

the British flag, removed to Penetanguishene which had been selected as the Naval and Military Establishment on Lake Huron and where a few gunboats and a detachment of troops were stationed. In addition to his occupation of general merchant or trader, as before stated, he continued to act as Notary Public and Conveyancer and held the offices of Collector of Customs, Magistrate, Superintendent of Schools, Major in the Militia, Commissioner for the protection of Indian lands in Ontario, and Senior Warden in St. James' Church. In the minutes of a Vestry meeting of St. James' Church, dated April 10th, 1860, we find a complimentary resolution tendered to Mr. W. Simpson for twenty years' service as Clergyman's Warden, moved by A. A. Thompson, seconded by Edgar Hallen. In addition to Mr. Simpson's own language (the English), in which he was a proficient expert, he could read and write both French and Ojibway. His ability was recognized in his appointment to the District Council as the first Superintendent of Schools for Tiny in 1844 and for Tiny and Tay 1853-67. (A. F. Hunter, History of Simcoe County, pp. 286 and 291). He was also the first District representative for Tiny and Tay in 1842. Mr. Simpson married Catharine Craddock in 1832 and of this union were born five sons and three daughters, of whom one son, J. Craddock Simpson, broker, Montreal, and one daughter, Catharine E., Mrs. D. J. Mitchell, La Grange, Ill., survive. A second daughter, Henrietta F., who married Hugh P. Savigney, surveyor, in 1860, died in 1866. Mrs. Simpson died in 1865, and Mr. Simpson died in 1868, aged 74 years, and their remains are resting in old St. James' church-yard.

Dedine Revol (Revolte) devoted his energies mostly to his church (R.C.) acting as Catechist and in preparing for the building of the first Ste. Anne's church. His house was occupied principally by one Trudeau and Fathers Dempsey and Proulx, while on their mission labors here. The Misses Lizars in their book, "In the Days of the Canada Co," p. 396, pay a tribute to Father Dempsey's devotion to his work in the Huron Tract, where he labored previous to coming here, in the following terms: "He in turn was succeeded by Father Dempsey, a good man, beloved by Romans and Protestants, preaching to all alike; he married, buried and baptised them with the utmost impartiality." Father Dempsey died suddenly at the home of Mrs. Lalonde on the Military road south of here while prosecuting his mission work. Mr. Revol, although exact and conscientious in the discharge of his duties,