

Mr. Alexander Marshall.

GENERAL FOREMAN OF WORKS.

Was born at Carlisle, Lanarkshire, Scotland, in 1858. His parents removed to Manchester, England, in 1821, where, after school days he learned the trade of a stone-cutter, on the completion of his apprenticeship he went to Glasgow, Scotland, where he worked at his trade and for seventeen years was foreman for leading contractors in that city. In July 1890, he emigrated to Canada, and settled in Toronto, but subsequently went to Detroit, Mich. for a few months. In 1861 shortly after the death of Mr. Elliott of the firm of Messrs. Elliott & Neelson returned to Toronto, and was at once employed by Captain Neelson as foreman of the stone cutting. In the winter of that year taking advantage of the cessation of work he went to Scotland to visit his friends, returning the following March in time to resume his duties; during his absence, however, Mr. Neelson had taken Mr. Pigott of Hamilton into partnership who, with a view to curtailing expenses determined to dispense with his experienced services and as a consequence only increased them. The cost of the stone cutting from that time up to the date the contract was taken from them, being over twenty per cent more than it had been previously under his supervision.

Shortly after the city had taken possession and commenced work on the buildings by day labor, Mr. Lennox the astute architect sent for Mr. Marshall, and again placed him in charge and it is greatly due to the perfect harmony of purpose between himself, the architect and the superintendent and the constant vigilance which each exercise that there is not the slightest friction, and consequently the rapid and thorough manner in which the work is now being done.

In private life Mr. Marshall is much esteemed as a citizen of the Queen City.

He is an affiliated member of King Solomon's Lodge, A.F. & A.M., G.R.C., having been entered and raised to the Master's degree in 1876, in Saratoga, Scotland.

In 1871, he married Miss Jane Blake of Lanarkshire, by whom he has 4 sons and 3 daughters. The eldest of the former is engaged here in mercantile business; the second at his trade of a boiler-maker, while the others are still at school.

It is hardly necessary to state after the above record, Mr. Alexander Marshall is recognized as one of the most experienced and competent master Stone-cutters and Builders in the Dominion.

Chas. A. Holden

Was born in Merrickville Grenville Co. Ont. Feb. 5th 1844. His father the late Chas. Holden who was of English descent was born at Saratoga, N. Y. and came to Canada in 1810 settled in Merrickville village where he became one of its principal property owners and for forty years one of its most successful merchants. He died March 28th 1873 deservedly respected as an honest, straightforward business man. His late wife formerly Miss Wilton, of Welsh parentage but born in Ogdensburg, N. Y. died at Merrickville, April 24th, 1880. During this estimable lady's life time in that village she was prominent in all charities and never tiring in assisting the sick and needy, with her purse and sympathy.

Their son the subject of these notes, after his primary schooling in the village was educated at the Governor, N. Y. Wesleyan Methodist seminary and subsequently at the Upper Canada College, Toronto, after which, declining any further assistance from his wealthy father, with the energy and independence which has always characterized his career, at once commenced to push his way in the world and succeeded in the purchase and sale of horses for some time, finally becoming a traveller as representative of large mercantile firms both in Canada and the United States. His naturally impulsive conviviality and his constantly meeting congenial friends in course of years, induced a habit of too much indulgence in stimulants to grow upon him and it at last became so chronic that he neglected his affairs, lost his high standing with business men and was with the blindness, to results the disease invariably causes, rapidly disposing of his wealth — when under Divine assistance he was awakened to a sense of his imminent ruin and at once placed himself under the care of Dr. McBride at one of the Grimsby (now Oakville) Gold Cure sanatorium the only one in Canada but now an extensive and most successful institution. Here Mr. Holden remained four weeks returning to the world thoroughly cured of this infatuation and at once resumed his former avocation, this was in summer of 1892, since which he has recovered all his former vitality has gained 50 lbs. in weight and feels twenty five years younger. For the past year he has represented as their traveller in all parts of the Western States the well known house of W. Cassy Bros. & Co. Dealers in Druggist supplies Cincinnati, Ohio, Philadelphia, Pa., and San Francisco, California. From whom he received the highest encomiums not only as to ability and integrity but also their utmost confidence in his reliability and probity.

