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Recalls Days When Port Credit Reached Only By Horse Trail

Having lived through almost a complete century of progress, the granddaughter of pioneer settlers in Canada, 92-year-old Mrs. Rose Jennings remembers when people cleared their land to plant crops, built log cabins for homes and depended on horses and wagons for transportation.

Born near Port Credit in 1863, Mrs. Jennings was raised on a farm situated where Middle Road is today. When she was schoolage she walked three miles to attend school in a "little red schoolhouse" near Cookville. "The only way to get to Port Credit in those days was by horse trails through dense bush," she related. "The excitement of town activity centred around the port when stone hookers and the grain boats docked for loading and unloading."

"Most settlers farmed hay, oats, barley and wheat crops," she added. "I remember when my grandfather planted the first orchard in the district and many of the farmers thought this was extravagant."

While many people have lived

through two World Wars and two depressions, Mrs. Jennings says she remembers being terrified by stories of wars with the Indians in the Winnipeg district. Since there was no means of communication in the days before Confederation news came by word of mouth and often was greatly exaggerated.

Mrs. Jennings married James Jennings who was also born in Port Credit. Her late husband started a general store and bakery in the town where he worked until retirement. Until 16 years ago, when she moved to New Toronto to live with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Third St., Mrs. Jennings was always a resident of Port Credit.

She likes to travel and has taken many motor trips with her daughter who is trying to persuade her to take a holiday in Florida this winter. "I like to travel by car but dread going by plane," she asserted, "so I guess I will just miss a trip south."

She laughed about the change in women's fashions: "When I was interested in wearing the latest styles, women wore floor-length dresses over hooped petticoats. Now I let my daughter counsel me on what is right and wrong for any occasion, since I'm afraid I would not keep up with the styles." She admitted that buying a new hat is still one of her greatest weaknesses.

At home Mrs. Jennings likes to watch television and does a lot of knitting and fancy work. "One year I entered in the Canadian National Exhibition sewing contest but I didn't win anything," said the woman who has only missed three years at the CNE since it started.

"When the 'Ex' opened in Toronto there was a single building, the Crystal palace, now the flower building, where all the displays were arranged. They held track and field events, and some boat races, but of course there were no manufacturing displays," she continued.

Bright and active, Mrs. Jennings has watched the advancement in science, medicine, architecture and economy of the country and is looking forward to years ahead when she will hear of future firsts, as in the past with electricity, the telephone, motor cars and appliances.

IDEAS FOR WALLPAPER FROM MANY SOURCES

What's the story behind your wallpaper? How do Canadian artists get inspiration or ideas for new designs each year to keep pace with the changing tastes and decorative trends demanded by Canadian housewives?

Interviews with some of the leading designers of Canadian wallpaper reveal that the answers are frequently found in such common place items as the living room rug, kitchen pots and pans or even vegetables from the garden.

Sometimes the headlines in your newspaper provide the answer. Reports of flying saucers coming in from every corner of Canada gave the inspiration for Space Travel, a timely topic that stirs the imagination of any red-blooded Canadian youngster. For the teenager, there is Stock Car Racing, Calgary Stampede and other similar subjects.

For individuality in decorator's tastes throughout the home, pattern subjects are "stylized." For example, a drinking glass, shattered beyond recognition, may have been the inspiration for the sophisticated wallpaper design in your living room.

A picture postcard formed the basic design for one of the popular patterns. An Italian postcard showing a rooster was re-styled in a light, sketchy design using the same black, red and gold colorings as the original. The effect, on wallpaper, is most unusual.

"Stepping Out," a unique novelty found on a cocktail glass. The poodle pattern, was adapted from a poodle now on wallpaper is shown shaving, powdering his nose, combing his hair, and generally getting "pretty" for a party.

Popular fabrics are responsible for the many elegant "textured" papers. "Harris Tweed," is simulated to the incomparable cloth made in the Hebrides. Broadloom, as a wallpaper pattern, enables home owners to have the wall-to-wall treatment from floor to ceiling.

