

Lot 23, Concession 2. Continued.

When the son Angus reached the age of 21 years, he was given the farm by his father. He married a Byron girl, Elizabeth Reid, several years later. During his early married life, Angus built the barn on the property.

In 1866 Angus Murray contributed a half acre of the North corner of the farm to the Presbyterian Church which purchased another half acre besides for its manse. The Church itself had been built several years earlier on the opposite side of the road.

When the Church was moved to Cowal and a new manse erected around 1881, the old manse was sold for \$150 and the Murrays lived in it from then on, About 1900 it was moved from the North corner to where it now stands.

The third Angus Murray, who died in November 1938 (his wife died in March of the same year), had six sons and three daughters. Two sons, both named Malcolm, and a daughter Edith, died when they were very young. As for the others, Annabelle, who is now Mrs Thomas Kerr, has remained in the Township, as has Flossie, now Mrs David Bennett.

Gordon Murray lives with his son Angus in Denfield. Byron lives just North of the farm on which he was raised. Margaret Murray, who married St. Clair Forman, lives in Alvinston.

Robert Murray, to whom the farm was willed, has remained on the present property. He married the former Vera Dawdy and they have raised two sons and three daughters.

Anna Jean Murray, Reg.N., who married Jack Annett, lives in Middlemarch with a son Allan, and a daughter, Joy. Margaret married Jack Milligan and they have two sons and three daughters: Murray Lee, Paul, Roxanne, Michelle and Karen.

Bruce Murray currently resides in London where he Teaches at Sir George Ross Secondary School. He has two sons, Scott, 5, and Gary 3. Marion, who lives in Shedden, is Mrs Steven Timewell. They have a four year old son, Steven and a year old daughter Cindy.

David Murray, at 18, and a student at West Elgin District High School in West Lorne, is representative of six generations of the Murray family now living on the property. David takes a keen interest in Junior Farmers and 4th work.

In May 1965, the Imperial Oil Company brought in the first oil well on this property, and the second well came in the following August, and during the same Summer Imperial Oil Company built a battery on two acres of land they rented, situated on the extreme East corner of the said property, and the oil field has been gradually expanding since that time.



Angus Murray 3rd, with son Byron



David Murray with Prize 4 H Calf

1992 UPDATE

In 1990 Dave and Brenda Murray built a new home just north of Bob's home.

North $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 18, Concession 3Alexander McWilliamPINERY FARM

Century farm

Alex McWilliam was born in Kintyre, Scotland in the year 1834. At the age of 20 years he left the employ of his uncle James McWilliam, wine merchant of Glasgow and sailed for Canada.

He purchased one hundred acres, North $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 18 in the 3rd concession, Dunwich, the farm being known as Pinery Farm. At the time of purchase, it was virgin forest consisting of oak, ash, maple, rock elm and other valuable trees. The first tree was felled by himself and a log house erected, also a stable. Later he hewed timber for large frame barns and in 1883 erected a large brick house (which is in excellent condition in 1983). The house was finished in lumber grown on the homestead.

In 1868 he married Agnes McDonald who was also a native of Argyleshire, Scotland. Four children were born, Neil, Agnes, Margaret, and Alexander.

Neil married Jemima May in 1902 and moved to his farm North $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 7, concession 3, Dunwich, where he resided until his death at age 87 years of age in August 1956.

Agnes married Malcolm May, Dunwich farmer in October 1916 and passed away in February 1950 at the age of 73 years. They were buried in Fairview Cemetary.

Margaret resided at home except for a number of years spent with her sister Agnes. She was later cared for in the Bobier Convalescent Home, Dutton and died in October 1963.

Alexander married Maude McAlister in June 1927 and spent his entire life on the farmstead. Alex died February 1, 1966 and is buried in Fairview Cemetary, Dutton.

Alexander, Senior, passed away in December 1921 at the age of 87 years. His wife Agnes survived him for five years and a few months, having lived to the age of 86 years. They are both at rest in the family plot in Fairview Cemetary.

by-- Maude McWilliam

1983 Update

Maude McWilliam passed away in June 1973 age 75 years and is buried in Fairview Cemetary. She and Alexander, or Sandy as he was better known, had no children and so the farm was left to a neice, Mrs Donald (Betty) Henderson. Betty's mother was Laura (McAlister) Cowell, a sister of Maude.

Betty Henderson sold the farm to William A. McCallum and Sons in July, 1973. The house and approximately 2 acres of land were severed from the property.

