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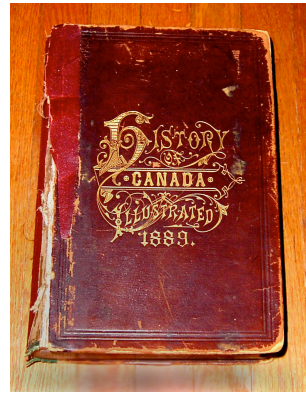
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CHAPTER II.

INDIAN RESIDENTS FROM 1580 TO 1888.

Earliest Indian Residents.—The Indian, being without a literature, knows nothing of his origin. The Frenchman and Spaniard found him here, and learning from him all he did know, gave the story to civilization as an Indian legend, while treating the new-found race historically as they found it.

The Hurons, originally the Wyandots, were at Quebec in 1534, when Jacques Cartier arrived there. Later, they formed an alliance with the Adirondacks, but when the latter joined the Southern Iroquois Confederacy (about 1580), the prestige of the Wyandots began to fade, and the dispersion of the tribe over all Canada to Lake Huron followed. Early in the 16th century, they, with some Mississaugas and members of other tribes, formed a new confederacy with villages along the Thames and Lake and River St. Clair. In 1649, this new branch of the tribe was dispersed by the Southern Confederacy. The name originates in the phrase *Quelles Hures* (What Heads), applied by the French of Marquette's time on first seeing them in their new western home. During the winter of 1615-16, Champlain visited among the tribes then inhabiting the Peninsula, formed by Lake Erie and St. Clair river. The country was then inhabited by a tribe, to whom Champlain gave the name *Neutral Nation*, or *Nation de Truite*; while the whole country west was called *Conchradum*, and after the Iroquois war, *Saguinan*. The Hurons were, undoubtedly, a branch of the great Algonquin race, which, under several names, owned Ontario from the Ottawa to Lake Huron. To this Ontario division the general title of *Iroquois du Nord* was given by the French for military and political purposes. After the great war of 1649, the Otchipwas and Mississaugas moved from the South into Canada, and the victorious Iroquois of the South returned to their original homes.

The Mississaugas are first named by the French in 1620. Prior to the Revolution they moved from the Upper Lake region and Minnesota to the country east of the Georgian Bay, and in the Albany (N. Y.) Council of 1746 they were taken into the Iroquois Confederacy as the seventh nation. Charlevoix speaks of them as having villages at Niagara, on the La Tranchée and on Lake St. Clair subsequent to 1649. They were also known as Souters or Jumpers, and at the close of the eighteenth century seemed to be the sole aboriginal occupiers of what now constitutes the Province of Ontario.

Back in the beginning of the 15th century the Mohawks, Oneidas, Cayugas, Onondagas, and Senecas, inhabiting what is now the States of New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, and roaming at will over

CHAPTER IV.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

In this chapter the story of the beginning of the various churches, now represented in the county, is told, and their establishment sketched, leaving the history of their progress to be given in that of the townships, cities or incorporated towns, where such organizations exist to-day. In a civilized country the Church is generally contemporary with settlements, and for this reason the chapter holds the next place to that dealing with the first occupation of this district by white people.

The Catholic Church—The Catholic Church in Upper Canada dates back to 1615, when four missionaries came with Champlain. One, at least, was a Recollet priest, Rev. Joseph Le Caron, and he it was, who, in 1615-16, accompanied the Governor in his tour round Canada, *via* the Ottawa, Nippissing, Georgian Bay, and the chain of lakes and rivers, from Lake Huron to the St. Lawrence, *via* Lake Simcoe. He is said to have established a Mission near the foot of Lake Huron. Eight years after, Father Nicholas Veil and Brother Gabriel Sagard traversed the same district, and in 1634 the Jesuit fathers, Breboeuf and Daniel, established a Mission on Lake Huron shore among the Hurons, with whom they travelled from Quebec, where the *Hures* were visiting. The Abbe D'Urfe and venerable Dolliere de Kleus, of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, established their Mission at the Bay of Quinte about this time, and still later, the Chapel on Lake Huron, where la Riviere Aux Saubles was founded, and, it is said, another at the Straits, just north of Sarnia, about the time Fort St. Joseph was established, where the village of Fort Gratiot now stands. In June, 1671, De Courcelles sent messages to the Indian Missions in Ontario advising them of his approach, and in 1673, Frontenac was received by the Abbe D'Urfe, and the chiefs of the Five Nations, at the Bay of Quinte.

