

On The Main Street

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DO YOU REMEMBER

Do you remember when you had a quill toothpick in the days when they were popular? Do you remember when farmer's plows were drawn by oxen and farmers used a long wooden bar across their shoulders to carry two pails of water at once? Do you remember when a paper bag of candies could be bought for five cents? Did you ever have a sore lip, when as a boy you tried to drink from the spout of a frosty iron pump? Do you remember when a man named Dennis made wooden pumps in Lindsay?

Do you remember as a boy, knocking potato bugs off the plants with a stick, and the bugs filled several small cans and were usually scaled with boiling water?

Do you remember when the first Roman Catholic Cemetery was on the west side of Angeline Street South and the first Protestant Cemetery was on the eastern boundary of the East Ward, across from the old Logie farm?

Do you recall Frank Begbie, superintendent of the Water

Works and pump house, where he worked for the introduction of an ozone plant to purify the drinking water, the first in Canada. He was followed by Harry Hammond.

Do you remember when Mrs. Ellen Sharpe was an officer of the Children's Aid Society and was Lindsay's first truant officer? When Miss Mabel Winters was a music teacher living on Victoria Avenue? When Fred Thomas was an agent for the Hupmobile motor car at a location on William Street North in the building now occupied by a ladies wear store, and when one of the first Hups was owned by Felix Forbert?

Do you remember police chief Bell who lived on William Street south in the house now occupied by Tuck Warner. Bell was for some time chief constable at the Toronto Union Station.

Hallow and honour the Fiftieth year, said an English bard, the year of your fondest memories and recollections.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Blewett, Regent Street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary a week ago in the presence of relatives and close friends. Gifts included one from fellow associates in the office of the Children's Aid Society, a worthy organization with which Allan Blewett was actively identified for many years.

Friends of the Blewetts are scattered throughout Victoria County and far beyond. As one citizen remarked "Allan Blewett is a real gentleman," and that sums up tributes in a few meaningful words. "He has befriended humanity."

Allan Blewett is a native born son of Bobcaygeon,

where his forebearers were a vital part of the community. In Lindsay Allan Blewett was for a time the proprietor of a grocery store on Lindsay Street South. In the work of the Children's Aid Society he followed the late Mrs. Ellen Sharpe and the late Alex Clarke. He was largely instrumental in bringing the Society up to the present standard of efficiency, and it was largely due to his efforts that the branch in Victoria County became recognized as one of the finest in Eastern Ontario.

Mrs. Blewett is the former Olga Staples, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Staples who for many years operated a grocery store at the corner of King and St. Peter Streets.

Mrs. Blewett has made a very fine and loyal contribution to Cambridge Street United Church as a member of the choir and other groups.