

EMMERSON FAMILY AND STORE

Oliver Emmerson was a prominent business man in Nobleton for forty years.

Born at Donald, Ontario, he was the eldest son of Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Emmerson. Before coming to this area he worked in a chemical factory at Donald.

In July 1928 his father purchased a store in Pottageville, Ontario. It was there, while helping his father, he became interested in store-keeping.

In December 1932 he came to Nobleton and rented the store formerly operated by George Hill. Two years later he married Miss Lydia Jarvis, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Jarvis of Pottageville.

In 1939 he bought the residence owned and previously occupied by Mr. E.J. Kaake. With a few alterations it was turned into a general store and later exclusively a Groceteria until his retirement in March 1972 which completed forty years of business in Nobleton.

Oliver was a very efficient merchant and highly respected in the community, he carried first quality merchandise and endeavoured to please the public at all times.

He took a keen interest in community affairs and an active part in the church. He was ably assisted with the business by his wife Lydia.

The Emmersons have three sons - Donald who resides north of King City. Kenneth and Carl live in Nobleton.

In the fall of 1973 work was begun which reconverted the store back to a dwelling where Oliver's widow currently resides.