



Remember the Corman House

Stoney Creek Historical Society

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In our radial heydays

"The Hamilton radial electric railway which has operated a car service to the Beach, for thirty-three years and four months, passed out of existence at midnight Saturday last and was replaced by a bus service.

To the present generation the stopping of the radials was only another modern advancement, but to the old-timers, it brought regret, and it was said that the buses can never replace the radials."

-Hamilton Herald, Jan. 7, 1929

Beginning with great fanfare on Monday, Sept. 7, 1896, residents of the Beach Strip and Burlington had a direct connection with downtown Hamilton along an electric railway line.

A previous electric trolley line to Grimsby and Beamsville had proved successful, leading the promoters of the Beach radial to predict a great future for their enterprise.

A third electric radial line would be built to Brantford via Ancaster, and the old Hamilton and Dundas railway would be converted to electricity. For several years in the early 20th century, Hamilton's Terminal Station on King Street East would be the hub of a radial electric transportation system which was the envy of cities across North America.

BY THE EARLY 1920s, the radials, owned by the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, were becoming less and less profitable: Better roads, the ever-increasing number of private automobiles, and competition from inter-urban bus lines lead to the ultimate dissolution of the



radial electric railway network around the Ambitious City.

The electric line from Hamilton to Burlington had been extremely busy in its heyday. Hundreds of workers in the huge steel plants and other factories in Hamilton had decided to live on the Beach Strip or in Burlington and they depended on the radial service.

In the summer months, Hamiltonians who wanted to visit the sandstrip for a day's fun by the lake would take the radial cars down to the beach at various hours of the day. Unfortunately, the day visitors usually would want to come

back to the city at about same time, leading to vastly overcrowded cars. Sometimes, cars which were already full would simply be driven past stops where people were waiting, stranding them at the beach overnight.

On April 3, 1925, the Herald carried an interview with W.C. Hawkins, managing director of the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, concerning the serious operating deficits of the radial

electric system.

For the year 1924, the radial line to the beach accounted for a \$143,257 portion of the total deficit of \$274,923 to operate the once-successful radial lines out of Hamilton. "It isn't so much the competition of the buses that is affecting the earnings of the radial line," Hawkins said. "It is the increased number of automobiles that is responsible for the deficits."

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NEW MEMBERS:

We are happy to welcome to our membership Peter Cheyne, Shirley Ferguson, Sandra Shichow, Ross Taylor.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Our December 5th. House Tour was very successful and many thanks to the committee under the direction of Susan Ramsay. Also thanks to all the volunteers who so willingly assisted as greeters. Many thanks to Bill Mitchell for arranging the very pleasant and interesting bus trip in December.

I appreciate the membership for voting me as your president for a second term. I am favoured to have the support and help of a very diligent executive. Our members are very helpful to give their assistance wherever needed.

If anyone has suggestions for programs or events please let us know as we wish to continue to discover and record more local history.

Bill O'Reilly

REPORT FROM BATTLEFIELD HOUSE

by Sandra Shichoway

A Stitch in Time

An exciting addition to Battlefield House Museum's collection is a sampler created in 1839, by James Gage's granddaughter, Cynthia Elizabeth Gage. The sampler, embroidered when she was only seven years old, is a beautiful example of how adept very young girls were at needlework during this time period. This is the verse.

*To waste precious time we can never recall,
Is waste of the wickedest kind.
An instant of life is more value than all
The gold that in India we find.*

In 1857, Cynthia married James Nelson Mills. They built a home on the SW corner of Queen and George Streets and had seven children, two of whom died in infancy.

In January 1876, James Nelson Mills was murdered near his home by an irate tenant, one Michael McConnell. The first person to come upon Mills mortally wounded body was Cynthia's father, Andrew Gage, James Gage's second son. McConnell was tried, convicted and hung in March of the same year. Cynthia was left to raise five children, ages 16 to 4, on her own.

After her death in 1916, a stained glass window was placed in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in her honour by her surviving sons. The Mills and Gage family history compiled by Stanley Mills, her middle child, was dedicated in her memory.

