

ployers, and he was seldom at a loss for something to do. In 1857 he came to the County of Kent, and purchased a farm of 200 acres in Chatham Gore, which he cultivated one year and then sold. He then went into the lumber woods, and for three years engaged in that work, at the end of that time purchasing a wild farm of 150 acres in Chatham township to the improvement of which for twelve years he devoted himself. He toiled early and late, and with much wisdom, so that before many years had passed his land was yielding good returns for the labor he had expended. However, he sold it, and bought a farm of 140 acres in Camden Gore, and later on purchased three more farms. His property has been acquired wholly by his own energy and economy, and he is now living retired, serene in the consciousness that his life has been well spent, and that he has well earned a restful and care-free old age. When he first left the farm he located in Ridgetown, but after ten years moved to Dresden, in 1903.

On Aug. 24, 1857, in Chatham, George Elgie was united in marriage with Sarah Randall, who was born in Adelaide, Ont., Aug. 29, 1837. Her parents, William and Nancy (Oxley) Randall, of Wiltshire, England, came to Canada in 1835, where he engaged in farming, and died in March, 1871, at the age of seventy-seven; the mother, who was born in 1797, died in 1867. To William and Nancy Randall were born children as follows: Martha (deceased), who married Thomas Dowden; William (deceased); Samuel, a retired farmer in Bay City, Michigan; Thomas (deceased); George, a merchant in Michigan; Jennie, who died in infancy; Sarah, Mrs. Elgie; and Mary A. (deceased), who married Stephen Thore. After the death of the mother of these children Mr. Randall wedded Anna Ashley, and to this union came three children: John (deceased); Grace, (deceased) wife of Joseph Myers; and Mercy, of Deckerville, Michigan.

To George Elgie and his wife were born the following children: William, a farmer, who is now reeve of Camden Gore; Joseph, who has a fine farm of 170 acres in Camden Gore; George A., a farmer in Camden township; Mathew, who died Sept. 10, 1866; Annie E., who married William E. Cruse, of Port Huron, Michigan; Thomas, an implement and buggy

dealer in Dresden, who also has a farm in Camden Gore; James H., a farmer in Camden township; John W., who died April 20, 1887; and Martha J., who married William E. Corlett, a farmer of Zone township. Mr. Elgie has twenty-two grandchildren. The family are all members of the Methodist Church, and are highly esteemed for their sterling qualities, carrying out in their lives the wise teachings of Christian parents. In politics they advocate the principles of the Conservative party. Progressive and thoroughly up-to-date, Mr. Elgie and his sons take active interest in all public improvements, and are liberal in donating time and means for the advancement of their towns. None in the County of Kent stand higher in the honest respect of their fellow citizens.

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O'LOANE. The O'Loanes, to which family the wife of Joseph H. Spencer, of Morpeth (mentioned on page 466) belongs, spring from a good family in Ireland, Ballymena, County Antrim. Grandfather O'Loane's mother was a Macquillain, members of which family were old chiefs in Antrim not so very long ago.

Grandfather James O'Loane studied in Trinity College, Dublin, where he distinguished himself in mathematics, was mathematical tutor in Quebec, and subsequently professor of mathematics in what is now Victoria University. He retired to Glanford, where he took private pupils until his death. Grandmother O'Loane was a daughter of George Fredric Smith, who was a lieutenant in the war of 1812-13, and Elizabeth Ryhert, both of whom were children of U. E. Loyalist parents receiving grants of land in Ancaster and Glanford, Wentworth County. Mrs. Spencer's great-uncle, Dr. Cyrus Smith, of Glanford, has now in his possession her great-grandfather's sword. Her father, Daniel O'Loane, was prepared to enter the university, but on the death of his father remained at home to manage the estate. In 1865 he married Emily Mattice, daughter of Reuben Mattice, of Glanford, and to this union were born five sons and three daughters: Mrs. David Wilson, of Morpeth;