

## BARTLE H. BULL

lives on Lot 2, 1st Concession East, Chinguacousy. His parents were born in the county of York. His father, J. P. Bull, Esq., still resides in that county, his mother being dead. Bartle Bull, Esq., the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was one of the oldest settlers in the county of York, and is well known throughout the whole Province. He followed farming on the Davenport road for a great many years, and in the early period of our country's history he filled the position of local preacher, and still continues to do so when necessary. He had five sons and four daughters. There are only two of the daughters living; one is the wife of Dr. Pettalo, of Brampton; the other of James Good, Esq., of Toronto. He has three sons living—T. H. Bull, Clerk of the Peace, Toronto; Dr. Edward Bull, of Toronto; and J. P. Bull, Esq., of York. The latter holds the positions of Deputy Reeve for the Township of York, Treasurer of the Dominion Grange, and acting magistrate. Bartle H. Bull was born in the Township of York, in 1845, and lived there until 1875, when he came to Chinguacousy and purchased the farm on which he now resides. In 1867 he married Sarah Duncan, eldest daughter of Wm. Duncan, J. P., one of the oldest, wealthiest, and most highly respected settlers in the County of York. He has had five children, all living. In politics he is a Conservative; in religion, Canada Methodist. He received his first education from the common schools of the county, afterwards going three years to Victoria College. He has followed farming all his life, together with speculating in land and city property, at which he has made a great amount of money. He at present owns three farms in different places, and four houses and lots in the City of Toronto; and he is at all times open to buy or sell.

## CHARLES CALDER, ESQ.

Mr. Charles Calder's father was born in England, and his grandfather in Scotland. His father emigrated to the States when he was a lad of sixteen years old, and before the American War of 1812. Charles Calder was born in the State of New Hampshire, in December, 1804, and came to Canada in 1816, remaining at Niagara until 1820, when he moved with his parents to the Township of Chinguacousy. They settled on the land they drew from Government, and on the death of the elder Mr. Calder, which event happened in 1857, the property was willed to Mr. Charles Calder, where he still lives, being in his 73rd year, but still hale and hearty. In 1827 he married Miss Marian Hall, who is also living and enjoying good health. In March last they celebrated their "golden wedding," and there were present on that occasion, besides their friends and relations, eight of their children and twenty-one grandchildren. The evening spent was a pleasant one, and the visitors departed at a late hour, all wishing that the "good old couple" might live for another fifty years. The Calder family were almost the first white settlers in that part of Chinguacousy. The place was altogether a dense forest, and was noted as "the great wolf country." Here was where the Indians came up from the Credit to shoot and fish. There were large numbers of deer, and the streams abounded with salmon. There was no grist mill nearer than the Sixteen-Mile Creek, and for some years they were obliged to carry their wheat that distance. In politics he has always taken the Reform side, and his sons, without an exception, follow the footsteps of their father. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for fifty-one years. Alexander and Trueman Calder, sons of the above, carry on very extensive marble works on this place, which is Lot 2, 4th Line West, and five miles from Brampton. They formerly had a shop in Brampton, but, finding they could do as well and at less expense, they removed to their present premises, and the last year they have done a larger business than ever. Their work is scattered all over the country, and is justly celebrated for its excellence and skill of workmanship. Their monuments are excelled by none, and their charges are moderate.

## KENNETH CHISHOLM, ESQ., M.P.P.

Kenneth Chisholm, Esq., was born in the County of Peel, in the year 1829. His parents were natives of Glangarry, and emigrated to Canada and settled in Peel in the year 1818, they being among the very earliest settlers and did much towards the settlement and prosperity of the county. After receiving a good sound education, the subject of our sketch was apprenticed to mercantile pursuits, and for many years was in the employ of Mr. Peleg Howland, of Lambton Mills. He commenced business on his own account in Brampton in 1854, and by close attention to its demands finally established himself on the road to ultimate prosperity. In 1864 he started a branch business in Orangeville, which proved an exceedingly fortunate venture, it being now the leading business in that enterprising town. Both at Orangeville and Brampton the firm are large dealers in all kinds of produce, the volume of trade transacted at the two establishments exceeding a half-million yearly. The Brampton firm are also interested in a wholesale grocery house in Toronto. Mr. Chisholm's partner is Mr. M. M. Elliott, a son of one of the old pioneers of the County of Peel, and founder of the town of Brampton. The career of Mr. Chisholm is an edifying one; it is an admirable illustration of what energy, sobriety, and integrity will accomplish. Industry has been the habit of his life; accident has not been his helpmate; but the representative position he occupies to-day has been attained by persistent labor and the influence of an attentive mind, ever ready to seize an opportunity and turn it to good account. As a convincing proof of Mr. Chisholm's popularity and the high esteem in which he is held by his neighbors, it is only necessary to add that he has been Reeve of Brampton nine years; was Warden of the County three years in succession; was elected to the Legislative Assembly in December, 1873, and was re-elected by a handsome majority at the General Election in 1875. While thus acknowledging the success that has attended Mr. Chisholm's efforts and congratulating him over the results, we also congratulate the County of Peel on the creditable record we are able to chronicle in connection with one of her sons, educated within her borders, and whose career thus far has been worked out in the neighborhood of his birth.

