reprimanded for the act, which was 20 years ahead of its time.

Dr. John Diamond left his Port Perry practice in 1970 and relocated to Whitby, Ontario where he accepted a position on the staff of the Whitby Psychiatric Hospital, specializing in psychogeriatrics. He practiced at the hospital until he retired.

Dr. Jack Diamond passed away suddenly in his home on Friday, June 27, 2008 in Whitby, Ontario, Margery (Bird) his wife of 30 years.



DR. JOHN DIAMOND

William H. Doubt

Tailor

William Henry Doubt was born in Port Perry on August 17, 1875, a son for John Hooper and Mary Jane Doubt. He was one of four children in the Doubt family. As a young man, William received his education at Port Perry's elementary and high schools, and while attending school learned the tailoring trade from his uncle Henry Doubt.

He left Port Perry after finishing school, practising his trade in Smith's Falls, Sundridge, and Paris, Ontario, before retiring home to Port Perry 1897 to open his own business. His business grew steadily and a few years after opening he employed six people to keep pace with the demands of his trade.

It was in Port Perry that he met Nellie M. Bentley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I.R. Bentley, a respected jeweller in the town. William was 27 years old when he married 18 year-old Nellie on September 10, 1902. They raised a family of two sons and two daughters.

Joseph Bigelow wrote in 1906, "Mr. Doubt is a practical tailor and cutter, having spent sixteen years in the business. The shop is a bright and cheerful one, and in the rear is the-large workroom. Mr. Doubt is a bright, alert, energetic young business man, and is well liked by his fellow citizens. He is a vocalist, is Mr. Doubt, and sings in the Methodist church choir. His home is on Cochrane Street, where he lives happily with little Doubts growing up about him."

In 1905 William brought his son Allin J. Doubt into the business. They purchased the business of A.F. Carnegie and renamed it Doubt & Son. The premises they occupied were on the south side of Queen Street, near Perry Street. The stock consists of gents' furnishings, hats, boots and shoes, furs and clothing.

During his time in Port Perry, William Doubt took a great interest in the United Church, participating in the choir and teaching a class of boys at Sunday School for more than 30 years. He was a member of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, and a Past Nobel Grand. He was also a member of the Masonic order.

He retired from business in 1925. For many years as he grew older, he was in ill health and had spent the last two years of his life in St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto, where his death occurred. William H. Doubt was 71 years old when died on August 18, 1947.

He was returned home and buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



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W. H. DOUBT.

Sep. 19. 1904.

Stephen Doty

Lumber Merchant

Stephen Doty, aside for a few mentions of his name in historical records, is a bit of a mystery, having only remained in the area for about ten years. He is thought to have arrived in Canada from his home in the United States about 1851, not long after making is way to the village of Scugog, which was later renamed, Port Perry.

Stephen was born on December 11, 1912 in Cazenovia, New York. It was here he received his early education before marrying 26 year-old Sarah Augusta Bartholomew, in Manlius, New York in 1937. During their life together, they had 10 children, of which about half were born in Canada.

Settling in Port Perry, he was among early pioneer lumber merchants in the district. Stephen erected his first saw mill in 1853, on a site near the intersection of Water Street and south of Scugog St. (Hwy. 7A). He built a second steam saw mill on a property which was later purchased by Joseph Bigelow. He was one of the pioneer lumber merchants in the district.

The Doty family moved back to New York, about 1863, settling at East Fayette St., Syracuse. Stephen Doty was only 61 years old when he died on November 11, 1872 at his home in Syracuse.

E

John G. Ensign

Farmer

It is generally agreed, John Ensign was the first man to settle at Epsom in about 1828.

John G. Ensign settled on a site, east of Port Perry, in Reach Township, which became known as Jockey Hill. He was joined the following year by Hosea Shaw. This small settlement was later renamed Epsom. Mr. Ensign settled on Lot 7, Conc. 7, a 200 acre piece of land and began clearing the land for farming.

Mr. Ensign was born in the USA in 1792 and immigrated to Canada when he was about 30 years old. He married Sarah, a young woman from Upper Canada, and they had three children while living near Epsom.

As late as 1877, Ensign was still listed as a farmer on his property, but there is no further record of Epsom's first settler. Ensign's wife, Sarah, was a widow when she died on April 18, 1888, indicating her husband died during the late 1870s or early 1880s.

Hubert L. Ebbels

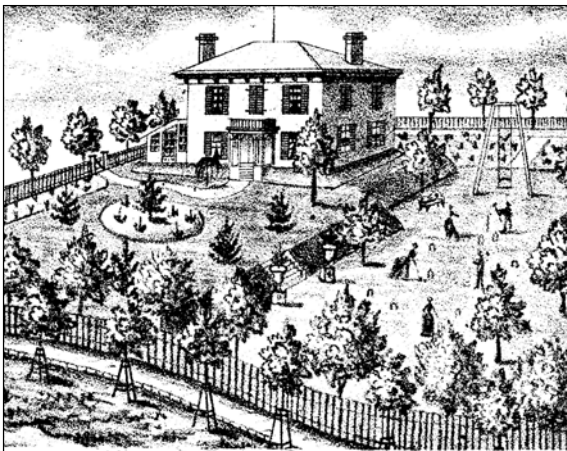
Barrister

Hubert Lightfoot Ebbels was born on June 13, 1843, in St. Thomas, Devon, England. His father, John, was 31 and his mother, Mary, was 32. The family immigrated to Canada when he was a young boy, about 1850, settling the vicinity of York, (Toronto) Ontario. He attended grammar school in Toronto and graduated from Osgoode Hall as a lawyer in 1862.

Immediately after graduation he settled at Petrolia during the first oil boom days in that centre. Hubert married Margaret Laura Waite, of Ingersoll, Ontario, on March 15, 1868, and they moved to Port Perry where he established a law firm, Spencer & Ebbels, in September 1868. Margaret passed away in Port Perry on September 1, 1881 when she was 37 years old. They had five children together.

Although there were other lawyers who set up practice in Port Perry before him, Ebbels became the first lawyer to establish both a full time practice and a residence in Port Perry. He devoted himself to his large practice and in time it became the oldest established in the town.

A year following the death of his first wife died, Hubert Ebbels married Effie Sinclair McCorquodale on November 16, 1882 at Port Perry, Ontario. They had two children together.



Hubert L. Ebbels home, Cochrane St.

HUBERT L. EBBELS
Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public.
MONEY TO LOAN.
PORT PERRY, ONTARIO

Following the disastrous fire of 1884, which completely destroyed the business section of Port Perry, including his office, he teamed up with two other local businessmen to erect a handsome new block of buildings. It was described as being one of the neatest brick business blocks of the town.

Hubert Ebbels retired from active practice in 1920 and moved to Toronto. At 92 years of age, he was one of the oldest lawyer in Ontario, when he died on June 23, 1935 at his home on Albany Avenue. He was predeceased by his wife Effie in 1928. Interment was made at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, in the family plot.

Matthew Emerson

Planing Mill Operator

One of Port Perry's most industrious residents, Matthew Emerson died on Sunday January 13, 1929.

Matthew was born on February 11, 1849 in Mariposa, Ont., one of ten children for his parents Matthew and Mary Ann (Crozier) Emerson. His father was a farmer, and Matthew and his siblings helped farm the property as young men. The family moved to Scugog Island, and later to Cartwright where they lived on a farm near Caesarea for a number of years. While living on Scugog Island, his father became involved in politics, serving on the council for about six years.

When he was still a young man, Matthew partnered with his brother Thomas as contractors and builders, erecting many barns and some school buildings throughout the area.

Matthew married Martha Ann Swain on February 21, 1877 in Victoria Cty., and they raised a family of eight children during their time together.

After moving to Port Perry, in March 1886, he purchased the Richardson Planing Mill. The building was 50' x 60' and the machinery driven by a 25 horse-power engine. The firm has a warehouse 24 x 70 feet in rear of the mill for storing dressed lumber and other finished material. They manufacture doors, sashes, blinds, casings, frames, stairs and the latest styles in fancy fence pickets.

He and Thomas operated Emerson Bros. Planing Mills for many years, at their Lilla Street site, before selling it to James Carnegie who tore it down. About three years later, Matthew became foreman of the Port Perry Milling and Lumber Co., working there until he retired in 1917.

Matthew was a kindly Christian gentleman and was a life long member of the Methodist and United Churches. He passed away in Toronto, after a short illness in his 80th year. His wife Martha predeceased him on June 16, 1917. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

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EMERSON BROS.
Port Perry, May 6, 1886.

Thomas Emerson

Planing Mill Operator

Thomas Emerson was born in 1848 in Mariposa, one of ten children, five brothers and four sisters for his parents Matthew and Mary Emerson. Like his younger brother Matthew, he grew up on the family farm and moved with his family to Scugog Island and later Cartwright. As a young man he moved to Port Perry and went into a partnership business with Matthew, operating the Emerson Planing Mill.

He was married to Sarah E. Dillon on May 22, 1899 in Port Perry, Ontario, and they had no children.

After the brothers sold their planing mill, he moved to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan for the remainder of his life. His occupation for the remainder of his life was a contractor, constructing homes.

During his life he was a member of the Fidelity Lodge, Port Perry and the Dauphin Mason Lodge, No. 68 in the west.

Thomas was 84 years of age when he passed away on February 27, 1932 at his residence. Following a funeral in Saskatoon, his body was transferred to Port Perry where a service was held at the home of the Misses Emerson. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Emerson Planing Mill, 1886.

Thomas English

Tavern Keeper

Thomas English was born in Durham, England in 1826. His parents were Mary Ann (Turner) and William English. Thomas immigrated to Canada with family in early 1840s settling in Durham Township, Upper Canada. He was married in Ontario in 1845 when he was 19 years old. Elizabeth Jane (Nicols). The couple had five children during their marriage

Thomas and his wife moved to Epsom about 1847. Here he opened a tavern, at a location yet to be determined, in the fledgling settlement. Here he served as its tavern/hotel keeper until April 1862, when he leased the hotel to John Hamilton.

Nine years later, in April 1871, Thomas English sold property to John Hockridge. It wasn't long after Mr. English sold the tavern that he and his family moved to Markham, Ontario.



F

Ralph W. Fairman

Real Estate Agent

Ralph William Fairman lived most of his life in the Port Perry area, but was born in Lindsay, Ontario on June 29, 1942. He was one of five children for parents Clarence and Mable Christina (Rennie) Fairman.

Growing up he attended Wick Public School and Brock High School, in Cannington. He was 18 years old when he married Donna Smith at Beaverton, Ont. on December 10, 1960, and they raised four children, Kelly, Vicky, Darren and Colleen. He had a second marriage to Gail Diane Blair, on August 25, 1995. The wedding took place at their home near Pontypool.



RALPH FAIRMAN

Ralph moved to Port Perry in June 1961 and for the next eight years worked as a door-to-door milkman, first for Port Perry Dairy and later Idea Dairy. In 1969 he became a car salesman both in Toronto and Whitby before entering real estate in 1975.

After attaining his real estate license, Ralph began selling for Howard Forder Real Estate, in Port Perry. He worked there until 1983 when he, along with partners Gail Scala and Keith Puckrin opened Country Lane Real Estate. Their business was sold to Coldwell Banker in 2003, but Ralph stayed on, completing 45 years in the business in 2020.

Over his many years in business, Ralph took an active interest in the community, playing hockey and baseball when he was younger, and curling for more than 30 years. He is a long-time member of the Port Perry Curling Club, having served as both director and president. He also served as a director on the Durham Real Estate Board for six years.

Sixty years after taking up residence in Port Perry, Ralph is proud of the great community he lives in and takes great satisfaction in having put a smile on his many clients as they settled into their new homes.

Ralph and his wife continue to live on Ottawa St., Port Perry, and Ralph continues to sell real estate.



Keith Puckrin, Gail Scala and Ralph Fairman open Country Lane Real Estate in 1983.

Dennis Fitchett

Pioneer Settler of Manchester

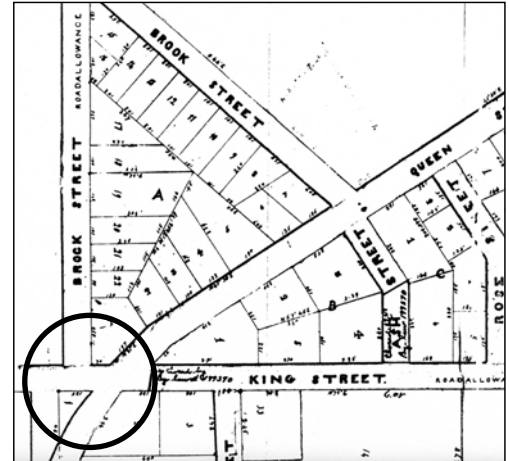
Duncan Dennis Fitchett was born in December 1793 in Huntingdon, Quebec. He was 26 year old when he married Rosetta Barber on January 30, 1820, in Dunham, Quebec.

Dennis, his wife and children left their home in Quebec, travelling to Ontario in 1837. Here he received a land grant for about 200 acres in Reach Township, where he settled and built a home on Lot 14, Concession 5, and began farming the land.

In the late 1840s, as the area began to attract more settlers and businesses, Mr. Fitchett opened a tavern near the corner of Brock and Kings Streets, (Hwy. 12&7A), prompting the settlement to become known as Fitchett's Corner. By 1849 the village officially changed its name to Manchester.

The name "Manchester" appears to have been derived from the Township of Godmanchester, located near the town in which Dennis Fitchett was born. The Quebec township was named after the town of Godmanchester, England. It appears as if Reach Township officials simply shortened the name "Godmanchester" to "Manchester" to identify the growing village in Ontario County.

Although there are few details about Dennis, records show he continued to live on his farm until his death on October 29, 1873. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



1860s plan for the Village of Manchester. Circled illustrates area known as Fitchett's Corner.

Ralph A. Fitchett

Butcher / Drover

Ralph Fitchett came from a long line of the Fitchett family who inhabited parts of Reach Twp., including Manchester during the early 1800s. In fact, before becoming Manchester, this early hamlet was known as Fitchett's Corners.

Ralph Fitchett was the son of Joseph and Mary Elizabeth (Moore) Fitchett, born on September 9, 1890 in Manchester, Ontario. It was here he was raised and educated, helping his father who was a butcher.

He was 28 years old when he married Amy Ethel Montgomery, at the home of the bride in Cartwright Twp., on July 31, 1918. There is no record of them having children.

This was the same year Ralph purchased the Cawker Bros. butcher business in Port Perry, and renamed it, R.A. Fitchett Butcher & Drover. Two years after taking over the store, he sold the business to Bert MacGregor, of Port Perry. The following year, Ralph returned to his hometown of Manchester where in March 1921, he opened a new butcher shop.

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R.A. Fitchett advertisement, February 12, 1920.

The Fitchetts moved to Peterborough, Ont., (date unknown) where on July 25, 1944, his wife Amy Ethel Fitchett died. About five years later, on December 30, 1949, he was married to Gladys Helen Sarah Throop, in Peterborough.

Ralph Fitchett was 65 years old when he died in Peterborough on November 6, 1955, but was returned to Reach Twp., and buried at the Pine Grove Cemetery.

Paul Flieler

Service Station Owner

Paul Flieler came to Port Perry as a young man, wanting new start after spending a few years in what he felt were dead-end jobs. His father, who had purchased a small service station in the town as an investment suggested Paul go to Port Perry and try out his hand at the garage business. He never left the station until he retired 45 years later, in 2019.

Paul Flieler was born in Oshawa, Ont., on March 3, 1952, one of five children for his parents Arthur Gordon and Lula Irene Flieler. His father operated a garage in Ajax, and the Flieler kids all grew up working around the station.

He attended elementary school in Ajax and high school in Pickering, and then began his working career a housekeeper at Ajax Hospital, and later at North American Rockwell Steel, in Oshawa and Milton, Ont.

The decision to quit and take over the garage in Port Perry led to him meet a registered nurse working at the local hospital. It was while pumping gas he met Gisele Marie Duserault, whom he married on August 13, 1977 at the United Church in Port Perry. Since their marriage they have raised three children, Michelle, Cameron and Ashleigh, all who have worked or pumped gas at the Simcoe St. station.



Paul, Gisele, Cam Flieler.



PAUL FLIELER

During his career at the gas station, which most of his customers just referred to as “Flielers”, Paul trained and hired many young men, including his son Cameron. A licensed mechanic, “Cam” worked along side his father until shortly before the business was sold.

The long hours and demand of his service station provided no time for Paul to join organizations or take part in local committees. He preferred to devote any of his spare time to his family, but that didn’t stop him from giving freely sponsoring numerous sports organizations.

During his long career at the garage, Paul made many great friends, and memories he will have for a lifetime. Paul and Gisele retired from their family business in June 2019.

John Foy

Farmer/Township Clerk

John Foy was born in Prince Edward Island about 1830 to William and Adah Foy. He came to Scugog while still a young man, and settled on Scugog Island. He remained here his entire life, farming the land for almost 60 years.

In 1855, when Scugog Island Township separated from Reach Township, John Foy was appointed the first clerk and treasurer of the new municipality, retaining his office, until his death. He was described as an efficient officer, methodical in all the details of his several duties, and was considered the most efficient clerk in the entire County of Ontario.

Mr. Foy was married to Susannah “Ann” Darling. They had six children before Susannah died on October 26, 1875. She was 37 years of age, and was buried at Head Memorial Cemetery, Scugog. Eight years later, on January 10, 1883, John Foy, 52, married Elizabeth Ann (Warren).

At the time of his death, on December 10, 1905, he was 76 years old. Mr. Foy was known as a loving husband and a kind, father, and left behind his widow Elizabeth, four sons and two daughters. His funeral was largely attended by his friends and family. He was interred at Head Memorial Cemetery, Scugog Island.



JOHN FOY

Soloman L. Fralick

Pioneer Scugog Settler

Solomon Lesley Fralick and his twin sister Mary were born on May 13, 1819, in Albany, New York, USA. Their parents were Issac and Mariah. His father was a sawyer, and furniture and carriage maker.

Isaac, Maria and their children, travelled from Albany to Lower Canada (Quebec) about 1821, settling in the Eastern Township and it's believed about 1841 had relocated to Reach Township.

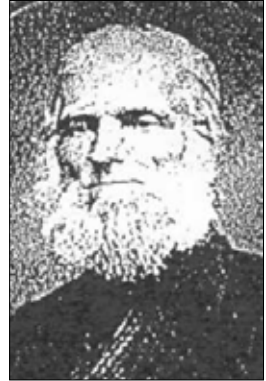
Solomon married Mary Fitchett on March 7, 1844, in Port Perry and they raised 10 children during their life together. While living in Reach Twp. he served as a trustee of the Borelia Common School. He and his wife lived in Reach Twp. until about 1850, when they relocated to Scugog Island.

Here they purchased a Lot 6, on Conc. 12, near the tip of Scugog Island which was covered with a maple bush and other timbers along the shoreline of a creek. They built a log house and farm during their first year on the island. He started his farm with a team of heavy horses and a few cows. He used his horses to help clear the timber and logs from the land.

In 1864 Solomon Fralick built a big frame house, with timber cut from his land. Three barns were also erected on the property, and a second house was built in 1876 for his son, Solomon, jr.

In addition to his work on the farm, Solomon still took an active part in his Scugog Island community. In the early days, he offered his home for church service, and he served for many years on the church board. He also became in the politics and was elected to the first council of Scugog Island in 1856. In all he held a seat on council for 12 years, from 1856 - 1862 and 1864-1868.

Solomon Fralick was only 55 years old when he died on September 23, 1874 at his home. His wife, Mary, passed away October 21, 1904, having lived a long life of 75 years. She was buried alongside her husband at Head Memorial Cemetery, Scugog Island. His father, Isaac, lived on Scugog Island with his son until his death on April 10, 1862.



SOLOMON FRALICK

H. Cecil Fralick

Farmer / Politician

Hiram Cecil Fralick was born on February 20, 1914, at the family farm located at the north end of Scugog Island. He was one of five children for his parents, Clarence and Parmelia Fralick.

Cecil was married about 1940 to Ivah Norine Milner, also of Scugog Island and the couple raised a family of three girls, Linda, Dianne and Sylvia.



CECIL FRALICK

Cecil farmed until a tragic accident confined him to a wheelchair. While cleaning a well at the farm, the bucket strap broke and the bucket fell back down the well, striking him and breaking his neck.

Determined being confined to a wheelchair, he remained active, and took an interested in local politics. He was first elected to Scugog Island council in 1961, and served in that capacity until 1968. He was then elected Reeve of Scugog Island, a term he held from 1969 to 1973, when the Island was amalgamated with Reach, Cartwright and Port Perry to become the new Township of Scugog.

In addition to his interest in politics, he was very interested and active in the advancement of the island community. He also served as a school trustee, and was dedicated to his Church and Sunday school activities. He also worked as a stock broker until he retired in 1989.

Cecil Fralick died on September 13, 1996, in Port Perry, Ontario, at the age of 82. His wife, Ivah died on February 25, 2008 at Mississauga.

James L. Forman

Retail Sales

James Laing Forman, the second youngest son of Major Thomas C. And Eleanor W. Forman, was born on May 10, 1861 at their Prince Albert residence. He received his early education at Prince Albert Public School, and later at Port Perry High School.



JAMES L. FORMAN

As a young man he entered into business with his father at the T.C. Forman general merchandise store, and became a partner with him about 1877. Upon the death of his father in 1904 he became sole proprietor of the business which he carried on under the firm name of T.C. Forman & Son.

On April 16th, 1902, James Forman married Amelia B. McBride, of Port Perry, their only child, Margaret McBride Forman, being born June 5, 1905.

Mr Forman's untiring interest in the welfare of the community was evidenced in many ways, In municipal life, in church life, and in work that had to do with the social well-being, he was a leading figure. He did not seek office, but he did not neglect his duties as a citizen, and those duties were well done without selfishness. He served on Port Perry council from 1899 to 1916, and was a member of the local Board of Trade.

This lack of self-seeking was a feature of his character that gave added value and power to his work for the community. He was nominated for many official positions, but made no effort to seek votes. The office had to seek the man, and he was worthy of the trust reposed in him.

He was a clear thinker, true to his convictions, firm in his purposes. The Presbyterian Church and Sunday School, the Library, and the Agricultural Society will all miss him greatly.

James L. Forman, died at Port Perry on Thursday, April 13, 1916 after a lengthy fight with cancer. He is survived by his wife Amelia and daughter Margaret.



James Forman, second left, with 1899 Port Perry Council.

G. Howard Forder

Real Estate Broker

George Howard Forder was born in Blackstock, Ontario on December 1, 1925. He was the eldest son of Joseph Henry Forder and Charlotte Amelia (Rutledge) Forder and had six siblings. Howard grew up assisting his father on the family dairy farm in Blackstock, while attending both elementary and high school.

In 1943, when he was in his late-teens, Howard assumed full time responsibility for operation of the family farm, following the sudden death of his father.

Howard was married to Dorothy Fay Howsam in Manchester, Ontario on November 4, 1950. They raised four children, Brenda, Brian, Bradley and Leslie. In 1960, Howard retired from farming and the farm was sold. He moved his young family to Oshawa, Ontario where he transitioned into sales, specializing in farm products.

Their next move was to Brooklin, Ontario in 1962, where, after obtaining his real estate license, Howard began working as a sales agent for W. Frank Real Estate Ltd. He became active in the then Oshawa and District Real Estate Board and completed advanced real estate courses at the University of Toronto. In a short time he was promoted to be the manager of Walter Frank's Port Perry office and the family moved to Port Perry in 1967 to be closer to his work.

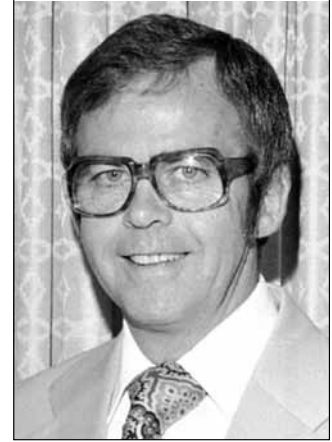
His successful career in real estate evolved into Howard and Dorothy opening Howard Forder Real Estate Limited in 1972. The office was prominently located at the west entrance of Port Perry, where Hwy. 7A and Queen St. intersect. Dorothy was actively involved, overseeing office operations and the advertising.

Howard achieved many top sales awards in real estate. He was known for his business integrity, compassion and commitment to meet each client's unique needs. In addition to sales, he partnered with local business colleagues to bring forward land developments that shaped the community, including Kent Estates in north Port Perry.

Howard was active in the community, including serving as president of the Blackstock Fair, a member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, and an elder of the Port Perry United Church. He and Dorothy were advocates of the Town Hall 1837 and attended many cultural events. They embraced their family life and found time to enjoy travelling, boating and their custom home overlooking Lake Scugog.

Howard Forder Real Estate Limited thrived as an independent real estate brokerage for 15 years and was regarded as one of the most respected real estate firms in the area. It was a shock to his family and the community, when Howard died suddenly of heart failure on October 17, 1987, at the age of 61.

His wife Dorothy, remained active in the community and was 80 years old when she passed away at Lakeridge Health, Port Perry on January 4, 2012. They were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ontario.



HOWARD FORDER



Howard and Dorothy Forder, 1985.

Stanley “Rodd” Foster

GM Employee / Volunteer

Stanley Rod Foster spent his entire life living and promoting Greenbank, and in doing so earned became known locally as “Mr. Greenbank”.

Rodd was born in Greenbank on December 15, 1929, the oldest of four children of Reginald Albert and Velma Edith May (Rodd) Foster. After completing school in the village and Port Perry High School, he set out and acquired a job at General Motors in Oshawa where he became a loyal “GM man”.

He was married to Joyce Anna Marie Moase in Greenbank on February 27, 1948. It was here they settled down to raise a family of five children.

Although he spent his entire career at the General Mortors plant, he found plenty of time to volunteer his services to the community. He served as a director for the United Church, the local Community Hal, and was elected a director of the Port Perry Hospital board, and served as chairman in 1990.

Rodd was an enthusiastic and hard-working supporter for improvements and maintaining the Greenbank Community Park; and was one of the organizers of the annual church barbecue. He also helped get a Charter for the Greenbank Lions Club on which he served as a member and president for many years.

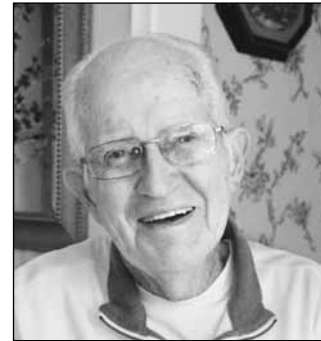
In 2015 Rodd was inducted into the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame as a “builder”. He had a love for sports, including baseball, hockey, curling and basketball. He was one of the main boosters of the Greenbank Gamblers ball club, a team that won many titles and tournaments under his management.

For his 50 years of continual volunteer service in his community, he was presented the Ontario Volunteer Service Award.

After almost 70 years of marriage, Marie, who was 88 years old, predeceased him on January 14, 2018. Stanley Rodd Foster was 91, when he passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 6, 2021 at his home at the Port Perry Villa.



RODD FOSTER





George McIntyre Gibbs

Merchant

G.M. Gibbs spent only a short time in Port Perry, but during his brief stay he gained the admiration and appreciation of a great many of the leading citizens and residents of the village.

George McIntyre Gibbs was born on June 25, 1863, in New York, USA, and when he was only a year old, the family packed up and immigrated to Canada, where they settled in St. James Ward, Toronto West, Ontario. Here his father worked as a dry goods merchant for a number of years.

While living in Toronto, at the age of 17, George began his career in banking, taking on a position as a clerk. About five years later he met Elizabeth Mary Drew, from Elora, Ontario, whom he married on July 6, 1886 at her family home. They had two children while living in Elora, but tragically both children died when they were born. On November 9, 1899, Elizabeth gave birth in Port Perry to a boy they named John George Gibbs. Sadly, like their other children, he died two days later.

The couple moved to Port Perry during the early 1890s and here he quickly became involved in the community. By November 1898 he had formed an alliance with some of the most influential men in the town, James Carnegie, Wm. H. McCaw and Wm. Ross, in purchasing the Ontario Central Fairgrounds. The



Canadian Bank of Commerce, Port Perry.

grounds, which originally cost over \$23,000, was amount the finest in Ontario, and featured a half mile race track.

He was manager of the local Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in 1900 when they opened a brand new red brick building on Queen Street. The local press wrote – “the new offices, are unsurpassed in design, equipment and decoration by any in the Dominion.”

In addition to his banking business, G.M. Gibbs also became secretary of the Great Syndicate Fair Bd., a member of the Port Perry baseball club and a Trustee of the Port Perry High School.

But as quickly as he arrived, he announced his departure for Manitoba in the fall of 1901. The appreciative townsfolk of Port Perry honoured him with a complimentary banquet before his departure, referring to him as “one of our most active and worthy citizens.” Apparently his popularity did not diminish with time, for two years later on a return visit to Port Perry, Mr. Gibbs was met at the train station by a large group of leading citizen and escorted, with the band playing, to the centre of town.

Records show that George M. Gibbs specialty was establishing new branches of the Bank of Commerce.

Over the next decade he opened branches in Neepawa, Manitoba and then in Dawson City, Yukon, before moving to Vancouver, British Columbia. It was written in an expert from the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba: “G.M. Gibbs used his unique talents to establish bodies, which he felt comfortable to leave to others for further development. He avoided the common problem, where the entrepreneur who can establish a business is not suited to manage it in the long term.”

The next we hear of G.M. Gibbs is in June 1922, when he immigrated back to the United States by way of Seattle, with his final destination being Los Angeles, California.

It was here George M. Gibbs, 77, remained until his death on March 3, 1941.

Cyril A. Glass

Butter & Cheese Maker

Cyril Albert Glass was born on September 6, 1891 near Marlborough in Wiltshire, England. He was 19 years old when he immigrated to Canada, arriving in Quebec, in 1911. He was just one of thousands of British Home Children who came to Canada.

He enlisted for World War I on December 5, 1915, and served in France and Belgium with the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles. He survived Vimy Ridge, Passchendaele, Amiens and Cambrai. At Amiens, he gathered a party of machine gunners and urged them forward to take out a German field gun which was causing many casualties. For this, he was awarded the Military Medal. At Cambrai, he was wounded.

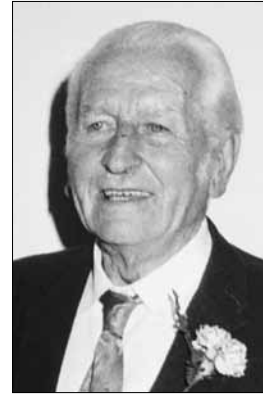
Before the enlisting in the war he lived at Emerald, Amherst Island, near Kingston, Ont., where he was assistant cheesemaker. Returning from the war, he ended up in Moosomin, Saskatchewan, where he met and married Constance D.

Baker. They raised two children during their marriage, Stanley and Clara.

They moved back to Ontario, settling in Belleville, where he took a job as a buttermaker at a local creamery. He then spent some time in Brooklin before settling in Port Perry in 1947 where he worked at Goode's Creamery on Water Street, for the next 23 years.

"C.A." as he was best known, and Connie celebrated their 50th anniversary in September 1975 at the Latcham Centre in Port Perry.

Cyril A. Glass passed away on July 12, 1982 and his wife Connie died on April 7, 1991. They were both interred in the family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



C.A. Glass



C.A. Glass, centre, at work at Silerwoods Dairy, in the Goode's Creamery building.

Charles H. Gordon

Newspaper publisher

Charles Howard Gordon was born on May 13, 1874, in Port Perry, Ontario, into an influential family. His father, Henry Gordon, served the community for more than 30 years, as a merchant, postmaster, magistrate, councillor, reeve and Warden of Ontario County. He was one of five children for his parents, Henry and Catherine (Shaw) Gordon.

He left the family home when he was a young man, and in 1891 was living in Toronto, working as a journalist. By 1899 he had moved to Kent County, where he became editor of the Ridgetown Standard newspaper. It was here he met Julia Grace Westland, and they married on June 19, 1901. During their life together they raised three children.

It's unclear if Charles and his family returned to his hometown of Port Perry, but sometime after the birth of his last child, in April 1906, he had purchased the Port Perry Standard from Samuel M. Newton. It's believed during his time as owner and editor of the newspaper, he changed its name to the Port Perry Star.

His ownership lasted only a few months. In November 1906 he is reported to have sold The Port Perry Star to Rev. William H. Cline. After leaving Port Perry, he began working for Toronto Type Foundry, becoming the company's Pacific Coast manager. In all he spent 40 years working for the type foundry. He died in Vancouver on January 31, 1947.

Philip Goreski

Goreski Marina & Camping

Philip Goreski was born on September 18, 1918 in Saskatchewan, one of five children for Joe and Ellen Goreski. He moved to Ontario as a young man, with his parents who purchased a farm about a mile north of Port Perry.



PHIL GORESKI

Anne Exner, who'd had known Phil in Saskatchewan, moved to Ontario a couple of years later and they were married in July 1940. During the lifetime together they raised a large family of 10 children.

For 23 years after his marriage, he worked in a variety of jobs, before starting a roofing business in Oshawa in 1958. Phil and Anne purchased a 48 acre Island farm in 1963, and sold the Goreski Roofing business to their son Ken. Over the next few years they purchased adjoining farms until they had accumulated 130 acres for a planned marina and camping site.

With a vision to building a modern camping and marina facility, over the next three decades they dredged canals, built 300 seasonal campsites, constructed a large recreation hall, a 52 seat restaurant, two swimming pools, baseball and tennis facilities, and more than 200 covered slips for boat owners.

The facility was rebranded many times over the years, first starting out as Goreski's Marina, then Goreski's Summer Resort and finally Goreski's Lakeside Recreation.

In addition to their resort, Phil and Anne also constructed dance hall which would accommodate more than 400 people, and featured live bands and dancing during the 1970s and 1980s. In 1971 they opened the Centennial Restaurant on Water Street, Port Perry.

Phil Goreski died peacefully with his family by his side, on Tuesday, January 21, 2003 at the Community Nursing Home in Port Perry, at age 84.



ANNE & PHIL GORESKI



Aerial view of Goreski Marina during the 1960s.



MURRELL GOODE

Murrell Forrester Goode

Soft Drink Manufacture

Murrell Forrester Goode was born September 30, 1897, in Port Perry, Ontario. His parents were John Allen, and Jennie "Jane" (Keith) Goode.

Allen Goode was a well known and respected businessman. He operated a creamery out of a plant at 247 Perry Street, until his son Murrell took it over the family business in 1927. Six years later a fire destroyed the plant, so Murrell with the supervision of the Coca-Cola Co., constructed a new plant they called Port Perry Bottling Works, and they became the bottler of Coca-Cola products. About 20 years later his affiliation with Coca-Cola ended, so Murrell took on the bottling and distribution of Pure Spring products. These included Dry Ginger Ale, Honee-Orange, Root Beer, 'Gini' and RC Cola.

In January 1975 Murrell Goode sold the family business, but less than three years later the operation closed and the building was removed.

Murrell F. Goode and his wife Jessie (Bernie) lived beside the bottling plant most of their lives. It was here they raised one son, Gordon, who also worked at the family business.

Murrell Goode was 84 when he died at Port Perry in 1982. His wife Jessie died three years later at the age of 88 years.



Port Perry Bottling Works, Perry St., Port Perry.

Gordon M. Goode

Manufacturer

Gordon Murrell Goode was born about 1916, in Port Perry, Ontario, the only son of Jessie and Murrell Goode. His education was completed at the elementary and high school in his hometown.

Although he worked part-time as a young man at his father's Port Perry Bottling Works business, located at 247 Perry St., it wasn't until 1948, when he was 32 years old, that he joined the company on a full time basis. At the time of his joining the firm, they were bottlers for Coca-Cola, but this came to an end in 1952, and the Goode's then became bottlers of the Pure Spring line of beverages.

Gordon and his wife Jeanne (Cuthbert) raised two boys, Gregory and Gordon Jr., during their time together.

"Gord" worked along side his father for more than 20 years, before the company was sold and renamed Hobb's Beverages. The bottling plant was finally closed in 1977, after fifty years in the manufacture of soft drinks.

Aside from his work at the bottling facility, Gord had a keen interest in education, and he became a member of the Port Perry Public School Board, and being elected chairman of the board in 1966. Two years later he was elected to the Ontario County Board of Education, on which he served until 1973. When Durham Region was formed, Gord was elected to the new Durham Region School Board.

In addition to his interest in education, Gord also took part in other activities in the community, and was a member of the Port Perry Lions Club. In 1965, he was elected as its president. Like her husband, Jeanne Goode was involved in her community. She was a longtime member of the Port Perry Ladies Auxiliary and served as its president in 1973.

Gordon Murrell Goode was 87 when he passed away on November 17, 2016 at the Lakeridge Health Centre, Port Perry, at age 87.



GORDON GOODE



PERCY C. GRAHAM

Percy C. Graham

Garage Owner

In his relatively short life, Percy Graham became a successful businessman and a well respected member of the community. But tragedy struck early, claiming his life at the young age of 37 years.

Percy Crawford Graham was born March 26, 1877, at Manchester, Ontario. His father, Thomas, was 45 and his mother, Ruth, was 36 and they were farmers.

He was 25 years old when he married Esther Ellen (Nellie) White, 24, on January 6, 1903, in Whitby, Ontario. They had three children during their marriage, Harold Percival, and two boys who died at birth. Percy and Nellie resided in Manchester where he farmed for about ten years before entering into business in Port Perry.

As a member of the community, he held a great interest in the Port Perry Band, was a director of the local Agricultural Society, was a member of the Masonic Lodge; Loyal Orange Lodge, and Canadian Order of Foresters.

With the advent of the automobile, in March 1913, Percy opened a garage in James Swan's Carriage Shop building on Mary Street where he became the proprietor of the Ford Garage and agency. Less than a year later, in January 1914, Percy purchased Cyrus W. Switzers former building at the west end of town, on Queen Street, and remodeled the shop and turned it into an up-to-date Ford garage.

Ambitious and needing more room for his growing business, ten months later he purchased the old curling rink building, located behind the Canadian Bank of Commerce. He removed the old structure and was building was busy erecting a new large garage, when his health began to deteriorate. This did not stop him working, and his new garage had sacredly been completed, when he found himself laid aside with Typhoid fever.

Less than two months later, on February 28, 1915, Percy Crawford Graham died from Typhoid fever. He was less than a month away from his 38th birthday.

Following his death, the local Ford agency and the new garage was taken over by William Graham and W.U. Carnegie.

Alexander "Alix" Gilboord

Dominion Store merchant

Alexander Gilboord was born in Russia about 1890 and immigrated to Canada when he was still a young man. Where he first settled is no known, but before coming to Port Perry he lived and operated a store for about five years.

Alix, as he became known, arrived in Port Perry in May 1923 and opened a dry goods business, "Port Perry Dominion Store" just east of the Sebert House hotel on Queen St. Ten years later, requiring more space for his flourishing business, he moved to the south side of Queen St., into the former Nelson's General Store, located in the west section of the St. Charles hotel building.

On November 12, 1934, Alix was married to Matilda Edell, with the service taking part in Toronto, Ontario. Two daughters, Clara and Shirley were born while living in Port Perry.

Although he had a successful business, his store was the victim of multiple robbers. His store being broken into on four occasions. In September 1927 thieves broke into his store and stole \$400 worth of goods and later that year his car was stolen and later found in Owen Sound. One year later, his store was broken into again and \$535 worth of ready-made goods were taken.

It's unclear when the Gilboord's left Port Perry, although they did relocate to Toronto. Alexander Gilboord died on March 28, 1959 and was interred at Roselawn Cemetery, Toronto.

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Andrew J. Harrington

Hotel Owner 1863-1871

Andrew Jackson Harrington was born March 16, 1828 in Shelby, a small town near Medina, New York. Andrew, known as "AJ", was 22 when he married Ruth R. Stewart Kenyon on March 12, 1851.

He married Martha Jane Blodgett in Somerset, New York, on September 26, 1852. They had five children together.

In 1857, when Andrew was 29, he and Martha made a decision that would change their life. With there two young daughters, they left their home in New York State to "seek fortune" in a new country, the province of Upper Canada.



ANDREW J. HARRINGTON

The settled in Lindsay where he worked as an innkeeper. In 1861 after a fire swept through Lindsay destroying four hotels and many other buildings, the Harrington family moved down the Scugog river to Port Perry. The eventually made their home in Borelia where there were two hotels, the Borelia Hotel and the Commercial Hotel.

Andrew became proprietor of the Commercial Hotel when he bought two lots of land from Reuben Crandall for \$3,000 in June 1863. He owned the hotel for about 10 years before selling to William J. Dafoe.

In 1870 he purchased a home east of the hotel, on Queen Street where they lived for the remainder of their time in Port Perry.

During his final years in Borelia and Port Perry he held a number of jobs and positions. He was appointed "Fishery Overseer" for the Dominion government; served as a bailiff and in 1874, and also as chief constable and license inspector for Port Perry. In 1884 he served as collector of taxes at a salary of \$50 per year.

Mr. Harrington and his family lived in the town they'd called home for more than 40 years until about 1904 when they moved to Toronto to be closer to family. Andrew J. Harrington was 82 years old when he died on December 29, 1910 in Toronto and was buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

John M. Heard

Horse Shoeing

John Heard was born in England about 1833 and travelled to Canada.

When he arrived in Prince Albert about 1858 he opened a blacksmith shop on Simcoe Street, where he provided services including horse shoeing and wagon iron work.

In 1871, he moved his business to Port Perry when business started to trickle out of the Prince Albert. but he continued to live just west of the vilalge.

John was married to Jane Kilpatrick on November 29, 1866 in Whitby and they had three children before she passed away about 1871. In 1878, after 30 years in business, Mr. Heard was honoured by the residents of Prince Albert and Port Perry at a public gathering.

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George Hall

Cartwright Pioneer

George Hall was the first Settler in Cartwright Township. He was born in May 1798 in County Armagh, Ireland. After immigrating to Canada in 1831 he spent his first two years near Cobourg.

In the summer of 1833, on hearing that the Township of Cartwright had been surveyed and was open for settlement, he came north and settled on purchasing the east half of Lot 23, Concession 5 at a cost of 12 pounds, ten shillings. By fall he had cleared about two acres of land, and built a shanty.

He returned to Cobourg for the winter and May 20th, 1834, George married Jane Hamel and they immediately returned to his new home in Cartwright.

The early years were busy ones, clearing the land, building fences and farm buildings and a log house to replace the shanty. His first crop was potatoes and he carried the seed from Cavan. He planted an orchard of apples and plums, the first in the locality.

Their family consisted of four sons and five daughters. George Hall was the first Orangeman in the Township and the first Worshipful Master of L.O.L. No.408. For some years the meetings were held in his house.

He served as collector of taxes in the early days and his name appears in the earliest records of the council.

George and Jane Hall lived the remainder of their lives on the farm that they cleared from the virgin forest. George Hall died June 19, 1892, aged 94 years; Jane Hall died June 29, 1892, aged 87 years.

Their remains and those of their daughter Margaret, lie in the Cartwright Union Cemetery.



Dr. JOHN HAMMETT

Dr. John Hammett

Physician / Medical Officer of Health

John Hammett was born in March 1944, in Toronto and after completing his elementary and high school education, he attended Medical School at the University of Toronto. Following his graduation he opened a family practice at Albany Medical Clinic in Toronto.

While attending high school at North Toronto Collegiate, John met his future wife, Elaine Adele Collins. John and Elaine were married on March 15, 1968.

Dr. John Hammett joined Medical Associates of Port Perry in August 1970, partnering with three local physicians – Drs. Robert Allin, William “Bill” Cohoon and Ralph Price. The Hammetts purchased a century home on Cochrane Street where they lived for a few years before purchasing a neighbouring historic home. It was here they raised their family of three children, Clayton, Maija, and Calvin.

In addition to his medical career, John became very involved in the community. He served as co-chairman, along with Dr. Ralph Price, of the original committee formed to save Town Hall 1873 and was instrumental in its restoration.

Dr. Hammett closed his Port Perry practice and returned to school in September 1983, obtaining a Masters Degree in Community Medicine and Epidemiology. Following his graduation, he continued to live in Port Perry, while working as the manager of Ontario’s Under-served Area Program, a program designed to recruit physicians and other health care providers to open practices in Northern Ontario.

In 1989, almost 20 years after settling in Port Perry the Hammett family said goodbye to their town and friends and moved to Kenora, Ontario where he assumed the position of Medical Officer of Health for the Northwestern Health Unit.

John returned to family practice with the Kenora Medical Associates group after four years with the Ontario Ministry, having missed the day to day contact with his patients. While practicing in Kenora, John has served as both the Investigative and Inquest Coronor for the Province of Ontario.

John’s wife Elaine passed away in June 2012, and she was returned to Port Perry where she was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Dr. Hammett remarried to Marlene Joan Scharf, on November 20, 2015 and they live in Kenora. He left his clinical practice in May 2018 but continued to perform surgical assisting for a short time before retiring.

