



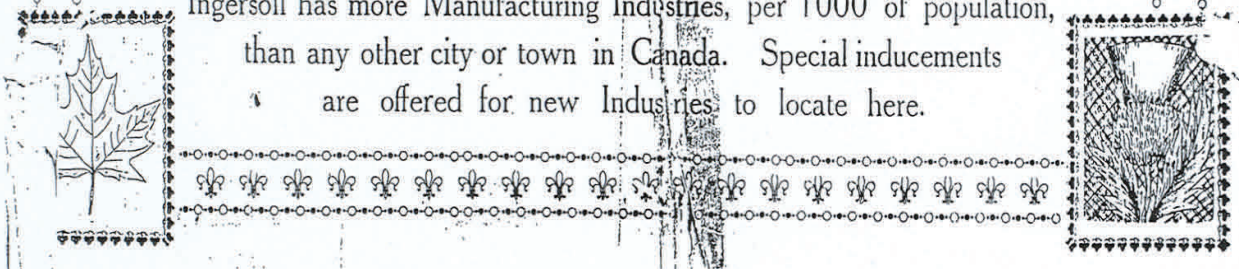
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Thames Street, Ingersoll, looking North from King Street



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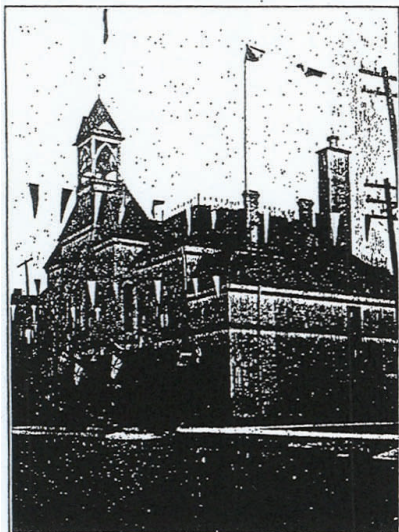
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THE TOWN OF INGERSOLL

Having been a citizen of the town of Ingersoll for almost twenty years, engaged in the active duties of a printer and publisher, and being in close contact with the people, societies and institutions of the town, we believe some comprehensive reliable record of the town's rise, progress and industrial importance would be welcomed, not only by citizens within the limits of the corporation, but by hundreds of people who have lived here in the past, and gone abroad later to seek wealth, fame and social distinction in a wider sphere of activity. As a souvenir of the home town which shall be treasured for years to come, giving a concise and accurate records of the public institutions, busy industries, pretentious residences, shops, stores, churches, schools, societies, etc., many of them beautifully illustrated, we venture to hope that our humble efforts will be appreciated.

The location chosen is admirably adapted to the requirements of a healthy, prosperous and enterprising community. Geographically, it is situated about 100 miles west of the provincial capital and twenty miles east of the metropolis of Western Ontario. Topographically, the site of the town is undulating, and the predominating soil is of a porous nature, thus affording natural drainage. Through the middle of the town flows the south branch of the Thames, on either side of which the town is built along the gentle slopes. The town is surrounded by a magnificent area of fertile farm land occupied by prosperous and progressive farmers.

The early history of the town dates back to the beginning of the 19th century when the entire county of Oxford was in a state of



TOWN HALL, INGERSOLL

primeval nature. The town derived its name from a pioneer family named Ingersoll, who were among the first settlers in this district and took a very prominent part in the early career of the community. From a struggling village of humble homes a hundred years ago it has grown to a thriving, prosperous and progressive centre of industrial activity and commercial magnitude, known throughout the civilized world for the merits of its manufactured products.

Ingersoll has not been slow to acquire all the permanent modern improvements and utilities that conduce to the comfort and prosperity of an intelligent civilized community. As early as 1872 a system of gas lighting was introduced, and in 1891 an electric light system was installed. Though the nature of the soil and substrata was highly favourable for obtaining an adequate supply of pure spring water through wells of no great depth, in all parts of the town, it was deemed desirable to install an efficient system of waterworks, which was accomplished in 1890.

In 1886 a special effort was made to induce desirable factories to locate here and in the following year the John Morrow Machine Screw Works, the Evans Bros. and Littler Piano factory and the Hault furniture factory were secured by giving liberal bonuses, and the three concerns have been going and steadily extending their business ever since. Later on the St. Charles Condenser and the Ingersoll Nut Factory have been added to the list, not by bonusing, but by some reasonable exemptions and assistance.

Ingersoll was the first town in Canada to adopt the silica-barytic sidewalks in 1890 when a contract was given to Otto Guelich of Detroit, to construct a sidewalk on the east side of Thames Street from the Atlantic House to the Baptist Tabernacle, a distance of three blocks. In 1891 a local company was organized with Walter Mills as manager, and so well satisfied have the people been since then, year by year the work has been carried on till now nearly every street on both sides has a nice, clean, smooth silica-barytic sidewalk, aggregating about fifty miles.

The opening of an electric trolley line, the W. T. V. and I. Electric Railway, between Ingersoll and Woodstock has furnished a cheap and convenient mode of transportation, and it is confidently expected that in the very near future the extension of the South-

Western Traction Electric Railway system will meet in Ingersoll from London, thus opening up more convenient communication with a rich section of country lying west of the town.

In addition to this the St. Thomas division of the C.P.R. the Port Burwell section of the T. L.E. & P.R. and the middle division of the G.T.R. afford excellent railway facilities, which will soon be increased by the extension of the T.L. & E.P.R. northward from here to Stratford.

In the matter of churches Ingersoll is well supplied. There are the following denominations, Baptist, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Mennonites and the Salvation Army.

Like most other towns Ingersoll has a past with regard to brass bands. For a few years, along about fifteen years ago, two excellent brass bands, the I.O.O.F. and the A.O.F., were rivals for public favors, but eventually the former disbanded, and the latter maintained its existence for a few years longer till over a year ago and it went the way of its old time competitor. This spring another musical organization composed largely of old players with a few new 'comers' was formed under the name of the Citizens Band, which bids fair to be a very creditable organization.

The present population is 5,000, the total value of assessable property is \$1,851,056, the rate of taxation of 21 mills on the dollar, and the total taxes collected amounts to \$38,758.50, exclusive of frontage tax for sidewalks.

THE TOWN OFFICIALS

The Town Council for 1906, is composed of J. A. Coulter, Mayor; and Alderman J. B. Coleridge, R. A. Skinner, C. A. O'Neill, J. W. Patterson and James Stevens, and W. R. Smith has been town clerk for 18 years, and A. N. Christopher is town treasurer, having held that office since 1887. W. J. Berry is assessor, and R. H. Young has been collector for thirteen years. B. Grey has been on active duty as market clerk for nearly a quarter of a century.

After the death of the late C. E. Chadwick, John Morrison was appointed Police Magistrate and he administers justice to all-comers without fear or favour.

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A. Reader & Son have opened up a shop on King Street east for doing fine cabinet work. They are both expert and industrious mechanics and the artistic finish of their work is tangible evidence of their superior skill as carpenters and joiners.



MAYOR JAMES P. BOLES.

It is seldom indeed that a man becomes Mayor of a large and substantial town as a start in municipal life, but this is the unique experience of our present Mayor, James P. Boles. The subject of this sketch is a native born citizen, and the date of his birth is 1862. After receiving a good elementary education in the public school, he gradually grew up with the clothing business carried on by his father since February, 1854. He acquired a thorough knowledge of the business in the old stand on the east side of Thames Street, opposite the

post office. He extended the capacity of the store to double what it formerly was, and kept right up-to-date in every department. His business is in reality the oldest that has been carried on continuously. He has always been noted for his fidelity to business, and never aspired to public office until December, 1904, his friends prevailed on him to allow his name to go on the ballot paper as a candidate for the Mayoralty. His opponent was a strong and worthy candidate, but Mr. Boles was elected by a substantial majority, and his record up to the present has been a complete justification of the support his friends gave him. In the election of 1906 he was returned by acclamation. He is an extremely modest man and naturally shrinks from conspicuous publicity, but in a quiet way he takes an active and intelligent interest in public affairs affecting the welfare of the community. He occupies a comfortable home, with a beautiful lawn in the foreground on Charles Street west, and generally prefers the quiet atmosphere of his domestic household to the strenuous life of a public official.

Since the above was written Mayor Boles died rather suddenly at Port Burwell on Thursday, July 26th. His funeral on Saturday was one of

the largest ever held in Ingersoll.

J. B. Coleridge, M.D., is mayor of Ingersoll for 1907.

Mr. Coulter has been elected Mayor of Ingersoll to fill the unexpired term of the late Mayor J. P. Boles.



Messrs. John Radford and John Mitchell have entered into a partnership to manufacture funeral cars, casket wagons, ambulances and other vehicles connected with the undertaking business. They have acquired possession of the premises on Charles Street, east of the new Merchant's bank building, and a lot of new machinery has been put in for the requirements of this new industry.

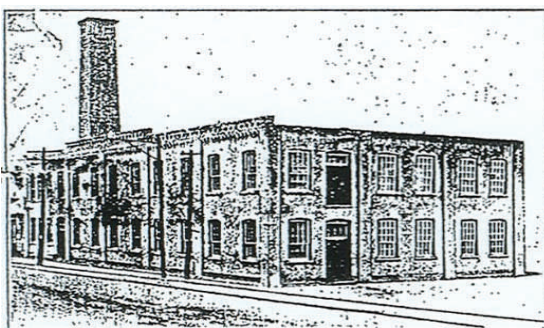
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Incorporation as a town in January, 1865, marked an important era in its municipal history. The late Adam Oliver was the first mayor, and R. A. Woodcok was town clerk. He was succeeded by William Tennant, and on September 4th, 1888, Mr. W. R. Smith, the present clerk, was appointed.

On February 1st, 1856, the old town hall, market building and clerks office, with all the records, books, etc., were destroyed by fire.

In connection with the early history of Ingersoll there is a very interesting document in the possession of W. H. Manning. It is the proclamation printed by George Laycock at the Western Progress office, Woodstock, by the authority of James McDonald, Returning Officer, as follows:

PROCLAMTION

County of Oxford, Village of Ingersoll. —

Public Notice is hereby given to the municipal electors of the Village of Ingersoll, in the County of Oxford, that in obedience to a warrant to me directed by His Excellency the Governor General, I require the presence of the said electors at the Inn of John Patterson in said village on Monday, the 5th day of January next, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of electing five fit and proper persons to serve as Municipal Councillors for said Village, and three fit and proper persons for Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment for the same year, 1852.

Given under my hand at Ingersoll this 22nd day of December, 1851.

James McDonald,
Returning Officer.

Among the old records preserved is a copy of a bylaw, No.120, date 187?, providing for the organization, equipment and maintenance of regular fire brigade. The late C. E. Chadwick was Mayor at that time.

Allan Wright has been Chief of Police here for nearly seven years, having been appointed October 16th, 1899. he was a guardian of the peace in old London before coming to Canada. W. N. Cook has been on duty as assistant for about fifteen years, and James Sherlock is a special constable, but to the credit of the law abiding character of our citizens the police force has very little to do except show off their uniforms.

CONFLAGRATIONS

Ingersoll suffered severely from fire on two occasions, in 1856 and on May 8th, 1872. on the former occasion the fire-fiend destroyed a big section on King St. east, and the big fire 34 years ago destroyed the main business section on Thames Street between King and Charles Streets. On each occasion the indomitable pluck and persevering enterprise of the victims prevailed and the site of the ruins was soon occupied by more pretentious and substantial buildings.

Individual fires have occurred at intervals, such as Carroll's mill, Harmony Hall, Smith's mill, Partlo's mill, The Ark, the McKinnon block, the Baptist Tabernacle, and a few minor fires.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

Almost every fraternal society of any recognized standing is represented here. There are three lodges of the Masonic order:

Harris Chapter, No. 41, R. A. M., meets on the second Friday of each month, J. A. Neff, M. D., is Z., or chief officer.

King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, G. R. G, the oldest lodge in this locality, instituted in 1803, meets the first Friday in each month; R. N. Thurtell, is W. M.

St. John's Lodge, No. 68, G. R. C., meets third Friday in each month; W. O. Edwards, W. M.

C. O. O. F.

Ingersoll Council, Chosen Friends, No. 231, meets each 4th Monday in the month; E. M. Henderson, C. C., W. H. Wills, sec.

SAMARITAN LODGE I. O. O. F

Fifty years ago last January the Independent Order of Oddfellows established a lodge here known as Samaritan Lodge, No. 35. Subsequently Oxford Lodge was instituted, but recently it amalgamated with Samaritan Lodge, thus making a very strong lodge in membership and finances. The lodge meets every Thursday night. Lorne Waterhouse is N. G., and A. J. Johnson is secretary, having held that position for about ten years.

UNITY ENCAMPMENT

This is a higher degree of Oddfellowship and was instituted here in October 1873. F. G. Kiborn is Chief Patriarch, and H. O. Lindsay, Scribe. It meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

KEYSTONE REBEKAH LODGE

A lodge for ladies in affiliation with Oddfellowship was organized here five years ago. It meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Anna Burrows, N. G., Mabel Bevins, secretary.

A. O. F.

Court Marquis of Lorne, No. 6157 was instituted October 28th, 1878 with thirteen charter members. E. L. Smith, the present secretary, and Harry Line, now of London, are the only surviving charter members. The Court meets every alternate Wednesday. Walter Cline, is C. R. and E. L. Smith, is secretary, having held that office for twenty years.

Princess Louise Circle, Companions of the Forest, meets every alternate Thursday. Mrs. Fleischer is Chief Companion and George S. Wilson is secretary.

Court Littlejohn, Juvenile Foresters, meets alternate Wednesdays. Thomas Dales is C. R. and George S. Wilson is secretary.

CATHOLICE FORESTERS

Court Sacred Heart, No. 370, Catholic Foresters, was instituted in Ingersoll, on March 22nd, 1892. D. J. McCowell is Chief Ranger and D. Howe is secretary. The nights of meeting are the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

CANADIAN FORESTERS

Court Oxford, No. 13, C. O. F., meets on the last Friday of each month. G. S. Wilson, C. R., W. J. Elliott, Sec.

SONS OF ENGLAND

Lodge Imperial, No. 176, Sons of England, meets every second and fourth Tuesday. Hugh Moon is President and J. W. Cudlipp is Secretary

L. O. L.

Pride of Oxford, L. O. L., No. 743, meets every first and third Tuesday, N. P. Bevins is W. M., and S. Fitzpatrick is secretary. A fine fife and drum band is maintained by the lodge, and there has been a large increase in membership during the past six months.

I. O. F.

Court Ingersoll, No. 798, Independent Order of Foresters, meets the 1st and 3rd Monday in each month. George Taylor is the present Chief Ranger and R. C. Taylor is R. Secretary.

C. M. B. A.

Branch No. 19, Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association meets the first and third Monday in their hall over Manning's bookstore. The President is M. J. McDermott, and C. B. Ryan is secretary

A. O. U. W.

Oak Lodge, No. 130, Ancient Order of United Workmen was organized here twenty-five years ago, and the present membership is over one hundred. George Burns is Master Workman, and S. A. Gibson is Recorder. The night of meeting is the last Friday in each month.

CANADIAN ODDFELLOWS

Loyal Queen Victoria Lodge, No. 115, C. O. O. F., was instituted here June 18th, 1868. The chief officers at present are J. L. Vance, N. G., and T. A. Bellamy, Sec., nights of meeting, the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

C. O. H. C.

Ingersoll Circle, No. 52, Canadian Order of Home Circles, was instituted in 1884. J. Ashdown, leaser; Chester Henderson, secretary; night of meeting, 1st Tuesday in each month.

Empire Council, No. 192, Royal Templars of Temperance, Select Degree, was instituted in 1887 by Rev. W. Kettlewell. T. A. Bellamy is Select Councillor and F. W. Bowman is B. S.

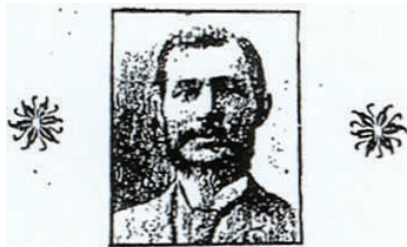
SALVATION ARMY

A local corps of the Salvation Army has been doing good work here during the past twenty years. Services are held regularly in the commodious brick barracks on Thames Street opposite the Ellis furniture factory. Ensign Pynn is in command at present.

BEATTIE & CO.

It is but a short time since the firm of A. Beattie & Co. acquired possession of the large grocery business formerly carried on by Robinson Bros. on the corner of Thames and King Streets. By careful and correct business methods, and courteous treatment of their customers they have continued to do a successful business. They keep every kind of goods that can be legitimately handled in a modern grocery store and customers who deal there are sure of getting their money's worth.

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T. A. BELLAMY, PUBLISHER

The publisher of this special illustrated and descriptive edition of Industrial Ingersoll was born near Alliston, Simcoe County, educated in a country public school, the Toronto Normal School and the Ontario School of Art, Toronto. Having taught school in different localities for over fourteen years, he went into the printing and publishing business in 1885, in the Dufferin Advertiser office, Orangeville. In December 1886, he came to Ingersoll, bought The Sun, and has continued to publish it ever since.

The aim and object of this publication is to advertise this prosperous, progressive and busy town in the fortieth year of its incorporation, to demonstrate to manufacturers seeking a location the advantages and possibilities of Ingersoll as a desirable manufacturing centre; for labourers and mechanics the opportunities offered for obtaining employment, or for families desiring a home in a community where educational, religious and social advantages are adequate for all reasonable requirements.

Every citizen should buy one or more copies and send them to friends abroad as souvenirs of Ingersoll, the busiest and most beautiful inland town in Canada. Copies may be had at The Sun office, Manning's bookstore and Woods' bookstore for 15 cents each.

A. J. DYER

One of the few men who have been continuously engaged in the same line of business in Ingersoll is A. J. Dyer, who has carried on a successful and prosperous retail trade in family groceries for about twenty-two years in the premises he now occupies on Thames Street, with the exception of a few years in the earlier part of his business career when he was in a smaller store adjoining the new one he had built to accommodate his steadily increasing trade. Mr. Fred Smale is his very capable and courteous assistant.

L. C. MENHENNICK

Shortly after the dissolution of the firm of Dundass & Menhennick, Mr. L. C. Menhennick started in the grocery business on his own account in the Christopher block on Thames Street, four years ago. By careful business methods and assiduous attention to the wants of his customers he has built up a nice trade that promises permanency.



A gun club and four amateur baseball teams afford sport for those who take an interest in such things. Mr. D. Burns has a well-conducted pool and billiard room on Thames Street, and the I. A. A. have well furnished club rooms over Manning's book store.

INGERSOLL STEAM LAUNDRY

It is now five years since W. J. Kirbyson came here from Detroit and

opened up a laundry business in the Christopher block next door to the The Sun office. As the business increased he added more machinery and kept up with the demands made on his capacity from time to time. He keeps a horse and rig for collecting and delivering articles so that he is able to serve his customers promptly. The quality of work he does is what advertises his business most effectively, as a satisfied customer invariably stays with him.

ACKERT'S PUMP AND TANK FACTORY

Quite as important in their particular sphere of activity as the large industries is the smaller ones. Among these is F. A. Ackert's old established and well known factory of Thames Street opposite the Noxon works. Ackert's wooden pumps have an excellent reputation, and he builds tanks, cisterns, and ladders, and does heavy turning for gate posts, fence posts, etc.

THE FAIR

The large store formerly known as White's dry goods store is now known as The Fair. It is now a departmental store on a small scale and has been managed by W. C. Forman for several years. A wide range of staple and fancy dry goods, ladies garments, house furnishings, kitchen utensils, and in fact nearly everything that the thrifty economical housekeeper requires at any season of the year are kept for sale.

WILLIAM BECKES' LUMBER YARD

Thousands of dollars worth of lumber, lath, shingles and other building material are piled up in the spacious yard owned by William Beckes, on the lot south of the John Morrow Screw Works. Mr. Beckes has been in business there for thirty-four years, and by strict attention to business, courtesy, integrity and a thorough knowledge of the material he handles he has won the implicit confidence and warmest esteem of all with whom he comes in contact, either in business, or as a citizen.

