Summary Sheet

IDTO - ID Number :691802
AUTH - Report Author :
TYFU - Tornado Type & Fuji Code :c1
TITL - Report Title or Location :Laurel to Alton
PROV - Province :Ontario
COUN - Counties :Dufferin/Peel
REFS - References :Orangeville Banner
August 15, 1918
ZOTO - Touchdown Zone Number & Easting :17563000
NOTO - Touchdown Northing :4869000
LOVA - Touchdown Error Value & Code : 500o
DADA - Date of Data Entry :08/08/1990
ZOLO - Liftoff Zone Number & Easting :17574810
NOLO - Liftoff Northing :4856550
UPVA - Liftoff Error Value & Code : 400o
DEAD - Number of Fatalities :
HURT - Number of People Injured :
HERT - Injuries Code :
DATA - Date of Tornado :08/80/1918
DAVA - Date Error Value & Code :
TITO - Time of Tornado :1500
TIMR - Time Meridian :75
TIVA - Time Error Value & Code :104s
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 :y

MEMO:Barns and other buildings unroofed. Trees, fences and crops flattened.

PHEN - Associated Phenomena :
TSHP - Townships :Amaranth/East Garafraxa/Caledon

JAM, 08/08/1990

MORE INFO

TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

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1. DATE AND TIME THUR 8.8.1918 AFTERNOON

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) LAUREL TO ALTON

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: but likely

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 U

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES

THE BANNER, ORANGEVILLE. AUG 15, 1918 p7.
THE GLOBE, TORONTO. AUG 9, 10, 1918.

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

(a) none

(b) barns unroofed; trees, fences and crops flattened. Wm Rowcliffe's blacksmith shop and the Congregational church in alton both unroofed.

GEORGIAN BAY ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK
OWEN SOUND
WIARTON
HEPWORTH
MEAFORD
THORNBURY
COLLINGWOOD
WASAGA BEACH
PENETANGUISHENE
MIDLAND
COLDWATER
ORILLIA
BARRIE
STAYNER
CREEMORE
CHATSWORTH
MARKDALE
FLESHERTON
PAISLEY
TARA
SAUBLE FALLS
SHALLOW LAKE
CAPE CROKER
CAPE RICH
GRIFFITH
WHITE CLOUD I
HOPE BAY
BEAUSOLEIL
GIANTS TOMB
BECKWITH
CHRISTIAN I
SIX MILE LAKE
GRAVENHURST
ELMVALE
CRAIGLEITH
DEVILS GLEN
WASAGA BEACH (NC)
SPRINGWATER (NC)
EAGLE ROW
DUNDALK
DURHAM
HANOVER
WALKERTON
NEUSTADT
MILDMAY
TEESWATER
CLIFFORD
MOUNT FOREST
HARRISTON
WINGHAM
PALMERSTON
ARTHUR
GRAND VALLEY
SHELBURNE
ORANGEVILLE
ALTON
CALEDON
TOTTENHAM
ALLISTON
BEETON
COOKSTOWN
BRADFORD
NEWMARKET
AURORA
BRAMPTON
MISSISSAUGA
OAKVILLE
BURLINGTON
HAMILTON
STONEY CREEK
GRIMSBY
DUNDAS
ANCASTER
GUELPH
KITCHENER
WATERLOO
CAMBRIDGE
FERGUS
ELORA
DRAYTON
MOORETOWN
BRUSSELS
BLYTH
SEAFORTH
MILVERTON
MITCHELL
STRATFORD
ST. MARYS
LUCAN
LONDON
WOODSTOCK
INGERSOLL
BRANTFORD
PARIS
TILLSONBURG
SIMCOE
SPRINGFIELD
AYLMER
ST THOMAS
BELMONT
VIENNA
PORT STANLEY
PORT BURWELL
PORT BRUCE
PORT BRUCE (NC)
IROQUOIS BEACH
JOHN E. PEARCE (NC)
PORT DOVER
PORT RYERSE
NORMANDALE
FISHERS GLEN
TURKEY POINT
TURKEY PT
Long Point Bay
PORT ROWAN
LONG POINT
LONG PT
CLEAR CREEK
SELKIRK
ROCK POINT
BRONTE CREEK (NC)
Vaughan
STEELES
PIONEER VILLAGE
FINCH
ALBION RD
WESTON RD
SHEPPARD
DERRY RD
REXDALE BLVD
WILSON AVE
DIXON RD
LAWRENCE AVE

TERRIFIC RAIN AND LIGHTNING

GLOBE SAT AUG 10 1918

Rods Saved Farmer's Barn and Dwelling; Grain and Corn Leveled

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Woodstock, Aug. 9.—Late last night quite a terrific rainstorm visited Woodstock and vicinity. It was particularly severe around Hickson and Tavistock, where several trees were blown down, grain was leveled and a number of buildings were struck by lightning. The rain descended in blinding torrents and in some places the water rose three to four inches in a very short time. Trees were uprooted in the orchards of Wilfred Carf and W. E. Webber, who reside north of Hickson.

