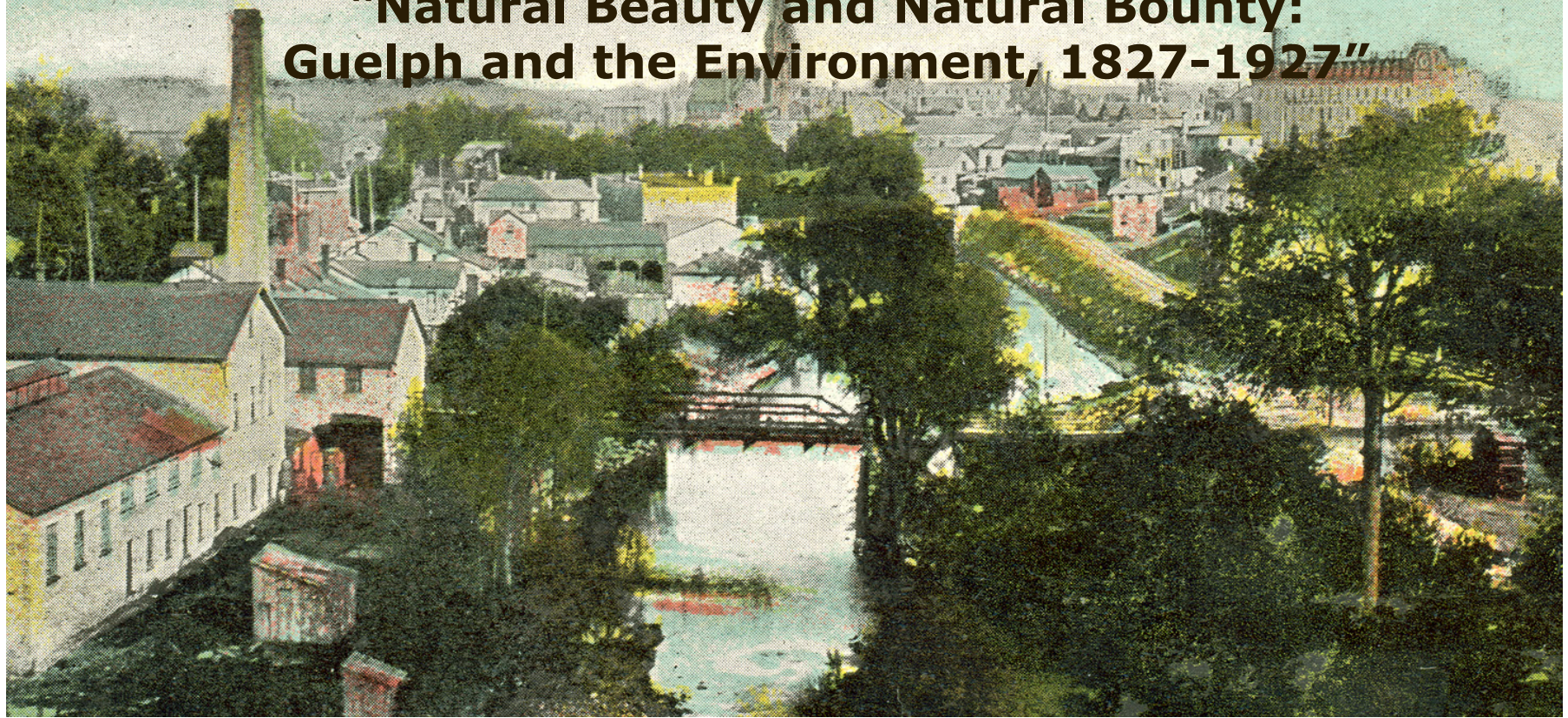


# **GUELPH HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS**

## **"Natural Beauty and Natural Bounty: Guelph and the Environment, 1827-1927"**



"View of the Speed River, Guelph, ca. 1900"  
Courtesy of Guelph Museums 1986.18.259

**Date: December 1, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Guest speaker: Dr. Debra Nash-Chambers**

**Please note the change of location for December meeting only:**

**Knox Presbyterian Church, 20 Quebec St., Guelph (Parking in Baker Street Lot)**

Debra Nash-Chambers will present an adaptation of her conference paper from the "History on the Grand: Environment and Industry Program". The lecture will explore the natural advantages of the townsite and the importance of the location and natural resources on the growth of the community, the character of its development, and the impact of industrialization on the local environment. Well into the 20th century, civic boosters praised the inherent beauty and bounty of Guelph in promotional material designed to attract workers, investors and industrialists to the city.

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