

corner. This primitive trail supplied the place of the present Church Street for several years or till after the completion of St. James' church or the erection of the soldiers' houses forming the lines. Traces of the original road are still visible at the corner of Church and Yeo Streets where the grove is intersected by a deep cut. A few foundation stones and straggling fruit trees near the Gendron residence show where the Donovan tavern formerly stood. Beyond Mitchell's corner southward an impenetrable cedar swamp occupied the valley extending nearly to Copeland's creek. To reach La Fontaine, first called Ste. Croix, the trail was continued from Mitchell's corner round the brow of the hill back of the dwellings on east Roberts Street, following the brow of the hill to the vicinity of C. E. Wright's present slaughterhouse, where it descended to the plain, thence across to Copeland's creek. Traces of this long-forgotten thoroughfare are still plainly visible in many places along the brow of the hill. The late E. Cloutier, father of Joseph Cloutier, was later employed, with others, to cut a road through the swamp in alignment with the present Roberts Street which, for a long time, was only passable on horseback. The late Mr. Cloutier used to say a bottle of whiskey was hidden at the foot of the hill beyond Copeland's by some of the workmen which was never recovered. If still there it will form a rare memento of the undertaking.

We have before us a copy of the original survey of the Military road by Wilmot which passes the cricket ground about one mile below the garrison on the left and the site of Fraser's tavern on the right, following the lines towards Midland harbor, till nearly opposite the Currie residence. Here the road made a detour into the Yates farm, the track still plainly marked through the bush and across the Hallen (Pratt's) farm, past the site of Mundy's canteen, which is about two miles from the garrison, and down to Whalen's clearing and across in a nearly direct line to Firth's corner, where for the first time the road meets the township line. This was the only road available in this region till 1833, when Jeffrey's Hotel (the Globe Tavern) was built and a road opened from Whalen's clearing across the swamp on the township line and up the big hill into Main or Penetanguishene Street, which conforms exactly with the line between the Townships of Tiny and Tay. When this road first began to be used it was, as may be guessed, in a crude state and Mr. John Quigley states that his father, the late Sergeant Quigley, was often