Summary Sheet

IDTO - ID Number	:693103
AUTH - Report Author	:
TYFU - Tornado Type & Fuji Code	:a0
TITL - Report Title or Location	:near Shelburne
PROV - Province	:Ontario
COUN - Counties	:Dufferin
REFS - References	:Orangeville Banner
July 23, 1931	
ZOTO - Touchdown Zone Number & Easting	:17562030
NOTO - Touchdown Northing	:4890100
LOVA - Touchdown Error Value & Code	:775r
DADA - Date of Data Entry	:29/06/1990
ZOLO - Liftoff Zone Number & Easting	:
NOLO - Liftoff Northing	:
UPVA - Liftoff Error Value & Code	:
DEAD - Number of Fatalities	:
HURT - Number of People Injured	:
HERT - Injuries Code	:
DATA - Date of Tornado	:18/07/1931
DAVA - Date Error Value & Code	:
TITO - Time of Tornado	:1700
TIMR - Time Meridian	:75
TIVA - Time Error Value & Code	:45c
AXDA - Maximum Path Width	:
AXVA - Max. Path Width Error & Code	:
AVDA - Average Damage Width	:
AVVA - Avg. Damage Width Error & Code	:
SADA - Sample Damage Width	:
SAVA - Sample Damage Width Error & Code	:
INTO - Initials	:JAM
DFTO - Detailed Report Flag	:n
JUNK - PRDA & DIMO & DALE :	
CODA - Property Damage Code	:
MISC - ORDE,PICS_TYPE,PICS_AVAIL,COCO	: 2
MANY - Multiple Event Flag	:n

MEMO:No reported damage to buildings. Fields of oats and flower garden flattened. Ditches were reported to be filled with water and minnows afterwards - possibly indicating the tornado had picked up both when passing over a stream or pond.

PHEN - Associated Phenomena	:P
TSHP - Townships	:Melanchton

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DATE SAT 18.7.1931 1700 EST

LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) VICINITY SHELBURNE 0931-03

3. PATH LENGTH ☑ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1mi; ☐ 1-4mi; ☐ 5-10mi; ☐ 11-50mi; ☐ LENGTH IF>50mi

4. PATH WIDTH U 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN:

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE;

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA (Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ U 11. TOTAL DEATHS NONE

