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## The Editor's Corner

TIME AND TIDE . . . . .

Plans are in the making now, for the publicizing of Georgetown and district through a booklet which will set forth the advantages we have to offer industries both in Canada and in the United Kingdom. When this booklet comes out, it will be a sort of milestone of progress. In addition to telling what strides have been made in the last fifty years, it will also be a signpost to the up-and-coming generation, pointing the way to future progress.

As we contemplate this marker of new developments, it's interesting to look back to the year 1913, when the Georgetown Herald (edited at that time by the late J. M. Moore), published a special industrial edition which gave the history of all business enterprises in and close to Georgetown. It also chronicled the prominent men of that day. This, to our knowledge, is the last publication of its kind in the district to date. We have a copy of it at hand through the kindness of one of our readers.

Over forty years ago, there were sixteen industries "of which we may well be pardonably proud and modestly boast". These were namely: The Barber Paper Mills; The Barber Coated Paper Mills; The Georgetown Coated Paper Mills; The H. T. Arnold Glove Factory; The Georgetown Foundry Co.; Creelman Bros' Knitting Machinery; Harley Kay Knitting Machine Factory; C. B. Dayfoot & Co. Shoe Factory; J. B. Mackenzie Planing Mill; Glen Woolen Mills; Jos. Beaumont's Woolen & Glove Mill; Fleming Quarries; Logan Quarries; Terra Cotta Brick Co.; Halton Brick Co.; Speight's Machine Shop.

In 1913 there were two lines of the Grand Trunk Railway running through Georgetown — its main route to Guelph & Western Ontario and the Hamilton to Allandale line. No less than eighteen passenger trains stopped daily at the station. The editor noted, however that the one company method of transportation would soon be supplemented by the opening of the Toronto Suburban Electric Railway from the Queen City to Guelph.

Discussing Municipal affairs of that date, it appeared there was a young and active Board of Trade at the time. The 1913 Council consisted of Reeve J. M. Moore; L. E. Fleck; Wm. Barber; F. S. Near; and H. H. Heartwell.

The minister of the Methodist (now United) Church was Rev. S. M. Roadhouse, of Knox Church, Rev. C. F. Cameron, of St. George's Anglican, Rev. A. B. Higginson, of the Baptist, Rev. Gordon Holmes, of Holy Cross Church, Rev. Father Traynor. The Public and High Schools were well established institutions of learning. The library was in operation also, with 3500 volumes upon its shelves.

A good deal of space is given to a biography of J. A. Willoughby, now one of Toronto's most prominent businessmen and realtor, who "got his start" in Georgetown, as the owner of a flourishing livery and bus business situated in the block now occupied by the Canadian Legion and Hedley Shaw Feed Store. He was a very public-spirited citizen and a real booster for Georgetown.

There were two banks in Georgetown, the Merchants' Bank of Canada (manager, Mr. G. C. Laurence) and The Bank of Hamilton of which Mr. W. N. McKay was manager. The Bennett House, situated on the site of the present Municipal Building, was a thriving two-storey brick hotel with 28 bedrooms and accommodation for thirty-five horses. The paper states "One commendable thing is the brilliance of the lights in the rotunda, where a person may see to read at any point". The other hotels were, and still are, Wright's Exchange Hotel, and the McGibbon House.

Merchants at that time included R. H. Nixon, Phm. B., who, according to the paper had the largest and best appointed drug store in town, situated close to the Bank of Hamilton and The Herald Office; and Messrs. Donald McIntyre & Sam Kirk, who operated the A. E. Moore Floral Co. This company was later bought by the Barbers, and last year the greenhouses were sold. There is no floral company in Georgetown at the present time. There were milliners in Georgetown in 1913 in the persons of the Misses Adams. Groceries and Confectionery were sold by Oliver McKay; Miller & Co. did tailoring and sold men's furnishings; a flourishing hardware business was owned and managed by Mr. J. W. Kennedy. Mr. J. J. Gibbens had the Main Street Bakery. The paper points out that at the Convention of the National Association of Master Bakers, held in Buffalo in September, 1913, Mr. Gibbens was awarded first prize in the bread making competitions. Georgetown's only harness maker was R. H. Nixon. Mr. W. H. Foster and Mr. A. B. Willson both operated

