



Many events planned for fall

Most programs back
to full strength now

The Milton Historical Society is happy to return to a full slate of events for the fall. All events are in the Carriage Room at Waldie Blacksmith Shop, unless otherwise noted.

Speaker Series

Our monthly speaker series returns after a summer break on Thursday September 15 at 7:30 pm. We are in the process of lining up the speaker.

Our October speaker event is actually a field trip to the Howard Ironworks Museum in Oakville on Thursday October 20.

Our November event on Thursday November 17 at 7:30 pm will discuss Collectibles, All Things Milton. Our guest speaker will be John Duignan a local historian and a passionate collector of historically related items of Milton and the surrounding areas. Many of you have likely noticed the collection of postcards and items which are located at the family insurance business at 216 Main Street.

Heritage Education Series

Noted historian John McDonald will discuss historic Halton County on Wednesday Oct. 5 at 7:30 pm. John wrote the book Halton's Heritage, William Halton and Halton County. The cost is \$10. Please register online.

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MHS member Susan Platt leads a walking tour of Victoria Park recently. The MHS walking tours which proved popular during the height of the pandemic, continued to be well attended in the spring. The full slate of four walking tours return in September.

Photo by Mike Miller

MHS to host Blacksmith Shop Open House Saturday Aug. 20

Join us August 20 at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop Open House!

The Blacksmith Open House is an opportunity in a small group setting to:

- Meet one of our blacksmith instructors in person and ask questions;
- Watch a 10 minute live demonstration by a blacksmith;
- View the shop layout and equipment;
- Learn details about courses, schedules and costs by the coordinator; and
- Qualify for a \$25 rebate towards a Fall Beginner blacksmith course.

The Blacksmith Shop Open House is free to visitors and there are no obligations.

Blacksmith courses at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop are taught using traditional blacksmith techniques and tools on our coal-fired forges.

Participants must pre-register for a 30-minute session. Each session is limited to five visitors. All participants are required to wear a face mask in the shop. Participants should also wear old natural fiber clothing and no open toed footwear. Free parking is available on the street or at nearby municipal parking lots. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. All are welcome.

For more information, contact Bruce Carlin at bdcarlin@gmail.com

Local lumber baron Henry Cargill was an innovator in business and former federal MP

More than 70 Miltonians have distinguished themselves on the national and international stage since Milton was settled 200 years ago and noted local author and historian John McDonald made a compelling case for former lumber baron Henry Cargill (1838-1903) to join their company during his recent presentation at Milton Historical Society's monthly speakers series.

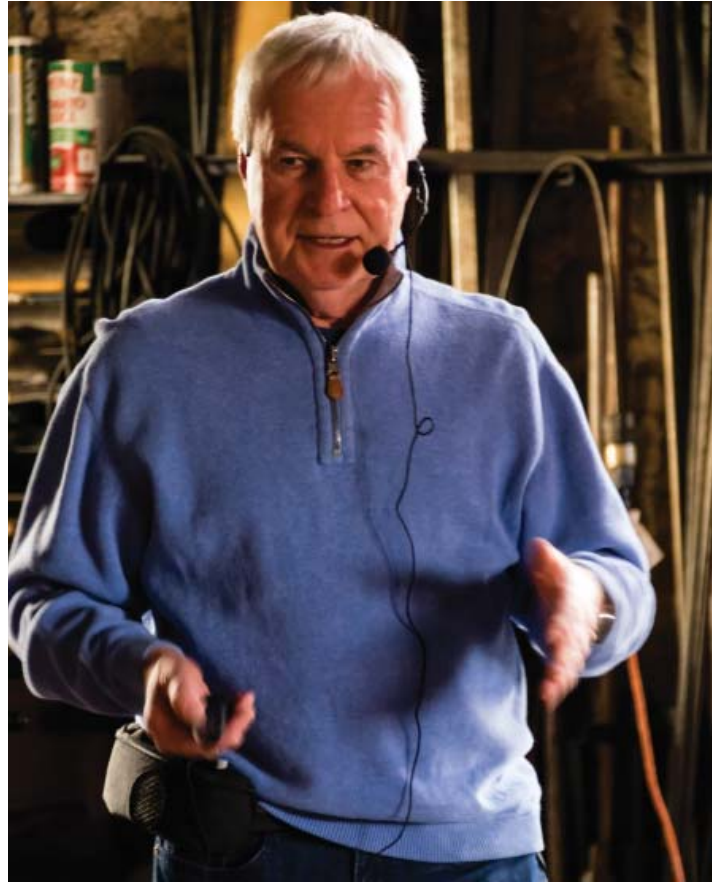
At the May 19 talk, Mr. McDonald who, arguably, wrote the region's seminal book of local history – *Halton's Heritage* – William Halton & Halton County – efficiently covered off Mr. Cargill and his family's personal, business and political involvements in Nassagaweya during the mid-1800s before providing considerable detail about their more noteworthy contributions in Bruce County in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Mr. Cargill didn't leave Nassagaweya Township and Halton County because he didn't value his residency here anymore, explained Mr. McDonald. After all, he owned several hundred acres of land locally, was a successful businessman and was also a well-regarded municipal councillor. He simply left because the available supply of pine trees to support his growing lumber mill was dwindling. Bruce County's Greenock Swamp was available for purchase and it contained large stands of white pine that would support Mr. Cargill's lumber interests.

While Mr. Cargill re-entered municipal politics in Bruce County as reeve of Greenock Township (1884-1886) and, later, as the member of federal Parliament for Bruce East (1887-1991, 1892-1903), Mr. McDonald argues his business, community and philanthropic pursuits set him apart from most industrialists of his era and, quite possibly, many today.

On the business side, he figured out a way to create waterways in his several-thousand-acre Greenock Swamp holding, fell the trees during the winter and float them

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Noted local historian John McDonald discussed the accomplishments of former local lumber baron Henry Cargill in the May edition of the Milton Historical Society's Monthly Speaker Series. It was popular with members.



Cargill blazed a trail in the lumber business

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along the canals to his mill in the spring -- all the while reclaiming the cleared areas for farming and selling off the lands for that purpose.

From the perspectives of community and philanthropy, Mr. McDonald credibly reasoned that Cargill, the village named for its founder, was an early, notable and still rare example of thoughtful municipal planning. Using his mill as the source for construction materials and power, Mr. Cargill constructed homes for his family as well as his employees; installed electric lights, a telephone service and a water tower for fire safety purposes; and established a general store, a Post Office, a school complete with teachers, a library stocked with books and three churches of varying denominations (Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian). He also partially funded a railway, which caught the attention of then-Prime Minister Sir John A. MacDonald, himself an advocate of commercial and passenger rail transportation.

The only service Mr. Cargill would not build for his community was a hotel because he was concerned that it might affect worker productivity at his mill, Mr. McDonald revealed



MHS president John Challinor II introduced John McDonald who discussed in detail the interesting life and accomplishments of Henry Cargill.

Photos by John Challinor II and Mike Miller

to an amused audience.

Sadly, the life and times of Mr. Cargill came to an abrupt end outside of the doors of the House of Commons in Ottawa on October 1, 1903, when he died following an impassioned, 90-minute speech to Parliament covering off many topics, including his beliefs about business, politics and life -- a unique perspective that he made an exemplary reality and shared with thousands of Ontarians through steady employment at his mills, good education at the schools he funded and great nutrition through his prize-winning animal husbandry and horticultural farming practices.