In the second decade of this country, Edourd Petit, of Black River, discovered the ruins of an ancient building on the Riviere Aux Saubles, about forty miles from Sarnia. Pacing the size, he found it to have been 40x24 feet on the ground. On the middle of the south or gable end, was a chimney eighteen feet high, in excellent preservation, built of stone, with an open fire-place. The fire-place had sunk below the surface. This ruin had a garden surrounding it, ten or twelve rods wide by twenty rods in length, marked by ditches and alleys. Inside the walls of the house a splendid oak had grown to be three feet in diameter, with a stem sixty feet high to the first branch. It seemed to be of second growth, and must have been 150 years reaching its

of London W.; Joseph Rosser, of Ailsa Craig; Nathaniel Currie, of Glencoe, and William Shephard, of Wardsville. Of the new Deputy-Reeves, C. C. Hodgins represented Biddulph; T. B. Warren, Metcalfe; John Bradley, *vice* A. Robinson, McGillivray; James Henderson, Nissouri; Francis Elliott, *vice* Odell, Westminster; D. McKenzie, Williams E.; Wm. Rapley and James Bowley, Strathroy; Peter Toll and Geo. Heaman, London E., and Wm. Spence, London West.

The Council of 1886 comprised Duncan A. Campbell, Wm. D. Stanley, Malcolm McGugan, Andrew Sharpe, James Gilmour, James Pole, Robert Boston, Peter Elson, Benjamin Watterworth, Henry Gough, Wm. H. Taylor, J. B. Fram, Wm. H. Odell, Trafford Campbell, Simon McLeod, L. Cleverdon, W. W. Fitzgerald, Richard Shoults, Joseph Rosser, Wm. Elwood, Nathaniel Currie, Dr. Graham, John Heath, Reeves; and Patrick Murray, C. C. Hodgins, Dugald Leitch, Samuel McCracken, Duncan McLaughlin, Bray Willey, Charles Simmons, Robert Dreaney, Thomas E. Robson, Richard A. Powell, James Bell, William Webster, William S. Calvert, John Patchen, John Bradley, James Henderson, John Nixon, James Mills, Francis Elliott, Barnabas Skuse, David McKenzie, John G. James, Wm. Rapley, James Bowley, R. F. Lacey, Deputy-Reeves.

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The members of the Council of 1888 are named in the sketches of the several municipalities.

In January, 1887, B. Watterworth, seconded by D. A. Campbell, moved that the Petitioning Committee draft a petition to the Legislature praying them to so amend the act relating to the franchise and representation of the people, namely, chapter 2 of 48 Victoria, section 7, so as to extend the privilege to wage earners of voting at municipal elections as well as parliamentary.

On June 9, 1887, R. Boston, seconded by C. M. Simmons, moved that the following members of this Council be a committee to draft an address to Mr. Murray on his retirement from the Treasurership of this County, and to report to this Council the best means of showing our good will to Mr. Murray in some tangible form for his long and faithful services, *viz.*:—Messrs. S. McLeod, James Gilmour, B. Watter-

In 1846 Hugh Stevenson petitioned to have a crossing place on Dundas street, opposite Thomas Craig's book store. A plank walk from the Commissariat office to Wellington Bridge was authorized in April, 1847. In July, 1847, £300 were appropriated for improving the town.

Cemeteries.—The first burial ground was that of St. Paul's, while the Potter's Field was beyond the barracks. Another cemetery, just west of Salter's Grove, on the south side of Dundas, was abolished some years ago.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery was established in 1874 as a public cemetery. Samuel McBride was then secretary, and Wm. Saunders treasurer of the Association.

Oakland Cemetery, on Francis street, is the parliamentary name of the old Presbyterian or Proudfoot cemetery and that of the New Connexion Methodist Society, just outside Mount Pleasant burial ground. The Cemetery Company was formed in the spring of 1882, with John Plummer, president; Charles Elliott, secretary; John Mills, treasurer; with Rev. Dr. Proudfoot, Eph. Plummer, Ninian Wilson, John Tanton and J. Johnson, trustees, and Col. Moffatt, James Seale, D. Darvill and Robert Reid, a committee on improvement, all forming the Board. Mr. Webley was appointed caretaker, and work on the ornamentation of the grounds was carried out by him.

Woodland Cemetery, a recent addition to the burial grounds of the city, in Westminster, is well kept; while old St. Paul's graveyard, long since removed, was another of the fields where many early settlers were laid to rest.

The first record of interment in the London Catholic Cemetery is made under date August 18, 1850, when Felix McLaughlin, aged about 60 years, was buried; the funeral services being performed by Rev. Thadeus Kirwan. In October, Michael Flood was buried there, also Thomas O'Mara, aged 50 years; Peter Logan, aged 44 years, and James Bahan and James Christie, infants. The first interment in Mount St. Peter's was that of John Kennedy, July 16, 1857. Up to July 18, 1870, there were 929 burials in this cemetery, and since that time up to August, 1888, 1,295 burials. In 1815 a burial ground was established in Westminster on lands belonging to Peter McNames and James Sheldon, which was donated by them. This old cemetery is on Brick street, on the Commissioner's road, and is the resting place of many pioneers of London and Westminster.

