

# On an 1867 assembly line

In 1959 the Redelmeiers, present owners of Don Head Farm, received a letter from Mrs. Constance Cook of Ithaca, New York, whose husband, Alfred, was a nephew of John Patterson, Peter's son.

Mr. Cook, an enthusiastic stamp collector, had been looking for a Patterson C.W., postmark for several years and finally found one in Boston.

Inside the envelope was the following letter sent by her son to Mrs. Isaac Raymond, Poplar Ridge, Cayuga County, New York, and dated at Patterson April 21, 1867.

**Boss very nice**  
The letter reads in part, "I arrived here Tuesday night at six o'clock all safe and sound, and went to work next morning. There are about 60 men employed in the whole shop. The boss seems to be a nice man and the boys are the jolliest set I ever came across."

"There is one regular boarding house where

most of the unmarried men stop, between 20 and 30 in all. It is a first rate place. They cook tip top and have everything nice, for three dollars per week.

"They have had roast beef for dinner every day since I have been here and it is the best I have ever ate, also the bread and pudding can't be beat. The folks are the best natured and most obliging I have ever met."

**In woods**  
"The country right here looks pretty new for the shop was built right in the woods. No one lives here but those who work in the shop."

"There are 25 houses in the 'Patch' as they call it here and they are all owned by Mr. Patterson who owns the shop."

"There is one farmhouse just across the road. It is two miles to the nearest village."

"It is called Richmond Hill. I think I shall go up this afternoon to the Episcopal (Anglican) Church, and to see the place."

"I don't see but what things are about as forward here as in Cayuga County, back from the lake. There is quite a good lot of pine mixed in about here."

**Editor commented**  
In July 1885 the editor of The Liberal, T.J. McMahon, hinting at the firm's removal from Patterson, described a visit to the plant "with every department running at full blast."

"From the ground floor, where the rough material is first handled to the upper storey where all the machinery is finished and neatly painted, every article passes from one room to another with the precision of clockwork."

More men than usual were employed, according to this report. "This was evident from the busy gangs of workmen in every department and the large amount of stuff which was being hauled away by their own teams and those of farmers."

**Shipped by rail**  
"Four teams of heavy horses are kept constantly busy drawing their machines to the railroad station (now the Maple station, then the Richmond Hill station). A large number of men are employed daily in setting up and loading

machines on farmers' wagons.

Self binders were the best sellers that year with the plant manager stating he sold three before breakfast that morning. Reports from buyers were that the binders

were doing excellent work in the fields.

**Other products**  
Also being manufactured were spring-tooth harrows and cultivators. The article also noted that besides tempering the steel for the im-

plements manufactured in its own plant, Patterson Bros. also shipped hundreds of tons of steel to other manufacturers, the art of tempering properly for these products being known only to a few.

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### Notice of Hearing

## Parkway Belt West

Sector #3 (Markham-Vaughan)

Take notice that the public hearing for the Markham-Vaughan Sector #3 (bounded on the east by Hwy. 48, on the west Northern Link by Hwy. 400) will commence on

Tuesday, 7th day of September, 1976 at 10:00 in the forenoon at the Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Avenue (at John Street) in the Town of Markham.

Any person may make representation concerning the proposed development plan as it affects the Markham-Vaughan Sector, or specific properties therein. Time for the making of presentations has been allocated first to those persons answering the original notice of hearing dated March 5, 1976.

You are invited to contact W. E. Bullock, Parkway Belt Secretary, 7th Floor, 180 Dundas Street West, TORONTO M5G 1Z8, telephone 965-5675, who will arrange a specific time for presentation.



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## Local family wins Wintario \$100,000

RICHMOND HILL — The Thomas Frame family of Richmond Hill is \$100,000 richer than it was a week ago.

They were among the big winners in last Thursday's Wintario draw, and the biggest local winners to date.

Members of the family are Thomas, wife Doris, son Tom, 20; daughter Linda, 21; and granddaughter Belinda, 4.

It was Mrs. Frame who purchased the winning ticket — at the Loblaws store in Richmond Heights plaza.

She says the money is being invested and they aren't yet making any big changes or plans.

Mr. Frame is employed as a clerk in a fibreglass company.

## Markham shopping centre construction under way

MARKHAM — Plans for Markham Place shopping centre have been completed, and construction has started on the 17-acre site at the northeast corner of Steeles Avenue and Don Mills Road.

Kenner Ames, vice president of Trizec Equities Limited, (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Trizec Corp. Limited, Montreal) says construction has started on a two-level department store for Sears.

Ames said another major tenant would be a Miracle Food Mart.

The centre will have approximately 43 retail tenants plus a major restaurant.

Markham Place will contain 20,000 square feet in office space on its second level, approximately one-half of which will be allocated for medical and dental offices.

Trizec Equities Limited, Simpson-Sears Properties Limited and Bayview Summit Development Limited are the principal partners in

the joint development of the Centre. Markham Place is scheduled to open in the summer of 1977.

### MATURE STUDENTS ENJOY UNIVERSITY

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