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**DANGEROUS GAME**  
HALIFAX (CP) — Teachers at nearby Timberlea had to rescue Larry Goss, 11, after he placed his neck between the seat and rope of a school swing and then walked around in circles until he almost strangled himself.

**COMPLETE Dispersal Sale**  
48 Head Fully Accredited, Reg. and Grade Holstein Cows and Heifers and 11 Hogs.

The undersigned have received instructions from

**HAROLD REED**  
To sell by public auction at lot 7, con. 7, township of Nelson, 3 1/2 miles south-west of Milton, on town line between Nelson and Trafalgar, on

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**  
Commencing at 2:00 o'clock sharp the following:

**REG. HOLSTEIN COWS AND HEIFERS**—1 Holstein cow, 3 years old, fresh in July, not bred; 3 Holstein cows, 8 years old, fresh in July, not bred; 1 Holstein cow, 6 years old, fresh in August, not bred; 1 Holstein cow, 5 years old, fresh in June, not bred; 1 Holstein cow, 3 years old, due Oct. 13; 1 Holstein cow, 3 years old, due Oct. 20; 1 Holstein cow, 3 years old, due Oct. 21; 1 Holstein cow, 3 years old, due Oct. 22; 1 Holstein heifer, due time of sale, 2 years old; 2 Holstein heifers, 2 years old, due Sept. 19; 1 Holstein heifer, 2 years old, due Sept. 15; 1 Holstein heifer, 2 years old, due Oct. 18; 1 Holstein heifer, 3 years old, in full flow, due Jan. 16; 1 Holstein cow, 4 years old, in full flow, due Nov. 18; 11 head of Holstein heifers, rising 2 years old, open; 4 Holstein heifer calves, under 3 months old; 1 Holstein bull, 13 months old, out of Reisdale breeding.

**GRADE COWS AND HEIFERS**—2 Holstein cows, with calves at foot, 7 years old; 1 Holstein cow, 7 years old, due in Oct.; 1 Holstein cow, 2 years old, due in Dec.; 1 Holstein heifer, 2 years old, due in Oct.; 1 grass cow, 3 years old; 1 grass steer, 2 years old; 2 reg. Guernsey cows with calves at foot; 3 Holstein bull calves, under 3 months of age. This is a very heavy producing herd. Blood test privileges given previous to sale. Vaccination slips given day of sale.

**HOOGS**—1 mature York sow, rebred; 10 York pigs, 8 weeks old.

**TERMS:** Cash settlement with clerk on day of sale.

No reserve as the proprietor's lease has expired and he is giving up the dairy business.

**HINDLEY AND ELLIOTT,**  
Auctioneers,  
L. Laing, Clerk.

**Halton's Pages of the Past**

**George Kennedy Founder "Hungry Hollow" Three Pioneers Only Settlers Until 1837**

BY GWEN CLARKE

The five towns now incorporated in the County of Halton might be likened to the five digits of the human hand. This you can prove by placing your hand on a map of Halton with the palm resting between the townships of Nelson and Nassagaweya. Thus you will find the thumb, or first digit, points to Acton; the index finger to Georgetown; the middle finger to the county town of Milton; the fourth digit to Oakville and the little finger to Burlington.

By this method, following the index finger we come to the location where, in 1820, three men successfully stopped and decided to make their future home. We don't know if they were the first white men to reach the district as history seldom records the names of those who merely pass through any particular spot — history begins with those who settled, and in one way or another, made homes for themselves and their families. And so the first names we find mentioned in connection with Georgetown are those of George Kennedy, the founder of the settlement, and then Marquis Goodenow and Sylvester Garrison.

George Kennedy was born in New Jersey in 1782. During the war of 1812 he served as sergeant in the British Army. In 1818 he married Elizabeth Williams. In 1820 the young couple moved to Esquesing, near what is now Georgetown. Kennedy was a land-surveyor, naturally a lucrative occupation in a new country. The young surveyor was quick to realize the potentialities for agriculture and commerce of the district in which he had decided to make his home and did everything possible to promote its settlement.

"Hungry" Appropriate

However, the pioneers must have had many difficulties in clearing the land and making a living, as, for a time, the settlement became known as "Hungry Hollow". Perhaps the name may have had something to do with its slow growth as up until 1837, there were still only the first three original pioneers and their families. Eventually the settlement

became known as "Georgetown" after its founder, George Kennedy. Apparently the change of name brought change of fortune as in 1837 along came the Barber brothers, first to erect a woollen mill and then a paper mill.

Georgetown was now safely launched into the world of industrial enterprise which, through the years, has been multiplied many times over by the introduction of other paper mills of various types in addition to stone quarries, carding mill and a knitting machine factory. In fact Georgetown became a busy industrial area, a reputation which it enjoys to this day.