JAMES HENDERSON

Seeing the need of a new grocery store in the west end after the Condenser was built, and realizing the possibilities of working up a profitable business there, James Henderson put in a well-selected stock of clean fresh groceries and before long he had built up quite a remunerative business. By his enterprise, considerate courtesy and scrupulous honesty he has established a reputation for fair dealing which will once more prove that 'Honesty is the best policy.'

HOTELS

For all ordinary requirements Ingersoll is well supplied with hotels, which are conducted in accordance with the stringent rules and regulations prescribed by the license act and the commissioners. They are the Daly House, D. J. Kenney; Atlantic House, E. Ingram; McCarty House, A. J. McCarty; McMurray House, M. McMurray; Kirwin House, W. Kirwin; Dereham House, F. McCarty and the Mansion House, R. Reid. A. F. Sage and John Christopher have liquor shops.

RANDOM REMINISCENCES

A well known industry that has almost become a thing of the past was the foundry on Charles Street east

known at various times as Rumsey's, Eastwood's, Russell's, McKellar's and Clark's. After many vicissitudes it recently came into possession of Messrs. Goby & Osborne.

The branch of the Old Credit Valley Railway between Woodstock and St. Thomas, now the C. P. R., was built through here in 1881. In connection with the construction of the line the first labour strike in Ingersoll occurred when the navvies struck for higher pay. A few years ago there was a small, short-lived strike among some of the moulders at Noxon's, but fortunately this town has been pretty free from trouble of that kind.

There are still several citizens living who can remember when the first train on the old Great Western Railway, now the G. T. R., passed through here from Hamilton to London, December 14th, 1853.

Some of Ingersoll's defunct that were of great importance in their day were the old oil refinery on Harris Street, a little east of the Nut factory, ?? ach's distillery where the electric light station is now, Bixel's brewery near the gas works, and Thomas Brown's tannery, now partially occupied by James Taylor.

The Noxon foundry was originally located where the Ellis furniture factory now stands, but was moved to the present location to be close to the railways. Just west of the Waterhouse & Co. woollen mill was Carroll's large grist mill, and on the southwest corner of Carroll and Charles Streets was a busy factory operated by Christopher Brothers, commonly known as Harmony Hall. Both places were destroyed by fire and never rebuilt.

At one time along in the 1880s, O. J. Mitchell had a large factory in the Royal block, once a large hotel, and since occupied for various purposes, where he did an extensive business in mattresses furniture, etc.

There were two cigar factories doing a large business, John Frezell's and Andrew Smith's, but the growth of large factories in London and elsewhere made the business here unprofitable and both were recently closed.

MANNING'S BOOKSTORE

About twenty years ago W. H. Manning began business in the books and stationary line, and by his courtesy, enterprise and fair dealing he has steadily increased the volume of his trade. Recently he found it absolutely necessary to occupy more spacious premises in the store next door to the Hollinrake & Co. He keeps a large and well selected stock of books, stationary, office supplies, wall paper, toys, games, school requisites, etc., and does picture framing.

JAMES BUCHANAN

The tinsmithing and plumbing business now carried on by James Buchanan on Thames Street opposite the piano factory was established by his father, the late John Buchanan, who came here from Woodstock nearly sixty years ago. A general business is done in tinsmithing, plumbing, the manufacture of cheese vats, milk cans, etc.

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THE MERCHANT'S BANK

With a paid up capital of \$6,000,000, a Surplus Fund of \$3,674,896, and Total Assets of nearly \$50,000,000, the Merchants Bank of Canada towers high among the great financial institutions of the Dominion. Having been in existence for over forty years, it has had the valuable experience to be gained from bad as well as good times, and is today noted for the soundness and conservatism of its administration. Under the presidency of Sir Montagu Allan and the General Management of E. F. Hebdon, there is a directorate which comprises some of the strongest names in Canadian mercantile life, and the year just closed has been the most successful in the history of the Bank. It has one hundred and fourteen branches from Quebec and New York in the East to Vancouver on the Pacific, every one doing its share towards the development of the Agricultural and Mercantile interests of Canada.

At Ingersoll, the business has outgrown its premises and a very handsome and commodious new structure is being put up in a central location. An idea of this may be gathered from our illustration.

The Ingersoll branch was established in 1867, when the business of the old Commercial Bank, which was established in 1863, was turned over to the new financial organization. In 1872 the Merchants Bank moved into the premises now occupied by it on Thames Street, next door south of the Imperial Bank. There it has continued to do a solid, safe and profitable business, and done its share in promoting the commercial and industrial prosperity of the town.

A few weeks ago Messrs. Nagle & Mills were awarded the contract for the erection of a fine new bank building on the corner of Thames and Charles Streets, diagonally opposite the post office, which is to be completed early this fall. It

is of Indiana sand stone dressed, and terra cotta pressed brick, and when complete will be a distinct ornament for patrons of this great financial institution.



MR. GEORGE CARRUTHERS

Mr. George Carruthers, Manager of the Merchants Bank of Canada, hails from the land of heather. Entering commercial life while very young he had valuable training in two Scotch banks, and on completion of a regular apprenticeship with the Clydesdale Bank in Glasgow was engaged by the Merchants Bank of Canada, with which he has been connected ever since. During that time he has been located at many important points: Galt, Chatham, Toronto, Sherbrooke, where he was for seven years manager, being among the number. He has been in Ingersoll about two years, and observers can readily notice that the Branch is flourishing under capable and efficient management.

THE CHEESE INDUSTRY

For nearly two score years Ingersoll has been an acknowledged centre of the dairying trade of Canada, and a large measure of the town's prosperity depends on the products of cows. The surrounding country is peculiarly well adapted for grazing and the raising of fodder, and large herds of well bred cows are kept by nearly every farmer.

It was in 1864 that the cooperative system of cheese factories was inaugurated by the late Harvey Farrington, near Norwich, and since then the cheese industry has steadily developed to amazing proportions. The fame acquired abroad by Ingersoll, due to the splendid exhibits of cheese at various big expositions in the neighbouring Republic, and the steadily increasing demand in the British market for Canadian cheese has caused an enormous expansion in the amount of cheese exported from Ingersoll in recent years. From here the industry spread till now cheese is recognized as a leading staple product of this province.

Cheese is mentioned in the Bible as an article of food. See II. Samuel, 17-29, and today it is the most profitable source of revenue that the farmer of Oxford have. The making of cheese as a dairy industry was commenced in this county by the late Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Ranney at Salford, over fifty years ago, and in 1875, James Harris made the mammoth cheese weighing about four tons which was exhibited at large fairs in Canada and abroad. It attracted great attention and was an influential advertisement for Ingersoll.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Taking warning from costly experience, the citizens have insisted on having an efficiently equipped fire department. In the old days of the volunteer bucket brigade, and the old hand-power pumping engine, good service was done in fighting conflagrations, but as the town grew and the value of property increased a Silsby fire engine was bought, a fire hall was provided and equipped, with hose and reels, hooks and ladders, etc. A chemical engine was added, and then a hose wagon after the system of hydrants was installed. A fine team of horses is kept, and an alarm can be responded to by the brigade as quickly as in any other place similarly situated. James Sherlock has been on duty as driver for about 20 years. The late George Craig was Chief for a long period, and after his death he was succeeded by R. Sutherland, the present chief.

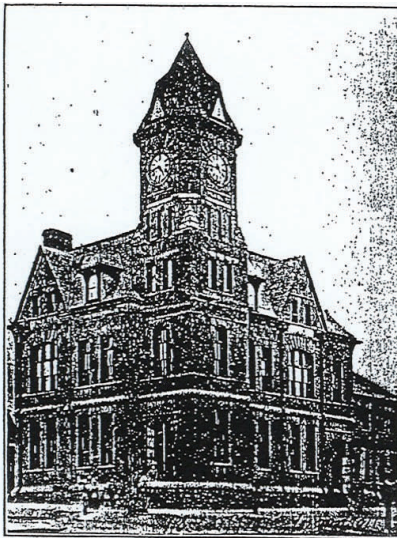
The brigade comprises fifteen men, and all received remuneration for their services. Sleeping accommodation is provided for some of the men, the other being occupants of the residences near by. The men have a furnished reading room, and occasionally they are called out for a test and drill. The annual expenses of the department, as provided in the estimates for 1906, is \$1110.

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DR. J. B. COLERIDGE

It is with much diffidence that we assume the task of writing a brief biographical sketch of James B. Coleridge, M. D. He is so young that his biography is mostly in the future. Born in 1878, he is only 28 years old. He is a native of this town and received his elementary education in the Central school and Collegiate Institute, and his professional education in Toronto University and Medical school, graduating in 1901 as a legally qualified practitioner and a silver medallist, with high honours. A part of his student course was spent with Dr. Williams, with whom he subsequently entered into a partnership. They have been eminently successful and enjoy a large and lucrative practice in town and the surrounding townships. Shortly after commencing his professional career Dr. Coleridge was appointed medical health officer and in that capacity he gave evidence of a deep interest in an improvement of the prevailing sanitary conditions, and more especially with reference to the water supply. At the municipal elections in January 1905, Dr. Coleridge was a successful candidate for election as alderman, winning a seat by 587 votes, the third highest in the list. The executive ability he displayed and his intelligent comprehension of public affairs gave him increased prestige so that he was re-elected by an increased majority in 1906, heading the poll with 760 votes. It is freely conceded that he is in direct line for the highest municipal honour any citizen can aspire to, the Mayoralty, for 1907. He is also regarded as a future possibility for parliamentary honours at no distant date. As a platform speaker he possesses more than ordinary ability. His orotund voice, fine physique, fluent, distinct and deliberate delivery and rhetorical style mark him as a young man of great promise as rising politician. He would frankly plead guilty to the charge of being an ardent Conservative, and he has been known on several occasions to attend Conservative conventions, and take an active part in election campaigns. But he is a worthy son of Ingersoll, proud of his native town, and we are all just as proud of him.



H. F. Holland does a thriving business as a retail dealer in ice for domestic uses during the summer season.



INGERSOLL POST OFFICE

For many years the post office was located on the corner of Thames and King Streets. In 1898 the Dominion Government admitted that the large postal business done here required more adequate accommodation, so a fine new terra cotta brick building, faced with stone, three stories high, surmounted by a fine clock tower, with other necessary adjuncts, was erected on the southwest corner of Thames and Charles Streets. In October, 1899, it was ready for occupation. The caretaker, Mr. John McDonald, has a home for his family in the third storey, and the second storey is partly occupied by the customs office in charge of J. F. Williams and J. Lynch.

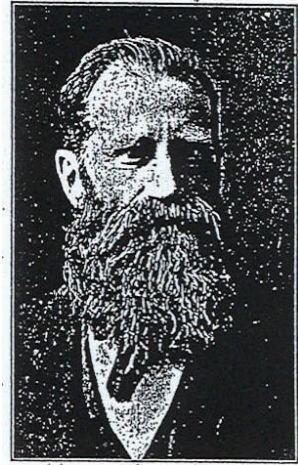
J. B. Capron has a news stand on the first floor, where stamps, post cards, stationary and newspapers are handled.

Postmaster Gibson was appointed October 2nd, 1882, and during his tenure of office the volume of business and revenue have doubled, while the population of the town is practically the same number. During the first four months of the present year the sale of stamps has increased \$505.14. Mr. S. A. Gibson is deputy postmaster, Mr. E. Manzer has charge of the Savings and Money Order Department, and Misses Dundass and Winders attend the delivery wicket.

The volume of business done through the customs office is indicated by the Government statistics showing the revenue collected in 1900-01, \$26,472.75 for 1904-5, \$32,609.38 and the ten months of 1905-06 to May 1st, \$31,013.16. As an exporting centre Ingersoll ranks fifth in the Dominion of Canada in the value of goods exported.

TELEGRAPH OFFICES

Besides the railway telegraph offices the G. N. W. and the C. P. R. have commercial telegraph offices on Thames Street. Leo B.



Henderson and George Sutherland are the local agents respectively.

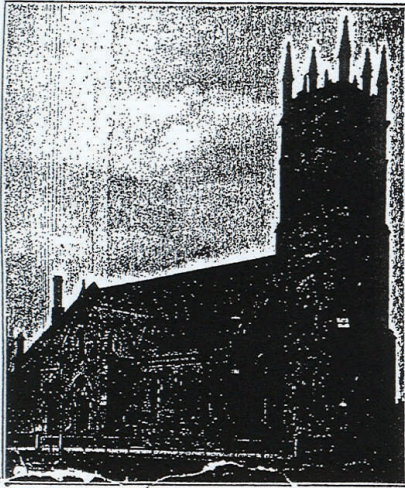
JOSEPH GIBSON

No citizen of Ingersoll is more widely and favourably known than Joseph Gibson, Postmaster. He was born in Cheshire, England, 1842, and for a man of his age he is remarkably active and enthusiastic. He came to Ingersoll when but a boy, and was for a time employed in the Noxon works, then he engaged in the grocery business, and in 1878 he was an unsuccessful candidate for parliamentary honours when the late Sir John A. MacDonald was returned to power on the popularity of the National Policy. In 1881 he held the office of census commissioner and on October 2, 1882, he became Postmaster of Ingersoll, in succession to the late Postmaster Thirkall, and he has held the position continuously ever since. For many years he has been prominently identified with municipal affairs, and several fraternal societies. He was Mayor of Ingersoll in 1886, and held a seat in the town council as alderman and in the county council on subsequent occasions. He was Grand Master Workman in the A. O. U. W. in 1903-4. In 1902 he had the honour of being one of three representatives from Canada to the Ecumenical Council in London, England, and he is on the Executive Committee of the Methodist Publishing House in Toronto, and is always a prominent lay representative at the Methodist Conference. His services as a platform speaker have long been in great demand as an advocate of sobriety and the abolition of liquor traffic. No man is quicker to detect the weakness in an opponent's argument, and none can marshal facts, argue a point, and draw a logical conclusion more clearly and impressively than he can. His hospitable home, "Bonnar Brae" on Noxon and Wellington Streets, as well as his summer residence in Muskoka, can always be depended on for a cordial welcome to any of his guests and friends.



Joe Gill is an expert carpet layer and contractor for the erection of awning, etc.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH

A set of tablets in the tower of St. James' church indicate that it was built in 1868. The earliest records of any Anglican service held in town was in the old school on the site of the Central school, or near it, in the early pioneer days. Then a frame church was built on the hill back of Seldon's terrace, which was used by the congregation till the new white brick church shown in the picture was ready for divine worship in 1868. The different rectors who ministered to the spiritual wants of the increasing flock were Revs. Rothwell, Revell, Marsh, Vickers, Hincks, Bland, Saunders, Ker, Moorehouse, Murphy, Thompson and the present incumbent, R. J. M. Perkins, who came from Trivitt Memorial church, Exeter, and began his pastoral duties on July 1st.

The old frame church is now used as a double dwelling on the south side of King Street, opposite the residence of Squire Kennedy. It was moved there several years ago and fitted up for its present use, and the remains of the bodies interred in the old cemetery were removed to Rural cemetery a few years ago.

The people's warden is Arthur Crawford and the rector's warden is Charles White.

G. A. IONSON

About twelve years ago Mr. Ionson purchased the drug business formerly carried on by J. W. Browett. A few years ago he moved into his present location a few doors south of the post office. The store is furnished with 'silent salesmen', and the stock of drugs, chemicals, proprietary medicines, toilet and optical goods, etc., that Mr. Ionson has for sale would do credit to many a city drug-store.

Besides being a duly qualified druggist, Mr. Ionson is famous as a poultry breeder and on numerous occasions he has won first prizes at large poultry shows in Canada and the United States. He has recently had a very fine new residence built for himself out on King Street east.

SMITH & KERR

It is now nearly thirty years since George Smith, senior partner in the firm of Smith & Kerr, began business in Ingersoll. For many years the business was conducted by Thompson & Smith, but recently a change came about and Mr. James

Kerr was taken into partnership. The premises have recently been enlarged and improved. Besides a full line of ready-to-wear clothing, men's furnishings, etc., they keep an expert staff at work on ordered clothing, and the boot and shoe department is in charge of a competent salesman. The firm have established a reputation for style, fit and workmanship, which make it easy for them to secure orders and sell goods.

W. H. JONES

It is now eighteen years since W. H. Jones came from Hamilton and purchased the large and old-established, hardware business carried on so successfully for many years by A. H. Ellis. Mr. Jones has continued to deserve a steadily increasing patronage by keeping full lines of goods and carefully considering the requirements of his customers, treating them courteously and honestly.

He has been a member of the town council on different occasions and had the honour of occupying the Mayor's chair in 1896-7, with credit to himself and satisfaction to the citizens.

GEORGE NAYLOR & CO.

About sixteen years ago George Naylor began to learn the clothing business in J. P. Boles' establishment, and he evinced a peculiar aptitude for that trade so that in a very few years he became thoroughly proficient as a buyer and salesman. Two years ago he became the head of the new firm of George Naylor & Co., and they opened up business in the store next to what is now Beattie & Co.'s grocery store. A first class cutter and a competent staff of assistants turn out a superior class of ordered clothing, while the tables and shelves are filled with high grade, ready-to-wear clothing to suit all classes of customers. They have the sole agency for the famous Slater shoes, and a full line of hats, caps, men's furnishings, etc., is kept for sale.

TREMEER & CO.

In the purchase of furniture for the humble home or the palatial residence prospective purchasers have a distinct advantage in the privilege of selecting what they want from the superior stock in Tremeer & Co.'s fine large store on King Street west. Mr. Tremeer has had an extensive experience in the household furniture trade and buys his goods from the best manufacturers. He also has an up-to-date funeral outfit and is an expert embalmer and funeral director.



The Bell Telephone Co. has a well equipped local and long distance service open night and day in charge of a competent and courteous staff. C. Toull is local manager.



J. ANDERSON COULTER

Here is the case of a young man who has really achieved success in life at a comparatively early age. He was born in Hastings county, not far from Belleville, came west to Seaford, then in 1887 to Ingersoll as a subordinate employee of the John Morrow Machine Screw Company at a very modest salary. But he was a particularly bright intelligent boy, diligent, conscientious and ambitious, so that ere long he attained a position in the concern which qualified him to assume the management of the company. When it was re-organized a few years ago he was elected President and manager, a position he has filled with marked ability every since.

If we were asked to name the predominating element in Mr. Coulter's eminently successful business career we would unhesitatingly answer: -- Character. He is honestly entitled to the distinction of being a model young man, morally, socially and intellectually, and as a citizen he is held in very high esteem. He has been a member of the Board of Education, and also a member of the town council and during the short time he held public positions he gave evidences of sound judgement and executive ability above the average.

Though by recently assuming the extra responsibilities devolving on him as President and Manager of the Ingersoll Nut Factory he has placed more burdens on his shoulders he seems quite capable of managing the affairs of both industries very successfully.

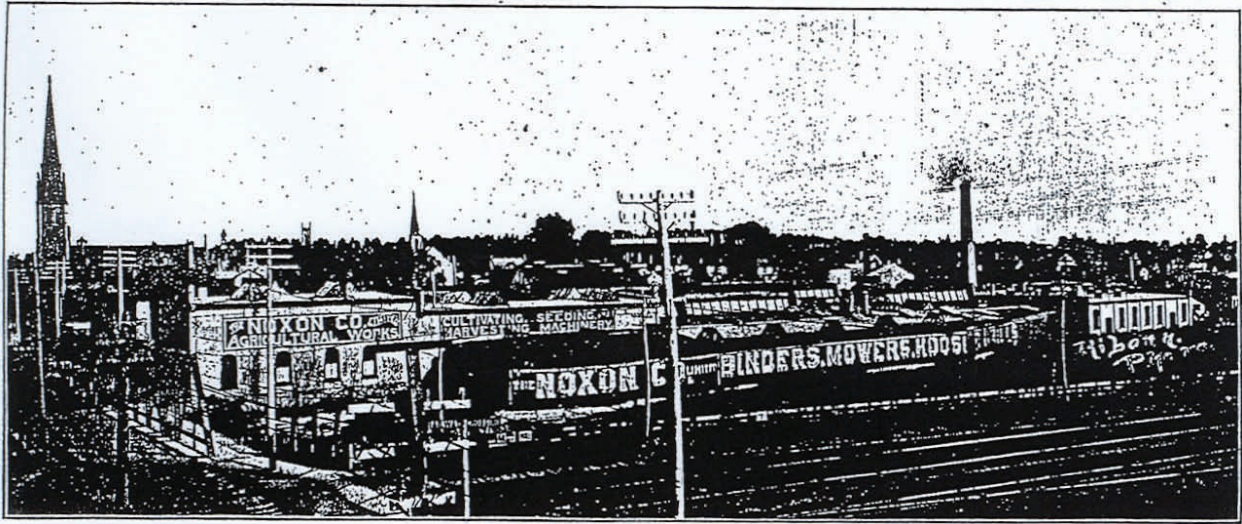
His comfortable home on the east side of Duke Street is of modern design fitted up with all the conveniences that conduce to domestic comfort.