Stanley Mills, a well known entrepreneur in Hamilton, provided the funds for the construction of the Loyalist Monument which stands in front of the old court house in downtown Hamilton.

Events

Heritage Week Lecture:

February 24, 2005 at 7:30p.m. at the Battlefield Admin Building.

Early Surveying 'Tools of the Trade', by Tony Roberts. Complimentary admission

Monumental March Break

Hands-on activities for all ages

Monday, March 14 – Friday, March 18

1:00 – 4:00p.m.

Anything But Old Hat, A Vintage Clothing Show

Royal Botanical Gardens

Sunday, April 24, at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$15.00 per person including refreshments

Doors Open Hamilton

Celebrate Hamilton's built heritage

May 7 & 8, 2005

1:00 - 4:00p.m.

Complimentary admission

Spring Blossom Artists Studio Tour

May 28 & 29, 2005

11:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Complimentary admission

Join us Saturday, May 28, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. for outdoor theatre. Battlefield Troupers present "Robin Hood". Reserve your tickets for this fun-filled musical by calling 905 662-8458. Tickets \$5.00 per person.

Did you know:

There is an organization "The Friends of Stoney Creek Battlefield House Museum".

"Friends" are offered the opportunity to meet monthly to hear informative speakers and to volunteer in various capacities throughout the site.

Meetings are held at 7.30 pm the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Administration Bldg. 99 King St W. Stoney Creek. Visitors are welcome.

For information please call Battlefield Park Administration 905-662-8458 or Mary Place 905-662-8856.

ERLAND LEE (MUSEUM) HOME

by Michael Gemmell

Thank you to the Historical Society for including the Erland Lee Museum in the 2004 Christmas House Tour. We were very pleased with the turnout. Proceeds from the event will be put towards restoration work scheduled to be done on the 1873 building this upcoming summer.

This year the museum takes its cue from the Ontario Heritage Foundation. The Women's Institutes birthplace site, in conjunction with our partner, the Rural Ontario Sharing Education (ROSE) Program, will be focusing on "SHARING HERITAGE".

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In our radial days

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THE EDITOR Of THE Herald agreed, noting that "with the multiplication of motor cars, even local traffic has declined. Many of the beach residents own cars. It used to be that almost everybody visiting the beach in the summer used the radial cars; but now the large proportion of them that go there in automobiles is seen by the mass of cars parked along the beach on any fine summer day."

On Sunday, Jan. 6, 1929, at 8.10 a.m., a bus, not a radial electric railway car, pulled out of the Terminal Station to provide public transportation between Hamilton and Burlington. Despite the protests of residents along the beach, only the radial tracks, not removed completely until 1942, would remain as reminders of the once proud transportation service.

AWARDS PROGRAM:

The Executive of the Stoney Creek Historical Society are pleased to announce the winners of the 2004 History Awards Program.

Krista Srbljanin - Orchard Park, **Katie Holwerd** - Saltfleet, **Lauren Peters** - Cardinal Newman.

Congratulations on behalf of the Historical Society for your hard work in recognizing the importance of our history.

Fred Landon in his "*Western Ontario and the American Frontier*" has commented on the lack of improvement in the primitive husbandry of Upper Canada during the first half-century after 1791. The system has been described as based "*largely on the knowledge and practices of English farmers of the early seventeenth century, but in many ways much less advanced than the agriculture of the motherland even at that early date.*"

WESTFIELD VILLAGE:

by Rob Waininger

Events 2005

Maple Syrup Programme...

Sundays March 6, 13, 20, 25 and 27 and March break days March 16, 17, 10 am to 4 pm.

Savor the sweet taste of Spring and enjoy Maple Syrup through the ages. Experience the Native Canadian, Pioneer and Modern techniques and technologies of maple syrup production in a living history museum of over 30 historical buildings and 120 hectares of nature trails. Its a great outing for the whole family.

Westfield Heritage Village Hour Open Sundays and Holidays
April 6 to October 26, 12:30 - 4 pm

featuring hourly tours, restaurant and gift shop.

