

It will be observed that the six preceding sites on the Rosemount Ridge are small, there being probably not more than a dozen camps at any of them; and there are no bonepits associated with them. But on this same high ridge, in Medonte township, about a mile south of the Tay townline, some bonepits have been found at larger villages. It is but natural to suppose that, as regards Feasts of the Dead and the formation of bonepits among the Rock Nation or Arendaronons, the small outlying villages of this group would be tributary or subordinate to the larger villages situated farther south in Medonte. The mission of St. Joachim was perhaps in this group of smaller villages.

43. At a little distance from the shore of Matchedash Bay, near Fesserton, many relics of the aborigines have been found. These were most frequently met with upon rising ground on the farm of George Bush, lot 5, concession 12, and also on lot 4. Villages situated like this, near the shores of the large lakes, mostly yield relics which have undoubtedly belonged to Algonquins of a period subsequent to the Hurons. But in the present instance, if the remains were those of Algonquins, they must have belonged to an early period—before the traders had supplied them with kettles for cooking purposes—as is amply testified by the fragments of primitive pots, made from baked clay, so commonly found at Huron sites, and also found here. At the projection of land known as Bush's Point, some refuse mounds were formerly to be seen.

44. On the opposite shore of Matchedash Bay, at Rankin's Point, on lot 6, concession 13, similar remains have been found. Here, by the shore, were also found a few graves (single burials) in which the skeletons had been buried in a crouching position. One of the skeletons was decked with a large medal, glass beads, and other trinkets done up in cedar bark, and evidently belonged to a more recent period than the Hurons. The same skeleton had unusually large proportions, and the back of the skull was found fractured, whether from accident or otherwise.

45. In a list of the antiquities of Tay, one should not omit to mention the remains called "The Chimneys," situated on lot 5, concession 13, opposite Fesserton, or rather Bush's Point, on the east side of Matchedash Bay. Jas. Abbott is the present occupant of the farm. The remains are located upon what is known as "Chimney Point," where an area of about 40 acres had been originally cleared. They constitute all that is now left of the buildings occupied from 1778 till 1793 and later by Cowan, a fur trader. The writer's purpose in re-