S.S.# 5 CADMUS (copied from Centennial Fair 1965)

The first school in this section, a log building, was at Nestleton on the corner where Mrs. Nelson Marlow's bungalow now stands. It was here in the 1850's for Andrew Malcolm, born 1844 received his total schooling here. James Nesbitt also attended this school. At the time of the big storm the teacher was walking home from S.S.#5 to Purple Hill and was caught in a hurricane.

Around the 1870's this school was moved to the McLaughlin corners, then moved again a few miles north of the present brick school site. A former teacher, Mrs. Fred Bowen (Alma Thomas), says, "The old log school was disreputable and never was a new school more needed. Snow and rain came in and also squirrels and mice". She taught in 1904 and 1905 for a salary of \$350.00

Large cord wood sticks for burning in the huge box stove were piled in the basement by the pupils. The weight of the wood split apart the corner walls and "out went all the wood" This meant the new school had to be built. Finally to satisfy all concerned it was erected squarely in the centre of the section in 1905.

In 1950 the township schools were graded. Cadmus school housed grades 6,7 and 8 with Mr. Grant Campbell as teacher. This system continued until Cartwright Central School was built in 1954. S.S.#5, Cadmus was sold to Clarence who converted it into a bungalow which was purchased by MR. and Mrs. Ken Hudson in 1961.

