

an old man, and there is no decrepitude in his thoughts. That he may have another decade of active service in the "vineyard" must be the prayer of every Christian who knows, or has heard of, Bishop Medley. The Rev. C. S. Medley, rector of Sussex, and elsewhere mentioned, is a son of this venerable man of God, by his first wife, Christiana Bacon, to whom he was married in 1827, and who died in 1842. He was married a second time in 1863, to Margaret Hudson.

EDWARD SIMPSON,

GAGETOWN, N. B.

THE subject of this sketch was born in the village of Gagetown (where he is now serving as postmaster), on the 13th of September, 1825. He belongs to a family somewhat noted for its longevity, his father, Jerard Simpson, dying at seventy-eight years of age, his grandfather at eighty-eight, and a great-uncle at past ninety. The last named ancestor was connected with the Bank of Plymouth, England, and attended regularly to his duties in connection with that institution till within two years of his demise. The mother of Edward Simpson was Mary McMullin, a native, like her husband, of the county of Fermanagh, Ireland, and they came to this country before they were married. The son was educated at the Madras school, his range of studies embracing the common English only; he subsequently enlarged his stock of knowledge outside the school-room; learned the trade of a house-joiner, being apprenticed to Thomas M. Tilley, father of the present minister of finance; and followed that trade until 1865, in September of which year he was appointed to his present office of postmaster: he was holding the treasurership of Queen's county at that time; and since the Municipal Act has been in force he has held, in addition, the office of secretary of the county—the secretary-treasurership being one office; he also held commissions of captain and adjutant in the Queen's county militia for a number of years.

Mr. Simpson has never been backward in identifying himself with public interests; has done a good deal of gratuitous work as a trustee of the public schools, and he is now acting as secretary of that board. Probably no man in Gagetown takes a greater interest than Mr. Simpson in this his native village. He is a member and trustee of the Methodist church, a somewhat active temperance man, and a truly valuable member of society.

His wife was Elizabeth Ebbett, of the parish of Hampstead, Queen's county, N. B. They were joined in wedlock in 1853, and have had eleven children, only six of them now living.

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,

ST. ANDREW'S, N. B.

THE oldest postmaster in the Dominion of Canada, and probably in North America, is George Frederick Campbell. In a copy of the "Tables of the postmasters in the United States," published in 1831, when Gen. Jackson was in the third year of his presidency, we notice a list of United States mail agents for British North America, and in that list the name