Streets and Roadways.—Harding McConnell was paid £3 in August, 1843, for cutting down a hill on Bathurst street, between Ridout and Thames streets. At this time the question of "turnpiking" east Bathurst street was reported favorably. In August, 1843, William Frank was given the turnpike contract. Charles Hutchinson was granted the contract for opening York street east to the reserve from St. Paul's Church, the sum being £15 15s. 0d. The road from Wellington street east to the reserve from St. Paul's Church was ordered to be opened and graded in Oct., 1843.

Dr. James Sutton, 1876; J. M. Banghart, 1877; J. Cascaden, 1878; R. B. Hungerford, 1879; Robert McKay, 1880; William Milner, 1881; L. G. Jarvis, 1862; H. G. Lindsay, 1883; W. G. Lumley, 1884; John Simpson, 1885-6; Luke Slater, 1887; and C. N. Spencer, 1888.

St. John's Lodge, No. 20, A. F. & A. M., was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Canada, November 26, 1855, and registered as No. 14, and is now called No. 20. The following is a list of the charter members:—James Moffat, William Thorn, John T. Mackenzie, William Daniel, Joseph L. Rolfe, John McDowell, Thomas Allen, Thomas Francis. List of Worshipful Masters:—James Moffat, 1856-7; Thos. Francis, 1858; Edwin Heathfield, 1859; Thomas T. Irving, 1860-1; William Daniel, 1862; John Innes Mackenzie, 1863; John Barry, 1864; John K. Clare, 1865-6; R. Booth, 1867; James Moffat, 1868; Graham Glass, 1869; M. D. Dawson, 1870; William McBride, 1871; Robert Wallace, 1872; William Kollmeyer, 1873; R. Luxton, 1874; H. L. Kifner, 1875; John Wright, 1876; A. B. Greer, 1877; Henry Dreaney, 1878; Levi Hall, 1879; F. H. Mitchell, 1880; William McCadden, 1881-2; Joseph Hook, 1883; James Dunn, 1884; James H. Wilson, 1885; A. B. Greer, 1886; George Elliott, 1887; Joseph H. Marshall, 1888. James Moffat, P. M. W. G. M., is the only charter member left.

Kilwinning Lodge, No. 64, A. F. & A. M., was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Canada, July 30, 1856, with the following charter members:—William Muir, Wm. Gore, — Chambers, T. Wolferstan Thomas, D. McInness, C. M. Smith, S. W. Scobell, D. McDonald, S. A. Allen, T. F. McMullen, Thomas Francis, Charles Lea Davidson, A. C. Hammond. List of Worshipful Masters:—William Muir, 1856 to 1858; T. W. Thomas, 1859; John Harrison, 1860; James H. Flock, 1861; Robert Lewis, 1862; David, Glass, 1863; John Wylie, 1864-5; Robert Lewis, 1866; T. F. McMullen, 1867 and 1869; Morgan L. Morgan, 1868; John R. Peel, 1870; William Carey, 1871; H. A. Baxter, 1872; John Overell, 1873; John Ferguson, 1874; C. A. Sippi, 1875-6; Thomas Brock, 1877; R. B. Hungerford, 1878; W. R. Browne, 1879; James Smith, 1880; Rev. E. Davis, 1881; John Hargreaves, 1882; A. O. Jeffery, 1883; A. L. McMullen, 1884; Henry Sutherland, 1885; J. H. Ferguson, 1886; Peter Birtwistle, 1887; Charles C. Reed, 1888. Robert Lewis is the only charter member left belonging to the lodge.

The Tuscan Lodge, No. 195, A. F. & A. M., was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Canada, July 9, 1868, with the following members:—Thompson Wilson, John Macbeth, Gilbert L. Barnwell, James Moffat, Thomas McCracken, Edward De la Hooke, Thomas D. Mahon, John Beattie, Charles Hutchinson, John Henry Jackson, E. B. Griswold.

The first master was Thompson Wilson, 1868; Alfred G. Smyth, 1869-70; James Moffat, 1871; George S. Birrell, 1872; Edward De la Hooke, 1873-4; Charles Richardson, 1875-6; A. W. Porte, 1877; R. W. Smylie, 1878; Charles F. Goodhue, 1879; Charles S. Hyman,

CHAPTER XXI.

DORCHESTER TOWNSHIP.

Dorchester North is bounded on the south by Elgin County, north by Nissouri Township, east by Oxford County, and west by Westminster and London Townships. The name dates from the division of the original township, as stated in the chapter devoted to transactions of the county authorities. In 1888 there were 51,391 acres assessed, 10,107 acres of woodland, 1,050 swamp or waste lands, and 489 acres of orchards. The value of real estate was \$1,668,985, and, of personal property, \$71,450. The population was placed at 3,403. The number of births was 276, and of deaths, 45.