In October, 1973 Mrs. Bryan Foxton bought the house and two acres following the death of her husband who was the rector for the Anglican Church at Tyrconnel. Eileen Foxton and her three children lived there until 1982. Richard, Rachael, and Julian were now teenagers and off to futher studies. Eileen spent a year at an Anglican Camp at Sorrento, British Columbia, then in September 1983 married Duncan McTavish and moved to his farm on the 1st concession.

In September 1982 Michael and Irene Livingstone bought the house. They have completely remodeled the kitchen and the dining room is now a family room. Michael is self-employed and works in London and Toronto. They have two young children Malissa and Julie.

1992 UPDATE

Livingstone's sold the house to Dale and Carol Northey in 1987, then they sold to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Grecco who only stayed less than one year. In 1989 the house was sold to John Dyson and his wife Cheryl Emerson. John remodelled the kitchen by putting a large island in the centre of the room.

BELDOON FARMS

By Mrs J. Philip Campbell



Destroyed by fire 1960



New home built 1961

In 1964 Belldoon Farms Ltd., was incorporated with Clifford D. Campbell, President; Donald Philip A. Campbell, Vice President; Angus A. Campbell, Secretary Treasurer. Directors are;- J. Philip Campbell, Agnes Jean Campbell, and Clifford D. Campbell, Angus A. Campbell and Donald Philip Campbell.

This comprises:- Lot 22, Concession 2. - S. $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 21 Concession 2. - S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Lot 23, Concession 2. - N. $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 21 Concession 3. - N. $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 21, Concession 3. - N. $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 18, Concession 4. - N. $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 24 Concession 2. - S. $\frac{1}{2}$, Lot 23, Concession 1. - S. $\frac{1}{4}$, Lot 22, Concession 1. - Lot A. S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Concession 3. - West $\frac{1}{2}$ of S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$, Lot B, Concession 3.

Lot 21, South $\frac{1}{2}$, was sold to Alex Campbell by David Robb in 1880. John C. Campbell inherited it from his father and owned it until his death in 1928. It was then sold to Alex and Mrs Maude McWilliam. They sold it to Philip Campbell in 1947 in trust to his sons Angus and Clifford until 21 years old. In 1966 Clifford, Angus and Donald P. Campbell bought S.S. No. 9 Schoolhouse for \$770.00. Western Half South West $\frac{1}{4}$, Lot B. 3rd Concession, 25 Acres South Easterly $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot A. 50 acres.

Lot 23, S.S. $\frac{1}{4}$, Concession 2. In 1795 Lieut Col. W. Campbell got land from the Crown. In 1850 Angus Murray purchased 200 Acres (Lot 23) from Campbell. In 1864 Dougald Campbell from Crown. In 1874 Archie McTavish bought from Angus Murray 50 acres (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Lot 23). In 1890 Dougald McTavish bought 50 acres from Archie McTavish. In 1908 Archie C. Campbell bought this from Dougald McTavish. In 1919 Dougald C. Campbell bought from his brother Archie. In 1930 Dougald C. Campbell died and willed it to John Philip Campbell. This land was pasture for many years, but some had been tilled in the early years. In 1948 Philip Campbell had William Code put tile in it. A pond was dug in the early years which has been deepened and has a supply of water for cattle. There was a well near the road that had a horse and a bull fall into it. They didn't drown but caused considerable excitement - erecting a tripod and pulling them out by the head, little worse of the experience. All this land has been under cultivation for a few years now. In 1960 the frame house was destroyed by fire. A red brick ranch type house was built by Clarence Bogart.

Jack Thomson sold the McBride 75 acres to Philip Campbell in 1945.

Angus Campbell purchased from Mrs. Sadie McCallum Lot 21, Concession 3 in 1954. In 1955 a ravine at the barn was dammed to provide water in the farm buildings. In 1956 a silo 14' x 45' was built by McCormick of Wyoming. In 1959 a hog barn 32' X 120' was built in which R.O.P. Yorkshire Swine is housed. In 1964 a silo 20' X 60' was erected. In 1966 Buildings were painted red on Lot 21 Concession 3. Farm buildings were painted red on Lot 18 Concession 4. Farm buildings were painted on Lot 22, Concession 2. Barn was painted on Lot 24, Concession 2.

BELDOON FARMS (continued)

Lot 24 Concession 2 was bought from Walter Gosnell in 1962. This was the former Fletcher property. Gordon Murray resided here several years. George Douglas and family lived there until it was sold to John H. Miller, who sold it to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gosnell. Angus, Clifford and Donald P. Campbell in 1963 bought from Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gosnell. In this parcel also was Lots 22 & 23, Concession 1 in Dunwich. This land had been formerly owned by John Watson and Archie McNabb. In 1965 a silo 24' X 70' was built. Geo Douglas previously had built a silo 14' X 47½' on Lot 24. In 1966, Insul siding was put on the house.

