

pretended to be angry at this and said that the ointment might have been sold for Three Hundred Pence, and the money given to the poor. But he only said so, in reality, because he carried the purse, and was

betray into their hands, his Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

(Continued Next Week)  
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# Grafton Historical Notes

(3) By T. R. M.

Grafton, March 22, 1832.  
 Mr. Chatterton,

Sir:--The improved and flourishing state of the township of Haldimand has led to the rapid formation of a village about the place which was formerly known as "Grover's Tavern;" and in conformity to the usage, several gentlemen of the neighbourhood met by appointment at that place on Wednesday last for the purpose of giving it a name. After considerable discussion, that of Grafton was unanimously agreed upon, as will appear by the resolution herewith sent you.

Benjamin Ewing, Esq., in the chair.  
 John Taylor, Esq., was appointed secretary.

Moved by James G. Rogers, Esq. seconded by Eliakim Barnum, Esq.--That in consequence of the rapid increase of population and the establishment of a P. O. in this place, it is expedient to give it a name. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Clark Spalding, seconded by Mr. Robert D. Rogers:--That this village be called Grafton.

It was agreed that Messrs. Taylor, Barnum and Rogers be a committee to draft and form a communication founded on the foregoing resolutions, to his Excellency Sir John Colborne, respectfully requesting his approbation.

After the business of the day was closed, we were regaled in Mr. Pepper's best style and among the numerous loyal toasts given on the occasion were the following:

- The Village of Grafton.
- The King and Constitution.
- Sir John Colborne and the Province of Upper Canada.

May nae ware be among us.  
 The Constitution under which we live.

Many others, equally loyal and patriotic were given--the whole affair going off with the greatest cordiality and good feeling.

John Taylor, James G. Rogers, E Barnum.

It will be seen from the foregoing minutes addressed to Mr. Chatterton, editor of the Cobourg "Star", in March 1832, that Grafton is a centenarian. Even before Toronto was Toronto, Grafton was Grafton! Tradition has it that the Grover family, coming from Grafton, Massachusetts suggested the name. This is borne out by a tombstone inscription in the United Church cemetery which states that one Jonah Grover was born in Grafton, Mass., in the late 18th century. Might it not be fitting even although the century mark has been passed, to celebrate the event by a suitable community celebration?

to trees also is no to shrubs, number been killed outright

If there is one another of which it is the Wickle men's Institute. ladies carry on a ously. The c June 6, next Wedr at the home of Mr Mrs. J. G. Waite The seasonable st ities and Benefits den," and the rol swered by "Helpf the Vegetable Gar The President. Mrs. McGregor, an Mrs. C. B. Turk.

A Court of Revi list for Haldimanc Temperance Hall, and in Grafton Tow

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Mr. and Mrs. B Gordon Strong at Burkton, Ont., we and Mrs. Ross Cu Mrs. Wm. Fras Miss Reta Fraser Harriot of Galt, weekend with Mr Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. / family of Tyrone, M ard Brent and Mrs. were guests of Mr. over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyrone, Mrs. J. Pe and Miss Roberts guests of Mrs. W. Sunday.

"The greatest chooses right wit vincible resolution."

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