

Duncan McMillan. In the same year he removed to lands he had purchased in Kenyon, on the Lochiel border. He called his place Laggan, in loving remembrance of his far-away early home in Inverness-shire. Here he lived his life, a not unnoticeable figure in the history of Glengarry for the next fifty years.

At Laggan he followed store-keeping; he lumbered; he farmed; he kept the post office; he dispensed justice; he encouraged farmers and mechanics to settle around him, giving employment to very many in his various enterprises. French-Canadians drifted over the border from Lower Canada in among the Highland population, in search of employment, and prospered. There were always some of these most industrious and peaceable people among Mr. Cattanach's employees. The writer remembers the surprise felt when hearing a little child conversing fluently in English, French and Gaelic, and with equal facility. Mr. Cattanach's kindly concern for the French Canadians in his employ was, perhaps, one cause of the interest which he manifested in the French Canadian Missionary Society, and which he felt from its very beginning. He attended the first meeting held in Montreal, seventy miles away, when travelling was a different thing from what it is in these days of railways. He aided the society with heart, hand, purse and influence.

His wife, dying young, left him with two children, Alexander J. Cattanach, now barrister-at-law, of Toronto; and Catherine, who married the Rev. Hugh Campbell, of Cornwall; and a stepson, John Cattanach McMillan, now of Toronto. In 1839 he married Flora, daughter of John McKenzie, of Kenyon: a woman of whom it may be truthfully said, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all." A woman of resources, a woman of tact, one who had power to weld the family she governed into one, and love enough to make herself such a mother to the motherless that they have crowned her with such love and honor as will be a glory to her while life lasts. For fifty years Donald Cattanach was the central figure in the country round Laggan, with a hand to aid in everything he believed to be for the benefit of the country, and whatever he was engaged in he entered into with a staid grave enthusiasm which was peculiar to himself.

He began early, and was very earnest and constant in Sabbath School work, and established Sabbath Schools in various places. As preaching was rare and irregular in those