

Bradley Avenue (2nd Concession) and Westchester Drive (74 Highway), the other at Commissioner's Road corner. A one-storey frame home housed the keeper of the toll gate. In the 1851 census, Mr. Reuben Norton was named as toll keeper. In 1934, the Hamilton Road was paved to Nilestown from London and in 1937, the Belmont Road was paved south from Nilestown.

Carl Anderson came to live in Nilestown on the Hamilton Road west of the corner and in 1915, carried on a wholesale butcher business, which his son Carl continued to run until 1953.

In 1925, Frank Moore started a garage in the building once used as a blacksmith shop by Mr. Greenfield. Later, Mr. Moore took on a car agency and built the new modern garage, which was opened in 1946. At this time he had the old blacksmith's building torn down and rebuilt behind the new garage and it was used as a paint and body shop. Mr. Moore died in 1948, and Mrs. Moore sold the business to Mr. C. Chambers and Mr. L. Graham in December 1950. They operated as partners for a few years. Mr. Cal Chambers then ran the business as a Chevrolet and Oldsmobile dealership until his death, when his son Bill took over. Some modifications to the garage have been made during the last few years, and Bill's son Jeff is now in business with this father.

The Nilestown general store was bought by Mr. Frank Wright in 1927 from Mr. Melvin Hudson. Mr. Hudson had operated it as a general store and also advertised a tourist camp. In those days they had a grocery delivery route. The customers would phone in their weekly orders, and many traded eggs in exchange for groceries. Mr. Wright built the mill using the old building which had been the blacksmith shop and adding to it. From 1930 to 1942 he contracted for all the brewers' grains from the John Labatt Company in London. His son George continued the contract until 1953 when Labatts put in a dryer. For over fifty years the Wright mill operated as Nilestown's best-known enterprise providing a custom mixing service for farmers and also seed cleaning and treating. In 1964, more renovations were made to better serve the farmers' needs. The general store stocked a variety of farm supplies ranging from plowshares to bagged fertilizers. In 1973, Norman Wright, who operated the mill at the time, died. Mrs. Wright sold the business in May, 1976, to Brent Reg who after clearing the property of all buildings but the store and mill and warehouse, built the building which housed the Stinger Step Company. The store was levelled on Good Friday, 1986. The mill and