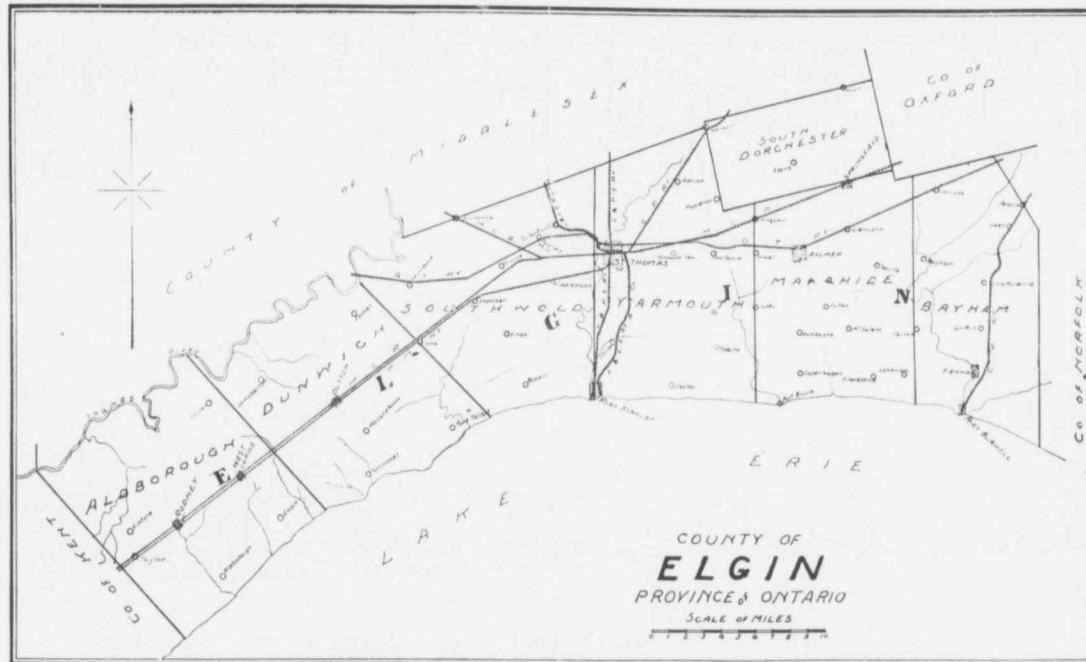


## Elgin, the Sunny Keystone County of Southwestern Ontario



The Centre of the Lake Erie Agricultural and Horticultural Districts

**E**LGIN possesses a soil unsurpassed for fertility. Lying in the same latitude as Southern France, it is blessed with a climate which, while varying from the frosts of winter to summer's heat, is most healthy and invigorating. An abundant and never-failing rainfall, coupled with a season of long sunny days, conduces to rapid growth and ripening.

Its resources and possibilities as an agricultural locality are perhaps the most unique of any county, containing, as it does within its 436,383 acres, or nearly 700 square miles, soil that divides the county into three natural belts of land, running east and west, making fruit, corn, grain, vegetable, dairying, and cattle raising sections unexcelled in any other part of the Dominion. The purchase price of improved land runs from \$50 to \$100 per acre. Good water for domestic purposes is plentiful in all parts of the county.

The man who settles in Elgin County has the assurance of liberal remuneration for his labor and capital. In addition to this, he may enjoy life in a region of beauty with a pleasing climate and may live comfortably in a rural municipality equipped with the conveniences of town or city life, schools and churches easy of access, pastimes for old and young, telephones, rural mail delivery, daily newspapers, etc. He will have as neighbors people who are desirable as friends and acquaintances. Employment can readily be secured by experienced farm hands, both single and married, at remunerative wages. Many of the farmers utilize natural gas found on their own lands for heating and lighting purposes, in addition to which a main pipe line crosses the county from which gas is available. The Government hydro-electric power line from Niagara Falls to Windsor also crosses the county, bringing electric current for light or power purposes within easy reach of all. Elgin is truly, as the poet says, a land—

“Where wealth is the prize of the strong and wise  
and health of the weary and old,  
Where you sow the seed of your enterprise  
and harvest a crop of gold.”