ERLAND LEE (MUSEUM) HOME

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Spring 2005 Special Events at Erland Lee Museum

February 19, 2005, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Hamilton's Heritage Comes Home

This year, celebrate Hamilton-Wentworth's shared heritage, with a sport-related theme. Join us at Hamilton City Hall for a heritage marketplace (10 am - 3 pm) and volunteer awards. The museum has nominated Judy Simpkins, one of our dedicated volunteers to receive a citation at City Hall. Please come on down and cheer her on! Parking at City Hall is free for the entire event. The Erland Lee Museum will also have a history display.

February 26, 2005, 1:00 pm

"Of Jam, Cream, and the WI- the story of Vinemount"

Join us for a short talk on the history of this picturesque part of Stoney Creek, whose heritage was preserved by the Vinemount Women's Institutes, not only through the Tweedsmuir histories, but also through preservation of the Vinemount Creamery in the first half of the 20th century. Admission by donation. Refreshments.

March 14-18, 2005

March Break Activities at the Lee

Model train exhibit (*Mon – Sat, 10 am – 3 pm*). Regular admission.

March 16 and March 18, 10:00 am and 1:00 pm

Teddy bear making for kids and adults. \$6.00

April 2, 2005

Maple Syrup and Pancakes at the Lee Home

Our annual spring kick-off event is on Saturday morning from 8:30 am - noon.

April 23, 2005

Ladies Day Out

This all-day event returns with new activities to stimulate your senses and intellect. Call for more information.

May 7-8, 2005

Doors Open Hamilton

As part of Architecture Week Hamilton (May 1-8, 2005) the museum will once again be opening its doors free of charge. Doors Open Ontario is a province-wide initiative to exposure visitors to the many architecturally significant old *and new* buildings in our area.

Please call 905 662 2691 or visit www.erlandlee.com for more information about the Erland Lee Museum and its programs.

"We will be featuring two performances by "History on Parade", a talented group of historical actors introducing you to the colourful stories of our storied Canadian past."

DO YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

Historic events, written articles, family stories that will help us appreciate our history. If you have a piece large or small you feel would have a place in our publication please submit it. Please call Ron Place at 905-662-8856.

FROM THE PAST:

Wentworth Historical Society Minutes
1908 -1948
MAY 30, 1915

Adjourned meeting of the Saltfleet Historical Society.

Meeting - At a well attended meeting the tender of Mr. Green for a band of 12 players at \$20.00 came up for discussion and it was moved by Mr. Geo. Millen, seconded by Mr. McNeil, that we accept his tender for June 5th to play selections starting at the Village and proceed and play during the afternoon until 6 o'clock. CARRIED.

Refreshments - Refreshments Supply being left in the hands of Mr. Jones to make & report from local merchants. Moved by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Millen. CARRIED.

New Committee Members - It was decided to add new names to the following committees -

Sports - Mr. Morrison, Mr. McCoomb, Mr. A. Smith. It was also decided to add Mr. Harry Cox, Winona as member.

Finance - Mr. Morrison, Mr. McCoomb, Miss Hunt.

Prizes - Miss Field, Mr. Chittick.

Fees - The following members paid annual fees -

Mr. Oliver Nash .25 Mr. Morrison .25

Mr. McCoomb .25

Received & acknowledged of Miss DeGrow, Bartonville \$1.00

Meeting - It was decided for a part of the Committee to meet at 1/4 of 9 at the Rectory on Wednesday to notify the Society what Special Prizes & Money were collected and arrange them in order for distribution.

Adjourned - No further business being gone into the meeting closed until further notice.

It was decided at this meeting that the Rev. Cannon Davis visit the local tradesmen & collect any special donations toward prizes.

Special Donations

Prizes and Donations - The G.W. Robinson & Co. agreed & printed free of charge 2000 programmes, also donated prizes to the value of \$ 5.00 through Mr. J.H. Jones. Box of balls, mouth organs, pencil cases, a gift of Mr. W. Jackson per Mr. Jones.

