

Music of Last Century Available With 1902 Edison Phonograph

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lieved to have been made around 1880. The phonograph is in excellent condition and plays wax roll records, clear and vibrantly. It was purchased in 1902 by Mrs. Service's brother George Peer and has been in her home ever since.

Popular Thing

"Around the turn of the century there wasn't much music available on records and our phonograph was extremely popular," Mrs. Service noted. "Often-times we were invited to go to parties and bring the phonograph along, and people frequently came to our house to hear it."

During the "Old Fashioned Days" celebration in Milton, the phonograph was on display in Keith Durnan's Store on Main Street. A large horn-shaped speaker, projecting from the machine, makes it most noticeable and the tones of music are surprisingly clear.

What a Difference!

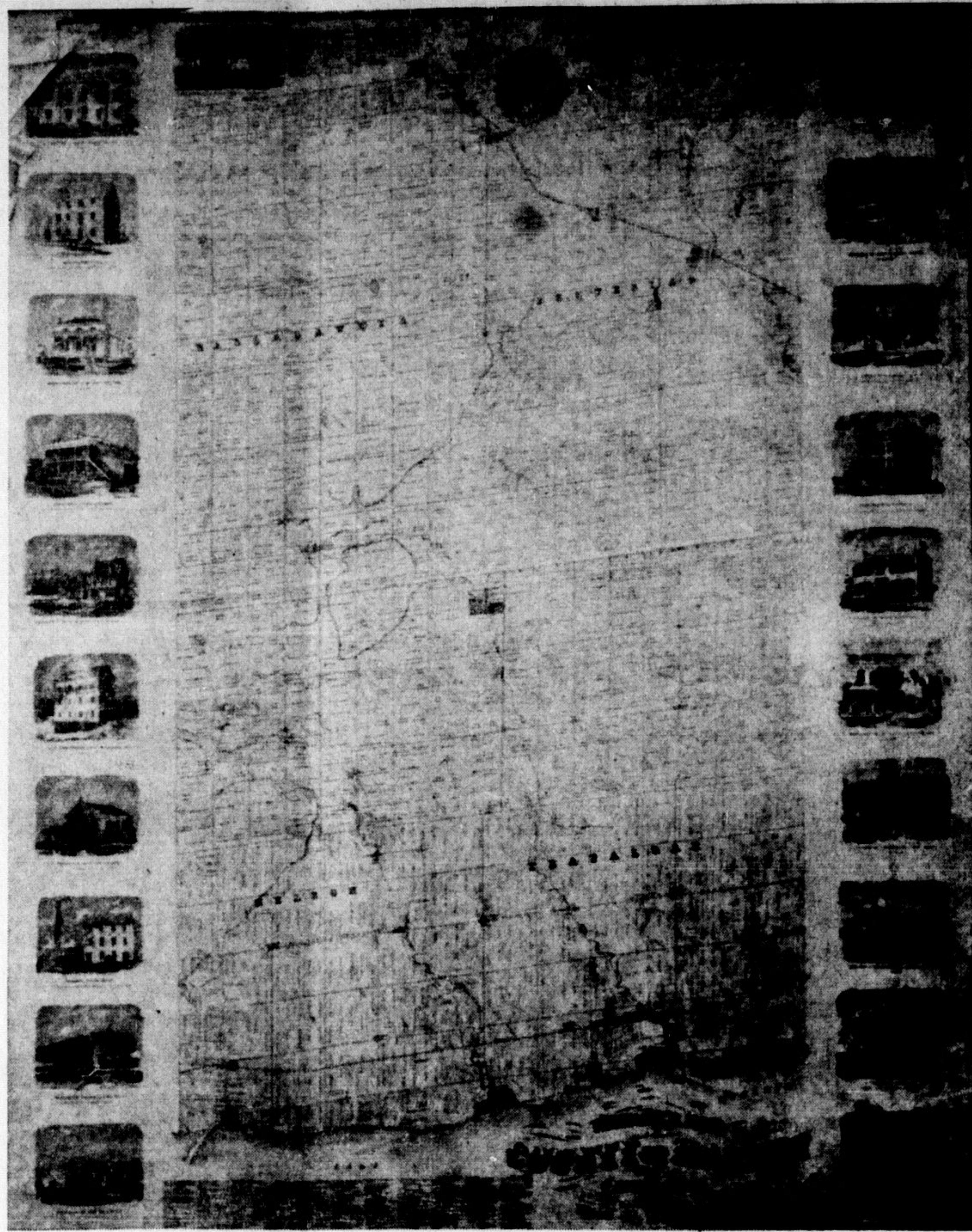
The music accompanying the phonograph is also quite interesting and varies greatly from the "Booby Booby Bop Bop" songs which are popular today. Preceding the start of each song, an announcer gives the name of the song, the name of the artist and the name of the recording company. Presently Mrs. Service owns approximately 40 wax records and would like to buy some more, when and if they are available.

Included among the old time selections are "Everybody Works but Father," "I Wish They'd do it Now" and "Christmas Time at Pumpkin Centre," sang by Uncle Jubbs.

Made Own Record

The most cherished record of the lot however, was made by a little known trio comprising Mrs. Service, her mother and sister. In 1908 they recorded for their own use, "The Dying Nun."

Asked if she would be willing to part with the phonograph, Mrs. Service said, "no sir, I intend to keep it in the family."



AN OLD MAP OF HALTON COUNTY dated 1858, is reproduced above by photographer W. Merle Gunby of Millgrove. It is one of the rare few such maps remaining today. The map is of the County of Halton, Canada West, published by George Tremain of Oakville in 1858. It was lithographed by J. Ellis of Toronto. The map was originally owned by William Spence who was a Justice of the Peace in Nelson at this time. It is now owned by his great granddaughter, Mrs. Burdge Gunby of Burlington.

