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Grafton Village Inn

A favourite stopping off place along the Danforth Road, Edward Pepper's inn was then known as 'The Mansion House' with an impressive sign, "displaying the British Arms in bold relief."

Sixteen years earlier in 1817, the building was known as Grover's Tavern, run by "a one-eyed, dark complexioned & very shabby & suspicious looking fellow & drunk withal & very loquacious..."

In 1832 the inn had a new owner and became known as Pepper's Tavern. It was here that several men of the village gathered to decide on a new name for the rapidly growing village. Since the old home town of the new inn owner, John Grover, was Grafton, Massachusetts, it was decided to name the village Grafton.

Drawings are courtesy of Barry King. If you enjoy Barry's historical drawings, you might enjoy his Y2K calendar series, which features many local sites and buildings. The calendar can be purchased at the *Cobourg Star*.

VIEWPOINT

Looking to the end ... of 1999

Only 91 days left — until the end of the decade, the century, the millennium.

Until the End? Maybe not. We've

FROM THE EDITOR



For example, most modern thermostats have a computer chip in them, and somewhere in that chip is a date function — even though the date doesn't

money at the end of the year "just in case."

And people are still saying it's a good idea to be prepared. Lay in a supply of bottled water and easily

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