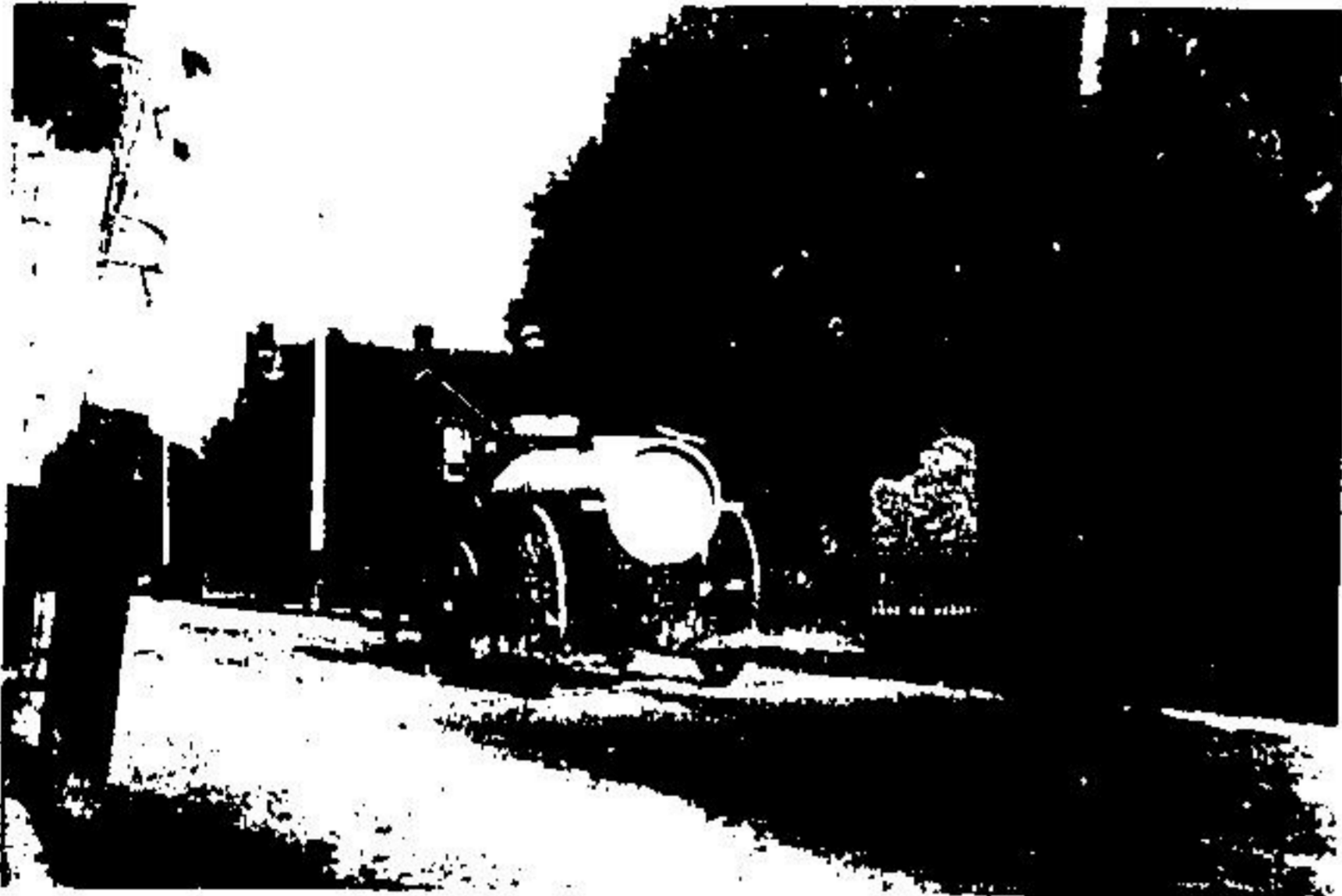


STREETS



THE SPRINKLING WAGON might make a couple of trips a day on hot, dusty streets in the summertime, to keep down the dust. The road sprinkler was owned by John Williams, who also operated the livery stable and was a reeve and councillor. He kept to the main streets; rain had to look after the others. He collected 10 or 15 cents a week from merchants for the service. The tank was filled from a pipe at Henderson's pond which was also used for flooding the rink behind the present Free Press plant. Lads used to run behind for a refreshing sprinkle, only to get a sudden dousing when Mr. Williams would slip his hand down to the level. The picture was taken on Mill where the Bank of Nova Scotia is. The picket fence edged the ice-cream lawn.



