

McMillan, native of Dublin, Ireland, was engaged in the land agency business at Niagara. His parents removed while he was still in his infancy to Toronto, then known as Little York, and there Mr. McMillan was educated at the grammar school conducted by John Spragge. At the age of fourteen years he was indentured to the printing business, serving his five years apprenticeship partly in the office of Charles Fothergale, who was proprietor of a weekly paper called the *Palladium*, and partly in the office of Rogers and Thompson, who published the *Commercial News*. In 1844 he removed to the town of Galt to take charge of the *Dumfries Courier*, which was about to be established. He was foreman in this office during that year, and in 1845 he went to Oshawa, where he conducted the *Christian Luminary*, the organ of the sect called the Christian denomination. He remained there till 1854 when he removed to Bowmanville, and in conjunction with Mr. Alexander Begg established the *Bowmanville Messenger*. In 1858 he disposed of his interest in this journal and purchased the *News*, a journal published in the same town, which he conducted for one year, selling out in July, 1859, to come to British Columbia. After his arrival in Victoria he obtained employment on the *Colonist*, first as a compositor and then as assistant-editor under Hon. Amor DeCosmos. Some ten months later he went to New Westminster to take charge of the *British Columbian*, then edited by Hon. John Robson and in a short time became a partner in the concern. In 1863 he returned to Victoria, having disposed of his interest in the *Columbian* and in conjunction with Mr. D. W. Higgins started the *Victoria Chronicle*, of which Mr. McMillan assumed the editorship. He continued on this paper for a year and sold out to start the *Morning News*, which in the second year of its existence became an evening paper. A year later Mr. McMillan sold his plant to Hon. Amor DeCosmos, who established the *Standard*, Mr. McMillan becoming superintendent of the mechanical department. In 1871 Mr. DeCosmos was elected to the House of Commons and Mr. McMillan became editor of the paper, a position he held till 1875 when he resigned his position. Six months later he was appointed Government assessor and collector and continued to fill this office till 1877, when he established a job printing business. At this he remained till 1884, when he was offered and accepted the position of sheriff of the county of Victoria which then became vacant. He