Various contributions given by -

Reeve H. Burton	W.E. Cormam	Dr. Thompson
Dr. Green	Mr. Timms	Wm. Rogers
Mr. Huffinan	Mr. E. Rogers	Mr. Sam Nash
Mr. Case Springstead	Leslie St. John	Mr. McNeilly
M&F McClung Bros.	Mr. F. Felker	Mr. F. Dewitt
Mr. F. T. Cline	Mr. Harrowell	John Lee
Mr. A.R. Millen	Minor St. John	Mr. Morrison
J.W. Beaumont	Mr. McNeil	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Chittick	Mr. L. Chittick	Mr. W.H. Milne
Mr. Pilgrim	Mr. Geo. Millen	Mr. McCombs
Mr. Symmington	Mr. J.H. Jones	Rev. Cannon Davis
Miss Field	Miss Hunt	Miss Church

Mrs. L. Chittick	Mrs. William Stewart	Mr. A. Smith
Mrs. Grace Davis	Mr. Chas. Stoddard	Mr. J. Clough
Mr. Chas. Moore	Mr. E.A. Passmore	Mr. H.C. Becett
Mr. W. Straughn	Mr. A. Beer	Mr. O.M. Nash
Mr. Horning	Mr. Hopkins	Mrs. M. Chittick
Mr. W.A. Green		

H. G. & B Railway Clips:

On September 8, 1909, Mr. and Mrs. Corman, who lived by Gray's Curve near Stoney Creek, had left their three year old boy in the care of his grandmother while they went into the village. The child had been playing in the front yard and on seeing his parents leave, tried to follow. He walked onto the tracks just as a radial car came around the curve. His grandmother saw what was happening but became petrified with fear and was unable even to call out to the child. The motorman of the car, Mr. Ed, Lampman, slammed on his hand brakes, throwing the passengers out of their seats, but stopping the car within a foot of the child. Billy Shaw the conductor, ran ahead and picked up the boy, and returned him safely to his grandmother. No passengers were injured and the car continued on its way. When Mr. Corman returned and heard about the way Mr. Lampman had saved his son's life, he presented to the motorman, a large mantle clock with a silver plaque engraved in commemoration of the event.

THROUGH THE GARDEN OF CANADA

From Winona Centennial 1867 -1967

Part 2

On The Way

If the traveller is a picnic hunter he will take one of the large, open airy cars; if he seeks solid comfort he will board the fine vestibule electric coach Winona the most handsomely furnished and complete electric coach in Canada. He may take his choice at the big covered-in station at the corner of Main and Catharine Streets. Down Main Street to the city limits and along south past a row of towering poplars and in a minute the car speeds past St. Peter's Home for Incurables, with its beautiful, shaded grounds. Then to the mountain side and alongside the T.H.&B. railway, where, perchance steam and electric power may match speed for a short distance. But here at the turn along the mountain side where the tracks run parallel, the sightseer during the fruit gathering days of summer, will get his first glimpse of the products of the fruit garden of the land. There at the siding will likely be seen express cars of the Michigan Central and C.P.R. railways being loaded from electric railway cars with baskets and boxes of fruit of all descriptions. By morning they will be distributed in cities and towns along the great railway lines all over Ontario and Quebec. It is a daily occurrence, this fruit shipping, and the farther one travels down the road the more one sees of it. It is a feature of the district.

**DESIGNATED PROPERTIES
in STONEY CREEK:
PETTIT HOUSE "EVANLEIGH"
1317 HIGHWAY NO.8**

This brick structure exhibits a fine example of the Queen Anne Architectural style which was popular in Ontario in the late 1800's.

The Pettit family has been connected with the history of Saltfleet Township at least as early as 1796 when Nathaniel Pettit was granted land in the township. The Pettits were part of the first group of United Empire Loyalists to come to this area having arrived at The Forty, now called Grimsby, from New Jersey circa 1787. On October 12, 1796 several family members petitioned Governor John Graves Simcoe and were granted Loyalist status having proved their loyalty to Britain during the American Revolution.