STREET ROLLING was an important task before the days of paving.



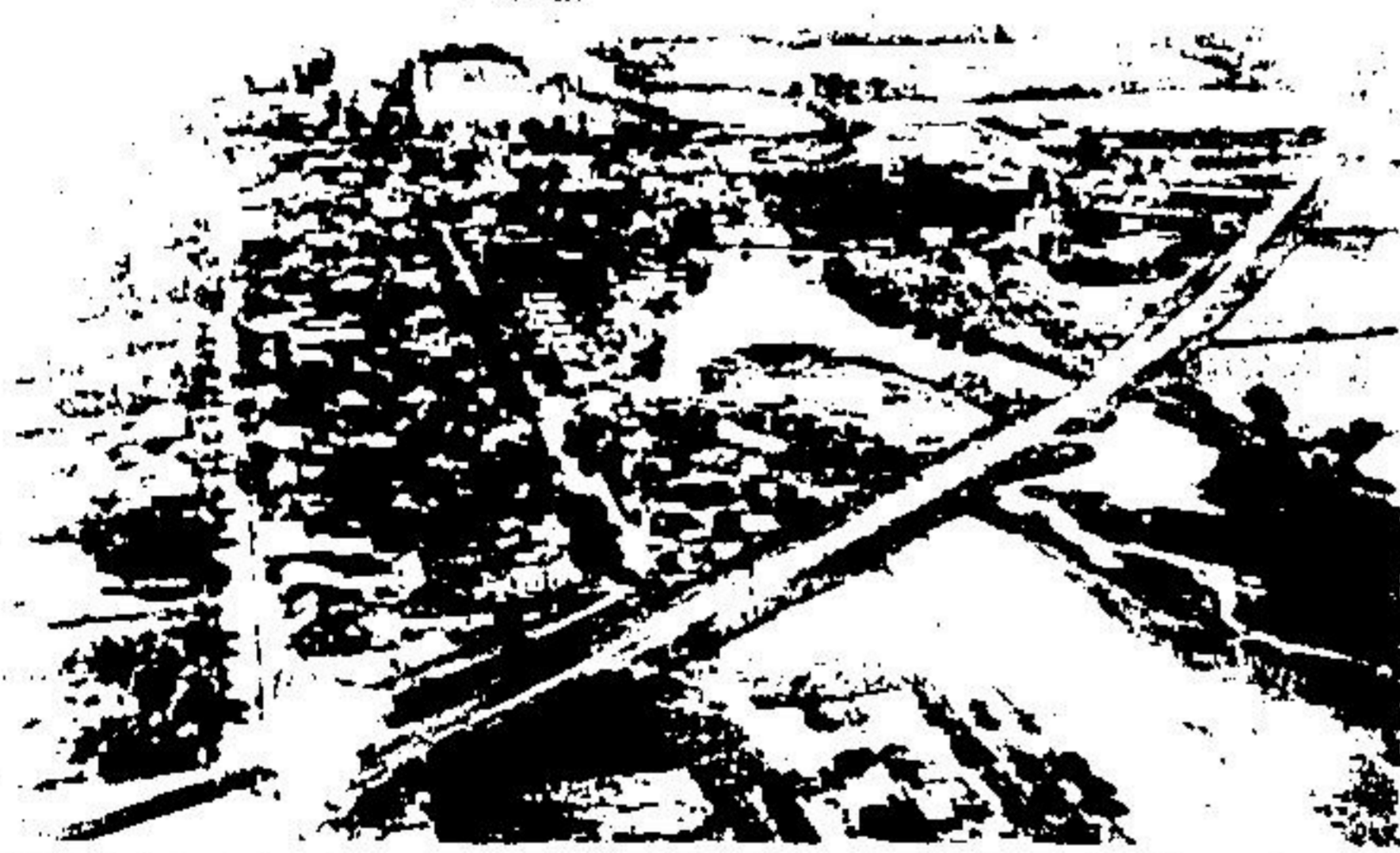
MILL ST. was photographed in 1901 from in front of Soper's store, where Hinton's is now. George Campbell is walking along the board sidewalk.



