

went from there to the City of Belfast, and only remained one year when they again emigrated to Canada, and permanently took up their residence in this county. Joseph Donaghy, Esq., died January 21st, 1877, in the 78th year of his age, leaving two sons, James and Joseph.

James Donaghy, Esq., the subject of this sketch, was born in the county of Monaghan, Ireland, in the year 1837. He settled in the County of Peel in 1852. His advantages for education were not as good as the young men have at the present day, for the school system in Ireland cannot be compared to that of Canada, but still he received what might be called an average school training. He has been engaged principally through life in farming. In 1865 he married Miss Jane Reaburn, of the Township of Caledon, who has had five children, all living. He has occupied no political positions higher than municipal, being elected as Councillor for the Township of Albion in 1874. In 1876 he had a hard contest for the Deputy Reeveship, and was returned by a large majority; and in 1877 he was returned by acclamation. His ancestors were all members of the Church of England, and he and his family follow in their footsteps.

JOSEPH ELLIOTT, ESQ.

The father of the above was John Elliott, who was born in the County of Monaghan, Ireland. His mother, Eliza Johnson, was a native of the County of Tyrone, Ireland. They emigrated to this country about the same time, 1850, and were married in this country, and settled in the Township of Chinguacousy. By trade Mr. John Elliott was a shoemaker, but was obliged to leave that business on account of his eyesight. He tried thirteen physicians, but they were unable to do him any good. He bought 200 acres of land in the Township of Albion, being lots 14 and 15 in the first concession, just across from where he worked at his trade. He had three children, and the whole family belonged to the Wesleyan Church.

Joseph Elliott, Esq., was born in the Township of Chinguacousy, in 1844, at the old residence of his father. He removed to his present residence when about five years of age. He never occupied any political position. He is Worshipful Master of the Mono Road Grange Society, No. 177. He was married to Miss Letitia Brooks, daughter of Rev. James Brooks, Baptist Minister, near Weston, Township of York.

WILLIAM ELLIOTT, ESQ.

William Elliott and Francis Hamilton, parents of the above, were born in the County of Fermanagh, Ireland. They were married in Toronto the 29th of November, 1829, and settled on Lot 13, 2nd Con., N. S., Township of Toronto, where they lived until their death. They followed farming, and had a family of four children, two sons and two daughters. John H., the youngest son, studied medicine and practised in Fort Erie, where he died in 1871. The eldest daughter married Wm. Beattie, Esq., and lives in the County of Durham. The second daughter married James M. Bussell, Esq., of Trafalgar. William Elliott, Esq., the eldest son was born at the old homestead in the township where he still resides with his wife and family. He married Miss Ann Jane Jackson, eldest daughter of John H. Jackson, Esq., of the Township of Trafalgar, County of Halton. Mr. Elliott was first elected a member of the Toronto Township Council in 1866, and continued to be a member for seven years, four years of which time he was Deputy-Reeve, and one year Reeve. He was nominated for the Commons by the Conservative Party in 1874, and although not returned, he made a good run, being defeated by only 14 votes. He has always taken a great pride in Agriculture, and has been a Director of the County Society, part of the time occupying the position of President. Although he at present carries on a successful mercantile business in Meadowvale, he still farms 300 acres of land, and he has done much towards supplying the farmers of the county and others as well, with the latest varieties of seed wheat, barley, and all other kinds of coarse grain, as he makes the raising of seed wheat a great specialty, risking large quantities of money in that business. He is continually importing from the United States and other parts of Canada, and any new variety he tries himself before putting it on the market for sale, by which means he has gained the confidence of the public in that particular branch of his business. A view of his residence and store will be found among our illustrations.

GARRET S. FULLER, ESQ.

The father of the above was born at the Bay of Quinte and was a mason and farmer. He afterwards removed to the Township of Chinguacousy. Garret S. Fuller, the subject of this sketch, was born in the Township of Chinguacousy in the year 1849, and has lived there ever since. His advantages for education were limited, but he succeeded in getting a good English Education. In the year 1871 he married Emma, youngest daughter of Robert Copeland, Esq., of Springbrook. The farm he lives on, which is Lot No. 3, on the 4th Line, was willed to him by his father and he has since added fifty acres to it which he bought himself. He followed farming entirely, until five years ago he built a steam saw-mill on his own place, which he has kept constantly running ever since, averaging about 8000 feet per day. There is also a lath and shingle mill attached. His residence is a beautiful large brick with mansard roof, which he has built this year at a cost of \$5000. He also erected a new barn at a cost of \$2000. The farm is in a high state of cultivation and is considered very valuable land. (See view of his residence on page 71). In politics Mr. Fuller has supported the Reform party.

