

approaches. In 1887 Mr. Macdonald was awarded the Don improvement contract by the City of Toronto and continued the same in partnership with Mr. Alexander Manning, the well-known contractor and capitalist, under the firm name of Manning & Macdonald. From 1891 to 1893 built the Port Dalhousie Harbor Works; the Midland Division of the Grand Trunk Railway to Campbellford, Ontario; the Esplanade works of the City of Toronto; the Canadian Pacific Railway section on the Don River; the Toronto Belt Line Railway; section 13 of the Soulages Canal at Coteau Landing and section 9 at Coteau-du-Lac (these two sections costing \$1,200,000), and also the St. Lawrence River improvements at Cornwall. In 1902 the Manning interest in the partnership was purchased by Mr. Macdonald, who then engaged in a large harbor contract at Three Rivers, Quebec, and who also undertook other dredging contracts.

Mr. Macdonald is a man of excellent judgment and of sound business ability, and with his comprehensive grasp of public affairs has made himself felt in financial and commercial circles. He was a promoter and organizer of the Sovereign Bank of Canada—incorporated in 1901 with a capital of \$2,000,000—and a provisional director of the same; he was afterwards elected and is now the president of that institution. Mr. Macdonald was also a promoter and organizer of the Crown Life Assurance Company of Toronto, with a capital of \$1,000,000 and was elected a director and also a member of its Executive Board of Management. He is also president of The Randolph Macdonald Co., Limited; president, Dominion Engineering and Construction Co., Limited; director, Crown Life Insurance Co.; director, Colonial Loan and Investment Co.

In 1875 Mr. Macdonald married Jeannie Ferguson, of Montreal, and the three children are William R., who is now Superintendent of the Randolph Macdonald Company, of Three Rivers, Que.; Mabel, wife of Charles A. Barton, who is with the Westinghouse Electric Company of New York; and Frank, a student at St. Andrew's College, Toronto.

A staunch Presbyterian, Mr. Macdonald has been a prominent member of Chalmers' Church, Dundas street, for years, and he is also member of the Masonic Order, A.F. & A.M.