



GEORGINA

Pefferlaw Town Plot

Duncan McDonnell surveyed the township of Georgina over the winter of 1817-18 and reserved land for a Town Plot just south of Lake Simcoe on the waterway now called the Pefferlaw River.

Surveyors were instructed to lay out town plots in the centre of a township, unless it lay on a body of water, in which case that would be the preferred site.

In Georgina, this was where the Pefferlaw River intersects Highway 48. The river here was considered to be navigable by several miles, but the lands north of this plot were marshy. This was part of the Morning Glory Swamp. This town plot property was never used as such, and later sold. The Town sprung up around the mill seat, further south, which is the present-day village of Pefferlaw.



A Patent Plan for Georgina Township, c.1818

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