jewelry stores. Mr. L. Kennedy did a big business in bread, cakes and pastry in his store on the corner of Guelph and Mill Streets. He also carried a full line of groceries. Candy & ice cream were sold in W. L. Hamilton's well-kept store. W. J. Patterson, butcher; Andrew Vance, livery; W. H. Boles, music dealer and machine agent; The Jas. A. Bell Repository R. A. Lewis, dry cleaning; E. J. Scott Phm. B., druggist and optician; J. H. Jackson Departmental Store; Wm. Gamble, vegetable gardener; James Clark, flour and feed; J. McDermid, groceries, crockery and footwear; H. W. Kennedy, groceries and boots; McKay Bros., groceries, flour and feed; R. C. Adams & Co., dry goods, millinery, groceries, etc.; John Macdonald, coal, wood, groceries; J. H. Lane, real estate; W. H. Willson, undertaker and embalmer; C. Van Allen, merchant tailor; W. C. Anthony, Hardware and Tinsmithing, etc.; A. J. Blackburn, merchant tailor; J. M. Buck, butcher; John Ballantyne, general store; Gartley Pump Works; all these business establishments played their part in supplying the needs of the citizen of Georgetown over 40 years ago. All have changed ownership since.

The only Main Street business which is under the same management now, as then, is McBean & Co. In 1913 it was situated on the corner of Main and Mill Streets with three storeys and a basement for their mercantile business. There were seven clerks. Mr. McBean still takes an active interest in his store.

In Glen Williams John A. Wheeler conducted "The Glen Store" and Mr. Timothy Cunningham was proprietor of the Glen Williams Hotel. Mr. Wheeler Sr.'s son still operates the store.

In looking over these facts we have garnered, it becomes apparent that although two large factories, H. T. Arnold & Sons, and Creelman Bros., are no longer in operation here, Georgetown has replaced them several times over, and our industrial standard is definitely higher now than it was in 1913. In connection with the

H. T. Arnold factory, which was located where the K. C. McMillan Farm Implement Agency now does business at the corner of Guelph and Mill Streets, 200 varieties of gloves and mitts were made by its employees numbering well over 50, at the rate of a hundred dozen pairs per day. In the Creelman Knitting Machine Factory, housed in the building now occupied by Pensons' Fish & Chip Store, up to 1000 knitting machines of various sizes and sorts were manufactured during the year. Both power knitting machines, and home knitting machines were made.

Yes, many changes have come about in the last fifty years, and we look forward with great interest, to the publication of the Board of Trade's booklet, which will tell of the progress that Georgetown has made during the period.

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**TIME TABLE**  
 Daylight Saving Time  
**GOING EAST**

Passenger	7:01 a.m.
Passenger and Mail	10:10 a.m.
Passenger and Mail	7:03 p.m.
Passenger, Sunday only	8:31 p.m.
Passenger, daily	9:26 p.m.

This train was formerly the flyer but now stops.

**GOING WEST**

Passenger and Mail	8:40 a.m.
Passenger, Sat. only	1:33 p.m.
Passenger, daily except	Saturday and Sunday 6:30 p.m.
Daily except Sunday	1:33 p.m.
Passenger, Sundays	only 11:30 p.m.
Daily except Sunday	11:30 a.m.

**GOING NORTH**

Passenger and Mail	1:30 a.m.
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**GOING SOUTH**

Passenger and Mail	7:35 p.m.
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1:24 p.m.	6:18 p.m.

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## FINAL PAYMENT OF 1943 INCOME TAX DUE 31ST AUGUST, 1944

Inasmuch as the Income Tax payments that fell due on 30th April last were postponed to 31st August, this will remind you that any balance due must be remitted to your District Inspector of Income Tax on or before 31st August, 1944 to avoid penalty. To be sure that the payments are correctly credited to your account, your remittance should be accompanied by a letter showing clearly your full name and address and stating that the payment is to be applied to your 1943 Income tax.

**COLIN GIBSON** Minister of National Revenue  
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