Charles Pettit, who had married Mary Smith, took up residence in Saltfleet about 1787 and was granted several hundred acres of land in Saltfleet in 1798. He was appointed Commissioner of Roads at a Land Board meeting held on March 31, 1790. He was involved with the building of St. Andrew's Episcopal (Anglican) Church in Grimsby, allowing his home to be used for a communion service in 1803. His son, John Charles, also settled in Saltfleet about the same time and gave the land upon which St. John's Anglican Church in Winona is built. A plaque to this memory is located in the church.

A number of other family members have resided in Saltfleet including Catherine Gage Pettit, a daughter of Charles and Mary Pettit. A part of her wedding trousseau is found in the collections of the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto including a Jacquard quilt loomed in the early 1800's with "Catherine Gage Pettit, 1853" woven in the corner and another quilt with the embroidered date "1860-1865".

The Pettit family is connected with many of the early pioneer families of the former Saltfleet Township. The names of several Pettit family members are also found in the War of 1812 muster records, having served in that conflict.

The original brick one and one-half storey house was built in the Gothic style in 1856. The main part of the present structure consists of the two-storey addition built to the east of the original house in 1898. A further one-storey addition erected to the north side in the 1960's has no particular architectural merit.

The main structure presents a pleasing harmonious exterior with an elaborately detailed two tiered porch which exhibits wood turned posts and decorative fretwork supporting the spindle frieze.

The large variety of different decorative elements commonly displayed in buildings of this architectural style are demonstrated in this structure. The two different semi-circular arches over the windows on the south facade, the semi-circular window on the east facade and the chimney on

the east facade, which is embellished with patterned brickwork, are typical examples.

The south facade is anchored by the projecting, three-sided, two-storey bay typical of the Queen Anne style. The bay is accented by an intricately patterned gable which is supported on each side by delicately cut-out wood brackets.

Important to the preservation of the Pettit House are the exterior brick of the original facade, the windows and the original foundations and chimneys.

Also important to the preservation are the gable and wood brackets, as well as the two-tiered veranda, including the soffit, fascia, posts, wood brackets and spindles.

AUGUSTUS JONES

The Surveyor.

(old newspaper, date unknown)

Augustus Jones was born in 1763. He was of Welsh ancestry, his grandfather settled on the Hudson River prior to the American Revolution. Augustus Jones was recommended to Lord Dorchester who immediately employed him.

In 1798, he married Tubbenakangrey of the Mississauga tribe, living on the Grand River. They had ten children five girls and five boys. One of his children Peter (born 1802) became a missionary among the Indians. at the Credit river near Toronto. His Indian name was Kahkewaquonby. In 1820 his father took him to Mohawk Chapel Brantford, where he was baptized by an English Clergyman. In his later life he was converted to the Methodist faith at a camp meeting. In 1830 he was ordained and allowed to preach. In 1850 he conducted burial services for Joseph Brant (the body was later removed and reburied by the Indians).

When Philip Frey was forced to leave the country suddenly, Augustus Jones became the land surveyor for Ontario. He began surveying in about 1784. He laid out the township of Barton in eight concession roads 5/8 of a mile apart. He gave two farms of one hundred acres each to a block and twenty one such farms to each concession. In November 1789 he received large amounts of land around Stoney Creek in compensation for his work.

It is known that he was a good friend of Joseph Brant who resided in Wellington Square (Burlington). The people of the Six Nations at the Grand River gave two leases for land to white settlers in addition to that given to Huff of Butler's rangers. The first lease of land given to Augustus Jones on October 4, 1797 for a length of 999 years. The area covered some 48,000 acres. On this land he was to pay rent of one peppercorn per year. Jones was the surveyor who marked out the Indian land and he was given the 48,000 acres as payment. This was known as the Jones Tract. Two of the early settlers were John Croker and John Crooks who settled the area in 1823.

