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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE PORT HOPE ARCHIVES

FILLING YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS: PORT HOPE'S EARLY PHARMACISTS AND CHEMISTS

Pharmacy, like many other professions, has its roots with the ancients. Asclepius, the Greek god of healing, delegated the duty of creating remedies on to Hygieia. Effectively, she served as his pharmacist.

During the Middle Ages, the duties of the physician and the herbalist were clearly defined. A division that was further solidified by Benjamin Franklin, who appointed an apothecary to the Pennsylvania Hospital at some point between 1755 and 1790.

It was in 1834 that the word "pharmacist" first appeared in a British publication.

Through most of the 19th century, pharmacists referred to themselves as chemists or druggists. The term "apothecary" became used to describe an entirely different set of skills.

After World War I, the pharmaceutical profession became more heavily regulated. Pharmacists were required to attain a certain level of training, and acquire a licence from a recognized college or board of pharmacy. Pharmacy laws were also introduced to regulate the practice of labelling and dispensing medical drugs.



View of downtown Port Hope feat. Hyne's Drugs, c1940s

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The Port Hope Archives exists to collect and preserve archival materials which illustrate the growth and development of the Municipality of Port Hope or which pertain in whole or in part to activities within the geographic boundaries of the Municipality of Port Hope.

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MAIN ARTICLE, CONT'D

In Port Hope, chemists and drug stores appeared frequently in the 1856 business directory. From this time, chemists and druggists such as: Haggart and Leverich, Charles Brent, Charles Hughes, George & J. Mitchell, Woolhouse & Robert Deyell, and T. George Watson served a great need in the local community.

These early pharmacists filled the prescriptions written by some of the well-regarded Port Hope doctors of the 19th century, including: A.O. Kellogg, John Gilchrist, John Clemesha, Henry Griggs, George Perks, L.B. Powers, Samuel Corbett, and F.T. Bibby.

For more information on the practice and history of the pharmaceutical industry be sure to visit the Port Hope Archives' summer exhibit, "Take these and call me in the morning—Pharmaceutical curios from the Patricia Sinnott Collection" featuring photos and poster by Paul Bailey. On display from July 2nd-August 20th at the Port Hope Archives.

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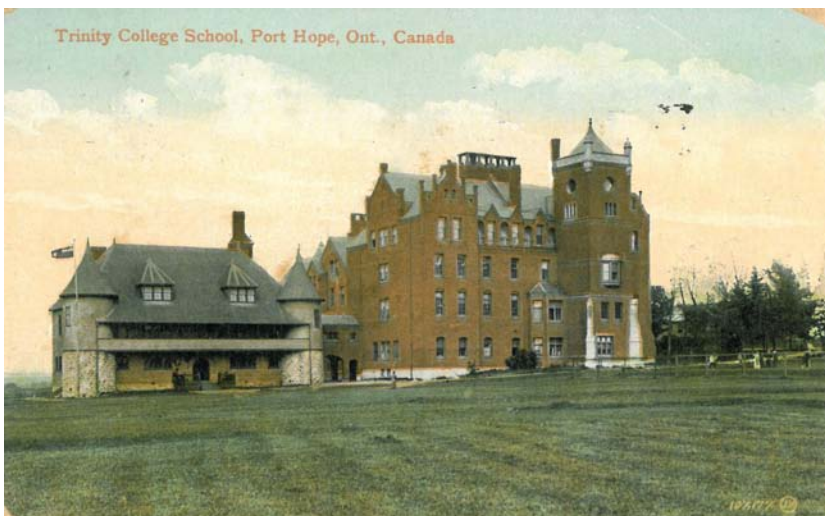
WALTON, OPPOSITE JOHN STREET.

Advertisement for Robert Deyell's Drugstore on Walton Street, from Dodd's Directory, 1880

NEWS FROM THE COLLECTION

On 1 May 2015, Trinity College School released a publication entitled: "Hearts & Minds: 150 years of Trinity College School." The book, which highlights the triumphs and trials of the school, its staff, and students, includes several photographs from the Port Hope Archives collection.