Mr. Holden married in 1867 Miss Maggie Scott, formerly of Belfast, Ireland, by whom he has one daughter and four sons. Charles, as Traveller wholesale boots and shoes. Wm. with Gault Bros. principal Wholesale grocers of Winnipeg, Man. Harry, with T. H. Co. working Jewellers, Winnipeg, and Fred with T. De Penzier, traveller, Merrickville, Ont.

Mr. Chas. A. Holden's residence is at Merrickville in the homestead where was born and which he now owns. The editor and publisher of this journal knew him 24 years ago and was greatly pleased to meet him in Toronto, a same friendly whole-souled Charlie to day, we knew as a youth in 1859.

**THE HAUPTNIAN SYSTEM:
GERMAN IN FIVE WEEKS**

The German language, so necessary to be known by all classes, wherever English is the language, is now within easy reach of any one of intelligence, from the schoolboy to the busy man of advanced age, who can acquire a practical knowledge of German in five weeks, by attending Professor Haupt's course of lessons. Under his tuition, already over twenty-four thousand Americans have learned to speak, read, and write, sufficient for all practical purposes, only requiring a little subsequent practice to make them fluent.

**Prof. A. P. HAUPT, A. M., Ph. D.**

The Hauptnian system was originated by Prof. A. P. Haupt, A. M., Ph. D. who aims to supply the advantages of a stay in Germany, with this difference: the acquisition of the German language has been so thoroughly simplified and systemized by him, that the pupil acquires as much practical German, in one term of five weeks as he could learn in one or two years in Germany, or by studying in Canada three years by the ordinary methods.

English is entirely banished from the class-room; all explanations' whether of idioms' unfamiliar allusions, or difficult grammatical combinations, are given in German, and just here is where the simplicity of the system, at once commends itself to our intelligence.

There are 3300 German words which are almost identical with English, and 700 more a little further away. The instructor begins with the former, in lessons of short sentences, illustrating them and making them perfectly clear to the pupil by his wonderful elocutionary intonations and by dramatic actions, gradually but rapidly drawing him on by introducing words further away operating from the known to the unknown until the whole field of German literature lies before him like a new world; each lesson making him more eager for the next; study is thus made a pleasure, and the learner takes much the same delight in it as a traveller going through an unknown country, abounding with beautiful scenery, exotic flowers, and luscious fruits, he not only learns, to speak and write, but to think in German.

One goes forward almost unconsciously in his advancement until he is surprised to find himself both speaking and reading German, in a familiar and easy diction, as nearly accurate as if regulated by the rigid rules of grammar, without their rigidity and is a vast improvement on the old way of beginning with grammar and dictionary.

The Hauptnian system will unquestionably revolutionize the old method of teaching the living languages, and will in its beneficent results be a boon to the whole world for all time to come, for although few teachers will combine the elocutionary abilities and dramatic genius of Prof. Haupt, nor his originality, many will aspire to the tact he displays as a teacher if only in an inferior degree, when using the system of which he is the author.

Crowds have attended his classes in all parts of the United States, from whence he brings innumerable testimonials from scholastic authorities, as well as grateful pupils.

In Hamilton, as well as doubtless elsewhere, although his classes were very successful, hundreds regret now that he is gone; they did not take advantage of his visit to avail themselves of the opportunity. To these we would suggest if they cannot attend the Professor's courses in Toronto, (as the next best) to write him at once, and secure copies of his lecture lessons, which we learn, are mailed promptly on receipt of price — viz: from No. 1 to No. 30 \$1.00, No. 31 to \$0.60, from No. 1 to \$0.60, complete works: (cloth) \$1.75. The address is Prof. A. P. Haupt, A. M., Ph. D., Confederate Life Building, Toronto, — where his classes are now being held, over 200 now in daily attendance.

Alderman Daniel Lamb,

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF WORKS 1893

Was born in the City of Toronto, at his parents' residence, corner of Yonge and Temperance Streets, May 22, 1822. His father the late Peter Rothwell Lamb came to Canada, in 1834, from Bolton, Lancashire, England, and settled in Toronto, where he established a successful business, in manufacturing Blacking, Glue, Etc. in the management of which he was efficiently assisted by his son, the present alderman who, after securing a liberal education, entered heart and soul, into his father's business, which he conducted most successfully until 1888, when he retired. Twenty-four years after the decease of his father, he died deeply mourned and universally esteemed in 1864.