CROWN PATENTEES OF SALTFLEET TOWNSHIP:

By Mabel Burkholder and T. Roy Woodhouse

Continued from May. newsletter

In the following list, the date of the settler's arrival in Canada (meaning arrival at Fort Niagara in most cases), is shown in brackets. The date of the actual settlement in Saltfleet could be the same year, but might be a year later. These names and registration dates were copied from the County Registry Office by Mabel Burkholder, and elaborated by T. Roy Woodhouse:

CONCESSION FIVE

NAME	Lot No.	Pt. of Lot	Acres	Registered
Philip Jones (1789)	1	All	100	May 17, 1802
Silas Smith (1787)	2	All	100	May 17, 1802
Hon. Robert Hamilton (of Queenston)	3	All	100	Sept. 14, 1803
Samuel Church	4	All	100	1866
Samuel Sweet	5	All	100	1869
Joseph Penfold	6	Part		1868
Andrew Jacobs	6	Part		1872
James Slack	7, 8	All	200	Feb. 7, 1810
Adam Vrooman (Sgt. Butler's Rangers)-	9 to 11	All	300	Dec. 31, 1798
Catharine Geale	12	All	100	Jan. 30, 1816
Philip Jones (1789)	13, 14	All	200	May 17, 1802
Philip Jones (1789)	15 to 17	All	300	Dec. 31, 1798
Abel Lend (about 1787)	18, 19	All	200	May 17, 1802
John Davis (1794)	20, 23	All	200	Oct. 24, 1798
Thomas Davis (1790)	21, 22	All	200	Oct. 24, 1798
Adam Green (1787)	24 to 26	All	300	Feb. 10, 1797
Jeremiah London (about 1792)	27, 28	All	200	Mar. 10, 1797
John Thatcher (about 1793)	29, 30	All	200	Dec. 31, 1798
Peter Mulholland	31, 32	All	200	Nov. 1, 1833
John Gage (1790)	33, 34	All	200	May 6, 1796

In 1836 the price of wheat was ninety cents a bushel, flour sold for five dollars a barrel. Milk was five cents a quart and butter fifteen cents a pound. Domestic servants were paid from five to eight dollars a month, plus board and lodging. Farm hands received from eight to twelve dollars a month, and artisans were paid about one dollar and a half a day.

Truth or Legend?

From the Stoney Creek News

150th Anniversary Edition

June 5th 1963

One of the many unauthenticated legends of the Battle of Stoney Creek. Family tradition has it that the American army brought its payroll when it came to Stoney Creek.

When the army camped for the night the paymaster bedded down in the old Methodist Church. Some local women were brought to the Church early in the evening to bring food and bedding. After they had left the payroll was discovered missing.

Some of the American officers suspected Mr. Gage of being behind the robbery and strung him up over the lantern hook to make him talk. The grilling process was interrupted by the attack of the British and the Americans retreated without recovering the missing money.

For years afterwards, many local people believed that the missing payroll might be found down the well at the Gage house but it is said that where the well was searched only the skeleton of a hapless soldier was found.

Some people who accept the legend believe that the loss of the payroll might have weakened the morale of the American soldiers and contributed to their quick retreat. However, the story is doubted by military experts who do not believe that the American army would have brought their payroll, with them in the first place. After all where would a soldier spend his wages in the wilderness of Upper Canada?

Whether the story is fact or fiction we may never know, but it will undoubtedly remain as one of the many legends surrounding the Battle of Stoney Creek.

2005 EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS:

The Stoney Creek Historical Society general meeting and elections were held Wednesday January 5, 2005.

The following have been elected

President, -- Bill O'Reilly

Treasurer, -- Judy Green

Corresponding Secretary -- Anna Orr

NEW MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Since the rebirth of the Stoney Creek Historical Society in 1986 membership dues have remained the same. It has been decided that a necessary change is to be made as of January 2005.

Single membership \$ 10.00.

Family membership \$ 18.00.

Business/ Institution \$ 25.00.

It is with sincere hope you, the membership will understand the necessity for this move.

LOYALISTS AND PIONEERS:

MOORE

Thomas Moore came from Normandy to England with William the Conqueror 1066. His name is enrolled on the list taken at their embarkation at St. Valery and also on the list of survivors after the Battle of Hastings, Oct 4th, 1066 in which he had considerable command.

There were several families of Moores, who settled in this district in the early days, who were not recorded in the history of John and Dinah Moore. John Moore, who was elected Assessor of Grimsby Township Council in 1809 and 1810, 1811, 1812. Probably the John Moore, who married Beulah Russ 25 May, 1814.

