

## A. W. CAMPBELL

Archibald William Campbell, M.E.I.C., was born May 16th, 1863, in the Village of Wardsville, County of Middlesex, Ontario, and in 1864 moved with his family to the Township of Ekfrid to the farm "Mapleburn" where his grand parents,

on his mother's side, settled when they came to Canada from Argyleshire, Scotland, in 1831 and where his mother was born in 1832.

His father, Cameron John Campbell, came from Caithness, Scotland, in 1850 and settled in the Village of Wardsville. He died in 1904 aged 79 years.

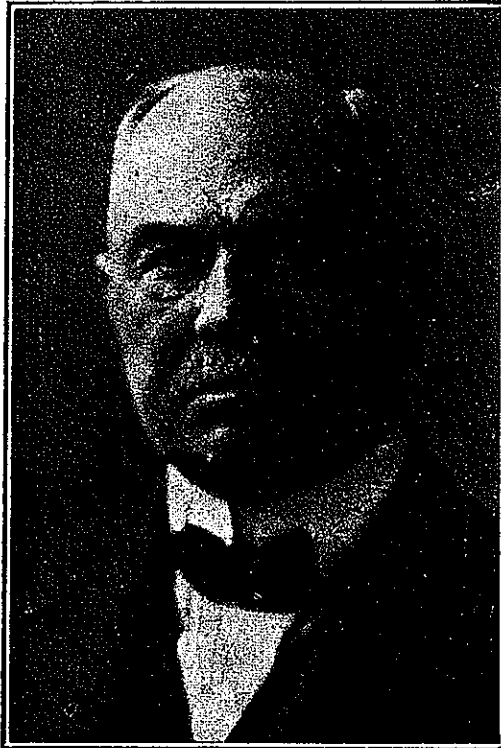
Mr. A. W. Campbell's brothers and sisters were John Cameron, Duncan A. Marwood, Euphenia and Jessie, of whom Duncan and Jessie (Mrs. M. Fletcher) survive. Mr. Campbell himself never married.

The following is taken from the Engineering Journal of June, 1927:

"In the death of Archibald William Campbell, M.E.

I.C., which occurred at his home in Ottawa on May 9th, 1927, Canada has lost one of its outstanding public men and one who has done a great deal for the advancement of the highway systems in Canada, and particularly in the Province of Ontario. Through his long and enthusiastic service in the interests of highway development, the late Mr. Campbell was known throughout the country as 'Good Roads' Campbell."

His first engineering experience was secured as a student in the office of James A. Bell, M.E.I.C., of St. Thomas, with whom he served for three years. Part of his earlier work was in connection with surveys on the Essex Centre and Welland Branch of the Canada Southern Railway.



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On April 10th, 1885, he was commissioned a Provincial Land Surveyor, following which he engaged in private practice as civil engineer and Provincial Land Surveyor at St. Thomas. In 1888 he became associated with James A. Bell, M.E.I.C., under the firm name of Bell & Campbell, and was engaged in general engineering work in drainage systems, water works and bridges. He was appointed city Engineer of St. Thomas, which position he held until 1896, when he was appointed good roads commissioner for the province of Ontario. Four years later he became deputy minister of public works with the Provincial Government and in 1910 deputy minister of railways and canals for Canada, and later commissioner of highways for the Dominion Government.

Mr. Campbell was present at the inaugural meeting of the Association on Feb. 23rd, 1886, and contributed to the discussion. For some years thereafter he took a deep interest in the Association.

When, following the war, the Dominion Government decided to appropriate \$20,000,000 to subsidize the construction of a Dominion-wide system of main and market roads and interprovincial highways, Mr. Campbell was placed in executive control to administer the Canada Highways Act and supervise the carrying out of its provisions. In the organization of his work he was called upon to study the conditions in the different provinces of Canada and to devise a uniform classification of roads and to organize the necessary field and office staff. In connection with that work, he conferred with the various provincial highways departments as to the best methods of improving the roads of each province, and in due course prepared standard specifications for the several classes of highway contemplated by the Federal Act.

Mr. Campbell's technical training made his services of special value to the Provincial Highways Departments in the consideration of the economic value of the road materials available in the various provinces, their transport and utilization. He was called upon to furnish, from time to time, technical advice based on the best engineering practice relating to road matters, and, in that connection, during his tenure of office, he prepared and issued, in addition to the annual reports of his branch, a number of circulars and bulletins containing a great deal of useful information on matters of road construction and motor transport.

The late Mr. Campbell joined The Engineering Institute of Canada as an Associate Member on March 22nd, 1888, and was transferred to Member on June 18th, 1896.

The following papers were presented by Mr. Campbell and appear in our Reports: Highway Bridges, 1888; Macadam for Town Streets, 1897; Culverts and Bridges, 1899; Concrete Cement Culverts, 1900; Concrete Culvert Tile, 1902.

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