

Mr. White is an out-and-out Reformer, and a man of great influence in the councils of the party. During the civil war in the United States, his sympathies were strongly with the North.

Mr. White was an officer under the old militia law, being Captain and Adjutant; was a long time connected with the township and county Agricultural Societies, aiding all he could to further their interests; and to a certain extent was instrumental in promoting the railroad system of the county and country. He is a man of much public spirit, of indomitable energies, and is wonderfully active for one who is so near his seventieth year.

Mr. White entered the Masonic Order in 1844, but has never gone above the Master of a lodge. He also joined the Odd Fellows in 1851, but soon discontinued meeting with the fraternity. His religious membership is in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. White was first married in 1836, to Miss Mehitable Post, of the township of Trafalgar, County of Halton, she dying the next year, leaving one son, who is still living; and the second time in 1849, to Miss Louisa Knight, of the city of Hamilton, and he has three children by this union.

## DAVID CANFIELD,

### INGERSOLL.

THE subject of this brief sketch is a grandson of Samuel Canfield, senior, a United Empire Loyalist, who resided in Connecticut at the time of the American Revolution, and who subsequently moved into the Mohawk valley, New York, and thence into the Genesee valley, same State, settling in the township of East Oxford, County of Oxford, Upper Canada in 1794; and son of Samuel Canfield, junior, who was born in Connecticut, and accompanied his father to this part of Canada. The mother of David was Catherine Lick. He was born in East Oxford, at the old homestead, November 12, 1806, the family moving to West Oxford near Ingersoll in 1811. Prior to his majority he obtained such an education as could be had in the log school houses of Oxford County sixty years ago; then attended a private school a few terms, and farmed steadily until forty-five years of age. He still owns his farm, most of which is in the corporation of Ingersoll. While engaged in agricultural pursuits he served in the township council, and was Clerk of the township, and has since been in the town council. When the Rebellion broke out near the close of 1837, he enlisted as a private; was appointed Lieutenant the next year, and Captain a year or two later, holding the latter commission until the change in the militia laws, several years ago.

Mr. Canfield has held the office of Clerk of the Division Court, since 1847, and that of Magistrate a longer period, and is active and efficient, though in his seventy-fourth year. There is no truer, more reliable business man in Ingersoll.