

Mayor of the Junction, and took a leading part in mapping it out. Mr. Clendenan has been Deputy-Reeve of York Township. During the recent Provincial campaign Mr. Clendenan carried the Equal Rights banner in West York and made an exceedingly good run against the old party nominee. Doubtless we shall yet hear of him in public life.

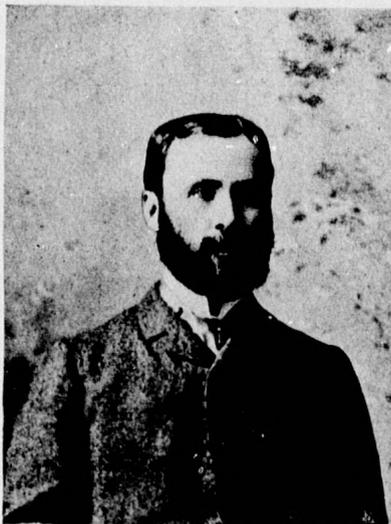
Mr. James A. Ellis, architect, is a native of Ontario, having been born at Meaford, March 2nd, 1856. He received a good primary education, and a thoroughly practical as well as a theoretical training in architecture, and now carries on the business of registered architect and building superintendent at West Toronto Junction. He has prepared and carried to their successful completion, plans for important buildings at Port Arthur, Sault Ste. Marie, and Meaford, including churches, school-houses, residences, and business blocks. At West Toronto Junction, three public school buildings, the Disciples Church, two factories, and a number of residences were built under his supervision. Mr. Ellis is a member of the Ontario Association of Architects, and is connected with the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Thomas Gilbert was born in Toronto, June 13th, 1843. He received his education at the Model School, and afterwards at Rockwood Academy, near Guelph. For thirty-five years he carried on a farm at what is now known as Prospect Park. The rapid growth of Toronto has made this property very valuable for building purposes. Mr. Gilbert retired from farming, and is now living at West Toronto Junction. He was six years a trustee of School Section No. 13, near Davenport. Mr. Gilbert is a Conservative, and a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.



MR. THOMAS GILBERT.

The residence of Mr. Peter Laughton is a handsome brick structure, occupying a commanding site at West Toronto Junction, fronting on Dundas Street. Mr. Laughton was formerly a market-gardener. He came to Toronto some twenty-three ago, and for a long time carried on business at the corner of Davenport Road and College Street. Subsequently he moved to the vicinity of West Toronto Junction, and when real estate values rose in that locality, Mr. Laughton had some thirty-three acres of land. He disposed of the bulk of the property and retired from active business.



MR. DANIEL W. CLENDENAN.

"Homewood Hall," the residence of John McConnell, M.D., 625 Dundas Street, is one of the finest houses in St. Mark's Ward, where he is a large property owner. It stands on an acre of ground, surrounded by trees, vines and flowering plants, and from the belvedere commands a view of the city and lake.

Dr. McConnell was born in the Township of Scarborough, March 4th, 1846, and when about ten years old removed with his parents to Markham. Here, and at the Richmond Hill Grammar School, he was educated, and he also matriculated at Toronto University, and obtained from the Education Department a first-class certificate as a teacher. For a time he taught school and also studied for the medical profession. He became a student of the Toronto School of Medicine, and in 1869 he graduated. After receiving his diploma, he commenced practice at Thornhill, and fifteen years later removed to Brockton, then a suburb but now part of the City of Toronto. In 1884, he was Reeve of the village and represented the Ward after incorporation. He is a Coroner for the County of York, and has been President of the West York Reform Association and of the Reform Association of Vaughan. He holds a first-class Military School certificate, and has been long connected with the Canadian militia. Dr. McConnell was for four years attendant-physician at the Protestant Orphans' Home.



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