Owing to the death of Mayor Boles a new election became necessary and Mr. Coulter was elected Mayor by acclamation for the remainder of the year.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The present Board of Education is composed of H. F. Boyse, chairman; R. T. Agar, H. Richardson, F. W. Kennedy, F. A. Ackert, William Wallace, Dr. Walker, C. C. L. Wilson, W. Partlo, W. Dundass, H. D. McCarty, J. B. Thompson and J. Lenihan. W. A. Sudworth is secretary-treasurer.

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THE NOXON IMPLEMENT WORKS

Canada is pre-eminently an agricultural country, very large areas being under cultivation for the growing of grain and grasses. This opens up a large field for the use of labour-saving implements and machinery to aid the farmer in sowing seed and harvesting the crop; and right in the front rank of the establishments for supplying the ever-increasing demand for the most improved and efficient machinery for use on a farm we find the Noxon Works, fully prepared to maintain and enhance an enviable reputation acquired by a half a century of diligent study, expensive experimenting, and the application of expert mechanical

skill in the production of the very best, most efficient and most reliable implements to assist the thrifty and progressive agriculturist in making his avocation both pleasant and profitable.

The Noxon Implement Works was moved to the present location in order, to obtain the advantages of better transportation facilities. From time to time the capacity and equipment of the concern has been increased, so that at present it covers an area of five acres and employs a large staff of men.

In recent years a large foreign trade has been developed in Great Britain, Germany, France and other European countries, and New Zealand, and Australia, in addition to the large

trade done in Canada.

The machines and implements produced by this firm are made for utility, so that purchasers may rely on receiving the very cultivating, seeding and harvesting machinery for practical use when they place an order with a Noxon agent.

C. W. Riley is President, W. F. Johnston, general manager; J. W. Cudlipp, superintendent. Cecil Johnston, sales manager, and Mr. J. Anderson, office manager. The annual output of the works reaches about a million dollars, and the wages and salaries aggregate about \$100,000 a year. From the above facts we may form a fair conception of the extent and value of such an important industry in the town.

MITCHELL & CO.

During the past ten years this firm has been making a speciality of funeral cars, casket wagons and ambulance wagons, and the vehicles turned out from their factory on King Street opposite the market are of a superior class in design, construction and finish. They have supplied customers in various parts of Canada from the Maritime Provinces to the Pacific Coast, and recently they have been negotiating with a customer in Ireland. O. J. Mitchell is the business manager.

BARBER SHOPS

Among the tonsorial artists James Humphrys, of King Edward Barber Shop, easily takes first place. He came here from Guelph in 1888 and for many years his place of business was in the Richardson block. In 1903 he leased and moved into the beautiful new shop built for him near the post office by C. R. Patience. His equipment is quite on a par with the best shops in the smaller cities, and everything about the place is kept scrupulously clean. Others engaged in a similar occupation are A. George, J. Thompson, E. Kelley, C. Greenaway and H. J. Mayberry, each of whom keep neat and well-equipped establishments and enjoy a liberal patronage.

SUMNER & BREBNER

It is just about a year ago that S. C. Sumner and James Brebner began the manufacture of pianos in the brick block on the corner of King and Hall Streets. They are both expert workmen of extensive experience, and they produce a very fine class of instrument which sells readily on its merits. They use the very best material and no pains are spared to produce a high grade piano

B. L. SCOTT

Situated on Thames Street just north of the G. T. R. tracks is the new brick building, recently erected by B. L. Scott, in which he carried on a prosperous business in flour, feed, seeds, chop, baled hay, etc. It is equipped with a grinding and chopping mill driven by electric power and Mr. Scott deservedly enjoys a large and increasing patronage.

F. W. STAPLES

As a skilled machinist for all kinds of repairs on machinery, automobiles, bicycles, etc., F. W. Staples can meet all requirements with neatness and despatch. His shop is located on Thames Street opposite The Sun office, and his expert services are at the disposal of all who may require them.

GEORGE C. BECK

Twenty-three years ago George C. Beck commenced catering to the citizens of this town. He deals in confectionary, fruits, summer beverages, tobacco, pipes, cigars, etc., and keeps a large stock on hand. He attends assiduously to business and has earned a wide measure of popularity by his genial courtesty, thorough knowledge of his business and earnest desire to give the utmost satisfaction to his customers.

THE SEPARATE SCHOOL

Forty years ago the educational needs of the Roman Catholic community made it desirable for the people of that denomination to establish a separate school, so a suitable brick building was erected at a cost of about \$2000, chiefly through the efforts of A. Murdock, J. Brady, P. Kennedy, the late Jerry O'Neill and Mr. Featherston. It is in charge of three Sisters of St. Joseph, under the jurisdiction of the mother house in London. The school is well-equipped and kept in a neat, attractive condition. It is located on John and Bell Streets, just west of the church. The present trustees are M. J. McDermott, chairman; J. P. O'Neill, secretary-treasurer; Nicholas Dunn, G. O'Callaghan, M. J. Comiskey and D. Howe.

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JUSTUS MILLER

The subject of this sketch was born at Jerseyville, Wentworth County, in 1844, and came to Ingersoll in the fall of 1863. In the early eighties he and his brother Roger Miller began a very successful career as contractors with the Dominion Government in the construction of large public works such as canal locks, docks and harbour improvements. In 1895 he came back to Ingersoll to reside in a beautiful new home on the corner of Oxford & Ann Streets, and he owns considerable other real estate in town. For a number of years he was a license commissioner for South Oxford, and also President of the Temperance Association of Dereham, and President of the South Oxford Reform Association. He is the owner of considerable property in town and served in the town council for three years, and was Mayor in 1890 and 1891.

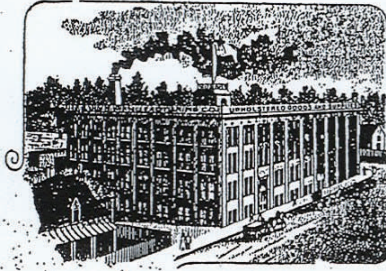
M. T. BUCHANAN

It is now almost thirty years since M. T. Buchanan came from Dorchester and established his factory for producing a very efficient line of implements for unloading hay and grain. There outfits have had a large sale throughout the country and farmers freely admit that Buchanan's outfits are fully as good as any on the market. In these days of heavy crops, scarcity of labour and high wages one of these outfits is an indispensable necessity on the farm.

Mr. Buchanan has been councillor, reeve and Mayor of Ingersoll for several years and subsequently a county councillor for this division for a few years past. He took a very active part in securing the abolition of toll gates in Oxford County.

HARRY KNEAL

On the east side of Thames Street north the extensive greenhouse owned by H. Kneal is located. On February 28th this year he suffered a serious loss by fire which destroyed nearly all his property, but with commendable energy and enterprise he rebuilt and repaired the damage so that he now meets the requirements of his patrons who want anything in his line.



THE ELLIS FURNITURE CO.

One of the most substantial and important industries in Ingersoll is the Ellis Furniture Factory owned by A. H. Ellis, who was formerly engaged in the hardware business now carried on by W. H. Jones. This was one of the three bonused industries secured for Ingersoll early in 1887, first known as the Hault Mfg. Co. In the next year Mr. A. H. Ellis became a partner in the firm, and on the death of Mr. Hault in 1894, Mr. Ellis acquired sole control of the business which he has conducted with eminent success ever since. The business is well lighted and equipped with up-to-date machinery for manufacturing a high class of furniture which finds a ready sale throughout the Dominion from Halifax to Vancouver. With Mr. Ellis is associated his eldest surviving son, Gordon, and every department of the factory is manned by about fifty skilful and efficient workmen. Mr. Ellis personally superintends the entire establishment, and most of the success and prosperity of the business is attributable to his enterprise, business capacity and shrewdness.

J. T. NORTON

It is now a little over a year since J. T. Norton purchased the stove and tinware business from Peter Forman, and by his enterprise, energy and strict attention to business he has very largely increased the volume of trade in stoves, tinware, paints, cutlery, domestic hardware, grانيتeware, etc. Mr. Norton buys from the best manufacturers and honestly strives to satisfy his customers in every way he possibly can.

JAMES SINCLAIR

The subject of his sketch was formerly a member of the Thirteenth Battalion Band in Hamilton, but for the past thirty years he has been engaged in the plumbing and tinsmithing business here, his shop being located on Thames Street next to the Evans Brothers Piano factory. He has made vats for cheese factories in this district almost ever since he came to town and it is claimed that 90 per cent of the cheese made in this district was made in vats of his manufacture. For eighteen years consecutively he has been chairman of the Board of Health, and his annual reports to the Council are noted for comprehensiveness and elaborateness of detail. As a writer of patriotic poetry he possesses marked talent, and some of his poetical productions have been widely copied in the current newspaper.



PETER KENNEDY

No personage seen on the streets of Ingersoll is more familiar than Squire Peter Kennedy, and few have more vivid recollections of events that have transpired in Ingersoll since he came here from London just fifty years ago. His rich Irish dialect, ready wit and rare faculty for telling a funny anecdote at once proclaim his nationality. After he came out from Ireland he followed the trade of a carpenter and builder in London for about nine years, then he came to Ingersoll and engaged in the grocery business, kept hotel in the Dereham House, and in 1861 he commenced buying hides, wool, grain, etc. For seven years he was market clerk, and he was one of the first trustees of the new Separate School. He has been a very generous supporter of his church, and liberal in his donations to any worthy cause or institution. For many years he was a justice of the peace.

In 1871 he re-visited the scenes of his boyhood days, and on four subsequent occasions at intervals of five years, he again crossed the ocean, taking his wife and other members of his family with him. In 1886 he had the distinguished honour of visiting the British House of Commons as the guest of the famous T. P. O'Connor, and hearing Hon. John Dillon and Hon. Joseph Chamberlain speak on the Irish question. Through letters of introduction from Sir Charles Tupper and Edward Blake he was privileged to visit the House of Lords. Two of his nephews on the staff of the Bank of Ireland, in Dublin, and another nephew and his daughter from Clonmel, have visited him at his hospitable home of King Street west, at "Maple Grove"

His beloved wife died eight years ago, and his present household are a daughter, Mrs. O'Gorman, and two granddaughters. The commodious and elegantly furnished home he occupies now was at one time the Methodist Church, which stood on Oxford Street, at the rear of the Central School. The parsonage is still there, being now occupied as a private dwelling.

While Mr. Kennedy lived in London he was a member of the old volunteer fire brigade, and he is the proud possessor of a handsome badge presented to the surviving veterans, who celebrated their jubilee a couple of years ago in London.

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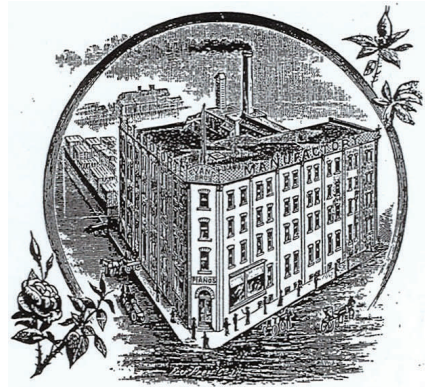
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

The first place of worship where the Roman Catholics of this locality attended mass as at Beachville in 1847, and two following years, when Fathers O'Dwyer and Monagh administered to the spiritual needs of the little flock. In 1850 a neat frame church was erected on the west side of John Street which served as a place of worship until the present spacious edifice was erected by Father Boubat, parish priest, in 1875-1879. Fathers Keelahar, Vollert and Griffa were the predecessors of Father Boubat. The latter still lives in Ridgetown.

Father Griffa had a strong predilection for dramatic performances, and Postmaster Gibson, Alexander Murdock and few other young men of that period have vivid recollections of their theatrical exploits. He was a schoolmate of the late Prince Bismarek. The old church is now a row of tenements known as Tune's terrace.

Squire Peter Kennedy was the first to head the list with a gift of \$500 for the erection of the handsome and capacious white brick edifice now in use, located on the corner of Thames and Bell Streets, which was completed in 1878.

Rev. Father Molphy took charge of the parish in 1884, and by his geniality, zeal, and popularity he added largely to the membership and financial resources of the church. He died in November, 1895, and the parish was taken charge of temporarily by Father Gahan till January, 1896, when Rev. Father Connolly, the present parish priest, was transferred to this parish from Lucan. The congregation is numerically strong, and their loyalty to their beloved spiritual adviser is quite ardent. He is a kindly and affable old gentleman, universally respected by all citizens irrespective of denomination or nationality. A few years ago a comfortable and commodious new residence was erected for him adjacent to the church.



THE EVANS BROTHERS PIANO FACTORY

Among the most prosperous and substantial of Ingersoll's many busy industries stands the piano factory giving employment to about fifty men and boys, and producing about 400 high grade pianos annually. The industry was established here in 1887, having been moved from London. The factory is a large brick building four stories high, 80x60, with power house, lumber yard, dry kilns, etc., at the rear. It is well equipped with modern machinery requisite for the business.

The fame of the Evans piano extends from Halifax to Vancouver, and for quality of tone, durability and capacity for keeping in tune it is equalled by few and excelled by none. Skilful mechanics, the best grade of material, careful construction, artistic design and superior finish are all combined to produce an instrument that sells well, wears well and looks well. The Evans piano has been brought to such a high degree of perfection that its reputation for beauty of design, finish, durability and sweetness of tone makes it a great favourite. Several styles, all uprights, are made, style M being the most expensive grade, and the most popular instrument for domestic use, but all the Evans pianos are competent to stand the test of comparison with any other pianos made in Canada.

The office and warerooms are located in a fine new brick block on the north side of the factory. M. J. Comiskey is office manager, Miss Card is stenographer and typewriter, and Kenneth Watterworth is general superintendent.

SMITH'S MILL

On the east side of Thames Street, south of Canterbury, is located James Smith's flour mill, which produces a superior grade of flour for domestic use. Originally the mill was built in 1866, but on May 5th, 1887, it was totally destroyed by fire. On the 19th of August in the same year Mr. Smith suffered another heavy loss through the destruction of Carroll's mill, next to the woollen mills on Charles Street east. Mr. Smith was the lessee of the mill. However, he soon had the Thames Street mill rebuilt and completely equipped, and he has carried on a very successful business there ever since.

T. A. KING

About eight years ago Mr. T. A. King opened up a restaurant in the O'Callaghan block, and after a few months he removed to the premises he now occupies on King Street about seven years ago. As business increased additional improvements were introduced from time to time till now he has one of the most elegantly equipped and popular refreshment parlours in the county. Everything is kept scrupulously clean, and customers are treated with every consideration of courtesy and assiduous attention. Mr. King also does an extensive business catering for weddings, and other social functions.

JOHN LENIHAN

Another of the old-timers who has been a very worthy citizen and a successful business man is John Lenihan, who has been a resident of this town for upwards of thirty years. For a few years he was a dealer in second-hand goods, and about twenty-two years ago he launched out as a retail dealer in clothing, boots and shoes and men's furnishings. His place of business for many years was on King Street east, but about ten years ago he removed to more commodious premises on the east side of Thames Street.

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WILLIAM WATTERWORTH

Very closely identified with the municipal and manufacturing activities of Ingersoll for nearly forty years and one of the towns most highly esteemed citizens, the name and fame of William Watterworth is worthy of an extended notice in a description of Ingersoll and its industries. He was born in the township of Ekfrid, West Middlesex, July 21st, 1835, so that he is now in the 71st year of his age, still vigorous and active, with no apparent diminution of capacity for business, and capable of enjoying the luxuries of life as well as anyone. His parents were English, but his father died when the subject of this sketch was quite young. When he grew up he became a working mechanic and carried on business as a contractor and builder in his native township for some years. In 1866 he came to Ingersoll and engaged in business as a lumber merchant after having been employed for a few years as manager for the late E. D. Tillson, of Tillsonburg. In 1871 he formed a partnership with the late James McIntyre as manufacturers of furniture for the wholesale and retail trade. Under his capable management the business prospered, and he subsequently disposed of his interest in the concern to the late H. S. Crotty, and took a hand in developing the pork-packing industry here. With that intelligent foresight that has always been one of his characteristics he realized the importance of agricultural expansion and the possibilities for profitable investment in lands in Manitoba and the Northwest as well as in different parts of Ontario. He invested largely in real estate in those localities as well as in Dakota and Minnesota.

He served the people of Ingersoll and Oxford County with marked ability, faithfulness and intelligence as a member of the Board of Education for some 14 years, Councillor for several years, reeve, and warden in 1896. About fifty years ago he was appointed a Commissioner in the Queen's Bench by the late Chief Justices Hagarty and Draper, and in 1871 he received an appointment as a Justice of the Peace. In 1904 he was acting Mayor during the prolonged illness of Dr. Williams and in 1899 he was elected a County Commissioner by 399 of a

majority. He has often been requested to become a candidate for parliamentary honours, but being an exceedingly busy man and having so many commercial and industrial interests he felt constrained to decline the proffered honours.

When the old firm of Evans Brothers and Littler, piano manufacturers, failed in 1888, Mr. Watterworth, T. Seldon, Joseph Gibson, W. B. Nelles, Miller Brothers and David White came to the town's rescue and acquired the business. One by one the other partners disposed of their interests in the concern and Mr. Watterworth became sole owner in 1891. He has been a shareholder and director in the Noxon Works for thirty years, being president in 1899 and Vice-President of the company now, and he was also a director in the Temperance and General Life Insurance Co. for many years. Combining business with pleasure he makes prolonged trips through Canada from Halifax to Vancouver.

INGERSOLL WOOLLEN MILLS

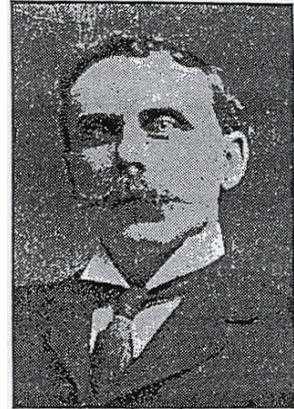
This is one of the oldest and most important of the manufacturing establishments in town. The mill was built by Mr. Parke in 1846 at the same time Carroll's grist mill was built on the lot west of it, and which was destroyed by fire a few years ago. Subsequently it passed into the possession of James Waterhouse and Fred Bradbury. Last year the latter disposed of his interest and the business is now carried on by T. Waterhouse & Co., who also purchased the clothing business from E. F. Waterhouse. The firm does a large and steadily increasing business in the manufacture of woollen goods, a new line of untearable tweed being in great demand. Most of the raw material is imported from New Zealand, it being of a superior grade compared with the Canadian article. About fifteen employees are actively engaged in the mill, which is thoroughly equipped with the very best machinery for producing high grade goods at a minimum cost.

C. W. RILEY

C. W. Riley's portly and aristocratic figure has been familiar here among business circles since 1884. The extensive business he carries on as a cheese exporter entitles him to the designation of the cheese king of Western Ontario. Near the C. P. R. depot he has two large cold storage warehouses and a complete plant for paraffining cheese to prepare it for storage and shipment. Having been very closely identified with the cheese trade for so many years he is thoroughly familiar with every point and phase of this highly important industry, and during the past twenty two years he has done more than any other individual to promote the interests of the dairying industry in this district.

For some years past he has been President and chief shareholder in the Noxon Company and under his direction the volume of business done by this firm has been very largely

increased, so in his dual capacity as a cheese king and a captain of Industry he has demonstrated his executive ability with marked success.



C. A. O'NEILL

It is not often that young men who go abroad for a few years return to engage in business in their home town, but Charlie O'Neill is one of them. A few years after leaving home he was a professional baseball player in California, and acquired a high reputation on and off the diamond. But his love of home prompted him to return and twelve years ago he opened up a grocery business in the premises formerly occupied by his late father, where he had learned the trade thoroughly. His uniform courtesy, modest demeanour and conscientious integrity have won for him a host of friends and patrons. His well stocked store has a reputation second to none for the quality of goods kept, moderate prices charged, and the promptness of delivery. Mr. Joe O'Meara renders valuable assistance in the store as chief clerk.