William Thomas Harris

Lawyer

William Thomas "Tom" Harris was born in Port Perry, on April 6, 1913, the son of well-known and respected lawyer William Heard Harris and Clara Edna (Dunk) Harris.

He was educated in his hometown, and graduated with a law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto in 1941. Tom enlisted with the Canadian Army after graduating from law school, and when the war ended, joined his father and brother Robert, in the family firm of Harris & Harris Lawyers. His father had opened his law office in Port Perry in 1900.

Aside from his duties as a lawyer, Mr. Harris had ambitions as a politician. He also threw his hat into provincial politics under the Liberal banner, running in 1955, but losing to Dr. Matthew B. Dymond, on two separate occasions.

Despite his loss provincially, he ran successfully as a village councillor for six years, and served as deputy reeve for two years, in 1960 and 1961. He also was appointed to the Port Perry Public School Board, serving as board member and chairman.

Mr. Harris retired in December 1977, after more than 30 years in the legal profession. His plans were to spend more time with his wife, at his home on Lake Scugog near Caesarea, and the winter months in Florida.

Wm. Thomas Harris was 82 years old when he passed away on June 17, 1995. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife, Sarah E. (Somerville), died four months later on December 8, 1995.



TOM HARRIS

William "Bill" Harrison

Newspaper Editor, Printer

William Thomas Harrison was born August 26, 1931, in Port Perry, and attended both elementary and high school in his hometown. When he was only 15 years of age, he accepted a part-time job working as a "printer's-devil" for Port Perry Star publisher Samuel Farmer, earning \$8 a week working after school and on Saturdays.

Four years later, Mr. Farmer offered him a full-time job, and that began a career in printing and publishing that spanned more than 40 years. He worked for Mr. Farmer, and Mr. Farmer's family, following Samuel's death in 1948. Three years later, he accepted a job as the Oshawa Times Gazette, but this was short-lived with Bill returning to the Star to continue his career. He worked Samuel's family, Marion and Irving Boyd until 1958 when he was offered a job as editor of the Colborne Chronicle newspaper.

Bill was 25 years old when he married Annabell Adock, in the Hampton United Church, on October 26, 1956. They one child, a daughter, Kimberley Ann.

Five years after moving to Colborne, Bill received an unexpected call from Per Hvidsten, who had just purchased the Port Perry Star. Mr. Hvidsten asked Bill to return to Port Perry and become editor of his hometown paper. It was an offer he couldn't refuse, so in September 1963 he returned to Port Perry with his wife Annabell and seven-year-old daughter Kim. He worked as editor and plant manager at The Star until 1974 when the printing division of the newspaper was sold.

After leaving The Star in 1974, Bill took a position with Alger Press in Oshawa, where he worked until he retired from the printing trade about 20 years later.

During his time in Port Perry, Mr. Harrison took an active part in the community. He became a member of the Lions Club and the local Chamber of Commerce, serving as president in 1966. He was also a member of the Royal Canadian Legion and a dedicated volunteer with the Port Perry Fire Department, spending almost 35 years as a firefighter, retiring as a Deputy Fire Chief in 1997.

William "Bill" Thomas Harrison was 80 years old when he passed away at his home in Port Perry on December 9, 2011. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



BILL HARRISON

Richard Harper

Farmer

Born in Bruce County, Ontario in 1835, Richard Harper struck out on his own as a young man and took a job working as a yeoman on a Whitby farm. It was here, when he was 23 years old, he met Jane Allen, 22, and they were married in Hampton on December 31, 1860.

Richard continue farming in Whitby until 1874 when he moved to Reach Township and purchased a fine property between Port Perry and Manchester. One year later, he began building a magnificent brick home on the property.



Richard Harper's residence.

He was an active and enterprising man, always looking for new ways to ease the burden of farming. In 1879 he provided a demonstration of a new steam thresher on his property for area farmers, showing them the future. He became a director of the Reach Cheese Manufacturing Company, which operated out of the hamlet of Manchester, about a mile west of his stately home the same year.

During the summer of 1880 Mr. Harper constructed a large barn, measuring 100' x 60', one of the finest in the area. Tragically this fine building played a part in his untimely death, on October 7, 1882. While working, stacking hay in the rafters, he fell 20 feet to the floor of the barn and was killed instantly.

His tragic and untimely death drew the following comment in the local newspaper, "The deceased had been in this locality but a few years but he left traces of his activity, enterprises which will keep his memory for years to come."

Richard Harper was 47 years of age when he died, and he left behind a wife and two daughters. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Leslie George Hall

Meat Merchant

Leslie George Hall was born on March 30, 1880, a son for William and Maggie Hall, of Port Perry. He attended elementary and high school locally.

Leslie was 31 years old when he married Olive R.L. Wadell, 31, on August 14, 1913 in Toronto, Ont. Although married the young couple continued to live with his parents on Union Ave., in Port Perry. They had two children, Harold and Ruth. He was working for his father who was a blacksmith at the time of the marriage.

Little is know about the young Hall as he was growing up, but two years after his marriage, in November 1915, when he was 35 years of age, he purchased the Port Perry butcher business of W.A. Boyce. Ten years later, in September 1925, he is reported to have sold his business to the Cawker Brothers.

Leslie and Olive continued to live in Port Perry, with Mrs. Olive Hall opening a milliner's shop at 179 Queen St. Although Leslie sold his business in 1925, he continued as a butcher in Port Perry until his death. Leslie George Hall was 73 years old when died on December 15, 1953 in Port Perry.

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Brent Harrington

Retail Butcher

Brent Harrington decided at a very early age that farming was not in his blood, despite his family owning a 250 acre farm. His lack of interest prompted his mother to sell the farm.

Brent was born in 1975 in Campbellford, one of three children for Allan Finley and Sharon Ruth Harrington. After death of his father in 1990, the family farm was sold and they moved to Port Perry. It was here he attended the local high school, and got his first taste of butchering, as a co-op student working for Pineridge Packers at their Blackstock abattoir.

After graduating, he went to work for Windrest Farms, a local meat packaging plant, and from there took a job in downtown Port Perry at the retail outlet of Reg. Cook Quality Butchers. In October of 1999, when Brent was 24, he took over Mr. Cook's business, and opened as Herrington's Quality Butchers.

This was the same year, Brent married his high school sweetheart, Jacqueline Griffin and purchased a home. Since then they have raised two children, a son William, and daughter Victoria.



BRENT HARRINGTON

About a decade later, he moved his store a few doors east, into a larger premises at 251 Queen St. Since that time, the business has continued to flourish and as of 2020, he was employing 18 people in his popular shop.

In 2019, Brent was named "Ontario's Finest Butcher" and was selected to compete in the World Butcher Challenge.



Reg Cook's Butcher store at 261 Queen St., where Brent Harrington started his career.



Brent & Jacqueline at their store at 251 Queen St.

Lydia (Hiscox) Hiscocks

Bakery

Lydia Hiscox (Hiscocks) was one of many young women who took over ownership of their family's business interests, following the death of their fathers, or husbands.



Charles Hiscocks bakery store in Manchester.

Mary Spender gave birth to Lydia about 1814 while living at Shropshire, England. Lydia married Charles Hiscock on February 23, 1845, and after bearing four children, they left England and came to Canada, settling in Reach Township about 1855.

Her husband Charles operated a successful bakery business in Manchester and Prince Albert, and when he suddenly passed away in 1880, Lydia assumed the operation of the business. She took care of the bakery business until after 1885, when her son William (Hiscox) took over ownership of the bakeries.

Lydia appears to have returned to England where she passed away in January 1891 when she was 77 years old.

Note: Hiscox also spelled "Hiscocks".

James Hilborn

Millwright

James Hilborn was born at Newmarket, Ontario, Canada West on May 22, 1814. He was about 27 years old when he married Elizabeth Shanks on April 29, 1841. During their life together they had five children, Mary, Matilda, Allen, Melissa and James.

The Hilborns moved to Reach Township during the 1850s and James opened a business in Borelia manufacturing pumps. In 1859 he advertised he was selling his improved patent washing machine which he claimed was of vast superiority over common washing machines.

Just how long he remained in business as a millwright in Borelia is difficult to determine, but he was still a resident of the community as late as 1871. His son Allen joined the business and was listed as a pump maker at Port Perry in February 1879 when his mother, Elizabeth, died.

Little else is known about James Hilborn other than he later moved to the United States, about 1880 after the death of his wife. He was living in Michigan when he died on May 22, 1893 at the age of 79 years. He was buried at Morton Hill Cemetery, Brenton Harbor, Michigan.

William Hiscox

Baker

William Hisocks, was born in England on April 9, 1852 and came to Canada with his parents, Charles and Lydia, and three siblings when he was about three years old. The family settled in Reach Twp. about 1855 and his father opened a bakery.

As a young man William worked in his fathers bakeries, both in Manchester and Prince Albert. About 1872, Charles opened a new bakery store in Port Perry and closed his other locations.

When he was 27 years old, he married Hellen (Nellia) A. Allison in Port Perry on December 25, 1879. They had four children during their marriage.

William's father died in 1880 and his mother, Lydia, operated the business for about five years before she retired and returned to England, leaving the business for the William to operated.

William operated the bakery business until his death in Port Perry, on March 1, 1900, when he was only 47 years old.

Note: Hiscox also spelled "Hiscocks".

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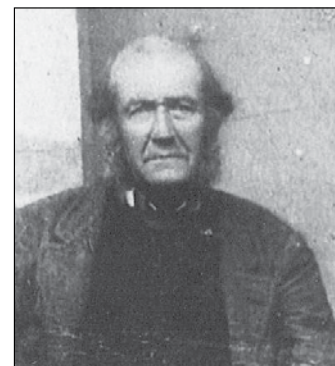
L. Strike Houck

Revere House Innkeeper

Lewis Strike Houck was born in Quebec during September 1801.

Mr. Houck purchased the Revere House in Manchester in October 1875, but it appears to have been operated by George Houck until February 1880 when Strike Houck sold the hotel to Thomas Bennett.

L.S. Houck lived in Reach and Port Perry, Ontario from 1861 until his death on June 22, 1887. He was 87 when he died and was buried at Oshawa Union Cemetery. His wife, Delaney, died in October 1891 in Port Perry.



L. STRIKE HOUCK

Robert “Bob” Howsam

Businessman

Bob Howsam grew up on his family’s farm at Epsom, Ontario, but after completing his education in a one-room school in Epsom, and high school in Port Perry, he had no intention of becoming a farmer.

Robert George Howsam was born on June 2, 1933, the only boy of four children for his parents Walter and Meta (Miller) Howsam. He had three sisters, Louise, Dorothy and Vera.

Bob’s first job was a his father’s Manchester garage, known as Walter Howsam Motor Sales, which was an authorized dealer for Studebaker cars. Here he served gas and worked in the small snack bar for a few years before striking out on his own.



ROBERT “BOB” HOWSAM

He was only 20 years old, when he married Norma (Allin) on November 14, 1953, in the Newcastle United Church. During their 64 year marriage Bob and Norma raised three daughters, Judy, Shelley and Lee, who brought eight grandchildren into their lives.

Bob’s first sole-venture into the business world was with the purchase of a large house on the northwest corner of Queen and Cochrane Streets which he converted into six apartments, of which he became the landlord. In 1957 he purchased and operated the Western Tire store on Queen St., across from Beare Motors. His experience here provided him with the experience to later be hired as the Parts Manager at Beare Motors, on Queen St., Port Perry.

A few years later, Bob moved to Ken ’s Flamingo Pastries plant on Old Simcoe Rd., where he became the Sales Manger for this growing company. Following a short time there, he decided to take a chance at something different and attained his real estate license and joined Howard Forder Realtors in Port Perry, where he enjoyed a successful career.

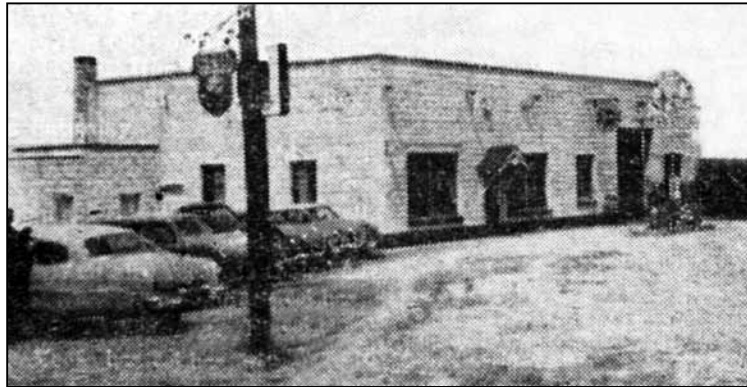
But Bob’s career was instantly cut short in 1982, when, while building a new home on Scugog Island he fell into the basement of the unfinished house. He sustained a severe skull fracture which caused the entire loss of his hearing.

Prior to the accident Bob was a very active and social, adding his energy to many aspects of his community. He was an active member of the Masonic Lodge, and the Port Perry Curling Club. He curled competitively and served on the Board of Directors, being elected president for two years in 1974.

He was also active in sports. He enjoyed water skiing, was an avid deer hunter, loved golf, playing baseball and lob ball, and enjoyed weekly card nights with his buddies, but his greatest passion was curling! He was a very skilled carpenter and spent many hours on woodworking projects.

In 1998, Bob’s hearing was miraculously restored, with a state-of-the-art, “nucleus cochlear implant”, thus ending more than 15 years of being unable to hear his wife, children and grandchildren’s voices.

Robert “Bob” George Howsam was 84 when he passed away in Port Perry on Thursday, march 2, 2017.



Howsam Motor Sales, Manchester, 1952.

Jessie M. Hope

Jessie's Smoke Shop

Jessie M. Graham was born in Dundee, Scotland July 23, 1892, and came to Canada as a young girl of 18 years, in 1911. With no work available for her in Scotland, she bought a \$50 ticket to bring her to Canada, and stayed in Toronto with family friends for short time. The city did not appeal to her so she accepted a job working in the McKenzie farmhouse near Columbus, Ontario.

She married John Herbert Hope, on July 8, 1913 in Port Perry, when she was 20 years old. They had five children, Laura Mae, Elva, Eileen, Jack and Malcolm.

In 1943 she began working for Frank Smith, who operated a variety store at 163 Queen St. When Mr. Smith passed away in 1955, she took over the business. Two years later she moved into a new location two doors away, in the west side of the old Sebert House hotel. She renamed her store, "Jessie's Smoke Shop." Jessie owned her little shop for almost 20 years before retiring in March 1974.

Her retirement lasted only one-and-a-half years before she passed away at Oshawa General Hospital on October 28, 1976, at age 84 years of age. Jessie Mitchell Hope was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Pictures at right: Top photo, Jessie, right, just before she retired from her Smoke Shop business in 1973. Below, Kellett's Variety, in the left side of the Sebert House hotel, is where Jessie's Smoke Shop was located.



JESSIE M. HOPE



Jack W. Hope

Grocery Store Owner

Jack W. Hope was born about 1922 in Port Perry, the son of Jessie M. (Graham) and John Herbert Hope. He was one of five children – Laura Mae, Elva, Eileen, Jack and Malcolm, in the family.



JACK W. HOPE

When Jack was growing up in Port Perry he got his first experience in the grocery business working at the Superior grocery store of Gordon McKee. After he finished his schooling he went to work for the Loblaws grocery chain until 1950, when he left to join the IGA chain of stores.

He returned home in 1953 and purchased the Superior grocery store, which was in the first block east of the post office and immediately changed the name to Hope's IGA Food Store.

Jack opened a modern, new IGA store at the west end of Queen St., across from the bowling green, in November 1961 and only five years later sold his store and retired.

The Hope's lived at 234 Lilla St. and Jack and his wife Doreen Graves Jean (Graham), have two children, Mamie and Jayson who attended public and high school in Port Perry.

Jack was 75 years when he passed away in 1997, in his hometown of Port Perry. His wife died in 1986. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



GREGORY HEFFERING

Gregory Heffering

Men's Clothier

Gregory Heffering came to Port Perry and opened Gregory's Men's Wear in May 1975. His attractive store was located in the Lakeview Plaza at the corner of Water St. & Hwy. 7A. The town did not have an exclusive men's wear store the time. A few years after opening, he moved his store into larger space in the new Port Perry Plaza, on Scugog Street (7A).

Greg was born and raised in Whitby, attending both his elementary and high school in that town. After completing his education, he accepted a job with the T. Eaton Company in Toronto, where he spent 10 years in retail catalogue and buying offices. He enrolled in the company's management training program and became manager of two men's clothing shops, in Toronto and Whitby.

Greg and his wife Barb built a home on Scugog Island and there they lived for more than a decade. During his time in Port Perry he was active in many community events and endeavours. He was one of a handful of men who started the Sunday Men's Hockey League in 1981; was a member of the Kinsmen Club, the Chamber of Commerce. He became a Charter Member of the newly formed Rotary Club of Port Perry in 1981, and served as president of the club for 1982-83. For his untiring work with Rotary, he was awarded the Paul Harris Fellow, the most prestigious award in Rotary.

Despite his love for the community, Greg moved his business to Whitby in 1986. His next venture was selling and restoring vintage wood cruisers, and in 1996 he opened Simcoe Yacht Sales in Orillia, where he sells large and small vessels.

Prosper A. Hurd

Lawyer / Advocate

Prosper Armstrong Hurd was one of Prince Albert's important business professionals during the developing years in the village. Born in Vermont, USA about 1923, Prosper immigrated to Canada with his parents, Abner and Anna Alpha Hurd, and settled in York (Toronto) about 1848. It was here he met Priscilla Harnden whom he married and the couple had three children; Luther, Josephine and Ralph.

For a time during the early 1850s Prosper Hurd was in a partnership with A. Farewell in Prince Albert. This partnership was dissolved in May 1850, with Mr. Hurd continuing with their store and ashery business. He was also a partner with Joshua Wright for a short time operating under the name Hurd & Wright. This was dissolved in June 1852 with Mr. Wright taking over the business.

While living in Prince Albert, about 1857, he set up office to work as an "advocate". In his capacity as an advocate, he worked diligently to have the Registry Office for the County of Ontario located in North Ontario, within the boundary of the villages of Prince Albert, Port Perry, Borelia and Manchester. He was unfortunately unsuccessful.

Prosper Hurd, was an esteemed townsmen who during the 1860s and 1870s took a leading part in all that was beneficial to the interests of Port Perry place its surroundings. He erected a number of fine residences, as well as a large brick dwelling on Union Avenue, which had been his scheme to open.

He was public spirited and liberal, and to him is attributable vast improvements in this section.

He later became a lawyer and served in this capacity with John Billings Attorney at Law.

Prosper Hurd passed away in Chicago on March 26, 1904 and was interred at Forest Home Cemetery.

P. A. HURD,

BARRISTER, Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public, Conveyancer, &c, Prince Albert. Office in the "Victoria Block," two doors south of N. H. Davis' Dry Goods Store, and over T. C. Forman's Furniture Warerooms, adjoining the *Observer* office. 1861.

Neil Hunter

Farmer

Neil Clifford Hunter was born on the Hunter farm at 718 Brimley Rd., Scarborough on March 6, 1924, His parents were Harold and Ellen Hunter and his mother's family, the Heron's were early settlers in the Greenbank area.



NEIL HUNTER

He received his education while living in Scarborough, attending SS #8 public school and R.H. King High School.

He served with the Canadian Army in WW 2, and celebrated his 21st birthday in Germany during the final push to defeat the Nazis. He was positioned with the Toronto Scottish Regiment and participated in the liberation of Holland in 1945.

After the end of hostilities Neil returned home to Scarborough to his father's farm and remained there for five years helping out with the farm. He was 24 years old when he married Jean Lorraine (Symons) Hunter in November 1947, in Scarborough. They raised four children during their marriage, Robert, Patricia, James and Thomas. Neil and Jean were married 61 years before the death of Jean on August 14, 2009, in her 85th year.

At the same time he was working the family farm, he served five years on the Toronto Police Force. After leaving the force, he started his own dairy farm in Scarborough before moving to Greenbank.

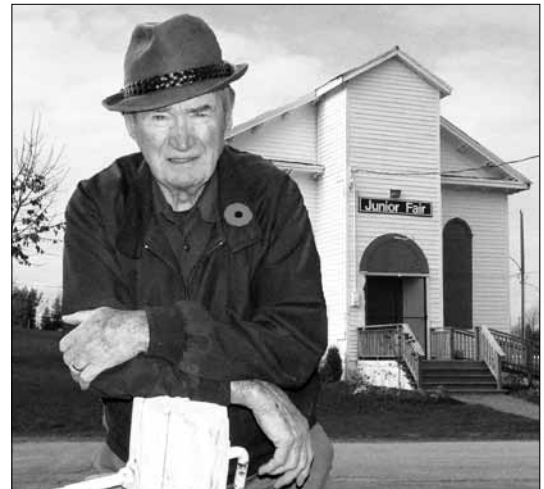
In 1954 the young couple purchased the Howard McMillan farm on the 12th concession of Reach. Five years later he bought the neighbouring farm owned by Armour McMillan.

After moving to their Greenbank area farm, Neil became involved with his new community. He was elected to Reach Council, and in 1973, he was acclaimed as a councillor, representing Reach Township, on the new formed municipality of Scugog Township.

Neil also served time as a Reach Township school board trustee, Community Memorial Hospital Board member, and the Port Perry Fair Board. He was honoured with the Agricultural Service Diploma in 1994 and ten years later, at the opening of the Port Perry Fair, Neil was officially recognized for 50 years on the fair board. He was member of the Port Perry Legion and served as a Greenbank United Church Sunday school superintendent.

Neil was very proud of his farming career, and especially the fact that his sons Bob and Tom carried on the farming tradition and purchased the two farms previous owned by Neil on Concession 12. His all time proud moment was participating in the liberation of Holland, and has travelled back to Holland several times for the reunions.

Neil was 92 years old when he relocated from his farm home to live at the Sunnybrook Veterans Centre, Toronto, where he resides to this day.



Neil Hunter seen here at the Port Perry Fair where he was the board for 50 years.

John Hockridge

Innkeeper

Born in 1834 in Upper Canada, he became an innkeeper in Epsom about 1861 and continued in this profession until sometime in the mid-1870s. John Hockridge was married to Mary Mountjoy of Reach Township as a young man and they had two children before she died in May 1872.

About two years later, in July 1874, he married Wilhemina Graham Elder, 25, of Mara Township.

There is no further mention locally of Mr. Hockridge, but records show he and his wife were living in Pronton, Grey County during the 1880s and 1890s where he had returned to farming. He was 76 when he passed away on May 12, 1909 in Grey County, Ontario.

Gordon C. Humphrey

Teacher / Volunteer

Gordon Cyril Humphrey was born in Ontario's far north, but he's spent most of his life in southern Ontario and contributed much of his time making the lives of others better.

"Gord" as is best known, was born in Kenora, Ontario on October 20, 1954, a son for his parents Keith Vaughan and Elsie Goodall (Crawford) Humphrey. His elementary and high school education took place at Dryden, Ontario, followed by university learning at McMaster in Hamilton and Queen's in Kingston.

Gord was 26 years old when he married Carolyn (Corrigan) Humphrey in Oshawa on August 28, 1980. During their lives together they raised two children, Crystal and Stephen.

After graduating university, he decided on the field of education, with his first job as a teacher coming in 1979 in Jamaica. After three years in Jamaica, he returned to Canada, teaching at G.L. Roberts and O'Neill C.V.I, from 1981 to 1988. He then moved to Port Perry, where he taught at the local high school from 1989 until 2010, except for a one year venture to Australia where he taught at the McArthur Girls High School.

Despite his busy and dedicated life educating young people, Gord also took a very active part in his community, volunteering and hold positions on multiple organizations, which included, a term as Stewart in the United Church and board member of Big Brothers & Big Sisters of North Durham. He was particularly active in volunteering in youth sports, spending years as a referee for rugby, coach for cross-country skiing, basketball, volleyball and was Team Leader for the 2010 Vancouver Olympics.

Gord was never one to tout his tremendous dedication to volunteerism, but those who knew of his work often gave recognition to his community involvement. For that, he was recognized often, and among the awards he received were: the Port Perry High School "Spirit Award"; the BB&BS "Volunteer of the Year Award"; the Scugog Township "Mayor's Honour Roll," and induction into the Oshawa Vikings "Hall of Fame".

He has a love for sports, leading him to excel in many, including cross-country and down hill skiing, rugby, golf, curling and cycling. When asked what one thing he was most proud of in his career", he simply answers, "My ongoing friendships with past students."



GORDON HUMPHREY

Joseph H. Huckins

Store Keeper

Joseph Born Sept. 24, 1827 at Whitby, Ontario. When he was 25, in 1851, he was listed as a farmer in Whitby Township.

Joseph was 22 years old when he married Mary Jane (McLane) Huckins in Ashburn on October 30, 1849. A resident of Whitby Township, he was working on a farm at the time of his marriage.

By 1861 he was working a clerk in a store in Whitby. Ten years later, in 1871 he and his family moved to Reach Township, where he became a storekeeper in Epsom and also served as postmaster for about five years. Joseph Huckins until he died on April 9, 1903 in Victoria, British Columbia.

Charles Robert Henderson

Grain and Egg Merchant

Charles Robert Henderson was born on January 8, 1844, in England. His parents were Thomas and Frances Henderson. When he arrived in Canada is not known. The earliest record of him is found in an 1871 census, where he was listed as a labourer in Middlesex, Westminster, Ontario.

He settled in Port Perry about 1880, and worked as a bookkeeper, for an undisclosed company then a few years later teamed up with Joshua Curts, forming the company Curts & Henderson. They were engaged in the business as wholesale and retail seed and general produce merchants, working from a building on the north side of Queen St.



Curts & Henderson operated from this two storey building on the north side of Queen St.

They also operated a warehouse containing a refrigerator with a capacity for 25,000 dozen eggs. Two years after forming the company, Curts & Henderson were handling 30,000 bushels of coarse grain, 2,500 barrels of flour, 200,000 dozens of eggs annually. Charles was 37 when he married Mary Jane Pherrill, 26, in Port Perry on April 19, 1883. They had one child during their marriage, Frances Arthur Henderson, born May 21, 1884, Port Perry.

Charles Robert Henderson died suddenly of a heart attack, while in Whitby, on September 22, 1886. He was only 42 when he died and he was buried at Port Perry. His wife, passed away on September 8, 1933 in Toronto at the age of 79 years.

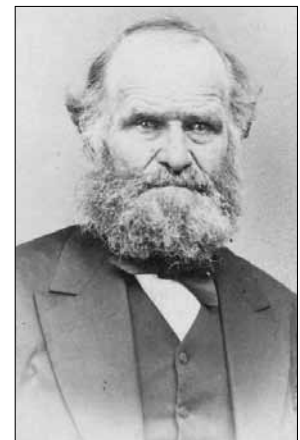
Harrison Haight

Shop Keeper

Harrison Haight was born March 17, 1797 in Pennsylvania, USA, to parents Samuel and Rhoda. He was just young lad when his family immigrated to Canada, settling in the Home District, near Newmarket, Ontario.

When he was 21 years old when he married Agnes Doan, on April 18, 1818, and they had three children together. They settled in Little Britain in 1834. She was 42 when she passed away on September 15, 1842

After arriving in Reach Township, he settled in the village of Borelia. In March 1847 he purchased lot 61 and lot 62 on the south side of Queen St., in Scugog Village (Port Perry) where he erected the town's first hotel the following year. It's not clear if he operated the hotel, or was simply the contractor, but he sold the property about 1870.



HARRISON HAIGHT

He was married to Elizabeth Horner McKinley, of Darlington, Ontario, on November 28, 1844, and they had one son, Joseph G. Haight.

At his home in Borelia, he operated a small grocery store, and began gardening. The gardening developed into business which he called Haight's Vegetable Garden, but as he aged he was no longer able to care for it, so listed his house and garden for sale in November 1870.

After selling his property he moved to Wellington North, where he farmed into his 80s. He returned to Scugog Island in 1881 and passed away there when he was 84 years.

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Peter Hood

Farmer/Politician



PETER HOOD

Peter Hood was born into a farming family in Pickering on January 28, 1856, a son for Charles and Hannah Hood. He was just a youngster when his parent moved to Scugog Island where they had purchased a farm and it was here he spent the rest of his life.

Peter worked as a farm-hand on his parents farm as a young man until his father in 1908, when he assumed ownership of the farm.

Peter was 28 years old when he married Maria Milner, 26, the daughter of a Scugog Island family on October 21, 1885.

Although much of his time was taken with tending to the farm, Peter Hood took a keen interest in his community. He served as Reeve of Scugog Island for five years in the early 1900s, and then was returned for another three years, from 1918-1920. At the time of his death on June 27, 1941, his son Russel was the reeve of the township.

Peter Hood was 85 when he passed away. A funeral was held at the home of his only son, Russell. He was laid to rest at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Thomas W. Horn

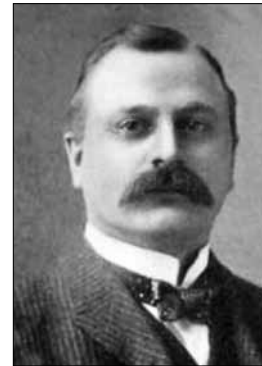
Lawyer / Manufacturer

Thomas W. Horn was born and near the village of Utica, Ontario, and went forth as young man to make for himself with a successful career. He was a lawyer by profession, but his interests were more of the financier, than of the barrister, and he soon found himself devoting his talents to financial and manufacturing, rather than legal career.

Thomas was born, on February 7, 1867 at his home in Reach Twp., one of four sons for his farming parents, Thomas and Euphemia (McMillan) Horn. There were also three girls born into the Horn family. After attending school in both Utica and Port Perry, Thomas headed off to the city, becoming a lawyer.

He was 22 years old when he married Lenora Belle (Maud) Stewart, of Pennsylvania, USA. The wedding took place in Toronto on February 22, 1893, and it was here they made their home. In 1898 the Horns constructed a large Romanesque style home, featuring arches, towers and a recessed entry, at 180 St. George Street, in the Annex, Toronto.

Among his careers, Thomas operated a manufacturing company called ION Specialty Company during the late 1890s, and also became a founder and president of the Luxfer Prism Co., Toronto, in 1897. In the early 1900s he had a large part in the building of the King Edward Hotel, and was featured in the book, "Men of Canada" 1901, as one of the most successful and influential men of their time.



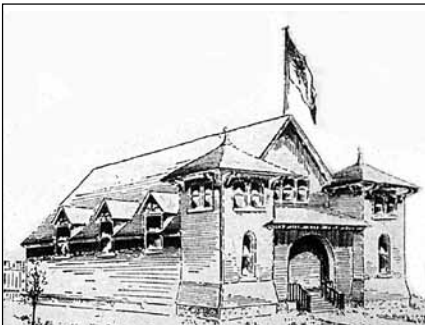
THOMAS W. HORN

Thomas never forgot his early life in the small hamlet of Utica, venturing back often to visit his parents

and friends. And in 1899, he announced he would build a magnificent community hall for his hometown. Less than a year later, on December 1, 1899 it was opened to great fanfare in the village. The hall was 38' x 65' in size, designed in the Spanish renaissance style of architecture, with two towers and a seating capacity of about 400 people.

Thomas W. Horn, 66, of the law firm of Carrick & Horn, passed away at the home of his sister, at Brooklyn, Ontario on May 16, 1933. He was buried at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto.

He was one of the oldest member of the Wilson Masonic Lodge, York Masonic Lodge, and was past president of the Chesterfield Lodge of the Sons of England.



Utica Memory Hall, 1899.



John Ianson

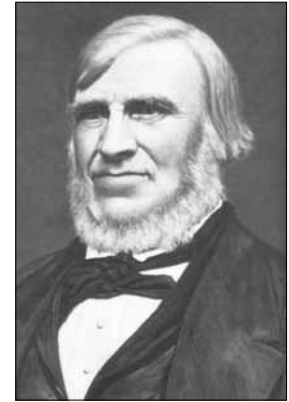
Pioneer Settler

John Ianson was born on January 16, 1807 in Westmoreland, England to James and Mary Ianson. It's believed he arrived in Canada during the early 1830s

John married Margaret Hunter of Scarborough, Ontario in 1835 and they had four children during their marriage.

John Ianson was said to be a hot tempered and aggressive investor and speculator. After the Iansons settled in Reach Township in the early 1840s, he accumulated more than 500 acres of land between 1844 and 1851. It is believed it was Margaret's wealthy family who provided the funds came for John to purchase the lands. Although driven, he later passed all his properties over to his wife and children.

John Ianson was 77 when he died on April 28, 1884, in Scarborough, Ontario and was returned to Greenbank where he was buried at Bethel Cemetery. Margaret died on July 23, 1866 and was buried beside her husband.



JOHN IANSON

John Irvin

Pump Manufacturer

John Irvin was born at Newtonbrook, North York in 1849, a son for James and Margaret Irvin, who were of United Empire Loyalist stock.

He arrived from Toronto in March 1869 to take over ownership of a pump business in Borelia. He purchased from James Bowman, his Patent Swing and Force Pumps business, and his success prompted him in 1878, to erect a large new facility, consisting of two buildings covering an area of 48 by 55 feet. A few years later, in order to meet the increasing demands of his customers, he found it necessary to introduce steam power to his pump factory.

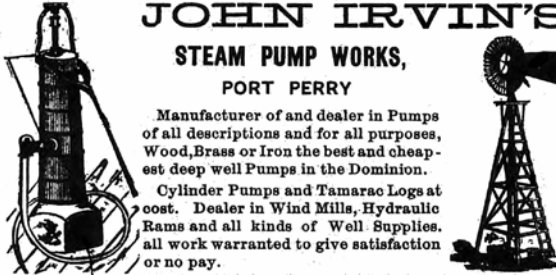
Not long after arriving in Reach Twp., John, 22, met Catherine Selina McLean, 21, of Prince Albert, and they were married in the early 1870s. They raised four sons and five daughters during their life together.

His entire life was engaged in the manufacture of wood pumps and he had a wide reputation for dependable workmanship. His products included vertical force and lift pumps, galvanized iron pumps, force pumps, and pumps of all descriptions.

Mr. Irvin took an active part in reconstruction following the fire of 1884. He devoted himself fully to his business and his home. In no small measure he contributed to the business success of the town.

Mr. Irvin died at his home in Port Perry, on Tuesday, June 9th, after long illness. He was 84 years old, and with his death, Port Perry lost one of its oldest and most highly esteemed residents. His wife, Catherine, predeceased him in 1921.

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 Borelia, Sept. 25, 1870.

Daniel Ireland

Hotelkeeper

^ Daniel Ireland didn't hail from the Reach, Port Perry district, but he made his name know in the district as a fine hotel keeper. He was born in Percy Township, Northumberland, Ontario area, in 1834, one of six children for his parents, Issac and Mary Ireland. He lived here with his family until he was old enough to strike out on his own, and by 1861 he was living in Reach Township.

Daniel was 23 when he married Jane McCracken, 21, on January 29, 1858. They had four children during their marriage - Isaac, Esther Anna, Mary and infant died which died in its first year.

In 1865 Dan Ireland purchased a small wood building near the northeast corner of Queen and Lilla (Simcoe) Street and turned it into a hotel. During the 1890's Ireland's Hotel, which was managed by James Dewart, was totally destroyed in a fire, and Ireland later sold the property.

Next Mr. Ireland constructed a new hotel on Lot 3, Queen Street, during the early 1870s, known as the Royal Hotel. He sold this to Thomas Walker in 1874, and the name was changed to the Walker House.

In 1875 he undertook major renovations to another hotel, the Queen's Hotel. The result of this undertaking was a three-storey structure, one of the tallest commercial building in the town. This hotel was destroyed in the fire of 1883 which destroyed many of the buildings on the north side of the street.

After the fire, Daniel Ireland appears to have left town, and the only record of him is, he was living in Peterborough in 1901. His death occurred in Victoria County (Lindsay), on June 3, 1922, at the age of 93. His wife Jane died on February 17, 1909 in Haliburton.



Ireland's Royal Hotel, outlined.

Edna B. Ingram

Librarian

Edna Beaton McKee was born in London, Ontario on September 28, 1893, one of five children for James and Sarah (Beaton) McKee. She was 16 years old when the family moved to Port Perry, where her father got a job at the Sebert House Hotel on Queen Street.

Her father entered into a number of business ventures while living in the town, one being the operation of McKee Jewellers in 1921, at which Edna work as clerk as a young single woman.

Edna married Arthur Percy Ingram, who was a hardware clerk in Port Perry.

In June 1941 Edna took on the position of Librarian for the village, a job she held faithfully for more than 30 years. She retired as librarian in December 1972, handing the duties over to Grace Milne, who had worked in the children's department of the library before her appointment.

Edna was recognized for her years of service at a reception in her honour at the library in January 1973, and presented with a beautiful oil painting.

Percy was 52 years old when he passed away on April 12, 1940 and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. No record is available for the death of Edna Beaton Ingram.



EDNA B. INGRAM



DR. ROY S. IRWIN

Dr. Roy S. Irwin

Physician

Dr. Roy S. Irwin opened a medical office in Port Perry in Dr. Samuel J. Mellow clinic on Queen Street, in 1945. Dr. Irwin was born in 1917 and practiced from Dr. Mellow's office from 1945 to 1953. This was the declining years of this long-time medical clinic at 239 Queen Street, and Dr. Irwin was the last doctor to practice from his location.

Dr. Irwin and his wife Mavis left Port Perry in 1953 and settled in R.R.2, Oshawa, where he continued his general practice and also served on the staff of Oshawa General Hospital for a few years, before moving to Port Arthur, Ont. about 1972. Here he became a medical consultant for OHIP in Thunder Bay and Sudbury.

Dr. Roy S. Irwin was 84 when he passed away in Lindsay, Ontario on October 2, 2001. He was survived by his wife Mavis and four children.

James W. Isaacs

Merchant Tailor

James Isaacs was one of the progress young men who arrived in Port Perry during the early 1870s, eager to start a new life, after immigrating to Canada from his homeland of England.

James was born on January 19, 1853, in Barnstaple, Devon, England, the son of Jane and John Isaacs. His journey west brought him to the United States in 1865, and about five years later he crossed into Canada.

He was only about 21 years old when he arrived in Port Perry where he started to work as a "cutter" in the tailoring department of Jones Bros., department store. James became a proficient and valued cutter, and his employers advertised his skills in many of the advertisements.

Three years after arriving in the village, he married Nettie M.A. Jones, daughter of the well-known and respected Rev. George Jones of Port Perry. The wedding took place on January 19, 1875, in Port Perry, Ontario. They had one child during their marriage, a boy, George W. Isaacs.

James cut materials for suits and other garments for the Jones Bros. almost a decade before stepping out on his own. In May 1882 he purchased the stock of the late John Pearce and moved into his former premises. Two years later he purchased the entire clothing, boot and shoe stock of Davenport, Jones & Co. He then consolidated the operations and opened in a store formerly occupied by Charles Trick.

But like so many businesses, he lost everything in the July 1884 fire which ravaged the village, but within three weeks he opened again two doors west of the post office, on Queen St.

The following month, he travelled to New York to update his knowledge on fashions, earning a diploma from a celebrated cutting school. When he returned to Port Perry, it appears he decided to make a change.

By 1891, according to the census, he had moved to York (Toronto) where he was reported as working as a merchant retailer.

Next, the wandering Mr. Isaacs moved to St. Clair Michigan, before finally becoming a naturalized citizen of the USA in 1908, at Long Beach, California. He lived and worked there for the remainder of his life.

James Webber Isaacs died on February 15, 1939, in Los Angeles, California, USA, at the age of 86, and was buried in Long Beach, California, USA.

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Port Perry, May 24, 1882.

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Rev. F. George Joblin

Presbyterian Minister

Born on July 7, 1878 on the Isle of Wight, Frederick George Joblin was the son, of John Joblin a lay preacher in England, and later on Scugog Island, and Sarah Salena Joblin.

Frederick Joblin was only four years old when he immigrated to Canada with his parents in 1882. His father, John, was a trained Methodist preacher, and served near Bowmanville. It was at Bowmanville and Oshawa Fred received his public and high school education.

After attending Toronto Normal School, he taught school before entering the Ministry of the Methodist Church. Prior to his ordination he served as a missionary teacher at Norway House, Northern Manitoba and Alderville, Rice Lake, Ont. During his Ministry he served the Melrose Charge, Bayside, Sea-grave, Rawdon and Scugog.

He married Flora Gertrude Elgie of Toronto, on April 19, 1906, and moved with his his new bride to the Alderville Reserve on Rice Lake. He also taught in Castleton, but feeling called to the ministry he pursued studies to that end and was ordained by the Methodist Church in 1912.

He served charges at Melrose, Bayside, Seagrave, Rawdon, and Scugog all of them rural because of his love of country people. He was known as a dramatic preacher, but probably his greatest contribution was made through his visitations. He was welcome in every home and shared the joys and sorrows of all.

In September 1942, he laid the cornerstone for the new United Church at Scugog Centre. Following a heart attack Rev. Joblin retired and moved to Port Perry in 1945. The Rev. Frederick George Joblin was in his 91st year, when he died on Thursday, February 6th, at the Adam's Nursing Home, Port Perry.

His continuing joy was in his family. Gladys, in Port Perry and Dorothy in Pickering delighted him with their environment in Church and Community service and all three sons, Elgie, Kingsley, and Fred followed their father into the ministry.

His funeral service in Port Perry United Church was led by ministers of the Presbytery and by his son Fred representing the family. Interment was in Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



REV. FRED GEORGE JOBLIN

David Jackson

Scugog Island Farmer

David Jackson was the son of John and Ann Jackson, of Yorkshire, England. The Jackson family immigrated to Canada in 1832 with three children. Their son David was born while traveling to York from Montreal, having to stop at Prescott, Leeds Cty, Ontario for his birth.

The Jackson family resided in Scarborough, (Toronto) until about 1840, when David's father purchased a farm at Shirley, in Reach Township.

In 1850, when David was 18 years old, he set out on his own. This was the same year he was married to Mary Day, of Whitby. Mary died in April 1859. David married Elizabeth Jessop, on September 22, 1860 at Scugog Centre.

From the lakefront wharf at Port Perry, he loaded all his belongings onto a scow, and crossed Lake Scugog. After landing on the island he settled on Lot 6, Con. 10 in 1850. A tragic accident happened in 1856, when David's brother John, was killed while helping David with the harvesting in 1856.

John Jackson's funeral procession was the first vehicle to cross the floating bridge which was being built across Lake Scugog from Port Perry at that time.

David spent his entire life farming on Scugog. He was described one of the "solid men of the municipality", and was considered honorable, esteemed and respect by all who knew him.

David Jackson was 76 years old when he died on April 14, 1909. His wife Elizabeth predeceased him on January 27, 1904.



DAVID JACKSON

William J. Jackson

Farmer / Politician

William J. Jackson became one of Scugog Island's most respected and highly esteemed citizens during his 79 years of life on the island, serving in many municipal endeavours throughout his life. It was with sadness to the community that he passed away in 1945, with his health having suffered for a number of years.

William James Jackson was born on his family's farm on Scugog Island on June 26, 1865, one of a large family for his parents, David and Elizabeth (Jessop) Jackson.

He lived on his parents family farm until marrying Nettie Sarah Widden, of Prince Albert, on New Year's Day, 1895. During their life together they raised four children, Vera, Allan, Edna and Ethel.

The Jacksons farmed on the island until about 1920, when they moved to the 7th Conc., Reach Township.

W.J. Jackson served his local community in many capacities including serving as a school trustee for many years.

He was elected to the Scugog Council for the first time in 1901 and served for eight consecutive years. He was also elected Reeve of Scugog, in that capacity during 1909, 1910, and from 1914-1917.

His was also honoured in 1916, by being elected Warden of Ontario County.

While living in Reach Twp., he became the County Road Supervisor for county roads in his district. He also served as a director of the Ontario Pine Grove Cemetery.

Although in poor health at the time, William and Nettie had the pleasure of celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary on New Year's Day, just two months before his death.

William James Jackson passed away on February 26, 1945 at his home. He was interred in the family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



WILLIAM J. JACKSON

Rev. George Jamieson

Presbyterian Minister

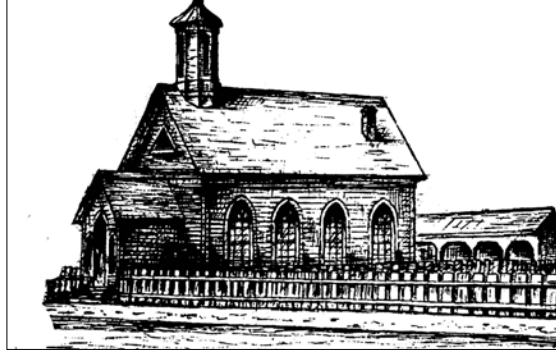
George Jamieson was born on September 26, 1822, in St. Mungo, Dumfries-shire, Scotland. His father, Gavin, was 42 and his mother, Jean, was 38. He had four brothers and four sisters. It appears he never married.

The Jamieson family came to Canada during the late 1840s, or early 1850s, settling at Huron, Ontario. Little else is know of George before he arrived in Reach Township in the late 1860s. He was minister of the Presbyterian Church, Borelia from 1869 to 1871 - possibly longer.

