

having been Councilman, Deputy Reeve and Reeve, and is now warden of the County. There are fifty-four members in the County Council—it being the fourth largest deliberative body in the Dominion of Canada. Mr. Cameron was chosen warden by that large body by acclamation, a compliment to abilities well-merited. He has also been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Collegiate Institute during the last eight or nine years, and takes a lively interest in educational matters, as well as everything which is for the benefit of the town.

In politics Mr. Cameron is a Conservative; in religion, a Presbyterian, and a man of sterling character.

He is a Knight Templar in the Masonic order, holding the office of Eminent Preceptor.

In February, 1860, Margaret Barron, daughter of George Lunan, formerly of Lower Canada, was married to Mr. Cameron, and of seven children resulting from this union, only four are living; Isabella H., Alexander B., Chestena C. and Charles H. M., all receiving, or have received good mental drill in the best educational institutions in the Province.

Mr. Cameron is understood to be the largest property holder in Collingwood, success having attended him in nearly every enterprise in which he has engaged. Whatever he possesses is the result of great energies shrewdly applied, and first-class business talents.

ANDREW H. BAIRD,

PARIS.

ANDREW HUGH BAIRD, Mayor of Paris for the last three years, is a son of Nicol Hugh Baird, Civil Engineer, and Mary Telfer *née* White, and was born in Montreal, March 1st, 1834. Both parents were from Scotland. His father spent some time in Russia, as a Civil Engineer, coming to Lower Canada three or four years before Andrew was born. The latter was educated in private; at fourteen years of age left Montreal for Paris, where he became a clerk for Charles Whitlaw, the leading flour and grain dealer in that town. While the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway was being built, about 1856-59, Mr. Baird was for about three years paymaster for that Company. From 1870 to 1878 he was in the lumber business, manufacturing as well as selling, and since October of the last named year, he has been in partnership with Mr. Whitlaw, already mentioned, in the manufacture of flour and in the grain trade, they being the leading men in town in that line. They manufacture about fifty thousand barrels annually.

Mr. Baird is a very active and efficient business man, and has done a great deal of solid work in the municipalities of the town of Paris and the County of Brant. He was in the town council for sixteen years and has been deputy-reeve, reeve, and warden (1872); was eight or ten years in the School Board; has been Mayor since 1877, and has had much to do with