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Nicholas Mark was the first settler in this locality. He cleared the land and built the first cabin. The corner was named Marks Corner. A Bible Christian Church was built on the farm. The farm was left to his son William and passed to his sons William and Fred. In 1939 the farm was bought by Joe Cervanco, who still resides there.

The Rose family settled on the north-east corner. After the closing of the church, the name was changed to Rose's Corner. When Charles Rose retired from farming, the farm of two hundred and forty-five acres was taken over by his son George Rose, who later bought a farm in Brock township at Wick. Paul Hood leased the farm for several years and later Chas. Honey from Mitchell bought it. The name was then changed to Honeys Corners or Honeydale. The farm has now passed to his son Harold Honey.

The farm to the east of Harold Honey was owned by Nicholas Mark; John Osborne leased the farm for a good many years. It was given to the grandsons George and John Mark. John lived there a few years and George, now of Toronto, took it over. It is now owned by William Lucas.

The next farm east was owned by Andrew Williams, later sold to James Ross in 1896. William Irwin moved to the Ross farm in 1908 and resided there until 1950, when the farm passed to his son George Irwin.

Across the road to the south, the farm was owned by John Adams but occupied by George Prentice, later sold to William Wilson, and now owned by Lawson Honey.

The farm on the north-west corner adjoining Honeys was owned by Wm. Dewey, later taken over by his son Thomas Dewey, later sold to Robert Griffin of U.S., occupied by Paul Diamond, who later purchased the property and recently sold it to Allan Bertrand.