Funds from donations made in the name of our late-treasurer, John Bennett, went toward the purchase of the book, to ensure the growth of our permanent collection on local schools.



Trinity College School Postcard, c1912 (recent ebay acquisition, purchased with assistance from the John Bennett Memorial Fund)

Trinity College School was founded in 1865 by Rev. William Arthur Johnson in Weston, Ontario. After several moves, the school settled in Port Hope on land owned by King's College (now the University of Toronto). Strong headmasters such as Charles Bethune and Philip Ketchum saw the school through many hardships, including two devastating fires (1895 and 1928). It wasn't until 1991, when the first female students were admitted, that the TCS we now know really began to take its current shape.

"Hearts & Minds: 150 years of Trinity College School" is an excellent addition to the Port Hope Archives, and well worth the time to drop in for a gander!

ARCHIVIST'S MESSAGE

As always, it's hard to believe that the year is already half over. Spring seems to be such a busy time here at the PHA, that it just flies by!

This spring we hosted a meeting of the Lakeshore Genealogical Society, and a class of Grade 6 students from Trinity College School. We were also featured prominently on Doors Open Northumberland on the weekend of June 6-7th. That same weekend we were invited to participate in the Friends of Wesleyville Village's Country Market and Nature Fest, which was a lovely way to spend a Sunday!

In late-May, I attended the Archives Association of Ontario Conference in London. It was a great experience, and it was nice to represent the PHA at a conference for the first time since 2012. The theme was archival rights and responsibilities, and I took away some really great information and inspiration to incorporate into the PHA in the future.

Not only have we seen a lot of exciting events past, but we have a lot to look forward to as well! For the month of July I will be hosting a segment of the Morning Show on Northumberland 89.7fm. It will focus on local historic events and personalities, as well as general research guidance. The segments will air on Tuesdays in July at 8:45am, be sure to give it a listen!

Our Annual Fundraising Yard Sale is coming up on Saturday September 12th, so get cleaning out those closets! We look forward to seeing everyone, and thank you for your support!

ERIN

“Without archives many stories of real people would be lost, and along with those stories, vital clues that allow us to reflect and interpret our lives today.” - Sara Sheridan (Author)

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD

Here we are in what I define as the middle of summer, where has the time gone? With the beginning of summer came a revamp of the outside of the Port Hope Archives. The Municipality of Port Hope planted shrubs in the gardens, pulled out some out of control rose bushes & we will be installing some new signage very soon.

As the summer progresses, the work still goes on at the Archives. One project in particular has been the raising our social media profile. Yes, the Port Hope Archives has stepped into the 21st century & we are working hard to provide access to more people.

I have been thinking a lot about all the work the Board and Volunteers have been doing and I thought that perhaps the best way to communicate what is going on is to let those working on the projects tell you about their work. So for now, instead of a letter from the Chair every quarter, various Board members & Volunteers will take a turn at giving you an insight as to what is going on behind the scenes. I hope you will agree that it will be informative and who knows, maybe it will encourage you to join Twitter!

MARIELLE

FROM THE PHOTO DATABASE



**Bankers Softball Team
Champions, 1928**

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Description: B&W portrait of the Port Hope Bankers Softball team, champions 1928.

Identified: W.C. Martin, F.C. Spicer, R.G. Melville, G.R. Fitzsimmons, G.H. Palmer, G.S. Brockenshire, S.H. McCannell (Captain), F.R. O'Neill, H.J. Tozer (Manager), R.L. Sainsbury, M.B. Bennett, A.S. Smith (Absentee), J.E. Winfield, H.G. McCurdy (Mascot), G.E. Wade, H. Munro (Absentee)

This photo and others can be found in our Flickr photostream:

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