Wolfe Brothers, Melbourne, put tile in all farms.

Three oil wells were drilled by Imperial Oil Limited in 1965, and two of these have been in production ever since.

Update 1984.

Since 1966 there have been no major changes in these properties. Bill Gosnell now lives in the house on Lot 24, Conc. 2 and works for Belldoon's. His brother Tony lives in the new house built by Cliff Campbell and he works for Belldoon's, too. Mark Tayler also shares the house with Tony. No one lives in the house on Lot 23, Conc. 1.

Clifford Campbell married Helen Moffat in Calgary. They lived in the Gosnell house for two years while their new house was being constructed on the former site of No. 9 school. In 1983 Cliff left the partnership of Belldoon's and he and Helen bought a 100 acre farm at Sebringville and moved there in June of 1983.

Donald Philip married Lynda (Rawlings) Cox on October 8, 1981 and they live at Crysler, Ontario.

Agnes Jean was moved to the Bobier Convalescent Home in 1981 because of failing health and she passed away there on March 3, 1983, in her 81st year. She is buried at Cowal Cemetery.

Lot C, Concession 3.The Milton FarmCentury Farm

By Mrs I. L. MacAdam



1885



1917

John Milton was born November 30, 1802 in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England, where he learned the carding and weaving trade. He married Maria Moore, a sister of Sir John Moore, the famous British General who lost his life in the Battle of Corunna from which was handed down the touching poem "The Burial of Sir John Moore". John Milton's father, serving with Sir John Moore, also lost his life in the same battle which was won by the English.

John and Maria Moore Milton left England with three small children in 1832 for America. After a six weeks voyage on a sailing vessel they came by stage and boat to the Township of Dummar, North of Peterborough. Here in 1834 Joseph was born followed by three more children. In 1843 John Milton gave up his carding trade and with his family and son-in-law Robert March, who, earlier in the year married his oldest daughter Jane, started by Oxen stage for York, New Toronto, getting stuck in the mud on King Street. From there by boat to Queenston, and by Stage Coach to Fort Erie, and by boat to Port Stanley. Once again by Oxen to Warner's Hill, now known as Near's Hill on the Southwold - Dunwich Townline. Here they stopped for several days while John Milton and his son in law went in search of Grant land, taking up a claim on 100 acres on Concession 2, North half of Lot 15 in the Township of Southwold from the Canada Land Company of Ottawa. Two more daughters were born here.

After remaining on this farm for seven or eight years the farm was sold to A. P. Campbell and the Miltons moved to Lot C., Concession 3, Township of Dunwich on land obtained from the Colonel Talbot Estate. A log house was built at the top of the hill, so water could be taken from the creek below. Here the family lived happily until Mrs Milton, who was a nurse, answered a call for help, went through mud and slush on foot in the springtime of the year, took off her shoes to wade the stream, contracted a cold from which she never recovered and on April 18, 1858, at the age of 52, passed away. John Milton remarried Grace McBride and lived on this farm until his death in 1882 in his 80th year. His son Joseph took over the farm and lived here until his death in his 85th year in 1918. He was married to Elizabeth Hamilton who died in her 74th year in 1919. There were six daughters and two sons in the family. John who was killed at Norwich while working with the Bell Telephone Co., (Amy) Mrs Duncan H. McCallum, (Jennie) Mrs Wm. Agar, (Mary) Mrs Dan H. McCallum, (Ellen) Mrs William McCallum, (Marie) Mrs James O'Dell, (Annie Kathryn) Mrs C. L. Leonhard. James took over the farm from his father. In 1910 he married Alena Willey. There were two children, Alex Joseph and Irene (Mrs George Ritcher). James Milton moved to Iona Station in 1943 leaving his son A. J. on the farm. He remained on it for short time before moving to Brigden. The farm was taken over by Marie Milton O'Dell and her husband who rented the land to Mary Milton McCallum's son Hugh McCallum. Mr & Mrs O'Dell used it as a summer home until Mr O'Dell's



Mr & Mrs Joseph Milton

Lot C, Concession 3.The Milton Farm

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death in 1953, when it was sold to Mary Milton McCallum's daughter Wilma and her husband Mr. I. L. MacAdam from Montreal. At the time of Mr MacAdam's retirement from the Borden Company Limited in 1963, Mr & Mrs MacAdam moved from Montreal to take up residence on her Grandfather's farm. Mr Hugh McCallum and son Dan continue to work the farm.

