

## Kavanagh's The Heart of Oldcastle

In 1822, Catherine (Downing) Lepain, sold one acre off her farm for \$1000.00 to Albert Kavanagh. It was located on Lot 302 North of Talbot Rd. (Hwy #3) and East of the Oldcastle Rd. At the same time, the Oldcastle Co-op was under construction on lot 302 South of Talbot Rd. and East of the Oldcastle Rd. Kavanagh's and the Oldcastle Co-op were strategically located on either side of the Pere Marquette (later known as the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad). The 20's marked the beginning of Oldcastle as an important agriculture hub in Southwestern Ontario.



Kavanagh's original gas station, grocery and tourist camp was later replaced by what became Jack Tasker's Oldcastle Variety Store.