



This picture shows the south side of Jas. Haight's general store, Mr. John Ellman in the foreground.

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Many years ago, there was a brick and tile yard on the Sweedland property at the south of the pond, about where N. Archer's house now stands. Soon after the Graham family settled in Union in 1838, they built a brick house, the bricks being made on their own farm by the Graham boys and Richard Philpott. The Marriott house and the Philpott home (since torn down- formerly on the Fugard place) were built of bricks made at the Graham farm, these homes and the Graham's being built by Richard Phillipott, a stone mason.

In a Gazetteer and Directory of Elgin County, dated 1872, the following men and firms are among those listed as the business men of the Village of Union:-

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| Haight & Willson | - | Proprietors of Woollen Mills |
| Greens' Woollen Mills | - | Managed at that time by Geo. Doughty |
| Union Pork Packing Co. | - | Owned and operated by Enos. Scott |
| Jas. Davidson | - | Carriage factory and Blacksmithing |
| Sinclair & Co. | - | Owners of a cheese factory located at the back of the Marriott place, at edge of the pond.
A. Mr. Murdock also ran this cheese factory at one time. |
| Peter Connor | - | Shoemaker. Lived in the house now the G.H. Gebbie property. It had an out-side stairway up to the shop on the second floor. |

Samuel Goodwin - Cabinet-maker. Mr. Goodwin later founded The Goodwin Furniture Company in St. Thomas, his wife being Miss. Augusta Seaboard of Union whose father was Conrod Seaboard, one of the first Blacksmiths in this Village.

Walker Green - Spinner. Employed in the Green Woollen Mills- he was a brother of Thos. and Benj. Green.

Isaac Haight - "Proprietor" of the Gravel Road.

Francis Jones - of Mc. Kenzie's General Store.

John Lanning - Gardener

Timothy Mc. Auliff - Blacksmith (Was father of Mrs. C. F. Stockton)

Mc. Kenzie & Jones - General Merchants

Richard Philpott - Mason

Conrod Seaboard - Blacksmith

Frederick Sweedland - "

William Norman - Tailor

William Norman established the first tailor shop in Union about the year 1851. He built the house now owned by C. Dennis, he and his family occupying the down-stairs rooms and the tailor shop being on the second floor, which was reached by an outside stairway. His sons, W. H. and James, learned the tailoring business, Wm. Norman building a shop on the south end of his lot (now the Gledhill home) where he and his sons conducted a very successful business, always employing three or four young women as assistants.

The rooms above the Mc. Kenzie's General Store were used as a tailor shop by Miles Ketchum, Harry Fewings and Chas. Wiggins.

James Davidson purchased the Blacksmith shop of Frederick Sweedland in the year 1869 and conducted a carriage and Blacksmith shop for several years, later selling his business and operating a Blacksmith shop on his farm, north of the pond.

The picture below shows the foot bridge to Hannon's harness shop, from the General Store, then small shop and on the corner, the Haight's General Store and across the road the Blacksmith shop with E. Chapman's paint and carriage works behind, the small building at the south end being used by Mr. Chapman for storing lumber, it having been the first church built in Union. It took fire and burned down several years ago. The fence on the right, was built from the old hotel to the south side of their barn, there being a small gully which extended into the road-



Edward Chapman who came to Union from England with his family in the year 1889, established a Carriage and Paint shop which was located behind the Blacksmith shop on the south east corner of Union, Frank Westlake being the Blacksmith at that time, he and Mr. Chapman building up a very prosperous business. Mr. Chapman later spent several years in Detroit and during that time, his carriage shop was moved to the north of the lot and made into a comfortable dwelling, Mr. Frank Mc. Phail and his family

occupying it for some years when he operated the Blacksmith shop.

