

Malcolm a small but flourishing centre lies 2 miles west of Elmwood- (reported about 70 years ago). It is situated on the corner of Con. 10 & 25th sideroad in the township of Brant. The village consisted of a school, two hotels, dance hall, general store, post office, Presbyterian church, wagon shop, blacksmith shop and brickyard.

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In the early eighteen fifties, pioneers of the growing hamlet erected a Presbyterian church - a small log building which was on the lot where the school now stands. In 1872 plans for a new brick church to replace the old log building were begun. Contract read - as below: material \$1035. Signed by D. Landierking, Duncan Campbell & W Small. This was dated Dec. 21, 1872. It was built on the south west corner. In 1873 the new church opened, free of debt. This new church and cemetery were close to the road with the sheds on the south side of the lot.

Reverend Daniel Duff preached thirty-one years (1868-1899) in the Presbyterian church. He lived in the manse north of the church, across the corner, and was buried in the Malcolm cemetery. His two daughters raised in the manse a few rods north of the corner are still living in Toronto - over 90 years of age; in fair health and of clear mind. One son is in a nursing home in Winnipeg. After Rev. Duff's death, Malcolm joined with Crawford and West Bentinck. In the fall of 1920 they joined the Elmwood Methodist church. The church building was sold in the early forties to become part of the Chesley Public School, but the cemetery is still kept up. A few years ago Mrs McArthur (the former Barbara Lamont) a daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George Lamont returned to Canada after having lived in Scotland for many years. Mrs. McArthur decided to beautify the resting place of many of the pioneers of the district. To date she has spent about \$3,000. The steel fence has been repainted, the grounds levelled and sodded, flower beds arranged and a crushed gravel road provided through the centre. Services of a caretaker are provided. After having crossed the Atlantic 32 times and living abroad for a time, Mrs. McArthur has built a home in Elmwood where she will reside.



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Necessary Material accordig
To the plan and Specifications
for the Sum of ten Hundred
and ~~forty~~ fifty five Dollars
My Security is
D Landierkin
Duncan Campbell
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