

jects, and his efforts of this character, always made extemporaneously, show the wide extent of his reading and research, the great reach of his thoughts, the analytical power of his mind, and his rich stores of knowledge.

The greater part of his ministerial life, Dr. Jeffers has been Chairman of the District, and was one year Secretary of the Conference; two years Vice-President and one year President.

Dr. Jeffers was first married July 6, 1841, to Miss Jane Frith, of London, England. She had four children and died in 1846. Three of the children are living. The eldest son, James Frith Jeffers, M. A., is Principal of the Collegiate Institute, Peterborough, and author of two School Histories of Canada; Wellington Coleman Jeffers, M. D., is practising medicine at Oakwood, County of Victoria; and Emma is the wife of Rev. James Graham, of Seaforth, Ontario. His present wife was Jane Dougall, of Picton, married June 21, 1854. By her he has one daughter, Helen Jane, wife of Rev. R. C. Wilkinson, of Coboconk.

WILLIAM A. WILLOUGHBY, M.D.,

COLBORNE.

THE subject of this sketch is a descendant of that branch of the Willoughby family that went from Somersetshire, England, to Ireland, about the time of Cromwell, his father George H. Willoughby, coming to Canada, and settling on a farm in the Township of Essa, County of Simcoe, about 1837. There William Arnson Willoughby was born, February 2, 1844, his mother, before her marriage, being Sarah Arnson. She died at Elmwood, Illinois, in 1866. George H. Willoughby is now living with his son in Colborne.

Our subject received a grammar school education at Bradford, County of Simcoe; studied medicine with Dr. Alex. Hamilton, at Barrie, and was graduated at the medical department of Victoria College—that department then being located at Toronto—in May, 1867. He practised at Grafton, County of Northumberland, for eight years, and then settled in Colborne, where he has built up a practice second in extent and success to that of no one in this part of the county. He makes his profession his exclusive study; has an excellent medical library, and the leading periodicals of the day in his line, and is a reading, thinking, growing man. He does a great deal of surgery, but in a town like Colborne, his practice is necessarily general, and he has all the business any one man could desire, who wishes to get any time for study. He is Surgeon of the 40th battalion Northumberland volunteer infantry.

The Doctor always had a taste for fine horses, and has the best by far in Northumberland County. He has two stallions which are unsurpassed in this part of the country for quality of blood: "Aberdeen, Jr," whose dam was by "Hetzal," "Hambletonian," and "Grand Duke," son of "Iron Duke," with the famous "Black Hawk" and "Bashaw" blood on the mother's