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Fort Erie had it's share of what used to be called Characters, and they provided considerable amusement. One of them Mat Fowler, came to an untimely end. Mat was a shoe maker by trade, very fond of his whisky, and lost no oppertunity of indulging his appetite. Another character was ''OLD Wash''. One of his chief sources of income was for 25cents and a drink he would let anyone strike him full force on the head with a one inch plank.

"ames of people in the Village that did business with Mr. T. Rainey.

1854::; Alexander Douglas --- merchant. 1855::: Edward Lenox -- Wilson Lenox 1850::: William Cooke 1855: Hugh Howel 1850::: William Russel -- Ccal & Lumber 1850::: William Doagan 1850::: E. Morningstar 1855::: Rainsford --- General Merchandise 1850::: John Beam 1859::: John Kohl 1864::: W. Jackson 1870::: Treble 1881::: Cruikshank 1851::: Horatio Wilson 1851::: W. Abrams 1851::: James A. Dears. 1851::: William James Lamont 1851 James lamont. 1851::: Morrason