

STEAMBOATS ON LAKE SCUGOG

The first steamboat to do business on Lake Scugog was the "Woodman," built by Hugh Chisholm at Port Perry for Rowe & Cotton, of Whitby, in 1850. Its first trip was made to Lindsay in 1851, Mr. Chisholm being Captain. This boat was seriously damaged by fire at the dock, and was purchased by George Crandell who repaired it.

The "Ogema" came next; built at Fenelon Falls by a man named Wallace, it was run through to Port Perry.

The "Commodore" came to Port Perry occasionally. It was built in Lindsay by George Crandell, and had a route including Lindsay, Bobcaygeon, and Fenelon Falls. Its chief business in Port Perry was in the excursion line.

The "Anglo-Saxon" was built by Rogers in Lindsay, and was sold to Sexton. The engine of this boat was built by a man named Gibson in the Port Perry Foundry, which was at that time owned by Paxton & Bigelow.

The "Stranger" was built by George Crandell and was operated until a few years ago by the Carnegie Milling Co, when it was destroyed by fire while down at Caesarea.

Capt. Bowerman built the "Cora" which is still in commission

There were two other boats which did more or less business on Lake Scugog—the "Ranger," and the "Champion."

The "Crandella" must not be forgotten. It was built by George Crandell, and ran for many years. There was another boat called the Maple Leaf. These boats did a great deal of business and some of them used to tow as many as four scows. We understand that at one time Crandell had four steam tugs on Lake Scugog.