The south branch of the Thames enters at a point north-east of Putnamville, and, flowing westwardly, leaves the township at the south-east corner of London Township. Several creeks, such as Reynolds's, Dingman's and Caddy's Creeks, nearly all tributaries of the Thames, rise north and south of the river, while Kettle Creek may claim to have its headwaters here, the stream assuming river shape at Belmont, in the south west corner. In Concessions 1, 2, 3, and 6, are several large ponds. South of Dorchester Station an artificial expansion of the creek for mill-dam purposes exists, and near the line of London Township a few small ponds are found.

The township was organized at an early date and officers appointed by the Quarter Sessions Court. As the story of this organization has already been told in the general history, and some references made to it in the sketches of Delaware and Westminster townships, we will take the only records now known of in the clerk's office, for its organic history from 1850 to the present time. The first record is dated January 21, 1850. At the meeting of that date, Wm. Niles was chosen reeve, and Jacob Cline, deputy; O. M. Maybee, clerk; John Wismer, assessor for South Dorchester; Wellington Crouse, for North Dorchester; John Howe, collector; Robert Southerland, auditor; Joshua Putnam, treasurer; Edward Shepherd, school superintendent; Wm. McClary, road surveyor. The Council comprised the reeve and deputy, with William H. Niles, John McArthur, Edward Dundas, and Robert Craik. In March this Council approved of the north-west corner of Lot 12, Concession 15, South Dorchester, as the site of the new school-house. Wm. Marsh was granted £2 for assessing the township in 1849, and by-laws No. 1 to 7 inclusive, were signed.

In May, 1850, the township seal was adopted, the words "Industry, Dorchester Municipality," being the motto suggested by W. H. Niles. In 1851 the council comprised John Gregory, John McArthur, John English and Robert Craik, with A. J. Armstrong, clerk. In December

collector. In 1877, N. Currie was reeve, with Messrs. Clanahan, Rathburn, Walker and James Harris, councilmen. In 1878, D. Ferguson was appointed auditor, and, in 1879, Dr. Lumley and J. C. Lawrence; A. McKellar was elected councillor. In 1880, J. C. Lawrence was elected councillor, *vice* Clanahan, and A. Riddell, auditor. The Council of 1881 comprised:—J. Rathburn, reeve; D. B. McRae, George J. Fryer, A. Clanahan and M. Leitch. In 1882 James Harris took Mr. Fryer's place

Eli Griffith, first chief of the Fire Department, resigned in January, 1883, and he with George Harris, J. W. Campbell and D. B. McRae formed the council, Mr. Rathburn being still reeve. In 1884, John Y. Foster took Mr. Harris's place in the council, otherwise it was unchanged; but in 1885, Malcolm Leitch, D. Cameron, J. W. Campbell and George Dobie were returned, and N. Currie was chosen reeve. In 1886, Messrs. Currie, George Dobie, Wilmot Swaisland, John A. Leitch and J. W. Campbell formed the council—succeeded in 1887 by George Dobie, John Y. Foster, John McMillan and George Huston, councillors. In 1888, J. Rathburn was elected reeve, Dr. John Walker, John P. McMillan, R. C. Vause and George Dobie, councillors.

Commercial.—The leading business men in 1878–80, with date of settlement in the county, are given as follows:—Nicholas Currie, reeve, 1826; J. W. Campbell, 1859, Glencoe bank; G. C. Clark, 1874, and W. D. McDonald, 1873, hotels; R. Clanahan, 1870; George Dobie, 1846; Alexander Dobie, 1867; L. Frederick, 1868; John F. McRae, 1870; Hugh McKinnon, 1864, merchants and dealers; Geo. Freele, 1867, boot-manufacturer; Harrison & Rathburn, 1868, bankers and grain-dealers; Thomas Harris, 1865, blacksmith and livery; Dr. W. G. Lumley, 1870, postmaster, telegraph agent and druggist; Malcolm Leitch, 1867, tailor and magistrate; Dr. Duncan McIntyre, 1867; John McNeil, 1853, tailor; John McRae, 1854, lumber; Robt. Wright, 1875, watchmaker; S. J. Walker, 1838, cheese-manufacturer; W. H. Simpson, 1838, carpenter; D. B. McRae, 1869, carriage-maker; M. W. Prosser, 1875, agricultural works; J. Oldrieve, 1869, wagon-maker; Matthew Toon, 1870, butcher and drover; Rev. G. MacEachran, M. G., 1875; W. Swaisland, deputy-registrar; George Wilson, D. C. of D. Court; W. Sutherland, 1848, editor of *Transcript*; George Corneil, a settler of 1833, resided in the town in 1878.

Buildings.—The West Middlesex registry building was erected in 1871, but it was constructed on such poor principles that the floor rotted away, so that ten years later it had to be subjected to a thorough course of repair. The site cost \$150, and the building \$1,335.