## THE LATE JACOB COOK, ESQ.

The father of the above was the late Andrew Cook, Senr., of Toronto Township, who was of English parentage. He brought his family from the State of Pennsylvania in 1804 and settled on Ancaster Plains, his occupation being that of a farmer. As a settler he drew Lot No. 33 in the First Concession north of Dundas Street, in the Township of Toronto—200 acres—and received a deed for the same dated January 11th, 1808. He did not, however, remove from Ancaster to Toronto Township until about 1816. He married Miss Anna Christina Palmer, who was also of English parentage.

Jacob Cook, the subject of this memoir, was born April 26, 1776, in Lancaster County, State of Pennsylvania, and was consequently only eight years old when he came to Canada. In 1815 he came to Toronto Township, and on August 30th, 1819, purchased Lot No. 16 in the First Concession south of Dundas Street, on which a good part of the village of Cooksville now stands, giving \$30 for it, this being his first land purchase.

In the year 1819 he married Anna Ogden, of Toronto Township, and settled on this lot; and although in after years he bought and sold many farms, dealing in land largely, yet he never parted with his first purchase, nor did he remove from it until within a few years of his decease. He was the father of twelve children, of whom only four daughters and one son survive him. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the early days of the County of Peel,

and when on a few magistrates devolved not only the duty of maintaining the peace, but of transacting business now committed to the County Council, he received a commission, which was continued to him ever after. In the days of training he was appointed Lieutenant of Militia, but other duties prevented him from taking a very active part.

In 1820 he contracted with the Government to carry Her Majesty's mail once a week from York (Toronto) to Ancaster and back. This mail he carried himself on horseback, in many cases finding it necessary to wade streams, and often being unable to dismount until the ice had been broken which united his boots to the stirrups. From this date he was never without a Government contract for carrying the mail until he sold his interest in the last one on the 24th of January, 1848. From this humble beginning of 1820 his business in this line increased, until Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, Queenstown, Niagara, Brantford, Galt, Preston, London, Goderich, and the intermediate points were all on the routes over which he held contracts; and many of the older residents of the County of Peel can well remember when his mail stages from Cheltenham to Georgetown united every morning at Cooksville in one train for Toronto to return again in the evening. During the later years of his life he lived wholly retired, giving only a little attention to agriculture, in which he delighted.

On the 3rd day of March, 1873, he died in the village which honored him by adopting his name, and where he made his first home.

## ROBERT COX, ESQ.

William Henry Cox, father of the above, was born in Ireland. He was a private gentleman and magistrate for the two counties of Deprairie and Clair. Robert Cox was born in Ireland in 1823, and emigrated to this country and settled in the State of Ohio in 1834. He lived there for seven years and followed agricultural pursuits. He now owns 460 acres in the States, worth \$50,000, in which his mother has a life interest. In 1836 he came to the Township of Toronto and purchased a farm of 100 acres, but, renting his farm, he again returned to the States, where he remained for six years longer, when he returned to Canada and became a permanent resident on the farm which he now occupies, Lots 8 and 9 First Concession, Dundas Street, formerly part of the Racey block. He received a good English and classical education, his advantages being of the very best. In 1857 he married Miss Helen Creive, second daughter of Henry Creive, Esq., M.D. He has been acting magistrate for about five years, having been appointed in 1872. He has been connected with the Church of England since childhood; his family are also members of that church. He supports the Conservative Party.

