

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lawrie.

WENDY CREEK STOCK FARM.

Bruce Twp., Lot 7, Con. 14.



On August 8th, 1876, Wendy Creek Stock Farm, Lot 7, Concession 14, Bruce Township, consisting of 102 acres, was taken from the Crown by William Knox.

At his death, October 25th, 1886, he willed it to his sister, Agnes McDowell of Ireland, who kept it till the following May, and then sold it to Thomas Brooks.

In May 1887, the farm changed hands again, and was sold to Matthew Pollock for the sum of \$1,800.00. At his death on March 8th, 1889, it was willed to Elspeth Pollock, who resold it to Thomas Brooks. He owned it until June 1904, and then sold it to Alexander Campbell for \$3,500.00.

On March 3rd, 1911, George Brown of Kincardine Township purchased the farm for \$4,500.00. Mr. Brown cleared 10 acres of bush at the back of the farm. On the 1st of April, 1943, George Brown sold the farm to Thos. Lawrie for \$4,500.00, and he took possession on April 1st, 1944.

Thos. Lawrie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lawrie of Bruce Township, married Marjorie MacKinnon, a daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Clarke MacKinnon of Tiverton in 1940. Their family are - Bob, Ann, Kenneth and Sheila.

In the Fall of 1945, the west field was ditched and tile laid. In December of 1946 the stable was remodelled and gravity bowls installed, along with a cement supply tank.

In 1947 hydro was installed and a cement milk house added to the north east side of the barn.

In 1948, the rough cast was removed from the house and replaced by red insul brick, new windows put in throughout, and a sun porch added to the east.

In 1952 a bathroom was installed, the cellar way changed and built in cupboards added to the kitchen.

In 1954, some of the bush land was bulldozed and 4 more acres of tillable land was available.

In June 1955, a concrete barn yard was laid at the south side of the barn, and in 1957 a deep well pressure system was installed and the gravity bowls replaced by pressure. In 1959 a new roof was put on the barn.