

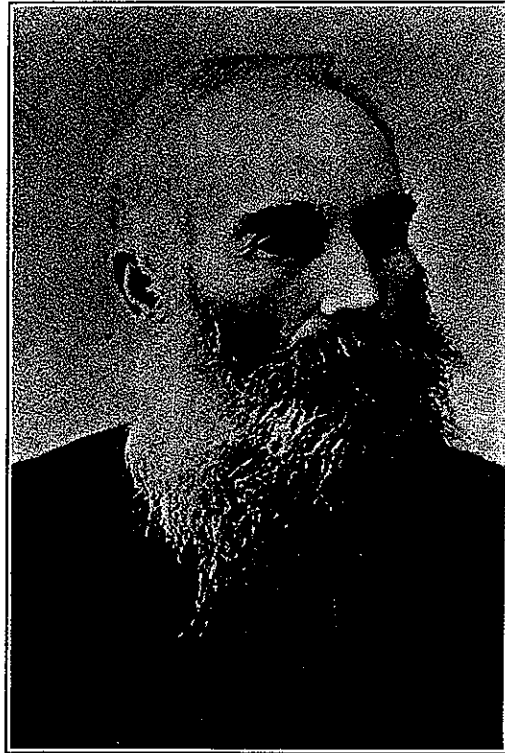
JAMES ALLAN

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Was born on the Scotch line in Lanark county in 1840, the son of Scotch parents who settled in Lanark county. His father's name was John and his mother's maiden name was Liliias Drysdale.

Educated in local schools, he served his apprenticeship with J. M. O. Cromwell, and obtained his certificate on the 9th April, 1864, and started the practice of his profession in Renfrew in 1865. He married Jessie Gibbons of the township of Horton in 1865. John R. and Lily were born to them.

His practice was local surveying and did considerable surveying of timber limits and when the old Canada Central Railway was built he was employed in arbitration proceedings and work on right-of-way surveys. He was also employed assisting to locate the Kingston and Pembroke Railway between Sharbot Lake and Renfrew.



He was of a retiring disposition, a great lover of books and a powerful man physically.

He died March 16th, 1891, of inflammation of the lungs after a short illness and his wife died three weeks later from the same disease.

His son John R., is now farming in Saskatchewan and married. His daughter Lily, married the late J. McN. Austin of Chapleau about forty years ago, died about twenty-five years ago leaving two sons.

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