Water rights were leased to Mr John Welch shortly after John Milton took the land from Colonel Talbot. A saw mill was constructed but it was not a financial success. Mr Welch left the frame house he had built for the Miltons. It was moved to a site close to the present home. Later, Joseph Milton built a large brick house which was burned from a chimney fire in 1917. A small white cottage was built for Mr & Mrs Joseph Milton, who were then living in retirement except for Mr Milton's bee apiary. Mr Milton died shortly after moving into his new home. A new house was built again on the same spot in 1962 by Lionel Hodder, before Mr & Mrs MacAdam returned to Dunwich. Mr & Mrs MacAdam have two children, Mary Elizabeth (Mrs M. M. Radley) who has two sons and lives in Cornwall. Donald B. who is with C.F.T.O. (Channel 9) Television Station in Toronto.

The Farm is noted for its valuable Walnut timber, with a goodly number of trees still in their prime.



The Joseph Milton Family

Front Row - Mrs Wm. Agar (Jennie)
 Insert - Mrs Duncan H. McCallum (Amy)
 Second Row - Mrs Dan H. McCallum (Mary)
 Mr. James Milton
 Mrs Carl Leonhard (Kathryn)
 Mrs James P. O'Dell (Marie)

1983 Update.

There have been very few changes in this property since the original write-up in 1966.



Mr. & Mrs I. L. MacAdam

Century Farm

West $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 20, Concession 4

Archie T Campbell.

This land was obtained from the Crown in 1838, but, as to the owner we are not sure until the year 1862 when it was purchased by Alex Campbell. He was a bachelor who then sold it in 1870 to John Campbell from Yarmouth (no relation to Alex Campbell.)

In 1881 John's son Dougald J. Campbell took over the farm. Dougald J. Campbell married Catherine McLellan and they had six children:

Douglas born August 30, 1880, died June 18, 1974.

Annie born June 21, 1882, died , 1943.

Kelly born June 7, 1884, died September 20, 1955.

Winnie born September 20, 1886, died May 18, 1979.

Florence born December 14, 1891

Victor born January 23, 1896, died June 10, 1983.

The brick home was built by Dougald Campbell and we believe that Winnie was born in the brick house. The photo of the home was taken in 1898.

After Catherine Campbell's death on March 27, 1915, Winnie cared for their father and the home. Later she worked in London.

In 1942, the farm was sold to Dougald's son, J. Douglas Campbell. Douglas had married Alda McCallum on June 16, 1920 and lived on his farm at Lot 19, Concession 4. He operated the farm along with his own and in 1956 the farm was taken over by J. Douglas' son, Archie T Campbell. On August 17, 1957, Archie T married Ruth McCutcheon and they moved into the renovated home on the farm. A basement was dug, oil furnace installed, electricity and a bathroom were added. The back kitchen was removed at this time and a cement block garage was built. The house was replastered and hardwood floors were laid in the living room, hall and dining room. The former dining room became a modern kitchen. The solid oak and walnut woodwork was gradually all refinished. In 1960 improvements were made to the barn and the first silo built. Later a second silo was built.

Three children were born:

Margaret born May 29, 1959

Grant August 1, 1960

Jean February 5, 1964.

On April 25, 1981 Grant married Joanne Timmermans and purchased the former John Rowe farm on the fifth concession and moved there with his bride. Margaret graduated from the University of Western Ontario in June 1982 with an honours degree in French and English. In September 1983, Jean entered the University of Guelph to study Agriculture Business. Margaret, Grant and Jean have enjoyed and been active in 4-H programs and have participated in camps, conferences, National Citizenship Conventions, judging competitions, and Interprovincial Exchanges. Margaret spent three summers working for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, and is presently an active 4-H member and leader.

Ruth, a graduate of London Teachers' College in 1951, began to supply teach in 1967 and in 1971 began $\frac{1}{2}$ time teaching in Dunwich-Dutton Public School. In September 1973 she began teaching full time at that school.

The farm has feeder beef cattle and corn, soybeans, hay and wheat are grown.

In 1973 Archie T purchased 50 acres from Archie T. McCallum. At the present time Archie T and his son Grant also rent the J. Douglas Campbell farm from John D. Campbell to whom it now belongs.

Jean Campbell won the honour of being the top 4-H member in Ontario in 1984, winning a \$1,000 scholarship. She also won the Elgin County Women's Institute scholarship for \$200 in June, 1984.

