Clamour for Phones Subsides Future of Local Office in Doubt

town in 1889 was 19.

is learned that a long distance day of Mr. Smith's visit. time for subscribers, and forty fare of the Company. cents for non-subscribers. (This information was obtained in an town, two of which were resid-directory. Numbers were ential listings. The correspon- assigned and had been for numbers assigned.

town directory shows 27 telephones, 6 of them residential. ess in Georgetown is a complete minute conversation at night. blank for these years. Records show that in 1897 Georgetown had a '50 line standard' switchboard, and that in 1899 there was a 'Standard metallic switchboard - 2 metallic way switch' for the office.

POPULATION 1500?

Superintendent (headquarters EPHONE." in Toronto) and in his small notebook. Mr. Smith noted that

scribers in 1884.

There is no directory for 1888 note has it that the total was 20 available at present for Geor- Take your choice! Undoubtedly gelown, so figures are not av-there were 25 telephones listed ailable for the year. The num- in November, 1899's telephone ber of telephones in George-directory (5 of them residen

ial) but one subscriber may have decided not to keep his in In an April, 1890 directory, it strument between then and the call between Georgetown and those days every single subscri-Toronto was 25 cents at that ber was important to the wel

old Hamilton and Dundas direct proved somewhat. There were tory). By November, 1860, there 29 telephones in Georgetown were 17 telephones in George-Jaccording to the November 1900 ding total for 1891 was 23, for year or two. Mr. Jackson (titled '1892, 25, and for 1893 (Novem- Local Manager' since 1890) ber) 27. There were still no was still in charge of George town's telephone business, and "A TELEPHONE" was to remain in that capacity November, 1894's, George for a good many years yet.

According to the 1901 census This total was unchanged for Georgetown then had a popul 1895. Corresponding statistics ation of 1313 (nearly 200 fewobtainable from directories. According to the July, 1901, Company from two small bits of able for those years at present.

SIX HOME PHONES

Georgetown's November 190 directory listed 34 telephones including 6 for residences. At the foot of the page appeared a pithy and pertinent telephone advertisement reading: "Many Valuable Moments are Saved An inspection of the office and Golden Opportunities Gai-

In late June, 1902 Mr. H. C. Georgetown's population was Baker, Manager of the Ontario Local Manager, 1500 (a somewhat optimistic es. Deparment wrote Mr. Jackson Georgetown. timate) and that there were 21 "In reference to enclosed con- Dear Sir: business telephones and two re-tract signed by Messrs. II. T

ONE OF A SERIES

couple of letters to the Georgetown Local Manager from Mr. Baker written in July indicate that some subsefibers were away behind in their payments which was bad news in a slowly growing but still small office. By the time November, 1902's pared there were 36 telephones idential. In an effort to drum up more residential business

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wrote to J. F. Gardner, District copper wire). Manager at Brantford informing him, among other things, that 'Proosed Outside construction at the following Agencies has been postponed indefinitely: Markdale, Ridgetown, Geor-

EAGER FOR SUBSCRIBERS

for Georgetown:

6th November, 1903 Construction.

sidential ones and also one 'DH' Arnold & Sons please have date In reply to yours of 5th in or free instrument (probably of connection filled in and re-stant my instructions are that Mr. Jackson's). This would mean turn contract to this office at in no case is more than fifteen that there were altogether 24 once." New business was al- days' free service to be given to of the year numbered 111. telephones, though an official ways gratifying news. However, new subscribers and then only Numbers had been assigned to

hesitating subscriber. If you Smith's notebooks, a calculacan get any new ones on those graph was installed in the Georterms, we shall be glad to help getown office to assure long you with the instruments, etc., distance users and telephone as quickly as possible.

Yours truly,

Hugh C. Baker,

September, 1903's, George town directory had listed 38 Georgetown directory was pro- telephones, five of them rest in the files of the Telephone dential; and by April, 1904; Historical Collection and dated business the Company printed improvement in business con Secretary and S. K. Ruddell some effect at last.

for 1896, 1897 and 1898 are un- er than Mr. Smith's estimate, been one of struggle for the town directories are not availsince no books are available for directory, a long distance call evidence discovered in the prop. During 1905 a long distance line these years. That, however, between Georgetown and Mon- aration of this exchange history. was constructed linking Hamildoes not mean that information treal was \$2.10 for a 3-minute On January 7th, 1903, Mr. A. T. ton to Georgetown (2% miles of Paul Campany Du the control of the regarding the telephone busin- daytime call, and \$1.05 for a 3- Smith, District Superintendent poles, 51/4 plus 13 miles of 1909 there were 166 telephones in Georgetown.