JOSEPH GARDNER, ESQ.

Joseph and Catharine Gardner, the parents of the above, were born in Northumberland, England. The family emigrated to Canada, three months being occupied in the voyage across the Atlantic. They settled in Little York, in a little house, on the ground of which is erected the new Post Office in Toronto. They settled in the Township of Toronto, in the County of Peel, in the year 1822. Joseph Gardner, the subject of this sketch, was born in England in 1817. He, of course, came to this country with his parents, and in 1822 settled in Toronto Township, a mile and a half from where he at present resides. Elizabeth Hous-ton Reeve was born near London, England, in 1816, and emigrated to this country about the same time as the Gardners. She married Joseph Gardner on the 3rd of May, 1843, their issue being nine children, seven of whom are living, four boys and three girls. Two of the daughters and one son are married. Since boyhood Mr. Gardner has been connected with the Methodist Church, and has always taken an active part in the welfare of the Society, and has held the office of Steward for a number of years. His family, also, are all members of the same church. He was one of the few who, by energy and perseverance, succeeded in building the beautiful brick church at Britannia, which cost about \$6000. He is a Liberal in politics, and strenuously supports the Reform Government. He is a magistrate and the Post Master of Britannia. His farm is situated on Lot 5, 1st Concession east of Hurontario Street, and is a very beautiful place, the residence being very fine, and the outbuildings being on an extensive scale. The grounds, also, are beautifully laid out.

JAMES GOLDING, ESQ.

The parents of the above gentlemen, William and Ann Golding, were born in England, emigrated to Canada and settled in Hamilton in 1842, where they lived until 1851, when they removed to the County of Peel, and settled in the town of Brampton, where they carried on the Baker and Confectionery business until 1865, when he retired and left the business with his son, the subject of this sketch.

James Golding, Esq., was born in Liverpool, England, on the 16th of June, 1841. He, of course, came to Canada with his parents and learned his trade as confectioner with his father and finally succeeded him in the business, which he still carries on very successfully, the business having increased of late years very rapidly. He received a good English education, which he has put to good use. He was elected to the first Council for Brampton after it became a town, and acted in that capacity for a number of years. He at present occupies the position of Mayor of the town, having been elected for 1877. His residence and place of business are situated on the corner of Main and Queen Streets.

THOMAS GRAHAM, ESQ.

Thomas and Ann Graham, parents of the above, were natives of the County Tyrone, Ireland, emigrated to America in the spring of 1812, and landed in New York just three days before the declaration of war between Great Britain and the United States. They remained in the City of New York until the spring of 1819, when they removed to Canada.

Thos. Graham, Jr., Treasurer of the County of Peel, was born in the City of Toronto in 1820, and has remained in Canada until the present time. He did not have the educational advantages which the youth of the present time enjoy. The only schools then available were the Central School in Toronto and the common schools of the county. From these he gathered what he could and coupled with what he obtained by his own exertion since leaving school, gave him a good English education. He has been twice married, first in 1847 to Miss Jane Neelds, and second to Miss Mary McFadden, daughter of the Rev. Wm. McFadden, Wesleyan minister. He has had eight children, four of them are dead; the living are two sons and two daughters. He was brought up a farmer and pursued that calling until the year 1865, when he was appointed Treasurer of the County of Peel. He was elected member of the Agricultural and Arts Association in 1869, and was appointed Treasurer of that institution the same year and has held the office up to the present time, having been five times elected as a member of the Board and nine times re-appointed as Treasurer. He took an active part in the rebellion of 1837, so far as one of his age might be expected to do seeing that he was only 17 or 18 years of age at the time. However he felt that young as he was he would do all in his power to put down the rising against the Government. He at once made his way along with others to Toronto to offer his services to the Government in the defence of his country. His offer was accepted and he was identified with what was then called the North York regiment of militia. He received a commission as ensign about the year 1841, was gazetted lieutenant in 1846, and afterwards captain in the same regiment. His religious associations have been from his youth up identified with the Wesleyan Methodists, of which church he has been a member for the last thirty-eight years. The Graham family were among, if not actually, the first settlers of the new survey of the Township of Toronto, mention of which will be found elsewhere in this work.

JOHN HAGGERT, ESQ.