In August, 1875, Andrew Clanahan purchased the lot adjoining the old post-office, on the north-east corner of Main and McKellar streets, removed the Leitch tailor shop and residence, and began the erection of the large brick block which now stands there—the brick used being from Southin's yard at Strathburn. During the ensuing four years a few buildings were added to the village; but in 1879–80

\$1.25 per day, or \$20 by the month, for short terms. For engagements covering six months of the summer about \$16 per month was the usual rate for a laborer of average ability and experience. The highest rates are paid in the northern districts, probably owing to the fact that these localities are nearer than others to the lumber region, and to railways in process of construction, where the demand for labor is greater.

Although the introduction of improved machinery, and the dullness in lumbering operations, and in the construction of public works, have resulted in reducing the cost of labor in farm management, there is as yet no solution of the domestic servant problem on the farm. Correspondents complain that servants girls are scarce, and cannot be induced to remain, owing to the greater attractions that are offered them in cities and towns. Many of the remarks are far from complimentary to the girls; but these latter might be able to give evidence which would tend to throw more light on this question of the general scarcity of female help in the Canadian farm-house. A chapter on Canadian farm life, written by the farmer's wife, daughter or hired girl, might possibly show why many of the last-named prefer the town or city to the toiling and moiling of the rural kitchen, the dairy and the barnyard. Immigrant girls that are brought out to the farms soon find their way to the towns as a rule, and refuse service in the country. The average monthly rate of wages for the province to servant girls for 1887 is \$6.05, and the average weekly rate for the five years, 1882-6, is \$1.52.

The cheese factories of the county in 1887 are as follows:—

| TOWNSHIP. | LOCATION. | OWNER. | POST OFFICE. |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Adelaide | Adelaide | Russell Smith | Keyser. |
| | Kerwood | James Beckton | Kerwood. |
| | Mud Creek | R. J. Coulton | Springbank. |
| | Victoria | John L. Fuller | Watford. |
| Biddulph | Cedar Vale | Michael Blake | Sec. Elginfield. |
| | North Middlesex | George W. Fox | Sec. Lucan. |
| Caradoc | Caradoc | W. E. Sawyer | Sec. Mt. Brydges. |
| | Mt. Carmel | D. Leitch | Strathroy. |
| | Muncey Road | Samuel Price | Sec. Muncey. |
| Delaware | Delaware | William Field | Sec. Delaware. |
| Dorchester N. | Burnside | S. Barr | Sec. Mossley. |
| | Dorchester Station | Tobias Eckhardt | Dorchester Sta. |
| | Gladstone | J. B. Lane | Treas. do. |
| | Gore | James Smith | Crampton. |
| | Harrietsville | Francis Kunz | Sec. Harrietsville. |
| Ekfrid | Thames | J. A. James | Cheesemaker. Nilestown. |
| | Appin | James McFie | Treas. Appin. |
| London | Mayfair | James G. Begg | Melbourne. |
| | Devizes Union | R. Elliott | Cheesemaker. Plover Mills. |
| | Geary | John Geary | Prop. London. |
| | Melrose | David Sells | Ferguson. |
| | North Branch | A. J. Kernohan | Sec. The Grove. |
| | Proof Line | John B. Muir | Sec. Arva. |
| Metcalf | Union Hill | R. H. Harding | Sec. Thorndale. |
| | Napier | John Hutton | Sec. Napier. |
| | Sifton's | William Sifton | Strathroy. |
| | Wilson's | Francis Wilson | do. |

16 shillings; Wm. Mackle, 8 shillings; Wm. Searl, 16 shillings, P. Williams, 8 shillings; Robt. Grant, 5 bushels wheat; Wheeler Cornwall, 12 shillings; John Asking, sr., 10 bushels wheat; Andrew MacIntosh, 10 bushels wheat; Peter Baby, 10 bushels wheat; F. Baby, 5 bushels wheat; Wm. Smith, 5 gallons whisky; James Wood, £1 10s.; James Allen, 16 shillings; Robert Innes, 5 bushels wheat; Wm. Gilkinson, 16 shillings; John and James McGregor, 20 gallons whisky; J. and B. Baby, 20 bushels wheat; Wm. Forsyth, £1 12s.; Moses David, 5 bushels wheat; R. M. Marchand, 5 bushels wheat; Rev. R. Pollard, £1 4s.; and Wm. Harris, 16 shillings. These made up a total subscription of £26 2s. in cash, 563 bushels of wheat, 44 gallons of whisky and 11 days' labor.

Early Fair Premiums.—On October 7, 1851, at the old fair grounds, east of the city, the following premiums were awarded, the ladies' exhibit being shown in the market-house in London:—

Class I.—Best span of mares, William Grieve, £1 5s.; second best span of mares, William Routledge, £1; third best span of mares, Donald Fraser, 15s. Best brood mare, James Nixon, £1; second best brood mare, Christopher Walker, 15s.; third best brood mare, John Wilson, 10s. Best two-year-old filly, John Bogue, £1; second best two-year-old filly, Francis Nichol, 15s.; third best two-year-old filly, James Ray, 10s. Best two-year-old gelding, £1; second best two-year-old gelding, Alexander Kerr, 15s.; third best two-year-old gelding, Leslie Pearce, 10s. Best yearling colt, Christopher Walker, 15s.; second best yearling colt, Donald Durand, 10s.; third best yearling colt, George Douglass, 5s. Best foal, Peter Graham, 15s.; second best foal, Christopher Walker, 10s.; third best foal, Richard Stephens, 5s.

