

Souvenir of Meadowvale.

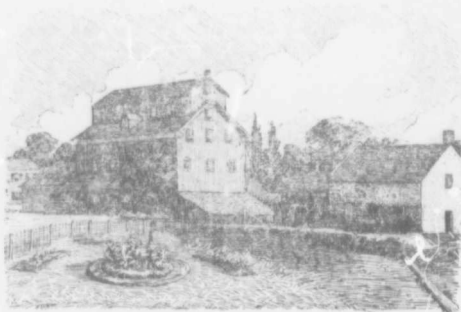
SOUVENIR.

IN getting at the facts for this Illustrated Souvenir of Meadowvale the editor has been greatly assisted by Miss M. B. Trevarrow, Mr. Frank Sibbald and Mr. Samuel Pearson. It is also worth stating that unless a majority of the residents had agreed to have their places put in, thus helping in the financial outlay, it would have been impossible to publish it at all. Hoping it will prove not only interesting as a memento to its own people, but also become a source of entertainment to visitors and others, we thus present it to you.

and massive and serviceable barns for their stock. But with all their previous success there is still no stopping, the seasons as they come and go call for work, and there is ever a pressing onward to some future day, when perhaps, fortune's sunny smile may ease down the burden of toil and one may rest as it were on their oars, and take a retrospective view of their life's work, and even if all has not been accomplished as desired, their duty done in the field into which they are called to work will always be to them, like an ever-flowing stream, a continued source of satisfaction.

the early settlers, there was very little sign of the busy life as it appears in the hamlet to-day.

When one thinks of the mail train morning and night, the Toronto daily papers, with their busy mills running and a host of industrious villagers, it is hard to imagine that the road, which is now the main thoroughfare leading to the station was but a narrow track thru the woods, and the greater part of it built of logs to keep one from sinking in the mire; even fences were not deemed necessary. The land at this time, on either side of the road between where the Methodist church



MEADOWVALE MILLS, OWNED AND RUN BY H. A. BROWN.

A Summary.

The picturesque village of Meadowvale is situated on the Credit River, five miles from Brampton, in the county of Peel, province of Ontario.

In its immediate neighborhood are to be found some of the finest farms in the county, and, as a result of which, those who guide the plow, harvest the crops and dispose of their grain, as a reward of years of toil and industry, have accumulated enough of this world's good to build substantial homes for themselves,

Early History of Meadowvale.

In looking up the records of the village, we find its history traces back to the year 1836, when the Credit River was wending its silent way thru a sea of trackless forest, on either side of which was to be found the very finest pine in that or any other day; it was so plentiful that it was actually cut into planks to become a roadbed for the principal thoroughfares of that time, and outside of a few log houses, built by

stands and the C. P. R., was owned by a Mr. John Simpson and a Mr. Crawford respectively.

Derry West was the nearest mail accommodation. On Christmas Day, 1849, there was a grand tea-meeting held in a small building that stands where the old cooper shop now stands, out of which emulgated one of the greatest temperance waves that ever swept this district.

The first frame house in Meadowvale was built by a Mr. Crawford, the one now occupied by Mr. Henry