**Business Boomed**  
Stores naturally became a necessity so in 1840 John Sumpton opened the first general store. Two years later James Young started up in opposition and carried on a good business for many years. Other businessmen in the '30's were Wilson and Thayer, furniture; hardware, Reid and Whittaker; drugs, Ruston and Dr. Star; jewellery, Armour and Wheeler; shoe business, Watson and Austin; bakery, Statham and Meadows; harness, J. F. Taylor. Hotel keepers were Clark, Bennett, Thompson and Spiers.

The medical profession was represented by Drs. Ranney, Freeman, Star and Standish. Three lawyers—Forsayeth, Matheson and Goodwillie. There may have been other businessmen but these are the names given by the Halton Atlas of 1877.

Churches were built to meet the needs of the settlers. In 1840 the Wesleyan - Methodist; in 1845 the Congregational Church. Then followed the Wesleyan-Episcopal and finally the Church of England and the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

Recreation was provided by the curling and skating rink. Hotels did a good business—maybe too good as we note the Town Hall was provided with a basement "lock-up" mainly for lodging "tramps and drunks." To accommodate farmers in the surrounding territory a fair for the sale of cattle and horses was held every month. These fairs naturally brought people to the village and increased business for the storekeepers. In fact on fair days "Main Street had all the appearance of a city thoroughfare."

**Berries Leading Industry**  
During this expansion period the village was served by the Grand Trunk and the Hamilton and North Western Railways and to increase rural trade a storehouse for grain was built at the G.T.R. Station. This provided a good outlet for farmers, not only for grain but for other farm produce, including hops and strawberries. Hops were grown extensively on the outskirts of Georgetown as also were strawberries which at one time promised to become one of the leading local industries.

To accommodate the Annual Fall Fair organized by the Esqueving Agricultural Society a race track was laid down and beautiful, shady fair grounds opened to the public. This Fall Fair is still a popular annual event.

In 1864, having a population of over 1200, Georgetown was incorporated as a village in the County of Halton. The first Reeve was James Young but it was not until 1882 that a Georgetown man was appointed Warden of the County. This was J. R. Barber, who, incidentally, was Reeve of Georgetown for nine consecutive years and was again ap-



— Staff Photo

**WILLIAM BARBER** and brothers came to Georgetown in 1837 and erected both a woollen mill and paper mill. This neat drawing of the paper mills shows horses and wagons busy around the buildings, with a trim farm on a hill in the background. James Barber was the proprietor of the mill at the time, the drawing was made.

pointed at a later date. Up to 1930 other Georgetown reeves occupying the Warden's chair were as follows: 1884, William McLeod; 1906, R. D. Warren and in 1925, Donald McIntyre.

In 1891 Georgetown installed its first waterworks system, its source of supply being Silver Springs, three miles to the west. At one time the village received its electric power from the H. P. Lawson plant at Glen Williams. The plant was eventually taken over by the Hydro Electric system of Georgetown.

**Had Livery Business**  
Of interest to the general public is the fact that J. A. Willoughby, Real Estate Agent, at one time had a large livery business in Georgetown, with a stable of 21 horses and a regular bus service to and from all trains stopping at the village railway station. While still engaged in livery work Mr. Willoughby began operating a real estate business from the same office, which eventually assumed mushroom growth. He also owned a farm of 155 acres adjoining the village and always had the interests of the community at heart.

But Mr. Willoughby is only one of many Georgetown boys who "made good" in the business or professional world in and beyond their native environment. We cannot begin to list them all—doctors, lawyers, businessmen and industrialists, all of whom brought honor to the community from which they sprang. And to assist the village—now a town—in its many business and social enterprises, there has always been the "Georgetown Herald" a progressive weekly newspaper, founded by Isaac Hunter in 1886. Other newspapers started up but fell by the way. Only the "Herald" survived and has done much to publicize Georgetown interests beyond the confines of the town.

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**Ford May Build Truck Plant In Bronte Area, Says Journal**

The Ford Motor Company of Canada is considering the construction of a truck assembly plant in the Bronte area, according to the Oakville-Trafalgar Journal. Rumor of such a project has persisted for the past several days.

**TAX NOTICE--1955**  
MUNICIPALITY OF ACTON  
THIRD INSTALMENT NOW DUE

Attention is drawn to the payment of 1955 taxes, which are now payable in four instalments. Taxes are payable to the Municipal Treasurer at the

**ACTON PUBLIC UTILITIES OFFICE**  
INSTALMENTS ARE DUE AS FOLLOWS:

THIRD INSTALMENT	SEPT. 15
FOURTH INSTALMENT	NOV. 15

According to the Tax Collection By-Law a penalty of 1/4 of 1 per cent. per month will be added on the amount remaining unpaid after the fifteenth day of September.

This penalty applies to each instalment in a similar manner.

The attention of Ratepayers is directed to the Penalties and other clauses as printed on the reverse side of every Tax Notice and explained in detail on every Tax Bill.

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J. McGEACHIE, Collector

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