Enoch Moore settled in Saltfleet township. His name is on the first map on Lots -14, 15, 16, 17, Conc. IV. The following marriages may give a lead regarding this family:- John Lee and Mary Moore 3 January, 1808.

Joseph Moore and Jeanette Moore, Saltfleet 2 November, 1827.

W. H. Jones and Selvanny Moore, Saltfleet, 3 July, 1830. Daniel Ritenburg and Eliza Moore, Saltfleet, 9 Oct., 1832.

John V. Moore, Saltfleet and Elizabeth Nugent, Grimsby, 31 Dec., 1839.

The Moores, who settled in Pelham. First map carries the following names:-

Jeremiah Moore Sr., Lot 20, Concs. XI -XII.

Andrew Moore Lots 18 -19, Conc. XII.

Solomon Moore Lots 11 -12, Conc. XI.

Jacob Moore Lots 9 -1 0, Concs XL.

Jeremiah Jr. Moore Lots 7 -8, Conc. XI.

James Moore Lots 2 -6, Conc. XI.

The Moores, who settled in Gainsborough could. be descendants of the above. In 1862, their names were on Tremaine's map:-

John S. Moore Lot 1, Conc. VI.

Daniel H. Moore Lot 1, Conc. VI.

Michael Moore Lot 1, Conc. V.

Andrew Moore Lot 11, Conc. V.

Andrew H. Lot 8, Conc. V.

The list of the Moore family coming to Upper Canada from New Jersey, originally from England to settle in the Grimsby area is quite long and interesting. I have however shortened this article to cover the Saltfleet residents. The complete history is available in the Annuls of the Forty, book #6 pages 45 to 53.

From the Annuls of the Forty, Book #6, page # 45, 53.

DID YOU KNOW:

On July 4, 1776, King George II of England noted in his diary: "Nothing of importance happened today."

SEVEN POSTMEN CARRYING BULGING MAILSACKS ON FIRST DOOR TO DOOR STONEY CREEK SERVICE

Hamilton Spectator June 2, 1959

STONEY CREEK -: Mayor J.W. Watson cut a silk ribbon stretched across the post office entrance here yesterday to officially launch door-to-door letter carrier service In Stoney Creek and district.

Moments later, seven postmen with bulging mail sacks set. Out on their first delivery rounds, and Stoney Creek became one of 157 centers throughout Canada giving door-to-door mail service.

A letter of greeting from the postmaster general was read by Mayor Watson. The mayor said the letter would. be filed with the town archives and will be sealed inside the corner stone when Stoney Creek builds its new municipal building.

A prayer by Canon John L. Anderson, of the Church of the Redeemer, opened the ceremonies which were attended by municipal officials and representatives of the post office department.

Municipal officials present included Reeve John Vernon and Councillors Ada Bland and Ken Dunkerley of Stoney Creek, W.S. Milmine, Stoney Creek's first mayor, Claude Lockwood, Progressive Conservative candidate for Wentworth East, and Reg Gisborn, MLA, were also present.

Postmaster James Twaddle asked that residents within the delivery area help by making sure house numbers and mail boxes are In place.

R. L. Pearson, regional director of postal services for Ontario, represented the postmaster general. Other postal officials present were A.B. Morris, area superintendent, R. H. Rieve, district director, L. W. Diehl, public relations officer with the postal services and John D. Gear, assistant postmaster.

The new delivery service will cover. an area running from Owen Place and Clapham Road, past Margaret Street, and from the base of the escarpment, north to Barton Street.

A postoffice was first established at Stoney Creek some time prior to 1832, and since that time the town has had nine postmasters. Including the present. one, James R. Twaddle.

The growth of the community is reflected in the increased revenue of the post office. in 1910 this amounted to \$909. In 1921 postage sales were \$2,073, and in 1940 the figure stood at \$3,771. Last year the total revenue of the post office was \$48,672.

The opening of the door-to-door service will bring the staff of the post office to 16, including seven letter carriers and three supervisors.

Community News

September 1926

With another election near at hand we will soon hear all the pros and cons, but the Cons. have the say this time.

