

LEFT: The Millstone Memorial. Photograph by James P. Henniger, 2005.
BELOW: A transcription of the dedication tablet at the memorial.

provements on the back of his said Lot That he has six Acres of fine meadow now ready to Mow and three acres of fine Wheat now growing on it and the last year raised on the said new clearing on the back part of the said Lot one hundred and seventy od stooks of Wheat that he has cut a road out to it and is actually preparing for his son John to go to live on it.

Christian's complaint was that "George and John Miller has petitioned for three hundred acres of the lot, that the petition has passed the board of land Commissioners in Windsor and is now sent to Halifax in order to get a grant." The result was an order that "the remainder of the said Lot No 4 containing 500 acres be granted to the two sons of the said Christian Heneigar viz. George Heneiger and John Heneiger."

Besides these five documents, there are other records of Christian's life in Nova Scotia. He appears on the 1817 census of Hants County, which shows him living with three men between 16 and 50, one boy, three women and three girls. His oldest son, James, was married and living next door.⁶⁹ From his petitions and a further record registering his livestock, we can gather that Christian was primarily a farmer. On 7 April 1831, Jacob Hennigar T.C. [Town Clerk] registered the following ear mark for the livestock of Christian Hennigar: "Be it Remembered that Christian Hennigar Ear Mark for Sheep and Swine is a Semicircular notch underneath the Left Ear." Whether the ear mark was being registered for Christian¹, Jacob's father, or for Christian² (*Christian*¹), Jacob's brother, born in 1807, is not known. Christian was also the local miller. His petition of 1810 states that he has erected a Grist Mill and "does grind the Grain of the whole settle-

"...and he did grind the grain for the whole settlement."

Christian (Henninger) Hennigar built circa 1790, a water-powered grist, lumber and shingle mill one kilometre east of this site. Sons and heirs operated the mill until 1920. Original stones from his mill form this historic monument honouring this energetic pioneer of Douglas Township.

Erected by Hennigar descendants, 1982.

67. Petition of Christian Henegar, 16 July 1825, Nova Scotia Land Papers, NSARM, RG 20, ser. A, vols. 92–93 (NSARM microfilm 15739).

68. Transcripts from Minutes of Executive Council of Nova Scotia, (2 November 1825), NSARM, RG1, vol. 2141/2 A, p. 368 (NSARM microfilm 15315).

69. 1817 census of Hants County, Township of Douglas (NSARM microfilm 13582). Hereafter all references to census or other records are to Hants County unless otherwise stated.

70. DTB, transcription, 95 (NSARM microfilm 15034).