

A FEW FLEECY FACTS ABOUT LINDSAY

How many residents realize that Kent Street was once a sea of mud and that a crossing at Kent and Cambridge Streets made of six foot tapered pine logs which actually in time sank below the surface and disappeared.

That the first fire hall was in the present Tangney block on Kent Street and there was a fire alarm bell at King and St. Paul Streets.

That the first Salvation Army Hall was on William Street between Peel and Wellington Streets.

That a man named Lindsay, an engineer and surveyor, was buried at the present McDonnell Park and this park was on the south side of the town wharf.

That a business man and a manufacturer named Richard Sylvester built the large residence at Victoria Ave and Peel Streets and donated the entire block, Victoria Park, to the town.

That the Sylvester binder and plow were used largely by farmers in Western Manitoba and that the Sylvester combine and threshing machine was the first of its kind to be used on the Manitoba prairie.

On The Main Street

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Several years ago the name Shannon was quite prominent in Lindsay when J. R. Shannon, a resident of Simcoe Street, was the owner and operator of the Ontario Liquor Store on Kent Street. He ran the business well and successfully and as a business man he was held in high esteem.

A sister, Miss Sue Ruth Shannon was the popular and talented organist at St. Mary's RC Church, A brother Stafford in his youth, was one of the best goal tenders in the days when Lindsay vied with and fought many a tough battle with the greatest rival of the time, Peterborough. Unfortunately he met an early death when the car he was driving to the summer cottage in Rosedale was involved in an accident.

Frank Shannon became a successful business man in Toronto as the founder of Laura Secords, a brand that is still popular in Ontario. The same Frank Shannon erected a beautiful and palatial summer home at Rosedale on Balsam Lake.

The above short historical story was prompted by the visit to Lindsay on the weekend by Jack Shannon, a Lindsay boy now a successful businessman in Northern Ontario.