After arriving in Prince Albert, he purchased property on the east side of Simcoe St., where built a large two-storey home on Simcoe St., just north of the Presbyterian Church for which he was the minister.

After leaving Reach Township he became minister of the Presbyterian Church in Aylmer, Gatineau, Quebec, across the river from Ottawa, Ontario. He was at this church at the time of the 1881 Census.

In his later years, George returned to his hometown in Huron Twp., Ontario, where he died on February 14, 1890, in Bayfield, Ontario, along the shore of Lake Huron. He was 68 years old at the time of his death.



Prince Albert Presbyterian Church, 1861.

William Jamieson

Livery Stable Owner

For about forty years Mr. Wm. Jamieson served the people of Port Perry and Reach Township as carter and a livery man. His first 20 years were spent engaged in the carting business, and the following two decades he added a general livery business.

Born January 2, 1844 in Quebec, to John and Mary Jamieson. The Jamieson family moved from Quebec to Reach Township about 1850, and settled at Borelia. It was here, when William was a young man he began delivering goods for local businesses and he became respected and a trusted as a reliable carter.

When he was 27 years old, he married Sarah Elizabeth Stoven, 26, of Borelia on January 4, 1871.

With is his business growing, he entered into the livery business, opening his stables on Perry Street. By 1900 his stables were too small to meet his requirements, so he took possession of a large livery business on Queen Street, with an entrance beside the Bank of Commerce.

William was joined at the new location by Mr. J.C. Dennison, who was a carriage painter and trimmer by trade. Here the firm had plenty of stable room and immense sheds for carriages. They kept 12 good horses, and about 35 wheeled rigs. In addition to their extensive first-class livery business, Jamieson continued with their carting, teaming, and had contracts with the village to water the town streets, and carry the mail.

In 1910, after more than 45 years in business, Jamieson and Dennison sold their livery stables to Cawker Bros., but they continued to supply first-class carriage turnouts.

William Jamieson was 72 when he died on December 10, 1916. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife, Elizabeth died in 1937 and was interred beside her husband.



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WM. JAMIESON
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Tony Janssen

Printer & Publisher

Tony Janssen has been in the printing business his entire life, in fact, when he was a youngster he slept on the floor of his fathers printing plant while he finished up his day.

Tony was born in 1965, at Scarborough, Ontario, to Dutch immigrant parents Henry and Joyce Janssen. He was one of three children who all attended both elementary and high school in Port Perry.

The Janssen family moved to Uxbridge when Tony was one year old. Here his father worked for a the Uxbridge Printing Company, which also printed the local newspaper, the Uxbridge Times Journal.

Eight years after coming to Uxbridge Tony's father purchased the commercial print division of the Port Perry Star, from Per Hvidsten, and it was here, he and his sisters did their school homework and often fell asleep on the floor of the print shop, while his father ran the presses late into the night. Two years after buying the printing division, which he then renamed Port Perry Printing, his father built a large new facility on North Street in Port Perry.

Tony had mixed feelings about his future, but after college he returned to Port Perry to work with his father. In 1991 when his father retired, he purchased the family business and has operated it ever since, expanding product lines, as technology advanced, and also operating a monthly publication for about 10 years. His wife Lana (Crosbie), is a marketing specialist and she handles the duties of the front office.

Tony and Lana have five children and until two years ago lived in Port Perry. They have since purchased a lakefront home at the north end of Lake Scugog, where they continue to live to this day.

In addition to his very busy, business career, Tony always took time to get involved in his community.

He is passionate about the progress of the town and has served as a director on both the Scugog Chamber of Commerce and the Port Perry Business Improvement Area.

He actively served more than 15 years with the Chamber of Commerce, many of those as president of organization. He also was a member of the Scugog Economic Committee, the Big Brothers & Sisters Assoc. Lana was a co-chair for the BIA for a number of years.

Lana and Tony received the Port Perry BIA Ambassador Award for their outstanding contribution to the town, and also recognition from the Chamber of Commerce for their services to the community.



Port Perry Print, 201 North St., Port Perry



TONY JANSSEN

C. James Jewett

Hotel Keeper

Charles James Jewett was born on September 30, 1830 in Pickering, Ontario. When he was a young man he became a shoemaker, while still living at his Pickering home. James was married to Mary Ann Washington at Markham, Ontario in 1853 and they had two children Jannie and Frank.

James Jewett and his family moved to Reach Township in 1854, purchased a property and opened Jewett's Hotel in the village of Borelia. He also continued with his shoe making business. He is believed to have operated the hotel until the late 1870s before selling the business. While owner of Jewett's Hotel, he also served as post master for the village for a number of years.

During ownership by James Jewett this Borelia hotel became one of the most popular meeting spots in the community, hosting many important political and civic meetings. He also served as the local postmaster for a time.

James had a keen interest in education and in 1868 he became a trustee of the Port Perry Grammar and Common School serving for many years. He also served as trustee of High Schools for Port Perry from 1872 to 1879. He was appointed to a committee to arrange celebrations for Dominion Day in 1869. He also served as a constable for Port Perry during the 1880s, and as Auditor for many years.

James Jewett passed away on June 14, 1899 at 69 years of age. His wife Mary Ann died in Barrie, Ontario on February 8, 1916 in her 83rd year. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.



CYRIL C. JEFFREY

Cyril C. Jeffrey **Harness Manufacturer**

Cyril Courtice Jeffrey was born on July 25, 1888 in Port Perry. He was the only child for Samuel and Annie Isabella (Courtice) Jeffrey. Mr. S. Jeffrey was in partnership with his wife's father, Thomas Courtice in the business of harness manufacturing. As a youngster attended both elementary and high school in Port Perry.

Cyril started working at the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Port Perry, then served at branches across Ontario and in Montreal. It was while working in Montreal he met and married Ethel Anderson Fraser Gauld, and during their life together they had one child, a daughter, Hazel Gauld Jeffrey.

He returned to Port Perry and joined his father in his harness and saddlery manufacturing business in February 1912, working in accounting. After joining the firm it was renamed S. Jeffrey and Son.

Cyril and Ethel purchased a substantial home at 177 Cochrane Street in 1924, and they lived in the house for the remainder of his life. The Jeffrey's daughter Hazel assumed ownership of the family residence after the death of her father.

Cyril took an active part in his community and fought hard during 1940 to retain railway service to the town, but was unsuccessful. He was also a driving force to improve health services for Port Perry and surrounding townships and was appointed to a committee to investigate a new hospital.

He was an active member and elder of the United Church, a member of the Board of Education, the Board of Trade, the Lawn Bowling Club, and a charter member of the Port Perry Lions Club. He was also one of the original members of the local Hospital Board.

Cyril Jeffrey was 65 years old when he passed away on March 5, 1953. Following a funeral he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



The Jeffrey home at 177 Cochrane St., Port Perry.

James “Jim” Johnson

Fishing and Hunting Guide

James “Jim” Johnson was born September 20, 1860 on Scugog Island, Ontario. James was one of three children raised by his father John and mother Susan (Jonson) Johnson. In 1865, his father was elected Chief of the Scugog Mississauga Reservation on the Island.

He was 42 years old when he married Mary Jane Elliott, on June 17, 1902, at Scugog centre. Mary Jane’s parents were Harris Elliott and Ruth Johnson. They had three children - Abraham, Walter and Hazel.

When James grew into manhood he was described as being very tall, muscular, and had a quiet and genial manner. For most of his adult life, he earned a living basket weaving, hunting, fishing and providing expert guide services to clients from all over southern Ontario.

On Good Friday in 1913, Jim walked seven miles across the lake to Port Perry to pick up supplies, and while returning to the reservation along the river, he got his feet wet and contracted pneumonia a few days later.

Jim died on Wednesday, April 3, 1913 at his Island home at 53 years of age. He was such a large man, a special made-to-order casket had to be brought from Toronto. A funeral service was held in the Indian Church on Scugog Island on April 5th and he was interred in the Indian Cemetery.

The following article was published in the Toronto Telegram on April 16, 1913, after his death.

“Jim Johnson is dead on the Scugog reservation. Hundreds of Torontonians knew “Jim” as the greatest Indian guide of the whole Iroquois Valley. For years he has guided hunters and fishermen all over the thousand lakes and rivers down there.

He knew the Scugog, Balsam, Rice and Sturgeon lakes and he also knew where the best fish were in the summer and where the best ducks were in the fall.

From his home on the reservation he would paddle to Port Perry to get his parties (customers), come up the Scugog River to Lindsay to take a large number in a row boat or motor launch, for miles to the sporting grounds of the wonderful district.

Jim was an immense big Indian, a giant among men. Standing six feet five, he was built in proportion, was as strong as a horse and exceedingly popular. He knew no fear and no matter what the swell in the Scugog was, nor whether it was a big boat or his fast canoe he could always bring his parties back dry and fast. He never lost a soul nor did he ever have a serious upset. He was a master canoeist.

You could trust him with anything. As chief guide he was a wonder with the paddle and an oarsman which could not be beaten for strength and skill. If we struck a storm “Jim” would just work a little harder. His knowledge of the haunts of fish and game was little short of marvelous.

Jim was in line to become Chief of the tribe on Scugog, but he always told his white friends – “No want to settle scraps. I go home. I go fish. Have more good time.”



This picture is an illustration only, of Indian guides negotiating with clients.
Source: “Canadian Icons” website – this is not a picture of James “Jim” Johnson.



Elgin P. Knopp

Businessman

Elgin Paul Knopp was born in Oshawa, on June 23, 1950, a son for his parents, Elgin and Muriel (Lusty) Knopp. His elementary education was at Dr. C.F. Cannon school, followed by attending Central Collegiate and Durham College in Oshawa.



ELGIN KNOPP

After graduating he held a number of positions, but it was a job as general manager of a new Peterborough based trailer sales business, Manchester Trailer Sales, that brought him north to Port Perry in 1976.

Two years later, he struck out on his own, opening a trailer sales depot beside Taylor Ford, on Hwy 7A, just west of Port Perry. He called his new venture "The Trailer Place".

Elgin married Annemarie Teeze, in Toronto on December 21, 1978, and they raised two children Jessine and Nathaniel while living in Port Perry. Mr. Knopp also has two children from a former marriage, Brennan and Heather.

Six years after arriving in Port Perry, in 1984, Elgin and Annemarie purchased a property at the corner of Hwy. 7A and Water Street for their fledgling trailer business. This was interrupted later the same year, when a fire destroyed their facilities. After clearing the property he rebuilt a two-unit building, and changed his vocation, opening Rent & Save, a equipment rental company. The Knopps also opened Cine-Max Video store in the east unit of the same building, which was managed by Annemarie.

Aside from his busy life as a retail merchant, Elgin also made time to help his community. He began his community service with the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, serving as a director, and president in 1987. He also held positions, including president or chairman, on numerous boards, which include – Town Hall 1873; Rotary Club; Ontario Special Olympics; Big Brothers & Sisters of North Durham; Port Perry Kinsmen Club; the Port Perry Scouting Association, and many more.

Elgin Knopp is a big man, with a big heart, and he confides, that he enjoys volunteering because he loves to give back to the community in which he lives. "Helping people achieve a rewarding job and developing their life skills," he says, is one of the things he is most proud of during his business career. For his dedication to his community, Elgin was rewarded with the Rotary Club's higher honour, the Paul Harris Fellow, and was recognized by his community being named to the Mayor's Honour Roll.

He and his wife Annemarie have lived and worked in the community for more than 40 years.



The Knopps "Rent & Save" store on Hwy. 7A, near Water Street, 1994.

Kenneth Koury

Chocolate Manufacturer

More than 500 km north of Port Perry, Nick Allen Kenneth Koury was born on October 31, 1942, in Kirkland, Lake Ontario, a son for his parents Nick and Alba (Menengaldo) Koury. Best known today as “Ken”, he earned most of his elementary education in his hometown and Sudbury, before the family moved to Toronto. Here he attended Birch Cliff Public School, R.H. King Collegiate and Agincourt Collegiate.

After completing school, he became a teacher, spending 15 years teaching Industrial Arts. It was during this time he met Joanna Peters, whom he married on June 12, 1982. They raised two boys, Mike and Justin.

By 1988, Ken felt it was time for a change, so he partnered with a firm building custom-built homes. This venture lasted only a short time before he moved into the retail business. He purchased a small building at 182 Queen

St., Port Perry, and opened “Nuts About Chocolate” on May 18, 1988.

His business grew, expanding into Huntsville and Peterborough, but when he tried to trademark

his name, he found a business in British Columbia had already laid claim to the name so in 1996, the he changed the name of this stores “The Nutty Chocolatier”. In all, Ken expanded his business to include five corporate store and four franchise operations.

His growing business motivated Ken to begin producing his own products. He rented a 2,500 sq. ft. building at the corner of Mary and Perry St., in

1997, and seven years later moved into a 10,000 sq. ft. facility in a Port Perry industrial park where he employed 25 people and consumed 17,000 kgs. of chocolate each year.

Aside from his active business life, he took an interest in his new community. He took part in the formation of the Port Perry Business Improvement Area (BIA), serving as chairman for a number of years. He also was a director of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce for five years.

He is most proud of the annual “The Nutty Chocolatier” Easter Egg Hunt, on Queen St., on Easter weekend. At this event, for more than 30 years, he provided free chocolate eggs to thousands of local children.

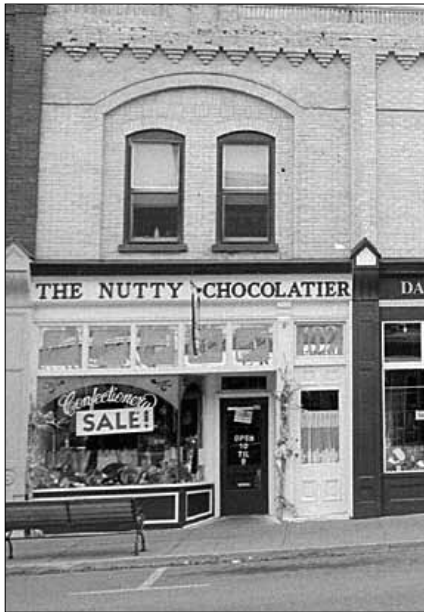
For his many years of dedication and contributions to the community, Ken and his business was recognized on two occasions, the last being in 1999 when his business was honoured by the Scugog Chamber of Commerce as the “Business of The Year,” for a company with more than five employees.



KEN KOURY



Ken Koury with staff at Nuts About Chocolates in 1988.



**The Nutty Choclatier store, 1998.
182 Queen Street, Port Perry.**

Emiel & Kathy Kroonenberg

Restaurant Owners

Emiel and Kathy Kroonenberg were both born in Holland, and worked in the food industry before immigrating to Canada. Emiel was only 22 years old when he arrived by ship in 1953, and Kathy followed two years later, with plans to operate their own restaurant or bake shop.

Both worked at different jobs in Ottawa and Toronto for 11 years before they arrived in Port Perry, where they purchased a building at 151 Queen St., in August 1970. The building had two commercial tenants, the Queensdale Restaurant with a pool hall, and a barbershop. They took over the small Queensdale coffee shop and moved into an apartment above the restaurant.

A few years later, after extensive renovations, they renamed their fledgling business "Emiel's Place" restaurant, and operated successful and respected business for the next three decades.

Emiel and Kathy raised four boys, Robert, Jeffrey, Gregory and Carl, all of who worked in the business while they lived at home.

Over almost 30 years in business in Port Perry, the Kroonenbergs were very involved in the community. They both served on the Scugog Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club.

In 1999, they made the difficult decision to retire, and sold their business.

Laurentius Emiel van den Kroonenberg was 73 years old, when he passed away after a short illness, on April 15, 2005 at the Port Perry Hospital. His wife, Catharina Johanna Maria van den Kroonenberg (Lenders), was 77, died peacefully on October 4, 2010. They had been married for 49 years. Interment was at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



EMIEL & KATHY KROONENBERG

Barbara Karthein

Communicator/Environmentalism

Barbara Mary Karthein was born in Toronto in 1942 to Jasper and Elizabeth Worth. Her father was transferred to Halifax, Nova Scotia when she was six years old. Barbara attended elementary and high school there before attending Mount St. Vincent University, where she obtained a BSc.

After graduating she moved to Toronto, working in administration before becoming a high school teacher in London and Toronto. It was while living in Toronto, Barbara met and married her husband, Ralph, and raised their two boys, Joe and James.

She returned to school and studied Landscape Architecture at Ryerson. After graduating in 1980 she worked in landscape design/build until she and her husband retired to their long-time cottage on Scugog Island in 1997. Barbara started her work in Scugog by joining the Board of the Scugog Shores Museum. At that time, Barbara pushed for some recognition of the Mississaugas' of Scugog Island (MSIFN). She raised, through her affiliation with Landscape Ontario, sufficient funds to construct the planted area of the Ojibway Heritage Interpretive Lands which later held a traditional Ojibwa wigwam and crafts. This project, carried out and blessed with cooperation from the MSIFN was the work Barbara considered her most important contribution to Scugog.



BARB KARTHEIN

At the same time, Barbara met with fellow Lake Scugog health enthusiasts who worked to keep Lake Scugog environmentally healthy. They organized the Scugog Shores Millennium Project and raised funds to build Joe Fowler Park and Baagwating Park along the lakefront.

The fledgling group became an incorporated charitable organization, called the Scugog Lake Stewards in 2003 with the efforts aimed at lake research, communication and education. Barb was elected president in 2014 and held that position for seven years. After 13 years living on the shores of Lake Scugog, the Karthein's moved to a farm near Epsom.

Charles C. Kellett

Nursery Owner

Charles C. Kellett was born on January 10, 1845, in Dublin, Ireland, the son of Sarah (Stinson) and William. His father died one year after he was born and he immigrated to Canada with his mother when he was only six years old.

The family settled in Reach Township where he became a farm labourer during his teenage years. It was this early introduction to farming that lead him into a business groaning and selling trees and shrubs.

Charles was 27 when he married Sophia Shaw about 1866, and they had two sons – Clarence Harold, and George Arthur Kellett. By the time he was married, he living in a house on Bigelow St., and was engaged in the sale of nursery stock.

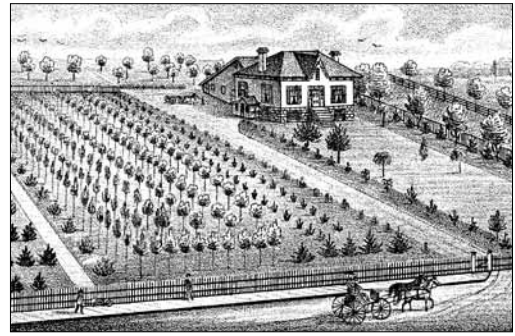
In December 1867, he assumed ownership of the Port Perry Nursery and a residence, on a 15 acre farm, next to the fairgrounds.

Over the next 25 years he became one of the most respected and noted growers of nursery stock in the province. He also raised strawberries and small fruits together with assorted farm produces. As his business flourished, he became an extensive importer of trees and shrubs from both the United States and Europe.

He had a keen interest in agriculture, which led him to become a valued member and director of the Agricultural Society. In 1895 he sold his property to the Central Ontario Fair, which to this day is the present Port Perry fairgrounds. Charles was a charter member of Fidelity Lodge, the A.F.&A.M., Port Perry, and served on council for two terms.

Charles Kellett was in his 80th year when he passed away at his home on Sunday, November 30, 1924. His funeral was taken charge of by the members of the Masonic Lodge.

His wife, Sophia (Shaw), predeceased him on March 1, 1916. She was interred at Bethel Cemetery.



Residence and Nursery of Charles C. Kellett.

Dr. Michael H. Krempowich

Physician

Michael Harry Krempowich was born in Hamilton, Ontario on February 13, 1945, to his Ukrainian parents Joseph and Julia (Bazuk) Krempowich. He had one sister, Nadine Mary, born two years later. He attended elementary school in St. Catherines and high school in Niagara on the Lake. After graduating he enlisted in the RCAF Medical Officer's Training Plan, under which he was required to spend a term in the air force as a medical officer after he graduated.

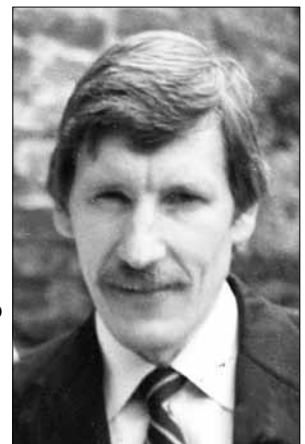
He attended the Faculty of Medicine at Queen's University, Kingson, Ontario, graduating in 1971 and accepted an internship at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton. In 1976 Dr. Krempowich travelled to Elliot Lake, Ontario where he worked in general practice, including minor surgery, obstetrics and anesthesia at St. Joseph's General Hospital.

He left Elliot Lake in the late 1970s and settled in Port Perry, joining the Medical Associates clinic and opening a family practice along side a local group of doctors on Paxton Street. During his time at Medical Associates he held the position of Chief of Staff for three years (1983-1985), was a member Board of Directors of the Community Memorial Hospital, and for a short time was on the staff of the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital.

Mike met Valerie Holland (Lock) in 1980 while skiing at Kirby and three years later they were married in Toronto. They had two children, Caitlin and Matthew, and also raised Valerie's two children from an earlier marriage.

Dr. Krempowich had many interests outside his professional life. He learned to scuba dive, fly small aircraft and parachute when he was in the air force and he was also an avid skier and cyclist.

Dr. Michael Harry Krempowich was only 48 years old when he passed away on June 14, 1993 at Oshawa Hospital, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was interred at Groveside Cemetery, Whitby, Ontario.



Dr. "Mike" Krempowich

Cecil “Cec” King

Woodworker

William Cecil King was born on March 1, 1907, in Toronto, Ontario, one of five children for Henry and Elda Jennie (Kilpatrick) King. He was a young man when his parents moved to Reach Twp., about 1920, and it was here he worked on the family farm.



WM. CECIL KING

When Cecil was 23 years old, he married Norma Lewella Palmer, daughter of Thomas and Rosetta Palmer, of Port Perry. The marriage took place in the United Church on April 19, 1930. They raised two daughter, named Anita and Patricia and their only son died at birth.

A carpenter and woodworker by trade, aside from serving in the Canadian Navy during World War II, he spent most of his adult life working in the lumber mills at Lake Scugog Lumber.

While a resident of Port Perry, he took an active part in the community. He served as Chairman of the Building Committee during the construction of a new public school, and he was a long-time member of Port Perry Lions Club, of which he held the posts of treasurer and president.

Cecil King was 77 years old when he passed away in 1984. His wife Lewlla lived to be 107 years old before dying in Lindsay, on March 25, 2019.

Dr. Steven Kandel

Physician, Surgeon

Dr. Steven Kandel arrived in Port Perry in December 1953 to take over the practice of Dr. Roy Irwin, but unable to afford to buy Dr. Irwin's house, he moved into the Port Perry Medical Clinic, across the road.

Here he joined the practices of Dr. George Rennie and Dr. Matthew B. Dymond, to provide longer office hours and emergency services to the community.

Dr. Kandel is a graduate of Bucharest University in Hungary, and did is post-graduate work in England and Canada. He came to Canada in 1951 and worked assisting Dr. A.G. Berry in Sunderland for a number of months before coming to Port Perry.



DR. STEVEN KANDEL

In an interview in September 1970, before he left for Toronto to take up a position at Sunnybrook Hospital, he reminisced about his time in the town. He said he was leaving Port Perry with mixed emotions. "I'm going to miss this friendly little town. It's been good to me in many ways," he said.

Dr. Kandel and his wife Pamela have two daughters, Linda 23 and Stephanie, 11, who was born in Port Perry. Yet as much as he enjoyed aspects of living in Port Perry, he admitted he is "basically a city man" and prefers to be a "small fringe in a big pond".

At 50 years of age, Dr. Kandel is in excellent health and he said he could only remember three days in the past 17 years that he missed coming to work because of sickness. He said he was looking forward to the social life of the city. A casual dresser, even at work, he and his wife enjoy opera and live theatre, as well as playing bridge.

He felt the local hospital was a "tremendous thing" for a community the size of Port perry and he had great admiration for the Board of Directors who he said operated the institution each year without a deficit.

When Dr. Kandel left Port Perry in October 1970 for Sunnybook Hospital, he became an Associate Professor of Family and Community Medicine.

Robert Avery Kenny

Fur Farmer / Politician

Robert Kenny was born into a farming family on November 9, 1916, one of three boys for his parents Avery and Alice Kenny. The family moved from his childhood home, Red Willow, Alberta, about 100 miles northwest where they settled in Edmonton West, Alberta.

While living in Alberta, "Bob" as he was best known, met Norma Marion Sinclair, who lived in Calgary. They were married and raised a family of four children, two girls and two boys.



ROBERT KENNY

About 1950 the Kenny's moved east and settled in Port Perry, where Bob began a fur farm, operating it successfully until 1958. About the same time, local curlers decided to build a Curling Rink, so the Kenny's donated a piece of land from their mink farm for the new rink. The property was located on the northeast corner of Old Simcoe St. and Bay Street. The remainder of his farm property was sold for a housing development project known as 'Kenny Court'.

After leaving the fur farm business, Bob entered the political arena, and was elected multiple terms as councillor for Port Perry between 1959-1967. In 1969 he was elected Reeve of the town and he held that position through three terms, ending in 1973. When the new Township of Scugog became part of the new Region of Durham in 1973, he was elected as the first Area Councillor for the new Scugog municipality.

Bob resigned his political position in March 1976, to assume the roll of Chief Building Inspector and Bylaw Enforcement Office for the town.

The Kenny's left Port Perry and returned to western Canada during the 1980s, settling in British Columbia. They spent the rest of their lives living in on the west coast.

Robert Avery Kenny was 91 when he passed away on October 9, 2008 at Comox, B.C. His wife Norma lived until April 25, 2015. They were both buried at the Courtenay Civic Cemetery in Comox, B.C.

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Kelly La Rocca

Chief, Mississaugas of Scugog Island

By the time Kelly La Rocca was elected Chief of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island, she had graduated with a law degree from the University of Windsor, Faculty of Law. She was called to the Bar for Ontario in 2001. Kelly practiced as a civil litigation lawyer in Toronto, and completed graduate coursework at the University of Victoria Faculty of Law, with a focus on Aboriginal legal issues.

She was born in Oshawa, but moved to Port Perry with her brother and parents when she was 16 years old. Her mother, Valerie La Rocca, was a member of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island.

Valerie, along with the help of the Mississaugas, opened "Native Perspectives", a retail store on Queen St., Port Perry where they sold paintings and crafts created by the native community. As a student Kelly worked part time in the store.

In 2008, Kelly was elected as a councillor for the MSIFN, and five years later was elected as the band's new leader. She became the third woman to be selected as the MSIFN Chief since records began to be kept in 1865.

As the local Mississauga Chief, she oversaw all issues of importance to the band. Since her term began in

2013 she has helped guide them through an expansion of the Great Blue Heron Casino, installation of a water system and water tower, construction of a large hotel, and advanced the betterment of healthcare and education requirements for her people.

Kelly and her husband Jonathan live in her ancestral home on Scugog Island, where they have raised two children.



KELLY LA ROCCA



Mississaugas Administrative Office.

James B. Lazier

Manufacturer

James Bogart Lazier was born in Prince Edward County, on October 22, 1822. His parents were William and Hannah (Stickle) Lazier. As a young man, in the mid-1940s, he moved to Reach Twp., and by 1851 he was living on a 3.5 acre parcel of land at Conc. 7, Lot16, Reach Township. It here the ambitious young man constructed a modest home, a factory and drying kiln and began what became a life-long career.

Unfortunately his factory struck with tragedy a number of times. In May 1869, his drying kiln and his manufactured goods were destroyed by fire. A year and a half later, in September 1870 his wool kiln, implements and wagons were consumed by fire, and less than a year later his factory was completely destroyed by fire. Despite his losses, he rebuilt and continued manufacturing from his small lot just north of Port Perry, until his death.

James Lazier was married on May 22, 1848 in Reach Twp. to Hannah Orser, of that township. They had seven children during the life together.

Mr. Lazier spent all his energy operating his manufacturing business. He made considerable money from his enterprises and spent much of it for what he considered was "for the public good." James Bogart Lazier died at his home on the 7th Concession of Reach, on December 13, 1894.



WES LANE

Wes Lane

Plumbing & Heating Contractor

Wesley Lane was born in Windsor, Ontario and moved to Port Perry with his family when he was only six years old. As a child, he attended both elementary and high school in his hometown before joining the plumbing and heating department of Peel's Hardware in 1950.

After about seven years working for the Peels, Wes set out on his own, establishing Wes Lane Plumbing and Heating which he operated for more than 30 years before retiring.

Wes was married to Joan Adelaide (Real) in 1955, and they raised three children, Gerry, Carol and Jamie.

In addition to his interest in his business, Wes was a dedicated member of the United Church and Masonic Lodge. He was also a long-time member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce and was involved in many other local activities and institutions.

His wife, Joan, passed away on Christmas day, December 25, 2013 and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. Following the death of Joan, Wes Lane moved to the Port Perry Villa seniors residence.



James Leask

Cattle Breeder / Farmer

One of the finest and most respected farmers to live in the Township of Reach is Mr. James Leask. He is the best known, and most famous breeder of prize cattle, not only in the Township, but in Ontario County, and in many respects is without a peer in the Province.

James was born on September 2, 1860. His parents, Alexander and Jane Leask, came to this country from Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in 1852. They settled on Conc. 11 and ultimately acquired 650 acres of land.

James received his early education at Greenbank Public School, but his father died when he was 11 years old, and he was left with the responsibility of home and farm.

James Leask is one of the most intelligent farmers in the township, thoroughly versed in all farm and stock matters. He has for some years been a member of the School Board, is a staunch Presbyterian, and worker in the Sunday school, of which he is treasurer.

He was 22 years old when he married Hannah (Annie) Perkins, 22, of Greenbank on February 28, 1883. They have a family of three sons and two daughters which make the home life as nearly ideal as one might wish.

Mr. Leask's speciality was raising prize Shorthorn

cattle, and the breeding of these has made him famous, and has helped greatly in making him one of the wealthiest farmers and breeders in Reach Township.

He attended every cattle show possible, showing at the Toronto Exhibition for 29 years, and in 1907 he gained international fame when his exhibit won the Grand Championship prize at the Chicago International Fat Stock Show.

Mr. Leask's farm home is near the village of Greenbank, and occupies a commanding position on high ground. The dwelling house is a comfortable, roomy frame, 30 feet x 40 feet, two stories. The barns on his farm are broadside the road, and are striking in this section, being 60 feet x 140 feet with a stone foundation.

After retiring from the farm in 1919, James and Annie moved into Port Perry, taking up residence on

John Street. During his life he was a school trustee in Greenbank and in church life was an elder of both the Presbyterian Church at Greenbank and Port Perry.

James Leask, 83, died at Port Perry, Ontario on November 22, 1943 and was interred at Bethel Cemetery, Greenbank. He was widowed at the time of his death. His wife, Hannah "Annie" predeceased him on October 23, 1934.



JAMES LEASK

John B. Laing

Hardware Merchant

John B. Laing was only 21 years old when came to Port Perry about 1875 and entered into a partnership with John W. Meharry in a hardware business. They opened in a two storey white brick building on the south side on Queen Street, the former premises occupied by Thomas C. Forman.

John Brown Laing was born on September 3, 1852 in Keene, Ont. He was working a a clerk in Peterborough when he met Lillian Emma Hazelhurst, and they married on May 17, 1876. They had four children during their marriage.

For many years John B. And John W. carried on an extensive and successful hardware business. In July 1884 they lost their building and business in a fire that destroyed downtown Port Perry. Total loss was \$16,000 with only \$9,800 covered by insurance.

Undeterred the partners rebuilt a larger and more magnificent block which they opened four months later. Fire rocked their business again in October 1891 when the entire building was gutted, but once again the rebuilt and stocked their business.

He remained in Port Perry, until about 1905 when he moved to New York, USA. John Brown Laing was 66 years old when died on September 5, 1918, in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, at the age of 66.



The Laing & Meharry building, Queen St.

Samuel Levinson

Dry Goods Retailer

Samuel Levinson spent more than half his life in Port Perry, operating a clothing and apparel store on Queen Street, with his wife Ann along side of him every step of the way.

Sam, as he was best known, was born in Poland about 1908, and immigrated to Canada before the first world war began. He first settled in Toronto, where he met Miss Annie Morris, whom he married on Christmas Day, December 25, 1932. He was 24 years old and Ann (Annie) was 22.

The following year, Sam and Ann moved to Port Perry, where they rented a storefront and apartment on Queen St. for \$18 a month. Here they began their career as retail shop keepers. Eight years after arriving they had saved enough money to purchase a building at 177 Queen Street, and it was here they worked, and lived above the store, until they retired.

Sam and Ann didn't have a lot of time to become involved in the activities of the community, although they loved the town and their customers. On his retirement he praised the town, saying "I love Port Perry. It is the best town in Ontario, or maybe Canada."

In September 1918, after serving the community for 43 years, Sam and Ann decided it was time to retire and move to Toronto, to be closer to their family.

Samuel "Sam" Levinson was 81 years old when he passed away on November 19, 1989. He was buried at Dawes Road Cemetery in Scarborough. His wife Anne lived until she was 91, passing away on November 12, 1996.



Sam and Ann in front of the "Levinson" sign at their 177 Queen St., Port Perry, storefront

Gordon A. Lewis

Garage Operator

Gordon Alexander Lewis was born and raised in western Canada, before moving east to living in Toronto. "Gord" was born on January 9, 1933, in Regina, Saskatchewan, a son for Clifford Gordon and Jane Templeton (Homes) Lewis.

While living in Toronto he met Irma Taylor and they were married about 1955, and raised a family of one boy and five girls. Looking for a change, and wanting his family to live in a small town, he moved to Port Perry about 1960. Two years after arriving, he opened a garage on Water Street, under the name Gord Lewis Motors Sales.

In 1968, after six years in the auto repair business, he purchased the business of a local automotive parts supplier. He moved into space in the former St. Charles Hotel, at the corner of Water and Queen St., and opened Port Perry Auto Supply, where a movie theatre had operated before. From this location he wholesaled parts to local automobile dealers and smaller garages for about eight years.

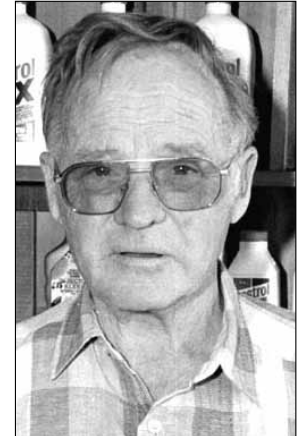
Looking to return to the garage and automobile repair business, he sold his auto supply business and opened his garage at 94 Water St. For the next



Gord Lewis Motor Sales Ltd., 94 Water Street, 1989.

22 years Gord worked from that location, serving his customers. Over his years in the garage business, he was a dealer with BA, Gulf, Texaco and Esso gas suppliers.

After more than 35 years operating a garage in Port Perry, Gord made a decision to retire, and he closed his door for the last time on September 29th, 1997. Four years later, Gordon Alexander Lewis passed away on May 27, 2002, at Lakeridge Health Centre, Port Perry.



GORD LEWIS

Frank B. Lindsay

Hotelkeeper

"Frank" Lindsay was not a long-time resident of Port Perry, but in the short time he was a member of the community, he became a well respected and an admired resident.

Francis Beatty Lindsay was born in Halton Township, Ontario, about 1858. His pparents were James Beatty and Mary Jane (Gibson) Lindsay. He was the youngest of seven children.

When he was a young man he began to learn about the hospitality business working for his father, who was hotelkeeper at the Red Lion hotel in Hornby, Ontario.

Frank arrived in Port Perry during the mid-1880s and there he became the owner of the Railroad House hotel, on Water Street. The hotel had earlier been operated by James Dewart, a well known and respected hotelkeeper in the district.

Frank was 27 years old when he married to Ethe Stewart on November 4, 1885 in York (Toronto), Ontario. It's unknown what happened to this marriage, but it appears it was about this time the young hotelkeeper may have moved to Port Perry.

A few years arriving in Port Perry he married Junetta Dewart, believed to have been the daughter of James Dewart, who was the hotelkeeper of the Railroad House hotel on Water Street. James Dewart passed away in August 1888 and it appears the Lindsay's took over the hotel.

Junetta and Frank had one child," James Dewart" who was named in honour of Junetta's father. The

young James was born on May 13, 1890 in Port Perry.

Frank Lindsay was well respected and held the esteem of his customers and the general public. He also had an excellent reputation for well conducted hotels. The community was stunned to learn of his passing when he was only 35 years old.

Francis "Frank" Lindsay died on February 20, 1893, the result of tuberculosis. He was a valued member of the Loyal True Blue Lodge, Port Perry; the Ancient Order of Foresters of Oshawa, Blackstock and Port Perry, and was buried with the honors of the LTB and AOF.

About a year after his death, in November 1894, Junetta disposed of the land and hotel by way of a mortgage sale.



Railroad House hotel, Water Street, circa 1875.

Wayne Luke

Retail Merchant / Artisan

Long before Wayne Luke entered into the retail business, his love for antiques had him scouring the countryside, dropping into antique shows, attending auction sales and picking through old barns and sheds, looking for antiques and long forgotten pieces of Ontario's past.

Wayne was born in Oshawa, Ont. on April 30, 1944, the only son for Doris Lillian Cole and James Richard Luke. He has one sister Carleen.

He attended both elementary and high school in Oshawa and began his working career at General Motors. Wayne met Carolyn Roberts, a hair stylist in Oshawa, and on May 19, 1967 they were married. Two girls, Jody and Marnie, were born of that marriage.

Wayne and Carol both had a love of antiques and gift shops, which eventually had them move to Port Perry in 1973, and three years later opening Luke's Country Store on Queen St.

From their initial small start-up, the business became extremely popular, requiring them to expand into the adjoining building, where they opened the Victorian Card Shop. Later they expanded with a second store in Oshawa, Ont.

In 2005, after almost 30 years in retail sales in Port Perry, the Lukes sold their store and retired from business, but Wayne didn't really retire. He continued to use his creative skills to keep himself busy on producing one-of-a-kind garden art and birdhouse from his home, and for other shops.

Wayne and Carol Luke, live just outside of Port Perry, on the sixth line, and its here in his garage and small shop, he creates and sells garden ornaments, all the while enjoying the freedom he gets from the hustle and bustle of the retail business.



Carol and Wayne Luke open the doors into their new venture, the Victorian Card Shop in 1985.

Richard Lund

Merchant

One of Port Perry's earliest merchants, Richard Lund was born in Upper Helmsley, Yorkshire, England in 1814. The date of his arrival in Canada is unknown, but by 1851 he had settled 50 acre parcel of land on Lot 19, Concession 6, Reach Twp.

He was married to Sarah Elizabeth Marsh, in Port Perry in 1836 when she was 18 years old. They had seven children during their 16 year marriage while living in King City, Ontario. She died at 32 years of age, in Port Perry, on April 25, 1852, and was interred in Pine Grove Cemetery.

Richard remarried on January 16, 1853 to Mary Ann Bickel, of Reach Township. She became stepmother of Richard's seven children, and they had another four children during their marriage.

Richard Lund was one of the first merchants to open a shop in Port Perry. He occupied a conspicuous and highly important position in the community, and was identified with Port Perry from its early existence as a village. He identified himself with, and was an active promoter of every movement, commercial, educational and religious.

Educational interests received his active encouragement and support, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of School Trustees while the village was as yet too small to maintain a school, and too financially weak to pay a proper teacher. He generously added a handsome supplement to the salary of the teacher from year to year, taken from his own pocket, to retain the services of a good teacher.

He was also a generous supporter of the churches of all denominations, most of which were indebted to their construction due to his active efforts and liberal donations.

He was a son of toil, active industrious and persevering, and notwithstanding that he had accumulated a very liberal share of this world's goods.

He filled several important offices, as a Magistrate, and Clerk of the Division Court, but he preferred farming. He was appointed returning officer for the first election of the Township of Scugog, after it separated from Reach Township in 1855.

The death of Richard Lund was both sudden and unexpected, at his home in Port Perry, at the age of 64 years. He passed away on July 25, 1883 and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife, Mary Ann died on July 16, 1896, in Buffalo, N.Y., and was buried in the family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Dr. John B. Lundy

Dentist

Dr. John Lundy wasn't born in Port Perry, but he spent more than 50 years living and servicing the residents of Port Perry and Reach Township.

Born at Cainsville, near Brantford, in 1885, John Beldon Lundy in 1884 was the older son of the late Beldon Lundy and Lydia Day Lundy. He was educated at Brantford Collegiate Institute and the University of Toronto and practiced in Brantford. It was here he met his future wife. John was 25 when he married Anna Grant Blackstock of Brantford, on April 22, 1908. They raised one daughter, Lois Lundy.

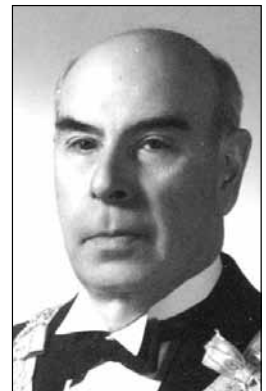
When an opportunity came to purchase a dental practice, the Lundy family moved to Port Perry in May 1915, taking over the practice of Dr. R.L. Graham.

Settling into his new home, he became active in many phases of community life. He was a member of the Port Perry School Board for many years; treasurer of the Public Library; Boy Scout commissioner; President of the Horticultural Society and of the Bible Society, and Past Master of Fidelity Lodge A.F. & A.M.

He held a commission as Captain in a Brantford military unit and was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Dr. Lundy was a member of the Church of the Ascension, in Port Perry, where he served as Rector's Warden for 15 years. He had previously held the same office at St. Jude's in Brantford.

Dr. John Beldon Lundy, D.D.S., passed away at Toronto General Hospital on Monday, November 8th, in his 84th year. A funeral was held in the chapel of McDermott-Panabaker, Port Perry and interment was in Mount Hope Cemetery, Brantford.



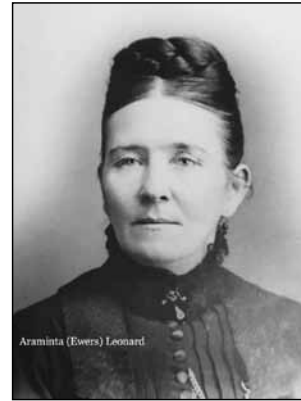
JOHN B. LUNDY

James Leonard

Photographer

James Leonard was born in August 1832 in England, and as a young man immigrated to Canada. He arrived in Port Perry and started his photography business during the 1850s and became the most well known photographers in the area for more than 30 years.

James was 23 years old when he married to Araminta (Ewers) in 1855 in Reach Township. Araminta was daughter of Abel W. Ewers, one of the town's pioneer municipal officials. They were living in Manchester when their son William was born in November 1856.



Araminta Leonard

The Leonards moved to Georgetown, Ontario for a short time, about 1860, where James worked as an "ambrotype artist". The family returned to Reach Township before the decade was out.

In September 1874 he erected a new building on Perry Street, at the corner of Queen Street, where he practiced his trade for the remainder of his life.

He passed way on January 8, 1884, at 51 years of age and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. Araminta Leonard, passed away on Monday, November 4, 1918 at 79 years of age.

Following the death of his father, William continued his father's photographic business.



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James Leonard ad, 1870.

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John Lasher

Cartwright Innkeeper

John Lasher was born in the United States, to parents unknown. After a brief brush with the law 1842, which resulted him spending a short time in a New York district prison, it appears he headed north out of the state, into Canada

As the story goes, after arriving in Canada, he made his way the shores of Lake Scugog in Cartwright Township, where he established a small settlement which he called Lasherville. According to the 1851 census John was the hamlet's innkeeper.

Lasherville was described as a lively place with three storage shed for grain, which was shipped to Whitby by wagon or sleigh. By 1845, Lasher, with the help of neighboring settler Thomas Haywood, built a scow which they used to moved people and goods around the lake and as far north as Lindsay.

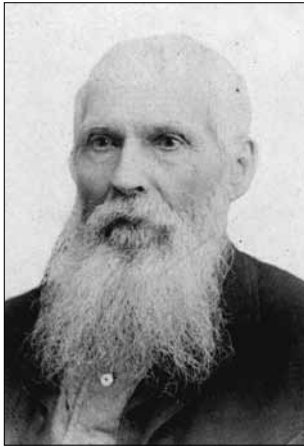
It's unknown exactly when he married but he and his wife Canadian born Rachael (?) and they became parents of three girls.

The Lashers family left their namesake settlement during the early 1850s, moving to Leeds County, east of Kingston, Ont., where Mr. Lasher worked as a fisherman. After leaving Lasherville, James Ceasar re-named the hamlet Caesarea, in honour of his family who were among the first settlers in that section of the township.

How long Lasher stayed Leeds is not known but his next stop was Muskoka, settling near Baysville, before 1881, where he continued working as a fisherman.

The Lashers spent the remainder of their lives in Muskoka. John lived a full life, passing away on January 4, 1896 when he was 90 years old. His wife Rachael died four years later, on May 20, 1900. The were both buried in th Baysville United Cemetery.