Full slate of MHS activities planned for autumn

Activities require registration online or at the blacksmith shop

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The significant role that women played in the development of this area will be explored in Trailblazer Women of Milton, on Wednesday Oct. 12, at 7:30 pm. Our guest speakers will be Nancy Cuttle and Susan Snooks. The cost is \$10. Please register online.

Digging into Milton

Many members of the Milton Historical Society meet on some Saturday mornings to look into specific parts of Milton's history.

On Saturday Sept. 24 at 10:30 am, the topic will be History of our Schools in the area. We hope you will come and share your early days learning the 3 R's.

On Saturday Oct. 22, at 10:30 am, we will be looking back at the early settlement in our area and those who contributed

to our growth and development. It's a great learning opportunity!

Walking Tours

Don't forget our famous walking tours. All will be held in September. Join us for one of the tours listed below. Register online, the cost is \$10 and includes a booklet.

Sun. Sept. 11 – Victoria Park Square

Sun. Sept. 18 – Martin Street

Sun. Sept. 25 – Main Street

Sun. Oct. 2 – Mill and Victoria Street area

MHS Fall Fundraiser

We've planned an auction event. More exciting information is coming soon!

MHS SummerFest supports downtown re-opening

Blacksmith shop hosts hundreds of first-time visitors at June event

Milton Historical Society's SummerFest Extravaganza played an important role in helping Milton Downtown Business Improvement Area to begin to rekindle its unique relationship with Miltonians on June 18, 2022, the rebuilding of an important community bond that was sorely tested for more than two years because of the global COVID-19 pandemic.

Milton's downtown core was a sea of fun-starved humanity, as tens of thousands of Miltonians doffed whatever apprehensions they may have had about COVID and enjoyed a sunny afternoon together in one of the very best central business districts in Ontario.

There was literally something for everyone -- food, music, old cars and unique gift ideas along the street and blacksmith demonstrations, some garage sale leftovers and great books of local history at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop.

While the Society netted more than \$500 in sales, the greater benefit it realized was the opportunity to tell its story to several hundred visitors and build interest in participating in its many programs later this fall and winter.

The SummerFest Extravaganza was the second of many fun-filled afternoons to come this summer and fall at the Shop, courtesy of the Society and its many committed volunteers.



Open House during SummerFest

Waldie Blacksmith Shop held an Open House on June 18. It drew quite a large number of interested people who were also attending the Downtown Milton SummerFest. Here, blacksmith David Brandow is speaking with visitors.

Student recounts experience at blacksmith course

By Enzo DiMichele

A few months ago I became curious about blacksmithing and began looking around for a program to get into. After a fair amount of searching, I found the Beginner Blacksmithing course offered by the Milton Historical Society. It looked perfect for a novice like me. Other than watching a few episodes of *Forged In Fire*, I knew nothing about blacksmithing and forging.

On the day of the course, as soon as the rest of the students and I walked into the smithy, I knew that I'd made the right choice by picking this program.

Everything about the program and the experience was excellent. It was interesting and it was definitely fun! Even just walking into the smithy was fun – it was like stepping back in time about 100 years.

The facility was perfect. The history of the smithy was preserved, and we had all of the equipment, forges, materials and tools we could have wanted to work with. There were only four of us in the class and we worked with two instructors Mike and Megan, who are professional blacksmiths and were very hands on throughout the day. Mike and Megan were great – knowledgeable, experienced, patient and they are both very nice people.

This is an experience that I am so happy to have had and it is definitely something that I will continue to do. I've registered for the intermediate course with the Milton Historical Society and can't wait for the next session.

If you are interested in blacksmithing or forging and want to give it a try, you'd be doing yourself a favour by taking this course.

Annual garage sale a success

The Milton Historical Society's Annual Garage Sale at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop was yet another success, raising more than \$1,000 for the Society and increasing awareness about the many programs available to the several hundred Miltonians, new and old alike, who visited on May 28, 2022.

Beyond the many great deals on garage sale items, books of local history and the Society's many gift ideas, the garage sale proved to be a great opportunity to reconnect with fellow Society members, old friends and casual acquaintances following more than two years of isolation because of the global COVID-19 pandemic.

The garage sale represented the Society's unofficial kick-off of what is going to be a fun-filled summer and fall of activities for Society members and interested non-members who love local history.

Many thanks to those who donated to the garage sale.

**Photos by
Mike Miller**



More than \$1,000 was raised at the MHS Garage Sale on May 28. A large number of people ventured to the blacksmith shop to get the bargains.





The Hogg House is being rebuilt on King Street with the help of stone masons Brian Whitehead (right), son Adam Whitehead (left) and grandson Levi (not shown). The hope is for the home to be finished this year.

Reconstruction of Hogg House on King Street progressing

The reconstruction of the Hogg Stone House at 22 King Street Milton is progressing along smoothly.

Formerly located on Tremaine Road just north of Main Street, the Hogg Stone House was dismantled and all the stones were numbered. Numerous pictures of the home's exterior were taken and the stones were numbered and then marked on a series of photographs where they go.

The home will be rebuilt to those specifications. As well, there will be an addition.

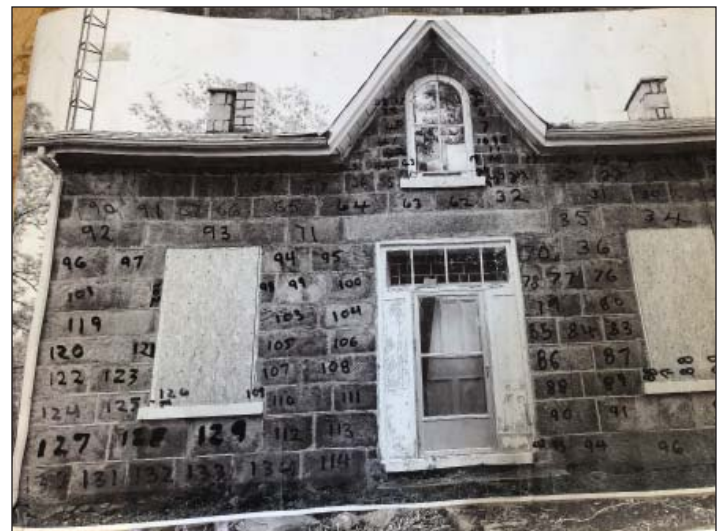
Many features from the original home will be retained including the front door. Most of the wood around the front door is original from the 1860s and was in good enough condition to be kept. Repairs will be made where needed and the wood will be preserved.

In some instances, windows couldn't be salvaged because they'd rotted through. In those cases, custom windows matching the original windows were built and placed into the home.

Stone mason Brian Whitehead is rebuilding the exterior of the home with his son and grandson. Each block is tied into the house with metal ties which fit into the blocks.

The aim is for the home to be completed sometime this year.

The project is being overseen by Sedgwick Marshall Heritage Homes Ltd., which is owned by MHS members Mandy Sedgwick and Mirella Marshall.



Above and below: The stonemasons are reconstruction the house brick by brick. Extensive photographs on the house were done on Tremaine Road and each brick was carefully numbered on the photographs and on the bricks themselves.





