

The Jarvis Record

The following is a transcription of the introduction on each of the microfilm rolls of the originally filming that covers the years 1882-1969. The years 1970-1975 were from a second filming. These files were digitized in 2010 by the Jarvis Library Guild.

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The Town of Jarvis, now part of the City of Nanticoke, in Haldimand-Norfolk Regional Municipality(see Note 1), was first settled as a community after the completion of the Hamilton and Port Dover Plank Road, built between 1839 and 1843. With the railway boom in 1873 and the completion of the Great Western's Loop Line Railway, and the extension of the Hamilton and Lake Erie Railway through Jarvis, the population of that locality increased considerably. A fire in that year did substantial damage to the Village. It was rehabilitated however, and was to receive village incorporation in 1910. It was named for Lt. Col Jarvis, Aide-de-camp to Lt. Governor John Graves Simcoe.

The one and only newspaper during the Town's history before it became part of Nanticoke in 1978, had been the Jarvis Record, a weekly, and subject of the present microfilm. The paper was founded in 1878. The earliest owner and editor the writer of this introduction could locate for this paper, was **Frank N. Pettit**, and the earliest issue that could be located was that of 22nd June 1882. Possibly because this paper had no competition in the locality, it appears to have been independent politically from the beginning.

From about the mid 1880's **John W. Rodgers** took over the paper, and continued in charge of it until about 1905, when **Mrs. John N. Rodgers** assumed control. She may also be the **Mrs. Elva Rodgers** who is listed as proprietress as of 1917. She had the assistance of several business managers: **A.W. Moore**, 1911-1915, and **A.T. Michell** to about 1918. In the early 1920's the **Record Publishing Company** was formed, to be succeeded in the mid-twenties by the **Jarvis Record Printing Company**. In 1931 **George L. Miller** became the publisher, and he in turn was succeeded by **A.L. Miller**. The latter remained in control of the paper until the late 1960's or early 1970's, and by 1973 **J.A. Yule** was in charge. The paper does not appear to have lasted beyond 1978 or 1979. The newspaper currently (1984) published for the Nanticoke area is the weekly Nanticoke Times.

The newspapers appearing on this microfilm were loaned to the Ontario Archives in 1981 by **Mrs. Glen Bell** of the **Waterford Public Library**. They remain in the library's custody. The information in this introduction is in part derived from the **McKim Newspaper Guides**, and in part from the files of the **Jarvis Record**. There follows a table of contents of the issues appearing on this film.

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Year	Date	Missing	Holidays	Notes	Source
1882	22-Jun	All the rest		Vol. 4, No.25	Waterford Public Library
1883	6 Sept, 18 Oct	All the rest			Waterford Public Library
1884	20 + 27 Mar, 12 June, 18 Dec	All the rest		1884: scraps	Waterford Public Library
1888	21 Mar, 4-18 Apr	All the rest			Waterford Public Library
1889	20 Mar - 25 Dec	2 Jan - 13 Mar	25-Sep		Waterford Public Library
1890	1, 15, 22 Jan; 23 Apr; 14, 21 May; 25 June- 15 Oct; 12 Nov; 26 Nov - 24 Dec	All the rest			Waterford Public Library
1891	1, 8, 22, Jul; 5 Aug, 23-30 Dec	All the rest	23-Dec		Waterford Public Library
1894	22-Aug	All the rest		4 pages only	Ontario Archives
1900	04-Jul	All the rest			Ontario Archives
1901	16 Jan - 13 Feb; 6, 13, 27 Mar, 23 Oct	All the rest			Waterford Public Library
1902	26-Feb	All the rest			Waterford Public Library
1909	17, 24 Mar ; 2, 9, 23 Jun; 7, 14 Jul; 28 Jul - 18 Aug; 1 Sep - 12 Oct; 3-24 Nov; 22, 29 Dec	All the rest		3 Nov: pages 7 & 8 mutilated. 22 Dec: pages 3-6 missing	Waterford Public Library
1910	12 Jan - 16 Mar; 30 Mar - 28 Dec	5 Jan ; 23 Mar		11 May: pages 1 & 2 mutilated.	
1911	4 Jan - 27 Dec		09-Aug	8 Feb: pages 1 & 2 article clipped. 1 Mar: page 7 & 8, article torn out.	
1912	3 Jan - 25 Dec		14-Aug	25 Dec: pages 6-8 mutilated.	
1913	1 Jan - 31 Dec			1 Jan: 6 pages only. 31 Dec: incomplete	
1914	Missing entirely				
1915	6 Jan - 29 Dec				
1916	5 Jan - 27 Dec				
1917	3 Jan - 26 Dec				
1918	2 Jan - 25 Dec		16-Jan		

Notes (2011):

1. This was pre-2000. In January 2000 there was a re-structuring and amalgamation and Jarvis is now in Haldimand County. The City of Nanticoke no longer exists.
2. The listing of “On the Film” is inaccurate near the end of the reels.

Other Notes (2011): (Date corrections determined by looking at calendars for each year)

- Occasionally through out the history of the paper it would be published on a different day than its normal publication.
- In 1922/23 there are several issues where all that exists is the bottom half of the paper’s pages. Unfortunately there are no dates on the pages. There are some handwritten dates, but they appear to be incorrect, as one had 11th January 1923 written on it, however, there was already an 11th January for that page number. In trying to decipher the problem, it was discovered that from mid-1921 through 1923 the Issue # and year, that appear on either page 3 or 7, began to not match up with the Issue # that was on the front cover of the issue. In 1923 the issue number appears to be one number off, and the wrong year, e.g. the Feb 1st issue of 1923 is Issue #5, but page 3 says “Issue No. 4 – 22”.
- On 1922, April 20th, the paper began to be published on Thursday instead of on Wednesday.
- In 1934 there was an issue on January the 3rd **AND** one day later on January the 4th.
- In 1942 the issue dated Thursday the 4th of December should really say 3rd December.
- In 1943 the issue dated 6th January should really say the 7th of January.
- In 1946 the issue dated 2nd January should really say the 3rd January.
- In 1948 the issue dated 4th December should really say the 2nd December.