At the municipal nominations last December a number of Mr. O'Neill's friends prevailed on him to permit his name to appear on the ballot with the result that after the election he found himself one of the elect, and he gives fair promise of being a popular and respected alderman. He still takes an active interest in baseball, and his presence on the diamond has a beneficial influence over the younger players, who are rising into prominence.

S. W. LAIRD

A few years ago Mr. S. W. Laird engaged in the marble and granite business in a shop on King Street west, near the Daly House, where he is building up a prosperous trade. By employing skilful workmen and selling goods at moderate prices he is in a position to compete with anyone else in the trade.

BOARD OF HEALTH

The sanitary condition of the town is very carefully looked after by an ever-watchful Board of Health, composed of James Sinclair, chairman; W. R. Smith, secretary; W. B. Nelles, William Dundass, William Wallace, John Lenihan, and Dr. J. A. Neff, medical health officer, with Chief Wright and Constable Cook as inspectors. Mayor Coulter is an ex-officio member of the Board.

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THOMAS SELDON

Thomas Seldon is one of the solid citizens of Ingersoll, who has wielded a potential influence in promoting the town's prosperity. He is a native of Cornwall, England, and has been a resident of this locality for fifty-six years, thirty three years of that period and esteemed citizen of the town. During the past twenty four years he has been actively engaged in buying and exporting apples and poultry to the English markets, and last winter he made his forty-ninth trip across the Atlantic. The extent of his business operations may be judged from the fact that his cash turn-over was as high as \$140,000 one year. He has travelled extensively through Europe, one year covering a distance of 29,000 miles.

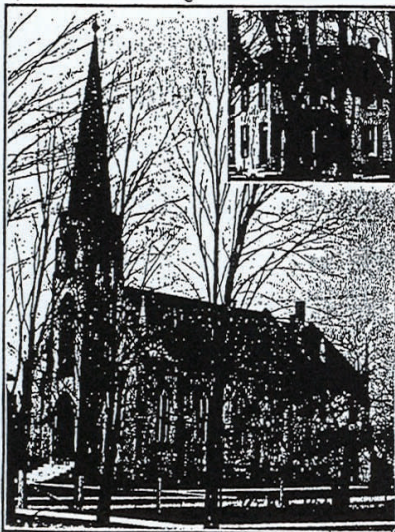
Mr. Seldon has been a member of the Board of Education for three years, reeve and county councillor for three years in 1888 and 1889. He has always taken an active interest in public questions and when abroad he never missed a chance to say something good of his hometown. It was mainly through his zealous efforts a few years ago that the St. Charles Condenser was secured for Ingersoll in spite of the strenuous attempts of rival municipalities to induce the company to locate elsewhere. He has great faith in the future of this town, and is generous in his support and encouragement of any worthy institution or project, and is one of the most liberal contributors toward the maintenance of King Street Methodist Church. Along with a number of Ingersoll friends, he spends a part of the summer season at his beautiful home in Muskoka.

W. O. SMITH

W. O. Smith has been engaged in the marble business for about a quarter of a century. He first had a small shop on Thames Street where the Evans Piano factory now stands, but prosperity and increasing business enabled him to build a fine brick block on King Street opposite the market, where he fills orders for all kinds of marble and granite work.

THE LEGAL PROFESSION

The duly qualified practitioners in the legal profession are Messrs. Paterson & Paterson, Mr. Walsh, J. C. Hegler, K. C., Thomas Wells, and J. H. Hegler.



CHARLES STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Over a half century ago a small frame church stood on the site of the present edifice known as the Charles Street Methodist church. The little flock of devout worshippers increased in numbers and affluence, and to meet their needs a fine large white brick church was built. Before the union it was the Episcopal branch of the Methodist church in Canada.

The old cemetery was at the rear of the church, but after the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery was established the remains of the bodies were removed there.

Successive pastors in recent years were Revs. O. G. Collamore, John Laycock, W. H. Kyle, R. Burns, J. S. Williamson, T. J. Atkins, G. W. Calvert, J. A. Jackson, J. C. Stevenson and the present pastor, Rev. T. L. Kerruish.

A comfortable and commodious parsonage adjoins the church on the west side. There is a large and prosperous Sunday school, and the Epworth League, Ladies' Aid Society and Women's Missionary Society are valuable adjuncts to the work of the church.

The young men have fitted up a nice tennis court at the rear of the church. Miss Uren is organist of the choir and Charles Crooker is choir leader. A. W. Taylor is superintendent of the Sunday school.

FRED RICHARDSON

For over twenty years with the exception of a brief interval when he was in Chicago engaged in a similar business, Fred Richardson has been actively engaged in the occupation of a builder and contractor. His planing mill is located on Thames Street, opposite the Noxon works, and scattered throughout the town and surrounding country are numerous buildings he has erected or supplied the wood-work, lumber, etc., for. He has undertaken and completed many important contracts. He is a member of the town council this year, and has on previous occasions served in a similar capacity.

McINTYRE & CO.

For about half a century the name of James McIntyre has been a familiar household word as an exten-

sive dealer in furniture, and as a funeral director. During recent years he had associated with him his two step sons, Messrs. George and Alonzo B. Walker so that the burden of responsibility was borne by them. Mr. McIntyre died a few weeks ago, leaving the Walker Brothers in full possession of the large and lucrative business. They are enterprising and energetic young men, and their ambition is to do the leading business in their line. A few months ago they organized the Walker Casket Co., a new industry carried on in a frame factory on Charles Street east. They also have an agency for the Dominion pianos and organs in which they have been quite successful. Their furniture stock fills three flats, and they carry a superior line of goods of the most modern designs.

Undertaking, embalming and the management of funerals will be attended to by experts.

FRED DUTTON

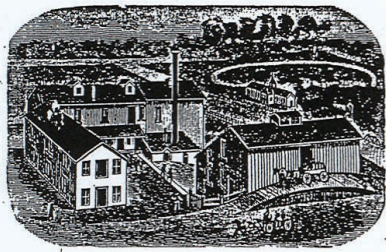
Without making any derogatory reflections on others in the same line of business no one will dispute the assertion that Fred Dutton has the most elegant establishment in town. It is located in the large new store built by A. W. Taylor last year, just south of the King Edward Barber Shop. Early this spring he moved into the new premises which had been specially fitted up for his business, and equipped in the most modern style, so that is fully up to the standard found in small cities. The handsome plate glass front, flanked by two entrances, is one of the finest in town, and at the rear is an elegant and commodious refreshment room with sufficient capacity for social suppers, banquets, etc. The bake-shop is at the rear of Ionson's store, with easy access through the alley. Bread is delivered daily, and a large stock of fancy pastry is always kept in the show cases. Artistic wedding cakes will be supplied to order. Catering for social functions is a specialty, and order for flowers will be promptly attended to.

STEPHEN KING & CO.

Inseparately identified with the commercial interests of Ingersoll is the old established and widely known stove and tinware business carried on with unqualified success for the past twenty-two years by Stephen King, and more recently by King & Co. A general jobbing business is also done in plumbing, gas fitting, eavestroughing, repairing, etc. Mr. D. Howe, for many years foreman in the workshop, was admitted into a partnership about a year ago, and he is a thoroughly competent and expert workman.

Mr. King is at present the License Inspector for South Oxford. He has on various occasions been a member of the town council, in which capacity he rendered valuable service as a worthy representative.

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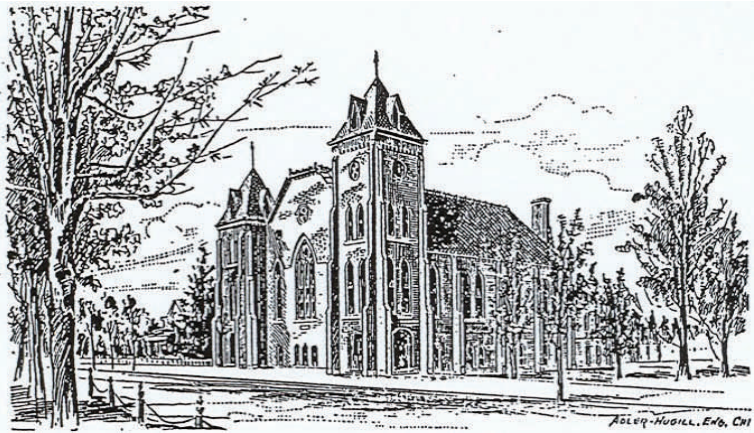
THE NORTH STAR MILLS

Over fifty years ago a saw mill was built on the stream where the present North Star Cereal Mills are located. The owner was E. Hall, who sold the property to John Stuart in 1858, who subsequently converted the establishment into a cereal mill, and as business increased larger buildings and improved machinery were added. It then passed into possession of Peter Stuart & Co., who also owned the oatmeal mill. Large quantities of oatmeal, split peas, pot barley, feed, etc., are produced, and the superior quality of these goods is known far and wide, the trade not being confined to Canada alone. On the death of Peter Stuart a few years ago, Alex Grant became manager of the business.

DEFENDERS OF THE FLAG

At critical periods in the history of Canada the citizens of Ingersoll were ever ready to rush to the front to protect the privations and risk the dangers of the battlefield, as in the Fenian Raid of 1866, the Northwest Rebellion of 1885, and the Boer War in 1899-1900. The survivors of the Fenian Raid who went to the front from here, and still reside here are J. Comiskey, George Bott, R. F. Staples, D. Clouse, William Chambers, Winslow White, H. Holden, A. Barry, R. Stuart, W. G. Newell, M. Day, Joseph Gibson [postmaster], John Spearman, T. Reeves, J. T. Johnston, R. Perry, T. A. Bishop, William Brown, J. H. Rowse, George Edwards, T. Dutton, A. B. Hingston, J. J. Smith, Thomas Bolton, Alexander Munro, W. J. Berry, F. Richards, A. Robinson, J. Davis, T. Bennett, C. W. Crooker, W. B. Nelles, G. F. Clark and James Sinclair. On June 22nd, 1897, at the time of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, James Sinclair organized a Veterans' Association, and on different occasions they turned out on parade, the last time being on Victoria day, 1906, when they made a very creditable showing and were cordially greeted along the route.

When the Boer War broke out in South Africa and an opportunity was given for Canadians to go into active service in defence of the flag on the veldt. Abe Edwards and Athol Marshall went out from here with the first Canadian contingent and later L. V. Healy also went out to South Africa to uphold the integrity of the British Empire. All three returned safely and were accorded a magnificent reception.



THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The exact date when the Baptists of this community became a recognized church organization is indefinite, but the first church edifice we have any records of was a small frame structure on Harris Street, at Cook's Corners. The next was a white brick edifice on Albert Street, for some years afterwards occupied by Mr. Fawkes, a jeweller, and now J. A. Buchanan's residence. In 1858 a commodious brick church was built on the corner of Thames and Canterbury streets, which continued to be used till it was torn down to make room for the magnificent new Tabernacle that was erected on the site in 1899 during the pastorate of Rev. J. F. Barker. Six years ago it was struck by lightning and almost completely destroyed by fire, except the brick walls. It was soon rebuilt and the re-opening took place the following February. A splendid new pipe organ was installed last February. So far as we can learn, the successive pastors who had charge of the church work were Revs. Beardsall, Baldwin, Dempsey, Keatch, Hutchinson, Trotter, Speller, Munro, Barker, Grant, Grigg and the present pastor, Rev. M. C. McLean.

The organist is Miss Eastwood, and the choir has attained a high degree of efficiency under her leadership. As an auxiliary to church work there is Sunday school, Baraca Class of young men, and other organizations doing good work.

WILSON BROTHERS

The hardware business now conducted by Messrs. Theo L. and Henry L. Wilson, was established by Wilson & Robertson thirty years ago. In 1868 it became Robertson & McKay, and on Mr. McKay's retirement from the firm a short time ago, Mr. R. J. Robertson took Harry L. Wilson into partnership. Recently he disposed of his interest to Theo L. Wilson and retired from the business. They occupy a fine large store well stocked with shelf and heavy hardware, mechanics tools, builders' findings, paints, brushes, cutlery, glass, etc., in fact everything that a well regulated hardware dealer is expected to keep for sale. The store is 90x27, two stories high, with a basement, fitted with elevators and all the necessary equipment for handling heavy goods.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

In 1890 the old Mechanics' Institute Library was merged into the present institution. It was first located on King Street east, but subsequently in 1899 it was moved to the present commodious rooms in the Royal block on Thames Street. There is a collection of about 5,000 volumes covering a wide range literature, classified as History, Biography, Travels, Arts and Sciences, Fiction, Theology, Poetry, and works of reference. There is also a free reading room, where current daily and weekly papers, monthly magazines and illustrated publications are on the tables. Mrs. Court is the courteous and efficient librarian, having had charge of it since it was established. It is open from 2 pm till 6, and from 7 till 9:30 pm each week day. The annual expenditure is about \$800, and the privileges of the entire institution are available to any responsible citizen free of cost except five cents for the catalogue.

THE UNION PUBLISHING CO.

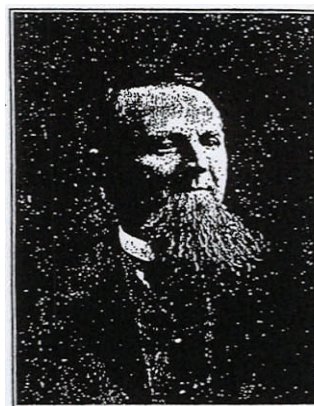
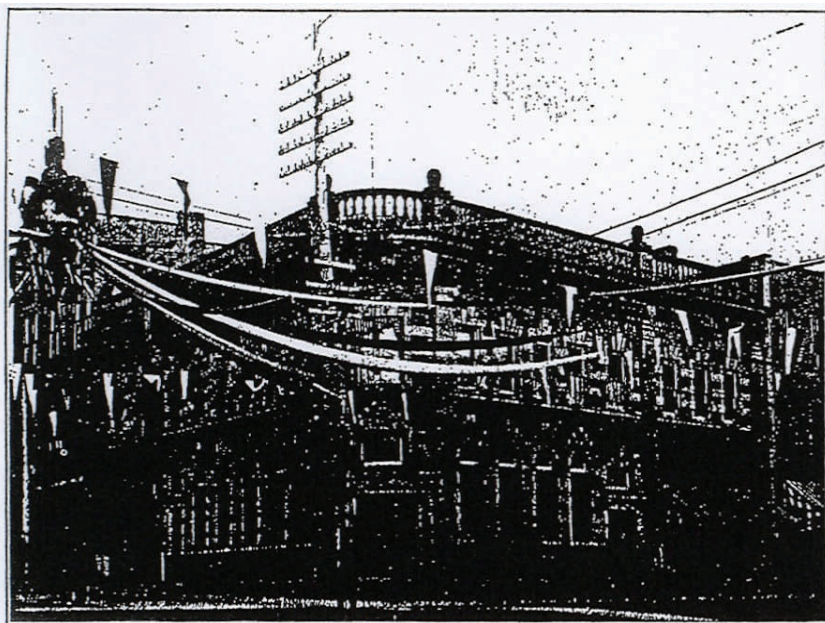
A quarter of a century is the period J. F. Morrey has been engaged in the business of publishing farmers' directories, Provincial directories and directories of cities, towns and villages. He began in a modest way in 1882 and the business has gradually expanded till now the latest edition of Morrey's director is an essential adjunct to every business man's office. Previous to entering on this special line of industry Mr. Morrey carried on business in the old stone building east of the market, formerly the old Registry Office, and then for a few years he was a funeral director and dealer in furniture from 1864 till 1882. He is assisted by his son, E. B. Morrey, who is a prominent Oddfellow. The mechanical part of the work of publishing directories is done by Mr. Jack Clark and a capable staff of assistants.

M. J. McDERMOTT

The cooperage works carried on by M. J. McDermott on Water Street turns out a fine class of barrels for flour, apples, etc.

Peter Myers had a large cooperage business on King Street west, but his establishment was burned out a few years ago and he is not now in business.

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JAMES STEVENS

To Whitby Township, near Oshawa, belongs the honour of being the birthplace of James Stevens, and a list of prominent representative citizens of Ingersoll would not be complete without his name in it. When about fourteen years of age he came to Oxford County and soon afterwards he became a public school teacher. After spending over two years in that profession he engaged in mercantile life and kept a general store at Mount Elgin for 21 years. After spending about two years and a half in Tillsonburg he received the appointment of Clerk of the Fifth Division Court at Ingersoll in 1881. He filled that office with eminent success for twenty one years, and resigned in 1902, his assistant, Mr. Neil B. Gunn being then appointed as clerk.

Mr. Stevens has had a long and honourable career as a municipal officer, having served his constituents with marked ability in various capacities. He was deputy reeve of Dereham before coming to Ingersoll, and at various times he has been honoured by being elected as a member of town council. He was mayor in 1891, 1892, 1893, and is now a member of the town council, being chairman of the Finance Committee. During the interim between the death of the late C. E. Chadwick and the appointment of John Morrison, Mr. Stevens was acting Police Magistrate.

Mr. Stevens resides in a quiet comfortable home on Albert Street, and spends the summer months in his cosy cottage at Kee-waydin, Muskoka. He is highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends for his sterling integrity and true friendship.

ANDREW SUTHERLAND

For the past thirty years Andrew Sutherland has been engaged in the manufacturing of a superior quality of carriages and during that period he has established a worthy reputation for the excellence of his work, and the fairness of all his dealings with his host of customers. He is a skilled carriage builder himself and employs a staff of expert mechanics under his personal supervision, so that any orders entrusted to him will be promptly attended to. The factory and show rooms are located on Oxford Street north of the Kirwin House.

THE TRADERS BANKS

The Ingersoll branch of the Traders' Bank was instituted in 1887 by taking over the business of the Bank of London, of which Charles Simpson was local manager. He continued in that capacity with the Traders Bank till he was succeeded by Mr. A. B. Ord in 1890. At that time the capital stock of the head institution was only \$542,000, with assets of \$2,600,000; while now its capital stock is \$3,000,000, assets over \$26,000,000; with \$1,200,000 in the Rest Account.

The largely increased business done by the local branch under the popular and efficient management of Mr. Ord has necessitated an increase in the staff to seven, double what it was, and although spacious and well furnished offices in the Northworthy block are occupied it was deemed expedient to erect a magnificent new building on the northwest corner of Thames and King Streets at a cost of about \$27,000. H. C. McBride, of London, is the architect, and Nagle & Mills the contractors. This handsome structure is built of white pressed brick and Ohio sand-

stone. The main entrance on the rounded corner is a beautiful specimen of carved stonework, with curved plate glass door panels, oak woodwork and brass mountings. The building is two stories high, with a frontage on Thames Street of 62 feet, and on King Street of 62 feet. On the ground floor the banking offices are located, now nearly ready for occupancy. West of that will be R. T. Agar's insurance office, and north on the Thames Street side is a fine new store. The basement is used for a vault, furnace, storage, etc.

On the second floor over the bank an elegant suite of rooms is occupied by G. F. Moore, dentist, and another, fine room adjoining these will be fitted up for a lodge room or club room.

In 1890 the Traders Bank had fifteen branches and now there are seventy. There are seven in Oxford County. A magnificent fifteen storey steel frame structure is being erected for the head office in Toronto, which is the highest commercial building in the British Empire.

R. W. WATERHOUSE

R. W. Waterhouse has recently acquired possession of a well established and popular clothing and men's furnishing business that has been in the Waterhouse family for over forty years, and though he is a comparatively young man he has acquired a thorough knowledge of the business and an extensive experience as a practical designer and cutter of men's garments. It cannot be denied that clothes do make the man in the general estimation of his fellow citizens, and when Waterhouse makes the garments he demonstrates that there is no need for going out of town to get stylish, well made and durable clothing. In connection with his ordered clothing department he also keeps a large and well-selected stock of ready-to-wear clothing of superior quality and workmanship, besides hats, caps, ties, collars, underwear, etc.

VICTORIA PARK

Realizing that a strenuous life of industrial activity required occasional relaxation, provision was made for a spacious recreation park in the south east section of the town. It consists of a level plateau several acres in extent. Part of it has a beautiful shade grove on the northeast corner, and along the south is a gentle slope affording a magnificent point of view from which spectators may watch the games and sports. It has been customary from year to year, with an occasional lapse, for the Caledonian Society, or some other organization to hold big demonstrations and patriotic celebrations there. Lacrosse, football, baseball, etc., are the most popular outdoor sports, though in recent years baseball has been the favourite. For this season a four-team league will occupy the diamond at frequent intervals.

