

till past his majority, and then became a merchant at Niagara. The last fifteen or twenty years of his life he spent with relatives at St. Catharines and Thorold.

He was Lieutenant of artillery, under Lt.-Col. Kerby in the war of 1812-'14; had command of battery guns at Queenston, October, 13, 1812, and was wounded three times at the battle of Chippawa, July 5, 1814, where he commanded a company. He served six months in the rebellion, 1837-'38; offered his services at the time of the "Trent Affair," 1861, and at that of the Fenian raid, 1866; walked seventeen miles on the way to Fort Erie, at the age of seventy-nine years.

Mr. Clement was twice married—the first time to Margaret Crysler, of the county of Lincoln, and the second time, to Mrs. Frances Fish, widow of Capt. Fish, her maiden name being Peters. He had four sons and one daughter by his first wife, and no children by the second. Only one child, the daughter Elizabeth, survives him. She is the wife of Charles Peters Camp, bookkeeper for Hunter, Murray and Cleveland, St. Catharines.

No truer patriot ever lived in the Niagara District than Capt. Clement. He was ready, at any time, to march in his country's defence, and when nearly eighty years of age, shamed the young men by his superior promptness in offering his services to defend the land of his adoption.

He was a life-long member of the Episcopal church, and a true christian patriot, and his memory is cherished most tenderly by a very large circle of friends.

ABSALOM S. ALLAN

CLIFFORD.

ABSALOM SHADE-ALLAN, one of the leading merchants and citizens of Clifford, and reeve of this village, is a native of Waterloo county, Ontario, and was born near Preston, November 26, 1843. His father, Alexander Allan, was an advocate in the city of Aberdeen, Scotland; married Ann Davidson, sister of the late John Davidson, of Galt; came to Canada in the spring of the year our subject was born; was for several years superintendent of schools for Wellington district, and died in 1855.

Our subject attended the common school at Preston for several years, and afterwards gave four years to study in the grammar school at Elora; finished his education at the normal school, Toronto, where he obtained a first-class certificate, teaching meanwhile one year during this period, at the village of Alma. He then entered as bookkeeper the establishment of J. M. Fraser, of Elora, where he remained four years.

In 1868, Mr. Allan came to Clifford; went into trade as a partner in the firm of Geo.