12. TOTAL INJURED NONE 13. TOTAL HOMELESS NONE

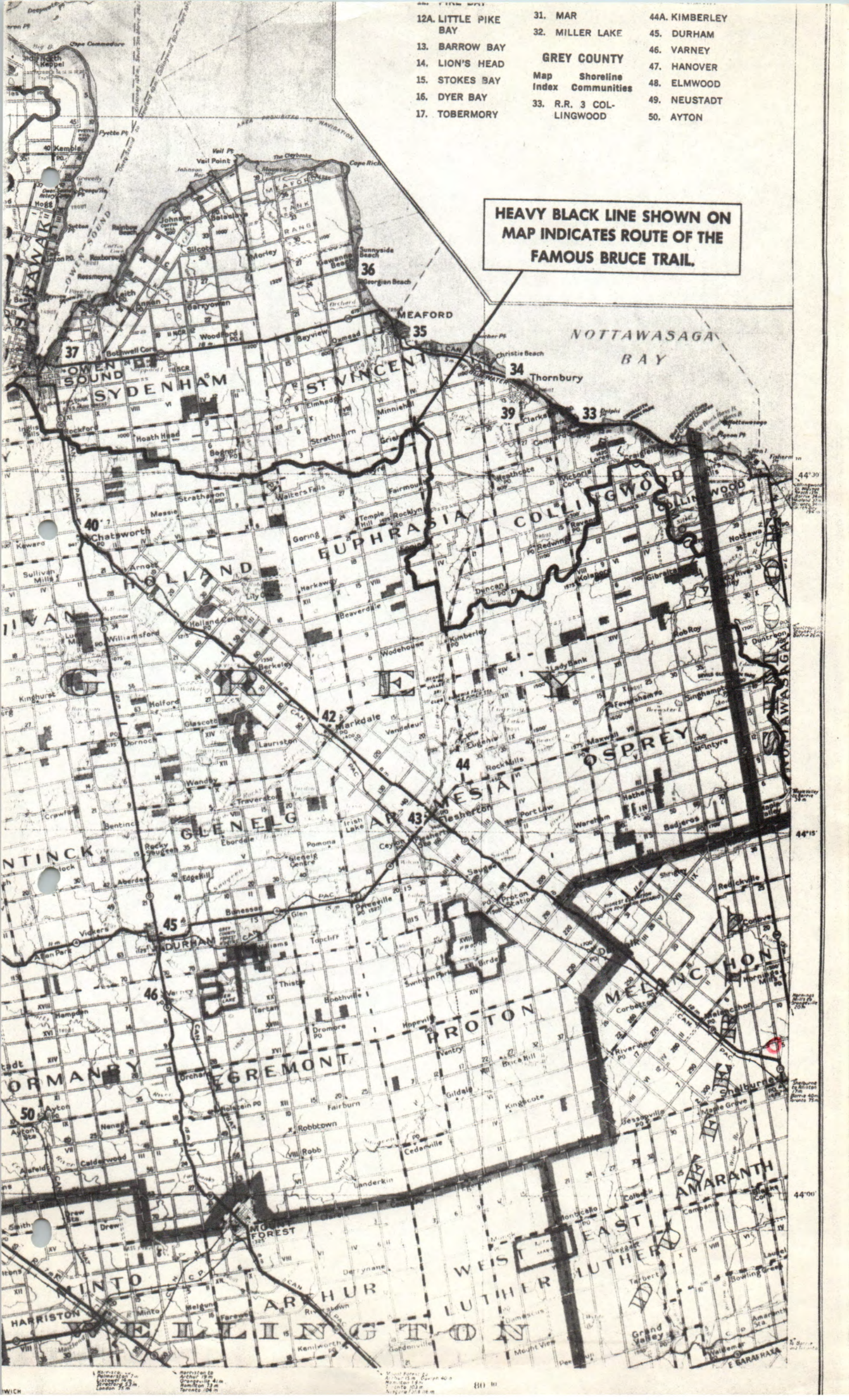
14. LIST ALL REFERENCES

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15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(a) "The waterspout with its dipping, whirling funnel"

(b) Crops flattened. Depicted minnows in a formerly dry ditch. Horse killed by lightning.


12A. LITTLE PIKE BAY
13. BARROW BAY
14. LION'S HEAD
15. STOKES BAY
16. DYER BAY
17. TOBERMORY
31. MAR
32. MILLER LAKE
GREY COUNTY
Map Index
Shoreline Communities
33. R.R. 3 COLLINGWOOD
44A. KIMBERLEY
45. DURHAM
46. VARNEY
47. HANOVER
48. ELMWOOD
49. NEUSTADT
50. AYTON
HEAVY BLACK LINE SHOWN ON MAP INDICATES ROUTE OF THE FAMOUS BRUCE TRAIL.
NOTTAWASAGA BAY
OWEN SOUND
SYDENHAM
ST. VINCENT
MEAFORD
COLLINGWOOD
EUPHRASIA
HOLLAND
GREY
OSPREY
MELANCTHON
PROTON
GREMONT
NORMANBY
DURHAM
ARTHUR
WELLINGTON
AMARANTH
EAST LUTHER
WEST LUTHER
MINTO
HARRISTON
ARAMARA

This story found by DAVE McGEE, ORANGEVILLE BANNER reporter.

ORANGEVIILE BANNER. THURSDAY JULY 23RD. 1931.

STORM DATE. SATURDAY JULY 18TH. 1931.

WATERSPOUT FLATTENED CROPS IN MELANCTHON ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Accompanied by a miniature waterspout a freak storm twisted its erratic way six miles north of SHELBURNE, late saturday afternoon. After flattening a field of oats on a farm owned by JOHN SANDERSON JR. as though a giant steam roller had passed over it. The waterspout with its dipping, whirling funnel cut across one corner of the property of JOHN KNOWLES, blotting out a mammoth flower bed as though some prehistoric beast had stepped upon it, and leaving other flower beds and garden truck almost intact. The deluge from the waterspout filled a formerly dry ditch with water, and there were minnows in it, indicating that the waterspout had come down from GEORGIAN BAY or had sucked up its flood from some nearer stream. Several fields in the more remote vicinity were flooded; one horse and one huge jack rabbit were killed when struck by lightning. Passing on, the storm damaged another farm house when lightning struck the telephone wires, entered the house through the phone box, and set fire to the curtains at the living room windows. The blaze was extinguished with some difficulty. At the height of the storm, at about 5 o'clock saturday afternoon, daylight gave way to gloom so deep that lamps had to be lighted in all the farm houses. Residents described it as the worst storm in the last 10 years.