

J. W. PARSONS HOME

The three farms now owned by J.W. Parsons, W. Hodgson, and E. Ellwood comprise 111 acres which were settled by John Rodgers in 1847.

He came from Ireland, settling first at Scarbrough, near Toronto, where he married Jane Armstrong.

There were 11 children born to this union.

In 1847 he settled on the above farm.

His son Edward lived at the Hodgson place, and his other son Wm. on the Ellwood farm.

When John died his son William moved to the Parsons home and started a brick-yard.

It was one of the leading industries of that time, and nearly all the brick buildings in the community were made from there.

After Wm. Rodgers' death his brother-in-law Gideon Snyder took charge of the brick yard, later the farm was sold to J.J. Parsons.

Edward Rodgers also operated a brick yard on the Hodgson farm.

This farm was sold to John Aiken, then to Edna LePan, and then to Arthur and William Hodgson.

Mr. Hodgson operates one of the largest apiaries in Ontario.