Scenic patterns, popular across the Dominion, are frequently obtained from holiday trips, photographs, or the artist's own imagination. Fine examples of these are the Rocky and Laurentian mountain designs and Manhattan skyline. An Old Mill pattern is another. This scene was modified by an old-world gilt frame and a tweed pattern background to offset the heavy design.

Lewis Carroll's "Alice-in-Wonderland" has been interpreted on wallpaper to tell the story of Alice and the fabulous characters she dreamed of. Each scene has been drawn in such a comprehensive style that even the youngest members of the family can grasp its meaning.

Not all the designs, by any means, are "copies." Many of the wallpaper treatments are artist's doodles, developed by a vivid imagination with no direct bearing on any natural form. Such a pattern is Illusion, the height and width of the lines, in block treatment, have received a third visual dimension by a clever arrangement of lines and shadows accented with gold.

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Town of Georgetown: NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSING

NOTICE OF closing and stopping up certain portions of the original allowances for road (and certain diversions thereof) between Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing, and between Lots 15 and 16 in the 10th Concession of the Township of Esquesing — all now in the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Halton — and authorizing the conveyance of the portion so stopped up to the adjoining owners.

TAKE NOTICE that the Municipal Council of the Town of Georgetown proposed to pass a By-law to close and stop up certain portions of the original allowances for road (and certain diversions thereof) between Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing, and between Lots 15 and 16 in the 10th Concession of the Township of Esquesing, all now in the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Halton — being those certain parcels or tracts of lands and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Georgetown (formerly in the Township of Esquesing), in the County of Halton, more particularly described as follows, that is to say:

FIRSTLY: Those parts (shown between broken lines on the registered Plan hereinafter referred to) of Lots 7, 33, 36, 37, 61, 62, 74, 75 and 76, and of Blocks C and G, according to a Plan of Subdivision filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Number 617, lying within the boundaries of the original allowance for road between Township Lots 15 and 16 in the 10th Concession of the Township of Esquesing;

SECONDLY: Those parts (shown between broken lines on the registered Plan hereinafter referred to) of Lots 231, 232, 233, 398, 399, 407, 408, 409, 410 and 411 according to a Plan of Subdivision filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Number 618 lying within the boundaries of the original allowance for road between Township Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing;

THIRDLY: That part (shown between broken lines on the registered Plan hereinafter referred to) of Lot 398, according to a Plan of Subdivision filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Number 618, lying within the boundaries of the diversion of the original allowance for road between Township Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing having been created in or about the year 1880 by that certain Instrument registered in the said Registry Office as Instrument Number 3241, for the Twp. of Esquesing.

FOURTHLY: That part of the original allowance for road between Twp. Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing lying to the south-west of the land laid out by a Plan of Subdivision filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Number 618;

FIFTHLY: That part of Township Lot 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing comprising the diversion of the original allowance for road between Township Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing lying to the west of the lands laid out by a Plan of Subdivision filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Number 618, the said diversion having been created in or about the year 1880 in the said Registry Office as Instrument Number 3241 for the Township of Esquesing;

SIXTHLY: That part of Township Lot 15 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing being composed of the diversion of the original allowance for road between Township Lots 15 and 16 in the 9th Concession of the Township of Esquesing, the said diversion having been created in or about the year 1880 by that certain Instrument registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Halton as Instrument Number 3242 for the Township of Esquesing;

And to authorize the conveyance of the portions so stopped up to the adjoining owners:

The said By-law will be dealt with at a meeting of the Council to be held for the purpose of considering the said By-law on Monday, the 6th day of February, 1956, at the hour of 8 o'clock in the evening at the Municipal Office, Georgetown, Ont.

All documents in relation to the said original allowances for road and diversions thereof may be examined at the office of the clerk, Municipal Office, Georgetown, Ontario.

DATED at Georgetown this 13th day of December, 1955.

JOHN D. KELLY,
Clerk of the Town of Georgetown

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