

Remember Frank Dennison who was a first class Tinsmith but gained a wider reputation as the maker of the Dennison fishing bait? Fishing was the greatest summer sport and the adjacent waters were crawling with Maskinonge or Maskilunge and the lakes and rivers were alive with fishermen. The Dennison bait comprised a copper spoon and a shining small spoon of brass and the usual colorful feathers and dark hooks was the most popular of all lures because with this bait fishermen caught the most and the largest of piscatorial beauties.

Following the passing of Frank Dennison his daughter, Madge, carried on the Bait business with much success.

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Remember when the beautiful and well carved organs began to be supplanted by large and glossy pianos? Organs were gradually shoved back out of sight by heavy monsters and new music teachers blossomed forth. Remember when a man named Wetherup was a piano agent when he lived on Kent Street where Dr. Crowe now lives? When Wes Mason sold for the Green Music Company in the store now occupied by Eaton's Mail Order office? When "Billy" Warren's piano store was on Wililam Street north where Eason's Sports store is now situated? When Harry Brown owned a well stocked music store where Butler's Pharmacy is now located? This was a store completely stocked with all kinds of instruments and a large selection of sheet music.

For several years W. H. Roenigk operated a successful music store business in the Academy Theatre building.

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A storekeeper well known several years ago was R. L. Morgan, located where Langdon's Meat Market is now doing business. The stock also included sheet music, a player piano and several instruments as well as a large fish bowl, nick-nacs, a window full of toilet tissue and thousands of Morgan's little Brown pills. Incidentally, Morgan was a lover of boats and also built the Inn at Pleasant Point.

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Remember when George Curtis drove the best prize winning show horses in these parts? He kept the then familiar Keswick strain and the Curtis show horses carried off many Red tickets. Curtis also had a race horse which he drove in the local circuit. His home and barn is now the property of Dr. Crowe on Kent Street west.

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Remember the big bell which once rang out loud and long from the belfry on top of the Town Hall? It is now to be found in the Victoria County Museum west of Lindsay.

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Remember when John Reynolds had an ice house on Lindsay Street south filled with thousands of blocks? It was an exclusive and well operated business and a profitable one. The harvesting of large blocks of ice was a tricky operation because of weather conditions. Meat store owners and the hotels and restaurants were the best customers and hundreds of the huge ice cubes were also sold to nearby cottagers on nearby lakes.

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Remember the time it was the ambition of many boys to climb the 60 steps leading to the top of the water reservoir at the corner of Jane and Henry Streets? Many a boy received a flogging for his daring exploit — but it was worth it.

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