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Montreal, Hamilton and London, in which connection he rendered good service to the Department. He is now one of the senior Inspectors in this branch of the Government service, and in addition to the advantages incident to a long period of active personal management and experience, he is justly credited with possessing great force of character and excellent administrative abilities.

With the many changes and improvements which have taken place during the past twentyfive years in the management of postal affairs, Mr. Sweetnam has had an intimate relation, and to his personal efforts much of their usefulness is due.

In addition to the important duties incidental to his office which have claimed his attention, he has found time to take an active interest and a leading part in various literary and educational societies, in hospital management and other kindred affairs associated with the interests and welfare of the citizens of his native Province. At the present time he is a Vice-President of the Upper Canada Bible Society, and for four years was President of the Toronto Mechanics' Institute. In advocating his opinions of right and justice, in whatever cause, Mr. Sweetnam is an earnest and fair speaker and a vigorous writer.

On the 14th day of May, 1857, he was married to Sophia Caroline, third daughter of Arthur McClean, of Brockville, Ontario, by which union he has four surviving children—two sons and two daughters.

A fair type of those sturdy intelligent Irish-Canadians from whose ranks so many useful citizens have sprung, imbued with that honesty and integrity of purpose in the discharge of his duties, which ever insures eminent success, a man of strong and active public spirit, and possessed of those social qualities which have won for him so many friends. Mr. Sweetnam is well calculated to play a useful and leading part in any enterprise to which he may devote himself.

COL. ADIEL SHERWOOD,

BROCKVILLE.

A DIEL SHERWOOD, who was born near Montreal, May 16, 1779, and died in Brockville, March 25, 1874, was for many years a leading man in the County of Leeds, having been Sheriff of Leeds and Grenville from June 30, 1829, till his resignation of the office in 1864, and held the responsible office of Treasurer of the Counties from 1814 till 1842. His father, Thomas Sherwood, was a subaltern officer in one of the Provincial Corps in Lower Canada, under Sir John Johnson, and was stationed at St. John's, twenty-five miles from Montreal, where he and his family resided until the spring of 1784—the year after the American Revolution closed, when he was discharged and placed on half-pay. He removed to Upper

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