

ferring to them in this place is because they were formerly often spoken of as the ruins of a structure belonging to the early French period. Even yet, they are sometimes referred to as such, and it is desirable to give a few words of caution against this error. Governor Simcoe was the guest of Cowan at this place in 1793. (See Macdonell's Diary in Transactions of the Canad. Institute, Fourth Series, Vol. I). On a recent occasion when the writer visited this place, the foundation of the main building could be distinctly seen, (built of stone and lime), and there were three chimnies grouped around this trading house—one apparently at either end of the building, and another at some little distance away, representing probably the bakehouse. There were other buildings near at hand, of which the foundations could be traced when Mr. Abbott first went there.

46. On Bluff Point, near Port Severn, some pottery fragments, pipes, etc., have been observed. No other relics have been found that would indicate the exact period to which this site belonged, which was doubtless quite early as the coarse fragments of baked clay vessels go to prove.