

"The Good Old Days" of Western Ontario

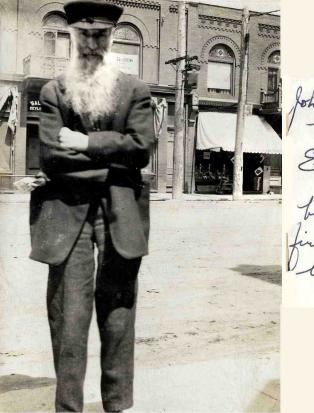


In today's age of speed with its attendant scream of jet engines above, its stream of cars clogging highways below and its contribution to a heavy accidental death toll, some older residents of the district might look with longing at this picture and wish for a return of "the good old days," when the scenes such as this were common throughout Western Ontario every Sunday afternoon.

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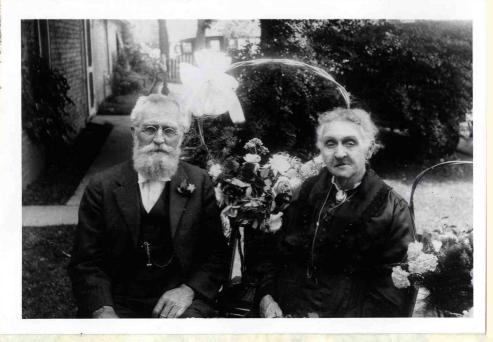
Duncan McKillop, of West Lorne, who will be 82 on Thursday, Aug. 8, was in St. Thomas today. He is the first and only postmaster West Lorne has ever had, having been appointed 40 years ago. In 1872 the post office was first established as West Clayton. It ran a month under that name, being changed to Dutton, the present Dutton not being in existence at that time. It was called Dutton for three months and then changed to West Lorne. West Lorne's mail was first delivered from the Eagle post office. The thriving village of Dutton sprang into being on the opening of the Canada Southern Railway in 1872.

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Duncan M'Killop First Postmaster

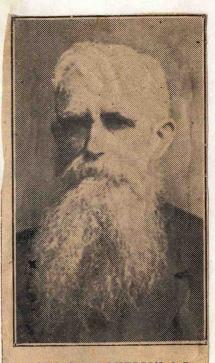
William Milner started Waggon Factory 1904



Mr.a Mrs William Clark. Golden Wedding, 1920.



Mr. y Mrs. Clark Sr parents of William Clark



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Mr. William Clark

Mrs. I. Currie, West Lorne, One Hundred on Sunday

Mrs. Isabella Currie, of West Lorne, will quietly observe her one hundredth birthday at her home on Sunday. Although well for her years, there will not be an elaborate celebration of the occasion, but Mrs. Currie's two daughters will be with her and it is expected that neighbors and other friends will be dropping in to express their good wishes, Miss Mima Currie resides with her mother in West Lorne and Mrs. Milford Hunter, of Detroit. will also be home for the birthday.

Mrs. Currie had the misfortune to break her hip a couple of years ago and hasn't been able to walk very much since, but she is up every day and interested in events of the day.

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A resident of the township of Aldborough for most of her life, Mrs. Currie is a member of the pioneer Stalker family which settled at Crinan in 1850, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stalker, and five children coming from Argyllshire, Scotland, at that time. They built a log cabin and began to clear the land and two years later their



MRS. CURRIE

at Crinan and West Lorne performing the ceremony.

built a log cabin and began to clear the land and two years later, their sixth child, Isabella, was born. Of the family of nine children, Mrs. Currie alone survives, her sister, having passed away at the age of ninety about three years ago.

Mrs. Cliza Hyndman, of West Lorne, having passed away at the age of ninety about three years ago.

Mrs. Currie ws born in the log house her pioneer parents built on their homestead. It stood for sixty years, but a new brick house, which still stands, was built in 1875 and it was in the new home that she was married in 1881 to Neal Currie, with Rev. John Milloy, of the Presbyterian Churches the west Lorne United Church, to which she belongs. Through the years, she had made many friends, who will be extending good wishes on this happy occasion.

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Death removed the oldest resident of the village on Saturday last when Miss Fanny McMurchy passed away aged 101 years, Deceased in spite of her great age, was smart up until a few weeks previous to her death. She was an exceptionally bright and cheerful character and was known to both young and old as "Aunt Fanny." The funeral took place on Monday and was very largely attended by friends and relatives. Rev. Mr. Haig officiated. Interment in Simpson cemetery



No. 36, one of the best passenger trains on the M. C. R., making her daily stop at West Lorne. West Lorne.



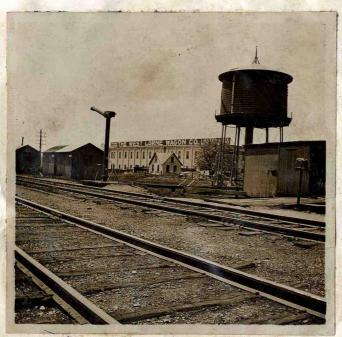
Feb 24-1954 - Presently greated by Fr. E. M.

TRIPLETS AT WEST LORNE

West Lorne, Dec. 3— (Special) — The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Milner, of this place, will be interested to learn of the birth of triple, to them here yesterday, all boys. Mrs. Milner and the children are all doing nicely.



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