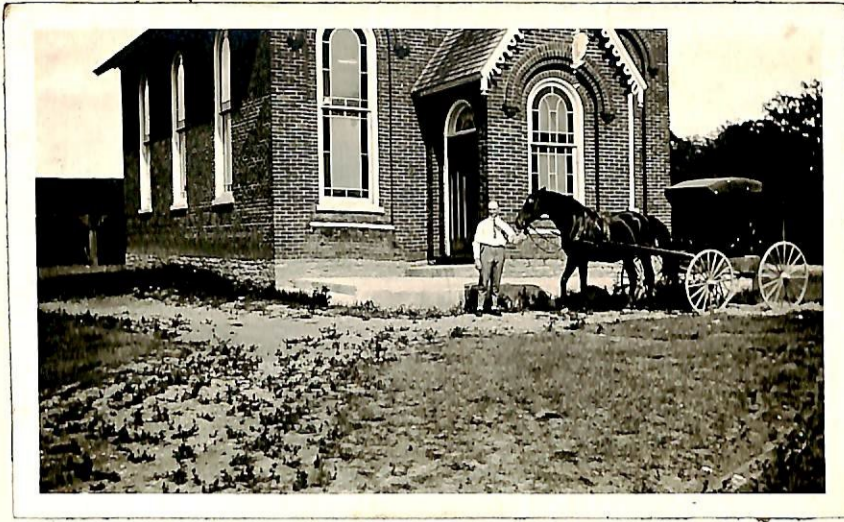


EARLY TRANSPORTATION



Gerald Young in front of Centre Church about 1920. This is the horse and rig that Annie Hancock (later Young) drove up to the school every day to get the mail.

Donated by Mrs. Elmer Young



Horse and buggy circa 1924
Muriel Moran, Seldon Way, Marjorie Wood,
Cecil Wood.

Donated by Mrs. Eldon Adams



Stanton Fox's car in early 1910's
Stanton at the wheel; admiring car
are Ray and Lottie Fox and Mrs. Lont.
Donated by Mrs. Ken Green, 1976



Herb Pulver with horse and buggy
in front of Pulver barn. Melvin
standing, Arza and Winston in back
of buggy.

Donated by Mrs. Winston Pulver

Which province was the first to license its motor vehicles, and when?

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Ontario was the first, in 1903 when there were 220 cars in the province. The first plate was bought on Aug. 31 by John Craig Eaton (later Sir John), scion of Timothy, for his Winton Tourer. Cost of the plate was \$2 a vehicle, which was 20 per cent less than it cost the government to produce them, since they were made of patent leather. However, in 1906 the fee was doubled, and rubber plates supplanted the leather ones. Until 1908, the Ontario Motor League reports, motorists retained the plate first issued, simply paying a renewal fee each year. The first plates had only a number on them; in 1909 "Ontario" was added; in 1911 metal plates took over from rubber; 1915-1918 cardboard took over from metal; after the First World War metal returned. The crown first appeared on Ontario plates in 1937; 1943 plates - again because of war - were made to last two years. During 1967 the crown was moved to the centre to separate the numerals, and "1867-1967 Confederation" was added.