

tion of the municipality to his death, which occurred in 1896. He also held the office of reeve for many years, discharging his duties in this connection with the promptness and general efficiency which marked him as a business man. The municipality is indebted in no small degree to the efforts of Mr. Kirkland for its progress and development, as he was ever ready to forward its advancement along the various lines of human activity, and enthusiastically cooperated in promoting its public utilities. His widow still makes her home in this vicinity as do also his sons, William A. and Frank, both of whom are prosperous agriculturists.

The first nineteen years in the life of Herbert J. Kirkland were passed in his native province. He received his education in the public schools of Guelph, and while there engaged in the mastery of the common branches he was laying the foundation for an agricultural career by assisting his father with the work of the farm. He accompanied his parents on their removal to British Columbia in 1872, continuing to be associated with his father whom he assisted in placing the homestead under cultivation. In 1882 he went into the cannery works and from 1888 to 1907 he was engaged as manager in the British Columbia Canning Company. During this time, however, he also worked the farm, made improvements thereon and made it his home. In 1900 he rented the farm for a period of eleven years and for the past two years has operated it himself. Mr. Kirkland keeps a high grade of stock, his fields are capably tilled and the improvements and buildings on his place are well repaired, all of which serve to stamp him an efficient agriculturist and competent business man.

In October, 1883, Mr. Kirkland was married to Miss Marian Nicholson, of New Westminster, who passed away in 1906. Of this marriage were born four children, two of whom are living: Florence, the wife of David Ellis, of Ladner; and Olga, who is at home. In 1907, he married his present wife, whose maiden name was Bessie Oldham.

Mr. Kirkland is one of the public-spirited and enterprising members of his community and one of the oldest pioneers, in point of years of continuous residence. He is held in high repute among his neighbors and fellow citizens, by reason of his contributions to the country's development no less than through his capable management of his personal affairs.

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#### DONALD ROSS.

Donald Ross is now practically living retired at McKay save for the attention which he gives to his invested interests. His efforts have been an element in the development of the city in which he makes his home, for he has laid out one of its attractive subdivisions. He was born in Sutherlandshire, Scotland, on the 30th of April, 1854, a son of Alexander and Robina (Rose) Ross, both of whom were natives of Scotland, the father's birth occurring in Ross-shire, while the mother was a native of Sutherlandshire. In the land of hills and heather they spent their entire lives, and during the years of his business activity Mr. Ross was a contractor and builder. The family numbered five children, three of whom survive: John, a resident of Port William, Ontario; Georgeiana, of Scotland; and Donald, of this review. The two who have passed away were Hugh and Hughina.

Donald Ross was educated in the Free Church schools of Scotland, and after putting aside his text-books entered upon a five-year term of indenture to James Watson, better known as Black Watson, of Glasgow, a well known general contractor there. Mr. Ross received a dollar per week during the first year of his apprenticeship and at the end of the fifth year was getting twenty shillings per week. He continued to work at his trade in Scotland until 1880 and then went to London, where he remained until 1882. Favorable reports reached him concerning the opportunities of the new world, and bidding adieu to home and