Class II.—Best milch cow, George Robson, £1 5s.; second best milch cow, Christopher Walker, £1; third best milch cow, Charles Coombs, 15s. Best three-year-old heifer, £1; second best three-year-old heifer, Francis Nichol, 15s.; third best three-year-old heifer, Mr. Locke, 10s. Best two-year-old ox, Stephen Summers, £1; second best two-year-old ox, Leslie Pierce, 15s.; third best two-year-old ox, Daniel Mann, 10s. Best yearling ox, John Stiles, 15s.; second best yearling ox, Leslie Pierce, 10s.; third best yearling ox, Mr. Martin, 5s. Best yoke of working oxen, Joseph Hughes, £1 5s.; second best yoke of working oxen, James Nixon, £1; third best yoke of working oxen, Francis Nichol, 15s. Best yoke of three-year-old steers, John Little, £1; second best yoke of three-year-old steers, George Robson, 15s.; third best yoke of three-year-old steers, George Belton, 10s.; fourth best yoke of three-year-old steers, George Robson, 5s. Best bull calf, Francis Nichol, 15s.; second best bull calf, Christopher Walker, 10s.; third best bull calf, Mr. Locke, 5s. Best heifer calf, William Martin, 15s.; second best heifer calf, John Wilson, M. P. P., 10s.; third best heifer calf, William Steele, 5s. Best fat ox, George Pegler, £1 5s.; second best fat ox, James Baird, £1; third best fat ox, James Baird, 15s. Best fat cow, Anthony Pegler, £1 5s.; second best fat cow, Wm. Steele, £1; third best fat cow, John Elson, 15s.

BIOGRAPHY.

ALEXANDER S. ABBOTT.

Thirty-two years passed in sincere and earnest endeavor to thoroughly discharge every duty of the position which he has occupied, has been a marked characteristic of Mr. Abbott's career in life. He was born in County Galway, Ireland, June 30, 1812. His father, Samuel Abbott, was a native of the same county, and his mother, whose maiden name was Mary Guinning, was the daughter of Rev. Alex. Guinning, who was pastor of Castle Blakeny Church for over sixty years, and who lived to be over fourscore years and ten. There were seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Abbott, Alexander S. being the second son and child. Until thirteen years of age his time was spent in obtaining an education. He then became an apprentice to the dry goods business in his native town, and served in this capacity for seven years. In 1843 he was induced by an uncle, Rev. William Hodson Guinning, who was pastor of a church in Lambspond, to emigrate to Canada. This he did, and settled in London in 1843, where for forty-five years he has made his home. Previous to this, April 16, 1834, he married Miss Dorinda Ruxton, a daughter of William R. Ruxton, of the Royal Engineer Department. To them were born eight children, seven of whom are now living, viz.:—Keziah, who married James G. Binly, a prominent jeweller of Hamilton, Canada; Samuel W. and Hodson G., of the city of London; Alexander R., in Illinois; William, a jeweller, at Decatur, Ill.; Dorinda, now the widow of Andrew J. Tulley, and Henry Randolph, a prominent dentist of London. One daughter, Lottie, died in 1876. After coming to London, Canada, Mr. Abbott engaged in business, which he continued until the fire of 1845. He then received the appointment of tax collector, and what time he was not thus engaged he acted as salesman behind the counter. In September, 1856, he received the appointment of City Clerk, and notwithstanding the many changes in municipal affairs, Mr. Abbott still occupies this position. It is but the truth when we make the statement that a more painstaking, competent official is not to be found in the Dominion, and long may he be found in his present position. Although somewhat advanced in years, his eye is not dim, neither is his natural force abated, and his records are models of neatness and legibility. In his religious preferences, Mr. Abbott is a mem-

ing up the soil. He has 115 acres of land, and has one of the best and most pleasantly situated farms in the township. His great grandfather was a clergyman of the Church of England, and immigrated from Sussex to New Hampshire. Mr. Sumner has in his possession a six pound iron cannon ball which was fired across the Niagara river from Lewiston to Queenston in the War of 1812, and was picked up the next day after the battle by William Sumner, an uncle of the subject of this sketch.

REV. WILLIAM ROSS SUTHERLAND.