Note - Early 1800s records are often scarce, and although records regarding John Lasher's time in prison match up to his age and citizenship, it is possible this was another man.



HIRAM LAMB

Hiram Lamb

Reach Twp. Pioneer

John Lamb was 20 years old, in 1820, when he and his wife Deborah left their home in the United States made their way to Canada. Along with other United Empire Loyalists, they first settled in Quebec. It was here later that year in Bronston, Quebec, where their son Hiram was born.

About 1832, the Lamb family relocated to Upper Canada, settling on a parcel of land between Raglan and Myrtle until the 1850s. It was here Hiram, 32, started his family with his wife Eliza (Byam). In the 1851 census he was listed as a farmer in Whitby Township.

Some time before 1861, Hiram and his family moved, settling in Reach Township on lot 13, con. 5, just east of the village of Manchester. He purchased the 88 acre farm, with a small log cabin on it, from Able Ewers. In 1876 he constructed a two storey frame house on the property, which he later had bricked. Also on the property were built two barns, a woodshed and a shed for his carriage. All of these building, and his livestock were all lost in a fire in 1919.

Due to his busy life on the farm, Hiram did not have much time for community service, although he did serve as an officer for the Manchester Sons of Temperance during the mid-1875 and was a supporter of the Episcopal Methodist church.

Hiram Lamb was 87 when he died at his home in Manchester on August 9, 1907. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



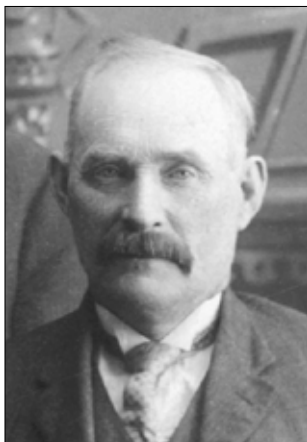
The Lambs two-storey house, and map showing H. Lamb's property at Manchester.

Thomas Lamb

Farmer / Politician

Thomas Lamb was born at the home of his parents in Reach Township in 1852, and was the youngest of three children for Thomas and Margaret Lamb.

Thomas was educated in Reach Twp., and lived with his parents, working on the family farm.



THOMAS LAMB

He was 41 years old when he was married in Port Perry, on November 21, 1894. His bride was Mary Squelch, 24, daughter of Wm. And Jane Squelch of East Whitby Twp. They had three children before Mary's sudden death on Nov. 23, 1900, when she was only 29 years old.

Thomas was a successful farmer for his entire life and took a keen interest in his community, in particular township and public affairs. He served for more than a decade on council, including two years, 1899 and 1900 as Reeve of Reach Twp. He was also a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge and served as director of the Farmer's Union Milling Company.

He was considered to be a man of sterling character, was well-liked and highly esteemed.

Thomas Lamb died at the Oshawa Hospital on December 11, 1922 and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Grace E. Love

Pioneer Woman Politician

Grace Love made the news in 1965 when she was one of the first women on Scugog Island to be elected to the Island's council.

Grace Elizabeth (Millar) was born in Toronto, Ont., on March 27, 1911, to parents John Wm. And Nellie Louise (Mackenin) Miller.

She was educated in the Parkdale district of the city and when she was 24 years old, Grace married John Clifford Love, 31, of Port Perry in May 1935 in Toronto. They raised one daughter, Barbara, but tragically an infant born in 1943 died at birth.

The Love family moved to Scugog Island where they farmed, and it was here she became interested in local politics. In December 1965, Grace and her friend June Crozier were both elected the the small Island municipal council. She went on to be elected to councillor annually until 1970, when she was elected deputy-reeve of Scugog Island.

In addition to her political interests, Grace was also a long-time member of the MayBelle Rebekah Lodge and was honoured by being elected president of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario in 1974. She was honoured at a banquet attended by 300 people at the Port Perry High School. She was an enthusiastic member of the Lake Scugog Historical Society, of which she served as Secretary for a number of years.

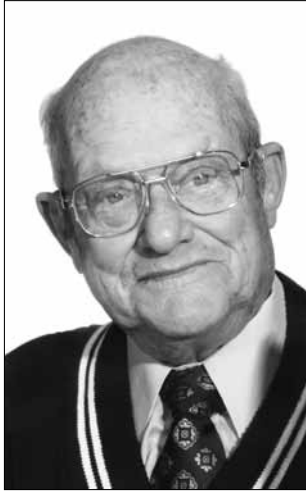
Grace Elizabeth Love was 87 when she past away at Oshawa General Hospital on July 14, 1998. She was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. The was predeceased by her husband John Clifford Love.



GRACE LOVE



Larry R. Mabley Hydro Manager



LARRY MABLEY

Larry Mabley would have never know when he arrived in Port Perry in 1966, that following his career in hydro, he would become one of the most popular men in town, taking on the persona of Santa Claus.

Lawrence "Larry" Richard Mabley was born on July 5, 1934 in the village of Lansing, Ontario, an area in North York, just north of Toronto. He was one of three sons for Jim and Margaret Mabley. He received his elementary education at Maple Leaf Public School and later attended Weston Collegiate. For five years, while attending school he served in the Navy Reserves and participated in football, basketball and hockey.

After completing his schooling, Larry accepted a job in 1953, working for the Weston Public Utilities as a linesman. He spent 13 years in this position before becoming manager of Port Perry Hydro in 1966.

When he was working in Weston he met Evangeline Joan Wall, while waiting for a bus to take him home. They were married on June 23, 1956, at the Peligrim Church in North York. During their life together they became parents to four children, Cindy, Lori-Ann, Jamie and Evangeline, two who died in early childhood.

After moving to Port Perry, he started his new job as Port Perry Hydro manager, on September 15, 1966. There was no other hydro employees at the time, and he took great pleasure in seeing it grow to a staff of five employees, and a hydro commission consisting of five residents. Under his capable leadership the hydro commission expanded, and he was proud to over see the construction of three sub-stations. One the stations was named



"SANTA" LARRY

in his honour, on his retirement. In all he spent 23 years as manger of the Port Perry/Scugog Hydro Commission commission, before retiring in July 1989.

In addition to his important job as hydro manage, Larry also took time to enjoy and help his community. He was a dedicated member of the Port Perry Baptist Church, and a volunteer for the Scugog Chamber of Commerce. He loved fishing, hunting, scuba diving and boating, and hosted fishing charters on Lake Ontario.

But it was his love of children that brought him to his second career, that being the Chamber of Commerce "Special" Santa. For 25 years after retiring from hydro, he spent countless hours putting smiles on the faces of townfolk greeting young and old at the "Santa House" in front of the post office, and waving to the throngs of families on his annual visit during the Santa Claus Parade.

Larry was 80 years old when he retired his Santa's helper position, and he was honored by the Port Perry Business Improvement Association, for his outstanding contributions, in February 2014.

Larry Mabeley was 87 years old when he passed away on September 14, 2021 at the Port Perry Hospital.



Larry Mabley with new Hydro manger Terry Adderley in 1989.

David Malcolm

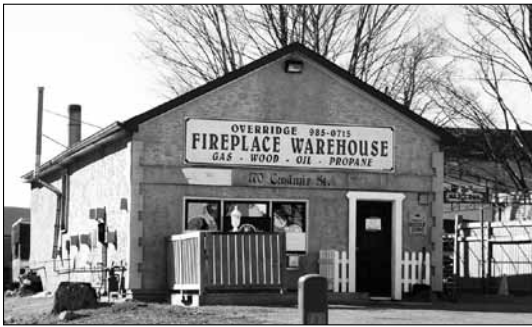
Merchant, Entrepreneur

David Malcolm was raised on the family farm in Cartwright Twp., not far from Nestleton, one of seven children of his parents Lawrence Stanley and Gwedelyn (Brooks) Malcolm. He attended school at Blackstock elementary and Port Perry High School.

As a young man he worked on the family farm until he finished high school, then held a number of jobs before getting a job at General Motors, which he held for more than a decade.

He met his childhood sweetheart while attending school, and in 1977 he married Joanna Wolters, who was a nurse at Port Perry Hospital. From this marriage they raised six children.

David took possession of about 60 acres of his family farm, where they lived. While Joanna operated a small market garden, and worked on her art, he worked at GM and sold fireplaces for the Napoleon company in his spare time. It was at their home, he started his fireplace business, "Nestleton Airtight Stove," before setting up shop in Port Perry.



Overridge Fireplace, 170 Casimir St., Port Perry.

About 1985 he purchased a lot at 170 Casimir St. in Port Perry and opened he opened Overridge Fireplace & Grills. Here he operated his main store for the more than 20 years, but during that time also expanded his operations to include about 15 fireplace stores in locations around southern Ontario.

During his years in business, David also ventured into the Dominican Republic, where he nurtured a fledgling Napoleon distributorship for barbecues and electric fireplaces, and also constructing a vacation home.

When David retired, he turned the businesses over to his sons and daughters.



David & Joanna Malcolm

George F. Manning

Businessman

George Franklin Manning was born on August 12, 1900, in Creemore, Ontario, the youngest of five children for William and Lavinia Manning. He was only 21 when his father died at their Creemore home.

George was working as a railway conductor before moved to Toronto, and was 19 years old when he enlisted with the Canadian Expeditionary Force. It was while living in Toronto that he met Mary Day, who he married on April 15, 1922.

George and Mary moved to Detroit, Michigan about 1924 and it was here they had their only child, Marvin, on August 31, 1927. The Mannings returned to Canada about 1935, and settled in Port Perry, where he worked as an insurance agent. By 1938 he had assumed the position of secretary-treasurer for the Port Perry Hydro System.

George became immersed in village activities, serving as secretary-treasurer of the Port Perry Rink Co., where he oversaw annual ice carnivals to great success. He also was appointed Chairman of the Port Perry's Salvage Committee, which headed up salvage collection for World War II efforts.

About 1940 George Manning was appointed clerk-treasurer for the village of Port Perry, so it was disappointing for officials to learn, in May 1942, George had accepted a position as travelling auditor for the Workman's Compensation Board, and would be leaving town. Before his departure, the newspaper expressed that his ability as an accountant, and his organizational skills would be a real loss the community.

Little is know of Mr. Manning past this time, although he had returned to the USA by 1948. George Franklin Manning died on January 13, 1980, in Trenton, Michigan, USA, at the age of 79.



GEORGE F. MANNING

Dr. James A. Mathers

Physician

Five years after being discharged from the Canadian Army Medical Corps., Lieutenant Dr. James Andrew Mathers came to Port Perry to take over Dr. Samuel Mellow's practice, after he died in 1925.

James Mathers was born at Stroud, Innisfil Township, Ontario on October 20, 1893, a son for Frederick William and Annie M. (Black) Mathers. He graduated from university in 1916 and served his internship at the Toronto General Hospital. When he was 24 years of age, he married Minnie Isabel McDonald, on January 25, 1918, two months after he enlisted into the army. They had two children, Donald and Lloyd.

Dr. Mather was a member of the COTC in Toronto for three years before enlisted in the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force in 1917, and served in the Canadian Army Medical Corps. and Canadian Convalescent Hospital, serving in Germany, France and England. He was discharged in January 1920.

Dr. Mather treated the people of Port Perry and area for seven years, before departing in 1931, to take a position at Hudson River State Hospital, a psychiatric hospital, in Poughkeepsie, New York. For several years he operated Windsor Hall sanitarium in Kingston, and also served as medical officer at Napanoch Institution for a number of years. During World War II, he served as a major in the United States Medial Corp.

Dr. James Andrew Mathers passed away at his home in Kingston, New York on May 19, 1959 at the age of 65 years. Left to mourn him were Isabella and two sons, Donald and Douglas. At the time of his death, Dr. Mathers was a member of the staff of the Kingston and Benedictine Hospitals.

Edward L. Major

Bailiff & Broker

Edward Lawrence Major was for many years an active and enterprising citizen of Port Perry. He spent nearly his whole life in Ontario County. He was born in Pickering, Ontario on October 5, 1828, where he grew up and was married to Marie Emily, a year before relocating to Reach Township in 1860. Edward and Maria settled into a home near Borelia, where they raised two daughters.

It was from this location he operated his businesses as Official Assignee for North Ontario, a land agent, and licensed auctioneer. As a townsman, he was generous, active and kind, and spared neither money or labour in forwarding the best interests of the community.

He occupied many important positions both in Reach, and Port Perry, and year after year the electors secured him a seat at its Council board, and he discharged the varied duties with credit to himself and to the utmost satisfaction of the public. In 1870 he served as deputy-reeve for the township of Reach.

During the 1860s he did more to improve the roadster horses in this district than all others combined - for many years he owned a famous roadster stallion, Green Mountain Morgan.

As bailiff of the Division Court for many years, he discharged the duties in a manner that could not help but meet the approval of all. As a reliable and successful auctioneer, he was long and widely known and much respected.

As a neighbour he was kind and courteous. Mr. Major lived in the Port Perry area until about 1890, when he moved to Toronto.

Edward Major died on Tuesday, April 9, 1901 at 114 Bay St., Toronto. He was in his 77th year. His wife Maria Emily (Morrison) was 80 years old when she died on February 25, 1906, in Oshawa. They were both buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ontario.

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Ross Charles MacLean

Radio & TV Repairs

Ross Charles MacLean was born on June 5, 1917 at Seagrave. He was one of two children for Florence and John Alexander MacClean. Ross attended elementary school in Seagrave, later going to Port Perry where he graduated from Grade 13. He continued his education, receiving a degree from Radio College, in Toronto while living at the family home, where he worked on the farm.

He was married on October 18, 1952 at the Port Perry United Church to Dorothy Marion Irwin, and they had one son, Brian. They moved to 15701 Simcoe St., Port Perry where they lived from 1962 until 2007. Dorothy passed away four years after their 50th anniversary in 2002.

In 1938, Ross opened MacLean's Radio Service, with his first location at the rear of the Sebert Hotel. He operated from a number of locations before settling in a small frame building on Perry St., near the Port Perry municipal office. In

1980 the building was torn down, so he moved to his home, where he worked until he retired from business in 1996, after providing service to the community for 58 years.

When television was in its infancy, Ross built his own television in 1940, and he would invite his Seagrave neighbours over to watch boxing matches on Saturday night. He was also an avid baseball fan, playing when he was young, and later coaching youth from Port Perry for about 25 years.

Ross Charles MacLean was 69 when he died on February 18, 2007, in an Uxbridge nursing home after a short illness. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



ROSS MacLEAN



MacLean's Radio & TV location, Perry Street.



JAMES MacMASTER

Dr. James MacMaster

Verterinarian

James MacMaster was born on January 2, 1887, and was brought up on his father's farm at Laggan, Glengarry County, Ontario. His parents were Dougald and Catherine (Campbell) MacMaster.

After completing his early education, he attended the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, graduating in 1912. His first practice in his new profession took place in Cornwall.

A few years later he met Donald MacGillivray of Kirk Hill, in Glengarry County, and the couple were wed on November 3, 1915. They raised four sons - Dougald, Archibald, Glenn and Gordon.

He left his home district in 1918, moving to Port Perry, where he set up his veterinary practice, which he carried on until his death almost 20 years later

He was public spirited citizen serving on the local school board. The various committees of the Presbyterian Church found him a willing helper and advisor.

James Dougald MacMaster was 50 years old when he passed away on August 11, 1937. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

John F. McClintock

Merchant Store Keeper

John Francis McClintock was born February 28, 1872 at Prospect, in Reach Township, Ontario. He was the oldest son of his farming parents, Francis and Harriet (Ewers) McClintock. He also had two sisters.

While growing up John worked on the farm, and at the same time received his elementary education at Prospect Public School, and at Port Perry High School.

John was 30 years old when he was married, on December 4, 1901, to Ida M. Savage in the Township of Reach. He continued working on the family farm at Prospect for a time before moving to Toronto for a few years. They returned to Port Perry and built a home at 234 Lilla (Simcoe) Street.

By July 1915, if not sooner, John McClintock made a change of career, purchasing the grocery business of William G. Monet, in Port Perry. He operated this store from its location in the Jessop Block for a short time before moving into the Purdy Block on the south side of Queen St. They operated the store until August 1936, when he sold the grocery store. During this period he also operated a seed business, which he moved to Myrtle Station in 1938.

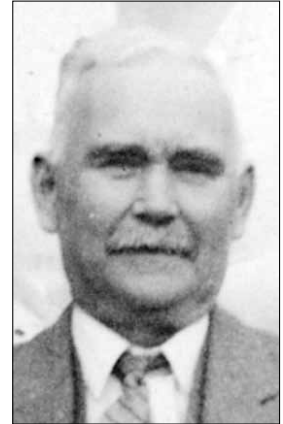
In December the same year, Ida McClintock opened "Cricklewood Lodge" in their beautifully appointed Queen Street home. Cricklewood catered to tourists providing a home-like service to the traveling public. She closed this venture in 1941.

He was a dedicated member of the Methodist Church and later the United Church. He enjoyed curling and bowling of which he was considered a good sport.

John F. McClintock died on May 18, 1952 at Fairview Lodge, Whitby, where he had resided for almost ten years, since a serious accident in 1941. He was buried beside his wife, who predeceased him, in the Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



JOHN & IDA McCLINTOCK



JOHN F. McCLINTOCK

Ralph McIntyre

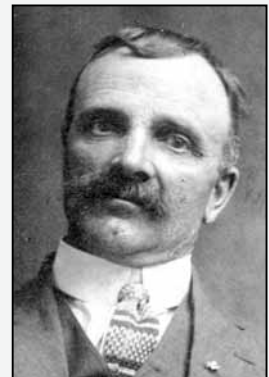
Farmer / Politician

Ralph McIntyre was born into a farming family, his father Joh and mother Elisa working a 50 acre farm in the first concession of Reach Township. John was born about 1867, and like his parents spent his life working the land as a farmer.

He was 29 years old when he married Polina Porter, of the same township, and during their life together they raised a family of three children.

Although dedicated to his farm, Ralph McIntyre also took an active part in the politics of Reach Township. He was first elected to the Reach council in 1912, and the following year entered a six-man race to become reeve of the township. He was successful in his attempt and served as reeve for two years, 1913 and 1914. It was during his last term as Reeve that Ralph sold the families 50 acre farm near Chalk Lake to a developer who planned to convert it into a summer resort.

Ralph McIntyre was 60 years old when he passed away on March 12, 1927. He was living near Myrtle Station at the time of his death, and was buried in an Ashburn cemetery.



RALPH McINTYRE



"BERT" MACGREGOR

William "Bert" MacGregor

Meat Merchant

William (Bert) Egbert MacGregor was born in Port Perry on July 10, 1895, one of four children for his parents William Henry and Phoebe Jane (Wells) MacGregor. He received his education in the village schools.

Before volunteering for war duty in 1916, "Bert" as he was most well known, was working as a butcher, and after the war he returned to this trade. In 1920 he purchased the butcher business of R.A. Fitchett, located at 176 Queen Street. He operated from this location for remainder of his working career.

Bert was 27 years old and well established in his business when he met and married 23 year old Mona Alberta Rodman on December 26, 1921. They had two children, one son Jack, other unnamed.

As addition to his busy butcher business, Bert took an active part in the betterment of the community.

He served on the local fire

brigade for many years, and served as Chief. In 1933, members of the brigade honoured their Fire Chief, W.E. "Bert" MacGregor, for his many years service to the community.

He was also an active member of the Port Perry Businessmen's Association and was elected as president in 1943, a position he served for five years.

Bert's son, Jack, joined the firm and they operated under the business name MacGregor & Son butchers until his death.

William Egbert MacGregor was 69 years old when he died in 1964. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife Mona passed away in 1970.



Interior of Bert MacGregor's butcher shop, 1925.

John McKercher

Pioneer Settler

While John McKercher holds an important place in the history of Utica, Ontario, there is very little information available about this early pioneer of Reach Township.

Earliest records show he was born in Scotland about 1890 and arrived in Upper Canada in 1831. Here he settled on Con. 4, Lot 6, near Manchester along with a number of other settlers from his home country and it became known as the Scotch Settlement

McKercher later moved to Con. 7, Lot 6 becoming one of the first settlers in the vicinity of Utica. Here he was the first person to build a home in this new settlement, known as McKercher's Corners.

He was regarded as one of the fathers of progress and prosperity of Reach, who helped convert the forests and wilderness of the area into fruitful fields. In his 50 years in Reach, he had the satisfaction of witnessing the vast progress of the area, which he himself had largely contributed.

John McKercher was 90 years old when died on March 3, 1880. His wife Catherine predeceased him and he left behind a family of four sons.

Gordon M. McKee

Grocery Merchant

Gordon Moore McKee was born on November 24, 1896, in London, Ontario. It was here his parents James and Sarah raised their family. In 1910 they moved to Port Perry. After his schooling, Gordon worked as a clerk at the local Ford dealership for a time before joining his father in business.

He was 31 years old when he married Merle Laurine Ferguson on May 18, 1927, in the Presbyterian Church, at Port Perry, Ontario. They had no known children during their life together.

Gordon's father, James, was an entrepreneur and had entered into a number of enterprises. Gordon joined the family footwear business, which operated out of the St. Charles Hotel in 1923, and three years later they added a grocery department and called it the "Superior Store." Success followed and the store expanded to occupy the entire main floor of the St. Charles block.

Their next venture came in 1931 when Gordon and his father moved into larger quarters, at 186 Queen St., just east of the post office. Two years later James transferred the business to Gordon, and moved out of town. He continued to operate his popular Superior Store until 1953 when he sold the business, after more than 30 years working in the retail food business in Port Perry.

After retiring the McKees continued to live in Port Perry, but spent their winters in Florida. Gordon Moore McKee was 80 years old when he died on December 29, 1976, while vacationing at Hillsborough, Florida, USA. He was returned to Port Perry and buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.



GORDON MCKEE

Charles W. McKenzie

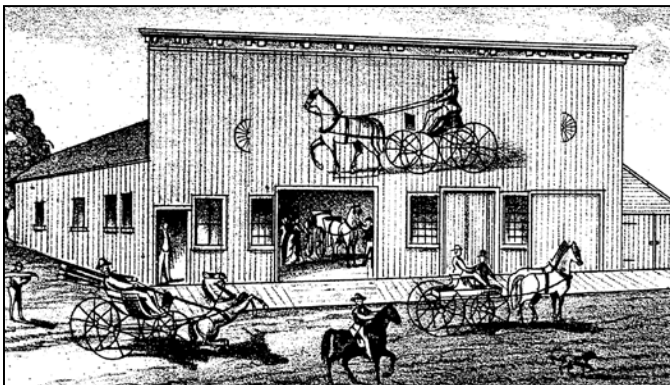
Livery Stable

Charles Wallace McKenzie was born on January 10, 1841 in Woodville, Victoria County, Ontario. He was oldest of five children for his parents, Henry and Elizabeth "Betsy" (Ewing) McKenzie.

Charles was 24 years old, and living in Brooklin, Ontario, when he married to Jeanette Jane Warriner, from Haldimand, Victoria County, on September (August) 6, 1865. Jeanette and Charles raised six children during the years together.

It was about this time the young McKenzie family moved to Port Perry, where he opened Port Perry Livery Stables, behind the Walker House hotel, on the north side of Queen St. Following the disastrous fire of July 1884, which destroyed his stable, he constructed a large new stable, 100 feet square, near Swan's Carriage Works. His new facility was reported to be the largest livery stable from Toronto to Kingston.

During his career he engaged in several other business ventures. In addition to his livery business he became a manufacturer of soda water on a large scale. He is also the inventor and manufacturer of McKenzie's patent lumber wagon springs, said to be the lightest, handiest, strongest and most durable wagon spring ever invented.



Charles McKenzie's livery stables.

Charles spent more than two decades in business in Port Perry, and was described as being a large hearted and generous citizen. He was appointed to the Port Perry Board of Health in 1886.

It came as a shock to the community, only two years after re-opening, when they learned of his unexpected death. He was only 46 years old when he passed away on August 10, 1887, in Port Perry.

His wife, Jeanette passed away on April 8, 1906 and was interred beside her husband at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

George A. McMillan

Farmer

George Archibald McMillan was born on August 2, 1896 Reach Township, near Greenbank, the son of William and Mary (Wallace) McMillan. He was educated in the village's public school and Port Perry High School.

On leaving school he farmed on the Conc. 12 with his father and later doubled his 100 acres. He kept a large Ayrshire and later Holstein herd and in his younger days was a leader in many barn building bees in the district.

He was 22 years-old when he married Etta Smith in Port Perry on March 8, 1899. In 1849 they marked their Golden Wedding anniversary in Port Perry with their six sons, four daughters and 24 grandchildren.

They moved to Port Perry about 1935 when Mr. McMillan retired from farming. He operated the Massey Harris farm equipment agency there for seven years before finally retiring to his John Street home.

He served eight years as a councillor, Deputy-Reeve and Reeve of Reach Township. He represented the municipality at Ontario County council for three years, 1923, 1924 and 1929, serving as Warden in his second term.

Before coming to Port Perry he was superintendent of Greenbank Sunday School, and an elder of Port Perry United Church. He was also a past Master of Fidelity Lodge A.F. & A.M., No. 428.

About 1948 he suffered his first serious illness and was hospitalized for lengthy periods before his death. George A. McMillan died in Whitby on March 31, 1953, leaving behind his wife Etta, four daughters and six sons.



GEORGE A. McMILLAN

William Howard McMillan

Farmer

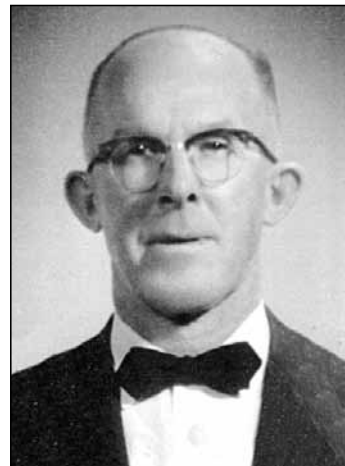
William Howard McMillan was born on December 10, 1899, in Greenbank, Ontario, his father, George, was 23 and his mother, Mary Etta was 23.

Howard was 21, when he married Olive Cecilla Kerry, 23, on June 8, 1921, at Utica, Ontario. Olive was the daughter of George and Martha Kerry. They had three children during their marriage, a boy who died at birth, and two daughters, Helen Mary and Noreen.

When their father George retired from farming in the early 1920s, he divided the property between his two sons. Howard received the eastern half and Armour the western half of the family farm. While Howard was operating the farm, located on Conc. 12, near Greenbank, he lost his barn during a severe storm from a lightning strike. Neighbours came from miles around for a barn raising to replace his lost barn.

Looking for a change, Howard took on a new career of selling real estate. In 1954 he sold his farm to Neil Hunter. It was about the same time, he became interested in the politics of his community. In 1956, Howard ran successfully to become Deputy Reeve of Reach Twp. A few years later he became Reeve of the township, being acclaimed during his second term.

William Howard McMillan was 84 when he passed away on January 5, 1984, in his hometown. He was interred at Bethel Cemetery, Greenbank.



W. HOWARD McMILLAN

Robert McKnight

Town Constable

Robert McKnight, a brawny, open faced Scotchman, was born at Dumfriesshire, Scotland on December 3, 1847. His parents were James and Joanne McKnight. He immigrated to Canada in 1871 and found his way to Port Perry, where he worked for Bigelow and Trounce in the sawmill at the east end of the Scugog Bridge.

Robert was 26 years old when he married Janet Irving, 27, a young lady to whom he was engaged when he left Scotland. They were married in Port Perry on June 21, 1873 and had two children, James and John, before she passed away on Dec. 10, 1878. Robert was married a second time, to Jessie Carrick, on July 16, 1879 in the Presbyterian Church. From this marriage were born four children, Janet, Bell, Andrew and Maggie.

In the Spring of 1874, he was appointed town constable and street commissioner. In this position he was also assigned the duties of collector of taxes and market clerk.

Mr. McKnight was a kindly man; a friend of the poor, a neighbor to the afflicted and a help to the needy. He was seldom or never sick or absent from the job He was an elder and Sunday School teacher at St. John's Presbyterian Church, and an exemplary member of the Masonic and an Oddfellow fraternities. He also served as treasurer of the Port Perry fire brigade for a time.

His duties were many, including ringing the town hall bell four times daily, and keeping the steps and sidewalk in front of the hall clear of snow. It was while attending to his duty of shoveling snow, he fell to the ground, and within an hour passed away.

The entire community was saddened on learning of the sudden death of Robert McKnight, on January 6, 1911. His public career had been such as to immortalize the name McKnight in the hearts of the people of the district. He was town constable for almost 40 years and filled that noble office until his death.

A public funeral service was held in the Town Hall, which was crowded to capacity, many not gaining entrance. And in his honor businesses in the town closed during the service. He left behind a wife and three sons, John, James and Andrew, and two daughters Janet and Mrs. J.A. Cowie.

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ROBERT McKNIGHT

Frederick W. McIntyre

Clothing Merchant

During his 20 year career as a merchant in Port Perry, Frederick Wm. McIntyre, became one of the most successful businessmen in the community.

Frederick was born on February 25, 1879, at Fergus, Ontario to his parents Duncan and Jane (Ross) McIntyre. There is little information about his early life. When he was 33 years old, he married Pauline Lyle Murphy of Wentworth, Ontario, on August 7, 1912. They had no children during their marriage.

By the time he was married, Frederick had already settled into Port Perry. After working for a number of years for Edward R. Dunk, he partnered with the successful businessman to form "The Dunk, McIntyre, Co." Less than a year later, Mr. Dunk sold his interest in the business to Mr. McIntyre, who operated the company as F.W. McIntyre.

In addition to his very busy business life, Frederick took a great interest in his new community. He was a member of the Retail Merchant's Association, serving as president when it was formed in 1914. He was also elected to the council for Port Perry, serving three years, until 1916 when he resigned his political seat.

In October 1927 F.W. McIntyre celebrated his 20th year of business in Port Perry selling men's, women's and children's clothing. The following year he closed his business and moved from the community.

Frederick William McIntyre, was only 54 years old when he passed away on September 6, 1933 at his home in Lincoln, Ontario.



FREDERICK McINTYRE

Frank E. McKenzie

Photographer

Frank Ewing McKenzie was born on April 29, 1870, in Port Perry, Ontario. He was one of five sons and one daughter raised by his parents Charles and Jane McKenzie. He received his education at schools in his hometown.

Frank's uncle, Henry McKenzie was an accomplished Port Perry photographer, and young Frank took a keen interest in photography and learned from his uncle. He began working in his uncle's photo studio, and after becoming a partner, took over the business. In addition to family portraits, he took delight in taking pictures of the town, and planned to go out on the road taking views.

In November 1895 he moved his picture gallery into the Blong Block on Queen St., but his stay was a short one. One month later he closed up his gallery, with the intention of going on the road. Unfortunately his plan never materialized, as he became sick with consumption.

After a two year battle with the disease, Frank Ewing McKenzie passed away at his home in Port Perry, on February 9, 1898. He was only 27 years of age when died.

Frederick D. McGrattan

Dentist



FREDERICK MCGRATTAN

Frederick D. McGrattan was born in the town of Uxbridge on June 28, 1877, and received his elementary and high school education in that town. His parents were Thomas and Fannie (Cranston) McGrattan.

He graduated from the Royal College of Dental Surgeons, Toronto, in 1896, and came to Port Perry, opening a dental office over McCaw's store in 1902. He later moved his comfortable and well equipped dental parlors to the Allison Block, on south side of Queen Street.

He was 29 years old when he married Zetta D. Jenkins of Toronto on June 29, 1904.

While living in Port Perry, he became a member of the local Masonic Lodge and the Oddfellows Lodge. He worked up very successful dental practice and in September 1910, with intentions to move west, sold it to Dr. R.L. Graham.

The McGrattans moved to Winnipeg, Manitoba after the sale, where Frederick continued in his profession as a dentist until he was 65 years of age. He passed away in Winnipeg in October 1954.

(Note: McGrattan was also spelled "McGratten")

Charles McClue

Union Hotel Innkeeper

Charles McClue was born on June 11, 1835, in Wigtown, Wigtownshire, Scotland, the son of Ms. Janet and Alexander. He emigrated to the USA in 1854 with his family and then to Canada in 1857.

He was 22 years old when he married Arena Rusnell, 21, on February 18, 1858, in Prince Albert, Ontario. She died in January 1865 and was buried in Kendal Cemetery, Utica. He then married Agnes Powson in 1865 and they had six children together.

Charles McClue took over as innkeeper at the Union Hotel in Manchester in 1861 and is believed to have sold it after the death of his father-in-law, Francis Rusnell. Charles and his wife moved into Port Perry until about 1876, then moved to Artemesia, Ontario, and later to western Canada.

He died on January 12, 1921, in Manitoba, at the age of 85.

Archibald “Archie” Menzies

Chief of Police

Archibald “Archie” Menzies served Port Perry in the capacity of Chief of Police for only six years, but in that short time he gained respect for his outstanding policing abilities.

Born in Peterborough, Ont., on December 21, 1908, Archibald Cecil Menzies was a son for Archibald and Ada (Kelly) Menzies. He grew up and was educated in Peterborough, and went to work as a traffic officer in the city before becoming a detective in the Peterborough Police Force.

He was 28 years old when he married Helen Loraine Ormerod, 21, in Peterborough on March 27, 1938, and they raised six children during their life together.

Archie left the Peterborough force to become the Chief of Police for the Village of Port Perry in October 1953. He was the only officer, so policed the entire village by himself, winning the respect and cooperation of both young and old.

One year after arriving in Port Perry he captured three men suspected of being the gunmen who held up post office in Prince Albert. He recovered a nine mm Browning automatic pistol, the hoods worn by the gunmen, and \$80 of stolen money in a ditch near their vehicle.

Always looking to better the community, Archie made a number of recommendation to the village council, including construction of a new police station and courtroom; removal of angle parking on Queen St., and the elimination of U-Turns at the Queen and Water St. intersection.

In June 1959, Chief Menzies tendered is resignation, and became a security guard in Oshawa for General Motors, and later was appointed as a Justice of the Peace, a position he held until his death.

Archibald C. Menzies was only 58 years old when he passed away on October 23, 1967 in Port Perry. A funeral and interment took place in his hometown of Peterborough, Ontario.



ARCHIE MENZIES

David Menzies

Hair Sylist

David Menzies was born in Peterborough, Ont. He moved to Port Perry with his parents, Helen and Archibald Menzies in 1953, after his father accepted the position of Chief of Police for the village of Port Perry. He was one of six children in the family.

David was working at the Brooklyn IGA, when at the age of 20, he graduated from hairdressing school.



DAVID MENZIES

His parents gave him a start when they rented a store at 257 Queen St., where David and his mother opened a beauty shop they called “Helen & David’s.” Three years later, in 1967, his mother retired and David purchased the building and continued his career under the name “David’s Hairstyling”.

In 1994, his son Scott joined the firm, after graduating from hairdressing studies. They added a foot spa to the business and renamed it “Menzies Salon & Spa”, where father and son worked side-by-side.

They celebrated 40 years in business in 2007, and in October 2011, David closed his business. After retiring, David and his wife Valerie moved to Oshawa.



David’s Hairstyling salon at 257 Queen Street, Port Perry.

Grace Annie Milne

Librarian



GRACE A. MILNE

Grace Annie Wallace was born on May 22, 1913 on her parents farm located at Lot 15, Con. 2, Brock Township. Her parents are David and Rachel (Turner) Wallace.

She was 24 years old when she married Donald Ferguson Milne on June 5, 1937 in Toronto, Ontario.

It's uncertain when they moved to Port Perry, but Grace began working at the Port Perry Library, located on the northwest corner of Queen and John Street about 1965. She worked in the children's library until Chief Librarian Edna Ingram retired in December 1972.

Grace retired after 15 years with the Scugog Public Library, nine of those as Chief Librarian in December 1982. Her retirement came six months after the opening of the new Scugog Public Library which opened June 1982.

Grace Annie Milne died in 1999 at the age of 86 and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. Her husband, Donald predeceased her in 1978.



War memorial Library, Queen St.

Bill Minors

Bookstore Owner

Bill Minors set out as a young man of 21, from his home in Scotland, to seek a adventure and a new life. He left his homeland and family in September 1969 and after arriving on Canadian shores, made his way to Toronto.

William "Bill" Minors was born on July 17, 1948 at Johnstone, Renfrewshire, Scotland. He was one of two children for his parents Bill and Myrle Minors, who also have a daughter Sheila. Bill received his elementary and high school education near his home in Scotland.

After settling in Toronto he tried a short stint in banking, but didn't find that satisfying. Next he worked in sales and management for a number of book publishing companies. It was this introduction to books, that lead him to Port Perry in 1995, where he opened Books Galore and More, a new and used book store. He was living in Scarborough, before he and his family moved to Port Perry about 2005.



BILL MINORS

Bill's wife, Kathy Block, was working as a court reporter in Toronto when he met her. After a short dating period, on October 25, 1975 they were married in Vineland, Ontario. They have two children, Alison and Heather.

Blessed with a good sense of humor, Bill dabbled as a stand-up comedian, Scottish country dancer, competed in trivia competitions, and participated television game shows.

Aside from all his hobbies and running his business, Bill found time to give back to his community. During his time as an independent bookseller, he supported the local Blood Donor Clinic; served 10 years as secretary of the Lake Scugog Historical Society; 10 years as Treasurer of the Highlands of Durham Country Dancers; served as a member of the executive of the local lawn bowling club, and was a member and treasurer of the Business Improvement Area (BIA) for 15 years.

Bill was inducted to the Mayor's Honour Roll in 2019, but he is most proud of having survived as an independent bookseller for the past 25 years.

Tom & Daphne Mitchell

Retail & Wholesale Merchants

Anyone who remembers Port Perry before Tom and Daphne Mitchell came to town, might agree, the Mitchell's were the chief catalyst for the revival of a downtown which had become run-down, and lined with empty stores.

The Mitchells arrived in 1976, and bought a beautiful historic home on Simcoe Street. Two years later they rented a store and opened a small furniture and home decor store, the "Settlement House" on Queen St., in the centre of town.

Within a few years, they purchased an entire block of five stores, best known as the "Blong Block," and within five years had expanded Settlement House as their business grew in size and popularity. The expanded again when the adjacent building, occupied by Sam Levinson, came up for sale.

By 1984, in addition to the Settlement House, they operated the "Ted E. Bear Toy Shop", "Daphne & T.G. Mitchell's Clothing", "Tom's Back Porch" restaurant, and in the former Levinson building they opened "From My Heart" a gifts and gourmet food establishment.

They were very active in promoting Port Perry's downtown, advertising throughout Ontario, which drew thousands of visitors to town. When a downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA) was formed, Tom was elected its first chairman. Daphne was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Business Improvement Area, and spent many years as the Chair of Advertising for the BIA.

Their efforts for the community and their businesses were noticed. In 1998 they were named "Retailer of the Year" for Eastern Canada, and four years later they were named "Canadian Retail of the Year".

As busy as they were, Tom started an importing business called "Old Port Marketing", which grew from its start in the basement of Settlement House, to a 40,000 sq. ft. building just west of town. This became their sales and distribution centre for Canada, USA and Europe.

The community was surprised and disappointed when the Mitchells decided to retire. They put their building up for sale and closed their stores in 2007. They had spent 30 years in business in Port Perry and were happy to take some time for themselves and their family.



TOM & DAPHNE MITCHELL



Tom and Daphne Mitchell, above, purchased the former "Blong Block," in August 1980. They are seen here in front of the building which consists of five stores and 11 apartments. The Mitchells resorted the building to its original condition.

Charles William Moon

Veterinary / Farmer

Charles William Moon was born at his parents home near Seagrave on April 14, 1871. One of four children for William and Hariett A. (Stevens) Moon.

As a young man he work on the family farm, eventually finishing his schooling and eventually graduating as Veterarian. For more than 40 years he served the farmers and residents of the surround area, before selling his pracctice and retiring in March 1913.

Charles was married to Annie Rosalie Wells, 22, on February 7, 1894, near her home in Victoria County. During their life together they raised six children. A hard working man, in addition to his veterinary business, he also worked a farm, with the help of his wife and children.

He had little time to get involved in local matters, but was a staunch Church supporter, and a member of the choir for many years. He also served as a member of the Board of Stewards, and attended church regularly. After retiring he became a mail carrier for the local community.

William Charles Moon, was in his 88th years when died at his Seagrave residence on January 24, 1959. A service was held at the Chapel of McDermott-Panabaker, Port Perry with interment at Pleasant Point Cemetery beside his wife Annie, who predeceased him in 1954.



CHARLES W. MOON

James Moon

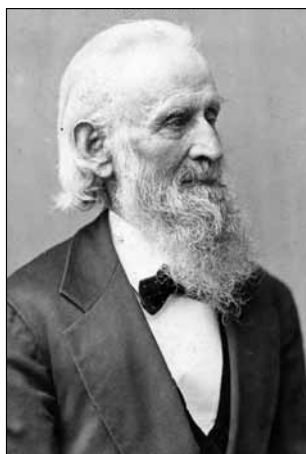
Nonquon House

When James Moon was born on January 18, 1819, in England. His parents were James and Sarah Moon.

The Moon family emigrated to Canada about 1833 and it is believed he opened a tavern, which became known as the Nonquon House, beside the Nonquon River near Seagrave.

By 1861 Mr. Moon owned 150 acre parcel of land in Reach Township, on lot 13, concession 10, which he farmed for most of his life.

He married Catherine A Mark on January 18, 1849, in Ontario. They had nine children, all of who died at a young age. James died on October 3, 1896, in Reach Twp., Ontario, having lived a long life of 79 years. Catherine died in 1916. The entire family is buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.



TIMOTHY MUNRO

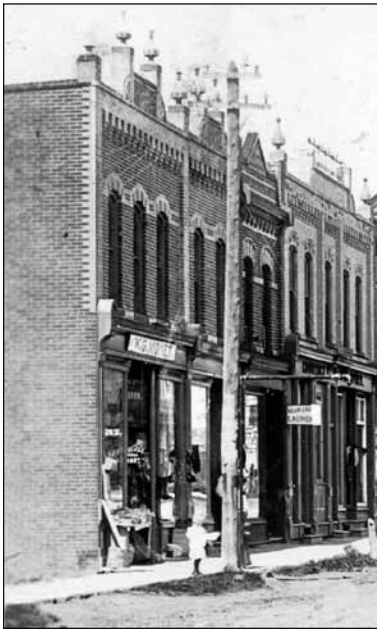
Timothy Munro

Justice of the Peace

Timothy Munro was a Reach Township farmer who was postmaster in Epsom for one year in 1867. He also served as justice of the peace for more than 20 years, from about 1866-1887.

Timothy was born in Mallorytown, Ontario in 1784 and was married twice. His first wife Hulda Purdy died when she was only 25 years old. He then Elizabeth Button in 1829. He was father to 11 children.

The Munro family moved to Reach Township from Markham in 1861 where he farmed the land for more than 20 years. After retiring from farming in the 1880s he served as Justice of the Peace until the late 1880s when he moved to Uxbridge. It was here he died on January 17, 1892, having lived a long life of 88 years.



**W.G. Monet's store 1914
235 Queen St., Port Perry.**

William G. Monet

Storekeeper

William George Monet was born January 3, 1869 in Manvers Twp., Ontario. His father, Frank, was 39 and his mother, Emily, was 24 when he was born.

William Monet grew up in Cartwright Township, and as a young man became a clerk at T.C. Forman's store in Port Perry. In 1894 when he was 24 years old, he moved to Port Perry and it was here he married Hattie E. Schermerhorn, 21, on May 23, 1894.

He continued to work for T.C. Forman before opening his own business in a section of the former grocery department of Jones & Sons in 1898. Here he sold dry goods, boots and shoes and groceries until 1908, when he moved to a new location in the Jessop Block, at 235 Queen St., just west of Perry St.

While most of his time was spent running his store, when a Retail Merchants' Association was formed in 1914, he became a member of the board. But it was only a year later, that Monet sold his business to J.F. McClintock in July 1915.

William George Monet, 71, died July 20, 1940, in hospital in Toronto, Ontario. He lived at Logan Ave., Toronto. His wife Hattie died on January 6, 1944.

Kenneth P. Murray

Electrician

Kenneth Peter Murray didn't set out to be an electrician, but with a father who worked most of his life for Bell Telephone, and two brothers who became electricians, a career in the trades seemed inevitable.

Born on December 15, 1933, Ken was one of three children for William Clarence and Minni Louise Maud Forester Murray. He grew up in Uxbridge, and when his older brother Ross dropped out of school and became an electrician, Ken, the age of 11, starting helping his brother on the weekends. Neither brother served an apprenticeship but both were successful in their chosen trades. Even Ken admits, becoming an electrician with no formal training, is unthinkable by today's standards.

Ken worked with his brother for about eight years, before forming a partnership with his younger brother Bill in Port Perry. When Bill decided to pursue other interests in 1953, Ken became sole proprietor and formed his own company, Ken P. Murray Electric.

Ken has a thousand stories to tell about his career, but he is the perfect example of his philosophy of making sure you find something you are going to like doing every day of your life. In 2013 he celebrated his 50th year in business.