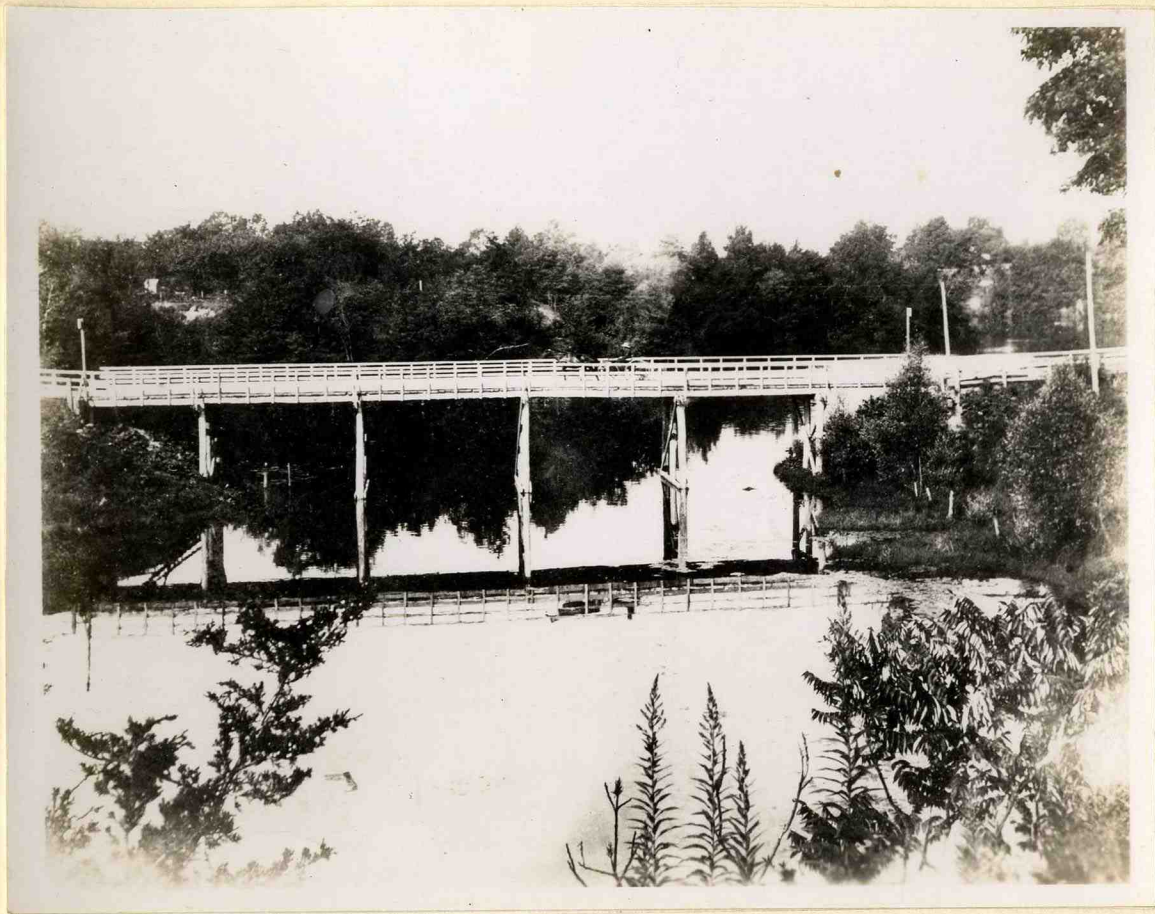
Mr. Jas. Hindley razed this building and built the present modern house on the site. The picture below, taken from the school house hill, shows the Chapman home at the extreme right and Mr. Chapman's Carriage and Paint shop directly across the street.



A group in front of Frank Mc. Phail's Blacksmith shop on the south east corner of Union. Left to right- _____
F. Mc. Phail, Nelson Parker, _____
and John Parker.



A view of the picturesque Union pond as it looked about the year 1880. The boat house was on the property of Mr. Solomon V. Wilson. The lady in centre of picture was a daughter of Mr. James Davidson, one of South Yarmouth's early pioneers.



The old wooden bridge across the Union pond which was used until the fill in was made in the year 1909, Mr. Geo. Doolittle having the contract for this work. The earth used, was taken from the James Davidson farm, now the property of Mr. John Parker.



Group at left

Rev. Walter Donnelly, boy kneeling.
Harry Donnelly
Flossie Donnelly, (Mrs. Sam Shipley)
Robt. Mc. Millan, cheese maker.
Charlie Donnelly, boy near building.
John Donnelly, in door-way.

Front row, left to right-

Lee Shelly, in rig.
Jack Lale, behind cans near factory.
Lindley Lanning.
Jas. Liddle, standing with straw hat on. He farmed the York farm.
Wm. Collins, standing against back of wagon.
Melvin Vansyckle, sitting with back to horse.
John Sutton, in foreground-felt hat.
Charlie White, near building-white colored coat.
John Fulton, standing with straw hat on, his horse & wagon at whey tank.
Walter Manchen
Wm. T. Dufty, in wagon at extreme right.
(Do not know small boy in background at right)

(The above picture supplied by Wm. T. Dufty.
(Picture taken about 1896)