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INGERSOLL GAS LIGHT CO.

The Ingersoll Gas Works were established in the summer of 1872, shortly after the big fire. From time to time as the demands increased, the capacity of the works was enlarged, the process of manufacturing and the efficiency of the service were improved, and the system extended, so that now there are about 14 miles of gas mains in use supplying 530 consumers, an average daily output of about 30,000 cubic feet of gas for illuminating, heating and cooking purposes.

The site of the works is on Gas Street, a short street running north from Charles, opposite Mayor Boles' residence, Mr. W. C. Noxon of Toronto, is President, C. C. L. Wilson is vice-president, and William Bowman, Jr., is manager. Miss Maggie Findlay is bookkeeper and stenographer.

In recent years there has been a great demand for gas ranges, and 400 of them are now in use. This number will be increased this season. The quality of gas, price and efficiency of service will compare very favourably with any other town of the size in Canada.

BOARD OF TRADE

As a useful adjunct of the town council a progressive and alert Board of Trade is of great value, forming a link, as it were between the people and the council. Matters of public interest can be discussed more freely and the initiative taken by this body may be passed on to the Council to act on it as an executive body. Ingersoll has a Board of Trade for many years, but two years ago a new departure infused more activity into it when an excursion was run to Guelph, Berlin and Waterloo, on the 10th of May, and this year a similar trip was made to Brantford and Hamilton on the same day of the month.

During H. Richardson's regime as president last year a system of advertising the town with a view to inducting factories to locate here was inaugurated, and it is confidently believed that good results will follow. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday in each month, with an occasional special meeting. Mr. George Sutherland is President and Mr. O. E. Robinson secretary this year. There is a large and increasing membership.

MANCHESTER CEREAL MILL

About five years ago Mr. Partlo purchased the mill in the west end known as King's mill, which had been established in 1846. A bad break in the dam caused serious damage to the engine house, and the towering smoke stack toppled over against the mill and crashed through the side and roof. The damage was promptly repaired, and now the mill is used for the production of high grade cereals at the rate of about 100 barrels daily.

Mr. Partlo is a prosperous and highly esteemed citizen, and has served on various occasions as an alderman, a school trustee and chairman of the Board of Education with much acceptance. His latest indul-

gence is the purchase of a fine new Ford automobile for \$1200, from the factory in Walkerville, through the local agent W. F. Staples, which he used for the first time on May 7th.

CITY ROLLER MILLS

When Ingersoll was but a small village, the flour milling industry now known as Partlo's City Roller Mills was established in 1832. It was a comparatively small business at the beginning, but sufficient for the requirements of the community. It was run by water power and was operated by different owners till it came into the possession of William Partlo. On September 26th, 1895, the mill was destroyed by fire. Being rebuilt as quickly as possible, and fitted up throughout with the most modern machinery, it now has a capacity of 150 barrels a day. About fifteen years ago the roller process was installed, steam power having been brought into use some time previously on account of the water supply being inadequate. At one time petroleum was tried for fuel but it proved rather expensive owing to the advancing prices charged for crude oil.

Mr. Partlo has associated with him his two sons, Herbert and Sidney, and at one time they owned and operated a grist mill at Dorchester, which was burned in 1894, and subsequently rebuilt.

HARNESS SHOPS

There are three harness shops conducted by W. Rigney, R. H. Young and Fred Loth. W. Rigney's shop is on King Street, next door to King's Café, and he makes and repairs all kinds of harness, and keeps a general stock of supplies for horsemen.

Fred Loth came from Blenheim about three months ago and bought H. Webster's business in the stone building on the east side of the market. His stock of harness, whips, robes, etc., is most complete, and he manufactures harness to order, using the best material, and taking special care to produce well made goods.

R. H. Young has been in the trade for a long period and the quality of the work he turns out cannot be excelled. His shop is in the block occupied by Mitchell & Co., opposite the market.

JAQUES & McPHERSON

As successors to Fred Dutton in the grocery business, Messrs. Jaques & McPherson have been catering to the wants of a large and steadily growing list of patrons. They came from Chatham less than a year ago and soon after assuming control of the business here they demonstrated their ability and desire to serve their customers on the come-again principle, sending them away satisfied and willing to return.

INGERSOLL ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER CO.

The detailed history of the introduction of electric light and power in this town would occupy more space than we have at our disposal. It dates back to 1891. For a brief period a small electric light plant controlled by the Gas Company was operated by water power from Centreville, three miles east. Then the present company was organized and the first concern ceased to operate. The new company established a plant on the premises on Water Street, formerly occupied by a distillery, and during the past fifteen years they have enlarged the equipment and capacity of the concern till now they have about 4,000 incandescent lamps for street service, 52 miles of wire, three boilers with a gross capacity of 450 hp, two fine engines of 475 hp, seven dynamos and a complete outfit of transformers, switches, etc.

About four years ago the company began supplying electrical energy for motive power, and at present they are serving 32 motors of various capacities from one to eighty hp. This is a privilege not enjoyed by any other town in Canada without water power.

A new contract has recently been entered into whereby the town is to be lighted by 45 street lamps of 2000 cp, for \$2500 a year, on and after July 1st, 1906, by this company.

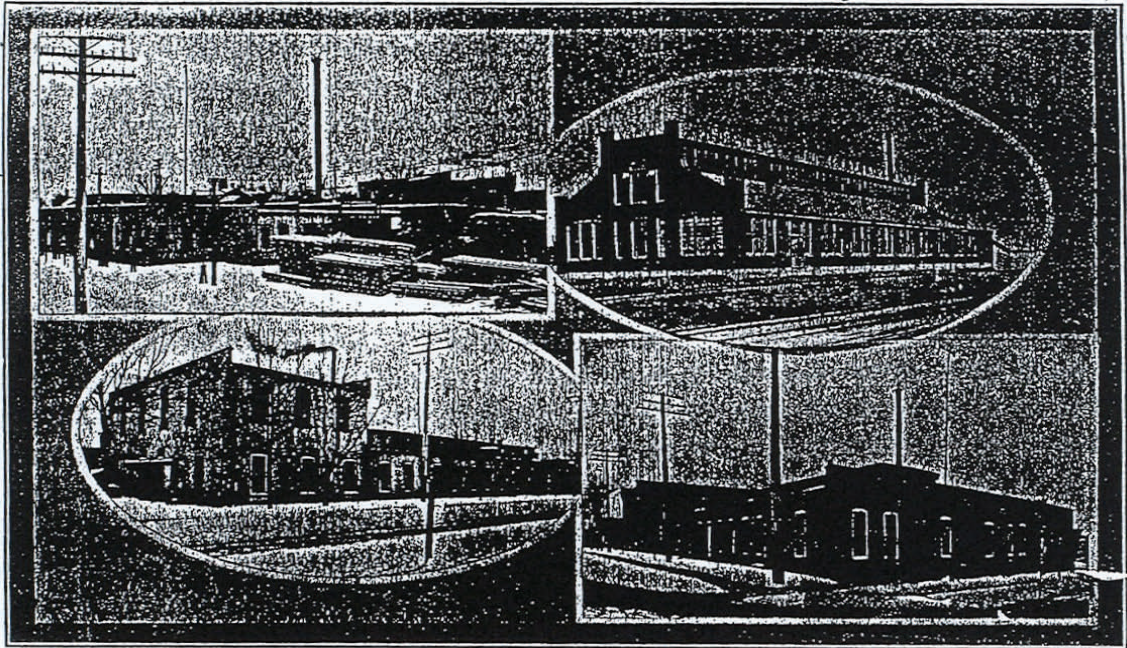


T. N. DUNN

After having served an apprenticeship and thoroughly mastered the details of the hardware business as a clerk with Robertson & McKay, Mr. T. N. Dunn purchased the hardware business on the corner of Thames and Charles Streets from James Campbell about six years ago. Mr. Dunn fully understands the best

class of goods required by the people in this district, and his comprehensive knowledge of the wholesale trade enables him to buy the right kind of goods at the most advantageous prices. He keeps a large and well-selected stock, and is always courteous in catering to the needs of his customers.

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THE JOHN MORROW MACHINE SCREW COMPANY LIMITED

Located on the corner of Thames and Catharine Streets is another of Ingersoll's busiest industries known as The John Morrow Machine Screw Works. This industry was but a small concern when it was moved here from London in 1887, but by the energy and enterprise of the late manager, John Morrow, and his young successor, J. Anderson Coulter, the capacity and annual output of the factory has been very greatly increased. Every department has been perfectly organized and the entire business is conducted in a thoroughly systematic manner. Through the perfection of automatic machines which accurately perform from one to five different operations without any human aid or control, the quantity of bolts and screws made per day is amazing when compared with the old method of manipulating the metal with tools in the hands of a mechanic. At one time a large business was done in the manufacture of bicycle parts, but later the firm's attention has been concentrated on other lines of work, including nearly every size, form and quality of steel, iron and brass screws and bolts required in the construction of engines, mill machinery, electrical apparatus, etc. One section of the factory is devoted to the production of screws for piano and organ stools, spring wires for Dunlop bicycle and automobile tires, and other specialties.

DIVISION COURT

The office of the Fifth Division Court in the County of Oxford is located on the east side of Thames Street over T. Wells' law office. Neil B. Gunn is the clerk and Fred Kennedy is bailiff. H. J. Finkle is county judge and court is usually held about every two months in the council chamber or town hall.

INGERSOLL NUT COMPANY LIMITED

The newest of Ingersoll's industries is the Nut Factory, which was built in 1905, and commenced active operations about the first of the present year. It is located close beside the Grand Trunk tracks, several hundred yards east of Thames Street. It is a substantial red brick building 144 feet long by 50 feet wide, with an engine house 38x32 at the east end. The side-walls are largely constructed of windows, and an 18 foot louvre extending the whole length of the factory gives ample facilities for admitting daylight. Ventilation, fire protection and artificial light are well provided for, and the mechanical equipment is of the most modern style. The entire establishment may be considered as the nearest approach to perfection that can be devised. The factory was erected by Messrs. Nagle & Mills, of this town, and it is a credit to them and their workmen.

The motive power in the factory is supplied by a 65 hp Hardill compound engine, with its accessories. There are numerous powerful machines for the rapid and economical production of hot-pressed nuts of various sizes; also lathes, drills, shapers, and a six-spindle horizontal reamer, a ten ton shearing machine. Dawson heating, furnaces, etc. Every facility and device is used for handling the iron and steel from the store-room to the shipping room, and the same perfect system is observed here in the division of labour as prevails in the Screw Works.

W. J. TUNE

Only a short time ago W. J. Tune opened up a business as tailor, cleaner, dyer and repairer of men's clothing in the shop formerly occupied by the late John Birss. He is an expert workman and all orders entrusted to his care will be attended to promptly and his charges are moderate, consistent with good

workmanship.

THE INGERSOLL WATERWORKS

Sixteen years ago a very efficient system of waterworks was established in Ingersoll by Messrs. Moffatt, Hodgkins and Clark of Syracuse, NY. An abundant supply of wholesome water fit for domestic use and fire purposes was obtained from springs in West Oxford, about three miles from town. A pumping station was installed on the Hamilton Road about two miles west of town, and on a high elevation on Wonham Street south a huge steel stand pipe or reservoir was constructed, 120 feet high, with a capacity of 190,000 gallons, giving a pressure sufficient to throw a large stream of water through a hose and nozzle over any building in town. At present there are about 9 miles of mains in use supplying water to about 700 consumers. For many years George Duncan was superintendent, but through changes that have taken place in recent years a new company now controls the concern. At present Mr. A. Bruce of Toronto is president; R. E. Young, secretary-treasurer; and H. E. Robinson has been local superintendent since last fall.

AGENTS

A Macaulay and R. Rogerson do a general business as accountants, collectors and insurance agents, and James Stirton, A. N. Christopher, R. T. Agar, Coleridge & Taylor, D. G. Cuthbertson, G. Duncan, E. H. Hugill, James Stevens, H. O. Lindsay, T. R. Mayberry, E. Storey, J. R. Hart and George Sutherland represent some one of more of the leading fire and life insurance companies doing business in Ontario.

John Fishleigh, Manzer & Thomas, James Mayberry, C. T. Holmes, G. H. Clark and the Noxon Company, represent various lines of agricultural implements and machinery.

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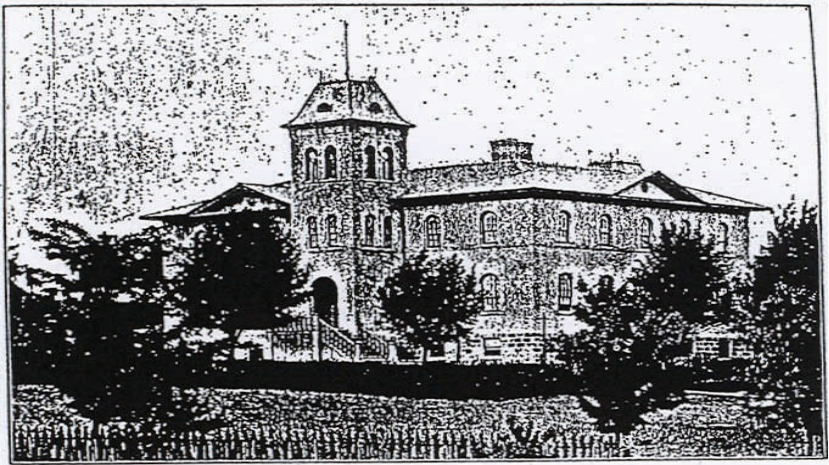
H. F. BOYSE

As chairman of the Board of Education and as a highly respected citizen of Ingersoll, Mr. Henry F. Boyse is worthy of considerable notice in this publication. He was born in Dereham, near Verschoyle, and in early life he studied with a view to entering the teaching profession. After securing a good elementary education at the public school, Verschoyle, he entered on a course of study in Woodstock College. The death of his mother brought about a change in his plans and he subsequently became a successful and prosperous farmer on the second concession of Dereham. Afterwards he removed to a farm at Piper's Corners in West Oxford and managed the two farms for four years. Ten years ago he retired from farming and had a beautiful new home built on Oxford Street, where he has since resided. For a short time he owned a flour and feed store which he sold to Scott Brothers. He has invested extensively in real estate in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and the Northwest, and spends part of the summer looking after his interests there.

He has been secretary of the I., N. & W. O. Agricultural Society for seven years, and is a member of the official board of King Street Methodist church. He was a member of the Board of Education in 1901-1902, and is now serving his second term. He was elected chairman of the board at the organization meeting in February.

CANADA GLOVE AND MITTEN FACTORY

Though only a little over a year established this young but thriving industry bids fair to become quite an important factor in the commercial status of this town. It was started in a modest way in the upper flat of the O'Callaghan block, but the rapidly growing demand for the goods produced made it necessary to secure more commodious premises, so the industry was transferred to a two storey brick block on Charles Street east. New and expensive machinery was installed, and the factory is now equipped to produce large quantities of cloth gloves, mitts, etc., for rough work.



INGERSOLL COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE D. S. BURDICK

Prior to January 1st, 1886 this excellent educational institution was a high school, the last principal of which was F. W. Merchant, now principal of the London Normal School. In that year it was advanced to the status of a Collegiate Institute, and William Briden, BA, became the first principal, a position he has held with honour and success continuously ever since, highly respected by an ever-increasing host of personal friends and graduates of the seat of learning over which he presides so efficiently.

A few years ago the building was enlarged by the addition of more rooms, and extensive alterations and improvements were made, while the equipment was brought up to a high standard.

The present staff consists of William Briden, BA, Principal, English and Classics; G. L. Macdonald, BA, Modern Languages; J. S. Cameron, Mathematics; S. B. Hatch, Commercial Master; A. Pearson, BA, Science Master and G. A. Lucas, English and Manual Training.

The curriculum embraces all the subjects prescribed for Collegiate Institutes by the Department of Education, and the present attendance is 160 students, the highest yet attained in the records of this institution. The Inspector's official reports show that a high standard of efficiency is maintained, it being graded First Class, while the large number of graduates from year to year is another tangible evidence that the Ingersoll Collegiate Institute ranks very high in the list of similar institutions throughout the province.

R. F. UREN

R. F. Uren's photo studio is in the Campbell block, King Street east, where he has a well equipped establishment for doing a very fine class of photographic work. He is exceptionally successful at out-door work, as may be seen by the photos reproduced in this publication. Having an extensive experience, all modern instruments and accessories, and a well-lighted suite of rooms, he is prepared to do superior work promptly at very moderate prices. Mr. Uren's artistic productions must be seen to be appreciated, and he knows a satisfied customer is a very effective advertisement for him.

Father Time has dealt kindly with D. S. Burdick and his aged partner in life, and today they are the oldest couple residing in town. Both are in good health, and enjoy such pleasures as fall to the lot of people in advanced years, being living examples of well spent life. Mr. Burdick was born in West Oxford, almost within the corporation limits of Ingersoll, in 1819, so he is now 87 years of age, and his wife is 84. In 1905 they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary in a quiet way, and received the congratulations of a host of friends. They live in a comfortable home on the corner of Victoria and Union Streets, and their daughter, Mrs. A. Macaulary, resides near by.

Mr. Burdick is quite an enthusiastic wheelman and may often be seen out on his bicycle for a spin, which he seems to enjoy as much as anyone of much younger age. For many years he was engaged in business as a grain buyer for the late John Stuart, and he recalls one occasion when he took in 3200 bushels of grain in one day. He has resided in his present home for 46 years, and has a vivid recollection of many old citizens who have passed away. He can tell interesting incidents in connection with the Crottys, Carnegies, Rumseys, McDonalds, Kerrs and others, and about industries and social, political and religious events that took place in the early days of Ingersoll. In fact he could supply the material for a very interesting volume. We are indebted to him for many hints and facts recorded elsewhere in this publication.

Mrs. Burdick was born in Champlain, New York State.

In their parlour they have what is probably the oldest and most unique picture in this town. It is a beautiful piece of pictorial needlework on linen, over 240 years old, representing a man and a woman in quaint costume standing between two lions crouched, surrounded by vines, flowers, leaves and fruit, done in colours, and a dove with outstretched wings hovers in the foreground.

JOSIAH PAGE

For many years Josiah Page has carried on business as painter, decorator, paper hanger, and dealer in furniture and wall paper. His store is opposite the Free Library.

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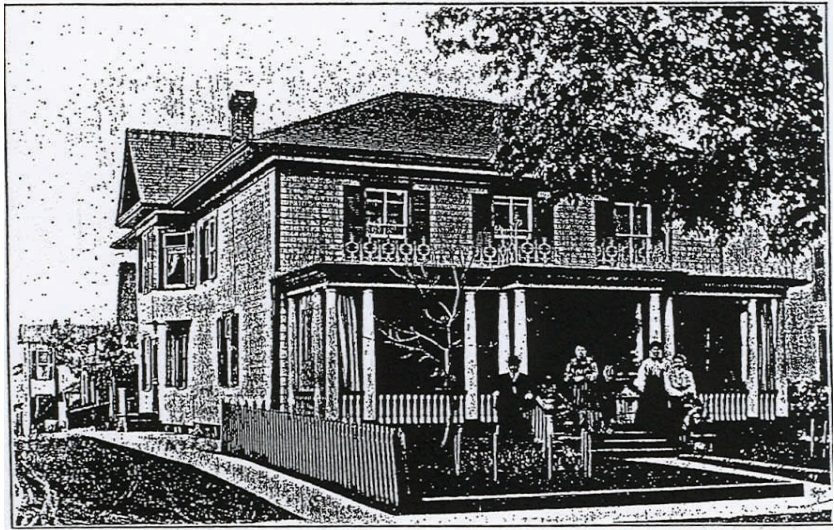


WALTER MILLS

The arrival of Walter Mills at Ingersoll in 1874 signaled the commencement of a remarkably successful business career. Born in London, England, whence he came to Hamilton as an ambitious and industrious young man in 1871. After spending three years as an employee of the Gas Works there, he resolved to 'go west,' and fortunately for Ingersoll he located here as manager of the Ingersoll Gas Works, a position he filled with eminent success and satisfaction for twelve years, severing his connection with that industry to become manager of the Silica-Barytic Stone Co. About two years ago he entered into partnership with T. W. Nagle as contractors, builders and dealers in coal, cement, etc.