Hogg House reconstruction

Here's a look at the brickwork reconstruction. On the left, the original front door has been placed. The transom above the door, which was added later, will be removed. All the stones are held to the building with metal attachments and then cemented into place.

Toronto historian Mike Filey passes away



Noted Toronto historian Mike Filey passed away in July. He was a friend of noted Milton Historical Society members Jim Dills and John Challinor II.

Mike Filey, who with the late Jim Dills was one of Canada's most prolific community historians, passed away on July 30, 2022. He was 80 years of age.

Mr. Filey wrote more than two dozen local books of history about his beloved Toronto, for which he was recognized with the Jean Hibbert Memorial Award in 2009. But, he was probably best known to Miltonians for his weekly *The Way We Were* column in *The Toronto Sun*, which ran from 1975 to 2020, and his weekly *Mike Filey's Toronto* radio show on Zoomer Radio AM 740, which ran from 2002 to 2012.

Mr. Filey was a friend to Milton Historical Society, assisting Mr. Dills and Society President John Challinor II on those occasions when Toronto history intersected with Milton history, most notably when Messrs. Dills and Challinor required background information on Steeles Avenue and other similar thoroughfares for their book, *Milton Streets, The Stories Behind the Villages, Neighbourhoods and Roads*.

Mr. Challinor and Mr. Filey also shared an interest in old cars. They caught up a few times at a weekly north Toronto car show organized each summer by the Thornhill Cruisers, of which Mr. Filey was a member and spokesman.

Mr. Filey (October 11, 1941 - July 30, 2022) is survived by his wife, Yarmila.

Where is celebration of Queen Elizabeth?

By Richard D. Christy

History informs us that the ideological foundation of a nation can be lost by wilful neglect or the systematic deconstruction of its institutions.

In the Platinum Jubilee year of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, Canadians are left with several questions. What are the intentions of our current political and societal leaders?

Did not the United Empire Loyalists after 1776, the militia, Indigenous warriors, and the settlers in the War of 1812, live and die to maintain the monarchy?

Did the 45,000 soldiers buried in Europe, the thousands of sailors lost at sea, and the hundreds of aircrews and pilots who did not return to their bases, die in vain answering the call to fight for King and Country?

Was there a 70-gun salute on Parliament Hill, the awarding of the Platinum Jubilee Medal, or any municipal celebrations? The Czech author Milan Kundera wrote, in *The Book of Laughter and Forgetting*, that “the first step in liquidating a people is to erase its memory. Destroy its books, its culture, its history. Then have someone write new books, manufacture a



Queen Elizabeth II celebrated her Platinum Jubilee this year.

new culture, invent a new history. Before long the nation will begin to forget, what it is and what it was.”

Where are those today who set aside their individualism for the sake of community? Where are those who remember the words of Princess Elizabeth, who pledged that her life, whether it be long or short, would be dedicated to duty and service? Will Canada Day 2022 be a national celebration for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II?

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MHS President attends Platinum Jubilee Gala

Milton Historical Society President John Challinor II attended the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Gala in the Concert Hall of the Royal York Hotel in downtown Toronto on June 17, 2022, a black-tie affair and the only state-to-state recognition in Canada of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth's 70-year reign.

While the Government of Canada invested about \$2 million in support of a few hundred community events recognizing the Platinum Jubilee year and positioned the visit by Prince Charles and Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, in May 2022 as further recognition of Her Majesty's milestone, this most recent effort was modest compared to the federal government's activities during the Golden and Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Sponsored by the Toronto branch of the Royal Commonwealth Society, the evening featured a keynote address by the Honourable Brian Mulroney, Canada's 18th Prime Minister, complemented by pomp and pageantry, including a sparkling Loyal Toast, military participation and performances of dance, song and music representing the Commonwealth. The evening was attended by a number of friends of the Commonwealth, the Canadian and British diplomatic corps and a Commonwealth delegation from London, which included the Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords, chancellors of universities, bar-

risters and distinguished guests.

During his remarks, Prime Minister Mulroney said the Queen offered him “unfailing encouragement” when he was spearheading economic sanctions against South Africa's apartheid regime in the face of strong opposition from former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and former United States President Ronald Reagan.

He paid particular tribute to her for privately backing him in the 1980s as he pushed Commonwealth and G7 countries to isolate South Africa and tighten economic sanctions against the white minority regime. Mr. Mulroney attributed Canada's success in leading efforts to abolish apartheid to the Queen's “unfailing encouragement and gentle but unerring guidance.”

During private discussions with the Queen, Mr. Mulroney said she encouraged his efforts to impose tough economic, political and social sanctions on South Africa. “Throughout it all, Her Majesty was a constant and positive force. In fact, success would never have been achieved without the discreet, gentle and persuasive leadership of Her Majesty The Queen,” he said.

The former prime minister spoke fondly of the Queen as an “extremely intelligent” woman with “impeccable judgment.”

(With files from The Globe and Mail)



The family of James McEachern donated a copy of his autobiography to the society in June. Mr. McEachern was a life long Milton resident, born at the corner of Charles and Lydia streets in 1925. He served in the Second World War and worked at the P.L. Robertson plant until retiring in 1989. Here are Mr. McEachern's widow, Gladys, and their three daughters, Karen, Pauline and Lorraine.

McEachern family donates father's autobiography to society



Mr. McEachern attended Remembrance Day parades until the COVID pandemic.

The family of the late James McEachern (1925-2021) donated a copy of his autobiography, entitled James Oscar McEachern -- My Story, to Milton Historical Society during its Monthly Speakers Series meeting In June.

Mr. McEachern, a veteran of World War II and career-long employee at P.L. Robertson Manufacturing Co., reflected deeply and in great detail on his life as a life-long Miltonian in his 2013 book.

The Society plans to digitize Mr. McEachern's work so that it can be read by Miltonians for pleasure or used by them for research purposes in the years to come.

Mr. McEachern's widow, Gladys, and their three daughters, Karen, Pauline and Lorraine, presented a copy of the book to Society President John Challinor II.



Mr. McEachern, in his younger days, in his Second World War attire.



Dave Bartlett discussed the life of times of famed Canadian retailer Timothy Eaton during the Monthly Speaker Series in June.

MONTHLY SPEAKERS SERIES

Eaton's collectibles focus of Bartlett MHS talk

Dave Bartlett, local auctioneer, bottle collector club president and dedicated Milton Historical Society volunteer, provided a detailed history of Timothy Eaton and his fabled company, The T. Eaton Company Limited, supported by his formidable collection of Eaton artifacts, during the Society's Monthly Speakers Series meeting in June.

Mr. Bartlett took those in attendance through the life and times of the Eaton family as well as charted the development, growth and eventual decline and closing of their business, Eaton's (1869-1999). It was, in its heyday, Canada's largest and most prominent mail-order catalogue and department store retailer.

He reminded everyone that Timothy Eaton (1834-1907) began his storied retail career working for a short time in a haberdashery store in nearby Glen Williams. He survived early business failure in southwestern Ontario to purchase an existing dry goods and haberdashery business on Yonge Street in Toronto in 1869, later introducing ground-breaking retail innovations for the time – uniform pricing with no hag-

gling and no credit, a money-back guarantee and, in 1884, a mail-order catalogue business.

