

Edinburgh lodge. In 1874, Mr. Askwith paid a visit to the old country after an absence of over forty years, returning in 1875. In politics he is a Conservative, and was a strong supporter of Sir John Macdonald throughout his career. In religion he is an adherent of the Methodist church. In 1836, Mr. Askwith married Elizabeth, daughter of the late Robert English, of Ottawa, and has issue eight children, of whom three sons and two daughters are living. Of these, John E. and Thomas are contractors; Francis is a millwright; the eldest daughter is Mrs. Josiah Sherrieff, of Michigan; while her sister is the wife of Matthew Esdale, of New Edinburgh. Mr. Askwith, though in his 79th year, is still in vigorous health and enjoys the reputation of always having been a worthy man and an exemplary citizen.

DANIEL STOREY,

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IN every district throughout the large and populous province of Ontario there are to be found men of mark, persons, who in the political, commercial, literary and industrial walks of life, have achieved distinction. In no section, however, is there to be found so many Canadians who, notwithstanding the difficulties that have attended their efforts, have contributed so largely to the prosperity of their respective localities as are to be met with in the Ottawa valley. Those who have engaged in industrial pursuits, using and thereby enhancing the value of the natural resources of the country, are, it may be claimed, entitled to notice equally with those who have attracted attention through their official positions, or in consequence of the public offices they have held. A worthy representative of the industrial class of this community is to be found in the gentleman whose name is at the head of this sketch. He is essentially a self-made man, and has acquired his experience and made his record in the locality in which he at present resides. Mr. Storey was born near Plantagenet, in the county of Prescott, in March, 1854. His father, William Storey, was a native of Scotland, and came to Canada about 1840. Shortly after his arrival he settled near Plantagenet, and engaged in agricultural pursuits. His wife, Daniel's mother, died when the latter was only four years of age, but his father is still living and resides in the vicinity of Haliburton. Daniel Storey attended the common school in his native county, and received as good an education as the facilities provided in country districts in those early days rendered possible. When only sixteen years of age he went to Ottawa and proceeded to learn the trade which he had determined to

follow, under the direction of George Newell, one of the oldest established wood turners in the city. With him he remained for five years, until he had made himself master of all the practical details of the business, and, having great natural aptitude for this branch of mechanics, he attained great proficiency therein, being regarded then, as he is now, one of the best workmen in the district in his line. Having grounded himself in the principles and practice of his trade, he took a course at the National Business College of Ottawa, and thus further prepared himself for conducting the large business which his mechanical skill and enterprise afterwards enabled him to build up. On leaving college he again went to work at his trade, which he continued until 1882, when he determined to start for himself. Renting a building on the Chaudière, he began operations which gradually increased in volume, so much so, that finding the facilities at his command insufficient to enable him to supply the growing demand, he removed, in 1887, to the location at present occupied, which is situated on the corner of Bank and Somerset-streets, having a frontage of 222 feet on Bank, and running back 115 feet on Somerset. Opposite the factory is the yard and offices. This is one of the best and most convenient sites that could be found in the city, and contains sufficient land to accommodate future extensions, should such be necessary. On this site he erected such buildings, and provided the facilities to enable him to manufacture house furnishings in all their variety, and in quantities commensurate with the wants of the country, giving steady employment to twenty-five hands. About two years ago Mr. Storey associated with him in the business Mr. Daniel O'Connor, a young man of good business ability and experienced in the lumber trade. The enterprise is now regarded as one of the staple industries of the country, not in Ottawa alone, but throughout the province, where the mechanical skill, intelligent use of machinery, and specializing of labour displayed by the manufacturer, enable the firm to command a considerable market for their productions. The excellence of those productions has been repeatedly shown by the prizes awarded the house at the numerous exhibitions where they have been displayed. Mr. Storey is connected with the Ottawa Building Society, of which he was a charter member. He is a life member of the Protestant Orphans' Home, is a member of the Public School Board, and on the building committee of the same; he is also a member of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, I.O.O.F., and of Progress Lodge of the A.O.U.W., and a member of the Unity Protestant Benefit Association, in which organization he has held the offices of secretary and president. In his earlier years, when his time was not so