The earliest OPENING that I find was on the last day of March, 1878, and the latest May 9th, 1874. I may say, however, that I was informed by the late David Soules, that he remembered Sir John Franklin and his party coming up the bay in boats on the 15th of March, on one of his journeys to the N. W. via Penetanguishene—in 1825, if I mistake not.

But, gentlemen, I find that I must be exceeding my limits, so here I close; leaving you to pick out any wheat you may find in so much chaff, and thanking you for the patient hearing you have given me.