Rev. William Ross Sutherland, one of the leading men of the Presbyterian Church, is a native of Scotland, born July 19, 1823, and son of Hugh and Janet (Ross) Sutherland, both natives of the Highlands of Scotland. The father was born in 1782, and died in Nova Scotia in 1834. He was married in Scotland to Miss Ross, who was born in 1781 and died in 1844. The family immigrated to Nova Scotia and settled in Pictou, where their son, William Ross Sutherland, attended the Pictou Academy, and later the Edinburgh University, and Knox College at Toronto. He was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Hamilton in 1847, and in February, 1848, he was ordained pastor of Knox Church, in Ekfrid Township. After being pastor of Knox Church for more than thirty-five years, and having the largest pastorate in Western Ontario, he resigned his charge in 1884. He was united in marriage, in 1850, to Miss Elizabeth McBean, daughter of Alexander McBean. Mrs. Sutherland died in 1857, leaving three children. In 1859, Mr. Sutherland chose for his second wife Miss Mary Ann, youngest daughter of Alexander Ross, of Embro, Ontario. Thirteen children were the result of the second marriage, nine of whom are living—three sons and six daughters. Mr. Sutherland settled where he now lives in 1851, and is the owner of 102 acres of well-improved land.

JAMES F. SUTHERLAND.

James F. Sutherland, builder and contractor and dealer in lumber, lime, plaster, &c., at Mount Brydges, and son of William and Jane (Francis) Sutherland, was born in Caradoc Township, Middlesex County, Ontario, October 2, 1850. The parents were natives of Scotland and Ireland, respectively. The father came to this country at the age of eighteen, located in Caradoc Township, where for many years he was a successful tiller of the soil. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, and died in 1868. His son, James F. Sutherland, was married in 1879 to Miss Annie Richardson, daughter of L. R. and Catherine Richardson, natives of England and Ireland, respectively. Mr. and

APPENDIX
Listing of Biographies.

Alexander S. Abbott.
Murray Anderson.
James I. Anderson.
Henry Anderson.
Joseph Andrews.
William E. Ardiel.
Richard Ardiel.
William Henry Armstrong.
James Armstrong.
Henry Arnott, M.D.
William Ashbury.
Atkins & Manness.
Daniel P. Aylsworth.

Egerton Robert Baines
Maurice Baldwin.
J. D. Balfour, M. D.
Luther Barnard.
B. F. Bartlett.
William Henry Bartram.
D. J. Batzner.
Robert Baty.
J. H. A. Beattie.
Edward Beattie.
Nelson Beaver.
Frederick Marlett Bell-Smith.
N. E. Beemer, M. D.
Edmund Beltz.
W. J. Birks.
Peter Birtwistle.
Josiah Blackburn.
Stephen Blackburn.
William Blinn.
Robert Bodkin.
John Bogue.
William Bowman.
John Bowman.
Harry J. Boyd.
John Boyd.

P. F. Boyle.
Amos Bradford.
William Brient.
Alexander A. Brodie.
Samuel R. Brown.
W. Y. Brunton.
Thomas Bryan.
William F. Bullen.
Richard Maurice Bucke, M. D., C.
M., F. R. S. C.
D. Burleigh Burch.
Captain James Burgess.
Patrick J. Burke.
George Buttery.

Matthew Caldwell.
John Callard.
Lud. K. Cameron.
A. D. Cameron (Deceased).
Dr. Cl T. Campbell
A. A. Campbell:
George Campbell.
Angus Campbell.
Philip F. Canniff.
Hon. John Carling, M. P.
Robert A. Carrothers.
William Caw, M. D.
John H. Chapman.
John Kingsley Clare.
Duncan Clark.
Richard Coad.
Thomas Coffey.
Henry Colerick, Sr.
Charles Frederick Colwell.
William C. Coe.
Frank Cooper.
John Cooper.
Philip Cook.
John Coote.

John M. Corneil
Albert T. Corp.
John T. Coughlin.
William Cousin.
J. M. Cousins.
James Cowan.
David Craig.
Robert Creamer.
Right Reverend Benjamin Cronyn.
Verschoyle Cronyn.
William Cross.
J. B. Crozier.
John Frederick Cryer.
John W. Cryer.
Thomas Cuddy.
Edward S. Cummer.

Lawrence Henry Dampier.
John Darrach.
Thomas G. Dayey.
Almon C. Davis.
Eli L. Davis.
Daniel Davis.
William R. Davis.
Richard J. C. Dawson.
Lieut.-Colonel M. D. Dawson.
Joseph S. Deacon.
. Professor John F. Dean.
John Dearness.
Charles Decker.
Benjamin V. Demaray.
John M. Denton.
George Dobie.
John C. Dodd & Son.
John Doyle.
William H. Davis.
Robert Dreaney.
Capt. Henry Dreaney.

W. D. Eckert.
Henry Edwards.
Samuel Eichenberger.
Charles H. Elliott.
John Elliott.
Joseph H. Elliott.
John F. Elliot.
George C. Elliott.
William Ellwood.
George Elms.
Richard Elson.
Peter Elson.
Walter M. English.
Colonel John English.
Frederic W. Errington.
James Essex.
Dr. William Evely.

