railway, of which Sir Wm. Van Horne is President. Mr. Brothers was born in Quebec about 60 years ago. Early in his career he was employed by Jas. Ross in the construc-tion of the Credit Valley Ry., & later in the building of the C.P.R. through the Rocky Mountains, the Calgary & Edmonton line, & the Regina & Long Lake Ry. Early in 1893 he went to Montreal, & was appointed Manager of Construction of the Montreal St. Ry. About the beginning of 1895 he went to St. John, N.B., to superintend the establishment of the St. John St. Ry., which was completed in a year. He returned to Montreal in 1896. & remained there till the fall of 1898, when he went to Kingston, Jamaica, where he built the street railway line during the year. From Kingston he went, in Jan., 1900, to Demerara, & built a street car line in Georgetown for the Demerara Electric Co. Last Sept. he paid a short visit to Canada, previous to going to Cuba. Mrs. Brothers & their only son, about 15 years old, were in Toronto when the news of the death came, & it was their intention to

have gone to Cuba immediately after New Year's.

The Hon. Donald MacInnes, who died at Clifton Springs, N.Y., Dec. 1, was born in Oban, Scotland, in 1826, his father being a Highland grazier. The latter with his family came to Canada, & settled on a 200-acre farm in the township of Beverly. This he cultivated until his death in 1852. The late Senator, after finishing his education, was employed in various mercantile pursuits, finally forming a partnership with a Mr. Prentice in a general mercantile trade, the firm name being D. MacInnes & Co.; this partnership was a most successful one, & the business was continued after Mr. Prentice's death by Mr. McInnes, his whole energy being turned to the dry goods trade. This he worked up to the point where he did a whole-sale trade of over \$1,500,000 per annum. Mr. MacInnes suffered a heavy loss by fire in 1879, which completely destroyed the build-He was interested in the Cornwall Cotton Co., & was a director of the C.P.R. He

was also a director of the Canada Life for a number of years. For years he made his residence at Dundurn park, which he sold to the city of Hamilton last year. In 1863 he was married to Amelia fourth daughter of the late Hon. Sir J. B. Robinson. Mrs. MacInnes died some years ago, & the following family is left :- Beverley McInnes, the eldest son, who is Secretary to Lord Mountstephen, in England; William R., the General Freight Agent of the C.P.R. at Winnipeg; Duncan, who is a captain in the Royal Engineers, & took a most prominent part in the defence of Kimberley in the South African war; Charles S., of the law firm of McCarthy, Osler & Creelman, Toronto; & Mrs. A.
H. Campbell, of Toronto, Mr. MacInnes was buried at Hamilton, among the pallbearers being President T. G. Shaughnessy, E. B. Osler, M.P., & W. D. Matthews, of the C.P.R. directorater

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