

COMMUNITY DRIVING TOUR

Blackstock Our Story

Blackstock Village was first known as Tooley's Corners named after its first settler. Around 1850 the name was changed to Williamsburg and to Blackstock in 1887.

At one time there were four hotels in Blackstock, one on each of the four corners of Church Street and the Old Scugog Road. Today the four corners feature the Cenotaph, and directly behind it to the west a historic stone monument to the Pioneers of Cartwright which was placed there in 1934 and dedicated by local son Dr. H.A. Bruce, Lt-Governor of Ontario at the time.

The first Cartwright settler plaque to George and Sarah Hall (1834) can be found at the corner of Edgerton Road and Wilson Ave.

The Brickyards of Egypt

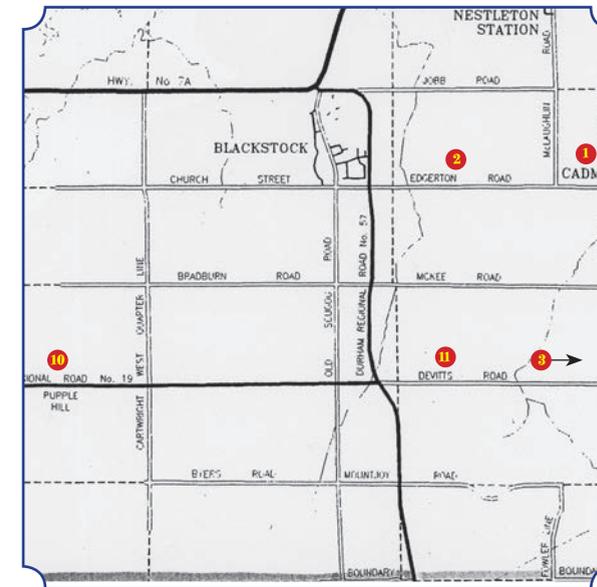
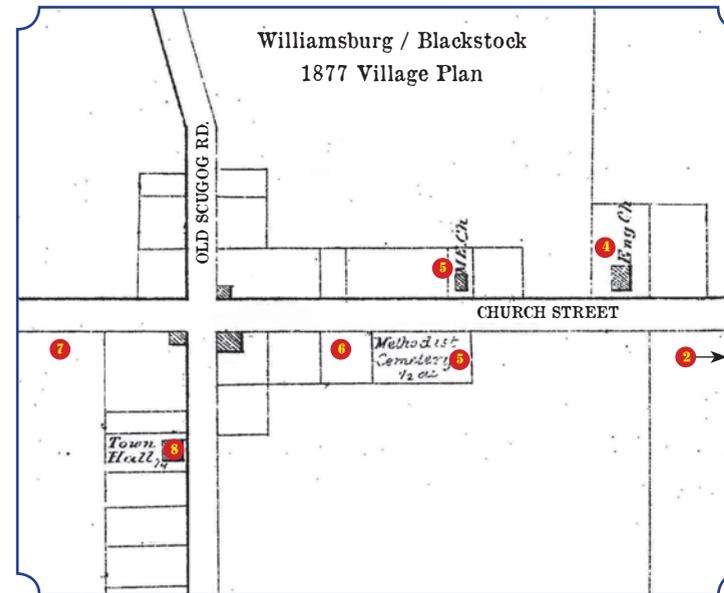
The clay brickyards ruins can be found just off the unopened Road Allowance of Church Street about 3 km west of Blackstock on private property.

The community of Egypt included not only the Bryans house but also the Bartley farmstead at 2770 Church Street and the Egypt Schoolhouse SS#8 at 2779 Church Street.



A piece of Bryan's brick.

The Bryan family came from County Fermanagh in Northern Ireland a brick manufacturing centre. Many bricks from this yard were used locally including the Anglican Church.



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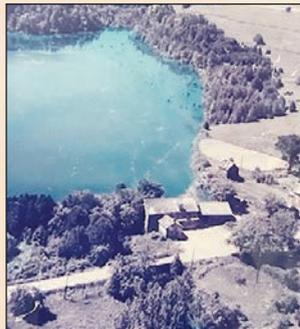


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1 Cadmus/Brown's Mill Pond

4150 Edgerton Road
Cartwright Twp.

John Brown purchased 150 acres here in 1837 and built a carding mill. It was then sold to James Fluke for a grist & saw mill. Fluke then sold to Wm Brown in 1889. At one time, Cadmus housed a butcher shop, blacksmith shop, post office and a general store.