During his half century as an electrician he was proud to have apprenticed many young men from Port Perry, who worked for him, and some who went on to form their own companies.

Ken was also active in the community, being a member and a director of the Port Perry Lions Club for many years. He was also an avid curler during the early days of the Port Perry Curling Club.

Ken P. Murray, 84, passed away on December 12, 2018 at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre. Left to mourn his loss is his wife Eleanor, of 32 years, and children, Vern, Kim, Tracy, Julie, Dorothy, Tracy, Heather and Mark.



KEN P. MURRAY

Harold H. Mulligan

Barber

Harold Henry Mulligan was born into a farming family, but when he was in his early 20s, decided he would become a barber, a trade which he serviced for more than 40 years.



HAROLD H. MULLIGAN

Born on June 9, 1896, in Bobcaygeon, Ontario, Henry was one of seven children raised by his parents John Henry and Ruth (Steele) Mulligan. At the age of 23, he had already begun barbering in his hometown. It was here he met Annie Marian Cross, 21, and the couple were married on July 2, 1919.

Not long after their marriage, the young couple struck out on their own, settling in Uxbridge Ontario, where Harold continued working as a barber. It was in Uxbridge their only son George was born on November 4, 1920. George was killed in France, during the second world war. They had two daughters, Doris and Irene.

The Mulligan family moved to Port Perry in June 1933, with Harold opening an up-to-date ladies hairdressing salon he called Mulligan's Barber & Beauty Shop. Two years later he moved into a new location, the corner store which had been previously occupied by Thomas J. Widden's grocery store on the northeast side of Queen and Perry St. He remained at this location, serving the people of Port Perry and area for the remainder of his career, retiring from business in August 1963.

Harold Henry Mulligan was 68 when died suddenly on August 11, 1964, in Port Perry, Ontario. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Harold Mulligan's
Barber & Beauty Shop.

Donald McKay

Ontario County Treasurer

Donald McKay was born on July 4, 1837 in the County of Glengarry to parents Angus and Sarah "Sally" (Henry) McKay. He was educated at Upper Canada College, Toronto.

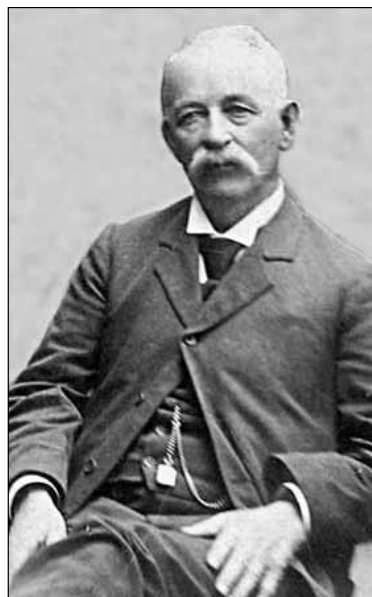
He married Alice Noble, of Markham, on May 1, 1862 and they had six children during their married life. He taught school in Markham Twp. for some years before moving to Saintfield, Reach Township about 1868. It was here he opened a general store and served as postmaster for 20 years.

His keen interest in the community lead him to politics and he was elected Reeve of Reach Township in 1888, 1889 and 1890. A few months after his last election, he resigned as reeve when he was appointed of Ontario County Treasurer. The council honored Mr. McKay with a complimentary dinner and presented him an inscribed gold-headed cane for his service to the community.

Mr. McKay and his family moved to Whitby after his appointment where he carried out the duties of County Treasurer for almost 25 years.

His death did not come as a surprise, as he had been afflicted with an incurable disease for some time. Donald McKay died on May 13, 1914, in Whitby, Ontario, having lived a long life of 76 years. His wife Alice passed away on January 14, 1924. Both were buried at Union Cemetery, Oshawa, Ontario.

Mr. McKay's funeral took place from the family residence in Whitby. The gathering was an indication of the many chords of sympathy and friendship which radiated for this esteemed townsman. There was a very large attendance of county officials and pall bearers included Judge T.A. McGillivray, Judge D.J. McIntyre, Dr. J. Bascom, Sheriff T.C.Paxton, J.D. Howden and James Rutledge.



DONALD MCKAY

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William H. Marsh

Sign Painter

William Henry Marsh was born in April 1843, at Prince Albert, Ontario, the second oldest of eight children for his parents, Henry and Ann Marsh who farmed 200 acres of land at Lot 16, Concession 3, Reach Township. William worked on the family farm as a young man, but he found his talents laid in artistry and letter painting.

He was 23 when he married Hannah Bell, 21 in Prince Albert the day after Christmas in 1866. They raised three children, Samuel, Minnie and Elsa

About the time of his marriage, William started his career as a painter. In November the following year he announced he was providing house, sign, carriage and ornamental painting in a new shop opposite the Prince Albert Carriage Factory. His business flourished for about 20 years in Prince Albert, before he removed from the village.

During his time in Prince Albert he faced the tragedy of his wife, Hannah, dying from heart disease on Mary 9, 1879. She was only 32 years old at the time of her death, and she was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.

About one and a half years after her death, William married again, this time to Hester (Ester) Hurd, daughter of lawyer Philander and Mary Hurd. They married on December 29, 1880 in Prince Albert. They immigrated to Minnesota, USA in 1883 and not long after moved to North Dakota where he operated his own paint shop. His wife Hester, was 51 when she died at Oakes, Dickey Cty., North Dakota on April 14, 1902.

William Henry Marsh was 77 years old when he died at his home in Oakes, North Dakota in 1920.



W. H. MARSH,
PRINCE ALBERT,
House, Sign, Carriage,
and Ornamental
PAINTER.

BEGS to return thanks to the public for past favors, and would beg to state that he has opened a Shop nearly opposite the "Prince Albert Carriage Factory," where he will be able to execute all work of the art in the best style.
Prince Albert, Nov. 26, 1867.

W.H. Marsh ad, 1867.

Harrison Maw

Carpenter / Contractor

Harrison Maw was just one of dozens of builders and contractors throughout Reach Twp., and southern Ontario, during the formative years of the young townships.

Born in Whitby, Yorkshire, England on September 16, 1812, Harrison was a son for Robert and Mary (Gelder) Maw. He grew up in Yorkshire, and when he was 30 years old married Elizabeth Hodgson, a resident of the same locality, on April 23, 1842. They had two children during their marriage, John H., and Robert H. Harrington, both born in England.

There are no records of when he immigrated to Canada, but by 1861 Harrison and his wife were living in West Whitby, Ontario, where he was working as a carpenter. A short time after the 1861 census was released, he moved to Port Perry, where he offered his services for construction of buildings of wood, brick or stone, as well as improvements and renovations.

In 1866, when the Church of England was being erected, and was damaged during a storm, he was hired to repair the church. Two years later he and his son got the contracted of finishing the interior of the same church.

Harrison Maw was 61 when he died in Port Perry, in 1873. During short time in Port Perry, he invested in building lots on Queen, Mary and Perry Streets. Following his death, the lots were disposed of by auction.

HARRISON MAW,
Contractor and Builder,
PORT PERRY!

IS prepared to Contract for and put up Buildings of all kinds, whether Wood Brick or Stone, and finish off in the latest styles, with all the most modern improvements. Parties requiring good work done will do well to call. Plans and Specifications made to order.

Port Perry, May 12, 1870. HARRISON MAW.

Dr. Thomas Millar

Family Physician

Dr. Thomas Millar began his local medical practice in Port Perry on April 1, 1972 at the Port Perry Medical Centre, taking over Dr. Matthew B. Dymond's patients.

For Dr. Millar, accompanied by his wife Catherine, it took just one look at the medical facilities at Port Perry Community Hospital for him to make his mind to give up what he called a "successful general practice" in Larkhall, Scotland to come to Canada to practice medicine in Port Perry.

They returned to Scotland after making the decision, just long enough to tie up the loose ends, before returning to Canada on March 17, 1972, to prepare for his new venture.

Dr. Millar graduated from Glasgow University Medical School and for six months did general surgery at law Hospital in Carluke, Lanarkshire. He then worked with the cardiology unit of the Glasgow Hospital before going into general practice in Larkhall in 1969.



DR. "TOM" MILLAR

One of the biggest differences he found, between Canada and Scotland, is that he had little contact with patients in a hospital back home, where here he got involved with patients at the hospital, allowing for medicine to be practiced on a personal level.

"There is no way a town this size in Scotland would have anything similar, and doctors in the United Kingdom are fighting for smaller, better equipped hospitals," he said.

Dr. Tom practiced at the Port Perry Medical Centre until May 1976, when he left, and joined the Medical Associates group of doctors, bringing with him his huge practice. He remained there until 1996, when disillusioned with the government cutbacks and meddling, he moved north and opened his own private practice in Sunderland, Ontario. After a number of years in Sunderland, he and his wife moved to Peterborough where he practices at the Brookdale Family Clinic.

When not practicing medicine, Dr. Millar's interests are motor cars and music. Before starting medical studies he had studied to be a professional pianist. And both he and Catherine also take an interest in live theatre.

Once settled in Port Perry, it didn't take long for the Millars to become involved in the local theatre scene, helping produce and entertain with the Scugog Choral Society. In fact, when the Choral Society's director, Grace Hastings retired, Tom took over as the group's new director for about 10 years.

In 1990 he resigned from the Scugog Choral Society so he could devote more time to the "Millar Lights", a children's theatrical group he founded with his wife Catherine.

Catherine Millar received Canada's Lescaobot Award in 1992, for their contribution to their cultural and arts community.



Tom & Catherine Millar, 1972.

Robert A. Murta

Cottage House Hotelkeeper

Robert Augusta Murta was born in 1835 in Ontario. He married Mary Ann Doble on October 11, 1861.

The Murta's lived in Reach Township following their marriage and they raised four children. Robert purchased the Cottage Hotel in Greenbank in June 1867 and operated it until about 1870 when the business was sold to William Butson. Robert Murta died at the very young age of 37 years, on May 3, 1872. He was buried at St. James Anglican Cemetery, in Brock Township.

John J. Murray

Property Manager

John James Murray was born on February 2, 1882, in Thurso, Caithness, Scotland.

His father, John, was 48 and his mother, Margaret, was 38. He immigrated to Canada in 1906, settling in the Beaverton, Ontario area, where he worked on a farm for a number of years.

John married Lorena May MacKenzie, of Beaverton on October 28, 1908, in that village, and over the years of their marriage, they raised three children, Elizabeth and Jean.

The couple moved to Scugog Island in 1911 with John taking on the role of game-keeper and estate manager for the Osler family on their extensive property south of the causeway, known locally as "the syndicate." His job was to maintain the property and buildings, prepare the marshland for the family during hunting season, and to keep poachers and trespassers out.



JOHN MURRAY



The Murray House restaurant, 1981.

John and Lorena, lived in an apartment connected to the north side of the original clubhouse for about 50 years before he retired in 1961. They moved into Port Perry and purchased a two-storey red brick house at 279 Queen Street, on the west side of the lawn bowling green.

Ten years after taking up residence in the town, on January 20, 1971, John James Murray passed away, at the age of 88 years. Lorena continued to live in their home until 1978 when she sold the home to Carol Morrow, who the following year opened a tea room, which she called "The Murray House", in honour of its former occupants.

William H. MacGregor

Carpenter / Fire Chief

William Henry MacGregor was born October 27, 1870 at the Scugog Island farm of his parents, Robert and Mary MacGregor. He attended school on the Island and for a number of years worked as a farmhand for Island families.

As a young man he worked with his father, who was a carpenter, learning the trade. He continued in this trade, and later formed a partnership with well established local carpenters.

William was married about 1892 to Phoebe Jane Wells, and they became parents to three sons, William "Bert", Fredrick Earl and Leighton.

In addition to his busy family and business career, he took time to support the community. He had a love of music and was a member of the town band for many years, and also a member of the Presbyterian Church choir.

William was appointed Fire Chief of the Port Perry Fire Brigade in 1916 and held that post until he retired in February 1933 due to poor health. His son W.E "Bert" MacGregor was appointed Chief of the brigade following his father's retirement.

For his many years of service he was honoured by the brigade a few months later, and presented a comfortable armchair in which to enjoy his retirement years.

Unfortunately three months later, when he was only 63 years old, William Henry MacGregor died at his home in Port Perry on June 27, 1933. His funeral attracted a large crowd, and he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ontario.

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Edward Newton

Hotelkeeper

Edward (Edmund) Newton was the longest owner and innkeeper of the Centre Hotel in Saintfield, a period of 20 years, from at least 1882-1903.

Born in 1856 in England, Edward Newton immigrated to Canada about 1872 and settled in Ontario. The exact location has not been determined

He was living in Port Perry in the mid-1870s when he met Annie (Kight). They were married on September 29, 1879, in Port Perry.

Edward and Annie moved to Saintfield and raised five children while living there. Here he became a innkeeper at the Centre Hotel until 1885 when he purchased the business from Charles Stark.

He operated the hotel until about 1903, when he moved to the town of Uxbridge, where continued his profession as an innkeeper for a hotel in that town.

He died in Toronto on September 19, 1939.

William J. Nott

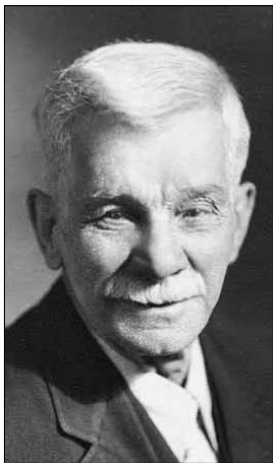
Undertaker, Furniture Manufacturer

William James Nott, was born on September 9, 1850 and educated at Port Perry, the son of John and Jane Nott of this town. He was 28 when he married Annetta Jessop, 23, on October 8, 1879, in Reach Township. They had six children together before Annette was 44 when shed died on January 6, 1900. William also had one daughter from another relationship after the death of his first wife.

For over 30 years served the community as funeral director, being one of the best known and respected men in this part of the province. A partnership with his father, John Nott, was dissolved in 1878, with William continuing the business as Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer and Undertaker in the "Jessop Block" at 235 Queen St.

William Nott operated his business under the name of the Jessop Furniture Co., for a time, and was a noted as a skilled craftsman. He and his staff were responsible for installing the new interior of the Methodist Church and auditorium in 1905.

Throughout the 1890s he became a correspondent for the Whitby Chronicle newspaper writing about the happenings in Port Perry. His reports were often controversial and opinionated, which occasionally resulted in him being threatened by those he took to task.



WILLIAM J. NOTT

While a resident of the town he was a member of the I.O.O.F, and Sons of England Benefit Society. He was also a leader in the former Methodist Church in Ontario.

A pioneer funeral director of Port Perry, William James Nott died in St. Boniface Hospital, Winnipeg, on June 16, 1933, following a brief illness. He was in his 82 year and was interred in Assiniboine Memorial Park Cemetery. He is survived by four sons and a daughter, Zella Nott of Winnipeg. His wife Annetta, 44, passed away Jan. 6, 1900 in Port Perry.



William J. Nesbitt

Port Perry Chief Constable

William Jessie Nesbitt was born on Seven Mile Island in 1865, the son of Edward and Martha (Gilroy) Nesbitt. His early life was spent at the homestead, but on reaching manhood he moved to Toronto, where he worked for the Street Railway Co. for 13 years, and the Russell Motor Car Co. for nine years before moving back to Port Perry.

While in Toronto he married Sarah Verral, of Toronto, on October 26, 1898, and the couple raised two sons, Winnett Edward and William Oswald.

The couple moved to Port Perry in 1917, and it wasn't long before he was appointed to the position of town Constable.

For 20 years, William Nesbitt was known as "The Chief" on the streets of Port Perry. He was a faithful servant as constable and street commissioner, with duties which included directing traffic, ringing the town hall bell, helping neighbours and hunting down law breakers.

William Nesbitt was kindly disposed and was ready with sympathy with those who really needed help, but he could be both stern and brave as required.

In memory of "The Chief," a minute's silence was observed at the municipal nomination meeting, the town flag was flown at half mast and words of appreciation were expressed by the town Reeve and councillors.

He was a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge; the Independent Order of Oddfellow and a faithful member of the Port Perry United Church.

William Nesbitt passed away in Toronto on December 25, 1937 in his 69th year. His funeral was held at the Port Perry United Church, which was filled to capacity.

Following the service the town bell tolled and a long cortege slowly made its way up the hill to Pine Grove Cemetery, where he was laid to rest.

His wife, Sadie, predeceased him on June 11, 1926.



WILLIAM J. NESBITT





Henry Smith Osler

Lawyer

Henry S. Osler never lived in Reach Township or Port Perry, although this successful lawyer spent time here on his large tract of property abutting Lake Scugog's marshlands.

Born in Toronto on November 8, 1862, Henry was the eldest son of the Featherstone Osler, a justice of the Court of Appeal for Ontario. His father was one of the famous quartet of brothers, including Sir William Osler, M.D.; Sir Edmund Osler, and B.B. Osler, K.C. who was considered in his time Canada's greatest criminal lawyer.



HENRY SMITH OSLER

Henry graduated from the law school at Osgoode Hall and was called to the bar in 1886. He was a member of the law firm of Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt and in 1903 he was made a K.C. (King's Counsel).

He was 38 when he married Janet Winifred "Nettie" Christie in Kingston Vale, St. John, Surrey, England on July 3, 1900. They had one child, a boy, Philip F. Osler.

Although a successful lawyer, Henry Osler's connection to the Scugog area was primarily his affiliation with the marshlands, south of the Port Perry causeway. During the 1880s he was a member of a consortium who purchased an estimated 2,000 acres of marshland, which became known as the Scugog Game Preserve. It was here Mr. Osler's friends and family gathered on weekends to fish, shoot and relax.

The purchase of the wild marsh area by Toronto men didn't sit well with long-time residents of the community, many who had hunted and fished the area for decades, but with the land and water in the consortiums control, entry onto the ground was prohibited.

Years later, after the death of his partners, the lands fell into the hands of the Osler family, where it remains to this day. He was an expert revolver shot, an excellent billiard player, a lover of horses and dogs and an authority on art. His chief hobby was hunting and he loved coming to his clubhouse on the shore of Lake Scugog.

He made several trips to Africa, ascended the Nile and brought back valuable collections. In 1918 he began banding birds under the American Bird Banding Association and developed original and effective methods of trapping. At his shooting preserve at Lake Scugog he banded 206 ducks of four species which added much to the knowledge of the waterfowl breeding and passing through that point.

Henry Smith Osler was very modest and withdrawn, avoided publicity, and published little even on the subjects in which he was most interested. He was 70 years old when he died at the Montreal home of his son Philip F. Osler, on December 8, 1933. He was buried at Mount Royal Cemetery, in Montreal, Quebec.

Solomon Orser

Orser's Tavern

Solomon Orser was born in Kingston Ontario in 1805 and arrived in Reach Township about 1829, along with his brother Jeremiah. Solomon married Sarah Hadley of Port Perry (Scugog Village) on September 5, 1831. The couple settled at Seagrave, where he farmed and they raised eight children.

Sometime in the mid-1840s, Solomon opened a small tavern just south of the Nonquon, which became known as Orser's Tavern. An 1851 census shows Solomon owning 100 acres of land on Conc. 8, Lot 19, along with his brother Jeremiah who owned 75 acres. His wife Sarah died on July 14, 1890.

Solomon died in 1895 when he was 90 years old at Saranac, Michigan, USA.

Elizabeth “Beth” Oke

Ladies Fashions / Receptionist

Elizabeth “Beth” McQuade, was born August 13, 1921 on a farm in Cadmus, Ontario. Beth was married about 1941 at the Cadmus church to Roger Oke, of Port Perry. They lived their entire married life in a house on Crandell St., Port Perry, raising two boys, Roger and Wayne.

About 1954, Beth opened a women’s clothing store she called “The Elizabeth Shoppe”, at 187 Queen St. She operated the store until 1968 when she closed the store and became a receptionist for Dr. Guntis Silins. When he left town, she became the receptionist for the Hair Centre, at Port Perry Plaza for many years.

Elizabeth was the first vice-president of the Port Perry Chamber of Commerce in 1963, and the following year was unanimously elected president. She was first woman to be elected president for the local organization and was one of few ladies in Ontario to hold the position with a Chamber of Commerce at that time. Beth was an avid bowler who competed in the local leagues and also travelled throughout southern Ontario to compete in tournaments.

Elizabeth passed away on January 8, 2013 at the age of 91 years. Roger predeceased her 39 years earlier, in December 1974. They were both interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



ELIZABETH “BETH” OKE

Albert Orchard

Farmer / Coal Merchant

Albert Orchard was one-year old when his parents, Jacob and Jane Orchard immigrated to Canada. Albert was born on October 11, 1849, at Shanklin, Isle of Wight, England

In 1850, after a six week voyage on a sailing vessel, the family landed in Quebec, Canada, and later travelled to Bowmanville, Ont. where Jacob farmed. The family relocated a number of times, living in Hastings County and Scott Township before finally taking up farming Reach Township about 1871.

For much of his life, Albert laboured as a farmer, but he moved into Port Perry in February 1902, purchasing the magnificent, former residence of Mr. William Tate, at 258 Cochrane Street. In 1922 he moved his family into the previous home of Stewart Bruce, on the southeast corner of Queen and Ella Streets. It was while living here, the Port Perry Union School, located opposite his home on Queen St., was destroyed by fire in April 1926.



ALBERT ORCHARD

Albert Orchard was married four times during his lifetime. His first wife was Elizabeth Moon who he married about 1870. She died as a young mother, 26, on April 22, 1877. They had one child, Albert Louis Orchard.

Less than a year later, Mr. Orchard married Emma Jane Stainton, 28, on March 20, 1878. They had two daughters during their marriage, Laura and Iona. She died on February 24, 1893 when she was 37 years old of typhoid fever.

Ten months after Emma died, Albert married her younger sister, Esther Ann Stainton. They had two children, Alfred and Norma. Esther died on September 8, 1910 in Port Perry when she was 50 years old of enteric (typhoid) fever. Albert’s final marriage took place when he was 62 years old, marrying 43 year old Miriam Emma Harris, on May 27, 1912.

During his life, his home and the church were his chief interests. While living in Reach he was superintendent of the Sunday School at Bethel, near Seagrave, and also served as a school trustee. In 1910, after he retired from farming, he purchased the Port Perry coal business of Messrs. William Flavell and Howard B. Clemes. The coal sheds were at the north end of Water Street. He operated Orchard’s coal sheds until October 1918 when he sold the business to the Farmers’ Union Milling Co.

Albert Orchard died on February 7, 1947 in Port Perry, at the ripe old age of 97 years. He was survived by his widow, Miriam, and was buried in the family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Myles O’Riordan

Funeral Director

Myles O’Riordan never set out to become the owner of a funeral home, but now almost 40 years after receiving his license as a funeral director, he wouldn’t change a thing.



MYLES O’RIORDAN

Myles was born in Toronto on June 18, 1960, a son for Liam and Eithne Mary (Lawless) O’Riordan and raised in Aurora. He attended Dr. G.W. Williams High School and Humber College where he received his Funeral Services license in 1982.

After graduating he worked for eight years at two funeral homes before have the opportunity to own his own facility. He purchased the Wagg Funeral Home, located in downtown Port Perry, on August 1, 1990 and embraced his new home.

On August 25, 2001 Myles married Susan (nee Timms), less than one year after they met on a blind date. Since their marriage they have resided in a lakefront home in Scugog Township where they have raised their only child, Rory.

Myles became involved in his new community from the beginning, as a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge, Knights of Columbus and the Rotary Club of Port Perry, which he served

as president in 1998. He also enjoys leisure time playing hockey Sunday mornings at the local arena.

In addition to his involved in his hometown, he also has kept in touch with his association body, the Ontario Funeral Services Association, of which he served as president in 2010. Twenty five years after purchasing Port Perry’s funeral home, he expanded his business holding, with the purchase of the Thorne Funeral Homes in Cannington and Sunderland.



Wagg Funeral Home, Queen St., Port Perry.

John S. Orde

Musician / Marina Operator

John S. Orde became a second son for Guy Safts and Marion Orde when he was born in 1918 in Ontario. His father died when he was only eight years old, which was about the time the family settled in Port Perry.

Like is brother Philip, John attended elementary and high school in their new hometown. After school he moved to Toronto where he worked as a clerk for a number of years, and served overseas during World War two.

He was an accomplished musician and at one time had an orchestra, which played in venue’s around southern Ontario. On one occasion two busloads of are residents travelled to the Embassy Club in Toronto for a night of dancing.

He and his brother enjoyed building boats, from Phil’s home at the corner of Bay and Cochrane St. It was this love that prompted him to return to Port Perry and lease the town’s marina property. Here he opened J. Orde Marina in 1957, which he operated until about 1974.

After moving to town he took an active part in the betterment of the community.

In 1957 he was selected to represent the business community in its quest for liquor outlets in the town, and was successful in bringing a 41 year drought to and end.

He served as a director of the Port Perry Chamber of Commerce and was elected its president in 1960. He was also elected to Port Perry council, where he was deputy-reeve in 1964.

John Orde is retired and remains a resident of Port Perry.



J. Orde Marie, lakefront, Port Perry, 1957.

Edward (Sam) Oyler

Farmer and Politician

Edward Oyler was born March 27, 1905 in the village of Cranbrook, Kent County, England into a family of 10 children. His father, George Thomas Oyler, was 31 and his mother, Annie Elizabeth (Cole), was 29 when he was born.

It was in Cranbrook that he received his education, before, at the age of 18 he sailed from Liverpool on the S.S. Montcalm. He arrived in St. John, New Brunswick in May 1923, and immediately boarded a train for Toronto. He next boarded another train which brought him to Port Perry, where he was met by W.J. Martyn.

Mr. Martyn transported the young Englishman to his farm just south of Prince Albert, by horse and buggy, and Edward worked on the Martyn farm for one year for \$170, plus room and board. He then moved on working for Lloyd Midgley, and later George Smith, at High Point farm.

After seven years in Canada, he had saved enough money to purchase the farm of G.K. Robertson, about two miles south of Prince Albert, with a down payment of \$500.

In 1931 Edward married Margaret Coates, of Shirley, and together they worked their Holstein dairy farm for many years. To his friends and most people in the community he was known simply as "Sam".

Sam's first foray into municipal politics came in 1956 when he was elected as a councillor for Reach Township. Five years later he successfully won the seat of Reach Reeve, serving in that capacity for 10 years. The highlight of his political career was being elected Warden of Ontario County in 1969.

The Oylers sold their farm in the late 1980s and moved into an apartment building in Port Perry. Sam Oyler was 80 years old when he died at Community Memorial Hospital, Port Perry on Monday, May 27, 1985 leaving behind his dearly loved wife Margaret (Coates) Oyler. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



SAM OYLER

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William H. Park

Furniture & Cabinets

William Henry Park was born in Ontario in 1831 and came to Reach Township about 1850 settling in Prince Albert, just off Port Perry. He was married to Eliza Kendall on September 20, 1852 in Reach and during their life they raised five children - William, George, Augustus, Elizabeth, James at their home on Concession 5, Lot 17 in Prince Albert

William Park opened the Ontario Cabinet and Chair Factory, opposite Scott's Hotel, in Prince Albert and began constructing all types of furniture, cabinets and coffins. As a service to his customers, he also had a hearse which he hired out. It's not entirely clear when he first opened his business, but it appears he operated from his Prince Albert shop until January 1873 when he moved to a new location in Port Perry opposite the post office.

Two years later, in May 1875, Mr. Park purchased the Anglo-American Hotel in Prince Albert, renovated and re-opened, operating it successfully until August 1890 when the hotel was destroyed by fire. Following the fire, William and Eliza moved to Mariposa, where William continued as a hotelkeeper for a number of years.



James Parkin

Wagon Manufacturer

James Parkin was born in Ontario on May 16, 1830 and entered the business of wagon making in Scarborough in the 1850s. He was living in Scarborough a few years before moving to Manchester where he operated the Eating House providing accommodations for travelers during the early 1860s.

By 1869 had opened a shop in Manchester where he manufactured wagons and carriages. He continued to work as a wagonmaker into the 1890s. James married Catherine Jane Vansickler in January 1865 and during their life together they raised a family of ten children. He was 76 years old when died on April 17, 1906. Catherine, died May 6, 1925.

Charles Wesley Pearn

Baker

Charles Wesley Pearn was born on March 25, 1853, in Liskard, Cornwall, England, his father, Joseph, was 32 and his mother, Mary, was 34. The Pearn family immigrated to Canada about 1858.

Charles was living with his family in Darlington, when he married Elizabeth Jane Souch on June 1, 1881, in Darlington, Ontario. The couple had three children during their marriage.

Charles Pearn had an intermittent business experience in Port Perry. He came to the village about 1888 and for a number of years was in the employ of Edward H. Purdy as a clerk, in Purdy's grocery store. He then travelled west to Manitoba to visit his family for a short time before returning to purchase the Deshane business. This business he soon sold and went to Woodville, where he was in business there for three years.

Once again he returned to Port Perry in 1894, and started a new bakery business. He bought the building, known as the Hiscock Block, where he carried on his bakery and confectionery business.

His business had three employees, carried a good stock of fancy goods, as well as bakery and confectionery supplies. Each summer he added ice cream sales. The bake shop is in rear of the store.

He operated his store until 1910, when he sold the business to Dr. G. Coats. Charles then moved to British Columbia where he lived the remainder of his life. He passed away in his 88th year, on February 24, 1941.

Leslie “Les” Parks

Commercial Artist

Leslie Alexander Parks was born in Rochester, N.Y. October 10, 1925 and he immigrated with his parents, Leslie and Dorothy Parks to Toronto, Canada. His family moved to Oshawa, Ontario in 1935. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1943 and earned his wings just as WWII ended in 1945.

With credits from the Department of Veteran’s Affairs, Mr. Parkes entered art college to study under renown artist teachers of the time. Upon graduating, Les began working for a packaging and design company in Toronto, eventually becoming art director.

After retiring in 1986, Durham College of Arts & Technology immediately hired him to teach Graphic Arts and Interior Design, a position he held for four years before resigned his position.

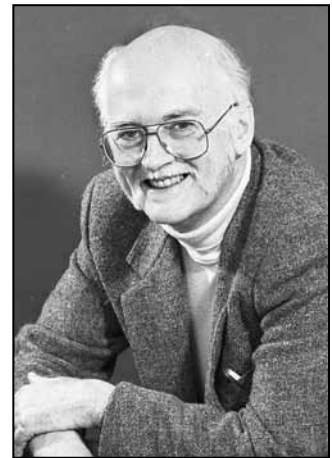
During his career his art was displayed in galleries in Vancouver, Toronto, and Ottawa in Canada, and work has earned notable awards in many international competitions. He was inducted into the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolours in 1987, and at that time he decided to devote all his time to painting.

Les and his wife Zona moved to Port Perry and for more than 20 years immersed themselves into the community. It was here they raised three children and Les continued his art, working from his home studio.

They took a great interest in their new community, Town Hall 1873, and the Borelians theatre group, for which Les designed sets and costumes for many productions.

In 1990 he resigned from his teaching position and, with his wife, relocated to a country home in the Kawartha Lakes Region of Ontario. They later moved into a retirement home in Bowmanville where they celebrated their 60th anniversary.

Mr. Parkes’ wife, Zona, passed away in April 2007 and, after a wonderful marriage of 60 years, he spent the remainder of his life at Kingsway Arms Retirement Residence in Bowmanville, Ontario. One year after his wife’s passing, in April 2008, Leslie Parkes passed away.



LESLIE “LES” PARKES

Miriam Price

Clothing Store Owner

Miriam Price was born in Port Perry, one of two daughters and one son for Ronald and Margaret Janet Peel. She received her education at the public and high school in the town, and later attended the University of British Columbia, receiving a degree in home economics.

Returning to Port Perry, Miriam purchased Kayvan’s Ladies Wear store, located at 261 Queen St. After renovating the store, she opened it as “The Pink Dot”, and catered to the clothing for teens to senior citizens for a number of years.

As a local store owner, she became interested in the activities of her community, and held a directorship on the Chamber of commerce for a number of years, before being elected president of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce in February 1981. She was also actively involved with the United Church Women, and held classes teaching crafts and sewing.

Miriam was married to Dr. John Price and they raised three daughters. Dr. Price became general manager of her father’s business, Peel’s Poultry Farm, following Mr. Peel’s death in 1965. In 2020, Miriam was residing at the Port Perry Villa, a seniors residence, in Port Perry.



MIRIAM PRICE



Kayvan’s Ladies Wear
261 Queen Street 1963.

Charles Paxton

Lumber Merchant

Charles Paxton was born on April 26, 1826, in Whitby, Township, the youngest of four sons for William and Elizabeth Paxton. He also had one sister. His parents were farmers in the vicinity of Brooklin, and Charles continued farming.

Charles and his wife Betsy raised two sons and two daughters while living in Whitby. Then in 1867, he sold his Whitby farm and moved his family to Port Perry where he became involved in both business and politics where he became a partner in the Paxton and Tate foundry. He later became a partner with his brother Thomas in the Paxton, Bigelow and Trounce Company.

After arriving in Port Perry he took an active part in the community. He served on board to promote the Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway during the late 1860s and early 1870s.

In the December 1866 Charles joined forces with lawyer William M. Cochrane and Joseph Bigelow to purchase 50 acres of prime development land, bounded by Lilla, Rosa, Queen and Paxton Streets. They laid out plans for the area and sold building lots along each of the street.

He also entered the political field in March 1871, and was elected as the North Ontario Riding representative to the Ontario Legislature. A few years later he was elected to the a seat on the village council.

He was an early promoter, along with Joseph Bigelow of an improved roadway through the marshland east of Port Perry to Cartwright Township. This road didn't become a reality for almost two decades after his death.

After returning home from a fox-hunting excursion with friends on New Years day, he felt ill and Drs. Sangster and Brathwaite were called to his side. Within 24 hours, he passed away. Up to that time he was described as being healthy and cheerful. It was a shock to the community when they learned he had died suddenly at the tender age of 47 years.

Charles Paxton passed away on January 2, 1875 at his home in Port Perry, Ontario, and was interred at Brooklin, Ontario.



CHARLES PAXTON

Isreal Post

Baker, Grocer

Isreal Post seems to have been one of those men who dabbled in numerous jobs throughout his lifetime.

Isreal and his wife Elizabeth Ann (Orser), and family, settled in Borelia sometime in the 1860s. In February 1868 he opened a business in the village selling groceries, confectionaries and fruits. He continued in this business until at least 1871 when he was listed as a baker in Borelia.

Ten years later, in 1881 the Post family was still living in Reach, although he appears to have left the retail business and taken up farming.

Next the family moved to Warton, Ontario where he once again began working as a grocer and confectioner, but by 1891 he had started a new career as a printer/compositor, presumably with the Warton Echo newspaper. He continued in this trade until his death in Hepworth, Ontario on July 31, 1920.

Uncle Joe and Aunt Betty!



OFF IN HASTE !!

FOR THE

Cheap Grocery!

OF

Israel Post,

BORELIA:

I have been there and still would go—
'Tis the best 'est place I know!
If you get there before I do,
Look out for me—I 'se comin' tew.
Borelia, April 16, 1868. 36

Benjamin W. Pickard

Hardware Merchant

Benjamin Walter Pickard was born on April 5, 1916, in Seagrave, Ontario. His parents were John Wm. and Lillian (Law) Pickard and they raised a family of five children. He attended elementary school in Seagrave and high school in Port Perry.



BEN PICKARD

Benjamin married Mary Irene McCrae, of Midland, Ontario, and they raised four children, Mary Louise, John, Linda and Roger.

Ben opened a Dominion Hardware store in Port Perry in 1956, becoming an agent for Adam's Furniture in Oshawa. The store eventually became known as Pickard's Hardware. It was located at 180 Queen St., on the south side of the street. At the same time that he owned the hardware store, Ben also worked at General Motors in Oshawa.

After operating a successful business for more than 20 years, the Pickards sold their hardware business in 1978 to the Young family, who continued the hardware business for two years before the store was closed.

A busy man, Ben still made time to give back to the community. He helped supervise the construction of the new Scout Hall in 1958, and also served on the local fire department for many years.

Benjamin Walter Pickard died on February 22, 2011, in Port Perry, Ontario, at the age of 94. His wife Mary died on January 29, 2016 in Oshawa, Ontario.



Pickard's Hardware, 180 Queen St.

Philip Polito

Fruit & Vegetable Merchant

Philip Polito and his wife Rosa arrived in Port Perry in 1914. They opened a business, and quickly gained the respect and admiration of the community. But tragedy struck early in the young man's life, and after an illness of only two months, he died from typhoid fever. He was only 26 years of age, and left to mourn his loss was a widow and three small children.

Filippo (Philip) Ippolito was born in February 1892 in Polermo, Sicily, one of seven children for his father Ignazio and mother Giuseppa.



PHILIP POLITO

Philip and his father left their homeland and arrived in New York, USA, on April 5, 1902. From there, Philip immigrated to Canada and settled in Toronto, where in 1911 he was working as a fruit peddler in Toronto Centre.

He returned to Sicily in 1913 where he married Rosa Fusco from his hometown of Polermo. The newly-wed couple returned to Canada in March 1914 and moved to Port Perry, where two sons and one daughter were born.

Philip dreamed of opening a fruit and vegetable business, and in August 1914, he opened a store in the Diesfeld Block. Just a few months later, his residence and store were damaged by fire.

He was an avid gardener and often tried to grow the vegetables native to his homeland, but the colder climate was not suitable for many vegetables. During his short time in the village he built up a valued trade in garden products, and gained the respect of the people of the town and outside community.

Philip Polito died on October 18, 1918, in Port Perry and was buried in Lindsay, Ont. His wife Rosa lived a full life, outliving her husband by 60 years, and passing away in Ontario when she was 86 years old.



STAN PLOUGHMAN

Stanley Ploughman

Caretaker / Scout Leader

Stanley Wright Ploughman was born on March 22, 1900, in Scugog Centre, Ontario, his father, John, was 33 and his mother, Edith, was 22. He was one of three children for his parents.

Stan was a farmer on Scugog Island when he married Flossie Louella Samells on July 12, 1919, in Scugog, Ontario. They had one child, a daughter, Luella, during their marriage. They lived on Scugog Island until about 1960, when they moved to RR4 Port Perry. After retiring he purchased a home at the north end of Cochrane Street and lived there for the remainder of his life.

Stanley farmed for almost 20 years while living on the Island, but after tiring of farming, became a carpenter and builder. About 1945 he became a caretaker for almost 20 years before retiring about 1965.

In addition to his busy working career, Stan took a great interest in the youth of his community, in particular the Port Perry Scouting Association. In 1943, seeing a need for younger boys, he was instrumental in forming the Port Perry Cubs organizations. His interest in scouting continued and in 1949, he and his wife spearheaded a move to construct a Scout Hall in the town, and took responsibility for preparing the site for construction. About ten years later he led the drive for funds to put an addition on the hall.

Stanley received a Medal of Merit from Boy Scouts of Canada in May 1958, and a Long Service Medal for 20 years faithful service to the Port Perry Scout movement in Port Perry in February 1956, at the annual Father and Son Banquet..

Stan and Flossie were faithful members of the Oddfellows and Rebekahs for more than 40 years. They were honoured by their friends in 1977 upon his retirement. They were also active members of the Port Perry Senior Citizens Club. Stanley Wright Ploughman passed away in Port Perry on September 3, 1988 and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



STAN & FLOSSIE PLOUGHMAN

Bryce Philp

Car Dealer

Bryce Richard Philp was born in 1933 in Cartwright, Durham, Ontario. He had one brother and one sister. His parents are John Richard Henry and Ethel "Maude" Marguerite (Preston) Philp.

Bryce was 25 years old when he married Donna June Stapley in 1958. They had been married 43 years when she passed away in September 2001.

As a young man, Bryce began working in sales at Elliott Motors in Belleville. In his 27 years at the company, he was promoted to vice-president and general manager of the company.



BRYCE PHILP

In the early 1970s, he moved to Port Perry, purchasing the Pontiac-Buick dealership from Robert Archer. Philp Pontiac Buick opened on Water St., in 1973. Five years later Mr. Philp opened a modern new car dealership, just south of town. After 28 years in Port Perry, in 2001, he sold his business and moved back to Belleville. Bryce was married to Helen Ashley in Belleville and was with her for 17 years before his death.

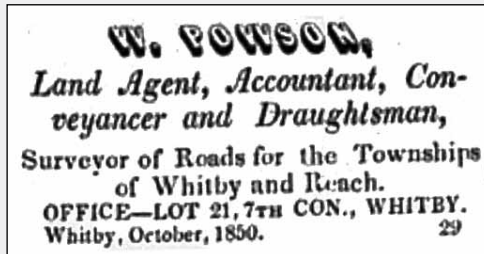
Aside from his very busy business life, he took time to support many community organizations, service clubs and churches. He became a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Port Perry when it was formed in July 1981, and was a long-time member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce.

Bryce Richard Philp was 86 years old when he died on August 23, 2019, in Belleville, Ontario. His body was returned to Port Perry where a private burial took place at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

William Powson

Postmaster

William Powson, Manchester, Ontario's first postmaster came to Canada from England in the mid-1840s, settling in Reach Township. He was born at Westmorland, England on May 21, 1805 and married 17 year old Elizabeth Ann Bradberry on July 13, 1825 at London, England.



After arriving in Canada, he settled at Concession 8, Lot 9 in Reach Township and in 1852 he became the postmaster in Manchester, a position he held until 1858. It is thought he operated a store in the village, where he was postmaster, and also served as conveyancer and commissioner.

The Powson's lived in Reach Township until the early 1870s before moving from the village.

William Powson, 72, was a bookkeeper, when he died in March 13, 1877 in Oxford, Ontario.

* Note: Powson was also spelled "Pawson" on many documents.

George W. Pentland

Jewellery Owner

Watchmaker and jeweller George William Pentland came to Port Perry in 1965 after purchasing the jewellery business of I.R. Bentley, who had been the town's jeweller for more than 40 years.

George was born in Ontario, Canada on February 4, 1926. His parents George and Elizabeth moved to England in August 1937 with nine year old George and his sister Olive, settling in Preston, Lancashire.

After his schooling he spent seven years learning the watchmaking trade in his hometown. It was in Preston, he married Vera Sharples in June 1948, and they had two children., Janice and David.

Upon his return he accepted a job at Bassett Jewellers in the Oshawa Shopping Centre. A few years later an opportunity came to purchase I.R. Bentley's jewellery store in Port Perry, and on May 25, 1965 he opened G.W. Pentland jewellery store, at 174 Queen St.



Pentland Jewellers, beside the Royal Bank 1974.



GEORGE PENTLAND

Pentland Jewellers operated successfully from this location until about 1975, when he wished to expand, but couldn't in his current location. He moved his business across the road to the south side of the street, reopening at 168 Queen St.

The Pentland's continued in their successful jewellery and gift business through 1996, before selling the business and retiring.

George's first wife Vera passed away in 1981 and George remarried to Marie.

George William Pentland was 82 years old when he died on December 4, 2008 at Minden, Ontario.



GEORGE PALMER

George A. Palmer

Grocery Merchant

George Alfred Palmer was born on November 3, 1907, in Port Perry, the only boy of five children for his parents, Thomas Alfred, and Rosetta Elvira (Adams) Palmer. His father Thomas was a harness maker in Port Perry.

He married Myrtle Irene Ploughman on July 7, 1934, at the United Church in Port Perry, Ontario. They became parents of two sons and two daughters during their life together.

In September 1936, George purchased the Port Perry Groceteria store of J.F. McClintock. Eight years later, when he was 36 years old, he interrupted his business career by enlisting in the army to serve in the second world war.

Returning home after the war, he continued operating his grocery business until 1957, before selling the property to Robert Pickard who opened a hardware store at that location.

George was involved in his community, in particular with the Masonic Lodge where he served a Master of Fidelity Lodge No. 428, Noble of the Shriners and was a Past Patron of the Eastern Star Blue Ray Chapter.

George and Myrtle celebrated their 50th anniversary in July 1984 where they were honored with a surprise party at the Oshawa Shrine Club.

He died on 1 January 1991, in Oshawa, East Whitby, Ontario, Ontario, Canada, at the age of 83, and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Charles R. Powers

Carpenter / Contractor

Charles Richard Power was born on September 3, 1843, on Prince Edward Island, Upper Canada. He was one of nine children for his parents, John and Mary Ann (Strickland) Powers.

Charles was educated on PEI, and by the time he was 18 years old, learned carpentry while working as a laborer.

He moved to Ontario during the late 1860s and was married to Rachael Clements about 1863. Six children were born into this marriage.

By the time Charles was 27 years old he was living in Port Perry, working as a carpenter. He was a skilled workman and was favored by many for erecting homes and buildings throughout Reach Twp.

On March 1, 1876, Charles entered into a partnership with two men and opened the Dominion Planing Mills at the corner of Lily and Kellet Streets. The factory became a manufacturer of doors, sash, blinds, etc. This partnership was dissolved about 1880 and the mill sold.

One of his biggest jobs was the construction of a two-story clubhouse for Toronto lawyer Henry S. Osler. The house was located on the east shore of Lake Scugog just south of the floating bridge, on Hemlock Island.