A. G. Fenwick, M. D.
John Ferguson.
John W. Fetherston.
Alexander Findlay.
William Weir Fitzgerald.
Frederick Ardell Fitzgerald.
Pirney Flint.
James H. Flock.
Samuel Flory.
John Forrestal
Charles James Fox.
William Francis
Hon. James H. Fraser.
John Fulcher.

Robert Galbraith.
Joshua Garratt.
William m. Gartshore.
Joseph Gatecliff.
H. E. Gates.
John Geary.

Robert Geary.
William Geddes.
William Gerry.
John M. Gibbs.
Richard Gibson.
Thomas Gillean.
John Gillson.
William Glass.
Charles F. Goodhue.
Kenneth Goodman.
Thomas Gordon.
Charles S. Goulding.
R. M. Graham.
Stephen Grant.
James Grant.
William Grant.
Thomas d. Gray.
Newenham P. Graydon.
The Green Family.
James w. Green.
Benjamin Watson Greer.
John E. Griffiths.
Samuel Grigg.
George M. Gunn.
George M. Gustin.

Surgeon Matthew J. Hanavan, I.S.C.
John Henry Hanley.
Steward Harris.
George M. Harrison.
Henry Haskett.
Jacob Hawkins.
John Hayman.
William Hayman.
Andrew S. Heake.
James Healey.
John Heaman.
George Heaman.
T. J. Heard.

William H. Heard.
George W. Heatly.
M. Heaton.
R. Henderson.
James M. Henderson.
Thomas C. Hewitt.
Alexander Hilton.
George T. Hiscox.
William Hockin.
Charles C. Hodgins.
Joseph Hook.
Thomas Howard.
Joseph Howlett.
Robert Hueston.
Rev. Wintworth D. Hughson.
William Washington Hull.
Charles Hunt
Charles Hutchinson.
St. John Hyttenrauch.

William Ireland.
Richard Irvine.

Minchin Jackson.
Robert W. Jackson.
William Jacobs.
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Albert O. Jeffery, LL.D., D.C.L.
Jeffery Brothers.
Samuel Jenkins.
John Johnstone.
Henry M. Johnstone.
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John W. Jones.
William Jones.

John Kay.
Patrick Kelly.
James Kennedy.
John Kent.
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Frank Kirchmer.

R. F. Lacey.
Robert Larmour.
Frederick Thomas Lawson.
Hon. Elijah Leonard.
George Lethbridge.
Robert Lewis.
Frank Walder Lilley.
John W. Lockyer.
Henry Dawson Long.
Jeremiah Loughlin.
William Gibson Lumley, M. D.
James S. Luney.
T. H. Luscombe.

Rev. Thomas Macadam.
Colonel John Macbeth.
Hugh McCallum, m.D.
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John G. McClary.
Arthur E. McClary,
Peter McCann.
Huge McColl
Andrew McCormick.
D. G. MacDonald.
Jerry McDonald.
Thomas McDonough.
Andrew M. McEvoy.
Robert McEwen.
Daniel Macfie.
James Walker Macfie.
Thomas McHattie.

John R McIlwain.
Peter Paul McKellar.
A. McKellar.
D. G. Mackenzie.
Donald McKenzie.
DR. A. Maclaren.
James and John McMartin.
John McPherson.
Dugald McPherson.
Alexander McQueen.

George G. Magee.
James Magee.
George J. Mahler.
George T. Mann.
Mark Mann.
Jacob J. Manning.
Henry Mathewson.
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Andrew Meekison.
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David Patrick.
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George Robinson.
Thomas Robinson.
Thomas e. Robson.
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George Routledge.

Nelson Sage.
W. H. Sanborn.
David Sare.
Isaac Sargent.
John Scandrett.
Leonard H. Scandrett.
George Scates.
Henry Rapleje Schram.
Samuel Sreaton.
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William H. Smith.
Edward Smith.
William. Smith.
John Joseph Smith.
John B. Smyth.
Albert Smith.
Joseph Smith.
John W. Smyth.
Lemuel Snelgrove.
William D. Stanley.
Samuel Stewart.
Angus C. Stewart.
John Stephenson.
Samuel P. Stringer.
Alexander Stuart.
John Sullivan.
Robert Summers.
Ralph B. Sumner.
Thomas Sumner.
Rev. William Ross Sutherland.
James F. Sutherland.

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John Taylor.
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Richard Thompson.
William Thompson.

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Charles E. Thorn.
Rev. Father M. J. Tiernan.
Peter Toll
Richard Tooley.
Richard M. C. Toothe.
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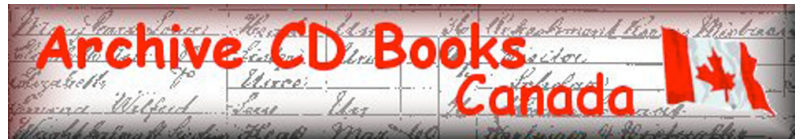
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