A little Late for Robbie Burns Day
But! Here it is anyway.

**The Great Chieftain of
the Pudding Race**

*From The Dundurn Chronicle
Christmas 2000*

Haggis is the most traditional of all Scottish dishes. It is commonly served on Hogmanay (New Year's Eve) and on January 25, when Scots around the world celebrate the life of the great poet Robert Burns. In his poem Address to the Haggis' Burns glorifies Haggis as "The great Chieftain o' the puddin' race!"

Traditionally, haggis was made with a sheep's stomach stuffed with oats, onions, spices and plucks (things plucked from the sheep's carcass). It was served with 'tatties and neeps', also known as mashed potatoes and turnips. In 19th century Scotland, sheep farmers sold the finer cuts of meat to local butchers and what was left, the liver, heart and lungs were used to make Haggis.

The following recipe for Haggis is from "Chamber's Cookery for Young Housewives" first published in 1890 by W. & R. Chambers.

"Procure the large and one of the small stomach bags of a sheep with the pluck. Wash the bags well in cold water; then plunge them into boiling water and scrape them, taking care not to break them. Let them lie all night in cold

water with a little salt in it. Wash the pluck, put into a pan of boiling water, letting the windpipe hang over the side of the pan that all impurities may escape; allow it to boil for an hour and a half. Then lift it from the pan and let it get cold. Cut away the windpipe and any fat or gristle that may be attached to it. Grate a quarter of liver and mince the heart, lights, and suet; parboil the onions and chop them; dry or toast the oatmeal before the fire; mix all thoroughly well together, and add black pepper and salt, and half a pint of the liquor in which the pluck was boiled. Fill the bags rather more than half full and sew them up with a needle and thread. Put them into a pan of boiling water, and boil for three hours, pricking the bags occasionally with a large needle to allow the air to escape, and prevent them [from] bursting. Serve in a folded napkin on a hot dish, without garnish or gravy, as they are sufficiently rich in themselves."

Modern recipes call for the choicest lamb or mutton cuts or you can purchase Haggis ready made from your local butcher.

Community News

September 1926

The cement curb that is contemplated being put down on Lake avenue will certainly improve the roadway, but a sidewalk continued towards soldier's plot from Mr. Timm's house would be a much better improvement in the village — at least, so the residents say who live up there.

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February 15, 1896. - STONY CREEK: The regular meeting of the Stony Creek Literary Society was held last Monday evening when an excellent programme was rendered. The debate — Resolved, that Canada affords a better field for immigration than the United States — between Thos. Jarrett, A.E. Walker, J. Lade, and J.B. Davis, resulted in a draw and is to be finished some time soon. Next Monday evening February 17, is the public entertainment and following that on February 24 is a challenge debate with Fruitland — Resolved, that education wields a greater influence than wealth.

DID YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW THIS?

If you thought History boring!!! Listen to this

More facts about the 1500s.

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with high acid content caused some lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning and death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and the guests got the top, or "upper crust."

GONE MISSING:

The Land Registry Book covering the Old Town Stoney Creek is missing from our library and has not been signed out.

These records are a very important tool for researchers and are made available as a courtesy by the society. **The Registry Books have always been posted as not to be removed from the library.**

If you have borrowed this book **PLEASE** return it **NOW**.

PLEASE NOTE!

Unfortunately, because of late returns and missing books it is no longer possible to borrow from our library. This facility is now a reference library only and material must remain on site.

Our appreciation to **Karen & Peter Orr** for donating this library space to our society.

Steel Market Place

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Monday to Friday 8:30 am. To 4:00 pm.

FUTURE SPEAKERS

Wed. Mar. 2, David Beasley - Richard Beasley, my Pioneer ancestor.

Wed. Apr. 2, Bruce Jackson - Old 8 mm Films.

Wed. May 4, An off site visit to the Hamilton Wentworth Educational Archives. Car pooling is planned. More details to follow.

February 18, 1895. - *The country roads are still in very bad condition and farmers rigs are continually upsetting on their way to the city. In many places side roads are lost in the deep snow and the farmers have made new roads across the fields.*

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