Mr. John Haggert, head of the well-known firm of Haggert Brothers, manufacturers of all descriptions of Agricultural Implements, was born near Paisley, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and in the year 1839, when a mere boy, emigrated in company with an elder brother to the United States. The two settled in New York, where John was apprenticed to learn the business of engineering in the establishment of Dunham & Co. After a few years his parents decided on leaving Auld Scotia to settle in Canada, and John, shortly after their arrival, decided to join them in this country. Before attaining the age of twenty-one he was appointed to the position of Engineer on one of the St. Lawrence Steamers. He continued at this business for two years, when he removed to Hamilton, and for a short time worked at his trade in that city. He then located in Beamsville, from where, in 1849, he removed to Brampton, and entered on the manufacture of Agricultural Implements. Soon after starting he was joined by his two brothers and the three conducted the business successfully, under the name and style of Haggert Brothers, until January 1866, when a dissolution took place, and Mr. Haggert, with increased success, continued to carry on the manufactory until 1870, when the business becoming too great for one man to manage, he formed a partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr. R. Cochrane, of Fingal, County of Elgin who in connection with Mr. Haggert are the sole proprietors of the firm of Haggert Brothers. Mr. Haggert was elected in 1874, and the three following years Mayor of Brampton, but having in February of 1877, purchased the St. Thomas Agricultural Works, he found that the increased demand upon his time precluded the possibility of his attending to Municipal duties; he therefore to the regret of a majority of the people of the town, resigned his position in the Council.

The establishment gives employment to about 150 hands, and linked with the branch at St. Thomas which is almost identical in size, style and outfit to the parent factory in Brampton, the firm may be justly ranked one of the representative establishments of the Dominion.

John Haggert, thus far, has had a busy life, industry has been his watchword and the success he has so far achieved adds still another proof that it is not to the possessor of brilliant abilities who achieves the greatest results, but rather to the man possessed of ordinary talents, who exercises what he does possess with the greatest diligence. The rapid growth of the Town of Brampton is largely indebted to the energy and perseverance of Mr. Jno. Haggert.

JAMES HAMILTON, ESQ.

James Hamilton and Mary Cowan parents of the above, were born in Ireland and emigrated to Canada in 1823. They remained in Montreal during the summer and left in the fall for Lewiston, N. Y., where they remained for three years, after which they sold out and came back to Canada and settled in the Township of Toronto, lived there for three or four years when they removed to Lot 4, 4th Concession east Chinguacousy. James Hamilton, the subject of this sketch, was born on the farm on which he now lives in 1831, and has always been a resident of the County. He received a common school education, his advantages being limited. He was elected Municipal Councillor in 1863 and also Deputy Reeve for that year to the County Council of York and Peel and continued to represent the Township until 1867, was also elected Deputy Reeve for that year to the Council of Peel, and at the end of that time he retired and has not since offered himself for re-election. He has been Director of the County of Peel Agricultural Society for a number of years, last year he was elected president and still holds the position.

JAMES HAMILTON, ESQ.

Jas. Hamilton the subject of this sketch was born 1830 in Doonin, near Tempo, County Termanagh, and whose forefathers settled in Crewehill, near Fivemiletown, County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1690. He is a descendant of Colonel John Hamilton, who was killed at the battle of Anghrim, and was brother to General Richard Hamilton, commander of King James' forces at the siege of Londonderry, and whose estates were confiscated and given to their nephew, Capt. Jas. Hamilton, by King William, who was created Baron of Mountcastle, and Viscount Strabane, and whose descendant is now Marquis of Abercorn, County Tyrone (see Lodges Peerage vol. 3, page 151, for particulars respecting the branch of this family). Mr. Hamilton came to this county in 1850, and settled in the Township of Toronto; he lived two years in Streetsville, where he clerked in Mr. Switzer's store; he then came to Port Credit and clerked for Robt. Cotton, Esq., until 1860, when he bought out Mr. Cotton's business, and has since carried it on himself very successfully. It consists of general merchandise; he also buys grain. He was married in 1863 to Miss Alicia Perry, third daughter of John Griffith, Esq., and have had three children—one daughter and two sons. He has always taken an active part in politics in the Conservative interest. He was appointed Justice of the Peace in 1867, and has also a Lieutenant's commission in the militia. He was brought up a Presbyterian and still adheres to it.

CHARLES HAINES, ESQ.

