

In 1830 he removed to Port Hope, continuing the mercantile trade till about 1840, dying in 1864, in his 74th year.

He married Sophronia Gilchrist, sister of the four physicians and surgeons elsewhere mentioned in this volume, and had four sons and one daughter, one son and the daughter dying in infancy. Peregrine Maitland was an attorney-at-law, and is supposed to have died in the United States during the civil war of 1861-'65; Robert Wilkins, a physician, died at Detroit, Michigan, February 21, 1880, and Henry Hamilton is living with his mother in Port Hope. Mark Burnham was a very successful merchant, and also a music teacher and author, publishing a number of musical books for church use. At the time of his death he had another musical work nearly ready for the press.

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REV. MARK BURNHAM,

ASHBURNHAM.

THE subject of this sketch was a son of Zaccheus Burnham, and was born at Cobourg, county of Northumberland, July 12, 1804, his father being a pioneer in that county. Zaccheus Burnham was born in Dunbarton, N. H., February 10, 1777, while the American revolution was in progress, and emigrated to Canada, with his father, Asa Burnham, in 1798, reaching Haldimand in May of that year. In the autumn of 1800, he returned to New Hampshire, and on the first of February, 1801, married Elizabeth Choate, reaching Canada again on the 28th of the same month. Zaccheus Burnham was a very prominent man in the county of Northumberland for many years. He was elected member of Provincial Parliament for Northumberland and Durham in May, 1816, and for Northumberland alone in 1824; was called to the Legislative Council in 1831, and held that office until the union of the Provinces which was consummated in February, 1841. He was Treasurer of New Castle District for several years, commencing in 1814. As early as 1801, he entered the Northumberland regiment of militia as a private, and rose through every grade until he obtained the rank of Colonel, when he resigned his commission. He died about the year 1857.

Beside the subject of this sketch, Zaccheus Burnham had four daughters, Elizabeth, older than Mark, and Achsa, Maria, and Affa, younger. The son received his early education at Cobourg, under the late Bishop Strachan; completed his education at Queen's College, Oxford, England, and choosing the clerical as his profession, was ordained in 1829, and appointed rector of St. Thomas in the western part of the Province of Ontario. There he labored with great faithfulness for twenty-three years, when in 1852, he was appointed to the Rectory of Peterborough, here serving in that position until 1858, when he retired from immediate parochial duties, continuing, however, to preach at Otonabee, Norwood and Warsaw, until about a year