## THE LATE WM. CREWE, M.D.

Dr. William Crewe, the subject of this memoir, was born in Staffordshire, England, September 10th, 1797, and departed this life on the 25th of May, 1861. His father, John Crewe, practiced his profession as a surgeon in Staffordshire for many years and enjoyed an extensive and lucrative practice. His son William succeeded him, and kept the practice for several years. Being desirous, however, of extending his sphere of usefulness, he emigrated to Canada in 1834, at the time the cholera visited this country. He first settled in Etobicoke, removing to Cooksville in 1837, where he resided until his death. Those who were acquainted with this country forty years back will be fully aware of the difficulties which beset the medical practitioner while in pursuit of his professional duties. Dr. Crewe, though of a small and delicate frame of body, was full of energy and enthusiasm. In all weathers, at all times, and at all seasons, he was prompt to respond to the call of the sick or maimed. Kind and unwearied in his attendance, he was beloved by all. His skill as an operator as well as a physician soon obtained for him an extensive connection, and his practice may be said to have extended from the shores of Lake Ontario to Lake Huron. His time was so taken up, and his energies so completely devoted to the science of his profession, that he took but little heed of the emoluments arising from it; and hundreds can bear witness to the liberality and kindness of heart, and his total disregard of self. For some weeks before his death he was unable to follow his professional duties; and the short respite from an arduous occupation was spent in preparing himself for that final resting place, to which he was followed by many of his sorrowing friends on the 27th of May, 1861. Dr. Crewe was a Free Mason of long standing, and was for many years a member of St. John's Lodge, of Toronto. He was also surgeon of the local militia and a Justice of the Peace. He left a widow to lament his untimely end, whose faithful assistance through his life and unremitting attention to her domestic duties alone enabled the subject of this memoir to realize that moderate independence he had hardly earned, but which, after all, by the wisdom of Providence, he was not permitted to enjoy. His widow still lives in the old homestead—"Stafford House," Cooksville, Township of Toronto, in the County of Peel.

## THE LATE DR. JOHN CROMBIE.

Dr. John Crombie, the subject of this memoir (whose portrait will be found on another page of this work), was born in Stonykirck, County of Wigton, Scotland, in the year 1794. He proved himself during his life to be one of the most useful and highly respected citizens of the country. The following sketch of his life was written shortly after his death, and published in the local papers:—

"Another pioneer has passed away. One by one the first settlers of the County of Peel are disappearing from amongst us. In the death of the late Dr. Crombie the County of Peel has lost a good citizen, and the inhabitants of Streetsville and neighborhood a true and faithful friend, whose place will be hard to fill. Dr. Crombie was born in the County of Wigton, Scotland, in the year 1794, where he received part of his education, and taught for a time in the parish school. In the year 1819 he emigrated to Canada with his father's family. His father settled in Chinguacousy, on Lot No. 21, 3rd Concession East, where he lived for many years, and died at the ripe age of 86 years, highly respected by all who knew him. Dr. Crombie commenced his life in Canada by teaching school in the Niagara District, having obtained a certificate from the late Bishop Strachan. After teaching a private school for a short time with success, he was engaged by the late Colonel Street to teach his family, in whose employ he remained four and a half years, having during this time for his pupils some who afterwards held very prominent places in Canada, among whom we may mention the late T. C. Street, Bishop Fuller, Walter Dixon, and the late Judge Burns. He then went to study medicine at Fairfield College, New York, (there being no medical college in Canada at that time,) where he graduated in 1829. He then returned to Canada, when he obtained his license in the same year, and commenced to practice his profession in Streetsville, where he remained until his death. At the time of his settlement in this place the surrounding country was almost a wilderness, with few roads, and very many of them only sleigh paths through the bush. At that time the inhabitants were nearly all very poor, and many a time has the familiar form of the 'Old Doctor' been seen on horseback, with a basket of provisions on his arm and saddlebags behind him, wending his way through the woods to the relief of some poor family in distress by sickness and poverty, where, instead of claiming a fee, he has left them the wherewith not only to relieve their suffering but to supply the want of necessaries of life. Being blessed with a sound and vigorous constitution, which he husbanded by a life of constant activity and very temperate habits, he was enabled to endure an amount of hardship which few now-a-days have any idea of, often being called thirty or forty miles away through a com-

parative wilderness, when he would be several days away at a time, going from house to house, relieving suffering wherever he found it. Having by constant and persevering exertion accumulated a considerable amount of wealth, he was enabled to assist many of his neighbours, and was never known to send the needy away empty. By his frank, noble, and generous disposition he has endeared himself to all who knew him, and by whom he will long be remembered with the kindest feelings of friendship, reverence, and esteem. As an example, we may here be allowed to quote the expression of an eminent scholar in his letter of sympathy, which has just been received. He says: "Though his life is lost, his lifetime has not been lost. A more prolonged career of usefulness, uprightness, and honor it would be difficult to find. His walk through life is a noble example to young men. His courageous frankness is as rare as the diamond, and shone from his cheerful face with a brilliancy which smote all dissemblers. I never knew so noble a specimen of moral fearlessness as the Old Doctor. I doubt if from his cradle he ever told a lie."

In addition to his professional duties, being a thorough scholar himself, he always took an active interest in the educational interests of the county. He was for many years one of the County Examiners, and used all his influence in supporting the schools of the neighborhood. He was also one of the oldest magistrates in the County, for which position his sterling honesty well qualified him. In 1831 he married Miss Waite, who was born in Fairfield, N.Y., April 24th, 1815, and is now in her sixty-second year, with whom he had become acquainted during his college course. Although they had a number of children, all died in infancy. His wife still survives him, to mourn his untimely removal. Dr. Crombie, having no children of his own, adopted his niece, Mary Crombie, who was married to J. G. Cooper, Esq., formerly of Nelson, in 1870. They now live in the family mansion at Streetsville, a view of which adorns the pages of this Atlas.