The Eaton's Santa Claus Parade, the heavily decorated store windows at Christmastime, the Punkinhead bear, the Spring and Fall Eaton's catalogues, the overseas buying offices, the failed Horizon discount store diversification effort and stiff retail competition in the 1980s and 1990s were all covered off by Mr. Bartlett during his one-hour presentation. He then took the audience for a tour of his Eaton's collectibles.

Besides the artifacts preserved by Mr. Bartlett and others and the fond memories of those Canadians who are old enough to have visited an Eaton's store back in the day are two life-

sized statues of Mr. Eaton that were donated by his employees at the Toronto and Winnipeg stores in 1919, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the store's founding. It became a tradition for customers and employees alike to rub the toe of the statue for good luck -- a tradition that continues to this day at the statues' new venues, the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto and the Canada Life Centre in Winnipeg.



Dave Bartlett's talk about Timothy Eaton drew a large number of people to the June Monthly Speaker Series event.

Different spirits featured at Gourmet Dinner

Local historian John McDonald will recount Milton life during the Prohibition years

Two nights filled with intrigue are planned for late October by Milton Historical Society.

The Society's Gourmet and Spirits Evening will be held on Tuesday October 18 and Tuesday October 25 at 6 p.m. at La Toscana Restaurant, stepping into the original bar room of the 1864 Thompson House Hotel at 165 Main Street East.

Led by MHS historian John McDonald, patrons will dine on an exquisite menu of bruschetta, soup or salad, chicken or salmon (both with vegetables), chocolate truffle or cheesecake plus tea or coffee. There will be a cash bar.

The topic is "There is something brewing in Milton". Mr. McDonald will talk about Milton spirits during the Prohibition years and the temperance movement within the town.

The cost is \$90 per person.

To attend, register on line www.miltonhistoricalsociety.ca > Activities & Events – Social Events > MHS Annual Fundraising Dinners.

Alternatively, drop off or mail in your request – 16 James St., Milton, Ont., L9T 2P4 or send via email to:

info@miltonhistoricalsociety.ca for other arrangements.



The life of times of the town of Milton during the Prohibition years is the subject of this year's Gourmet and Spirits Evening in October.

DIGGING INTO HISTORY



This is located at the top west end of the Mill Pond where 16 Mile Creek splits to go into the mill pond or down the small water fall into the 16 Mile Creek. This was a great area for residents to swim, to watch salmon trying to get up the waterfall, go fishing or just to sit and enjoy the scenery. In the background are the rail tracks which cross Bronte Street north.

Council approves Town's intent to designate 111 Mary Street under Ontario Heritage Act

Milton Council recently approved the Town of Milton's intent to designate historically significant 111 Mary Street under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Those in the community who are opposed to designation of the residence will have, over the next 30 days, the opportunity to appeal Council's decision. If there is no opposition, a designation bylaw will be brought back to Council for approval.

111 Mary Street, otherwise known as the Edwin Earl House, is a listed historical building in the Town's Heritage register.

A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) report prepared by Robinson Heritage Consulting concluded that the Edwin Earl House is a significant heritage resource that has design or physical value and historical or associative value and should be "retained and maintained."

Its heritage attributes are as follows:

- Is a representative example of mid-Victorian domestic architecture;
- Is of some provincial interest because of its association with Rev. Joseph H. Robinson, a circuit minister with the Methodist Church who is included in University of Toronto and Université of Laval's "Dictionary of Canadian Biography";
- Is of historic significance as the home of Edwin Earl, a former mayor of Milton, Halton County Reeve and prominent community leader; and
- Is of contextual significance as "one of the original buildings built to face onto Victoria Square" and that it "contributes to the cultural heritage value of the Mary Street streetscape, the Victoria Park area and this portion of Old Milton."

The Edwin Earl house complies with the criteria set out in



Milton Council has chosen to intend to designate the house at 111 Mary Street. The house is a listed historical building in the Town's Heritage register.

Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act (R.S.O. 1990), Ontario Regulation 9/06. As such, Council and the Town ruled that it is worthy of designation under the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The heritage community is very pleased to see this occur as they have been concerned about this property for many years.

SNAPSHOT IN TIME

Johnnie Conway (right) operated a dry goods store on Milton Main's Street in the 1920s. As seen in this picture from the '20s, most of the items were behind the counter. Mr. Conway would retrieve the items after taking payment. Such was the way of the life in Milton 100 years ago.



Preserving our historic Main Street is important Could it be at risk?

By Marsha Waldie

We all need to realize that the ownership of our downtown buildings has changed and will continue to do so, thus posing a risk to the heritage of the downtown core.

The preservation of what gives a town its character and a sense of community is also its history. However, with the changing environment, those who may purchase historic buildings don't always realize the value and the importance they play in this, or perhaps even care!

It can be likened to you and your family, in that your parents, grandparents or great grandparents etc. had nothing to do with your DNA, not correct! We all need to support historic buildings preservation in downtown Milton. At the same time, we need to promote opportunities to learn about our history.

The Milton Historical Society, in cooperation with some owners, have installed historical signage on buildings. The Society also offers historic walking tours of this area to the community. It is very important to share information about the people who lived, worked and built our downtown buildings. The Milton Downtown Business Association, in partnership with the Society, has also installed various QR codes along the street as well. Those codes direct people to a more detailed history of each building.

One would hope that Milton Chamber of Commerce will return the Farmers Market to this area as this certainly brought a sense of community, tying the past with the present. It created the right atmosphere, a sense of place and at the same time, a partnership with the businesses along the street as in the past. I would encourage residents to contact the Chamber to request that next year the market would be back on our Main Street!

Our Milton Council has have certainly heard many indicate over the years the words – heritage preservation. Therefore, we need to really impress upon them and our urban planners the importance of a planned preservation policy! It must en-



sure any alterations to existing buildings respects and reinforces the character of this area by not removing and replacing these buildings, but preserving our historic downtown Main Street.

There are many ways and means available to the town to encourage the protection of our heritage by starting to set objectives as they begin to consider budgets, going forward. Other municipalities have realized the importance of heritage and have taken steps to conserve their physical heritage resources which, in turn, attracts tourism and helps the local economy.

Under the Ontario Heritage Act, historic designation enables a municipality to conserve the heritage value and heritage attributes of an area. A Heritage Conservation District (HCD) is an area identified as having significant heritage value. With the approval of a majority of property owners, Municipalities in Ontario can designate a geographically defined area as an HCD under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act. This ensures that the community's heritage conservation objectives and stewardship are respected when making decisions about the future of the area.

Our Main Street is a treasure of various architectural structures and the stories of the many whose identity is tied to the street. The buildings that make up our historic Main Street started our commercial development over the years. Each building has its own unique history to tell, which contributes to our town's heritage. Over the years, owners and shopkeepers have put their heart and soul into our Main Street.

As ownership changes, the new owners will be charged with good stewardship and the responsibility to safeguard the conservation of our downtown historic Main Street for future generations.

Council and planning staff must also be charged with putting into place provisions to safeguard these historic buildings.

These are just a few of our historic buildings which make up our downtown heritage.

Main Street has a long and interesting history



Dempsey Block – 160 - 164 Main Street

This was known as the Dempsey Block # 160-164, built in 1855 by George Dempsey. For many years it housed the Canadian Champion and in, 1938, the Restivo family operated a fruit and market store. Other businesses included a music store, restaurant, appliances, flour/feed/coal store, shoe repair etc. At one time a rope walker strung a line across Main Street East from the Thompson House to this building and successfully crossed to the amazement of onlookers. This historic building is one of the very few frame structures still present on our Main Street.