Mr. Mills has had a long and honourable record as a member of the town council, being Mayor of Ingersoll for three years, and alderman for twelve years. He was also chairman of the Board of Education, and for two years consecutively he was High Chief Ranger of the Ancient Order of Foresters, and for several years he has been a member of the executive of that order. He is also prominently identified with several other fraternal societies, and as a genial, generous and popular citizen he is regarded with high favour.

Being still a comparatively young man endowed with those qualities that inspire confidence, admiration and respect, he has given very valuable service to the town, and his name has occasionally been mentioned as a possible candidate for parliamentary honours, but on account of his numerous business responsibilities he modestly refuses to seek a seat in the Legislature. He has prospered so well here that he has acquired large interests in real estate in various parts of the town, so now it is generally conceded that he owns more houses and lots, has more tenants and pays more taxes than any other individual in town for that class of property. He resides in a beautiful and luxuriously furnished home on Charles Street west, which is reproduced pictorially elsewhere in this publication.



WALTER MILLS' RESIDENCE, CHARLES STREET, WEST

THE SILICA BARYTIC STONE CO.

Ingersoll was the first city or town in Canada to adopt the silica-barytic system of sidewalk construction. A deputation of aldermen visited Detroit about eighteen years ago and were so favourably impressed with the samples of that kind of artificial stone sidewalks they saw that the council soon entered into a contract with Otto Guelich & Son to construct a section of new sidewalk along the east side of Thames Street from the CPR track to Canterbury Street, which work was done late in the fall of 1890. Subsequently a local company was organized for Canada with the head office here. Walter Mills became President and general manager, a position he has deservedly held over since 1891. D. G. Cuthbertson is secretary-treasurer. There are several gangs of men at work every summer in various parts of Ontario, each under a competent foreman laying sidewalks, private walks, crossings, waterproof floors in stables, malt houses, breweries, abattoirs, slaughter houses, cellars, etc.

Silica barytic is practically an artificial stone, believed to be constituted of the same component parts as the material used by the ancient Romans over two thousand years ago in the construction of those historic highways that have endured the trying tests of time and are the wonder and admiration of modern travellers in the bounds of the old Roman Empire of the past. It is a mixture of broken stone, gravel, sand and cement mixed according to specifications and laid by skilled workmen, producing a hard, smooth waterproof surface more durable than natural stone, and perfectly sanitary.

A significant fact in connection with the operations of the company during the past fifteen years is that because of the honourable straightforward record of the company, and the highly satisfactory character of the work done by them in nearly every city, town and

village in Ontario, they have no trouble in securing new contracts wherever they have done work before. The record of the past is a guarantee for the future.

NAGLE & MILLS

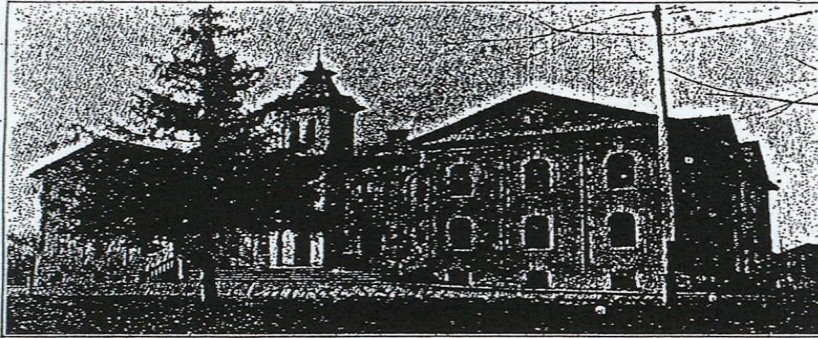
The firm of Nagle & Mills was organized in 1904 to carry on a general business as dealers in coal, cement, lumber, etc., and to contract for buildings on a large scale. Walter Mills is described elsewhere in this publication. Thomas W. Nagle came here from Salford about twenty years ago, and in conjunction with his brother he purchased the Matheson planning mill on Charles Street west and they did a general business as builders for the John Morrow Machine Screw Co., and the Evans Brothers Piano Co., besides a number of fine private residences having been erected by them.

Since the new firm of Nagle & Mills was formed they have completed fine new armouries in Burford, Woodstock and Stratford, the Ingersoll Nut Factory, and the Hospital for Epileptics at Woodstock. At present they have contracts under way for a large new armoury at Guelph and the magnificent new buildings in Ingersoll for the Traders Banks and the Merchants Bank. Also the new Bank of Commerce building in Woodstock. With their extensive experience and superior facilities for doing this class of work they are prepared to undertake and successfully finish any contract in the building line.

C. H. SLAWSON & CO.

For many years the firm of C. H. Slawson has been identified with the dairying industry as dealers in all kinds of supplies for cheese and butter makers. The goods they handle are the very best quality and comprise every requisite in the dairy industry or the equipment of cheese and butter factories. George E. Booth is the general agent for the firm, and he thoroughly understands the requirements of the trade in all its departments.

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The public school accommodation, equipment and qualifications of the teaching staff are highly creditable to the community. The Central school is a spacious two storey white brick structure comprising twelve rooms besides the basement. It is conveniently located on Thames Street, and has a large well kept play ground surrounding it. On the lawn in front two large grim-looking cannon, relics of the Russian War, occupy a conspicuous position, and in the foreground is erected a lofty flag pole.

The teaching staff is composed of H. F. McDiarmid, Principal, who has guided the destinies of the school for twenty years with eminent success; Harry T. Bowers, and Misses Poole, Bowers, Seldon, Hamilton, Stovel, Chambers, B. Hull, Campbell and McNeil. Miss Johnston is the teacher of music, and Miss Baker is in charge of the kindergarten, with Misses Shepherd and Richardson as assistants. Misses McPhater and A. Hull are the teachers in John Street school. John Noe is the efficient janitor in charge of these two schools.

The rooms are all well equipped with the requisite apparatus to aid the teachers in their work, and the premises are kept neat, clean and attractive. The standing of the schools will compare very favourably with any in the province.

In connection with the schools there are classes in domestic science taught by Miss Shepherd where girls are thoroughly instructed in the fundamental principles and practice of good housekeeping, and classes in manual training for boys where they learn the properties and uses of various kinds of woods, and tools, and acquire an elementary training that will be of great value to them in any industrial pursuit they may choose to follow. Mr. G. A. Lucas, a duly qualified teacher, has charge of this department.

ERNEST FORMAN

Ernest Forman is a new candidate for public patronage in the grocery trade, having recently opened up an entirely new stock of well selected goods in the store on the corner of Thames and Carnegie Streets, formerly occupied by T. Robinson.

THE BON TON LIVERY

It is now some sixteen years since R. A. Skinner came here from St. Marys and engaged in the livery business. Being an enthusiastic horseman and an excellent judge of a

good horse he keeps a splendid stable. The entire equipment is kept up to a high standard of excellence and the staff of stable men are courteous and competent. Vehicles of various descriptions for pleasure driving, business trips, weddings, funerals, etc., will be supplied with or without drivers. The office and stables are situated just next door west of the McMurray House on Charles Street. Mr. Skinner resides in a cosy new home on Oxford Street, nearly opposite St. James' Church. He has always taken a very active interest in affairs connected with the Agricultural Society, and at the nominations last December his friends prevailed on him to become a candidate. He was elected by a substantial vote and when the new council was organized he was honoured further by being appointed chairman of the Board of Works.

FRANK G. KIBORN

"Secure the shadow ere the substance flies", said the poet, and it is good advice. If you want a reliable reminder of the form and features of those who are near and dear to you there is no place better equipped than Kiborn's studio and operating rooms in which to secure a high-class artistic photo. Mr. Kiborn is more than a photographer, he is an expert artist, and his superior talent is manifested in the grouping, posing and finish of the pictures he produces. To pose a subject so as to bring out the full effects of light and shade, to catch the evanescent expression giving a life-like picture as the true test of an artist is where Mr. Kiborn excels. He is equally adept at out-door work, and his family and society groups are famous for their high standard of artistic merit. His commodious studio on the ground floor next to *The Sun* office is fitted up with the most modern accessories of the photographic art. Reproductions of his work adorn the pages of this publication, and specimens of his artistic skill are his most effective advertisement.

THE BASKET FACTORY

This is one of the new assisted industries, established four years ago in the cereal mills formerly owned by Alexander Grant on Victoria Street. A large addition was built on the west side, and very large and complete outfit of machinery was installed for the manufacturing of various sizes and styles of berry boxes, fruit baskets, crates, etc. the raw material used is chiefly elm and basswood. The logs are bought from

farmers in this county, cut into proper lengths, cut into veneer of suitable thicknesses for the different classes of work, and manufactured into boxes, baskets, crates, etc. The elm logs are put into a steam chest before being placed in the veneer machine. This is a ponderous machine with a long horizontal knife, and the log is revolved slowly against the knife which shaves off a wide ribbon of wood, from nearly half an inch thick to the thinness of heavy wrapping paper, as may be required. This veneer is cut into suitable sizes on special machines and passed on from one operator to another till the finished article is produced. A very ingeniously constructed machine is used for steaming, bending down the ends and sides of the boxes, and drying them automatically by hot steam pipes.

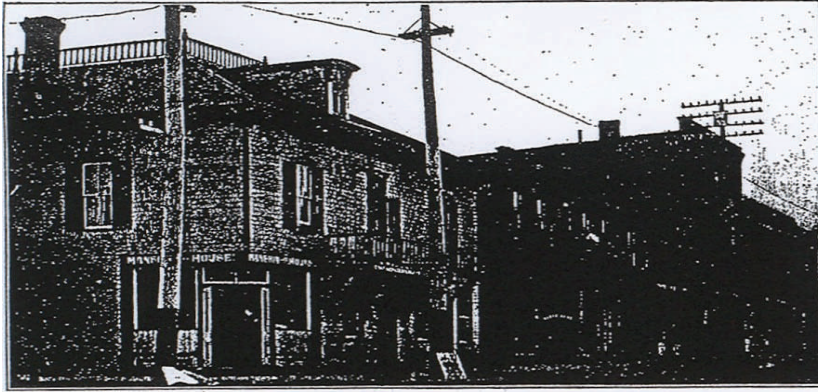
The mechanical superintendent is Mr. James A. Cornfoot whose constructive skill and inventive ingenuity has evolved many important improvements in the machinery and labour-saving devices of the factory. There are 35 employees kept busy all the year except a couple of weeks when stock-taking, overhauling machinery, etc., are under way, and they get good wages. Several girls are employed who earn from one to two dollars a day steadily on piece-work. There is a basement used as a store room, the first floor is the main working department, and the second and third floors and lofts are used for drying veneers, storing stock, and manufactured goods. W. Brett is business manager, W. H. Jones, secretary-treasurer, and Stephen Noxon, Justus Miller and others are member of the company. There is a great demand for the products of this factory, and almost the entire output for this season is to be used in the Niagara fruit district.

This is certainly a very busy and prosperous industry, of great value to the town, which materially adds to the volume of our exports, and the cash put in circulation among the employees and the retail dealers here.

WATERS & MAYBEE

About fifteen years ago Mr. F. W. Waters having served his apprenticeship at the jewellery trade, began business for himself on the east side of Thames Street. His diligence, skill and business ability were devoted to his chosen trade and he gradually increased the extent of his operations. His increasing business demanded larger accommodation, so he secured his present premises, fitted up the front and interior in most elegant style and put in a stock of goods to meet the requirements of the most fastidious customers. A few months ago Mr. R. B. Maybee, an expert optician, was taken into partnership, and the new firm is doing a very prosperous business, quite in harmony with the general progressiveness of the town.

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KING STREET, INGERSOLL, LOOKING WEST

WOOD'S BOOKSTORE

This old established and extensive business is well known throughout this district for the immense variety of goods kept in stock and the efficient service rendered by the staff of employees. George W. Wood is the business manager and he is one of Ingersoll's most popular and enterprising young business men. School books, account books, fancy stationary, wall paper, pictures, frames, office supplies, toys and fancy goods in great variety are kept for sale.

H. RICHARDSON

The real old-timer in business continuously is H. Richardson. In his youthful days he learned the jewellery business with R. W. Woodroffe, then he became an employee of C. P. Hall, with whom he worked for a short time. Seeing the possibilities of doing a profitable business on his own account he purchased the establishment from Mr. Hall in 1877 and has conducted it continuously with marked success ever since. Being a practical expert himself he knows how to buy to the best advantage and he requires the highest degree of efficiency in his employees. His stock comprises the latest designs and the most reliable goods in his line. Artistic engraving, skilful repairing and accurate adjustment are insisted on, and every effort is made to give customers the utmost satisfaction. Having been so long established and so well known throughout Oxford County his customers have the fullest confidence in him because they know that they will get good value for their money.

His store is fitted up with elegance and the cabinets and silent salesmen are filled with a vast variety of jewellery, clocks, watches, cutlery, silverware, optical goods, etc. Mr. Richardson has undoubtedly one of the largest and best selected stock in Western Ontario. In fact few cities can boast of a jewellery establishment equal to the one on the corner of Thames and King Streets.

Mr. Richardson has been at different times a member of the town council, and Board of Education, of which he served a term with great acceptance as chairman, and last year he was President of the Board of Trade.

THE G. T. R.

Mr. Sam Roy is the genial and popular agent of the G. T. R., John Middlemiss is ticket agent and operator, and George Ingham attends to the onerous duties of baggage-man, etc. Extensive improvements have been made to the yards since the line was double tracked through here. Capacious new cement and stone culverts, new water towers; a commodious new freight shed and offices, and a rearrangement of the sidings have involved the expenditure of many thousands of dollars in the yard in the past two years.

THE C. P. R.

The local agent of the C. P. R. and its branch line to Port Burwell is James Enright, who has been in charge here for over twenty years. Thomas Enright is baggage man and W. L. Badley is ticket agent and operator. The T. L. E. & P. R. is operated now in connection with the C. P. R., using the same depot and tracks in town. Last years the agent's office was enlarged by the construction of a new annex at the west end.

HOLLINRAKE & CO.

Commencing business in a moderate way in the Smith block on the east side of Thames Street in 1895, the firm of Hollinrake & Co., in which H. J. Hollinrake is the owner and manager of the business, a new area was inaugurated in the dry goods trade in Ingersoll. A persistent and continuous advertising campaign was carried on till the firm name became a household word. They had the goods and set out to get the customers by freely using printers' ink judiciously in every legitimate medium of publicity. Trade prospered, and more commodious premises became an imperative necessity, so negotiations for the McCaughey block of three stores and two flats with basement were consummated, and soon a staff of workmen were busy remodelling and fitting up the block for a capacious and well-appointed dry goods emporium. Five years ago the firm moved into the magnificent new store, generally acknowledged to be the largest and best equipped to be seen in any town in Canada. The store is heated throughout with hot air, and lighted by incandescent

electric lamps. The basement is used for a furnace room, and a store room for linoleums and other heavy goods.

The ground floor is subdivided into sections. In the south section to the left of the main entrance will be found a large and choice stock of silks and dress goods in charge of Miss Livens and Miss McKay. The centre section is known as the hosiery, underwear and gloves department presided over by Miss Henderson. Miss Borland and Miss Gill. At the right of the main entrance the north section in charge of William McBain is replete with staple goods. In the centre of the store is the business office from which radiates an elaborate system of cash carriers. Miss C. Harris is the presiding genius in the cashier's department. Behind this is the manager's private office. The entire rear section of the first floor is devoted to the millinery, mantles and ready-to-wear goods department in charge of Misses Foster, Kennedy and Steacey. Mr. Maguire occupies the dignified and responsible position of floorman, usher and decorator.

On the second flat will be found a superb stock of carpets, curtains and other house-furnishings, under the management of Mr. Robertson.

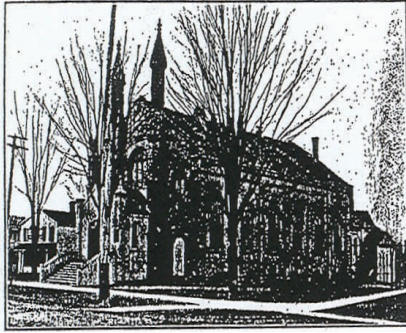
The entire staff of twenty-five people are at the service of the hosts of patrons who have learned that Hollinrake & Co. are justified in claiming to have the leading dry goods store in Ingersoll. They are direct importers of goods from the British markets.

The early closing movement was inaugurated by this firm so that the store is closed punctually at 9 o'clock every Saturday evening and at six pm on other weekdays, and during mid-summer at 7 pm.



Mr. H. J. Hollinrake learned the business with his father who carried on a large and prosperous dry goods business in Milton. He enjoys domestic life in his palatial home, 'Rokeby' on Ann Street, and takes a very active part in the Board of Trade, of which he is vice-president. He is also vice-president of the local Conservative Association, and a Justice of the Peace. Lawn tennis is his favourite outdoor exercise and his beautiful tennis court is a popular recreation ground. In all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the community and the prosperity of the town he takes a keen, enthusiastic interest.

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KING STREET METHODIST CHURCH

In 1832, Ingersoll, in those days known as Oxford village, was visited by cholera, and many citizens were carried off by its ravages. In the same year a sense of religious awakening stirred the community of survivors. The only religious denominations represented here then were the Baptists and the Methodists, and neither of them had a church or parsonage. In the winter of 1843 Rev. Mr. Phillips and Rev. G. Young began holding divine service in the frame school house and much spiritual good was done. Rev. G. Young, afterwards Dr. Young, became the pioneer preacher in Fort Garry, now Winnipeg, and was beside the late Thomas Scott when he was illegally court-martialled and shot by the order of the late Louis Riel. The late G. G. Stimson is an interesting history of Methodism in Ingersoll says: -- "A large number of the townspeople became converted and united with the church, your humble servant among the number. Since that time our church has undergone many changes and greatly increased its membership by unions formed with other branches of Methodists."

Mr. Stimson gives us many interesting glimpses of those pioneer days. He tells us that the old log parsonage belonging to the circuit was situated about halfway between Beachville and Woodstock. There the Methodist preachers of the circuit continued to reside till along in the 1840s. The circuit being large, and the roads running through swamps and over bridgeless streams, through mud and mire, and only being marked by blazes, travelling was very fatiguing to both man and beast. Yet these zealous servants of God would start out from their home on Monday morning for their various appointments, travelling and preaching every day, generally being two weeks out. They all travelled on horseback with saddle bags across the saddle, with a stock of bibles, hymn books, religious works, tracts, etc. A portmanteau was strapped on behind the saddle containing clothing and toilet articles. It was customary for the recording steward to make an estimate of what each class on the circuit would be required to contribute toward their minister's salary, which was a very indefinite amount. Class leaders were expected to collect the contributions and then settle up at the end of every quarter

when a meeting would be held, and they were credited with the amounts handed over, a large portion being paid in provisions, etc., such as pork, beef, wheat, oats, sugar, homemade flannel, boots, shoes, etc.

The place of worship here was an old log school house which stood on the site of the present Central School. Each member of the church was expected to bring a tallow candle to assist in lighting up for the evening service, and woe betide the worshipper who sat under its droppings in the sanctuary. The man and women sat on different sides of the church, and Methodist women in those days wore no jewellery, nor decorations on their bonnets. It was not considered a breach of etiquette to go to church barefooted, or with a coat, in hot weather.

In the autumn of 1865 the present King Street church was built. It was then the head of a circuit, with Rev. Lewis Warner as superintendent and Rev. Mr. Musgrave as colleague. In 1868 Ingersoll became a station and Rev. W. W. Clark was pastor. He was succeeded by Rev. E. H. Dewart, who went to Toronto in 1870 to become editor of *The Christian Guardian*. Then followed Rev. John Leroyd, and Rev. Jacob Freshman, a converted Jew, during whose pastorate the present parsonage on Duke Street was built. Next Rev. Dr. Fowler, John Kay and D. E. Brownell came in succession. Rev. W. W. Ross was the next pastor. He died during his pastorate here, and a memorial tablet was placed on the north wall west of the choir, sacred to his memory. Rev. William Kettlewell came next, and during his pastorate the church debt was reduced by \$2000. Rev. R. R. Maitland was the next pastor, and in his time the present fine Sunday school building was erected. The succeeding pastors were Revs. Dr. Snider, Hazelwood, Richardson, Scott and the present popular pastor, Rev. E. E. Marshall. During Rev. Dr. Snider's term free will offerings and free pews were instituted. Through the influence of a few enterprising members a magnificent new pipe organ was installed during Rev. Mr. Scott's pastorate.