Improvements in the service - heltered transmission - is practically promised in a brief note from the Ontario Dept. Superintendent of Construction dated January 7, 1907. It is addressed to A. T. Smith, District Superintendent, Toronto: "Replying to yours of 2nd and 4th And the following letter im- insts., I will see what I can do was made in December, 1899, ned by the FREQUENT USE plies a more-than-usual eager- in connection with the metalby A. T. Smith, then District OF THE LONG DISTANCE TEL ness to obtain new subscribers licing up of the lines." This note is headed "Georgetown

TIME CALLS

By April, 1907 (and probably before, but directories to confirm this are lacking for 1905 and 1906) 'Continuous Service was being given to Georgetown subscribers, who, by the end telephone users in Georgetown

Early in 1907, according to

Almost Call-A-Day for Ambulance in Nov.

Georgetown Volunteer Ambuance Servie made 25 runs durng November according to figires released this week. Eleven were classified as emergencies.

Seventeen runs were to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital, while others were to Princess Margaret Hospital. South Peel Hospital, St. Michzel's Hospital, Woodstock Hospital, Guolph General, and Peel Memoriat. Taking duty were Logan Mac-

Donald, Walter Leuenberger, Dan Mossop, Ed Hall, Harry Egglnk, Jim Bennett, Jim Jenkins, Paul Thompson, Lloyd Sweezie, Peter Pew, Ted Burley Kon Thompson, Walter Thompson, John Holden, George Sargent, Art Stamp, Bob Bradley, Prevor Williams, John Elliott, Tom Massena, Dick Foster, Ron Ovenden, Dennis Wright, Harry Stone, Bill French, Les Dickenson, Allan Broadworth, Cyril Engleby, Clarence Stephens, Ace Bailey, Bill MacDonald, Jim Costigan, Lou Pankenin and Doug Herrington.

people alike that messages were timed accurately to the last sec-By the close of 1908 there were 152 telophones in George-

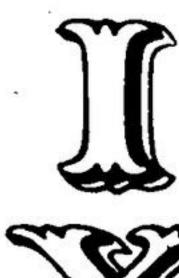
A pencilled annotation found

in Georgetown, five of them res- there were 39 (six residential) December 3rd, 1909 Indicates telephones in the town, which that the Ashgrove Rural Tele V indicates a slight increase. Te phone Association, Hy Wilson, at the foot of a page in this tinued during the next few President had leased to the Bell directory an eye-catching ad months, for October, 1904's dir- Company, some circuits and ectory lists 45 telephones, ten that they connected up with the of them being residential ones. Georgetown office on or by Apparently the advertising done May 1st, 1908. They agreed in the directories was having "To build - line to Ashgrove and points in Township of Es-No statistics are available for quesing; to pay B. T. Co. 5 cents 1905 and 1906 because George per sub. sta. (not less than \$25) ment to both parties having this

(continued next week)

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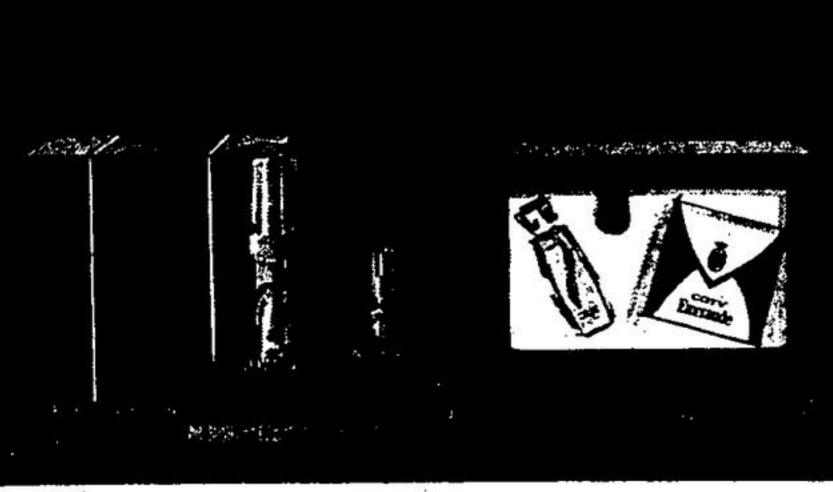
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