1992 UPDATE

On 28 July, 1984 Margaret Campbell married Dan McPherson, son of Duncan and Grace McPherson, at Knox Presbyterean Church, Dutton with Rev. Sabrina Caldwell officiating. They were later divorced and Margaret married Donald May on 26 November, 1988. They live on his farm near Glencoe.

Children: Gregory Donald born 26 January, 1990

Robert Douglas born 5 March, 1992.

Jean Campbell married Paul Sullivan on 12 October, 1991 at Knox Presbyterian Church in Dutton with Rev. Tom Godfrey officiating. They reside near Ottawa.

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THE FAMILY OF DOUGALD J. CAMPBELL AND CATHERINE MCLELLAN
TAKEN IN 1898

Behind the fence: Winnie Dougald Catherine
 2nd row: Annie Kelly Douglas
 Front row: Victor Florence (only one living in 1983.)



This four generation picture was taken in August 1959. Seated beside John W. McCallum is his daughter, Mrs. Douglas (Alda McCallum) Campbell, who is holding her granddaughter, Margaret Campbell, daughter of Archie T. Campbell (standing).

East 1/2, Lot 20, Concession 4.

Century Farm.

By - Mrs Gordon Campbell.

In October 1865 Malcolm McIntyre willed to his daughter Margaret the South 1/2 of lot 20 containing 100 acres, Margaret being the wife of John J. Campbell, Yarmouth Township. In this family there were four sons, John, Dougald, Archie and Malcolm, and four daughters, Mary, Margaret, Christie and Sarah. In February 1866, John J. Campbell purchased the North East 1/4 of Lot 20 from George McBeth, which makes the present 100 acres of East 1/2 of Lot 20.

Four years later his son Malcolm came to Dunwich to live on this farm. On June 1st 1872 Malcolm and Isabella Graham were married in Wallacetown. They had a family of six, - John M., William and Archie; Margaret, Mary and Catherine. Left of this family are Margaret, Mrs Dougald McTavish of Dutton, and Archie M., on his farm in Dunwich.

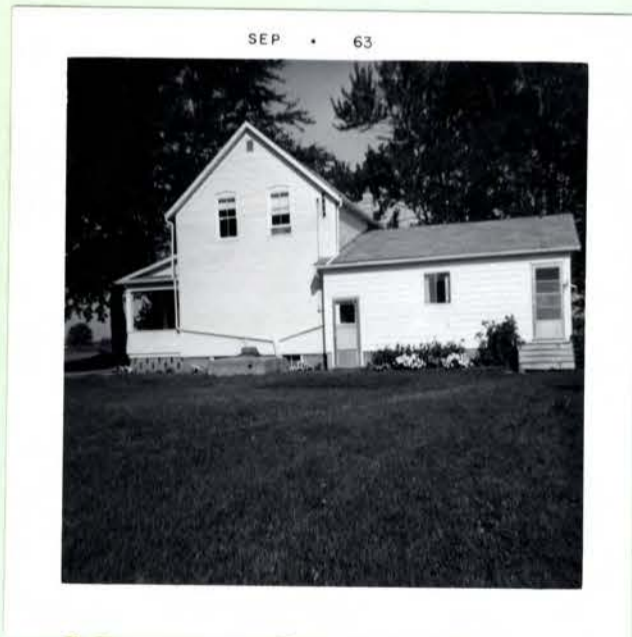
In 1882 Malcolm purchased this farm from his father. On July 22, 1886, Malcolm died at the age of 42 years. His wife carried on with the help of the three sons.

In the following years the land was tilled and an orchard set out. The large elm was cut and sold to the stave mill in Cowal. The barn was put on a high wall, and an addition added in 1901. The telephone was installed on March 9, 1907.

In 1908, William took over the farm. He built the drive shed in 1920. In 1932, the house was painted, and a full basement put under it. William carried on mixed farming until the early 1950's, and then rented it as pasture to his nephew Gordon Campbell, who purchased the farm in 1956. In 1958 the house was painted, and the old orchard cut off. In 1962 and 1963, Gordon added a new kitchen, installed the Hydro, an oil furnace, and re-plastered the house. More land was cleared, and more drainage done. Also, new ends were put on the barn.

In December 1964, the dial telephone was installed. On April 20, 1963, Gordon married Ina Vail of Melbourne, who are now residing on this farm.

The farm is now devoted entirely to a pasture and beef cattle enterprise.



A daughter, Lynne, was born to Gordon and Ina on December 11, 1966. In 1979, a family room was added to the house. It consists of a family room with a reclaimed brick fireplace and a sewing room. The property is called Gordina. Update 1983.