Some seventeen years ago extensive repairs and improvements were made in the church building, and again last year the gallery was removed, and a modern style of front entrance was constructed. The seating of the auditorium was elevated from the rear and placed on an easy incline so that a clear view of the preacher could be obtained. The entire edifice and all its accessories are thoroughly up-to-date, the membership is steadily increasing, and the various departments of church work are conducted with a spirit of zeal and harmonious enthusiasm.

THE PUBLIC PRESS

Few towns in Canada are so well supplied with local newspapers as Ingersoll is. First in the field was *The Ingersoll Chronicle* founded by the late J. S. Gurnett in 1853. On his death it passed into the possession of his son, the late G. F. Gurnett, and after his death about twelve years ago Messrs. Patience and Agur purchased it. They conducted it for a few months and then disposed of it to R. Elliott. On his appointment to a high official position in the Canadian Foresters the business was transferred to his son, W. J. Elliott. About ten years ago a daily edition was started, which has been issued regularly ever since. Politically *The Chronicle* has always been a consistent advocate of Liberalism.

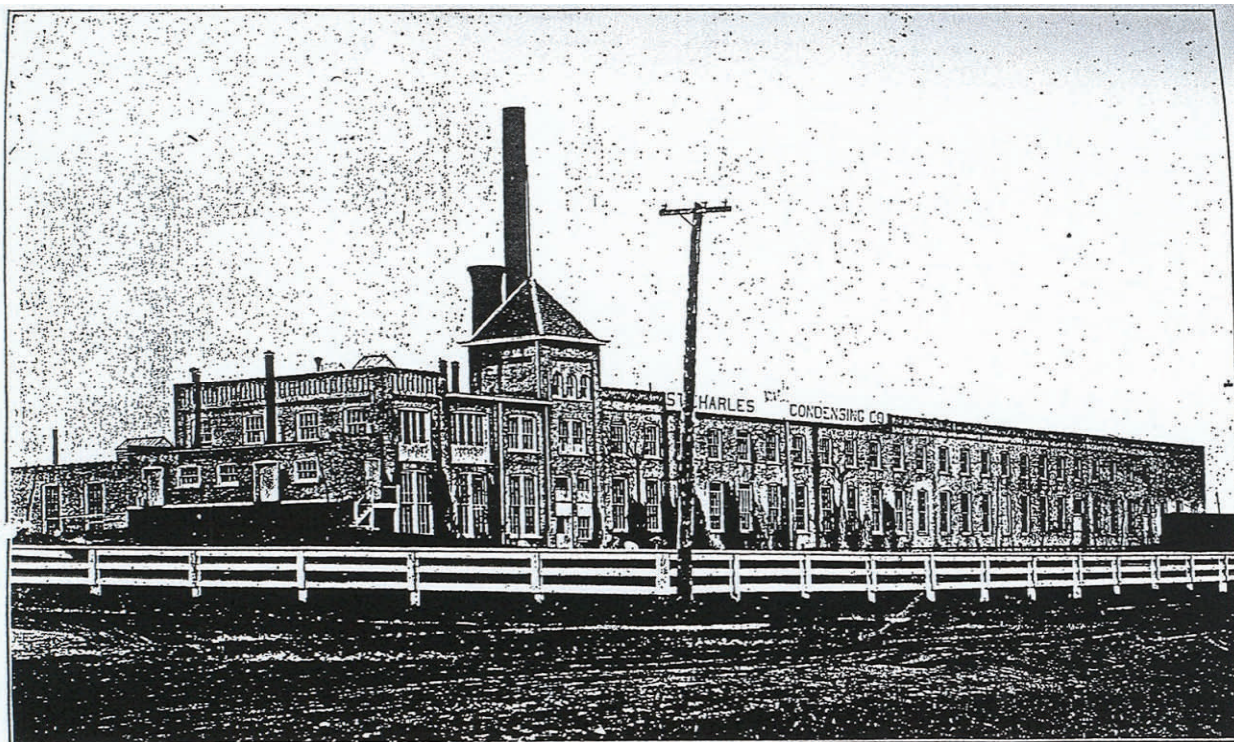
The Oxford Tribune was established here by Harry Rowland about thirty-three years ago as a Conservative journal. It subsequently passed into the control of B. B. Baillie, and in 1905 its management was assumed by E. L. Smith & Son. A well-equipped job printing department is maintained, and under the present management a marked improvement has been made in the general appearance of the paper, as well as an increase in the volume of job work done.

The Ingersoll Sun was established by C. R. Patience was a weekly in 1881. On account of domestic affliction Mr. Patience subsequently sold out to Messrs. Campbell & Aldrich. Shortly after Mr. Aldrich's retirement from the firm Mr. Campbell sold the business to T. A. Bellamy, who has controlled its destinies since January 1887, to the present time. It has always been an independent Liberal in politics, making as speciality of a reliable, comprehensive and concise local news service. The job department is equipped with a superior outfit for doing the finest class of commercial printing accurately, artistically and promptly.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

A commendable feature which is an infallible index of the intellectual advancement of any civilized community is the character of its educational institutions. Intellectual stagnation is sure to prevail where elementary education is neglected. In our commodious and well-equipped schools a high standard of efficiency is maintained by a liberal expenditure of public money. In the aggregate the Board of Education is composed of men who fully recognize the importance of giving the children the best elementary education possible, and in this they are supported and appreciated by the citizens generally, so that our educational advantages commend themselves to heads of families in the surrounding country who may desire the best facilities for giving their children a broad and deep foundation on which to develop their intellectual faculties.

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ST. CHARLES CONDENSING CO.

One of the most flourishing of the industries of the busy town of Ingersoll is the Milk Condensing Factory, operated by the St. Charles Condensing Co. About seven years ago, this Company, which has factories at St. Charles, Illinois and at Chemong in the same state, sought an opening in Canada, and finally decided to establish a plant in the good old dairy County of Oxford. Through the instrumentality of Mr. Thomas Seldon and several other prominent gentlemen of the town, the advantages of Ingersoll were brought to the notice of the agents of the Company in such a forcible manner that arrangements were speedily made for the erection of a building at the western side of the town. Since that time several large additions have been made to both building and equipment, until today the handsome factory, surrounded by

spacious and well-kept lawns, stands a monument to the wisdom of the Company in choosing the celebrated Oxford district, and to that of the people who offered sufficient inducements to have this industry come to Ingersoll.

The bump of cleanliness on the heads of those who have charge of the management of the factory is very largely developed. Recognizing that purity of product depends almost absolutely on cleanliness, every precaution is taken, both at the factory and at the various dairies which supply milk, to have all utensils free from the slightest impurity. Toward this end a rigid system of dairy inspection is in force which insures delivery of fresh milk of A1 quality at the factory, and in this connection it is only fair to state that the farmers are in hearty accord with the desire of the Company for purity. Year by year they are spending large sums

in drainage, new buildings, and up-to-date dairy appliances in order to have their places in the best possible shape for the production of milk.

The plant itself is a model of cleanliness. From the time the privileged visitor enters the building till he leaves it he must remark the shining copper heaters, the smooth-running machinery, white painted walls and freshly scrubbed floors. Everything is as clean as water and steam can make it. Is it any wonder, then, that St. Charles Evaporated Cream and Silver Cow and Purity Milk, are three popular favourites with Johnny Canuck in his home, in his mining camps, in his wanderings up and down the land, as well as with his many friends across the seas?

S. M. FLEET, GROCER

One of the particularly bright and progressive business men engaged in the retail trade here is S. M. Fleet, grocer, Thames Street north. Coming here from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, about ten years ago he engaged in the grocery business, which he has since conducted with much success. His stock is clean, fresh and seasonable, and customers are given the most courteous attention.

On different occasions Mr. Fleet has been a member of the town council and during his tenure of office he proved himself to be a capable and conscientious representative.

HERBERT PATRICK

The flour, feed and seed business formerly carried on by M. E. Scott on King Street, near the rink, has recently been purchased by Mr. Herbert Patrick of Woodstock, who has had considerable experience in the business, and will keep up the reputation for efficient service and fair dealing so deservedly acquired by his predecessor. A full line of flour, feed, baled hay, chop, field and garden seeds, meal of various kinds, etc., is kept in stock, and every endeavour will be made to give perfect satisfaction to all his patrons.

W. I. HOGARTH

Five years ago a bright energetic young man came from Tillsonburg and opened up a grocery stock in the store next door south of A. J. Dyer, over which he hung up the sign, W. I. Hogarth. By diligence, industry and courtesy he has secured a fair share of custom, and he keeps right on supplying his patrons with the best groceries that money can buy. He is the inventor and patentee of Hogarth's Kitchen Register, an article of almost indispensable utility in every well-regulated household, which has already had a large sale, though only a few months on the market.

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OUR MONETARY INSTITUTIONS

The commercial status of a community depends very much on the character of the banking facilities afforded which constitute the arterial system of business life. The prestige and success of local banks depend chiefly on the business tact, courtesy, training and shrewdness of the local managers. There are three well-appointed and prosperous banks here, the Imperial, Merchants and Traders, each of which enjoys the fullest confidence of their constituency.

THE IMPERIAL BANK

Among the monetary institutions of the town none have a more substantial and honourable record than the Imperial Bank, of which Mr. C. White is the local manager. The progenitor of the Imperial Bank was the old Niagara District Bank established in St. Catharines in 1853, which became the Imperial Bank in 1875, and the head office is now in Toronto. The authorized capital is \$4,000,000, and a Rest Account of \$3,927,741.50. The net profits of the past year amounted to \$535,786.20.

The Ingersoll branch was opened about thirty years ago. It is located in the commercial centre of the town and has proved a source of great convenience to the mercantile interests of the town and the surrounding townships.

The present popular manager, Mr. C. White, was an employee of the bank here about twenty-five years ago, and after acquiring an extensive experience in other branches he was promoted to the responsible position he now holds about six years ago. His shrewd business ability and uniform courtesy have done much to extend the volume of business done by this branch. Recently the property now known as the Mansion House corner has been purchased as a site for a magnificent new bank building which is to be erected in the near future.

Sumner Brothers have a fine stock of wall papers, window shades, etc., in their store south of Nagle & Mills' office. They do all kinds of plain and ornamental painting in a highly artistic manner.

JOHN E. BOLES

The old established dry goods business known as 'The Oxford House' has been carried on by John

E. Boles with distinct success since he came into possession of it in 1889. The capacity of the premises has been largely increased and fitted up with every modern convenience, so that today it ranks in the class of the best conducted dry goods stores in Western Ontario. Mr. Boles handles full lines of staple and fancy dry goods, millinery, mantles, carpets and house furnishings and keeps a courteous and efficient staff of assistants to attend customers in every department. He has built up a substantial and steadily increasing trade in town and the adjacent townships, because it has become a well organized fact that he sells a high quality of goods at prices no higher than is charged elsewhere for inferior goods, so that there is no need for customers going out of town to purchase anything in his line of trade. He has acquired a creditable reputation for fair honest dealing, and all may feel confident that no deception or misrepresentation is being practised on them when dealing at Oxford House.

PARAGON CHEESE

It is now about seventeen years since the late T. D. Millar commenced the manufacture of a special brand of cheese known to epicures as Paragon. Mr. Millar was a connoisseur in cheese and understood the gastronomical and nutritious qualities of this new food product, as well as its chemical constituents and their effect on the human system. Paragon cheese is made from the choicest Cheddar cheese by a secret process known only to the makers, which is based on purely scientific and hygienic laws. It is a delicacy, a tonic and an appetizer that has acquired a high reputation and been awarded high honours at various international expositions.

Since the death of Mr. Millar in 1893 the business has been conducted by his nephew, W. D. Hook, with marked success.

A short time ago the business was acquired by the Ingersoll Packing Co.

ATHLETIC AMUSEMENTS

A few years ago a fine brick skating rink was erected on King Street west, near Duke Street, where skating, hockey and curling are indulged in during the winter. It is used for an implement wareroom in summer.

On Charles Street east,

opposite Mill Street, a very fine bowling green, tennis court and curling rink, fitted up in the first class style, under the auspices of the Recreation Club, have been established. The bowling green and tennis court were formally opened July 1st, 1905.

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Ingersoll is well provided with legally qualified representatives of the medical fraternity. They are Drs. D. W. Carroll, F. D. Canfield, I. R. Walker, McKay & Neff, Williams & Coleridge and Rogers.

THE KNITTING FACTORY

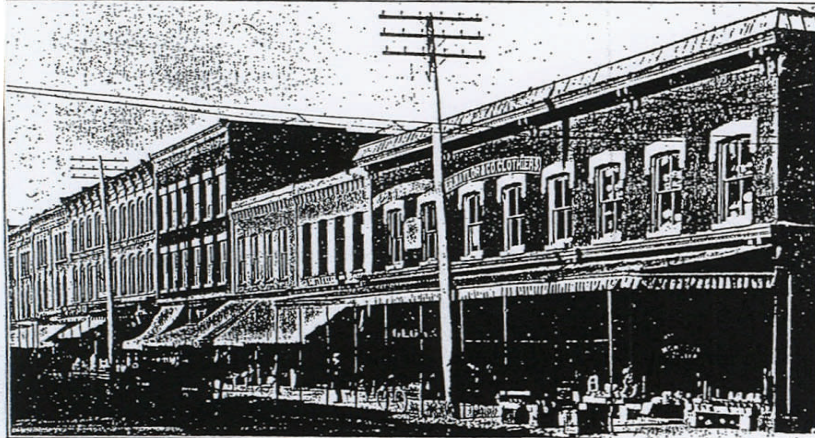
In June last a bylaw was passed by the ratepayers and the town council to grant a loan of twenty thousand dollars to the Waterhouse Mfg. Co. to establish a new knitting factory adjacent to the woollen mills on Charles Street east. Plans and specifications have been prepared, contracts let, and the work of erecting the factory and equipping it with the most modern machinery will be proceeded with as expeditiously as possible. The firm propose to manufacture various line of knitted goods, giving employment to about fifty persons at the start, and increasing as the business develops. The addition of this new and important industry will place Ingersoll still higher up in the scale as a leading manufacturing town. Mr. T. Waterhouse, president and manager, is well-known as a shrewd business man and a very capable manager.

BOWMAN & CO.

Besides conducting a machine shop for the manufacture and repairing of bicycles, small machinery, etc., at the rear of the store, Bowman & Co. do an extensive and gradually increasing business in the sale of sewing machines, sheet music, small musical instruments, Bell Art pianos and organs, pianolas and sporting goods. They also have a branch store in Woodstock.

It is about sixteen years since they commenced business here, the last seven years being spent in their present premises on Thames Street. Fred W. Bowman is the business manager, and so well is he known for his courtesy, enterprise and integrity that people who have dealings with him have the most implicit confidence in what he says. Since accepting the agency for the famous Bell pianos and organs, and the White sewing machines, for this district the firm have placed a very large number of instruments and machines in homes throughout Oxford County.

J. A. Husband is the city bill poster, and he does a general cartage business, making a specialty of moving pianos and household furniture, and any orders entrusted to him will receive careful and prompt attention.



THAMES STREET, EAST SIDE

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BLACKSMITHS

The blacksmiths constitute an important and useful element in the minor industries of any community, and in this respect we are well provided for by J. W. Windsor, G. S. Wilson, W. A. Cole, W. Waters, J. Devlin and G. Kempshell. Blacksmithing is also done at A. Morrison's carriage works, Kerr's carriage works and by D. D. Morgan at the pork factory.

JAMES McKAY

Shortly after the firm of Robertson & McKay dissolved partnership Mr. James McKay started business on his own account in the premises formerly occupied by Manning's bookstore. He stocked his store with a well selected general assortment of shelf and heavy hardware, etc., and during the short time he has been in business here he has secured a very encouraging patronage.

JOHN E. GAYFER

The oldest established drug business in town is that conducted by John E. Gayfer, one of our most highly esteemed and successful young business men. Mr. Gayfer is associated with other commercial enterprises and has been a member of the Board of Education for several years. He takes an active interest in public affairs. In his store may be found everything that a duly registered pharmacist can be expected to

keep for sale.

A. P. McDONALD

Another popular and enterprising young Ingersoll man is A. P. McDonald, familiarly known among the boys as 'Scotty'. Five years ago he began business on Thames Street as a confectioner and purveyor of fruit, choice cigars, smokers' supplies, summer beverages, etc., and he has established quite a reputation for the high class of good he handles. He was the efficient secretary of the Old Boys' Reunion this year.

R. N. THURTELL

A few years ago Mr. R. N. Thurtell came from Teeswater and purchased the corner drugstore. Over two years ago it was destroyed by fire and Mr. Thurtell suffered a heavy loss. With commendable pluck and enterprise he started up business again in a shop a little further north on Thames Street, and a few days ago he moved into an elegant and commodious new store next door south of the post office, where he keeps a full stock of pure drugs, proprietary medicines, nursery goods, optical goods, etc.

One Chinese laundry conducted by George Lee, on Thames Street, in the Boles block, and a branch of the Parisian Steam Laundry, conducted by S. M. Douglas in the Campbell block, King Street, are doing a prosperous business.

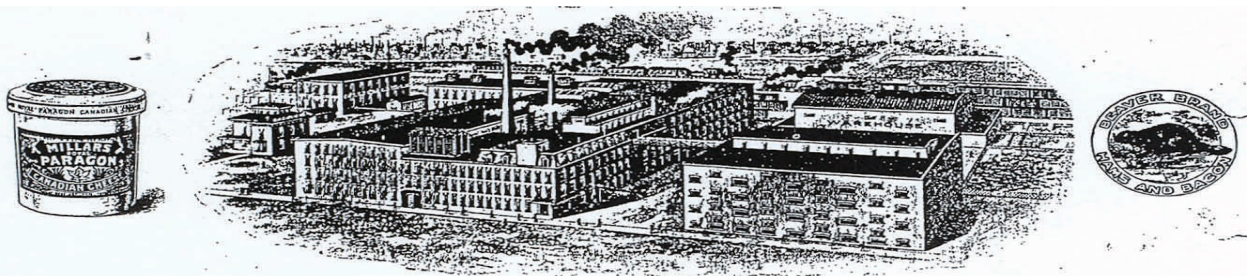
JAMES TAYLOR

Since 1894 James Taylor has carried on an extensive and ever increasing business in the old tannery near the City Roller Mills, making a specialty of tanning furs and hides for robes, gauntlets, mitts and overcoats of superior quality for warmth and durability. Mr. Taylor is an expert and has a process of his own which is believed to produce better results than any other. The goods he manufacturers have won high distinction wherever exhibited and they find a ready sale. His trade is chiefly in ordered work, and so high is his reputation that he is kept very busy.

H. D. McCARTY

With an intermission of a few years, H. D. McCarty has carried on a successful business as grocer, butcher and recently he added a bakery and confectionary. His place of business is located at the corner of Thames and Victoria Streets and he keeps a fresh clean up-to-date stock of goods in every department. On different occasions he was a member of the town council, and was once an unsuccessful candidate for the mayoralty. At present he is a member of the Board of Education.

For many years L. Noe has conducted a business on the north side of King Street east as a dealer in toys, novelties, school supplies, etc.



THE INGERSOLL PACKING CO.

This is one of Ingersoll's largest industries. It was established over fifty years ago by the late T. D. Millar, on a small scale, but it grew gradually. It passed into the possession of J. L. Grant & Co., and subsequently became the property of Thomas L. Boyd, of Liverpool, England. It is located on Victoria Street west, at the intersection of Wonham Street, and covers an area of about four acres. The capacity of the establishment has been enlarged year after year till now it has facilities for handling about 4500 hogs weekly, over six times what could be handled twenty-five years ago. It gives employment to a large number of men, and vast sums of money are put in circulation monthly in wages, the purchase of hogs, etc. The large brick hog pen of four floors has accommodation for about 6000 live hogs. It is the largest in the world owned by any individual pork packing company, and cost \$25,000. The main factory of five floors is subdivided into departments, and the entire process of converting the live hog into a food product ready for the table is carried on according to a well organized system

for the division of labour, and the most scrupulous cleanliness is rigidly insisted on in every department.

