

On The Main Street



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Of all the Townships which formulate the historic County of Victoria, Fenelon Township is one of the finest in point of fertile lands adjacent to lakes and streams and fine people. It was back in the year 1668 that the Township statistically and geographically speaking came into being.

The musically sounding word "Fenelon" had its origin in the fact that a pioneer immigrant named Francis Fenelon came to the Township approximately in the year 1668. It is reported that Fenelon Township was surveyed in 1822 and the first settler, it is understood, was a man named McLaren and the McLaren's Creek was named after this pioneer settler.

Several of the original hamlets and villages still flourish. Cameron and Cambray have shrunk a bit in a business sense but the old Hewie Store is still located in Cameron and the old Gilbert store serves the territory in and adjacent to Cambray. The once busy burg of Glenarm with its one time hotel, two or three stores, two blacksmith shops, still forms an important part of the life of the area with the old Sinclair Store a busy spot. Glenarm always had an old

but beautiful Presbyterian Church and manse and the spiritual edifice is still very much in use.

Residents of former years will find a change of scenery at Powles Corners, but the historic Powles' homestead and the little white frame church is in the same location.

The village of Fenelon Falls has sprung into a fair sized progressive town. Because of the picturesque river, lakes and the tumultuous rush of water over the dam, the place is still a place of beauty, especially in the summer months. The front street business section has undergone some face lifting in recent years. The hotels are no more but the town is today one of the busiest centres in the County, especially in the tourist season.

Fenelon Township has quadrupled its population in the summer months. Because of expanding lakeside resorts the summer population has brought about an escalating population, and area expansion. Rosedale on Balsam Lake is one of the oldest resorts. Many summer homes surround Cameron Lake. An extraordinary expansion has taken place around Sturgeon Lake. Sturgeon Point is the oldest resort but rapid expansion has taken place at beautiful Pleasant Point, Rustic Bay, Long Beach and Snug Harbor.

One of the oldest settlements in Fenelon Township is that known as Long Point. Here the stumpy, stoney and bush lands were cleared by such pioneer families as Haygrath, Myers, Rea, McNeish, Staples, Cunningham, Hargrave and others. Today the shores of Long Point are lined with beautiful cottages.

The Township of Fenelon has, through the years, been well and ably represented by worthy men on the Township Council and at the County

Council level. Residents of the Township take a keen interest in matters pertaining to the Church, Education and Politics, as well as to the agricultural and business life of the community.