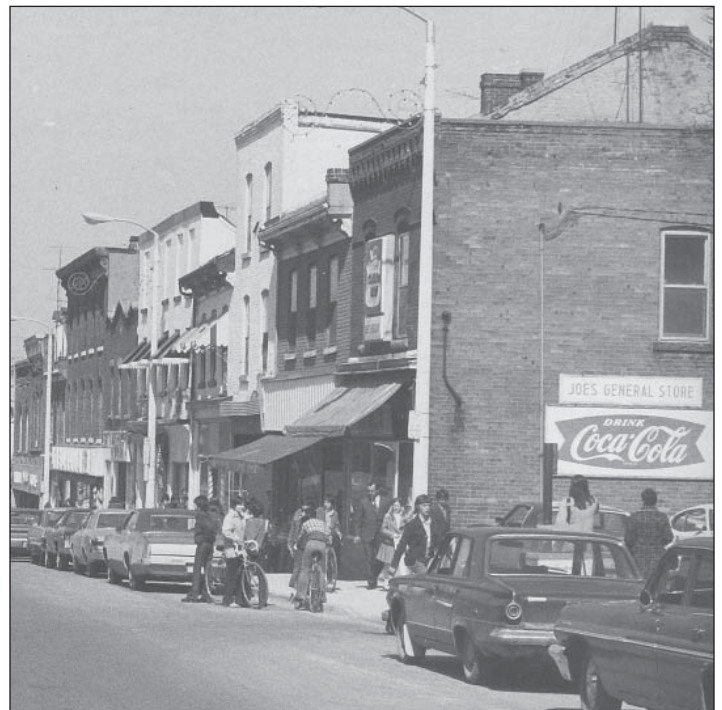
197 Main Street

The building at 197 Main Street was constructed in 1878 using cut stone and is one of only three stone buildings on the street. Over the years it has been a grocery store, paint & wall paper store, photo studio, licence bureau outlet etc.



146-148, 150-158 Main Street

This row of historic buildings was built in 1916 and has housed many businesses over the years, such as the Roxy moving picture theatre, bus station, law office, bakery, plumbing, barber and ice cream shops to name a few.



176 Main Street

The next string of historic buildings run east from 176 Main Street, Chudleigh's. This building has a rich history starting in 1895, when Andrew Tock built it to sell groceries as did Jack Roper. Other businesses were the Carroll's Chain Grocery Store, China House etc. As you move down the street some other stores were Sherman Photo Studio, Pickett Drug Store, Harris Stationary, jewellery, shoes, butcher shop and a billiard hall.

Main Street home has ties to Harrison family

Built in 1885, 95 Main Street has been a home and a business for many years

By Marsha Waldie

In 1886, James Harrison (1824-1904) purchased this lot in February 1886 to build his retirement home. James was the youngest son of Thomas Harrison (1777-1824) and Elizabeth Hodges (1782-1867) who were married in 1805. As you will note, he was born the same year his father died leaving his mother to carry on with eight children, the eldest being only aged seventeen.

His mother, Elizabeth, deserves recognition in Milton's early history. She and Thomas, along with their family, were on their land to begin farming the same year they arrived in Canada in 1820 and officially took ownership in August of 1821.

They built their first home by splitting and hewing the slabs from the logs of trees, which had been cut to clear their land. In the Halton Atlas of 1877, it is noted that Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison lived six months in the township before she saw another white woman. After the death of her husband Thomas, Elizabeth had to provide for her family. She also organized the first school, and conducted a Sabbath school before there were religious services.

Over the years, the Harrison family owned most of the land on the west side of Bronte Street from Main to Derry Road. James was given a 100 acre farm from his mother in 1847 just in time for spring planting. Today, this is approximately where the Hunt Chrysler car dealership is located. The family brick home which James built was taken down when the dealership was enlarged a few years ago.

James married Susan McCann (1837-1899) on June 9, 1862. Susan was the daughter of Ann and Alexander McCann. Susan and James were members of the Methodist Church, known today as St. Paul's United Church. James and Susan were members of the local temperance hall, as were the rest of the Harrison family.

In 1873, Susan held an outdoor social to celebrate the Queen's birthday, which was well attended. It was in November 1886 when they were able to move from their farm (just



This home at 95 Main Street began as a retirement home to a member of the Harrison family in Milton. It was home to a chiropractic business and is now the home of Hawkins Animal Hospital.

off Bronte Street, Concession 1, Lot 11, east half of 200 acres) into their retirement home on Main Street. They did not have any children. Both Susan and James are resting in Evergreen Cemetery in Milton.

Following the death of Susan and James, the home passed to Susan's sister, Louise Horning. It was later sold to Sam Smith in 1944 and then changed ownership a couple of times until 1959 when Mary (Scisizzi) and Andrew Graham became the new owners, living on the second floor. Mary operated a hair styling business, Graham's Hair Stylists, on the first floor. It continued as a hair salon under Vano & Paul Beauty Salon.

There were a couple of other owners until Ken and Marlene Turner purchased the home in 2003. Marlene operated her chiropractic business until it was recently sold in 2021 to Debora Hawkins, who now operates her veterinarian business here.

THANKS
to our volunteers

We would like to thank all our volunteers who assisted this year with our Historic Walking Tours, greeting our visitors, demonstrating the art of blacksmithing, our garage sale, in the archives, our monthly meetings, various events and with our building repairs, etc. Without volunteers our society could not continue to share our community history!

If you are interested in becoming an active volunteer please let us know!

Laura Prudham Dixon • 1907-2003

Wife, Homemaker, Poet

Laura Dixon was born on May 7, 1907, to Anna Catherine Pickett and Charles Albert Prudham who were married June 3, 1903. Laura was one of five children: George, Harvey, Anna, Janet and Laura.

The family farmed near Kilbride, Nelson Township, Halton County, and they attended Dakota School (Cedar Springs School) S.S. #10.

Laura later attended some courses at MacDonald College and at the Ontario Agricultural College, now the University of Guelph.

She helped out on the family farm by attending the Hamilton Farmers' Market selling fresh produce. She travelled by horse-driven wagon or sleigh in all kinds of weather.

Laura married Lorne Ewart Dixon, son of Priscilla Hume and William Anson Dixon. Laura and Lorne were married Feb. 14, 1940 and raised their two children: Isobel Ruth and William Robert on the Dixon family farm (Lot 8, Con. 5, Nelson Township) known as Limestone Hall (south on Walkers Line).

She was raised a Methodist (today the United Church) and was the organist at the Kilbride United Church for 20 years. Laura sang in the choir and was a life member of the United Church, Women's Missionary Society.

Upon her marriage, Laura and her family became members of Knox Presbyterian Church, Milton. She was also a proud member of the Mountain Union Women's Institute.

Mrs. Dixon enjoyed painting and photography but her main interest was writing. For many years Laura wrote numerous poems. She had three books of poetry published, "Open Gateways" in 1977; "Where Trilliums Bloom" in 1984 and "Changing Seasons" in 1977.