G. P. Rowe's barn was struck and the globe on the lightning rod was broken, but the bolt was transmitted to the ground. His house was also struck, but again the lightning went down the lightning rod to the ground. E. T. Rowe's barn suffered similarly.

Besides the grain the taller corn was flattened.

GLOBE FRI AUG 9 1918

Electrical Storm Sweeps North York

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Newmarket, Aug. 8.—A severe electrical storm passed over this part of the county yesterday afternoon. Trees were struck down and fell across transmission wires in the town. The service was cut off tonight because of the accident. Some damage was done on farms about the town.

LOOKS LIKE A BREAK IN HEAT

Forecast for To-day Not Quite So Warm, Says Weatherman

GLOBE FRI AUG 9 1918

The heat drive was held up yesterday by a barrage of elemental artillery in the form of local thunderstorms, which drove the thermometer back eleven points. This thunderstorm bombardment was kept up intermittently up to a late hour last night, and it is anticipated that the heat will be in retreat today—at least the Weatherman says it will not be quite so warm.

The highest point registered yesterday was 90 degrees, or eleven degrees less than was registered on Wednesday, when the temperature rose to 101. Wednesday was the second hottest day in seventy-three years for Toronto. The forecast for to-day is comforting, it is as follows: "Moderate fresh winds, some showers and local thunderstorms at first, partly fair and not quite so warm." The heat area was considerably reduced yesterday, northern and eastern Ontario being quite cool, which indicate a decided retreat in a southwesterly direction.

Notwithstanding the extremely high temperature which has prevailed during the last few days, there have been no cases of heat prostration recorded. The humidity in the atmosphere yesterday was about 80 degrees.

Hard on Water Supply.

Hot weather make greatly increased demands on the waterworks plant, and on Wednesday a new record was made, when 76,300,000 imperial gallons were consumed. This means that during the hours of greatest use Toronto was drawing water at the rate of 100,000,000 gallons, something unprecedented in the city's history.

Officials complain that some of the high consumption and consequent waste of coal is due to citizens sprinkling their lawns at other than the permitted time.

TOUCHING 101

Weather Man Thinks it Will Not be Quite So Hot To-day

GLOBE THUR AUG 8 1918

To say that it was very humid in the city yesterday is a mild statement regarding atmospheric conditions, for the sweltering citizens were subjected to a veritable Turkish bath throughout the day at a temperature of 101 degrees. It is true that there was a breeze, but it was a hot one, like the breath of a forest fire.

As it was cooler indoors than out, many people postponed their shopping trips to the city, where the congestion intensified the heat, and where toiling humanity wallowed in a sea of perspiration. A strong wind arose early in the evening, and the sunset was lurid and threatening; but the wind was scorching and the threatened thunderstorm did not develop. Flashes of lightning in the southern sky indicated that they were enjoying the refreshing showers in that direction last night.

The Weatherman stated that the intense heat was confined to the peninsula of Ontario and the States to the immediate south. The east was cool, Quebec recording a temperature of 58 degrees. The hot breezes were due to the wind traveling over the heated land to the near West. The temperature rose to 106 in London, Ont., on Tuesday, and to 104 in Detroit.

The prospects for to-day are favorable, and the prophet of the weather stated last night that the heat had gone over the top, and would be moderated to-day by thunderstorms. He was doubtful if Toronto would get any showers, as they seemed to veer off in a northerly or southerly direction. He could not account for this strategic movement of the elements, except that it might be due to the presence of some phychic disturbance in the human atmosphere.

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STORM DATE: Thursday August 8 1918.

Local News

Last thursday's storm did considerable damage in some localities. A barn belonging to Geo Johnston, 5 lots north of Laurel, was unroofed. Grain was badly flattened in some parts of Amaranth and Mono and also across the northern end of Caledon.

Alton and vicinity was visited by a terrific windstorm last thursday afternoon. The wind lifted the roof off Wm Rowcliffe's blacksmith shop and piled it on the Alton Foundry Company's building. A chimney of the latter building was blown over and some rafters and joists were splintered. Part of the roof was also blown off the old Congregational church. Many trees were blown over and fences were levelled.