2 St. John's Cemetery

3791 Edgerton Road.
Cartwright Twp.

There are over 1000 burials in this cemetery with the earliest being in 1834. The first wooden frame Anglican Church was built here in 1851. This church burned down in 1876 and was replaced by a brick church in Blackstock. The cemetery continues to be used to this day.



3 Durham East Cross Forest

4560 Devitt's Road
Cartwright Twp.

A Natural Core area of the Oak Ridges Moraine contains many heritage features and landforms unique to Ontario. With the help of many volunteers and Ontario Heritage Trust along with KRCA and local governments you will see restoration of this historic habitat after years of illegal dumping, fires and off-road motorized activity.



4 St. John's Anglican Church

3305 Church Street
Blackstock

Now a private residence this church was built in 1876. Bricks came from the Bryans brickyard west of Egypt on the south side of unimproved Church Street. The church steeple was removed in 1930. This parish was originally founded in 1850. The parish hall was added in 1952.



5 United Church & Cemetery

3483 Church Street
Blackstock

After a union of the Wesleyan Methodist & Bible Christian Church occurred in 1887 this church was constructed in 1887 for their congregations. The Presbyterians joined to worship here in 1920. The Methodist Cemetery across the road dates to 1837, with the last burial being in 1936.



6 Dr. John Montgomery House

3482 Church Street
Blackstock

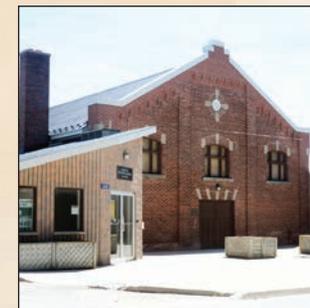
Built by Dr. Montgomery in 1870 and a doctor's house it remained until 1966. The door at the long end of the verandah led to the medical office. This brick house's Italianate style was the height of fashion in Confederation-era Ontario at the time of construction.



7 Blackstock Armouries

3440 Church Street
Blackstock

Building was constructed in 1913 - more than 100 were built across the country. It was dedicated by Lt. Col. G. Hughes. It became a recruiting and training hub for local militia before some of these young men became members of the CEF for WWI. Today it serves as a community centre.



8 Cartwright Township Hall

13940 Old Scugog Rd.
Blackstock

Originally built about 1850-54 this classic frame building stood east of the former Anglican Church. It moved to this location in 1865 and was remodelled in 1910. It served as a Township Hall and Jail until 1972 when government moved to the Armouries prior to Region of Durham formation in 1974.



9 Bryans House

2871 Church Street
Blackstock

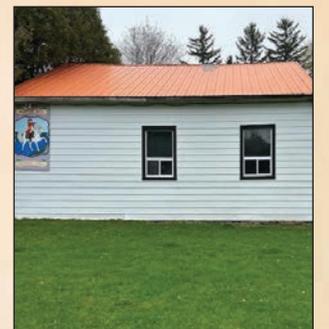
A well-restored example of an 1850's triple brick house and stone foundation barn. Robt. Bryans bought this land in 1848 and in 1855 built using materials from his own brickyard to the west. Bryans were the first farm in the Egypt community followed by the Bartley's & Wrights.



10 Purple Hill L.O.L #399

2840 Shirley Road
Cartwright Twp.

This building housed the second Orange Lodge in Cartwright Township - the others were Blackstock, Burton and Devitt's. This building was purchased in 1956 and was originally a school house. In early days Purple Hill LOL even had their own band and could be recognized by their purple and orange wedge caps.



11 Lindsay, Bobcaygeon, Pontypool Railway

3740 Devitt's Road
Cartwright Twp.

This embankment sits amid a farmer's field and is the former rail bed for a short spur-line railway of the CPR. Built in 1901 with six trains running by 1904 - three each way from Burketon to Bobcaygeon hauling lumber from the north. Railway tracks were torn up in 1933.

