

the place. The only families were those of Aaron Culver, William Bird, and McFarland Wilson, Mr. Culver's house being on the eastern side of Patterson's Creek, now called Lynn River. From the time that Mr. Campbell took charge of the store, which had been occupied by Mr. Bird, he continued to sell merchandise for several years. For a few years at Victoria, then the county seat, six miles south-west, was the nearest post office, but at length one was established at Simcoe, and Mr. Campbell was appointed the first postmaster.

When he went out of the mercantile trade he was appointed agent of the Gore Bank, continuing thus to act until he was appointed Government Land Agent, an office which he held several years. During that period he sold the principal part of the lands in the County of Norfolk not previously disposed of.

At an early day Mr. Campbell joined the militia of the Province, was appointed Lieutenant, and rose, step by step, till he became Lieut.-Colonel.

Something like forty years ago, Colonel Campbell was appointed a magistrate, and still holds that office, but rarely acts in that capacity. For some years he has done little more than look after his own property, which is quite extensive. He was long ago placed in independent circumstances, and is well fitted, by life-long habits of temper and general correctness, to enjoy his wealth. He is a member of the Church of England, and a Christian gentleman of the pure Scotch type.

Col. Campbell has fitted up himself a home quite central in the town, and beautiful enough in its surroundings, and elegant enough in all respects, for any Campbell of the old world. His ten acre park is the finest private park we have ever seen.

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ABRAM WILLIAM LAUDER, Member of the Provincial Parliament for East Grey, is a native of England, and was born at Bewcastle on the 6th of June, 1834, son of the late Thomas D. Lauder, Esq., of Durham, Ont., and grandson of the Rev. William Lauder, late of Bewcastle, Cumberland, Eng., one of the most popular preachers of his time in the border counties. A collateral ancestor was one of the claimants for the Roxburgh Estates in 1812. His mother was of an English family named Forrester. Came to Canada with the rest of the family in 1855, and spent the succeeding two years in the County of Ontario, where he was very successfully engaged in teaching. His father and four brothers settled in the County of Grey, where the latter have become leading citizens, especially James and Thomas, the last named being at present Registrar of the county.