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Halton's Pages of the Past

# Five Agricultural Societies Organized in Halton In 1853; Now Fall Fairs in Only Three Towns

Before this column gets into print Acton will have held its 42nd Annun Fair, Milton follows immediate-Ty after with Georgetown coming up the following week. Milton, Acton and Georgetown are now the only fall fairs held in the County of Halton and each draws a good crowd. Previously, by a system of rotation, township fairs were held in various locations - Brookville, Burlington, Oakville and so on.

Local fairs have always held a very definite place in the history of the county but, unfortunately, our findings are far from complete. Any additional information from readers would be greatly appreciated.

Start Societies Early Upper Canada was but sparsely settled when the early immigrants first began organizing Agricultural Societies. However, very few societies were actually underway until after 1830 although one was formed in Niagara as early as 1793. The highlight of all agricultural societies days was often the settlers' only social contact with the outside In this regard Halton was no excep-

Halton Agricultural Society was township societies of Esquesing, Nassagaweya, Nelson and Trafalgar, five shows being held each year. The first minute book in connection with the Milton Fair has been lost; the present record goes back only to

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was the fall fair and in the early FAIR ATTENDANCE VETERANS, T. J. Chisholm, Hornby, and David Featherston, Drumquin, are seen in the above picture wearing the membership jewels awarded to them for attendance at the Milton Fair world. In addition to fall fairs for 50 consecutive years. Also in the group, reading from left to right, are the following: back row, many of these societies held a horse Henry Wilson, George Wilson, John Blacklock, Dr. Carbert. Middle row, Tom Graham, Mr. McCann, show and a spring ploughing match. George Gastle, Henry Peacock, William Scott, Henry Peacock, William Scott, Henry Turner. Front row, Archibald McGibbon, Jim Wilson, J. J. Wilson, Mathew Dice and R. J. Campbell.

> first Show was held in "the Farm- Samuel Black. er's Market" just behind the present post office.

grain, poultry and merchandise which is part of the present fair with his hands." classes in handicraft which included elected and the secretary, W. A. match was discontinued. entries from local tailors and shoe-

#### Officers of 1853 Society

Heavy horses were shown on Main Street; light horses and roadsters trotted up and down the First Line, Trafalgar, to Lot 15 and back. The officers of the 1853 Halton Agricultural Society were as follows: president, Thomas Douglas;

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organized in 1853, as were the four 1871. However, from the Centennial vice-presidents, Wm. Barker and D. man, Dr. Buck and President 3 Prize List we learn that Milton's R. Springer; secretary-treasurer, Menzies. Rules were as follows-

> Exhibits shown were livestock, mittee purchased eight acres of land, is set, nor to set up the furrows Beaty, was presented with a gold In 1912 the acreage of the Fair

of the grounds. Every spring there was a special show of stallions. There were many fine horses in the county in those days and the society was justly proud of its fine showing of stallions. There was also a spring ploughing match each year-a fact which has been more or less forgotten although Mr. John Coulson, 7th Line, Esquesing, tells us that he can well remember attending these ploughing

matches as a young lad. Ploughing Committee

In March, 1871, we find the following committee appointed to select ground for a ploughing match that same spring-J. Brownridge, J. C secretary. And it was moved by Joshua Norrish and C. P. Preston the Society since 1853. When the that the Spring Show of horses and the Ploughing Match be held April 21. A committee to ensure that rules were carried out was H. Zimmer-

"that the first prize ploughman be In 1864 the Milton Driving Park not allowed to leave their plough to Association and the Racing Com- arrange the furrows after the ridge

from local stores and industries. In grounds. The Agricultural Society At a meeting of the Board in 1883 an old frame workshop on Martin built a hall at a cost of \$2,300. Ten we find the following motion "Mov-Street the farm women proudly dis- years later this was enlarged. In ed by A. Waldie, seconded by H played their butter, homemade 1865 members of the society were so Aikens, "that there be no ploughing bread, preserves, eggs and dressed well satisfied with the work of the match held this year." Apparently poultry. There were also numerous building committee that all were re- from that date the spring ploughing ton, said angle being in the Easterly

watch and chain. Some years later [grounds was increased by seven this first hall was burnt down. A acres and in 1951 six more acres second hall was built in the centre added. Since that time two quonset halls have been erected and the track and parking space consider-

In 1913 the Nassagaweya Society decided to disband and join the Halton Board on condition that the township have at least three members on the County Board each year This was agreed to and carried out

Honor Two Members

In 1914 the Canadian Champion carried the following news item: "Two veteran members of the Halton Agricultural Society, Messrs, T. J. Chisholm of Hornby and David Featherston of Drumquin, were honored by the Society last Satur- of the Town of Acton, described in McKindsey, C. P. Preston and the day. Both gentlemen have been members since the organization of first fair was held both attended.