The father of the above early pioneer was a native of England, and emigrated to this country in 1816. He was a mill-wright, and after arriving in New York City, worked at his trade until the following spring, when he removed to Little York, May 1817. When he arrived at this little place he found only a small settlement with a log gail in the centre, and nearly opposite was a piece of ground with a picket fence around called a pound for the purpose of locking up breechy cattle. He thought it was a strange country, and he found it impossible to get work at his trade. After looking around for a few days he succeeded in getting a job at splitting rails, but after trying that for one day, he concluded that it was quite enough of that kind of business and threw the job up. In looking over the newly surveyed map for Peel, he saw a point where the River Credit runs through (Cheltenham) and at a venture, drew it from the Government, which proved that he was a man of great judgment, as it proved to him and his family after him, a source of wealth. In the year 1820, he and his son, the subject of this sketch, travelled through the Township of Chinguacousy that he had taken up, and the only thing they had to guide them was the surveyor's blaze on the trees. After a weary search Lot No. 2 was found, and when they found that was their place they were inclined to return, for it seemed a place only fit for bears and wolves to dwell in, of which at that time there were plenty. That same year Mr. Haines did his settlement duties, viz., built a shanty and cleared so much land after which he returned to Little York. The following year, 1821, he went from Little York to his land and took a yoke of oxen with him and was obliged to chop a road through the bush for them for the last seven miles, so that they could get through with the sled. The first night in the woods they were obliged to chain the oxen to a tree and leave them all night with nothing to eat,—the only provisions the oxen at any time could get was browsing trees. He remained on his land this second time for five weeks and again returned to Little York and settled permanently on his property in the following year, 1822. At that time there were a few but very few settlers, and it was not till some years after that the settlers began to come in, but those that were there acted as brokers, helping each other in every way possible. The nearest grist mill at that time was at Weston, and many a bag has been carried over rough roads on tired shoulders to cheer the family on reaching home. Every year there were fresh arrivals of settlers, and in 1847 Mr. Haines built a small log grist mill which was considered a tremendous undertaking at that early day; however, the mill prospered, and finally assumed large proportions, and from this circumstance no doubt can be attributed the settlement of the present village of Cheltenham. The subject of our memoir, Charles Haines Esq., Jr., was born in England in 1810, and as has been mentioned before, came out with his parents and was with them and took part in all the hardships of early settling. He bought the lot on which he now resides in the year 1830. In 1836 he married, the result of which was five boys and one girl. In 1847 his wife died, and he married again, but had no more family. He lost by death his only daughter and two sons. His second wife died in 1868. His advantages for an education were such as every early pioneer had to put up with, being very limited. He has followed principally farming, but has worked a good deal at carpentering and the mill-wright business. He was made a Justice of the Peace in 1863, in 1865 a commissioner, in 1871 issuer of marriage licenses. His interests have been entirely with the Reform party of Canada.

THOS. HOLTBY, ESQ.

The name of the father of the above is Mathias Holtby. He is a minister of the Canada Methodist Church. He was born in England, and came to this country, with his wife, Elizabeth, in 1830. He settled in Little York (now Toronto), where his wife died in March 1833. The subject of our sketch was born in England, March 1813, and came to this country in 1833. His advantages for education were very limited as the schools in his neighborhood in these days were taught by persons entirely unfit for the position, and the schools were few and far between. He was married to Miss S. L. Baywell, daughter of John Baywell, Esq., one of the first J. P's. in the County of Peel, having received his commission in 1844. Mr. Holtby had nine children, three of whom are dead. He has occupied no political position. He has been a member of the Canada Methodist Church since 1847, and has been a local preacher in that Church since 1849.

ROBERT LAWRENCE, M.D.

Robert Lawrence, Esq., was born in the village of Springfield, Township of Toronto, on the third of December, 1842. His parents were natives of Wiltshire, England, and came to Canada and settled in the Township of Toronto, County of Peel, in 1832, where they lived and followed farming until 1852, when they removed to the County of Simcoe, where they at present reside. Dr. Lawrence lived on his father's farm in the Toronto Township and attended common school until the age of twenty, when he received a certificate and commenced teaching school in the Township of Mulmur, where he taught for two years and a-half, during which time he was studiously preparing himself for College. After this time he entered into commercial business at a place called Honeywood in Mulmur, and continued at it for some time. In 1867 he entered the Victoria College, which he attended for four years, when he graduated and passed his examinations before the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Upper Canada, and was admitted a member. He then settled in the village of Mono Mills, County of Peel, where he has continued to practice his profession up to the present time. He has a large practice which is steadily increasing. He has always taken sides with the Liberal Conservative Party, and is at present president of the Liberal Conservative Association for the County of Cardwell, and his name has several times been mentioned as a candidate in the interests of that party.