Charles was described as an exemplary townsman and upright in his business transactions. While his craft kept him too busy to take part in municipal affairs, he did serve as assessor for the village in 1903, until his untimely death. He also found time to enjoy being a member of the Port Perry Brass Band.

Charles R. Powers died on June 29, 1903 at Port Perry when he was 59 years of age.



CHARLES POWERS

**DOMINION
PLANING MILLS**

THE Undersigned have much pleasure in announcing to Builders generally that their new Planing Mills are now in full blast where they will always keep on hand and manufacture to order

SASH, BLINDS, DOORS, BASE-MOULDINGS, CASINGS, HAND-RAIL BANNISTERS, NEWEL-POSTS, SCROLLS, and every other manufacture to be found in a first-class Factory. Sawing done to order.

The Factory having been filled with the best Machinery Manufactured in the Dominion, with all the recent improvements for turning out the best description of work this with the thorough and long experience the proprietors have had in every department of building gives them confidence in assuring those who may patronize them of full satisfaction in every department of the work.

Cash customers especially will find it to their advantage to call at the Dominion Planing Mills before purchasing elsewhere.

Remember the place—Dominion Planing Mills—Corner of Lily and Kellett Streets, Port Perry, directly west of the Foundry and south of the Tannery.

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C. POWERS,
E. BREATHWAIT.

Port Perry, March 1, 1876. 12

George William Pettit

Scugog Farmer

George William Pettit was born in Kent, England on August 21, 1825. He was married to Mary Ann Whelden on April 13, 1846 and they had six children during their life together.

The Pettit family immigrated to Canada in 1856, and located near Prince Albert for a couple of years, before making his way to Scugog Island. Here they purchased Lot 2, Con. 10 in 1859 from Abram Farewell for £1,800. Here they erected a crude log cabin and began to clear the land. Years later, about 1870, they built a larger home and a barn. They started out their farming with some oxen, a few cows and a horse powered thresher and reaper.

The original Pettit farm consisted of 50 acres and was located along the eastern shoreline of Lake Scugog, just south of Lakeside Beach. More property was added later until he accumulated 300 acres. The area became known as Pettit's Point, or Pettit's Landing, and later Stephenson's Point.



Map shows the Pettit's first two properties.

About 1895 Mr. Pettit erected eight cottages, which he rented for the accommodation of tourists who wish to spend a holiday near the water. For years when fishing in the lake was good, the cottages of Pettit's Point, would be occupied for three or four months during the summer. Pettit's Point was well located, close to the best fishing grounds on the lake and one of the best swimming sites on the lake.

During the 1860 George served with the Prince Albert Volunteers, and took part in the Fenians raids. He also served a short time as a member of the Scugog Island council in the 1880s and served on the school board.

George Pettit was 86 years old when he died on March 3, 1909 at his home on Scugog Island and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Jacob Pickel

Scugog Pioneer

The Pickel family were United Empire Loyalists during the Revolutionary War and were among the families granted land in Quebec in the 1780s. Johann and Mary Pickel, made their way to Quebec, and on November 26, 1804 when living in Brome, Quebec, Jacob (Joseph) Pickel was born.

Jacob was a young man when he left his home in Quebec and settled near Whitby. It was here, in March 1835 he married Judith W. Scovill. Jacob and Judith raised a family of nine children.

They arrived on Scugog Island about 1843, and were among the earliest settlers on the Island. In 1851 the Pickel's purchased Lot 22, Conc. 6, Scugog Island, where they cleared the land and built a small home and raised their family.

According to records in the book *Scugog And Its Environs*, by Rev. F.G. Weir, in 1849 Jacob joined with three other Island men to take part in the California gold-rush. When the men reached New York they found they had not sufficient funds to make it possible. He returned home and by 1851 he had built a cabin, cleared and cultivated 80 acres, on which he grew crops and planted orchards.

Jacob Pickel spent his entire life, working the land of his Scugog Island farm, and died when he was only 59 years old, on August 11, 1864. He was buried at the Head Memorial Cemetery, Scugog Island. His wife, Elizabeth, moved to the USA to live with her daughter. She was 79, when she passed away in Michigan in 1890.

Samuel Platten

Scugog Island Pioneer Farmer

Samuel Platten was born on May 7, 1795, in Letheringsett, Norfolk, England. He was 26 years old when he married Ann Mendham on March 5, 1821, in Briston, Norfolk, England.

He with his family, immigrated to Canada in 1836, settling in Northumberland Twp., Upper Canada, Ontario. Two of his ten children were born in the village of Cobourg, Ontario.

Samuel worked as a Miller while in Cobourg, but after moving to Port Perry about 1857, he opened a Cooper manufacturing business, with his sons working in the business along side him. He passed away on July 3, 1862, leaving the business to his sons.

Samuel Platten purchased 75 acres of lakefront land on Scugog Island and while a resident there served on the Scugog council for six years during the 1870s, two years, 1874-75 as Reeve of the township.

Samuel Platten was 67 when he died. He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Section of a Scugog Island map shows property owned by S. Platten and J. Platten and Platten Island.

John M. Platten

Scugog Island Farmer

John Mendham Platten was born in 1839 at Cobourg, Ontario. His parents were Samuel and Ann Platten. As a young man he worked with his father as a miller.

About 1857 the Platten family moved to Port Perry, where Samuel opened a Cooper shop. After his father's death in July 1862, John Platten and his brothers took over the business. Three brothers, Thomas, Samuel and John M. formed a partnership under the name of Thomas Platten & Co., Coopers which they operated until December 1877, when the company was dissolved.

In 1865 he bought 75 acres along the western shore of Lake Scugog from Thomas Rodman for \$2,000. This area was often referred to as Platten Island. His family lived there until 1913 when they sold the farm and purchased a lot south of the Centre Church, where he resided until his death eight years later.

John married Harriet Stephens on January 7, 1861, and they raised a family of six children – Wallace, Mary Ann, Celinda, George, Maria Ann and James, while living on Scugog Island.

Like his father, John Platten took a keen interest in his community, serving on the Scugog council for two terms during the 1880s.

John M. Platten was 82 when he passed away on September 12, 1921 He was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert His wife, Harriet, lived another six years before passing away on January 12, 1927.

David Perkins

Merchant Tailor

David John Leyman Perkins was one of nine children in the family of William and Ann Perkins who lived in Exeter, Devon, England. David was born on August 5, 1846. He was just a young man immigrated with his family to Canada, eventually making their way to Reach Township, Ontario.

The family settled in Prince Albert and it was here the young man learned the tailoring business. He was only 20 years old when he opened his first tailoring establishment in Port Perry in August 1866 on the second floor of Shaw and Gordon's store on Queen Street.

Two years later, on Christmas Day, 1868, he married Annie Maria Robinson at the home of her parents in Prince Albert. The young couple had four children during their life together.

It's not known when he moved to Greenbank, but for much of the 1880s, he operated a general store, and tailoring business in that hamlet. He later expanded to Utica about 1885, opening another general store and tailoring business.

Tragedy struck while living in Greenbank, when his wife Annie died on May 13, 1891. She was only 42 years of age at the time. After the death of his wife, David's business began to fail, and in April 1894, he filed for bankruptcy. He re-established the business, but in 1903 he disposed of this business, home and property in Greenbank and moved to Port Perry.

In 1906, the David established a tailoring business in the Blong Block on Queen St. Despite his earlier business failures a great many of his former customers continued to patronized him at his new location in Port Perry.

David J.L. Perkins died at his home in Port Perry on February 6, 1911, at the age of 64, and was buried there.

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Merchant Tailor Shop
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Begs to announce to th. Citizens of Port Perry and surrounding country that he has opened
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Having had a large experience I am prepared to make Suits as Good and as Cheap and Up-to-Date as any in the Trade.
Suits made to order from \$10.00 up.
Port Perry, May, 1906.

North Ontario Observer, May 1906.

Gordon A. Paisley

Teacher / Principal

Gordon Archie Paisley was born in the Haldiman County about 1929, a son for Robert C. and Gady's B. Paisley. He attended school at Dunville and graduated with the Simcoe-Dunville Regional scholarship in 1949, after which he attended MacMaster University in Hamilton.



GORDON PAISLEY

Following his graduation, Gordon became a teacher, with terms in London, Kitchener and Brantford before arriving in Blackstock. He arrived at the small Cartwright High School in 1950 and taught for four years before becoming the school's principal. He spent 34 years at the school, 30 as principal, before retiring in May 1984.

Gordon was married Joan Lorraine Root, on August 17, 1963 in Dunnville, where they met while attending school. They raised two daughters while living in Blackstock, Craig and Catherine.

Gord continued to live in Blackstock after his retirement and was active in the community, volunteering his time and energy to a number of groups, including the Arthritis Society, the Blackstock Agricultural Society, and the curling league. He also enjoyed travelling, travelling often to Alberta and B.C. to visit with his son Craig.

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Guy Walter Raines

Electrician / Fire Chief

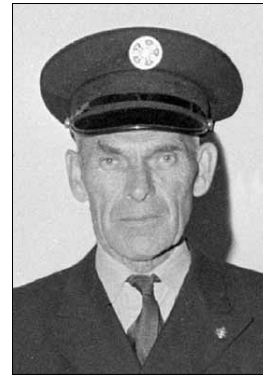
Guy Water Raines was born on August 7, 1898 in Reach Township, one of five children for his parents George and Marietta (Palmer) Raines. Guy, was the older brother of John F. Raines, who served as clerk-treasurer for the village of Port Perry for 34 years.

Guy was educated in Reach, and at Port Perry High School and went on to become an electrician, working in the trade for more than 30 years. He was 22 year old when he married Georgina Vipond, 28, in Toronto on May 3, 1921. They had one son, John "Jack" Walter during their marriage.

He served as a volunteer fireman for the Port Perry Fire Department 15 years before being given the honour of becoming the brigade's Fire Chief in 1934. He served in that capacity for 20 years before retired the position in 1969. During his career in firefighting, he was called to the old elevator, occupied by Master Feeds when fire was discovered, and after sizing up the scene quickly he called in fire trucks from Uxbridge and Oshawa. His quick action was credited with saving the historic old structure.

Ten years after he retired, Guy Raines was among a number of men honoured at a Testimonial Dinner, for their service to the community.

John Walter Raines passed away on November 17, 1978 and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ont.



GUY RAINES



JOSEPH RAINES
Fenian Raids 1866.

Joseph Raines

Farmer

Joseph Raines was the oldest son of nine boys and four girls for Francis and Elizabeth Raines. He was born in Whitby Township in 1846 and moved with his parents to Reach Township in 1850, where the family took up farming on the 7th concession.

Joseph joined the Militia when he was 20 years of age, under Capt. John Billings and Major Thos. C. Forman. He belonged to No. 1 Company of the 34th Battalion and served in the Fenian Raid of 1866. He was one of the soldiers placed on guard over prisoners taken at Fort Erie, Ontario.

He was married to Sarah Jane Lund, daughter of Richard Lund, a prominent businessman, in Prince Albert on March 25, 1868. After the marriage, he moved to the Prudy Farm on the 8th concession and went into farming for himself. Five years later he and Sarah moved to Belmore, in Western Ontario, spending two years there before moving to Algoma for nine years.

He returned to Reach about 1879 and purchased his father's farm, which he worked until the family moved into Port Perry.

Joseph Raines was a highly esteemed citizen in the community. Described as a kindly man, a good neighbour and one whose early industry had done a good share toward making this a better country in which to live.

Joseph Raines passed away on March 6, 1927. His wife Sarah Jane died on December 30, 1931. They were both interred in the Raines family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Joseph Reader, Jr.

Farmer

Joseph Reader was born on March 10, 1826, in England. His father, Joseph, was 20, and his mother, Rebekah, was 23 at the time of his birth.

His parent immigrated to Canada about 1837, first arriving in Quebec, before moving to Upper Canada, and settling Cobourg and Whitby, before making their way to Scugog Island.

After settling on the Island, in the early 1840s, he along with his parents and brothers, worked the family farm.

He married Mary Hellen Pickle, daughter of Thomas and Mary Pickle, among the earliest settlers on Scugog Island. The wedding took place at Scugog Centre, on March 9, 1852. They had seven children during the next 20 years.

Mary Hellen, was 79 when she died on April 20, 1913. She was buried in the family plot at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. Joseph Reader, Jr. died on March 21, 1920, in Port Perry, Ontario, at the age of 94, and was buried along side his wife.



JOSEPH READER, Jr.

Joseph Reader, Sr.

Farmer

The Reader family were among the first settlers on Scugog Island, arriving in 1843 and became the legal owners of a 200-acre property in 1849. A property which he farmed until the end of his life.

Joseph Reader was born in Kent County, England on March 30, 1805, and was married to Rebecca (Wells) in England on August 14, 1825, in St. Mary's Church, Lancashire, England. They had eight children during their marriage - Joseph, Fanny, William, Elizabeth, Thomas, James, Ephriam and Walter.

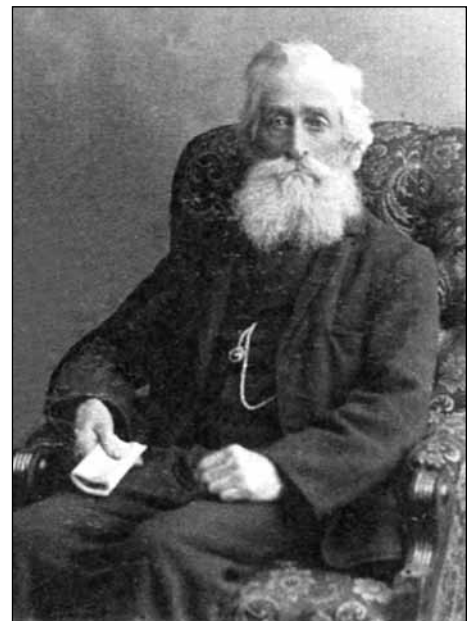
Joseph and his family immigrated to Canada about 1837 and a few years after arriving on Scugog Island became the owner of a 200 acre property near the top of Island hill. Here he built a comfortable stone house which overlooked Lake Scugog and Port Perry, then known as Scugog Village.

Joseph Reader was an active and energetic pioneer of Scugog Island, and farmed for his entire life. He was a member of the first council of Scugog Island in 1856, eventually serving eight years as a councillor, and two years, 1865 and 1866 as Reeve of the township.

He was an early promoter for the construction of a bridge between Scugog and Reach Township, and as Scugog's reeve he was a member of Ontario County Council. Here he held the post of Commissioner of the Scugog Bridge for a number of years. As Commissioner he was responsible for overseeing maintenance and repair to the floating wood bridge that linked Scugog Island to Port Perry.

Joseph Reader was 91 years of age, when he passed away on November 17, 1896. He was buried at Scoville Cemetery, Scugog Island. His wife Rebekah died December 14, 1885, at 83 years of age. Following his death, the Reader homestead was transferred into the name of their son William.

(Repeated from first volumen of Faces of Scugog, with update information)



JOSEPH READER, Sr.

Brock & Wendy Reville

Port Perry Optical

Brock Reville was born in Montreal, one of four children for his parents. The family moved to Ontario when he was nine years old, after his parents took over the management of Pinelands Lodge summer resort, near Port Carling in Muskoka. When he was in teens, became the sports director for the lodge.

After completing high school at Bracebridge, he attended Georgian College, where he met his future wife, Wendy Johnson. After graduating as Opticians, they both began working for the "Eye Shoppe", although Brock worked in the company's Cobourg store, and Wendy in the Water St., Port Perry location.



BROCK & WENDY

In 1984, when the Port Perry business came up for sale, on Wendy's urging, Brock purchased the business and renamed it "Port Perry Optical." Three years after taking over the business, Wendy and Brock were married and since then have raised three children.

As their business continued to grow, they looked for a location to expand. This came in April 2015 when they purchased a historic home on the corner of Queen and Simcoe St. After extensive operations they opened in bright new facility, with optometrist Dr. Brian Hadden leasing a portion of the building.

They live on a 135 acre property on Scugog Island where they tend to 75 head of cattle and a number of horses. True to his early experience of teaching sport, Brock loves to ski and play hockey, but he is most passionate about riding horses and competing in a sport called "penning".

Wendy keeps herself busy with her work, but also excels at playing the cello and she participates in a number of ensembles.

They were members of the local Chamber of Commerce and the Town Hall 1873 Centre for the Performing Arts, and active members in community events for their entire business career.

For more than 35 years, Brock and Wendy, operated their business in Port Perry, serving their customers and the community. They sold their business and retired in 2021.

Lafayette F. Richardson

Manufacturer

Lafayette Richardson was born in November 1858 in Haldiman, Northumberland, Ontario. His family was living Reach Township in 1871 and as a young man worked along side his father Thomas, a carpenter, learning the trade. By the time he had turned 24, he had set out on his own and was operating his own business, Richardson's Planing Mills & Sash Factory in Port Perry.

The planing mill was 50' x 60' and the machinery driven by a 25 horse-power engine. The firm had a warehouse 24' x 70' in rear of the mill for storing dressed lumber and other finished material. Here he manufactured doors, sashes, blinds, casings, frames, stairs and the latest styles in fancy fence pickets.



The Richardson Planing and Sash Mills.

The young man teamed up with Joseph Letcher in 1881 to purchase the Dominion Planing Mills, adding to his growing business. He rose to prominence in his manufacturing business, but five years later, in March 1886, he sold his company to Matthew Emerson and moved to Toronto. Two years later Lafayette and his family moved to the United States, settling in Chicago.

Lafayette was married to Julia Agnes Murphy about 1879 and their first son, Addison, was born in Port Perry. They had four children during their marriage.

Following the death of his wife in 1946, Lafayette returned to Canada where he died.

Jim & Vivian Rider

Bowling Alley Operators

Jim and Vivian Rider were both born, educated and lived their entire life in Port Perry. It was in their hometown, after getting married, raised two girls, Heather and Penny.

In 1971, while Jim was still working at General Motors, they purchased the former Causeway Bowling Lanes, located on Hwy. 7A near the corner of Water St.,

They immediately undertook many improvements to the building, including installing automatic pinsetters, adding a snack bar and games room and renamed it "Centennial Lanes.

While Jim kept his employment at General Motors, Vivian took care of the bowling alley. They both worked at the alleys in the evenings, were active in the community and members in the Scugog Chamber of Commerce.

James Andrew Rider, 79, died after a short illness on March 9, 2013. His wife, Vivian (Johnson) Rider, 73, predeceased him on April 29, 2007. They were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



VIVIAN & JIM RIDER

Rev. Reginald "Reg" Rose

Anglican Minister

Reginald Charles Rose was born in 1930, a son for his parents Reginald Charles Rose and Jeanne E. (Zwicker) Rose. He was married to Jean Mary (Mitchell) about 1952 and they enjoyed more than 50 years of life together. Reg and Jean had three children, James, Anne Rose and Mary.

"Reg" as he was best known, was a graduate of Wycliffe College.

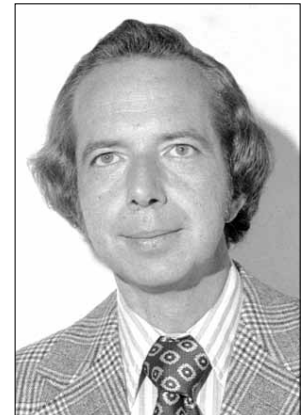
He and his family arrived in Port Perry in 1965 to become the rector of the Anglican Church of Ascension, Port Perry, and St. John's Anglican Church, Blackstock. They became respected and active residents of the community for the next 17 years.

In addition to his busy time as a rector for two communities, Reg had a passionate interest in local politics. He was first elected to the council of Port Perry for 1973, and later that year was elevated to the seat of Regional Councillor for the newly formed Township of Scugog.

While continuing to serve on the local council, he unsuccessfully ran for a seat with the Provincial PC party. Despite the loss, he continued at the local level until he announced his resignation as minister of the Anglican churches in both Port Perry and Blackstock in 1982.

Leaving Port Perry he moved to Toronto, assuming the pastoral charge at St. Olave's Anglican Church. While there he made his mark with his concern for the less fortunate. He became president of Anglican Houses, and was a founder of Wilkinson House, for former psychiatric patients. He also started a program to rescue young people from the city streets. He retired from St. Olave's in 1996.

Rev. Reginald Charles Rose was in his 75th year when died peacefully on September 28, 2004, at Campbellford Memorial Hospital. His wife, Jean, who was a pharmacist while living in Port Perry, passed away in her 81st year at Toronto. She was interred at St. John's Anglican Church cemetery, Blackstock.



REV. REG ROSE

Arthur Henry Rose

Traveller /Merchant

Arthur Henry Rose was born at Ryde, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, England on October 13, 1867, and immigrated to Canada in 1886, when he was still in his teens. Although its uncertain where he first settled, it appears he may have come to Toronto.

While living in Toronto, he met Frances Hannah Moore, 23, who he married on December 16, 1896, in her hometown of Port Perry, Ontario. Frances parents were James and Hanna Moore.

After the marriage, the young married couple moved to Lindsay, Ontario, where Arthur became a commercial traveller, selling fancy goods to businesses. They raised three daughters, Elsie, Grace and Hilda.

A few years later, about 1910, they moved to Port Perry, where Henry opened a business selling general household goods and hardware from a store at the corner of Queen and Perry St. He operated the store under the name Rose & Co., "The Fair" for about 17 years before selling in April 1917 to C.E. Taylor of Sunderland.

After selling his business, the Rose family continued to live in Port Perry, and returned to his chief interest, that of a commercial traveller for more than 23 years. He was also associated with the Wm Bryce Fancy Goods Co., and later with Stedman Bros., and Brantford Stationers. He worked at his trade until his death, at the age of 65 years.

Mr. Rose was a very quiet man, but one who had an inner force of character and a reliability that made fo a sterling man. He was a highly esteemed citizen, and he will be missed by his family and his church. He had been a resident of the Port Perry community for 28 years.

Arthur Henry Rose died on August 17, 1933, in Port Perry. Following a funeral held at the Anglican Church, he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

** Henry was also written as, "Harry", on some documentation.*

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Arthur Henry Rose "The Fair" advertisement, April 1915.



Rose & Co. store on Queen Street, circa 1915.

John Ross Roach, Sr.

Labourer / Musician

John Ross Roach was born on December 30, 1878 in the small hamlet of Pinedale, in Brock Twp., about 2 miles northwest of Seagrave. He was one of seven children for his parents Absalom and Elizabeth Ann (Gorrell) Roach.



JOHN ROSS ROACH, Sr.

He grew up helping his father on the family farm until he was married. He was 20 years old when he married Persilla Maud Ruddy, 18, on November 23, 1898. Following their marriage they resided in Sunderland. They had two children during their marriage, John Ross Jr., and Noreen.

A few years later John and Persilla and their young son moved to Perry, where John worked as a miller and carpenter. His trades also included being an engineer, but the majority of his work seems to be as a labourer.

John Ross Roach was an accomplished musician and took an active part in his new community, in particular local musicians. In February 1912 he was instrumental in forming a town band, with over the next decade he directed. He never seemed so happy when playing his horn, and his place as a band leader left a void in the community.

He invested his time into a number of Port Perry endeavours. Among them was operating the local skating rink; owning the St. Charles Hotel for a short time; becoming a dealer for Briscoe automobiles for the district, and purchasing and operating the local billiards hall in 1922.

He was a great lover of sport, in particular hockey, after his son John Ross Jr. became a prominent and accomplished goalie, playing with a number of National Hockey League teams.

Unfortunately for his family and the community, this well respected and enterprising man died at an early age. John Ross Roach was 49 years old when he passed away on June 27, 1928.

The funeral of Mr. Roach was largely attended. The Whitby Band led the procession as it wound its way to the Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. Band members from both Port Perry and Whitby were flower bearers and six members of the Port Perry Band served as pallbearers.

John H. Ruddy

Hotelkeeper

John H. Ruddy was born on October 6, 1846, in Brock Township, Ontario. His father was James John Ruddy, and his mother, Rebecca Ann (Henderson).

He was 28 years old, and working at his father's sawmill in Brock Township, when he married Mary Lannie, 20, on February 2, 1875, in Orillia, Ontario. They had four children during their marriage, Russel, Persillia, James and Nelson.

Mr. Ruddy leased, and became host of the Port Perry House hotel in November 1879, when its owner James V. Thompson retired to Greenbank. Three years later, in November 1883, a fire which started in the hotel, destroyed half of the downtown, including the hotel.

Following the destruction of the Port Perry House, Mr. Ruddy offered to purchase the site from Mr. Thompson, with a view of erecting another fine hotel. But Mr. Thomson decided to rebuild a new hotel on the property.

Unable to come to an agreement, Ruddy leased and fitted up Daniel Ireland's former "Queen's Hotel", which later became known locally as Ruddy's Hotel.

He operated here for a number of years before leaving Port Perry to live with his brother William, who was a hotelkeeper at Thessalon, Ontario.

John Ruddy, 56, died suddenly, on April 29, 1902, at a Toronto lodging house, located at 12 York Street. He was found in his room in a dying condition about 2 o'clock, and expired before medical aid arrived.

He was buried at St. James Anglican Cemetery, Brock Township, Ontario.

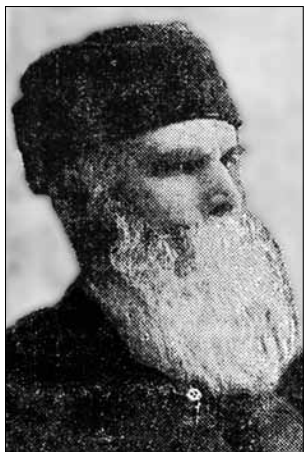


JOHN H. RUDDY

John Rolph

Harness Maker

John Rolph was a native of Ireland, born on March 5, 1829. When only a young man of 19 years old, he experienced the calamity of the potato famine in his homeland, where people were reported to be dying on the streets, and dogs fought over the corpses.



JOHN ROLPH

He came to Canada in 1854 and settled in Montreal, but had only been there a few months when cholera broke out. He worked among the victims and finally was attacked by the disease.

After recovering he moved to Oshawa, and later to Prince Albert. This was at a time when there were no railroads and little of the land had been cleared.

John was 25 years old in 1857 when he married 20 year old Susan Jane Sanders. Susan immigrated from England Canada in 1845 and settled in Prince Albert with her family in 1846.

John started out in business as a shoemaker after arriving in Prince Albert, then opened a saddle and harness shop, becoming partners with Thomas Courtice in the late 1850s for more than a decade. While living in the village, he was a member of the Brethren of the Prince Albert Lodge of A.F., and also served as the local telegraph operator.

Following a disastrous fire which destroyed a large part of Prince Albert in April 1873, including his harness shop, Mr. Rolph moved his business to Port Perry, opening in a simple wood structure. Fire once again destroyed his premises in 1884, but after the fire he erected a two-storey brick building which became known as the Rolph Block.

John was active in many phases of community life. He spent 45 years as treasurer of the local Upper Canada Bible Society, and was dedicated to his church and Masonic Lodge. He was elected to council, served as secretary of Pine Grove Cemetery Company for nearly 35 years, and was appointed a military drill instructor for the Home Guard.

John was given the honour of turning the switch to officially welcome hydro to Port Perry and he spoke at the formal opening of Port Perry's cement highway.

He loved his work at his harness shop and came to work in his shop every day until he retired and sold his business to Wm. A. Beatty. John Rolph was 94 years old when he retired in November 1924.

The Rolph's lived in Ontario County for their entire married life, raising six children, and celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on February 26, 1825.

John Rolph passed away about two months after his anniversary, in Port Perry on Saturday, May 2, 1925, at 96 years. A few weeks earlier had dislocated his in a fall, and never fully recovered. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. His wife Susan was 87 when she passed away on January 29, 1926.



John Rolph's former harness shop, Port Perry, with the new owner William E. Beatty working behind the counter.



St. Charles Hotel, circa 1920

Albert E. Rogerson

Hotel Keeper

Albert Rogerson was the only man to own both Port Perry hotels, the St. Charles Hotel and Sebert House. He began his life modestly, but by the time he arrived in the town, was able to become an important hotel keeper.

Albert Edwin Rogers was born on May 1, 1865, in the east-end Toronto. His father and mother were Albert and Ann Rogerson. Little is known of his life, although a Toronto Directory has him working as a Taylor for Roger Rogerson & Son, for a number of year during the 1890s.

He must of acquired some wealth, for when he arrived in Port Perry in March 1919, he purchased completely remodeled the St. Charles Hotel. A year later, he bought the Milner farm between Pettit's Point and Seven Mile Island. His plan was to open summer resort, with launches, skiffs and canoes available for pleasure. He also added 10 rooms to the hotel on the site.

He continued his buying spree in November 1920, purchasing the Sebert House, on the south side of Queen St. Two years later, he converted the ground floor of the St. Charles Hotel into two stores, closing the bar and poolroom.

This is the last we hear of Mr. Rogerson, until his death on January 4, 1945. He was in his 80th year when he passed away at Oshawa General Hospital. A service was held in Toronto and he was interred a St. John's Norway Cemetery, Scarborough.

St. Charles Hotel

A. E. Rogerson, Prop.
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the St. Charles to
your friends. We
know we can please
you in hotel accom-
modation.

Advertisement 1920.

Addison Richardson

Carpenter / Manufacturer

Addison Richardson was among the early settlers in Reach Twp., arriving sometime during the late 1850s settling near Manchester, Ontario.

Little is know about Addison Richardson before he arrived in the township, other than he was born about 1830 in Ontario. As a young man he worked as a carpenter, and when he arrived in Reach, worked in that capacity for a number of years.

He was married in about 1855 to Dolly Maria Ewers, daughter of well known local businessman Abel W. Ewers of Manchester. Addison and Dolly had one child, Lafayette, born about 1858.

Addison opened the Richardson Planing Mills in Port Perry, at the intersection of John and Perry St., and operated it throughout much of the 1870s and early 1880s. Addison moved his family into Port Perry to be closer to his work, and in 1883 he served a term on the local village council.

In 1881, Addison's son Lafayette teamed of with Joseph Letcher to purchase the Dominion Planing Mills and operated it for about seven years before selling out. He later moved to Chicago, USA.

About 1888, Addison Richardson moved to the United States, settling in Cook Cty., near Chicago, where Addison continued working as a carpenter for the remainder of his life.

Addison Richardson was 65 when he passed away on November 12, 1905 at his home in Chicago. His wife Dolly returned to Canada and died on March 28, 1923, and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery.

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A. RICHARDSON.
Port Perry, July 26, 1876.

Isaac Rodman, Sr.

Pioneer

When Isaac Rodman was born on June 19, 1791, in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England, his father, William, was 20 and his mother, Dorkes, was 20.

He married Sarah Stratton on July 3, 1813, at Wiltshire, England and they had seven children together. She died on June 3, 1834 and was buried at Head Memorial Cemetery, Scugog Island.

He married Mary Scoville, of Quebec, in Upper Canada, and they had six children together. Mary passed way on November 10, 1883.

He died on February 5, 1865, in Scugog Centre, Ontario, at the age of 73.



WILLIAM RODMAN

William Rodman

Scugog Island Settler

William Rodman was born in Manningford Bohune, Wiltshire, England in 1826, one of seven children for his parents, Isaac and Sarah Rodman. The Rodman family sailed to Canada about 1832, eventually landing in York, Home District, a voyage which took about eight weeks.

His father, Isaac, travelled to Scugog, where he purchased and cleared a lot, becoming one of the earliest settlers on the Island. The family stayed in York while he prepared for their arrival, which it thought to have been about 1843.

William married Sarah Jane Doxsee, in Reach Twp., on June 7, 1853. They were parents to seven children. He farmed on Scugog Island for his entire life.

Many a settler had reason to be thankful for the aid of Mr. Rodman's yoke of oxen especially when drawing logs to build his house. In many ways, he helped his new neighbours make a beginnings on the Island.

William Rodman, one of Scugog Island's earlier settlers, died June 23, 1909, in Port Perry, Ontario, having lived a long life of 83 years. He was predeceased by his wife Sarah, 72, on January 5, 1899.

**Rodman was sometimes spelled "Rudman".*

Isaac Rodman

Scugog Island Farmer

Isaac Rodman was born on April 4, 1858, on the farm and homestead of his father, William, and mother, Sarah. When a floating bridge across the lake to Scugog Island was just being completed.

He was 21 when he married Lydia Loving Card in Port Perry on April 4, 1879 in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Port Perry. They had two children together, Orr Grant and Lottie. Lydia, 23, died unexpectedly as a young mother, passing away in August 21, 1883.



ISAAC RODMAN

About ten years later, Isaac married Matilda Ann Reader, on November 8, 1893. They had one child, William Stewart Rodman

Isaac Rodman was one of Scugog's most loved and respected citizens, although his life had challenges. In May 1911, the Rodman's lost their home and barn in a devastating fire, but five weeks later, the community got together for a barn raising on the property. While under construction the new structure was severely damaged when a tornado swept through the township.

He was a devout Methodist, a charter member of the Scugog Agricultural Society, and served on Scugog council for three terms during the 1890s.

Isaac had been in poor health for a lengthy time before he passed away on January 23, 1931 at his homestead. He was 72 when he died, and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

George Lukin Robson

Farmer / Postmaster

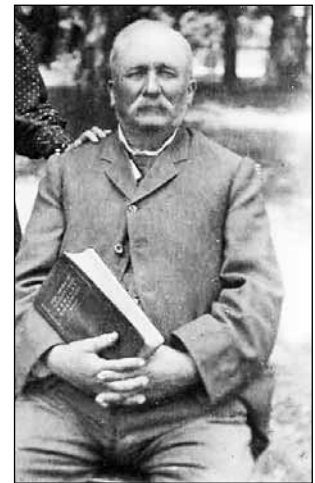
George Lukin Robson was born during 1839 near Markham, on a farm operated by his father William and mother Florence. He grew up helping on the family farm.

When George was 20 years old, on August 9, 1859, he married Celina M. Vernon of Newmarket, Ontario. During their life together George and Celina had four children; William E., Emma Ida, Minnie M. and Lena E. Robson.

Sometime before 1871, the Robson family moved to Reach Township settling on Lot 12, Conc 2. They called their new home "Evergreen Cottage".



George was a farmer, but also a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto and provided veterinary services throughout the township. His home and veterinary office was located at his farm, about two miles south of Manchester



GEORGE L. ROBSON

Although he was a busy man, he loved music and during his time in Prince Albert, he became the music director of the Reach Brass Band. He also served as the Sanitary Inspector for Reach Twp. for a time.

He died on February 11, 1921 of heart failure at his home in Reach Township. He was 82 years of age and was buried at Prince Albert.

Helen Redman

Farmer / Pioneer Politician

Helen Gladys Eastwood was born about 1929, and was living at home with her parents in Whitby when she met Clifford Redman. After they married, the couple settled on the Redman family farm on Scugog Island, which was known as "Spruce Isle Farm".



HELEN REDMAN

The farm property was located on the east side of Island Road, at that head of Scugog Island. Here they milked a herd of dairy cows, with the help of sons John and David.

Helen became an active participant in the Scugog community. She was a member of Rebekah Lodge, and a charter member of both the Lake Scugog Historical Society and Scugog Island Women's Institute. She was also very involved in her church activities and served on the local School Boards.

She became interested in local politics and ran for council in 1965. Helen was elected and became one of the first women to serve on Scugog Island council. Helen was also the last Deputy-Reeve of the Island council before the Region of Durham was formed in 1974. In 1991 Helen was honoured for her commitment to the community by the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship.

Tragedy struck the Redman family in November 1987, when their large historic barn at the top of the Island was completely destroyed by fire, but thankfully the cattle were saved.

Helen Gladys Redman was in her 76th year when she passed away at her home on April 21, 2005. Her husband Clifford predeceased her death.

John & George Raymes

Canada's Oldest Twins



When John Raymes and his twin brother George were born 170 years ago, it was unimaginable that one day they were be hailed as “Canada’s Oldest Twins”.

The brothers, born on April 7, 1851, in Peel, Ontario, were only one-year old when their parents George and Caroline Raymes, moved their entire family of seven children to Prince Albert. They settled on a farm just south of the village and as young men, the “Raymes Twins,” as they became known, worked on the family farm.

As they grew closer to manhood their interest in farming diminished, with both John and George becoming fascinated with steam-powered engines. It was this interest that led them to careers as engineers. George worked for 47 years at Port Perry lumber and grist mills, eventually becoming a supervisor at the Carnegie Milling Company, located along the town’s lakefront.

John, looking for adventure, turned to the open water. For more than 35 years he maintained the engines of steam-driven boats and barges which plied Lake Scugog and the river between Port Perry and Lindsay. One of the brothers also helped maintain the town’s powerhouse, at the lakefront.

George married Margaret Boyd Best on July 10, 1882, in Little Britain, Ontario. The couple had five children. during their life together. John married Mary Jane Hope, on April 13, 1878, in Port Perry, Ontario. They had two daughters during their marriage.

Despite their difference in career paths, after retiring the two brothers spent much of their leisure time together. They saw eye-to-eye on almost everything, including politics, and being active members of the local United Church.

When they turned 90 years old, they were proclaimed to be the “Canada’s Oldest Twins”, and their pictures and story were published in many newspapers across Canada. One Winnipeg newspaper reported, in 1937, that the brothers secret to long life was “plenty of sauerkraut and indifference to birthdays”. John reported they put up a 20 gallon barrel of sauerkraut each year, and that was what makes them last.

George was 93, when he died on March 29, 1946. His twin brother John died one year later, on February 20, 1947. Port Perry’s most famous twins, were buried side by side at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ontario.



Drs. Steven & Elizabeth Russell

Family Physician Team

When Drs. Steven and Elizabeth Russell began working for Medical Associates of Port Perry, they set a couple of “firsts” for the medical community. The couple became the first husband and wife physicians to practice in town, and Elizabeth became the first female doctor in the community.

Steven Russell was raised in Oakville and Elizabeth in Cobourg. After their university studies at University of Western Ontario, for Steven, and Queen’s University for Elizabeth, they both attended the University of Toronto, and it was here they met in 1989. They were married one year later while still working on their medical degrees and since then have raised three children.

After graduating in 1991, the young physicians began their practices in Sioux Lookout and then Dryden, Ontario before settling on Yellowknife, far north in the North West Territories. They returned to Ontario in 1993, and joined the Medical Associates team in Port Perry, where they set up a practice with shared hours, in order to spend time with their young children.

Once settled in the community the Russells immersed themselves into the community, coaching coaching hockey and taking community endeavours. They also worked for Feed The Children Canada, and joined medical missions to Central America to provide health care.

While practicing Dr. S. Russell realized there was a need for a hospice residence for the community and he spent years advocating for such a facility. Finally after receiving government funding work got underway in 2019. In February 2021, Dr. Russell was appointed Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham, its first medical director.



Drs. Elizabeth and Steven Russell

Jamie Lynn Ross

Environmentalist

Jamie Lynn Ross was born in Toronto, Ontario on June 25th, 1943, a son for John and Francine Lynn Ross. He was raised in Toronto and Winnipeg, attending Kelvin High School, United College (University of Manitoba), and York University (MBA).

Jamie went on to become owner and president of Canvasback Management Inc., a company dedicated to the health and conservation of the environment.



JAMIE ROSS

About 2004 he moved to Port Perry, settling on a farm on Scugog Island, and retiring about three years later. He loved his rural property, which abutted the eastern shores of Lake Scugog and vowed it would be his home until his death.

He was a great contributor to his community, sitting on the board of the Scugog Lake Stewards for over a decade where he served as Treasurer, President and Past President. He was also the President of the Board of Directors for Community Living Durham North.

Jamie was an avid outdoorsman with a passion for duck hunting and was a Director with Ducks Unlimited for many years. He was the ultimate host, opening his home to family and friends for countless celebrations.

Jamie was the recipient of the Queen’s Silver Medal Award in 2013 and on January 22, 2014 received the Kawartha Conservation Individual Conservationist Award.

Jamie Lynn Ross was 70 years old when he passed away on January 23, 2014 at Providence Healthcare, Scarborough. A celebration of his life ceremony was held to honour him at the Baagwating Community Centre.

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James Sanders

Carriage Manufacturer

James Sanders was one of the early settlers of Reach Township, arriving in the mid-1840s and opening up a carriage and cutter manufacturing company in Prince Albert.

James was born in February 1800 in Devon, England. It was here he married Mary Blight on February 11, 1830, in Milton Damerel, Devon, England. During their lifetime together they raised six children – Mary, Rosamund, David, Susan Jane and Louisa Jane.

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Prince Albert, Dec. 10, 1857.

Prince Albert, Dec. 10, 1857

He was 45 years old when his wife Mary, and five children immigrated to Canada in 1845, settling in Reach Twp., on a 1.5 acre parcel of land at Lot 16, Conc. 5. It was here their only daughter, Louise Jane was born, the only child born in Canada.

James was an excellent craftsman, and there was high demand for his carriages and cutter. Fifteen years after opening, he secured the assistance of Emamy & White to help with his demand for cutters, buggies and wagons.

It is believed that Mr. Sanders, who was 80 years old, worked building carriages until he became ill and died on June 20, 1880 after a short illness.

Note: Some records show "Sanders" spelled "Saunders"

Hosea Shaw

Pioneer Settler

Hosea Shaw is recorded as being the second pioneer to settle in Reach Township, and among the first to settle near Epsom abpbit 1829. Born in Huntingdon, Quebec, on September 12, 1818, a son for Hosea, Sr., and Mary (Mahala) Shaw, he was educated in Lower Canada before moving to Upper Canada in the early 1830s.

Before the end of the decade he had settled on Con. 6, Lot 6, where constructed a crude home and began clearing the land for farming. He married Elizabeth "Besty" Page of Upper Canada and they had five children while living in Reach Township.

The Shaw family lived and farmed near Epsom until sometime after 1871, but after more than 40 years living in the community, he packed up and moved to the United States.

Hosea Shaw, 77, died at Chandler, Michigan on June 10, 1896. His wife, Elizabeth, 87, died at Chandler on February 25, 1907.

William Sanders

Wagon Maker, Post Master

William Sanders was born in England in 1824 and immigrated to Canada. He settled in Saintfield, Reach Township during the 1860s. Here he began working as a wagon maker and later as a shoe maker.

He and his wife Elizabeth had six children.

In 1865 he was appointed the postmaster for Saintfield and he held this important position for about five years before resigning. After more than 25 years in the village, William Sanders and his family moved to Fenlon, in Victoria County during the late 1880s.

Thomas & Charlotte Shaw

Pioneer Settlers

Thomas and Charlotte Shaw left their home in York (Toronto) in 1841 and made their way to Reach when it was little more than a wilderness. The adventurous young couple and their two infant sons settled on Lots 23 and 24, Conc. 11, becoming the lone pioneers of this remote section of the township. It was more than three months after their arrival before Catherine was to see the face of a white woman.

Thomas was a man of considerable means and great force of character so he was not easily discouraged. He immediately cleared a small piece of land and erected a modest log cabin making it as comfortable as possible for his family.

Not satisfied with this crude home, it was not long before he constructed a more comfortable frame home. This was the first of two homes he built. The next home, built about 1863, was far more stately and for its time was considered the most comfortable, commodious and valuable farm dwelling in the township.

The new frame home featured a widow's walk on top of the roof, surrounded with small paned windows. From the interior the windows were at eye level, providing a fine view in all directions. Originally these observation decks were used by wives awaiting their husbands' return from the fields or trips to town.

Through his sheer energy and perseverance, the wilderness the Shaw's had settled years earlier, was converted into a veritable paradise. No finer lands could be found than the farms possessed by Mr. Shaw, and in his honor the growing community was christened "Shaw's Neighborhood."

By 1846, at his own expense he donated a portion of his land across from their majestic home and erected a log schoolhouse and for many years paid for a teacher. The school became known locally as Shaw's School, and later became a branch of the Methodist Church with Miss Sophia Shaw as a missionary collector.

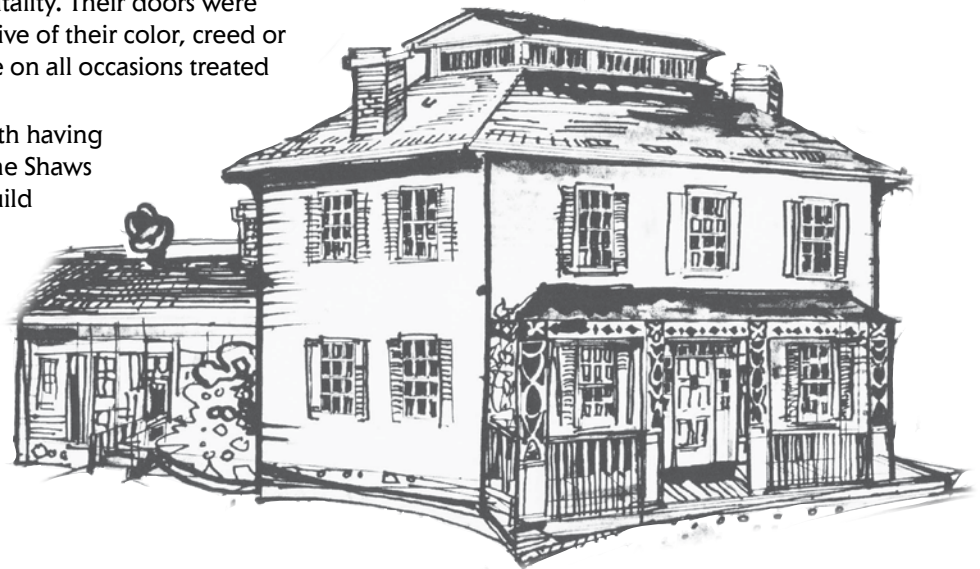
The Shaws owned the first buggy in the township and were noted far and wide for their generosity and hospitality. Their doors were open to all, irrespective of their color, creed or nationality, and were on all occasions treated royally.

