

store was also built by him some few years later. He continued the running of these enterprises, with Mr. Robinson Small as his book-keeper, until they were taken over by Mr. W. Gooderham about 1864. At that time it was no uncommon thing to see teams waiting by the dozens to unload their grain, the mill running night and day. The store also employed a considerable number of hands under the management of Mr. Sutcliffe. At that time also a large trade was done in millinery and tailor-made goods, but with the advent of the railway ten years

The hotel was built by Matthew Laidlaw over 50 years ago, who eventually reverted it to one Moses Strong; 15 years ago it belonged to Joseph Kearney, then C. Rutledge, from whom it passed to a Mr. Lougheed, later coming into the possession of Mr. Frank Sibbald who leased it to one Ephraim Hopkins, it finally being bought by its present owner, John Callaghan.

After Matthew Laidlaw left the hotel he kept a store, where Mr. Lamb's house now stands. After closing it for a few years, it was taken over by Frank Sibbald for two

In 1868, another saw mill was erected where the present one now stands by one John a Dab Hardy, who ran it a number of years, until he thought it had outgrown its usefulness, so he sold out to Thomas O'Shaughnessy, who also after running it another 20 years, saw its finish, so he sold out to Frank Sibbald, who, in taking over the store as aforementioned, disposed of it to the present owner, Mr. Lamb, and its still worthy of notice that logs are still coming to the mill and the end is evidently not yet.

There was also another store back



THE SAW-MILL OWNED AND RUN BY A. S. LAMB.

after, these boom times disappeared and the village never has nor is ever likely to again see such busy times. In 1853, an iron foundry was built by Horatio and Hughie Johnson. This was situated where the Trueman house now stands. They manufactured mowers and reapers, employing some 15 to 20 hands. That they turned out first-class work can be judged by the fact they carried off the first prize for two years at the Provincial Fair.

years; after that John Wills ran it, during whose occupancy it was destroyed by fire, and amongst the valuable contents destroyed, was a colony of bees belonging to Mr. W. Couse of Streetsville.

During the period of time that the grist mill, store, etc. were built, a saw mill was also in operation, by Mr. Simpson, situated somewhat on the site of Mr. Jackson's farm buildings, this eventually closing up. The old race being plainly seen to-day.

in these early years, directly opposite the present one. This was a grocery and liquor store, under the management of W. Elliott, and after changing hands to a Mr. Campbell, was mysteriously burnt down. J. D. Orr's blacksmith shop now occupies its site. During the time of the boom the cooper shop and foundry employed a considerable number of hands, and cottages were erected for them, adjacent and running parallel to J. D. Orr's house, most of which have since disappeared.