Mr Featherston missed only once, shortly after he had been burnt out. (The only reason Mr. Featherston was unable to go was because his 'good' clothes were burnt in the fire, leaving him with only the clothes he

stood up in . " "Messrs. Chisholm and Featherston not only have this remarkable attendance record but both have rendered it valuable service. In recognition of this both have been made honorary members and at the Court House on Saturday, in the presence of a number of directors, president J. J. Wilson presented each with a handsome life-member-

gether at the McGibbon Hotel." Driven in First Auto

two gentlemen honored that day Northerly angle thereof; were driven to and from the McGibbon Hotel in George Gastle's the Northwesterly limit of the said first automobile which he had acquired that week and which was naturally the talk of the town. Incidentally, although it was not father, George Gastle, Senior, had Concession IV; also attended Milton Fair since the THENCE Northwesterly along persuaded, against his will, to stay angles thereto; at home. But last year he was back again and hopes to put in an appearance in 1954

Milton's "grand old man" Mr. George Hemstreet row 191 years old also has a very fine record for faithful attendance at the Milton to the Southeasterly limit of the

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IN THE MATTER of an Application of the Corporation of the Town of Acton for Annexation thereto of Part of the Township of Esquesing, as set forth in Schedule "A" attached hereto.

IN THE MATTER of By-law Number 1006 of the said Corporation.

### APPOINTMENT FOR HEARING

THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD HEREBY APPOINTS TUESDAY, the 28th day of SEPT-EMBER, A.D. 1954, at the hour of HALF PAST TEN o'clock in the forenoon (local time) in the Council Chambers in the Town of AC-TON, for the hearing of all persons interested in support of or opposing this application. DATED at Toronto this 7th day

of JULY, A.D. 1954. M. B. SANDERSON. Secretary.

SCHEDULE "A" ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and

premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Esquesing in he County of Helton, and being composed of parts of Lots Numbers Twenty-five (25), Twenty-six (28), Twenty-seven (27), Twentyeight (28), and Twenty-nine (29) in Concession III, and parts of Lots Numbers Twenty-seven (27). Twenty-eight (28) and Twentynine (29), in Concession IV, in the said Township, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Easterly angle of the present boundaries of the Corporation of the Town of Acangle of the lands annexed to the Corporation of the Town of Acton. described in "Secondly" parcel in Registered Instrument No. 17869 in Book G-2 for said Township;

THENCE following the present boundaries Southwesterly, Northwesterly, Westerly, Southwesterly, Southeasterly and Southwesterly to the Northeasterly limit of Highway No. 25, as widened and shown on Highway Land Plan No. 421;

THENCE Southeasterly along the said last mentioned limit to its intersection with the Southeasterly limit of the West half of Lot No. 28

in Concession III; THENCE Northeasterly along the said Southeasterly limit of the said West Half of Lot No. 26 to the Easterly angle thereof; THENCE Southeasterly along the

Southwesterly limit of the East Half of Lot No. 25, Concession III. to the Southerly angle of the lands Registered Instrument No. 11846 in Book C-2;

THENCE Northeasterly along the said Southeasterly limit of the said lands of the Town of Acton Three Hundred (300) feet to the most Easterly angle thereof;

THENCE Northwesterly along the Northeasterly limit of the said last mentioned lands to the North-

erly angle thereof; THENCE Northeasterly along the Southeasterly limit of the East Half of Lot No. 26, in Concession III, to the Easterly angle thereof;

THENCE Northwesterly along the Northeasterly limit of the said East Half of said Lot No. 26 to the Northerly angle thereof;

THENCE Northeasterly to the Southerly angle of the West Half of Lot No. 27 in Concession IV: THENCE continuing Northeastship jewel with a complimentary erly along the said Southeasterly address, after which all sat for a limit of the said West Half of Lot group photograph and dired to- No. 27 to the Easterly angle there-

THENCE Northwesterly along the Northeasterly limit of said It is also worthy of note that the West Half of Lot No. 27 to the

West Half of Lot No. 27. Concession IV, to the centre of the said

West Half of Lot No. 27; THENCE Northwesterly to the Easterly angle of the West Half of realized at the time. Mr Gastle's the West Half of Lot No. 28, in

first show in 1853 We have also the Northeasterly limit of the said been given the information that Mr | West Half of the West Half of Lot George Bell, formerly of Nelson No. 28 to the Northerly angle Township, attended the first fair when he was 13 years old. Mr. Bell West Half of Lot. No. 28 to a point is now 94, and lives on the Guelph in the said limit distant Two Hun-Road, and with the exception of one dred (200) feet, measured Northyear, he has attended every Milton easterly from the Southwesterly 1:-Fair since that date. Two years ago, mit of the West Half of Lot No. 29 Mr Bell had a bad cold and was in said Concession IV, and at right

THENCE Northwesterly parallel to the said Southwesterly limit of said West Half of Lot No 29, in Concession IV. Seven Hundred and Seventy-one and four-tenths 1771 4 1 feet THENCE Southwester'y para'lel

West Half of Lat No 29 to the Northeasterly limit of the East Half of Lat N : 29 in Concession III. THENCE Southwesterly in a straight fire to a point in the praduct it Northwesterly of the Yikton Sask (CP) Five Northeasterly limit of Registered let of children ringing from four Plan No 370 for the Town of Ac-

> to the Southeasterly limit of the East Half of Lot No 29 in Concession III to the Southwesterly lim-

> it of the said East Half of L. No THENCE Northwesterly along the said last mentioned limit to the Northerly angle of the West Half of Lot No 29 in Concession III.

THENCE Southwesterly along the Northwesterly limit of the West Half of Lot No. 29 to the present Northeasterly limit of the said Town of Acton; THENCE following the present

boundaries of the said Town of Acton-Southeasterly. Northeasterly. Northwesterly. North easterly. Southeasterly. North easterly. Southeasterly. Northeasterly. and Southeasterly to the point of

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