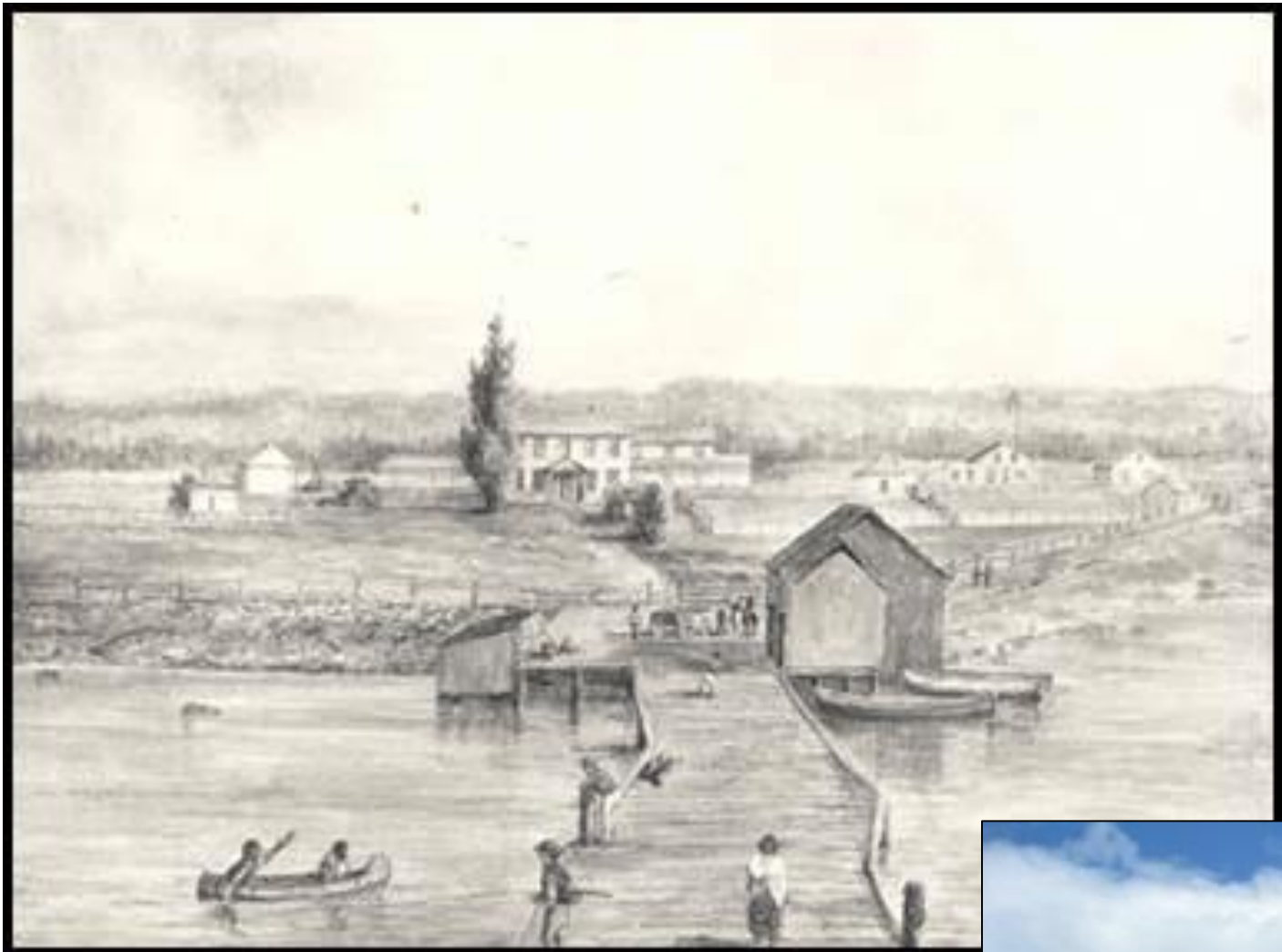


# Ermatinger•Clergue National Historic Site

## Old Stone House

Built in 1812-1814 by fur trader Charles Oakes Ermatinger, the Old Stone House is the oldest house northwest of Toronto. For many years it was the centre of social and business life in Sault Ste. Marie. Built of rough-cut fieldstone, the house is a good example of vernacular Georgian architecture.



Source: William Armstrong, Ermatinger House, Watercolour on Paper, Collection of the Art Gallery of Algoma from the City of Sault Ste. Marie, Hamilton Collection



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## Clergue Blockhouse

The Hudson's Bay Company took over the operation of the post originally constructed by the North West Company. Note the powder magazine - Clergue's Blockhouse - in the bottom right hand corner.



Source: [http://www.cityssm.on.ca/library/Photos\\_Before.html](http://www.cityssm.on.ca/library/Photos_Before.html)

Built in 1819, its fieldstone lower floor is the remains of the powder magazine of the North West Fur Company fort. The log second storey was added in 1895, by pioneer industrialist Francis Hector Clergue.



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The Blockhouse was relocated to current site in 1996 in order to prevent demolition.

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