## THE LATE JAMES CURRY.

The parents of the late much esteemed James Curry, Esq., were natives of Donegal, Ireland, and emigrated to this country in 1818. Mr. James Curry was born in Ireland in 1788, and came to this country two years in advance of his parents and relations, 1816. He travelled over a good deal of Canada and lived in Port Hope and other places, and although he had been in the County of Peel previously, he did not settle there until his father and family came from the old country, which was August of 1820, when he settled on lot 12, 6th concession Township of Chinguacousy, where he resided until his death, which occurred March 3rd, 1872. He was a member and elder of the Presbyterian Church for a great many years and did what laid in his power for the advancement of the cause. He married Miss Ann Morrow, daughter of Andrew Morrow, Esq., formerly from the County Down, Ireland. He had a family of eight children, four of whom only are living at the present time. He was always loyal to the British Government and supported the Conservative party. His son, Captain James A. Curry, occupies the old homestead where he also follows agricultural pursuits. The late Mr. Curry has only one surviving brother, Samuel Curry, Esq., who resides on the adjoining farm, lot 12, in the 5th concession Township of Chinguacousy.

## WILLIAM DICK, ESQ.

## BOLTON AGRICULTURAL WORKS.

Mr. William Dick's father was a native of Ayrshire, Scotland, and came to Canada and settled in Toronto, and in 1835 removed to the Township of Albion, where he followed farming until his death, which occurred in 1873. Wm. Dick, the subject of this sketch, was born in the Township of Albion, County of Peel, in 1840, and remained on the farm with his parents until the age of 18, when he apprenticed himself to the blacksmithing. After learning the business he carried on a general blacksmith shop in Cliveburgh for seven years. In 1869 he removed to Bolton and started the present well known and celebrated "Bolton Agricultural Works." The new establishment when completed will be composed of one main building 130 x 30, with a wing of 70 feet running back from each end, with a shed across the back. The first flat of the main building consists of a complete machine shop for turning iron, boring, fitting, &c., with all the latest improved machinery. The second flat is used for painting and finishing the agricultural machines. One of the wings contains the moulding and blacksmith shops, where all the mouldings necessary for the machines are cast. The other wing and shed are used as storehouses for finished work. The principal machines manufactured at present are sawing machines, hand and power straw cutters, threshing machines, sulky horse rakes, 10 and 4 horse powers, wrought and cast iron plows of different kinds, root cutters and cultivators, gang plows, machine jacks, iron road scrapers, fire platforms, grain drills, sugar kettles, reaping and mowing machines. Jobbing of all kinds is also done on the shortest notice and on reasonable terms. They have given special attention to the manufacture of plows and straw cutters, and have taken prizes for them wherever exhibited. When Mr. Dick first started business in Bolton he only manufactured plows, next he added sawing machines and straw cutters, and he has since added one machine after another until his business had become so large that he was compelled to build more commodious buildings. The business has gone on, steadily increasing from year to year until the present year doubles any previous one. The works have grown to be a necessity to the community, and large numbers who formerly went a distance to buy their new machines or their old ones repaired, now find that they can do as well, if not better, at home. Mr. Dick has held several positions of trust and is at present a member of the village council. He is liberal in politics and is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

## ALBERT DODDS, ESQ.

Mr. Albert Dodds' father was born in Ireland, and emigrated to Canada with his parents in 1824, and settled in the Township of Caledon. When he was 17 years old he left his home and went to live in the Township of King, in the County of York, where he still resides. He has had nine children, seven of whom are still living, five girls and two boys.

Albert Dodds, the subject of this sketch, was born in the Township of King, in 1847, and lived with his parents until the age of twenty, when he went to the Village of Kettleby to learn the carriage-making business. After getting a thorough knowledge of it and working at the business for some years, he came to Bolton in 1873 and started what is known throughout the county as the "Bolton Carriage Works." His factory is a commodious building situated in the centre of the town, a view of which will be seen on another page. The establishment, since its commencement, has been kept in active operation, and has become justly celebrated throughout the Counties of Peel and York, as a place where first-class buggies and waggons can be bought at the lowest living prices. He has several times exhibited his carriages at the different Township and County Fairs, and has invariably received prizes. He was two years ago elected Village Councillor, which position he still holds. In politics he has always taken the Liberal side. He is also a member of the Methodist Church of Canada.

## JAMES DONAGHY.

The parents of the above were named Joseph and Jane Donaghy, and were born in the County of Monaghan, Ireland. They emigrated to the County of Peel in 1849, and the country not agreeing well with them, they only remained one year when they left and returned to their old farm in Ireland. They