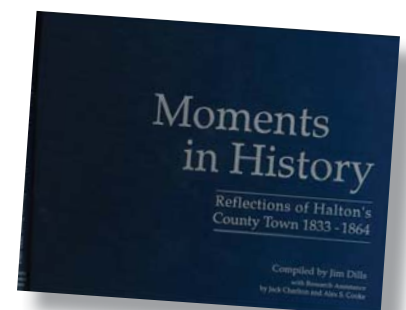


Free book with MHS membership

The Milton Historical Society is offering every new and renewing corporate or general member a free copy of Jim Dills Moments in History (a \$15 value).

Written in 1993, the hardcover book describes Milton's role as Halton's county town from 1833 through 1864.

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Milton streets named for our Prime Ministers

Of Canada's 23 prime ministers since Confederation, 16 are named on our streets

By John Challinor II

Canada recently celebrated the 155th anniversary of its founding as a nation on July 1, 1867, and, on that basis, it's as good a time as any to review those streets in Milton that have been named for Canadian Prime Ministers.

At this writing in one of Canada's fastest growing communities, they are as follows:

Abbott Street – Found in the Dempsey neighbourhood, it was named in 2000 for The Right Honourable Sir John Joseph Caldwell Abbott (1821-1893), who served as the third Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada (1891-1892).

Bennett Boulevard – Found in the Beaty neighbourhood, it was named in 2001 for The Right Honourable Richard Bedford Bennett (1870-1947), who served as the 11th Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1930 and 1935.

Borden Lane – Found in the Dempsey neighbourhood, it was named in 2000 for The Right Honourable Sir Robert Laird Borden (1854-1937), who served as the eighth Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1911 and 1920.

Bowell Crescent – Found in the Ford neighbourhood, it was named in 2010 for The Right Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell (1823 - 1917), who served as the fifth Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1894 and 1896.

Chretien Street – Found in the Ford neighbourhood, it was named in 2013 for The Right Honourable Jean Chretien (1934 -), who served as the 17th Prime Minister (Liberal) of Canada between 1993 and 2003.

Clark Boulevard – Found in the Beaty neighbourhood, it was named in 2001 for The Right Honourable Charles Joseph Clark (1939 -), who served as the 16th Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1979 and 1980.

Diefenbaker Street – Found in the Willmott neighbourhood, it was named in 2010 for The Right Honourable John George Diefenbaker (1895-1979), who served as the 13th Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1957 and 1963.

Laurier Avenue – Found in the Bronte Meadows and Timberlea neighbourhoods, it was named in 1975 for The Right Honourable Sir Wilfrid Laurier (1841-1919), who served as the seventh Prime Minister (Liberal) of Canada between 1896 and 1911.

MacDonald Crescent – Found in the Dorset Park neighbourhood, it was named in 1973 for The Right Honourable Sir John A. MacDonald (1815-1891), who served as the first Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1867 and 1873 and 1878 and 1891.



Mackenzie Drive – Found in the Dorset Park neighbourhood, it was named in 1973 for The Right Honourable Alexander Mackenzie (1822-1892), who served as the second Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1873 and 1878.

Meighen Way – Found in the Beaty neighbourhood, it was named in 2004 for The Right Honourable Arthur Meighen (1874-1960), who served as the ninth Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between July 1920 and December 1921 and from June 1926 and September 1926.

Mulroney Heights – Found in the Ford neighbourhood, it was named in 2013 for The Right Honourable Brian Martin Mulroney (1939 -), who served as the 16th Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada between 1984 and 1993.

Pearson Way – Found in the Dempsey neighbourhood, it was named in 2000 for The Right Honourable Lester Bowles Pearson (1897-1972), who served as the 14th Prime Minister (Liberal) of Canada between 1963 and 1968).

Louis St. Laurent Boulevard – Found in the Beaty and Coates neighbourhoods, it was named in 2001 for the Right Honourable Louis St. Laurent (1882-1973), who served as the 12th Prime Minister (Liberal) of Canada between 1948 and 1957.

Trudeau Drive – Found in the Clarke and Beaty neighbourhoods, it was named in 2000 for The Right Honourable Pierre Elliott Trudeau (1919 - 2000), who served as the 15th Prime Minister (Liberal) of Canada between 1968 and 1979 and from 1980 to 1984.

Tupper Drive – Found in the Clarke neighbourhood, it was named for The Right Honourable Sir Charles Tupper (1821-1915), who served as the sixth Prime Minister (Conservative) of Canada in 1896.

Rare Milton find by American picker

You never know where Milton photos will surface-the latest are from an American picker from Lackawanna, New York.

MHS member John Duignan stumbled across a series of horse-related photos, including this one, which told of an interesting tale which happened in Milton in 1903.

Mr. Duignan thinks the picker from Lackawanna found these photos when he was picking an estate in the Milton area.

"Luckily," he said, "he saw the significance of the photos and posted them online. Luckily I saw them and they have come full circle."

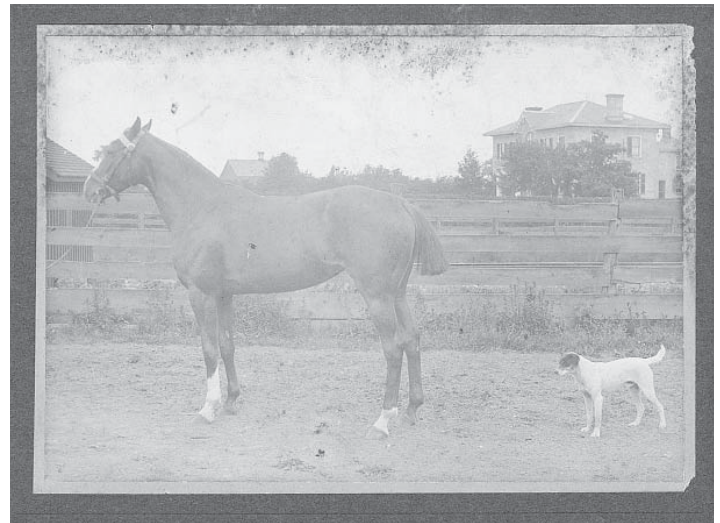
This photo shows a picture of a mare, Blandley or French Polish by Perisian, on a farm in downtown Milton. The story on the back describes a sad tale which culminated in the horse's death. However, the 13-year-old boy riding the horse, survived and went on to live a prominent role in Milton's early history.

The photos describe horses associated with W.A. Lawrence, who was well-known in the thoroughbred horse business in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Mr. Duignan said his heart was pounding when he saw these pictures and he said he "had to pony up" to buy them !

"I strongly believe the article and photo were put together by W.A.Lawrence himself", he said.

"He has made corrections to the article. He has stroked out the name Blandley and he has written the name of the horse on the back of the photo "French Polish by Perisian" Whether



Here's the photo of the horse that was found by a picker from Lackawanna, New York. Below, is the inscription on the back.

he meant one of French Polish's parents was Parisian is hard to say but I think he was quite literate so really meant Perisian.

"Also he has scratched out the value of \$200 and written \$500 which was quite a sum of money for those days."

