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D. LAMB.



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Henry Dryfhout's Home

This home is on the corner of the Currie Road and Rose Street. Similar to all the land in Wallacetown, the lots were bought and sold many times in the early years. In 1833 the land was passed from Colonel Talbot to Donald Currie; in 1857 to Alexander McPherson; in 1873 to Donald Gunn; to John Rapelje in 1881; in 1884 to Moses Graham; in 1886 to Sarah McColl; 1907 to John McArthur; 1910 to Henry Rapelje; in 1913 a medical doctor, Dr. McFarlane started his practice here. He remained for five years and in 1918 Dr. W. J. Glanfield came to Wallacetown and remained until his untimely death in February 1950. His wife, Muriel remained here until her death in 1976. Her sister, Miss Jean Elcoat lived with her for several years. Following the death of Mrs. Glanfield, the home was left to a nephew, Donald Glanfield

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William Miller's Home

This home is situated on the north side of Queen Street, two houses south of the Wallacetown fairgrounds. This land passed from Colonel Talbot to Donald Currie in 1833; to Alex Rose in 1855; in 1869 to George Walker; 1880 to William Hall, then in 1896 to Catherine Hall; in 1898 to Frederick Backus; in 1901 to Sarah Chandler and in the same year to Duncan Kerr. In 1944 the owner was Emma Frances Watson; in 1955 - William and Margaret Johnstone; in 1973 it was purchased by the Veteran's Land Act and has been occupied by a veteran, William Miller, his wife Sonja and two children.

Henry Dryfhout's Home Con't

of London but sold in 1976 to Cecil Robinson. He lived in the home just a short time, when illness forced him to reside in the Bobier Convalescent Home. The house remained vacant until his death and in 1983 it became the residence of Henry and Eva Dryfhout and family.



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Robert Brown's Home

North of the Dryfhout home on the Currie Road and south corner of Wallace Street is another older home. The land passed from Colonel Talbot to Donald Currie in 1833; in 1855 to Elijah Clarke; 1859 to Archie McBrayne; in 1862 to C. Claris and in 1867 to James Lindsay; in 1872 to James Coyne; in 1876 to Hugh McIntyre and John Rapelje; in 1884 to Moses Graham; in 1886 to Sarah Ann McColl; 1907 to John J. McArthur; in 1924 to Samuel H. Davy; 1938 to Alexander McKillop and then to his son, John C. McKillop. Upon his death in 1975 the property went to the trustees under the Treasurer of Ontario. It was purchased in 1978 by Robert and Mary Diane Brown, who still reside there with their two children.

*The home was sold in 1987 to Lee Ann Nagy,
who lives there with her two sons.*



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James L. Ford's Home

This home is situated on the north corner of Wallace Street and the Currie Road. In the early years from 1833 to 1872 a number of the lots in Wallacetown were owned by the same persons, possibly until other descendants needed land for a home. In 1881 the property belonged to Alexander Rose; in 1882 sold to John Repalje; in 1885 to John McFarlane; 1892 to Sarah McIntyre; in 1903 to George Wolfe; in 1907 to Thomas Henry Dennis; in 1953 James L. and Florence Ford were the owners. Florence passed away in 1977 and James L. still resides there - all the family have married and live in surrounding towns.



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Archie MacFarlane's Home

This home is just north of the Ford home on the west side of the Currie Road. The lots, on which this house is situated, changed hands from the time Donald Currie received the lands in 1833 from Colonel Talbot up to 1872 when it became the property of Alexander Rose. In 1879 it was owned by Archie McTavish and in 1879 it became the property of Henry Rapelje and has remained in the family since that time. In 1946 Mr. Rapelje's daughter, Annie and her husband John MacFarlane and their family moved to this home and in 1960 their son Archie and his wife Velma became the owners and are still residing here.

Velma passed away on Jan. 31st, 1989.