As our old subscribers well know, this journal since its first publication, Sept. 1872, by its present owner and editor, has never published a flattering biography of any one in its columns, where merit was not predominant, so in our brief biography of alderman Lamb, it is our privilege to note in his public career, the earnest purpose of a man bent with all his intellect, business experience, and force of character, to assist the City of Toronto, by his well matured opinions.

The subject of this sketch was among the first in Toronto to advocate a protective or national policy since which, by the action of the Dominion government in 1879, that policy has saved the country from being the "Heaver of wood and draver of water," for the neighboring republic.

As an alderman during 1885-6 he was the projector of the Don river improvements which have conferred on East Toronto such great advantages, affording room for both for manufacturing purposes. His plans for the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Market are also only waiting the completion of the City and County Buildings, to be carried into effect. Since his return to the Council 1892-3, and election to the chairmanship of the public works committee, he has devised a scheme for the removal of all waste material utilizing the street car electric system in connection with the scavenger department, to fill up the new water front wharf (which will be provided with docks) and the marsh land of Ashbridge bay to be converted into a public park as was provided for, the reclamation of Ashbridge bay, by Ald. Lamb's scheme, which is rapidly being done and when recovered, will be worth millions to the city.

Mr. Lamb is one of the largest real estate owners in the north-east part of Toronto and has resided for the past twenty seven years in his beautiful mansion, corner of Winchester and Sunach streets.

Besides being a large property owner he is also interested in several monetary institutions.

In 1867, Mr. Lamb married Eliza, daughter of the late Wm. Lumbers Esq., of Toronto. Of issue there are four sons and five daughters.

As a retired business man of ample means and being free from the necessity or inclination of being connected with public contracts, cheerfully devoting much of his valuable time to the service of the city; he stands in the front rank as a disinterested protector of the people's rights and privileges, both at the council board and in committee.

It is scarcely necessary to add, Ald. Lamb is one of Toronto's as well as all Canada's truest patriots, fully alive to the interests of others, and resolutely fearless in their defence, his record for philanthropy and as a public man requires no further comment.

EDWARD ADAMSON.

DOMINION GRAIN INSPECTOR

Was born in Toronto, 4th June 1865, where he was educated. His paternal grandfather, Dr. Adamson came to Canada from Yorkshire, Eng. 1821 and settled on a grant from the crown of one thousand acres at Springfield, Peel Co. which he cultivated with the assistance of his sons and practiced his profession throughout the district where he was known as a clever physician and surgeon. The old homestead is still owned by the family, William, the 2nd youngest son and father of the subject of this notice, after school days assisted on the farm until coming of age, when he removed to Port Credit, erected saw mills, opened a general store and was extensively engaged in ship building. In 1853 he sold out and removed to Toronto, where he built large grain ware-houses and did the principal business in that line for many years, but met with severe reverses, his ware-houses being three times burnt to the waters edge, after which he retired from business.

During this period he was for twenty two years elected as councillor and alderman for St. Davids ward continuously, and is the oldest alderman that was never defeated at the polls. He is also high in the Orange Order of which for eighteen years he was the County Master, although seventy three years of age he is still in excellent health, enjoying the respect of the whole community.

His son Edward, the grain inspector after receiving a liberal education, was for several years his father's efficient assistant in the warehousing of grain and became an expert in the quality of all kinds of cereals.

As such his appointment 21st September 1891 as grain inspector by the Dominion Government was most judicious and has given universal satisfaction.

From boyhood Mr. Adamson has been an ardent lover of aquatic sports in whose circles he is well known, winning numerous money prizes and medals at rowing races; at the age of sixteen he paddled with his sail boat across from Toronto to Hamilton, and took second place in the third class yacht race, there in 1881. Mr. Adamson remembers with pleasure the courtesy and hospitality of Hamiltonians.

He has retired from the Toronto Rowing Club, of which he was so long a distinguished member, and on 19th January 1889 married Miss Paul of Toronto by whom he has a bright little daughter, a little over two years old. It is hardly necessary to add, Mr. Edward Adamson is a general favorite and is surrounded by a host of sincere friends.