Not content with having provided a school, the Shaws continued to help build the community by providing more land for a cemetery near the school, and in 1863 all the neighbors gathered for a bee to raise the Shaw church.

Thomas Shaw was only 51 years old when he died on December 9, 1863, not long after completing the new home for his family. He was buried in Bethel Cemetery, the cemetery he created years earlier beside the Shaw church.

Charlotte Shaw died 38 years later, at the residence of her daughter and son-in-law in Port Perry on Saturday, February 16th, 1901 at 80 years of age. She was survived by three daughters.

Following the death of Mrs. Shaw, an iron box of 17th century construction, the property of the family, was opened and among the contents was a Crown Deed, dated 1817 conveying large portion of the eastern part of Little York (now Toronto) to Mr. Shaw's father, and a letter over one hundred years old.



THOMAS SHAW HOMESTEAD

Alonzo Charles Sexton

Lumber Manger / Hotelkeeper

Alonzo Charles Sexton, was born in Vermont, U.S.A. on October 26, 1822. He was only 20 years old when he and his older brother William immigrated to Canada in 1841. The two brothers made their way to Reach Township by 1850 and William entered into the lumber and milling business in the early 1850s. Alonzo took up a position as manager of the saw mill where he worked faithfully for many year.

On April 12, 1858, Alonzo was married to Susan McCacken, of Darlington Cty., Northumberland, Ont., and they settled into a home on Casimir Street. They raised two daughters, Eliza and Addie, both who never married. His daughter Eliza was librarian for the Port Perry public library.

When his brother's business failed in 1886, Alonzo and his family moved out of their North Street residence and relocated to Scott Township. They settled in the little village of Udora, where he became a hotelkeeper.

Alonzo returned to Reach Township in August 1889 where he leased and operated a Manchester Hotel. Ten years later, when he was about 77 years old, he finally gave up his job as a hotelkeeper in Manchester and returned to Port Perry.

Alonzo remained in the village for the remainder of his life, passing away on November 2, 1904, in the town he had adopted over half a century earlier. He was 82 years old at the time of his death and was described as a devoted husband, kind father and a faithful friend. His wife, Susan, pre-deceased him by eight years.



Alonzo Sexton's home at 289 North Street.

Christopher Sheehey

Inn Keeper

Christopher was born in 1817 in Clare, Ireland and he emigrated about 1836 to Canada with his parents, John and Ann Sheehey (Sheehy), who settled in Mariposa, Victoria County, Ontario. It was here he married Mary Hargrove, on August 2, 1842, and they had five six children over the next eight years.

The family moved to Reach Township about 1871 where Christopher worked as a farm labourer.

It's unknown what happened to his first wife, but when he was 56 years old, on October 13, 1877, he was married in Victoria County to 22 year-old Charlotte Moore, of Port Perry. Once again, what happened to Charlotte is unknown, but Christopher married for a third time in 1881, to Hanna Gibbs, Harwood.

Christopher owned a Tavern stand in the village of Borelia, believed to have been the "Commercial Hotel". The property was located on the southeast corner of Queen and Simcoe Streets and later became known as Sheehey's Hotel.

Over the years the old hotel had deteriorated to a point that it was unfit to be inhabited. Mr. Sheehey had started a major renovations of the building when it caught fire during the night of August 31, 1880. The hotel was completely destroyed and it was reported Sheehey had no insurance.

This is the last record of Christopher Sheehey until his death at Port Perry on April 25, 1898 when he was 81 years old.



William Spear Short

Grocery Merchant

William Spear Short was born in Cornwall, England on February 4, 1871, and immigrated to Canada with his parents, John and Martha Jane Short, about 1877. William was a twin, and one of eight children in the family.

The family settled in Port Hope, Ontario where William's father worked as a hotel keeper. When he was 20 years old, William was working as a clerk in a liquor store in that city.

William was 23 years old, when he married Bertha Dennison, 25, of Oakwood, Ontario, the wedding taking place at Port Perry on September 19, 1894. By this time he had relocated to Port Perry and was working as a liquor merchant in his new home town. He expanded his business to include groceries in 1916, purchased the business of James. L. Forman, who had unexpectedly passed away.

William became very involved in his new community, serving as Chairman of the Board of Education in 1914, and being elected the first president of the Port Perry Board of Trade when it was formed in 1920. He was a member of St. John's Presbyterian Church, the Sons of England and Fidelity Lodge No. 428.

He lived and worked in Port Perry for more than 50 years, and was a great lover of outdoor life, and great open spaces. He particular was happy with his gun and dog by his side.

William Spear Short was 78 when he died on August 12, 1948. A large crowd attended his funeral service, and at the graveside, the brethren of Fidelity Lodge conducted the Masonic service.

W. S. SHORT

Successor to T. C. Forman & Son

"Lifebuoy" Rubber Running shoes

Women's White, 2½ to 6, \$1.10	Child's White, 7 to 10, 75c
Women's Black Sole, 2½ to 6, per pair 90c	Boys' Blue, 1 to 5, 90c
Women's Tango, 3 to 5½, \$1.50	Boys' White, 1 to 5, \$1.10
Misses White, 11 to 2, \$1.00	Men's White, 5½ to 9, \$1.25
	Men's Blue, 6 to 9, \$1.00

Women's Canvas Shoes, in both strap and lace, in black, brown, white. Special per pair \$1.00

Ladies' Classic Shoe, patent vamp, kid top, sizes 3½ to 6, Regular \$4.50 Special Sale Price \$3.50 per pr.

Men's Tan Oxfords, rubber sole and heel, all sizes, Per pair \$4.50

"Capt." Archibald Sinclair

Groceries & Spirits

Archibald Sinclair was born in Islay, Scotland about 1820. He immigrated to Canada with his family the 1830s, when he was in his early teens. They settled around Woodville, Victoria County, and when Archibald.

He married Mary Thompson about 1856 and raised five children during their life together. The family moved to Reach Township and settled in Prince Albert in 1860 and he opened a store about one year later. and opening a store about 1861.

Sinclair's store was known as "The Union", and he provided teas, coffees, seafoods, crockery and sold bottled wines, brandies, and ales "for medical use". He served as a director of the Prince Albert Public Hall Joint Stock Company.

On announcing he was moving to Cannington, Ontario, friends of, "Capt. Sinclair", as

he was known, gathered to honour him with a complimentary supper in October 1871 at Prince Albert. He was highly esteemed in the community and there was regret when it was learned of his removal from the village.

Neil Sinclair lived in Cannington for the remainder of his life. He passed away on August 31, 1880 and was interred at Necropolis Cemetery, Cannington.

TEAS THAT ARE TEAS

AT

A. SINCLAIR'S.

The Subscriber has just received his Fall Stock of

Teas, Coffees, Currants, Almonds, Raisins, Codfish, Herrings, White Fish, Oysters, Lobsters, Sardines, Crockery, Table Cutlery, Coal Oil, and Lamp.

WINES AND SPIRITS, &c.,

which he will Sell Cheap for Cash. Bottled Wines, Brandies, Ale and Porter for Medical use, kept constantly on hand.

Prince Albert, Nov. 13, 1861. (48-4f) ARCH. SINCLAIR.

Neil Sinclair

Hotel Inn Keeper 1857-1866

Neil Sinclair came to Canada about 1833, when he was only three years old, emigrating with his parents from their home in Scotland. A few years after settling in Toronto, the family moved to Reach Township.

He was only 22 years old when he married Elizabeth McMullen in Reach Township on March 4, 1852. The couple had a large family of six children – Mary C., Margaret, Andrew, James K., Neil S., Hugh J.

About the same time, Neil Sinclair took over the Commercial Hotel in Borelia and operated it until 1866. The Commercial Hotel was operated from a corner lot on the southeast side of Simcoe and Queen Street.

In August 1866 he announced he had refurnished the Railroad House hotel in Port Perry. The hotel was located the south side of Queen Street, in the centre of the village.

THE RAILROAD HOUSE
PORT PERRY.
N. SINCLAIR, - - - PROPRIETOR.

THE Subscriber begs to state that having re-furnished the above establishment, the travelling public will find it to be a most comfortable home.

Good Stabling, attentive Ostlers, and the best of accommodation are always at the service of our customers.

The Bar is kept constantly supplied with Liquors of the choicest brands.

Parties wishing to enjoy a day or two of Fishing or hunting on Lake Scugog can always be accommodated with good boats and Fishing Tackle.

N. SINCLAIR.

Port Perry, August 8, 1866. 1-tf.

During his 25 years in the community he proved himself to be honourable in his dealing and had a large circle of friends.

Neil was taking ice into his ice-house when he encountered a serious accident. A large block of ice fell across his body, causing a severe injury. Neil Sinclair died four weeks later, on April 8, 1875. He was only 45 years old.

A funeral was held at the family residence in Port Perry, followed by a procession of family and friends to Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

After his death the hotel was rented to tenants, but the family held onto the property until after the death of Elizabeth in 1912. It was then it was sold to the federal government for a site for a new post office.



BEVERLEY SMALLMAN

Dr. Beverley N. Smallman

Entomologist

Before becoming one of Canada's most respected entomologists, Dr. Beverly Northcott Smallman called Port Perry his home. Born December 11, 1913, he was one of four children raised by well respected parents, Benajamin and Ethel Smallman. As a young man he attend both public and high schools in Port Perry before attending Western University.

In April 1936, Dr. B.N. Smallman was appointed Instructor of Biology at Western University, London, Ontario. About the same time he met a young woman, Katherine Hazel Mayne, of London, Ont., who he married on December 11, 1937. They had two children during their marriage. She died on August 6, 1962 at 50 years of age.

As Dr. Smallman's reputation grew, he was in constant demand. In 1954 he and his family moved to England for 18 months working at the National Insititue of Medical Research, and upon his return was appointed Chief of Etymology Science Service in Ottawa. The department operated with about 250 profession scientists in 20 laboratories.

In 1963 he returned to his alma mater in London, Ontario, being appointed head of the Biology Department at Queen's University. The honours continued and in 1982 he received an Honourary Doctor of Laws Degree from Trent University in Peterbough.

Beverley N. Smallman died in 2005 at the age of 92, and was buried in his hometown, at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Dana Smith

Retail Jeweller

Dana Smith had no intentions of launching a career in the jewellery business when she was a young woman, but fate intervened and since 1995 she has owned and operated one of the most respected jewellery stores in the region.



DANA SMITH

Dana Louise Smith was born on January 22, 1970, the only girl of three children for Donald and Gloria Forder. She has two brother, Joe and Chris. Her father owned and insurance company and her mother was a teacher and musician.

Dana is a life-long resident of Port Perry. She received her education at R.H. Cornish public school, Port Perry High School and George Brown College. She continued her education becoming a Gemmologist and CAD jewellery design through nigh and correspondence courses.

At 24 years of age, Dana was married to Dean Smith on May 14, 1994, but later separated. They raised two children together, Dylan and Delaney.

After early beginnings in her parents basement, Dana opened her first storefront in 1992, in a cramped space on Queen St., but it was only three years later that she moved her store, Dana's Goldsmithing" into a building at 186 Queen Street, purchased by her parents. She later purchased the building from her parents and has operated her business from this location for more than 25 years.

Looking to expand, Dana opened a second store at the west end of Queen Street in 2006. She called her new store "Silverside of Dana's" and specialized in the sale of Canadian designed silver jewellery. The store became an immediate success, motivating her to expand with another Silverside in Kingston. Both these stores were later closed.

Despite her busy life as a jewellery entrepreneur Dana has given back to her community, through generous contributions and volunteering for her entire career. She has been a director of the Port Perry BIA almost two decades, member of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce since she opened business and currently a member of the Port Perry Hospital Foundation.

Each year for the past 20 years, she has designed a 'Christmas Angel', donating more than \$80,000 for the Port Perry Hospital Foundation from its sale. She has also designed a 'dragonfly' pendant from which she donates proceeds to "Dragon Flies" Dragon Boat Festival, for breast cancer research.

Dana is not one to look for accolades, but Dana has received numerous recognitions from both her peers and her community. Her business was twice selected as the "Business of The Year" by the Scugog Chamber of Commerce; and the Canadian Jewellery Group named her with the "Retailer of the Year" in 2014. Port Perry Rotary Club recognized her contributions to the town, awarding her the prestigious Paul Harris Rotary Award, and she has been inducted into the Scugog Mayor's Honour Roll.

With all the success Dana Smith has achieved in her thirty plus years in business, it's not surprising she his most proud of being a positive role model and giving back to the community.



Dana's Goldsmithing, 1998.
186 Queen St., Port Perry.

Irwin Smith

Winery & Musician

Growing up in rural Scugog, Irwin Smith showed little interest in farming, so rather than get involved in his parents, Lloyd and Ruby Smith, extensive purebred Holstein cattle operation he pursued a career in the field of music.

Already a talented musician and singer, he gained experience playing small venues in churches, the curling club and dance halls around the township for a number of years.

In 1978, he expanded his love of music by opening Irwin Smith Music, at 191 Queen St., Port Perry. He and his wife Alissa operated from this location four years, before moving into a large historic home on the northwest side of Queen and Simcoe Street.

In 1995, Irwin and his wife Alissa moved to the family farm, south of Port Perry and undertook a new and exciting venture. They opened Ocala Orchards Farm Winery on the 100 acre farm originally settled by Irwin's grandparents, George and Ella Smith, in 1915.

Irwin and Alissa operated a successful winery at the family farm for almost 20 years, hosting dozens of events. In 2002 Ocala Orchards Winery was honoured by the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, as "Business of the Year".

In 2017, the Smith's sold Ocala Wineries and moved into his parents former home in Port Perry.

In addition to his business involvement, Irwin always found time to give back to his community. He spent more than 10 years on the Port Perry Agricultural Society, served as a board member and chairman of the Scugog Hydro Commission; was chairman of the Town Hall theatre's fundraising committee, and assisted in productions by the Scugog Choral Society. And in his spare time he also tunes pianos.

Since retiring from the winery, Irwin with organ and repertoire of more than 250 songs, has returned to entertaining at gatherings throughout the township.



IRWIN SMITH



Irwin Smith Music, 1979.
191 Queen St., Port Perry.

Victor P. Stouffer

Printer / Musician

Victor "Vic" Stouffer learned the printing and publishing business from a young age, working at the North Ontario Observer newspaper office for his grandfather Henry Parsons. In addition to his interest in printing, he also was attracted to music. His father was an accomplished musician and music teacher.

Victor Parsons Stouffer was born on September 28, 1901, in Newmarket, the only child for his parents Andrew and Florence. He was a young teenager when the family move to Port Perry, and after completing school began working at the Observer office as a printer. When the Observer ceased publication in December 1919 and Vic continued to operate a printing office and eventually bought the Queen St. building.

Vic Stouffer was an outstanding violin player who performed at various functions in the area. He also led the town band for many years and was the choir director at the United Church for 16 years, resigning his position in November 1939. He became well respected in the community, and for years after he retired from business, tuned pianos throughout the township and beyond.

On May 11, 1936, Vic Stouffer, married Helen Mellow, the daughter of well-known and respected Port Perry physician Samuel J. Mellow. They had no children, but lived comfortably on Bigelow Street.



"VIC" STOUFFER

Robert T. Stillman

Dairy Product Manufacturer

Robert Stillman only spent a short time in Port Perry, but his few years set him on a course to become a leader in the milk and cheese industries of Ontario.

He was born on July 27, 1873 in Campbellford, Ontario, and as a young man became interested in dairy farming, eventually becoming a cheese-maker in Cavan, Ontario.

At 24 years of age, while living in Cavan, he met Evaline Holmes and married the young woman on April 4, 1899, at the Blackstock home of her parents, James and Maria Holmes. They had two children during the life together.

About 1901, R.T. Stillman purchased the Port Perry Creamery, although he continued to live in Cartwright Township. The local newspaper reported in July 1902, that Mr. Stillman had rapidly increased the output of the creamery, reaching an output of \$8,500 pounds of butter for export.

Then unexpectedly in February 1903, Stillman sold his creamery to James Stonehouse, and purchased a Port Perry agricultural implement business. This too was a short enterprise, with him selling the business just four months later and moved from the locality to Brantford, where he continued in the same business for more than 20 years.

He later moved to Toronto and later to Mimico where he became president of Hillside Dairies Ltd. He was prominent throughout his life in the dairy industry, serving as treasurer of the Ontario Milk Distributor's Association, and president of the Ontario Creamery Association.

Robert Thomas Stillman died on December 16, 1943.

George Stone

High School Teacher

George Stone was born on July 11, 1856, in Wick, Brock Township, Ontario, a son for John, a farmer and drover, and Harriet (Roach) Stones. He was one of five children in the family.

He received his elementary education at Wick; high school in Uxbridge, and normal school in Toronto, and was teaching public school before he was 18 years old. He taught public school in Beamsville and Waterdown before accepting a position at Port Perry High School in 1884.



GEORGE STONE

He was a man thoroughly trained in mathematics and it was at the local high school he became the Mathematical Master. Because of the system of teaching he put into effect, many students owe much to him for their start in life, some of whom went on to become leaders in their career choices.

He was living in Cannington, Ontario when he was married to Eliza Jane Wallace about 1883. They had two children, Herbert Howard, and Clarence Leroy. She was 55, when she died on February 16, 1918.

George was a teacher for 40 years at Port Perry High School, and although not much is known about his personal life, he was respected among his teaching colleagues. In 1883, when he started teaching at the local high school, he received a salary of \$850. He later became vice-principal of the high school.

Mr. Stone was a valued member of the United Church, and

He and his wife Eliza resided in a beautiful Victorian home, at 404 Queen Street, across from the high school for the final 12 years of his teaching career.

In April 1923, Mr. Stone and his principal, Dugald McBride were both recognized for the dedicated service to teaching and were presented life memberships in the Ontario Secondary Teacher's Federation.

About a year later, Mr. Stone announced he would retire from teaching at the end of his term, and in May 1924, he was honoured at a dinner by the Board of Education on his retirement after 40 years teaching at Port Perry High School. A presentation of an inscribed cane was presented by a former student Major General James MacBrien.

George Stone died on June 26, 1931, at Toronto General Hospital, following surgery. A funeral service was held at the family home and he was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

George S. Stone

Real Estate Agent

George Stanley Stone, a well known Real Estate Broker, and lifetime resident of Greenbank and Port Perry, passed away peacefully on February 15, 1994, after a long and courageous battle with cancer, at the age of 63.

Born on April 26, 1930, in Greenbank, Ontario, he was the third son of Jason Campbell Stone and Eva Isabella (Leask) Stone. He attended public school in Saintfield, and graduated from Port Perry High School in 1948. As an active community of the Greenbank community, he became a member of Session of the United Church and was Sunday School superintendent.

He married Ruth Doherty on July 5, 1943 and raised three children, Daniel, Paul and Jane-Anne.

In 1952, he took over the family farm, and operated it for eight years. He then built and operated Cedar Stone Park over the next four years, while also working as a guard at the Whitby Jail.

In June of 1964, George obtained his real estate license, and went to work for H. Keith Ltd., in Port Perry. During that time he was awarded the Top Salesman Award for three consecutive years.

Eight years later, in 1972, after earning his real estate license he opened his own real estate company, and served the Scugog community as a Real Estate Broker and land developer for over 20 years.

George's interest in sports and his commitment to the community led him to become a sponsor of PeeWee hockey, and he watched proudly as his team won the All Ontario championship three times. He also loved sailing, curling, and was an avid baseball fan.

He was an active member of the Rotary Club for 14 years, and received Rotary's top honour, the Paul Harris Fellow Award in 1992.

Although faced with an uphill battle, George possessed an inner strength that allowed him to fight his illness day by day. Not for a moment did he think of giving up.

A service was held to honour the life of George Stone at the Wagg Funeral Home, Port Perry, and was interred in the Greenbank Cemetery.



GEORGE STONE



George Stone Real Estate.

Herbert Howard Stone

Tailor

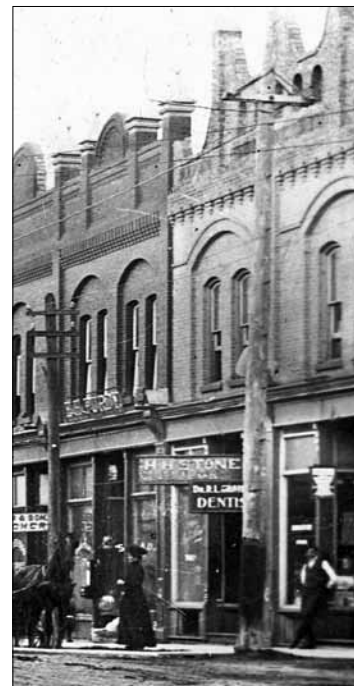
When Herbert Howard Stone was born on March 23, 1883, in Cannington, Ontario, his father, George, who was a teacher, was 27 and his mother, Eliza, was 20. He had one brother, Clarence Leroy.

Not long after he was born, the Stone family moved to Port Perry in 1883, and his father took up a teaching position at Port Perry High School. He was educated in the village public and high schools.

When he was only 21 years of age, in 1904 he purchased the tailoring business of Mr. John H. Doubt. Over the next fifty years, provided tailoring services and gents furnishing to the residents of Port Perry and Reach Township.

He was 34 years old when he married Edna Alberta Davis on May 24, 1917, in York, Ontario. They had three children during their marriage, George, Grace and Mary Stone.

Herbert Howard Stone, passed away at Fairview Lodge, Whitby on Sunday, April 7, 1963. He was in his 81st year. A funeral was held at the McDermott-Panabaker Chapele, Port Perry, with interment at Pine Grove Cemetery.



L. & J. Stouffer

Milliners

Information about Misses L. & J. Stouffer is limited, but their entry into the business world, shows that it was not only men who opened business during the last century.

After extensive research, we learn that "L. & J." were sisters, Laura and Jean Stouffer, who were born in Stouffville, Ontario – Laura in 1872 and Jean in 1875. No further information was located about their family, other than they were of Dutch descent.

The two young women appear to have arrived in Port Perry during March 1900, moving into a boarding home, and setting up shop on Queen Street.

By the end of the month they advertised the opening of a new Millinery and Dressmaking Emporium in the Blong Block. They officially opened on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 3 and 4, 1900.



Misses Stouffer promised to show off the latest London, Paris and New York styles, as well as introduce the public to their fully equipped dress making department.

After operating a successfully business for six years, the community was surprised to learn the young entrepreneurs were selling out their stock, and would be closing their shop on July 15, 1906.

An article in the newspaper explained that Miss J. Stouffer had accepted a job "in the far western domains of Uncle Sam which necessitated the disposal of the business and stock of the store".

Research shows Jean Stouffer crossed the border into the USA at Port Huron on July 2, 1906 and settled in Denver, Colorado. Here she performed secretarial duties for a number of companies. On June 16, 1923, Jean Stouffer married Alton Hutchins Perkins and remained in the United States for the remainder of her life.

No records can be found to determine where Laura Stouffer went after closing the shop and leaving Port Perry.

LADIES...
while our

Millinery Creations

Are of Elegant Design, of the Latest Style, and made of the Richest Stuffs, we desire it to be known that there will be no fancy prices—

WE SELL AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE FIGURE

We have on show a splendid lot of Hats for the Fall and Winter Season and nearly all are our own product. The autumnal tints are shown strikingly in a number of the newest creations.

Our Dressmaking Department is crammed with orders.

L. & J. STOFFER

Advertisement February 1902.

William Scott

Hotel Keeper

William Scott was born in Upper Canada about 1849. Little is known of him before he was married to Anne Cordelia Fowle about 1849. She was a native of the East Indies and their first child, Caroline was born there in 1850. In all they had 10 children.

He was a tavern keeper at Scott's Saloon on Dundas Street, Whitby during the late 1850s, before moving to Prince Albert, to take over the Victoria Hotel in September 1861. The Victoria was located on Simcoe Street in the village and during the years he owned the hotel it became known locally as Scott's Hotel.

Of two hotels in Prince Albert, Scott's was said to be the most popular, doing a thriving business, not only in liquors, but also in hotel trade, providing farmers who came to town frequently a place to stay all night.

After leaving Prince Albert, in June 1873 moved to Oshawa where he leased the Lockhart House (formerly Hinds' Hotel) on King Street. It's unknown how long he was in Oshawa before the family relocated to Hamilton, Ontario.

It was in Hamilton, both he and his wife spent the rest of their lives. William Scott was retired, and 69 years old when he died on May 13, 1898. His wife Anne Cordelia passed away on October 23, 1903. They were both interred in Hamilton.

Victoria Hotel,
AND GENERAL STAGE OFFICE,
SIMCOE STREET, PRINCE ALBERT,
WM SCOTT, Proprietor,
Successor to William Boynton.

Cyrus W. Switzer

Blacksmith

Cyrus Warner Switzer was born in Uxbridge, Ontario in October 1871, a son for his parents Sidney and Sheila Switzer. The Switzers were farmers, and Cyrus worked on the family farm until he took up blacksmithing, in his early 20s.

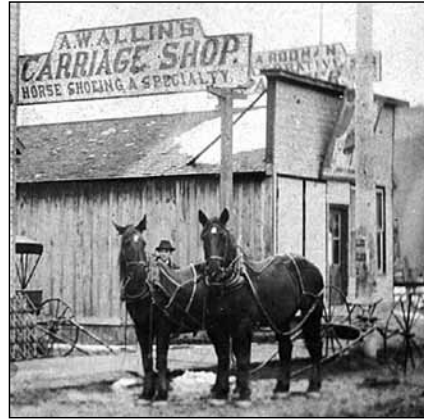
When he was 23, when he met Georgina Frances Finley, of Coboconk, Ontario, and they were married in that village on November 14, 1896. By this time he had an established blacksmith shop in Coboconk. The raised seven children during their time together.

The young couple moved to Port Perry about 1899, making the village home for the rest of their lives. Cyrus established a blacksmith shop on Queen St., and about 1910 opened another shop on Perry St., in the former A.W. Allin Carriage Shop building. He operated both locations for a few years before selling the Queen St. shop to Percy Graham in 1914.

As a successful businessman, Cyrus eyed the future, and took on the Massey Harris dealership in 1921, and began selling implement from his blacksmith shop.

Ice racing during the winter on Lake Scugog was a very popular event, attracting people from all over Ontario and parts of the United States, and Cyrus Switzer was regarded as the finest blacksmith for shoeing the horses for the ice racing on Lake Scugog.

Cyrus W. Switzer was 85 when he died on May 7, 1956, Port Perry, Ont. His wife, Georgina, predeceased him January 10, 1945. They were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



Cyrus Switzer purchased the former A.W. Allin's Carriage shop in 1910.

Cornelius "Neil" Sweetman

Farmer / Politician

Cornelius Sweetman spent the greater part of his life on Scugog Island, before moving to Port Perry to become one of its leading citizens.

Cornelius "Neil" Sweetman was born on the homestead of his parents, Patrick and Phoebe (Wanamaker) Sweetman on January 16, 1868. He attended elementary school on the Island while working with his father on the family farm. He did this until his retirement during the First World War, due to scarcity of labour.

Neil, as he was most commonly known, married Laura Smith, of Mariposa, on February 19, 1902 in Victoria County. They had one son during their years together, Earle Smith Sweetman.



NEIL SWEETMAN

During their years living on the Island, the Sweetmans carried on the farm, until Neil decided to retire from farming when he was about 52 years old. Neil and Laura relocated to Port Perry about 1920, settling in a home on Queen St. Comfortable in his new surroundings, Neil took an active part in his new community, finding a niche in municipal life. He became a member of the Port Perry council in 1924, and served as Reeve of the village, from 1925 to 1927.

He was also a support of the Port Perry, Reach and Scugog Agricultural Society, serving as its secretary for a number of years.

Cornelius Neil Sweetman, 76 died on November 5, 1944 at Oshawa General Hospital. A service was held at the family residence with burial at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

His wife, Laura passed away on December 8, 1963.

Stephen Scoville

Early Scugog Settler

Stephen Oliver Scoville was born on August 12, 1781, in Connecticut, USA. His parents were among the United Empire Loyalists who moved to Quebec during the 1870s, after being granted land in that province. They settled in Brome, Quebec, about 60 miles southeast of Montreal.

Stephen was about 24 years old when he married Rebecca Judith Gillman, 22, of Bedford, Quebec, during 1805. Records indicate they had ten children from this marriage.

The Scoville's moved to Scugog Island about 1834, and were among the earliest settlers on the Island. It's not known where he lived initially, but in 1846 Stephen purchased Lot 23, Concession 7, of the township, cleared and farmed the land.

In addition to farming his property, an 1851 census shows him as also being a carpenter. No other information has been found about his life.

Stephen Oliver Scoville was 87 years old when he died on February 26, 1869. He was interred in the cemetery named in his honour, Scoville Cemetery, located at the north end of the family property. His wife, Rebecca, was 87 when she passed away on February 28, 1870.

Stewart M. Sweetman

Car Dealership Owner

Stewart McDermott Sweetman was born on May 28, 1909, in Toronto, Ontario to parents Arthur Finley, 26 and Ellen Gertrude, 24.

Stewart was 32 years old when he married Mary Eleanor Carter, of Picking, Ontario. They married on July 4, 1931, in the village of Kleinburg. At the time of their marriage, Stewart's occupation was a truck driver, as was his father. Stewart and Mary raised six children - Eleanor, Carol, Keith, Thelma, Beverley, Peter.

Stewart and Mary and the family settled on Scugog Island about 1940, later moving into Port Perry. A year after coming to Scugog, he started Sweetman Transport after purchasing a small local transport company. He later purchased a garage on Water Street, and opened Sweetman's Service Station, where he and a partner became the authorized dealer for Volkswagen cars in 1962. One year later, Stewart held an open house at his garage to celebrate becoming an authorized dealership for Chrysler products.

While Stewart operated his garage, in 1948 his wife Mary started Sweetman's Taxi service, operating out of storefront on Queen St. She purchased a rival taxi company operated by Charles Brignall in 1969. She sold her business in 1978 after operating it for 30 years. Stewart sold his Sweetman Motors Ltd. and Chrysler dealership in November 1969 and retired after he had operated in Port Perry for more than 25 years.

Stewart McDermott Sweetman died on August 7, 1976, in Port Perry, Ontario, at the age of 67. His wife Mary was 77 when she died on March 19, 1988.



STEWART SWEETMAN



Mary Sweetman with her taxi in 1972.



Sweetman's Service Station, Water St., Port Perry.

Warren & Tracey Strong

Framing Gallery Owners

The Framer's Gallery was started as a family business in 1976 by Burton and Rhoda Strong. but for more than 30 years it has been operated by the Strong's son Warren, and his wife, Tracey.

Warren Strong was born in Toronto in 1962 and Tracey in Newmarket in 1965, and while Warren was educated at Blackstock High School, Tracey was attending Port Perry High School. They both attended college following their high school education, Warren at Seneca and Tracey at Durham College.



WARREN & TRACEY STRONG

It wasn't until the mid-1980s they met, after being introduced by friends while working in downtown Port Perry, and in 1986 they were married in Blackstock. Since then they have raised two children, Alexander and Shelby.

Both Warren and Tracey are dedicated to their business, which operates from a small storefront at 233 Queen St., Port Perry, providing high quality custom framing, and sales of artist prints. Both Warren and Tracey have achieved the Professional Picture Framer designation from The International Professional Picture Framers Association.

In addition to their dedication to their business, they have both volunteered their time to the community, with Warren serving as a Director and President of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, and Treasurer of the Port Perry BIA. Tracey has also given of her time, service as a director of the PP BIA for three years.

The Framer's Gallery was the recipient of the Business of the Year Award from the Scugog Chamber of Commerce in 2008. Forty Five years after opening business, The Framer's Gallery continues to serve the residents and artistic community of Scugog and the surrounding area.

James Squire

Tailor

James Squire spent more than 20 years in Reach Twp., and Port Perry working at his trade and becoming one of the most respected tailors in the district.

Born in Lifton, Devonshire, England in 1819, and became worked as a tailor before immigrated to Canada. He arrived at an unknown date, but eventually settled in the north of Whitby Township.

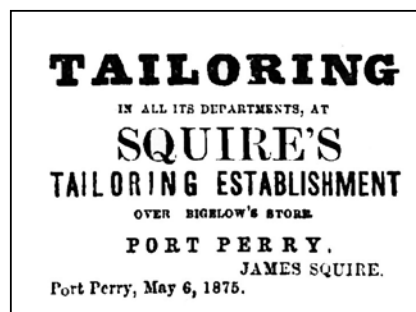
About 1855, while still living in Whitby, he opened his first tailoring shop in Port Perry, providing fashions for the residents of the town and surrounding hamlets.

He was an ambitious man, opening tailoring locations in Manchester and Prince Albert during the 1860s, before settling down to one location in Port Perry. In October 1871, he announced he had removed his business from Manchester to Port Perry, and rented rooms in the Ross Block to continue his business.

Mr. Squires appears to have devoted his entire life to his business as a tailor, and appears not to have taken part in any of the town's political or institutional events. By the mid-1878, there were at least four tailors advertising businesses in the local newspapers, which many have prompted Mr. Squires to close and find a new location.

The Squire family left Port Perry during mid-1878, and settled in Penetanguishene, Ontario, where James opened a new tailoring establishment. It was here he continued his work as a tailor until his death in 1883.

James Squire was 65 years old when passed away from blood poisoning, on June 16, 1883, in Pentanguishene.



James Squires advertisement, 1875.

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Sandra Taylor

Retail Sales & Insurance

Sandra Bradley was attending Brampton High School when she met Jerome Taylor and after graduating they were married on February 20, 1956 at the Malton United Church. Four boys were born and raised by the Taylors.

It was while living in a farmhouse near Brampton, that their interest in farming was aroused by working part-time on the farm. This prompted them to purchase a 200 acre farm on Head Rd., Scugog Island in 1966. It was here they settled into a small red brick century home and worked side by side for a number of years, milking a herd of 50 cows, and raising their family.



SANDRA TAYLOR

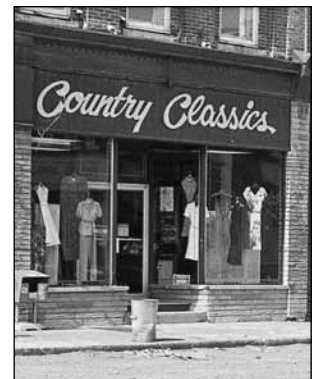
As the boys grew older, Sandra decided to venture into the retail clothing business, opening a shop called "Country Village Pant & Top Shoppe", on Water Street in 1974. She operated this store for about two years before moving to 183 Queens St., and opening a casual ladies wear store call "Country Classics". She sold her interest in the store about 1979 to take up other interests.

The following year, they sold their Scugog Island farm, and Sandra and Jerry enrolled in an insurance course. They both graduated with their general insurance licenses and opened D.J. Taylor Insurance on Water Street. Here they worked as a team once again, building a very respected and successful business.

Requiring more room, they purchased and renovated a building on North St., where they worked until they retired from the insurance agency twenty years later.

About a decade after retiring from business, Sandra opened "Taylor & Company Interiors" at 96 North Port Rd., in April 2011. The business dealt in consignment furniture, vintage and antique items. As the business grew, they moved back to downtown Port Perry. Here they purchased and renovated a building at 239 Queen St., and opened a full retail furniture and home decor products. This popular store operated for about six years before closing.

Sandra Taylor retired, after more than 35 years operating stores in retail clothing, general insurance and furnishings. Despite all the time she spent in business she also found time to be a member of the Scugog U.C.W., the Port Perry Curling Cub and the Scugog Chamber of Commerce, and to support her children in their school and sporting interests.



Country Classics, 1980.
183 Queen St., Port Perry.

John Tennyson

Union Hotel Proprietor

John Tennyson was born at Yorkshire, England in 1818 and came to Canada as a young man, settling in Ontario North. He married Charlotte Plank, 17, in Uxbridge, Ontario on May 14, 1844 and they had 13 children during their marriage.

John and Charlotte settled in Reach Township following their marriage and he worked as a farmer. John advertised that he was the new proprietor of the Union Hotel, Manchester in 1871. It is speculated his becoming a hotelkeeper may have been encouraged by his father-in-law, Uxbridge pioneer John P. Plank, who built the first inn and tavern in that town about 1828.

How long he remained the proprietor of the Union Hotel is unknown.

John Tennyson died at his home in Reach Township on November 24, 1896.



LARRY TAYLOR

Larry Taylor

Ford Dealership Owner

Larry Widner Taylor was born on March 21, 1946, the only son of Robert Bruce and Dorothy Maureen Taylor, of Stouffville. Larry has one sister, Glenda.

Larry attended elementary school at SS#9, Uxbridge Township, and Uxbridge High School, before attending Centennial College.

He was 27 years old when he met Francis "Fran" Jean Andrews and they were married on November 2, 197, at Goodwood, Ontario. They raised one son, Kenton "Kent" Bruce Taylor.

Larry began his working career as an auto mechanic in Stouffville, eventually becoming manager of the Oshawa Firestone Tire company.

He and his wife moved to Scugog Township in 1973, and two years later they opened Taylor's Texaco on the north side of Hwy. 7A, at the corner of Wilbur St. in Port Perry.

Looking to expand his business, in 1980 they moved their business to the west end of town, purchasing the former William's Motors property and here he opened Taylor's Gulf and Auto. It later became known as Taylor's Petro Canada.

Due to his success in business, he was approved to take on the Ford franchise dealership and 1987 he undertook another name change, this time becoming Taylor Ford Mercury. He is proud to have been presented Ford Canada's "President's Award" on ten occasions.

The Taylors, now with their son Kent in the company, began construction of a large new Ford dealership on the south side of Hwy. 7A, which was expected to open in 2021.

While Larry did not have time to become actively involved in any local organizations, he was a generous supporter of the community through sponsorships, donations, etc.

Larry and Fran have been residents and business persons of the community for the past 47 years. Their son Kent is poised to assume ownership, when as Larry and Fran feel it is time to retire.



Larry, Fran and Kent Taylor
October 27, 1987.

Michael Tooley

Revere House Innkeeper

Michael Tooley was living in Whitby East, when he became the seventh owner of the Revere House in Manchester, in May 1896. When he was 30 years old, he married Lizzie Galaway of Oshawa on June 12, 1899, and although it appears as if he may never have lived at Manchester, records show in 1898 he was operating a general store in the village, which may have also served as the location of the Revere House.

He was reported to have come to Manchester, well recommended, and that patrons of the hotel would find everything up-to-date. A year after taking over as innkeeper, he decorated the sitting room with life size portraits of all the businessmen in Manchester. The hotel became known locally as Tooley's Hotel as it gained in popularity.

But Mr. Tooley, like many of the tavern owners, ran into problems about a year later, being fined \$20 for selling liquor after the 10 o'clock deadline for selling spirits.

In May 1899 the Revere House and all its out building were destroyed by fire. A newspaper reported, "Local option has come into Reach with a vengeance. Tuesday night, the second day after the expiration of the license year, the hotel (Revere House) at Manchester, with sheds and an adjacent blacksmith shop, was burned down. The fire occurred about one o'clock and we hear the occupants had barely time to escape, let alone saving the contents".

An investigation was held into the fire at which 12 witnesses were examined. In the end, the insurance company carrying the risk paid Mr. Tooley the full amount. Two years later, Mr. Tooley was listed as a hotel keeper in Peterborough, Ontario.

Benjamin Irwin Tripp

Service Station Operator

Irwin Tripp was born on August 19, 1906 at their families residence in Brock Township. He was one of 10 children for Alton and Florence May (Martin) Tripp. The Tripp family later moved to Reach Township, where as of 1921, the boys all worked on the family farm.

Irwin was married to Cora Velma Gerrow, of Scugog Island, and at some point they moved into a home in Port Perry. They had two children during the life together, Dorothy and George Tripp.

Irwin entered into the service station business in 1934 on Water Street, beside the Port Perry Dairy. His garage, which sold Supertest gasoline, was located at the corner of Water and Mary Street.

In 1952, Irwin leased space in his garage to Bryden Motors, who took on the local dealership for Chevrolet and Oldsmobile.



IRWIN TRIPP



Irwin Tripp's first station, beside the Port Perry Dairy.

In March 1956 he sold his garage to Robert Archer, who operated Archer Motors, the authorized dealer for Pontiac, Buick and GMC trucks. He then moved to a new location at the corner of Union Ave. and 7A Hwy., where he continued as a Supertest station until selling it to Charles Reesor in September 1966.

Benjamin Irwin Tripp died on April 2, 2001 in Port Perry and was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery. His wife Cora, lived to 100 years old, before passing away in Oshawa, September 8, 2020. They were both laid to rest at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

William G. Tripp

Developer

William George Tripp was born on June 7, 1921, on a Shirley Rd. farm south of Port Perry, into a family of 10 children for and his parents Alton Edwin and Florence May (Martin) Tripp. When he was old enough, he attended the Shirley Road schoolhouse, finishing Grade 8 in 1934.

After leaving school Bill worked on the farm with his father, later moving to Quebec where he worked on a horse farm. Following the death of his father in 1941, he returned to work the farm again.

Bill was 25 years old when he married Leona Mae Lambe in 1946, at the parsonage at Blackstock, Ont.

They had four children during their marriage; Linda, William (Bill), Susan and Helen.



WILLIAM "BILL" TRIPP

While on the family farm he undertook a large tree cutting job which made enough money to start Tripp Construction about 1950. His company created many canals south of the causeway during the winter, and after ten successful years in construction, he sold the business to his brother Joe.

In 1957 he purchased five lots and the railway right-of-way along Water St. The lots, abutting Lake Scugog, were the site of the town dump and he was contracted to supply dirt fill to cover and level the dump. Years later the newly claimed land became the lakefront baseball diamonds.

Next Bill started buying and selling real estate and over his career

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accumulated properties all in many area throughout Durham Region. On one of the Port Perry properties he purchased, along the south shore of Lake Scugog, he constructed a laundromat, carwash and two restaurants, Conway Gardens and Bayshore Take-Out. He also developed land at Scugog Point and Pine Court, and the South Gate Mall, on Simcoe St., just south of Port Perry.



Conway (Gardens) Place, 1989

His interests, aside from his business career included being a faithful member of the Oddfellows Lodge from 1950 until his death in 2014. He enjoyed reading, and loved to tinker in his workshop.

William G. Tripp died on August 20, 2014, in his home on Ottawa St., Port Perry at the age of 93. His wife Leona predeceased him on June 14, 2012. Both were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

William Tummonds

Farmer, Merchant

William Tummonds was born near Bath, Ontario On October 16, 1836. His parents were William, 27, and Martha, 26, when he was born. He married Elizabeth Dure on February, 7, 1871 and they had two children during their marriage.

For years he farmed in the Township of Reach. He disposed of his Reach farm to his brother and went to Toronto, where he was in business for four years before returning to Port Perry in 1877, purchasing a block of land on Queen Street, opposite the post office building.



WILLIAM TUMMONDS

Mr. Tummonds conducted his "West End Grocery & Provision Emporium store on the south-east corner of Queen and John Streets for about 35 years. His residence was connected to the store. His was the only store left standing at the after the big fire of July 1884, which destroyed the entire business section of downtown Port Perry.

Following the fire, Mr. Tummonds was accused, by some in the community of, "taking advantage of the adverse circumstances in which the town has been placed by the late fire, because, being the only store in this place, advanced the price of many of the necessities of life as high as 50, 75, and 100 per cent." He advertised an offer of

\$100 to anyone who could prove that he charged more for an article after the fire, but there was no evidence to show this was the case.

Ironically, after escaping destruction by the great fire of 1884, the building was destroyed by fire in December 1933.

During the early 1900s, Mr. Tummonds purchased the old fair grounds property, a plot of 30 acres, and operated it as a farm until he sold it to the town for athletic and fair purposes.

He was a good public citizen, enterprising and public spirited. Despite being incapacitated with blindness the last few years of his life, he held a keen interest in public affairs.

William Tummonds was in his 77th year when he passed away on Thursday, April 30, 1914. He was laid to rest at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert, Ontario. He left behind his wife Elizabeth, one son Dr. Howard Tummonds, Port Perry and a daughter, Mrs. Eva Gertrude Horton, Toronto.

Revised and updated from Faces of Scugog, Book One.

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The BEST and CHEAPEST
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W. TUMMONDS.

Wm. Tummonds ad, August 1901.



RICHARD H. TOMLINSON

Richard H. Tomlinson

Drug Store Operator

Richard Herbert Tomlinson was born on September 28, 1835 near Port Hope, Canada West and was of Empire Loyalist parentage.