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Gerald Lamb's Home

This home is better known as the Wallacetown Telephone Office in former years. It is on the east side of the Currie Road just to the north of the Presbyterian Church. In 1852 Archibald McFarlane gave land to the members of the Presbyterian Church on which to build their church and it was possible that this land was a portion of that land in those days. In 1892 Henrietta McIntyre purchased the piece of property on which this house stands. In 1901 Dr. J. W. Crane lived here and conducted his practice. He was the instigator of the telephone switchboard in Wallacetown, which was originally in part of Keillor's Cheese Factory. In 1911 it was moved to part of Dr. Crane's home. When the doctor left to move to London in 1913, the Wallacetown and Lakeshore Telephone Company bought this home and property and the switchboard remained here until 1965, when the Bell Company took over the service. Some of the families who lived in the house and worked at the switchboard were the Clay family - Addie being the operator, along with Annie McIntyre who worked at the office for many years. Then there was Ezra and Hazel Martelle and family - then Fred and Lena Webber and family from 1955 to 1965. Others who assisted as operators were Ruth Bedford and Annie Trothen.

Following the closing of the Telephone Association, the home was sold to Ralph and Laurine Gowan in 1965, in 1975 it was purchased by Michael and Sally Dale; in 1984 it was sold to Gerald and Sherry Lamb.

In 1987 it was sold to Dan and Dawn Bolt and two children.



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Norman Welch Farm

This farm is the oldest farm just on the edge of the hamlet of Wallacetown on Highway #3 on the north side known as Conc. 7, Lot 11. It was purchased by Donald Currie in 1833 from Colonel Talbot, about one hundred acres. In 1853 it belonged to Archibald McFarlane; in 1857 to Donald B. Gunn; 1862 to Duncan McTavish; in 1870 to James and Catherine Black; in 1879 to Joseph and Jessie Sifton and in 1886 to John J. Sifton and his wife Amelia; in 1920 the land was bought by George Cummings and wife and in 1927 Norman Welch purchased the farm and farmed until his death in 1975. His wife Margaret (Campbell) continued to live here, but at present is a resident of Elgin Manor. The farm is rented out, also the orchard which was a great pride to Norman. The Welchs' had one son, Kenneth, who is now a United Church Minister at Wiarton.

*There are also two grandsons, David and Jon.
Margaret Welch passed away on June 19th, 1985 in
her 84th year.*

*Since then the home is rented, as well as the
farmlands and orchard.*

*The farm was sold to Don and Helen Campbell
in the fall of 1987. They have two daughters.
Chris & Wendy Nixon own it in 1999.*



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"Older Lyonsholme" - Ted Pratt Home

This home is just west of the Welch farm on the north side of #3 Highway and is part of Lot 11, Conc. 7 and consequently was owned by the same persons in earlier years as the Welch farm. In 1890 the owner was John J. Sifton and in 1892 it became the home of John Lyons, wife and family of three girls and one son. Two of the girls married and moved away, but one Emma Jane remained with her parents and cared for them and her brother until their deaths. The property was registered in Emma's name in 1912. Later she married Duncan Graham and they continued to reside here. Mr. Graham passed away in 1930 and Mrs. Graham in 1948. The property was left to a nephew Harold Chalk and he sold it to Ashton and Annie Trothen in 1951. Ashton died in 1954 and Annie sold the home in 1966 to Edwin and Bertha Pratt. Bertha passed away in 1971 and Edwin lived here until his death in 1982. The home was left to his sister, Mabel Burford, who sold it in 1983 to John and Gertie Smids. In 1984 it became the property of Veronica Lee Fenn, but no one has resided here since 1982.

In 1987 it was sold to Prescott and Anna Young and two children, D & E. Armstrong, Mrs & Mrs Peter Ayling - 1999.

House "Older Lyonsholme" burnt down - rebuilt by
D & E Armstrong.



1935
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Henry (Hank) Dryfhout's Home

This home, also on the north side of #3 Highway is part of Lot 11, Conc. 7 and must have been sold by John J. Sifton, who owned it in 1890, to John Lyons in 1892 as part of the Lyons property and then it was purchased by Duncan McPhail in 1895 and in 1898 to Edgar Welch, his wife Emma and they had a son, Norman and a daughter, Bertha. Mr. Welch passed away in the early 1930's. Bertha was married later in life to Edwin Pratt. They lived here with Mrs. Welch for a few years, until they bought a farm near the Townline, Lot 1, Conc. 7 and all moved there. Norman Welch took over the home and for several years it was rented to different families until it was purchased by Henry (Hank) and Sadie Dryfhout and family in 1973.

The first home on this property was an old log house which was moved to the back of the land and the present house was moved from the corner of Gordon Street and the

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highway to this property. The home was used as a meeting place and the present living room was used as council chambers and was separated by thick wooden siding doors from the other section of the building. These doors still remain enclosed in the walls, since the home has been renovated by the Dryfhouts.