This firm does not put up canned goods. Cooked meats are packed in open tin packages for displaying on the retail dealers' counters. Various kinds of sausages, boiled ham, etc., are turned out, besides the famous Beaver brand of hams, bacon, and other forms of meat generalized as pork.

A few years ago a complete refrigerating plant known as the ammonia process was installed at a cost of \$45,000. The system includes eighteen miles of piping throughout the establishment. The firm has in contemplation new smoke rooms of the most modern type. A very complete system of waterworks has been installed with hose and tap in every room. The construction of the buildings is such that every convenience and facility is provided for handling the products in the quickest and most economical and cleanly manner.

A very large percentage of the products of this factory is exported to England, but the home market is not neglected. New

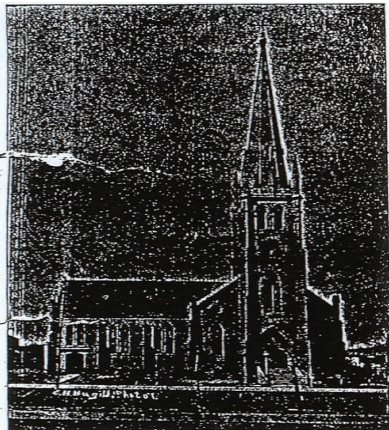
and improved apparatus is used in the production of pure lard for domestic use. The shipping facilities are excellent, and the goods are packed in the most attractive manner with special care. Mr. C. C. L. Wilson has been the energetic and efficient manager of this industry for about twenty-five years. He has a very capable and popular assistant in Mr. H. C. Sumner, with a full staff of clerks. The business offices are located in the east side of the main factory facing on Victoria Street, as shown at the left of the picture.

This firm and their products have been of vast benefit to Ingersoll and the surrounding country, not only in the large amount of cast put in circulation annually, but in the way they have advertised the town abroad, and it would indeed be a difficult problem to estimate the full value of such an important industry to this community. This firm also does a large export trade in cheese, and they have a capacious cold storage warehouse on the premises. J. H. Thomas is the manager of that department, and he is thoroughly conversant with the dairying industry throughout Western Ontario.

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WILLIAM HAYES

The subject of this sketch was a prosperous farmer prior to his arrival in Ingersoll a little over fifteen years ago. After residing in town a short time he became weary of inactivity and opened up a store on Victoria Street, just west of the old oatmeal mill, since converted into a basket factory, where he has developed quite an extensive trade in flour, feed, seeds, etc. He had the honor of being a member of the town council one year, and not having any desire for further experience in public life he has often since declined to accept a nomination.



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

The exact date when a Presbyterian church was organized here is rather uncertain. Knox church, now occupied by Buchanan's factory, was built in 1842, and used as a place of divine worship till 1889 when the congregation, Rev. H. C. Ross being the pastor of Knox Church, and Rev. P. R. Ross of St. Andrews. In 1890 Rev. E. R. Hutt was inducted as pastor and he has continued to minister to the spiritual needs of his people with zealous and watchful care ever since. In early days Erskine church was one of the homes of Presbyterianism here. It was located on Charles Street west, and is now used as a planning mill, etc., by Nagle & Mills. It was built in 1855. St. Paul's church was erected in 1872, and a large annex which almost doubled the capacity of the auditorium was built in 1892. A magnificent new pipe organ was installed, and extensive improvements were made to the school room in the basement.

The Sunday school of which D. G. Cuthbertson is superintendent, is in a prosperous condition.

THE EVAPORATOR

A few years ago a new industry was established in the old brewery near the gas works for evaporating apples, canning tomatoes, corn, etc. Subsequently it was moved to the premises on Victoria Street, formerly Bell's planning mill and lumber yard. Suitable buildings were constructed and fitted up with machinery, furnaces, drying racks, etc., for carrying on the business on an extensive scale. O. E. Robinson is manager, and a large staff of men, women, boys and girls are employed during the season. A large part of

the products of this industry finds a ready market in Germany and other European countries.

MENNONITE MISSION HALL

Divine services are held in the mission hall on King Street east under the auspices of the Gospel Workers of the Mennonite denomination.

BOOTS, SHOES, TRUNKS, ETC.

The retail trade in boots, shoes, rubbers, trunks, suit cases, valises, etc., is carried on entirely on the east side of Thames Street, the dealers being Barraclough & Co., John Lenihan, Cornell & Co., Logee & Co., Smith & Kerr, and George Naylor & Co., P. Gibbs, Charles Bloor, W. Stevens, H. Swartz and William Wallace do a general repairing business and also make boots, shoes and slippers to order.

F. G. WALLEY

Walley's drugstore has almost become a household word, so well has F. G. Walley become known to the people of Ingersoll and the surrounding country. He keeps a fine stock of drugs, chemicals, toilet goods, proprietary medicines, etc., and gives careful attention to the filling of prescriptions. He is another Ingersoll boy who has made a success of his chosen profession in his native town. He is an enthusiastic curler, and enjoys "a game wi' the besom and stanes: as much as a real Highlander.

I. W. KINGSWOOD

It was in the year 1903 that I. W. Kingswood, of St. Thomas, purchased the grocery business from William Dundas that had been for many years one of the most familiar retail stores in Ingersoll. The stock comprises all lines of goods usually kept for sale by dealers in high-class and staple groceries, and whenever an order is placed with Kingswood the customer may rest assured that good value will be given for the money.

ROBERT STUART

Unique among the grocers of Ingersoll is the business career of Robert Stuart, who has carried on a steady and satisfactory trade at the old stand on the corner of King and Mill Streets for the past forty years. Mr. Stuart has refrained from modern advertising methods, relying more on the excellence of his goods, the moderate prices charged and the prompt delivery to secure and retain customers. Mr. Stuart's well-known integrity during a long and honourable business career is something to be proud of.

CHARLES H. CRAWFORD

A very prosperous business is being done in the store formerly occupied by J. P. Archibald on King Street west, opposite the market, by Charles H. Crawford, dealer in flour, feed, grain, seeds, baled hay, etc. Mr. Crawford has had considerable

experience in his line and his popularity attracts customers because he is well known throughout the town and surrounding country for his integrity, courtesy and assiduous attention to the requirements of those who favour him with their patronage.

D. TAGNEY

The bakery and confectionary business formerly known as Gibson's is now carried on by D. Tagney who caters to the wants of his customers in a manner that reflects much credit on his ability to supply the 'staff of life' to all who want it and have the price. He employs expert workmen and strives to deserve the patronage of the public. He also has a well equipped refreshment room and all the requisites for catering to parties, societies or weddings.

H. W. HEALY

When he first came here from London eight years ago, H. W. Healy purchased the grocery business formerly carried on by Mr. Gregory. Subsequently, five years later, he moved into the magnificent new store he now occupies in the McKenny block, owned by A. W. Taylor. It was specially fitted up for a model grocery store with all the latest devices and conveniences, and Mr. Healy enjoys the confidence, respect and patronage of a large and ever increasing list of customers.

COAL AND WOOD DEALERS

A few years ago Mr. T. W. Nagle and Walter Mills formed a partnership under the name of Nagle & Mills, as builders and contractors, dealers in coal business carried on by J. S. Smith and have carried it on much more extensively since. Their office is in Cuthbertson's block and their coal yard is west of the gas works, by the C. P. R. yard. They keep a large stock of first class coal of different sizes and their facilities for delivering are fully equal to any demands they may be required to meet.

J. W. Patterson has a well-stocked coal and wood yard on the north side of the C. P. R. west of the Noxon works and the requirements of his customers will be met promptly. Mr. Patterson is a well-known and highly respected citizen of Ingersoll, and this year he is a member of the town council. On previous occasions he has had the honour of being a member of that body, and he is generally considered to be an all-round good fellow.

On Victoria Street west of the basket factory is located the large and well-stored sheds owned by William Ross, who has carried on the business with eminent success for several years. By strict attention to the wants of his customers, and courteous treatment he has won the confidence and esteem of a wide circle of patrons. He also deals in wood, cement, lime, sewer pipe, salt, etc.

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T. W. NAGLE

The subject of this sketch came to Ingersoll from Salford with his brother Amos about twenty years ago, and for several years they carried on business in the Mathieson planning mill on Charles Street west. Amos severed his connection with the firm over ten years ago and went west. T. W. Nagle continued the business for a few years and then became senior partner of the firm of Nagle & Mills, dealers in coal, cement, etc., contractors and builders. He has had a short experience as a town councillor, but he is too busy in connection with his firm's numerous building enterprises to spare any time for municipal affairs. He has recently disposed of his fine residence on Charles Street west to Dr. Moore, dentist, and he now occupies a magnificent new home on King Street west, which he built during the past summer.

BROOKS' BAKERY

James Brooks has opened up a new bake shop in the rear of Jacques & McPherson's grocery store and the south window of the store has been reserved to display samples of fine pastry in. He has had an extensive experience at his trade and knows how to cater to the wants of his customers to give them the utmost satisfaction. Everything about the establishment is kept scrupulously clean, and you may depend on everything coming from Brooks' being clean and good.

MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS

Besides the large and elegantly appointed millinery parlours in connection with John E. Boles' and Hollinrake & Co.'s dry goods stores, there are well-stocked establishments kept by Mrs. A. H. Tyson, Miss Green and Miss E. Bell, and Miss C. McDermott has an up-to-date stock of fancy goods in a cosy little store in the Richardson block, King Street east.

W. F. JOHNSTON

It is now about six years since Mr. W. F. Johnston became identified with the Noxon works. For thirty years previous he had been with the Masseys at Newcastle, and the Massey-Harris firm in Toronto. He is now general superintendent and manager of the Noxon works, and his unusually long connection with the implement industry and his familiarity with all phases of farm life and requirements make his experience and knowledge of great practical utility with this firm.

Tony Morello caters to the wants of his customers by supplying various kinds of fruit and confection-

ery.

WILLS & CO.

The business carried on by Fred Dutton described on another page of this publication has recently been purchased by Messrs. Wills & Co. Mr. Wills' long experience as a baker, confectioner and caterer constitute a sufficient guarantee that the establishment will lost none of its prestige. Mr. Wills can guarantee first class goods, prompt service and entire satisfaction.

The Savoy Restaurant was opened up early in October by Mr. Nicholson in the premises lately vacated by R. N. Thurtell, druggist. The interior was remodelled and renovated specially for their business and they make a speciality of quick lunches. Hot meals will be served in first class style, and fresh oysters, fruit, confectionary, and other delicacies may be purchased as desired.

David & Co. carry on a business in fancy dry goods, small wares, etc., in the store on Thames Street next door south of Dutton's bakery and confectionary.



Many of our readers will be interested in the accompanying cut showing Mr. O. J. Mitchell, the head of the well-known hearse manufacturing concern in Ingersoll, Ontario.

Mr. Mitchell has been identified with this branch of the undertaking business for a number of years, having commenced the manufacture of funeral cars in 1892. The business was started in a small way, but has developed gradually and surely until at the present time it is one of the finest in Canada. During the past two years several changes have been made and the facilities greatly increased. About a year or so ago an electric motor was put in, and several new modern machines, since which time they have been able to turn out nearly double their capacity, and to include in the production funeral cars, casket wagons, ambulances and in fact anything in the way of heavy work such as landaus, coaches, call buggies and broughams. Only the best workmanship is employed, and every article is of superior quality and strictly up-to-date.

Mr. Mitchell has been a member of the Town Council and is a capable business manager, a highly respected citizen, and a man of unquestioned integrity.

PETER SHERRY

In the store next door, north of the McMurray House, Peter Sherry conducts a grocery business which he opened up a few years ago. He keeps a

nice stock of goods and makes a specialty of cured meats and fresh fish. For several years he was manager of the retail pork store for the Ingersoll Packing Co. and being a genial, courteous disposition he is quite popular among a wide circle of customers.

INGERSOLL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Early this summer a few local capitalists organized the Ingersoll Telephone Co. to supply a telephone service in Ingersoll and the surrounding country. The central exchange is located in the building formerly owned by W. O. Smith, opposite the market. Contracts have been let for the installation of a complete modern plant and it is confidently expected that the system will soon be ready for service. T. R. Mayberry is general manager.

E. J. MALONE

The large clothing business established by the late John Boles in 1854 and continued by his son, the late Mayor Boles, was purchased by E. J. Malone a few weeks ago. Mr. Malone has other large clothing stores in Tillsonburg and Strathroy, and he is an expert in the trade. Already extensive improvements have been made to the premises and with the assistance of competent garment makers and courteous salesmen he will continue to cater to the wants of all who patronize his establishment.

W. D. TROTT

After an absence of a few years from town, Mr. W. D. Trott, photographer, has returned and resumed possession of the studio recently vacated by A. E. Harper. The interior of the premises has recently been refitted, and greatly improved facilities for doing a fine class of photography have been installed so that now Mr. Trott is in a position to satisfy the most fastidious people in photographic art.

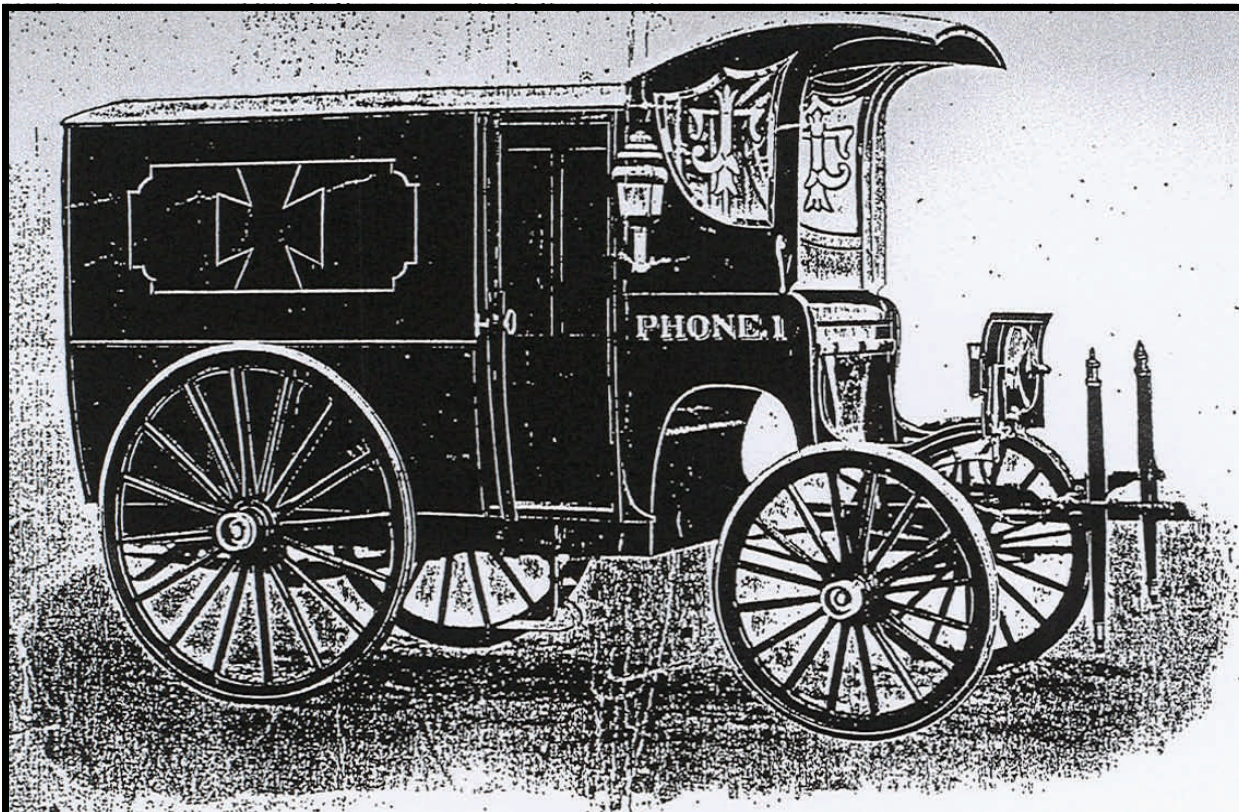
John Radford's saw mill on Carnegie Street which was burned last spring has recently been rebuilt and put in running order again.

A. W. Craig conducts a machine shop in the premises east of the Canada Glove and Mitten Works on Charles Street east, where he does general repairing of machinery.

The foundry business carried on for some time past by Gobey & Osborne has been purchased by Messrs. McCullough and Telford, both capable and practical men who propose to increase the volume of work done to considerable extent.

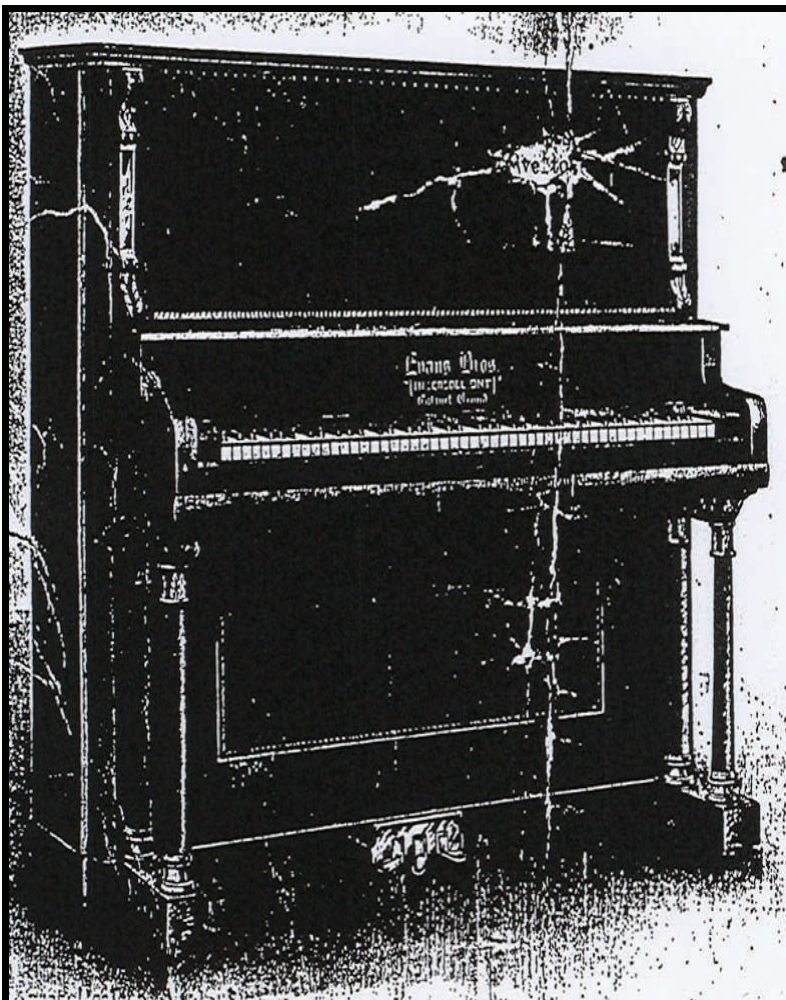
For several years Alexander Fotheringham has been conducting a very successful business on the east side of Thames Street as a dealer in fruit, confectionary, smokers' supplies, summer beverages, etc.

Five motor cars are owned in town by Dr. Rogers, A. B. Walker, M. T. Buchanan; Dr. Coleridge and William Partlo.



Manufactured by MITCHELL & CO., Ingersoll, Ontario

No. 12 AMBULANCE — This is a Magnificent Ambulance, being fitted with Henderson roller bearing axles, lighted by storage battery, two outside lamps and one inside; rubber tires, movable couch inside, sand-blast glass with border on edge and fancy corners and British bevel glass on sides of seat; floor stands 21 inches from the ground, back and side doors have glass in upper half, may be painted any color desired.



**Evans Brothers,
Ingersoll, Ontario**

Description

Style C

Mahogany or walnut

Dimensions:

Height, 4 feet, 9 1/2 inches

Width, 5 feet, 4 inches

Depth, 2 feet, 3 1/3 inches

Case double veneered inside & out
 Seven and one-third octaves
 Metal frame with open wrest plank
 Tri-chord scale
 Continuous scale
 Third sustaining pedal
 Full width swinging music desk
 Rolling fall
 Elegantly carved trusses and pilasters
 Ivory keys
 Highly polished
 Fully guaranteed for 7 years