

trade was at its best, was possessed of considerable wealth. He is now one of the "characters" of the village—poor and alone. Previous to 1842, a Joint Stock Company had built a bridge above the present county bridge, and B. Duffy kept a toll-gate on the Island. That bridge was long since carried away by the floods and succeeding ones met the same fate, until the County Council in 1871, built the present structure. Thos. Artman was the first lawyer settling here in 1849. He is now practicing in Winnipeg, Man. In 1850, Cayuga became the Capitol of the new County of Haldimand, and in Jan. 1851, the Court House was completed and opened. This contributed greatly to the growth and advancement of the village, which for many years was a busy and prosperous place. It was during this time that the Grand River Navigation Company carried on such an extensive grain and lumber trade between Brantford and Buffalo, and Cayuga was one of the most important depots on the route. The old swing-bridge is still a part of the present structure, and the old channel can be traced all the way from here to Caledonia. With the advent of the railways, trade became diverted from the river, and when the timber in the surrounding country was exhausted, Cayuga, in common with the other villages, received a check in its progress, from which it is now (1905) only beginning to recover. The absence of water power has hitherto prevented the successful establishment of manufactures, although the Municipality has displayed great liberality in the encouragement of the manufacturing industry. Some years ago an Iron Foundry and an Agricultural Implement Factory was