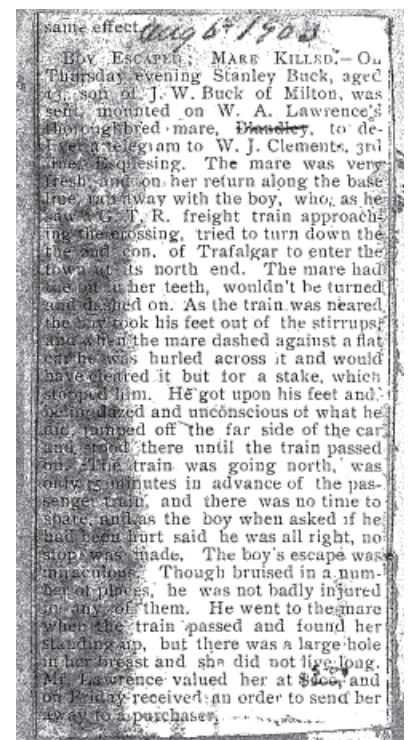
The 13-year-old boy involved in this incident was Stanley Buck. He would later marry Margaret Ann Hey and shortly thereafter, the couple moved to Saskatchewan where they opened a hotel with Stanley's brother-in-law. After two years, they returned to Milton and Stanley opened a butcher shop.

He was a Milton town councillor from 1927-29 and again in 1944. He and his wife had two daughters, Donalda and Ruth.

Sadly, at the age of 54, he suffered a heart attack in his butcher shop and died in 1944.

Here's what was typed on the back of the picture

Boy escaped; Mare killed – On Thursday evening, Stanley Buck, aged 13, son of J. W. Buck of Milton, was sent, mounted on W.A. Lawrence's thoroughbred mare, Blandley, to deliver a telegram to W. J. Clements, 3rd Line Esquesing. The mare was very fresh, and on her return along the base line ran away with the boy, who, as he saw a G.T.R. freight train approaching the crossing, tried to turn down the 2nd concession of Trafalgar to enter the town at its north end. The mare had the bit in her teeth, wouldn't be turned and dashed on. As the train was neared, the boy took the feet out of the stirrups, and when the mare dashed against a flat car, he was hurled across it and would have cleared it but for a stake, which stopped him. He got upon his feet and being dazed and unconscious of what he did, jumped off the far side of the car and stood there until the train passed on. The train was going north, was only 15 minutes in advance of the passenger train, and there was not time to spare as the boy when asked if he had been hurt, said he was all right, no stop was made. The boy's escape was miraculous. Though bruised in a number of places, he was not badly injured in any of them. He went to the mare when the train passed and found her standing up, but there was a large hole in her breast and she did not live long. Mr. Lawrence valued her at \$200 and on Friday received an order to send her away to a purchaser.



MILTON THEN & NOW

Welcome to Milton Then & Now. MHS member and talented photographer **Mike Miller** has tackled a project of taking identically placed photos from originals in our archives. Many thanks to Mike to taking this on. Many thanks to our members who have supplied the photos. Most of the original pictures were accumulated by the late Jim Dills over many years of research for his books and Milton Historical Society.



Here's Main Street Milton looking east in 1912 and 110 years later !



This building at 167-171 Main Street was built in 1911, replacing a frame livery stable from 1847 which served two nearby hotels. In 1920, Richard McDuffe turned the building into a garage with gas pumps on the sidewalk.



Here's 105 Mill Street from the 1950s. It still retains all its original character. The house was built in 1881.

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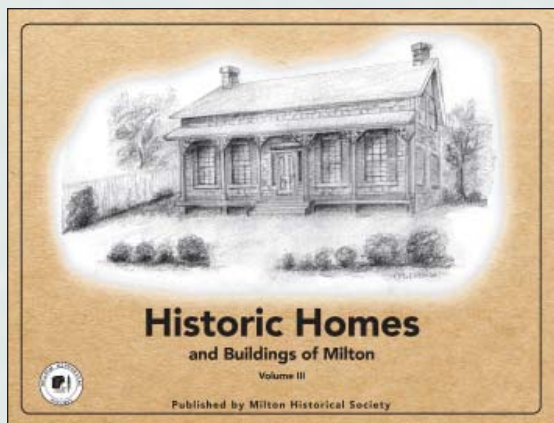
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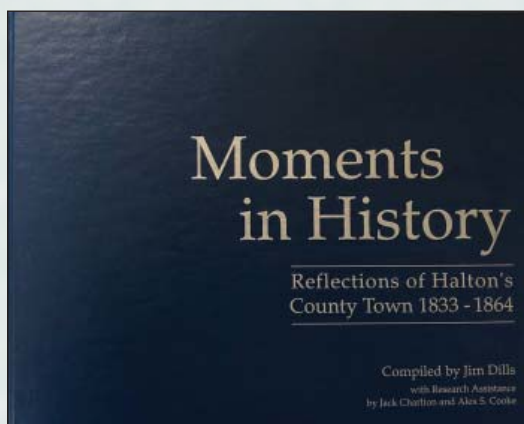
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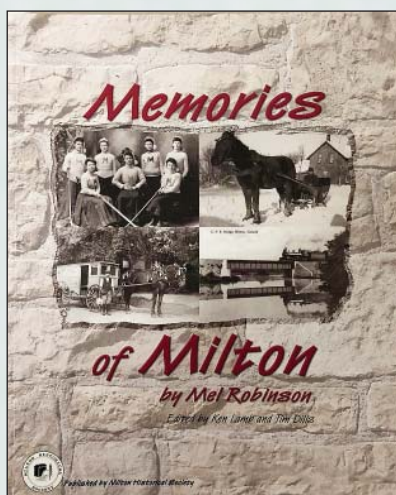
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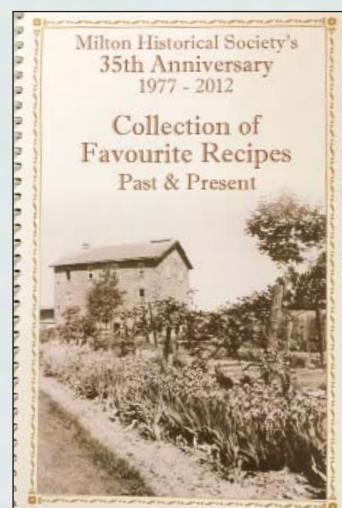
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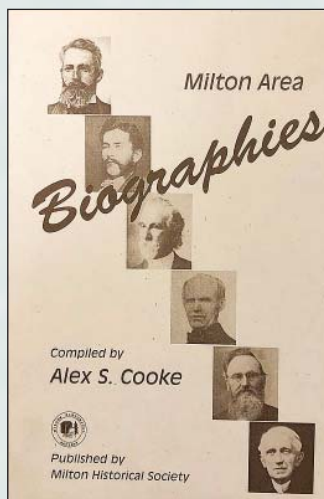
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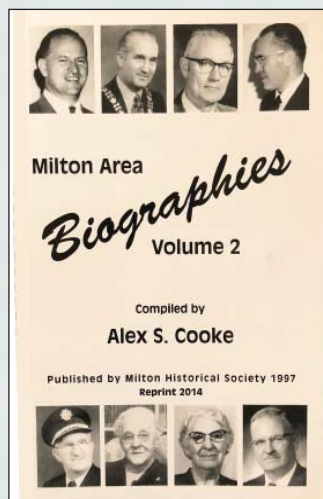
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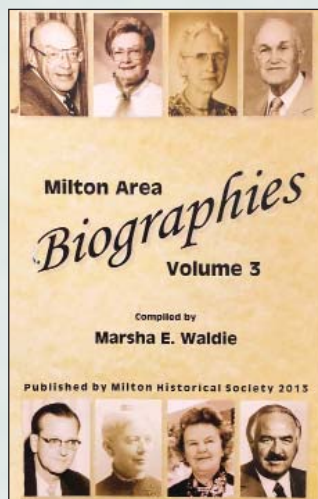
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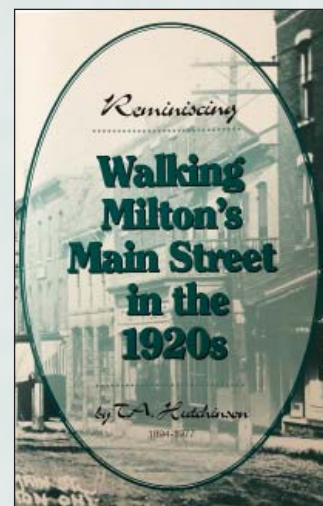
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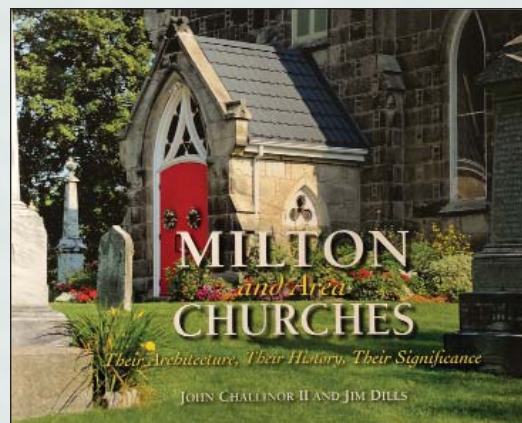
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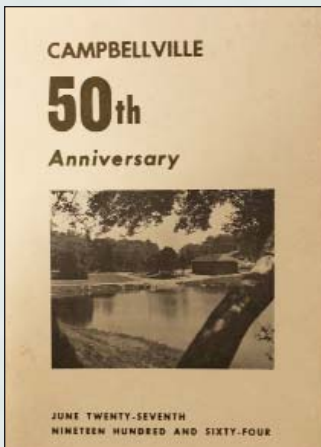