It measures 47x58 inches, which is quite large for the presses of that day. At the top and bottom is a list of subscribers to the map, consisting of citizens and merchants of the various communities of Halton. Some of these communities no longer exist except in historical records or in the memories of a few senior citizens.

Along each side are views of various residences and industries of the day: Left top—Pineland Mills, Esquering; Halton County Court House, Milton; Nassagaweya Mills; Res. of P. W. Dayfoot Esq., Georgetown; Town Hall Stewarttown (two good stores in the first floor, a large hall on the second); Res. of W. M. King Esq., Oakville; H. P. Zimmerman's Grist & Flouring Mills, Zimmerman Village; Res. of K. H. Muns of Muns' Corners; Bronte Steam Mills; Wellington Square Steam Mills; Res. of John Triller Esq., Wellington Square. Right top—Canadian Collegiate Inst., Georgetown; Res. of James Barber Esq., Georgetown; Credit Paper Mills, Georgetown; Gage Hagaman & Co., Oakville; Res. of Wm. Pickard, near Hornby; Res. of George K. Chisholm Esq., Oakville; Chisholm Brothers Grist Mill, Oakville; Res. of Robert K. Chisholm Esq., Oakville; Canadian Hotel, corner of Navy and Robinson Sts., Oakville; Oakville Steam Engine & Machine Works.

Boating Once Mill Pond Pastime

(Continued from Page Two) the stone mill that was destroyed by fire this year.

Lovely Homes

The Martin family erected three fine houses on Martin St., all of which are landmarks still standing today. One was the stone house on the Holy Rosary Church property north of the C.P.R. tracks, which is presently used as a convent. Another was the brick residence presently occupied by Dr. C. A. Martin, opposite the pond. The third was the present Kernighan residence, where Jasper Martin and his son Joseph both lived, and where the gay parties were held.

The early Colonial, three-story, ivy-covered house is as solid today as the day it was built. Built on a knoll overlooking the pond's north end, it is surrounded by six acres of woodland and recently, Mr. Kernighan erected a small factory at the rear.

Joseph Martin banned navigation of the pond and walking along the pond banks, following a duck shooting incident. He apparently lost the case when he attempted to prosecute three local young men for shooting a duck on the pond. (One of the accused was a former editor of The Champion.)

About 1850, Thomas Racey, a

prominent Halton official, purchased the home from Joseph Martin. He was a Lieutenant-Colonel for the Loyalist cause in the war of 1812, and was the first Registrar for Halton County.

P. L. Robertson

T. C. Matheson, a barrister and Crown Attorney for Halton, was another owner of the mansion. Mr. Livingston purchased the property from him, during which time the pond was such a great recreational area, and it is believed that Peter L. Robertson was the next owner. Mr. Robertson founded the screw manufacturing firm on Bronte St. about 55 years ago.

Today, with the pond no longer of any industrial use, it has been discreetly suggested the town and the Conservation Authority should work on the project of purchasing and restoring the pond area.

Observers feel it would be ideally suited for boating and walking trails, as it is located right next to the Rotary Park. Recently, the P. L. Robertson firm approved an inexpensive lease of some property west of the pond to the Rotary Club for an extension to the park.

Possibilities . . .

The future is, to date, indefinite. But the six-acre pond of

ers plenty of possibilities for a town that never had an over-abundance of park facilities.

The mill pond's link with the town's history should never be forgotten, for without the pond and the mill, Milton might never have developed from a pioneer settlement of a few pioneers to the bustling, industrial-agricultural centre of 6,000 that it is today.



Aeschylus, born near Athens in 525, was the originator of the drama as we know it. Before his time there had only been choral songs and recitations by single persons. But Aeschylus wrote these recitations so that two people could speak them and gave them costumes, and the rudiments of drama were established.

RE-UNITE FAMILIES
Re-uniting separated families is part of the service of the Canadian Red Cross. Since this service began, more than 1,250 persons from Eastern European countries have been re-united with their families as a result of intervention on their behalf through other Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

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The most popular god on Georgian Bay this summer is Pan, benevolent patron of the "Enchanted Mountain" of Georgian Peaks.

Pan's charm, the product of sculptor E. B. Cox's skill and creative imagination, has drawn crowds of summer visitors up the Georgian Peaks' chairlift to see him and his companions — 10 other huge sculptures depicting characters from ancient Greek legends.

Pan is eight feet long, weighs more than five tons and, as the Greek tradition indicates, is a man with goat-like legs and hoofs, tail, ears and horns. The Greeks thought of Pan as a merry god, patron and protector of pastures and woods, sheep and shepherds. He roamed through the countryside, dancing and playing his pipes, which he invented himself.

Although Pan is probably the favorite at Georgian Peaks, some of the monsters Cox has made have a horrible fascination — the vengeful Harpies with their iron talons, Cerberus the three-headed dog and Hydra, the nine-headed serpent. All these and many other half familiar mythological names become vivid personalities after a visit to the "Enchanted Mountain".

Among the other attractions of Georgian Peaks are 200 acres of woods and trails to invite the energetic; the Coffee House in the clouds, overlooking the magnificent shoreline of Georgian Bay, to tempt the relaxing holidayer; and a gift shop in the main lodge to satisfy the souvenir hunter.

Georgian Peaks is situated on Highway 26, 50 miles west of Barrie, nine miles west of Collingwood. The chairlift and other facilities are open seven days a week, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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