

LOOKING BACK

60 Years Ago

Enjoyable evenings were being spent at the Lakeside skating rink. Mr. Dalrymple had the rink lighted with gas.

Mrs. Robt. Rea of Blanshard had her shoulder dislocated while going to church. She was upset out of the sleigh.

Thorndale News - What's the matter with Thorndale rink? Winter since November and only one night's skating. Is it all in - or is it the fault of the skaters?

H. G. Lindsay of Cherry Grove was taking a short course in stock judging at the OAC, Guelph.

Fred G. McTavish, an employee of A.H. Lofft & Co. for 14 years, bought the Ferguson Dry Goods business in Stratford.

The engineers were busy putting up the steel hydro electric towers - 66 ft. high, carrying 6 wires. The steel footings were 8 ft. below the surface.

Ben Seale & Co. opened up the St. Marys Monument Works business on Water St. North. 25 years of experience in the granite, marble and stone trade was advertised.

George Woolway sold his hotel property at Lakeside to Mr. Myers of Stratford.

St. Marys Hardware Ltd. was advertising rubber folding bath tubs, guaranteed for 5 years for \$6.50.

The Journal was selling old

newspapers for putting under carpets for 5¢ a pkg.

Mr. W.E. Butcher, jeweller, purchased a 5000 lb. safe from the Taylor Safe Works, Toronto, for the storing of jewellery and it was equipped with the latest burglar proof devices.

Forty cases of farmers in East Nissouri were to come up in court for allowing their dogs to go at large unmuzzled.



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Samuel de Champlain on Georgian Bay, 1615.

After his bitterly disappointing 1613 expedition up the Ottawa River in search of a

northern sea that turned out to be nothing more than a figment of a fellow Frenchman's imagination, Champlain again braved the rapids of the Ottawa in 1615 as far as the Huron territory around Georgian Bay.

There he visited among the Indian villages and then went on the warpath with the Indians. Accompanying a war party of Algonquins and Hurons, Champlain's expedition headed south across the eastern end of Lake Ontario to attack an Ir-

quois fort. The lack of discipline among the Hurons and the Algonquins infuriated Champlain, who was attempting to direct the attack, and foiled the mission. They withdrew several of the Indians wounded.

Champlain retreated with the Indians and spent the winter going from village to village recording the tribal customs of the various groups. In the spring he returned to the settlement of Quebec and in August 1616 sailed back to France.