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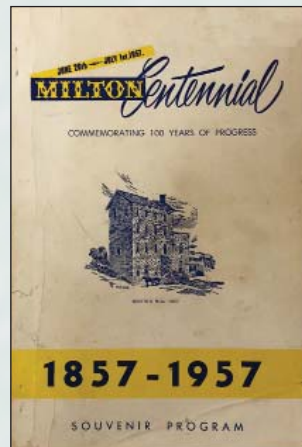


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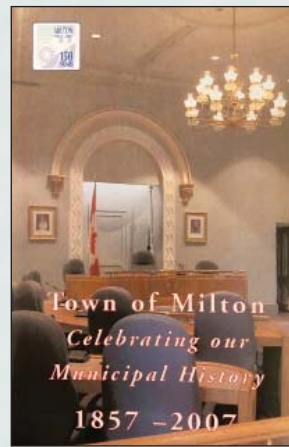
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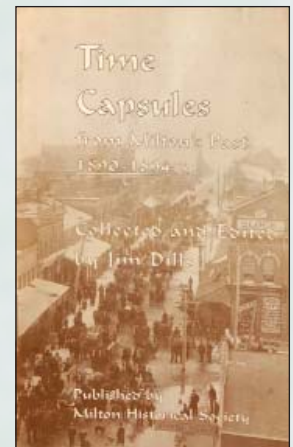
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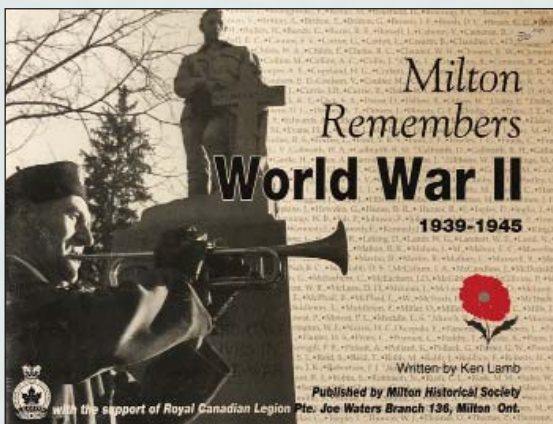
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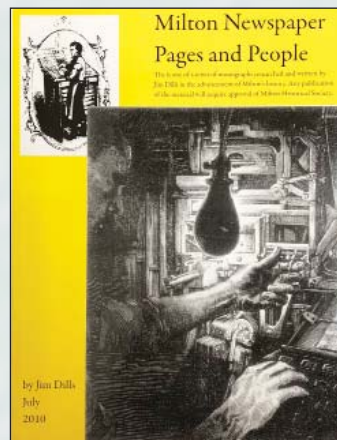
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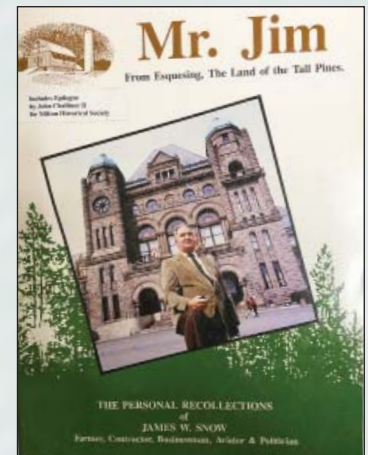
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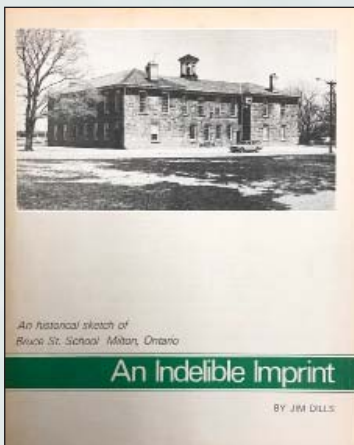
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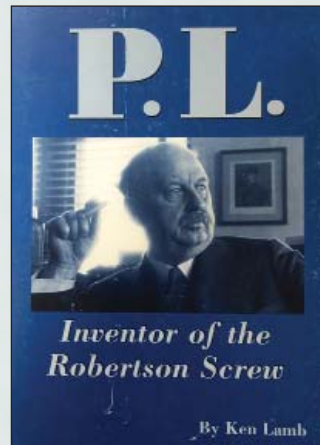
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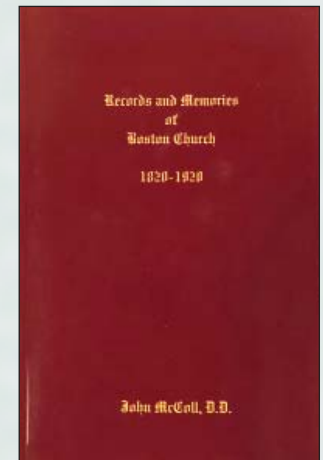
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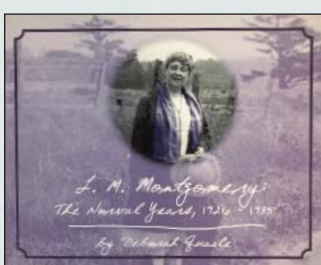
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