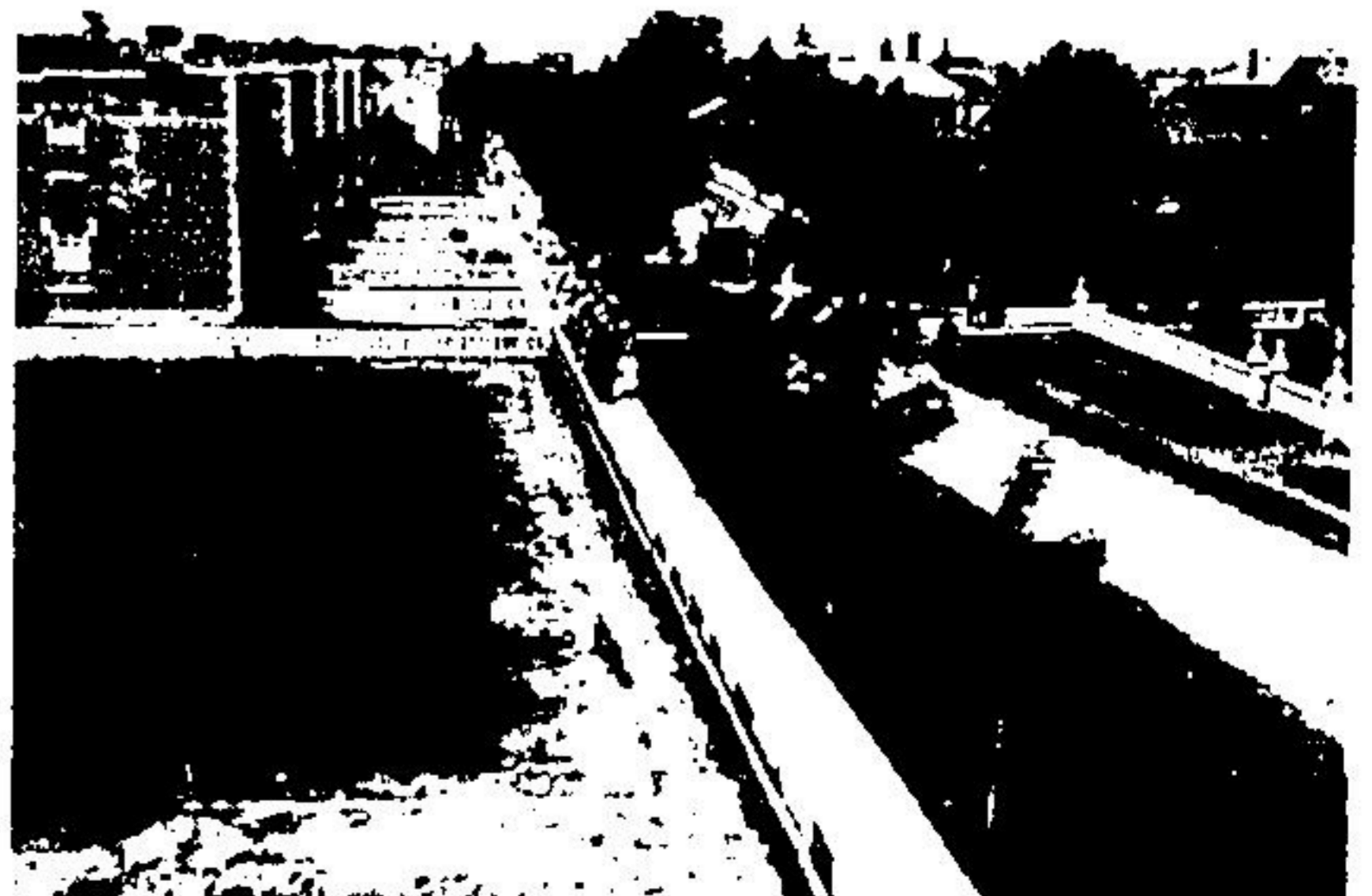
BEARDMORE water tank on the left, town water tank in the distance, Beardmore stack in the centre.



MILL ST., taken from the Mill and Main corner with Cooper's tailoring store on the left facing Woodhall's store on the right.



VIEW OF Acton taken from an aeroplane in 1919. Expanse of water and fields are changed.



THE JUBILEE procession, led by Acton Citizens' Band, headed down Bower Ave. on June 18, 1897, marking the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria. A. T. Brown, taking the picture, could have been leaning out a window of the Storey Glove plant. The double-dwellings, known as Syndicate Houses, were built after public-spirited citizens formed a syndicate to build moderately priced houses. Bower has board walks and the roads were so dirty and uneven the parade kept to the walks. Boulevards are wide because traffic was light. Fences were to keep pigs, cows and chickens off the gardens.



COBBLE HILL was the best place for taking pictures of the town.