When he was about 20 he arrived in Prince Albert. He became a member of the community as a druggist, and purchased the business of his brother William in December 1857 (see advertisement).

In 1858 he attended a railroad meeting where he was elected secretary for a proposed railway line between Manvers Station, through Prince Albert and Uxbridge to the Northern Railway.

By December 1871 businesses began to trickle out of Prince Albert and take up locations in Port Perry due to the arrival of the railway in Port Perry and he

was among the businesses who moved.

While a member of the business community in Prince Albert, Mr. Tomlinson was one of the bright lights of the district and very popular. He took a leading part in every enterprise, and his superior talents were acknowledged and advice coveted. For a time he held an important position in the Sheriff's office in Whitby.

A short time after moving to Port Perry, he and his family moved to Toronto East, Ontario where he became manager of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company. He held that position until he withdrew from active life in April 1900 due to health issues. He spent the last years of his life as an invalid.

Richard Tomlinson was married to Julia Ann (Young) about 1874 and they had one son, George H. Tomlinson and one daughter Alice P. Tomlinson. Richard Tomlinson was 71 years old when he died in Sault St. Marie in March 1906 and was buried at Saint James Cemetery, Toronto.

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THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD ANNOUNCE to his Customers and the Public generally, that he has disposed of his STOCK and INTEREST in the DRUG BUSINESS, in PRINCE ALBERT, to his Brother, Mr. R. H. TOMLINSON, who will conduct the business in future.

W. A. TOMLINSON.
Prince Albert, Dec. 17, 1857.

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R. H. TOMLINSON.
Prince Albert, Dec. 17, 1857. 2

William A. Tomlinson

Drug Store Operator

William A. Tomlinson was born November 11, 1833 in Ontario, Canada. He was married to Phoebe M. Canniff in 1856 at Hastings, Ontario and moved to Prince Albert and by 1857 he was operating a business under the name, W.A. Tomlinson Druggist and Apothecary. Here he sold pure wines and liquors for medicinal purposes and filled physicians prescriptions.

In 1861 he was listed in the Canada census as being a dentist.



He and his wife Phoebe had five children; Ida, Albert., Emma, George and Estella. Wm. Tomlinson opened his drug store on King Street, two buildings east of the popular Anglo-American Hotel in Prince Albert.

William took a great interest in his community and in 1863 was part of a committee designated to convince the County of Ontario to put the Registry Office for North Ontario in Prince Albert.

He was still listed as a resident of Prince Albert as late as 1876.

William A. Tomlinson was 47 years old when he moved to Lapeer, Michigan, in the United States and in 1880 with his wife Phoebe Tomlinson. He died May 6, 1901 in Michigan and was interred Pinecrest Cemetery, Michigan, USA.

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Physicians' Prescriptions and Family Recipes carefully compounded.
As my stock has been selected with great care, from the best Houses in the Trade, every article will be found of superior quality. Being an experienced and careful Druggist, he hopes to give general satisfaction.

W. A. TOMLINSON.
Prince Albert, Dec. 10, 1857. 1

Charles Tupper Sewing Machine Agent

By all accounts, Charles Tupper didn't have a long history in Port Perry, but during his time here he operated one of the more unique businesses in the village.

Born in New Brunswick about 1853, Charles Tupper was one of ten children for his parents Johnson and Mary Tupper. All of their children were born on Canada's east coast. The Tupper family moved west, and began farming on Scugog Island during the early 1860s. Johnson Tupper was appointed a fence viewer in April 1863.

Charles was only 22 July 1875 Charles became an agent for Wanzer' F sewing machines in July 1875. Two years later he expanded, opening s show room just west of the post office on Queen Street, and adding Heintzman pianos and Bell organs to his product line.

The young man earned a good reputation for fairness, and ran a successful business. The last printed record of Charles Tupper advertising his business came in November 1883. No further information is available on this ambitious, young Port Perry merchant.

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C. TUPPER.
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A splendid assortment of gent's Furnishings always on hand.

Parties furnishing Cloth can have it made up. Trimmings supplied if necessary.

W. TRENBETH.
Prince Albert, March 30, 1871. 13

William Trenbeth Merchant Tailor

William Trenbeth was just a young boy when his parents Richard and Grace (Bennett) Trenbeth decided to relocate to Canada. During the mid-1840s, they packed up their belonging and along with their four sons, left their Cornwall, England home and sailed west. After arriving in Canada, they made their way to Port Hope, in Durham County, where they settled into a new life. Willam's father was a tailor, and he set up his shop in his new community.

William was in his about 20 when married Katherine Jane Ivy, and started a family. Like his father William became a tailor, and he moved to Prince Albert where he opened a merchant tailor business. Here he gained a good reputation as a reliable first class tailor, one who thoroughly understand his business.

Trenbeth opened a second shop in the Davis Block on Queen St., Port Perry in May 1872. One year later, in April 1873, he moved his entire business into a new brick block of stores on the northwest corner of Queen

and Perry Street. He continued to operated from this location until March 1876, when he sold his business to John Pearce.

Six months later, In October 1876, the Trenbeths left Port Perry and moved to Sutton, Ontario. Here he continued in the tailoring business for a number of years before moving to the United States, where he settled in Buchanan, Michigan. He passed away when he was 59 years old.



William Trenbeth's tailor shop, Queen St., Port Perry 1875.

Charles Trick

Farmer / Merchant

Charles Trick was born in Tyrone, Darlington Twp., about 1845 to parents Charles and Elizabeth Trick. The Trick family were farmers and Charles worked on the farm until he was a young man. The family later moved to Cartwright, Ontario and it was here Charles met Mary Jackson, whom he married on March 17, 1866.

Charles continued to farm in Cartwright, often winning competitions at the Cartwright Fall Fair. But he made a change in his career in the late 1870s moving his family to Port Perry, where he opened a retail store selling boots and shoes in January 1879. He had a successful business and about three years later he bought out a Mr. Morgan's stock of boots and shoes.

His boot and shoe business attracted a good clientel, but for reasons unknown, on January 1, 1884, Davenport, Jones & Co. purchased Mr. Trick's entire stock of boots and shoes for \$2,500.

It appears Charles Trick and his family then left Port Perry and moved to Crediton, Huron Cty., Ontario where he continued his profession as as retailer of boots and shoes until at least 1898. At some point after that date, he returned to Prince Albert where he lived out the remainder of his life.

Charles Trick was only 58 years old when he died on July 16, 1902 at Prince Albert, and was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery.

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Port Perry, May 27, 1880. C. TRICK.



David Urquhart

Agricultural Agent

David Urquhart was one of the premier Agricultural Implement dealers in Reach Township during the 1860s and 1870s, operating the Agricultural Implement Emporium in Borelia, Manchester and Prince Albert before moving to Port Perry in 1873.

David was born about 1838 in England, and immigrated to Canada as a young man eventually settling in the Whitby area. He was 27 years old when he married Mary Walkey on January 2, 1865 in Whitby, Ontario. They had five children together during the lifetime.

After moving to Port Perry, he opened his new shop, just west of George Currie's store at the corner of Queen and Perry Street in March 1874. The same year, Mr. Urquhart purchased a piece of land on the south side of Queen St., a few lots west Caleb St. from Edward Mundy, to build a large brick house.

He had just completed building his new home when he fell into financial problems and was forced to sell. After their homes was sold, the Urquhart family moved from Port Perry in the mid-1880s and settled in Oshawa. David Urquhart died in Toronto on April 6, 1891, and was interred at Prospect Cemetery, Toronto.

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Old Cast Iron taken in exchange for goods.
Try me with the money before purchasing elsewhere.

**DAVID URQUHART,
MANCHESTER,
REACH, ONT.**

Manchester, Sept. 7, 1871. 36-4w



Robert G. Vansickler

Livery Stables

Robert George Vansickler grew up in a large family, on the farm located near Borelia, at Conc. 5, Lot 13 in Reach Township. His parents, Adam Aaron and Nancy Anne Vansickler raised a family of 12 children while living in the township. Robert George was born on November 12, 1847.

By the time he was 24 years old, he had moved from the farm and was working as a livery stable keeper at the Railroad House hotel, in Port Perry. On February 22, 1876, he married Agnes Jameson, 33, from York, (Toronto) Ontario, and moved into Port Perry. They had one child, George Jameson, during their marriage.

In November 1880 he announced the opening his Livery Stables on Queen Street, opposite the Mansion House hotel. He operated from here until his stables were lost in the great fire of 1884. Records show he was operating his livery business from large facilities on Water Street at the rear of the St. Charles Hotel, as late as 1900.

The livery business of Mr. Vansickler was a long-established one. He operated a well-equipped stable, with stylish horses, neat harness, handsome vehicles. His long experience gained him much respect with his patrons and whether night or day, the genial liveryman was ready to cater to the travelling public.

There is no record of when R.G. Vansickler passed away, but his wife, Agnes died on December 6, 1912, in Port Perry at age of 69.



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Customers may rely on prompt attention, Good and Suitable Rigs and moderate charges.

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R. G. VANSICKLER.
Port Perry, Nov. 2, 1880.

Jonathan Van Bilsen

Photographer & Writer

Jonathan Henry William van Bilsen was born in Heerlerbann, the Netherlands on March 16, 1950 and moved to Canada at age eight with his parents Johannes Walterus van Bilsen and Anna Martha Hubertina Schmetz van Bilsen. It was in Toronto that he received his education, attending Senator O'Connor College School and Earl Haig Collegiate, Ryerson University and Seneca College.

Jonathan began his business career in North York, Ontario in 1973 as a photographer, and three years later, on June 12, 1976 he was married to Donna Lynne, in Peel Region. They moved into a country home, just a few miles west of Port Perry. He opened a portrait studio, as well as a large format photography printing facility on Mary St. about 2009.

It was in the early stages of his career that Jonathan developed a particular affinity for international photo-journalism and during his career, he travelled to more than 100 countries. Writing being another of his interests, he has written a number of novels and feature articles for three local publications. Most recently, he became the TV host of the "Jonathan van Bilsen Show" and the "photosNtravel show".

In addition to his busy life as a photographer, writer and television host, Jonathan has also devoted considerable time volunteering for many local, regional and provincial organizations. Among them he has served as chairman of the Kent Fardale Gallery, a member of the Port Perry Artists Association, the Scugog Council for the Arts and the Scugog Heritage Committee, and was founder of the North Durham Photographers' Association.

An accomplished speaker he also makes himself available to host and emcee numerous charitable events, and gives generously of his time sharing his travel experiences with seniors residences and nursing homes.

For his generous community involvement, he has been recognized with the prestigious Patron of the Arts Award, the Ontario Heritage Award, the Scugog Mayor's Honour Roll, and honoured by Canada's Minister of Veterans Affairs.



JONATHAN VAN BILSEN

Silas E. Van Camp

Machinist / Contractor

The family of Silas Ezra Van Camp did not originate from Ontario County, Silas being born at Winchester, Ontario on June 18, 1869. His parents, John and Nancy Van Camp, later settled with their family at "the Mountain," Dundas, Ontario.

Silas later moved to Toronto, where he met, and later married Tryphena Beasley, on May 22, 1897. They lived here with Tryphena's parents for a few years, and began their family of three children.

When they arrived in Port Perry, during the early 1900s, he took a job in the busy industrial town as a foundry worker. The family purchased and settled into 14 acre estate home overlooking Lake Scugog, on Beech Street. The residence had formerly been owned by a Port Perry bank manager.

It appears that Silas was an entrepreneurial and ambitious young businessman. In 1909 he purchased Seven Mile Island, and sold it a year later for a profit. The following year he purchased the Walling foundry, and the same year travelled to Toronto to secure an agency for Ford motor cars. In 1912, he was listed as one of only nine men in Port Perry, who were owners of motor cars.

After Frederick Kent purchased the estate property abutting the VanCamp's Beech Street home in 1914, Silas sold his 14 acre property to Mr. Kent, so he could enlarge his gardens. A few months later Silas sold his machine shop and garage, and it is believed it was at this time he left Port Perry.

Silas and his family next settled at High Park, in Toronto, where he worked as a machinist for the remainder of his life.

Silas Ezra Van Camp passed away on January 21, 1946 in Toronto and was buried at St. John's Norway Cemetery.



Silas VanCamp home on Beech Street.

Glenn Van Camp

Contractor

Glenn and Donna Van Camp have called Scugog their home for his entire life, and he spent more than 50 years in the contracting business.

Donald Glenn Van Camp was born April 21, 1934 in Bowmanville hospital, to parents, Thomas Henry (Harry) and Edna Thelma Van Camp. He was one of two sons, the other being Arthur Van Camp.

As a young man Glenn attended elementary and high school in Blackstock, before attending MacMaster University. When he finished his schooling he returning home, he married Donna Irene Dowson on April 2, 1955 at Port Perry.

He worked for his father's sand and gravel business until May 1956 before deciding to strike out on his own. He purchased an old Allis Chalmers front-end loader from his father and started "Van Camp Contracting Ltd.", with his wife Donna working along side him.

The company started out working from their home but eventually moved to large new quarters south of town on VanEdward Drive. By 1999 Glenn was ready to retire, so they sold their yard and moved their operations to their farm in Utica. They celebrated their 50th year in business in December 2006. The Van Camp's son Bill took over the business and as of 2020, it was in its 64th year of operation.

Among the large construction projects Glenn's company was part of were the Kent Estate, Westport Estate and Apple Valley subdivision.

During their life together Glenn and Donna raised three sons, Bill, Robert and Paul. Each of the boys

worked for the company when they were growing up, with Bill joining the family firm about 1970, and taking over when his father retired. As of the year 2020, the company was in its 64th year of operation.

Like many businessmen, Glenn didn't let his business interfere with his other interests. As a young man he played hockey and baseball, and he was one of the original members of the Port Perry Curling Club, where he curled for more than 40 years.

Glenn was a long-time member of the Rotary Club of Port Perry, serving as president during 1986-87, and being awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship. He also served as a director and president of the Port Perry Lions Club, and was a member of the Board of Stewards of the Port Perry United Church.

Glenn was also an avid horseman, owning and breeding many horses over his lifetime. One of his most successful horses was, "San Pail", a trotter which was inducted into the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame. Glenn and Donna also supported and sponsored many youth sports teams during their career.



GLENN VAN CAMP



GLENN & DONNA VAN CAMP



Dr. John Edward Ware

Physician

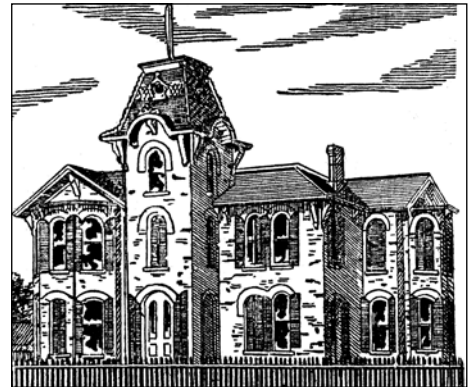
John Edward Ware was born in England in April 4, 1818, and immigrated to the United States in 1840 when he was only 22 years old. Little is know of his life in England, but by 1851 as a young physician, he came to Canada and was practicing medicine in Whitby, Ontario. Three years later, in 1854, he left Whitby and set up a practice in his home office, in Prince Albert.

A physician, surgeon and accoucheur, he cared for the people of Prince Albert the next 30 years. He also had a brief partnership with Dr. F. H. Brathwaite in office and residence across from Port Perry's town hall, on Queen Street.

While serving as Coroner for the County of Ontario, he gave notice he would be moving to Pickering to continue his practice of medicine. His grateful friends and townsmen, on November 6, 1884, honoured him with a farewell dinner before he moved, leaving Prince Albert without a resident physician.

Not long after he left for Pickering, he again moved, this time setting up his practice in Orillia, Ontario, where he provided his services for a number of years.

Dr. Ware returned to the U.S.A. in 1896, settling near Flushing, New York where he retired. His wife Sarah died in April 1898, and Dr. Ware died on December 30, 1900. He was 82 years of age.



Dr. Ware practiced from Dr. Brathwaite's home, above, at 335 Queen St.

Mungo Weir

Farmer

Mungo Weir was born on July 4, 1835, at Claremont, in Pickering Twp., a son for John and Agnes Weir. As he was growing up, he worked along side his father on the Pickering farm.

While still helping on the family farm, he married Jane Pugh on November 11, 1862, in Pickering, Ontario. They had seven children over the next 21 years.

Mungo moved into Reach Township during 1864, settling south of Prince Albert on old Simcoe Road, Reach Township. He spent the next 36 years working the family farm, before retiring in 1901, and Port Perry when he was 66 years of age.

Mr. Weir was an honorable, upright man, a good neighbor, a true friend. He was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. That he enjoyed the confidence of the community was seen, in the fact that time after time he was chosen to fill important offices in the township.

For a number of years he was regularly returned to a seat in the Council.

He was one of the leading directors of the Ontario Pine Grove Cemetery Company, and by his enterprise contributed materially to the success of that corporation. For a number of years he was a regular attendant of the Presbyterian Church in Prince Albert, and was Mungo who was hired to tear down the old Presbyterian church in 1893.

Mungo Weir died on May 6, 1907, in Port Perry, Ontario, at the age of 71. He leaves behind his wife, Jane, and his family of five daughters and two sons. Mungo Weir was buried at Pine Grove Cemetery following private funeral at the family home.

James G. Waddell

Farmer / Contractor

James Glendinning Waddell was born on July 6, 1852, on the family farm near Sunderland, Ontario. He was one of five children for his parents James and Catherine Waddell. As a young man he worked on the family farm, just north of Sunderland, and later at Wick, and attended schools in Brock Township.

James married Rachel Stonehouse on January 1, 1879, in his hometown, Sunderland, Ontario. They had three children during their marriage. He was an enterprising farmer and through hard work became wealthy and prosperous. At the age of 50, he retired from farming and moved to Port Perry.

In his new hometown, he immediately became active, and was known for his excellent work, in particular laying new cement sidewalks throughout the town. Over the next decade he constructed thousands of feet of sidewalk throughout the village.

During his 29 years residence in Port Perry, Mr. Waddell entered into the activities of the town. For a number of years he was a member of the town council. Up to the time of Church Union he was a Presbyterian, and an elder in St. John's Presbyterian Church, and when he came into the United Church he was at once made an elder, and was recognized as a leader of the Session.

Invited by Rev. W. P. Brown with many others to a social evening in the United Church Sunday School rooms, Mr. Waddell, although unwell, felt it his duty to attend, which was characteristic of him in all matters pertaining to church life. While the host of the evening was informally welcoming his guests, Mr. Waddell quietly passed away.

James G. Waddell was 79 years of age when he died on December 10, 1931. The funeral was largely attended which bore testimony to the esteem in which he was held by the people of the town and surrounding community. Interment was made at Sunderland, a large number of the Masonic Order attending and conducting their ceremony at the grave. James Waddell's wife Rachel predeceased him seven months earlier, on May 11, 1931 after 52 years of marriage.

Margaret Waite

Travel Consultant

Margaret Waite was born in England and immigrated to Canada about 1960, where she worked for Air Canada, in Toronto, before moving to Port Perry.

Marg, as she was best known, opened Port Perry's first travel office, "Nonquon Travel" in a small office at 160 Water St. in the fall of 1971. As the business grew, her husband David left his job as an accountant with United Airlines and within four years, they moved to larger facilities in a plaza at the corner of Water St. and Hwy. 7A.



MARG AND DAVID WAITE

Marg took care of the retail division of the company, and David and wholesale division under "Nonquon Vacations," selling group packages, mainly to Las Vegas. At one point they opened an office in Las Vegas and worked directly with all the large hotel chains.

Their successful business started to decline about 1989, when the airline industry went through dramatic changes. This led to them making the difficult decision to close Nonquon Travel Ltd. at the end of 1992, a painful decision after servicing the community for 21 years.

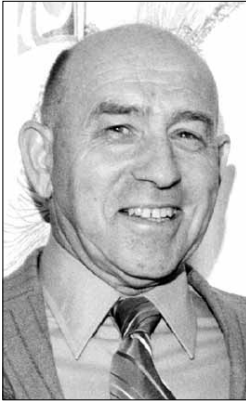
As they exited the travel business, they retained the Ministry of Transportation business, which they had been operating from a cramped space inside their travel office. As demand grew for the MTO services, they moved the license issuing office to 72 Water Street. Two of their children Jon and Susie, assumed the business when they retired.

In addition to her years in business, Marg raised three children, Susan, Jon and Peter, and served as a director of the Scugog Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Eastern Star.

Glenn A. Wannamaker

Farmer

Glenn Albert Wanamaker was born November 27, 1917 at Seagrave, Reach Twp., to parents Hiram and Emaline (Byers) Wanamaker. The Wanamaker were a farming family in the Seagrave area.



GLEN WANAMAKER

Glen was 22 years old when he married 25 year-old Marjory Eleanor Mitchell, in the home of the bride at Seagrave, on September 3, 1938. Glen was a farmer and Marjory a teacher at the time of their marriage. They raised two daughters, Sylvia and Nancy during their marriage.

In addition to their busy careers, both Glen and Marjory took an interest in their communities. Glenn was an active member in the Oddfellow Lodge and Marjory the Maybelle Rebekah Lodge, in Port Perry. During their time with the lodges, Glen worked his way through the Lodge serving as Grand Warden, Grand Master and the highlight of his years of service, being elected Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Ontario in 1972. Marjory served the Rebekha Lodge for years, and was a Past Noble Grand of Lodge #348, Port Perry.

Glen also put his energy into other aspects of the community. He served on the Reach Twp. Council, Port Perry Agricultural Society and the Pine Grove Cemetery Board for 21 years.

His dedication to the agriculture community was recognized in 1981 on the occasion of his retirement as Secretary and Treasurer of the Port Perry Agricultural Society. Both he and Marjory held this dual role for more than 11 years.

After retiring from farming, Glen and Marjory moved into Port Perry, where he set up a small engine repair shop at his home, near the corner of Simcoe and Reach Street.

Glen Albert Wanamaker was 78 years old when he passed away on April 26, 1995. Marjorie Wanamaker was 93 years of age when she passed away on October 7, 2006 in Lindsay, Ontario. Both were interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.



GLEN & MARJORY WANAMAKER

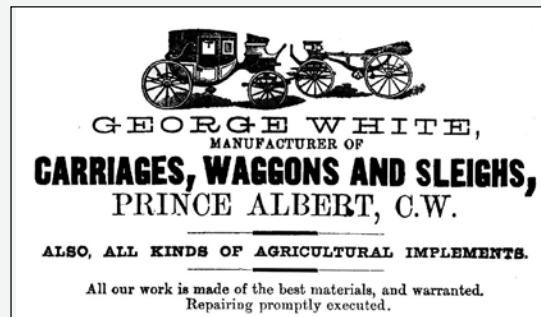
George U. White

Wagon Maker

George Uriah White was one of a number of young men who entered into the trade of blacksmith and wagon maker during the developing years of Prince Albert.

Born in England, George came to Prince Albert during the 1850s. He married and had seven children with his wife Mary. About 1858 he became a partner with James Emaney, opening Emaney & White millwrights and general blacksmiths.

By 1866, Emaney & White disbanded and in November that year George opened a new carriage factory on Simcoe Street in the village. Just over a year later, in February 1868 his new facility was consumed by a destructive fire. Following the fire, Mr. White moved to Port Perry, opening the Port Perry Carriage Factory. In September 1872, he again experienced tragedy when his new factory burned to the ground, causing a loss of \$6,000.





HAZEL WALLACE

Hazel M. Wallace

Telephone Operator

Hazel Marguerite Wallace made Port Perry her home from the time she was born, until she passed away peacefully almost a century later.

Hazel was born on May 21, 1909, at Port Perry, daughter for Elijah and Marguerite Alice (McMillan) Beare. She had one brother, Oscar Beare, and one sister, Amy Beare. She attended both elementary and high school in her hometown, then in May 1926, when she was 17 years old, she accepted a job as a Bell Telephone operator. It was her first and only job. Thirty years after sitting down as an operator, she was appointed chief operator of the local Bell exchange.

Two years later the company closed the manually-operated switchboard, which Hazel had worked at for three decades, and transitioned to "dial telephones". After 32 years as an operator, Hazel decided it was time to retire, and to mark the occasion she was honoured by Bell Telephone management

and employees, at a banquet held at the Scout Hall on July 7, 1958.

After a stellar career as a business woman, Hazel was able to spend more time enjoying her gardening, lawn bowling and activities with the Women's Association of the Port Perry United Church,

Hazel Marguerite Wallace passed away peacefully, on Sunday, May 6, 2007 at Lakeridge Health Port Perry, at age 97. Interment Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert. She was predeceased by her husband Earl Wallace.



Bell Telephone office, Port Perry, 1958.

Eleanor Wood

Florist

Eleanor came to Port Perry with her husband Frank in 1959, and on Mother's Day that year, they opened a flower shop, which they called Eleanor's Flowers.

Despite the loss of her husband four years later, Eleanor carried on a successful business at their 163 Queen Street location for 28 years, retiring in November 1986. She never missed a day of work due to illness, and never had a vacation.



ELEANOR WOOD

Eleanor took time out from her business shop to become a director of the Chamber of Commerce, and served as president for one term. She also took an active part in Port Perry's "Canada Centennial" celebrations in 1967, and served as chair of the Santa Claus Parade for many years.

Eleanor and Frank had three children, Frank, Sylvia and Marie.

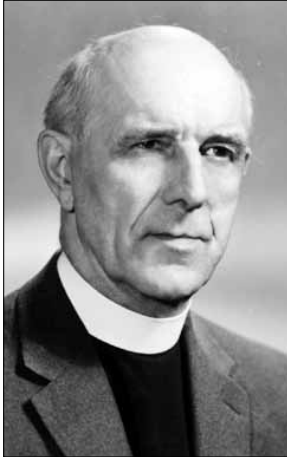


Eleanor's Flowers, 163 Queen St.

Rev. Frank G. Weir

United Church Minister

Exactly when Rev. Frank Gordon Weir arrived on Scugog Island, and when he left, are unknown, but it appears his stay in the township was relatively short. But, with that said, his stay was very important and valuable, as it was during this time he wrote a book which provided a detailed history of Scugog Island, and it was appropriately named "Scugog and It's Environs".



REV. F. G. WEIR

Francis Gordon Weir was born on June 17, 1888 at Little Bay Island, Newfoundland, a son for Frank and Hannah (Oxford) Weir. He was one of two children, having a sister Thryza Nina Wier. He left Newfoundland as a young man, and entered the ministry with the United Church of Canada in 1918. On September 12, 1918, when he was 30 years old, he married 23 year old Rose White Burry, at York (Toronto), Ontario.

Rev. Weir took an early interest in in Ontario Indians and his mission work moved him among the Indian populations of Scugog Island, Saugeen and Grand River.

It was while living on Scugog Island in 1927 that Rev. Weir wrote his book, "Scugog and It's Environs". The historical story of the island and its inhabitants was first published in the Port Perry Star, and later 250 copies of a book were printed. He also published a story under the heading "Great Indian Characters" in "Onward" on March 15, 1930.

About 1957, after almost 40 years in the ministry, much of which was spent working with native Indian communities, Rev. Weir returned to Newfoundland where he took the pulpit at Wesley United Church, in St. John's. Seven years later he retired, and on a visit to his family in Toronto passed away on December 31, 1963. He was 75 years old when he died and was buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto.

Isaac J. Wheeler

Meat Merchant

Isaac Joseph Wheeler was born in the vicinity of Oshawa on July 13, 1869, the son of Esther (King) and Thomas who was a farmer. He grew up working on the farm, before setting out on his own and relocating to Port Perry about 1880.

At an very young age he became a cattle buyer, and spent considerable time at the Port Perry railway station purchasing cattle. It was here he met Mary D. Bravener, of Prince Albert, and they married on January 20, 1891. They raised six children during their lives together.

In 1892, the ambitious young man took over the butchering business of Mr. A.D. Wheeler. He operated successfully as a butcher and cattle buyer until February 1907 when he announced he was closing his store, to reorganized his business. Four months later, he re-opened, offering the best meats obtainable at the lowest prices, and notifying farmers he was always in the market or cattle, hogs and lambs.

He was a member of the Sons of England, the Loyal Orange Lodge, the United Workmen, and served as president of the South Ontario Liberal Conservation Assoc. for a number of years.

Two years after re-opening his business, in May 1909, Mr. Isaac Wheeler sold his business to W.A. Boyce, and moved with his family to Edmonton, Alberta, where he continued in his trade as a butcher.

Isaac J. Wheeler died on April 7, 1933 and was buried at Edmonton, Alberta.

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TO THE FARMERS

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I. J. WHEELER

Nellie Lena Whitmore

Practical Nurse

Nellie Lena Ballagh was born in Bruce Township, Ontario in 1892. Her parents were Fleming and Lina (Jeffrey) Ballagh. Nellie was educated in Bruce Township and lived with her parents until she was 18 years old, then moved to Toronto to pursue a career in nursing.

Nellie was a 1919 graduate of Cottage Hospital, which later became part of Toronto General Hospital. She worked in Toronto for a number of years, before meeting George Henry Whitmore, a farmer from Whitby Township.



Port Perry Hospital 1940

Local pharmacist is reported to have said, Nellie was a “cracker jack” of a practical nurse, and Dr. Roy Irwin praised her as “one of the best nurses I ever worked with.” She remained at the hospital until 1946, when the hospital was purchased by Port Perry and the townships of Reach, Scugog and Cartwright.

Nellie Whitmore was 90 years-old when she passed away in Port Perry in 1982, after 56 years of marriage to her husband.

Nellie was 34 years of age when she married George on March 31, 1926. They resided here following the marriage and their only child, a son, John (Jack) Henry was born the following year in Oshawa, Ontario. While living in Whitby, she may have nursed at the Oshawa Hospital, before coming to work at the small Port Perry Hospital on John Street.

Arriving in Port Perry in 1930, Ms. Whitmore purchased the small community hospital which had been operated by Grace Swan for many years. During her 16 years at the private hospital, Ms. Whitmore earned an excellent reputation as a nurse and caregiver.

For many years she conducted a well-baby clinic at her hospital every two weeks. Such was her love for babies, that in less busy time she would provide a baby-sitting service for parents who had to go someplace where children were not welcome.



NELLIE WHITMORE

William M. Wightman

Merchant

William Wightman was born in England about 1838. He entered the employment of Messrs. J. & W. Cowan during the mid-1860s in Toronto. The Cowan's were in the dry good business in that city, and later, young Wightman assumed charge of a branch they established at Prince Albert. Here he became a respected merchant, some saying he was the "moving spirit of the business", so it was no surprise in March 1868 that he assumed ownership of the Prince Albert store from the Cowan brothers.

William Wightman continued to serve the residents of the village of Prince Albert and Reach Township from his stand until January 1873, when he announced he would be moving his store to Port Perry, but fire interrupted before he could move.

Fire broke out on the first of April in the village and within three hours it had laid in ashes a splendid block on the north-east corner of Simcoe and King Street. Totally consumed by the fire fiend was Mr. Wightman's extensive general goods store, as well as Wright's Boot and Shoe shop and Willcox Drug & Grocery store. Despite the setback, Mr. Wightman moved to Port Perry after the fire and became a dominant merchant in the village until 1883.

After almost 20 years serving the residents of Reach Township, he sold his Port Perry business to Messrs. C.W. Jones and D.R. Davenport. He then moved to Oshawa where he became a general store merchant in that city. Unfortunately this business failed years later. In February 1896 the contents of his store were sold to claim almost \$10,000 in liabilities. He retired later that year, having spent 40 years in business.

Mr. Wightman had been in poor health for some time before he died at St. Michael's Hospital, on April 21, 1906. He was 68 years old, unmarried, and left two brothers and two sisters to mourn his passing.

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PRINCE ALBERT, June 24, 1878.

William M. Willcox

General Store Operator

William Manuel Wilcox lived about 30 years in Reach Township, first in Prince Albert and later in Port Perry. While a resident of the communities he served in a number of capacities, for the betterment of Reach and Port Perry.

William was born at Bath, near Ernestown, Ontario in 1834, and after striking out on his own, as young man, he moved to Whitby, Ontario, where he met Caroline Howard. William and Caroline were both 21 years of age when they married on July 12, 1860, in Whitby. The following year they moved to Prince Albert, where their daughter, Clara Bidwell was born.

William opened "The Union" drug, grocery and liquor store during the mid-1860s and operated it successfully until April 1873 when a fire broke out in the entire block of stores, consuming his store and a number of other buildings.

A year earlier they had purchased a home on Cochrane St, Port Perry, so following the fire gave up his drug store business and became an auctioneer.

In addition to his business life, in Prince Albert he served as a bailiff for years, and in Port Perry served a number of terms as a councillor, before being elected as reeve of the village in 1888.

William Wilcox continued his work as an auctioneer for the remainder of his life. He was 61 years old when he passed away in Port Perry on September 24, 1896. His wife Caroline passed away on March 13, 1896.

Note: Surname spelled either Wilcox, or Willcox.

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W. M. WILLCOX.
Prince Albert, Dec. 20, 1869. 36

Charles “Chuck” Willes

Real Estate Sales

When “Chuck” Willes was working in management for a tire company as a young man, he had no idea that his life would change so dramatically when he entered into a real estates sales.

Charles Victor Willes was born November 16, 1943 at his family home south of Greenbank. He was one of our children for Victor Harold and Gladys Jane (Timms) Willes. He received his education at the old Yellow Schoolhouse, Port Perry High School and Durham College.



CHARLES “CHUCK” WILLES

Chuck met Elizabeth “Beth” Marie Hunter while attending high school, and they were married on July 31, 1965 at the Prince Albert United Church. They raised two children, Paula Marie and Mark Andrew. Chuck and Beth lived their entire lives with five miles of where they were born, and since they were married - home was in Prince Albert.

After college, Chuck worked for 17 years in management for Dunlop Canada Ltd., and Firestone until it closed in 1980. The closure lead Chuck in a new direction, joining Howard Forder Real Estate. After six

years learning the profession from Mr. Forder, he teamed up with Cliff Crowell, Bill Ray and All Bertrand to open a new venture they called Ridge North Realty, in the Port Perry Plaza.

Their Ridge North company was sold to RMR Caldwell Banker in 2003, but he continued with the new owners, completing 40 years in real estate sales before his death in August 2020.

Aside from his busy life in real estate, Chuck took time to serve the community in many capacities. He served as a member of the Scugog Hydro Commission; supported Operation Scugog; was a faithful supporter of the Prince Albert United Church for 55 years, and loved singing in the church choir. As a businessman he also supported numerous organizations and sporting teams, and for his dedication to the community and his work was recognized by his colleagues.

Chuck was an avid gardener, always positive and had a way of lighting up a room with is humour and stories.

Charles Victor Willes passed away at his home, surrounded by his family, on August 31, 2020 after a valiant fight with cancer.



Howard Forder Real Estate ad, 1990.



Ridge North Realty Ltd., Port Perry Plaza, 1990.

Edward Worthington

Businessman

Edward Worthington was born at Lowestoft, Suffolk, England, March 4, 1840, a son for William C. and Sarah Worthington. He immigrated Canada about 1861 and was living in Stirling, Ont. on January 5, 1862, when he married Eliza Dooley, 22, at the home of her parents in Lennox and Addington, Ontario.

Nine months later they boarded a train in Montreal and arrived at Ogdensburg, New York, USA, in October 1862. In 1864 he volunteered in the army, serving for one year in the military reserves in Virginia.

The Worthington family returned to Canada about 1866, and eventually settled in an attractive, but modest, brick home located at 281 Cochrane St, Port Perry. Four of their six children were born while living in Port Perry.

Not long after arriving in Port Perry, he constructed a wood frame, two-storey building on the north side of Queen St., where he operated his grocery business called, E. Worthington's Flour and Feed Emporium. Two years later, he moved his business to the south side of the street where he continued his

grocery and feed business until August 1878, when he sold the business to John L. Watkis.

While a resident and businessman in Port Perry, he took an active part in the development of the village, including serving on the village council.

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After selling his commercial and residential properties, the Worthington's continued to lived in Port Perry for a short time before moving to Elizabethtown (Brockville), Ont. Edward engaged in farming during the 1880s, before moving to Montreal in the early 1900s.

Eliza and two of her children immigrated to the USA in 1888 settling in Syracuse, New York. Eliza died in Syracuse, N.Y. in 1916. Edward returned to the USA during the 1890s, eventually settling around Portland Maine. In 1914 Edward petitioned for naturalization while living in Maine. Edward continued to live in Maine until his death.



Edward Worthington's store on the north side of Queen Street in 1866.



Worthington home at 281 Cochrane St.

This profile updated from Faces of Scugog book one.



WILLIAM WILLARD

William Willard

General Store Merchant

William Willard was born in the Tunbridge Wells, Cty. of Kent, England on January 28, 1841, the oldest of five children for his parents, John and Sarah Willard. He immigrated to Canada with his family when he was a 10 year-old boy, and settled in an area around Cornwall, Ontario.

As a young man he worked as a farm hand and when he was 24 years old, he married Elizabeth Ann Heatlie, 16, from Taunton, Ontario. William and Elizabeth had three children, Harry G., Ethel and Elmer F.

After farming for a few years, William built a general store in Taunton, and it was here their first two children were born. After about 15 years at Taunton, the Willard family moved to Raglan, where William built another general store in 1885. About four years after arriving in Raglan, his store was destroyed by fire.

This prompted another move, this time to Port Perry, where he bought a property on the southeast corner of Queen and Perry Street. Here he built an impressive business block which became known as the Willard Block. The business conducted by Mr. Willard was that of dry goods, boots and shoes, clothing, carpets and furs of all kinds.

Mr. Willard operated out of the store on the west side of the building, while there were two other stores to the east. And at the rear of the building facing onto Perry Street was the market building. Upstairs was the office of Dr. Wm. A. Sangster, dentist, and also home of the public library.

William was described as a down-to-earth, honest businessman, warm and kindly and ever interested in the people and church. Although interested in the affairs of the town, he never accepted any offers of public life.

The Willards lived in their home on the east side of Cochrane Street. William Willard was 98 years old when he died on May 7, 1939. He was interred at Pine Grove Cemetery, leaving his wife Elizabeth and three children to mourn his loss.

This profile updated from Faces of Scugog book one.

Alonzo Williams

Reach Twp. Farmer

Alonzo Williams was born on December 16, 1875 at the family home on the sixth concession of Reach Twp. His parents, Edward and Sarah Ann (Larkin) came from Pennsylvania and settled in Prince Albert in the 1840s. It was here, they raised a family of ten boys.

Alonzo was the youngest of his siblings, and received his education at the old "Yellow School", north of Port Perry. He worked on the family farm until his father's death in 1903 and Alonzo took over the farm.

Alonzo married Mary Ethel Still of Whitby township in 1900 and they raised two sons and four daughters. Together Alonzo and Mary shared the busy life of farming. Mr. Williams took a keen interest in community life. For 15 years he was a trustee for the old yellow school, and served seven years as secretary-treasurer.



ALONZO WILLIAMS

One of his greatest pleasures was music, and he at one time sang in the choir of what was then the Port Perry Methodist Church. He was a member of the Port Perry United Church.

Although saddened by the death of his wife in 1956, he enjoyed visiting with friends and neighbours, and made many new friends while visiting in Florida and New Brunswick.

He continued farming until about 1950, when he sold the farm to his daughter and son-in-law, Charles Howsam, and retired to Port Perry.

Alonzo Williams, died his 94th year at the Oshawa General Hospital on March 3, 1969. Mr. Williams had been in failing health for three years and was quite active until his death.

The funeral service was held at the McDermott. Panabaker, Port Perry, with interment at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

Jan "John" Wolters

Farmer / Volunteer

John Wolters has lived more than 60 years in the former Cartwright Twp., after arrived in Canada from Holland in March 1951 as a young man.

Jan "John" was born on October 25, 1930 in Wierden, The Netherland, one of five children for his parents, Hendrikes and Hannah Louhis Wolters. He attended both elementary and high school in his home town, before attending an Agricultural School in Holland.

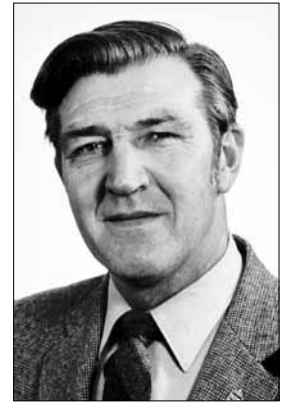
He immigrated to Canada when he was 21 years old, landing in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he worked for one week before boarding a train heading west. Once settled in Ontario, he worked at Heber Down Farms, Brooklin Flour & Feed Mills and Winfield Farms, before taking a job at General Motors, all the while saving his money to purchase a farm.

That opportunity came along in May 1957, when John and Hannah purchased an attractive red brick home and a farm located at 3191 Hwy. 7A, just west of Blackstock, Ontario. He spent the remainder adult life, working the farm which they named Wolhart Farms.

While farming was his main career, John also became deeply involved in his community. He held the positions of Deacon and Elder at Emmanuel Reformed Church; member and President of the Blackstock Agricultural Society and the Cattleman's Association, and chairman of the local dairy milk committee. He was also a member of the Blackstock Hall Board and became Chairman of the building committee for the Blackstock Arena.

He also served as a member and president of the Central Seven Association, and jumped into local politics, serving Scugog Township as a ward councillor and area councillor during the 1980s.

John and his wife still reside in their home of more than six decades.



JOHN WOLTERS

Charles Luther Whitby

Merchant Tailor

When C.L. Whitby arrived in Port Perry is not known, but during his time in the village he acquired many friends and operated a successful business for almost a decade.

Chalmers Luther Whitby was born on August 16, 1864, in Crosby, Ontario, to parents John and Elizabeth Jane (Singleton) Whitby. He came from a large family of eight brothers and three sisters. By the time he was in his early 20, he was living in Oshawa, Ontario and working as an apprentice cutter for a local tailor.

It was while living in Oshawa he met Annie Eugene Bone. He moved to Port Perry and was working as a tailor when he married Annie at her Oshawa home on January 11, 1893. Chalmers was 28 and his new bride was 24 years of age. They had three children, two of which were born in Port Perry.

Three months after marrying, he partnered with Jonathon Blong, opening a merchant tailoring and gents furnishing business called Whitby & Blong. The store was located in magnificent block of stores on Queen St., known as the Blong block. Mr. Blong constructed the large two-story building following the 1885 fire.

The partnership lasted only one year. In October 1894 the two men dissolved their partnership, and Mr. Whitby purchased the store's bankrupt stock, and opened under his own name.

Whitby continued as a tailor in Port Perry until January 1901, when he sold his business to William Parr. He also sold by auction his residence, furniture and all of his household effects, including his wife's grand piano. Before leaving to settle in Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario, a large number of his friends gave him testimonial dinner at the Sebert House.

Chalmers Luther Whitby was a merchant tailor in Sault Sainte Marie until at least 1911. He died on June 13, 1950 and was returned to Port Perry and buried at Pine Grove Cemetery, Prince Albert.

A vintage advertisement for a clothing store. The text is arranged in a decorative, centered layout. At the top, it says "Fashionable CLOTHING." with decorative flourishes. Below that, "FALL 1894." is written in a stylized font. The ad lists "Suits, Over Coatings, Worsted Coatings, English, Scotch and Canadian, Tweeds, &c." and mentions a "FULL STOCK of Fall Goods to hand, including". It also states "Anticipating a busy season, we secured our Fall Stock early, and bought largely and with discrimination." and "IN SUITINGS our Stock is noticeably fine." The bottom section is titled "OUR FITS" and describes the quality of the clothing: "are becoming celebrated for their Neatness—they always retain their shape and wear well, while our prices are the talk of all." It concludes with "Superior workmanship, the Newest Styles and Perfect Fits warranted." and the name "C. L. WHITBY, Blong Block." with the date "Port Perry, Oct. 3, 1894." at the very bottom.

Richard D. Woon

Farmer / Insurance Agent

Richard Woon was born Reach Twp., at the family's Seagrave area farm, on June 24, 1885. He was one of four children for his parents, James and Elizabeth Woon. He was educated at the public school in Seagrave, and while growing up helped his parents on the farm.

His father was only 50 years old when he died in June 1898, but Elizabeth kept the farm and worked it with the help of her children.

Richard was 30 years old when remarried Mabel Irene Mark, on January 26, 1916. They made their home on the Woon's family farm, and it was here their only child was born a year later.

About 1922, Richard sold the old family homestead and moved into Port Perry. After his years of farming, he began working for the Farmer's Co-operative at the mill in town. He later became a well respected insurance agent.

It didn't take long for him to get involved with his new community, being elected a councillor for the village in 1925. During his term on council, he was actively involved in the construction of a band stand at the lakefront, and became an active member of the Port Perry Band executive.

He also put his energy into a number of other community endeavours. He served as secretary-treasurer for the Board of Education,, the Port Perry, Reach and Scugog Agricultural Society. He held both positions he held for 22 years and was honoured for his service. He also served a secretary of the Pine Grove Cemetery Board, and the Pine Point Development Co.

Richard David Woon, 71, had been a resident of Port Perry for 34 years when he passed away at his home on February 4, 1956



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