

is now manufacturing about 75,000 or 80,000 barrels per annum. He also handles as much more, not of his own manufacture, finding a ready market mainly in the Maritime Provinces, and Great Britain. No better brands of flour are sent from Ontario, than are manufactured at his mills in Guelph. The *Herald* of this city thus speaks of this mill:—

“Goldie’s Mill is one of the important factors of Guelph’s manufacturing and commercial prosperity, consuming immense quantities of wheat and disbursing large sums annually to our farmers for their grain; in the mill itself, in the cooper-shops, and in the various departments of the business employing a large force of work men, it fills a sphere of usefulness and wields a power that accomplishes good to all classes.

“Over and over again it has been characterized as the model flouring-mill of Canada, a verdict that facts abundantly sanction.

“Of machinery now in place, the best that the millwright’s art could produce, has been purchased. Six run of stone are busily at work. Three double chests of bolts are performing their duties. Middlings purifiers, coolers, grain-cleaning machinery, packing apparatus—all the component parts of a first-class mill—are to be seen.”

Mr. Goldie is president of the Ontario Millers’ Association, and he is well known among flour manufacturers in Great Britain and the United States, as well as throughout the Dominion of Canada.

He was in the council in the days when Guelph was a town; is one of the license commissioners for the south riding of Wellington, and a director of insurance companies in Guelph and Galt.

He is a Liberal Conservative, and in 1876, and again in 1878, was the candidate of his party to represent the south riding of Wellington in the House of Commons, but the district is strongly Reform and he was defeated both times.

Mr. Goldie is a member and deacon of the Congregational church; a liberal contributor to church building funds of his own denomination and others, and to religious and charitable institutions generally.

In March, 1848, he married in New York, Miss Frances Owen, a native of Montgomeryshire, Wales, and of eight children, the fruit of this union, five, all sons, are living. Thomas, the eldest, has a family; the others are single. The three oldest are with their father in the milling business.

HON. ROBERT READ,

BELLEVILLE.

ROBERT READ, of the Dominion Senate, is the eldest son of Robert Read, senior, in his day an extensive farmer, in the county of Suffolk, England, and was born at Fressingfield, in that county, December 11, 1814. He was educated at Laxfield, in his native county; came to Canada in 1836, settled at Belleville, and engaged in general business, tanning, distilling, and agricultural pursuits, being an extensive farmer for twenty-five or thirty years; he