

The subject of this sketch practised surveying around Mount Forest, and surveyed part of Chatham. He practised at Rat Portage (now Kenora). He moved to Winnipeg in 1881, and was joined there by his family in 1883. The family left Winnipeg in 1889 to live in Calgary, and Francis joined them there in 1897, where he passed away on December 4th, 1898.

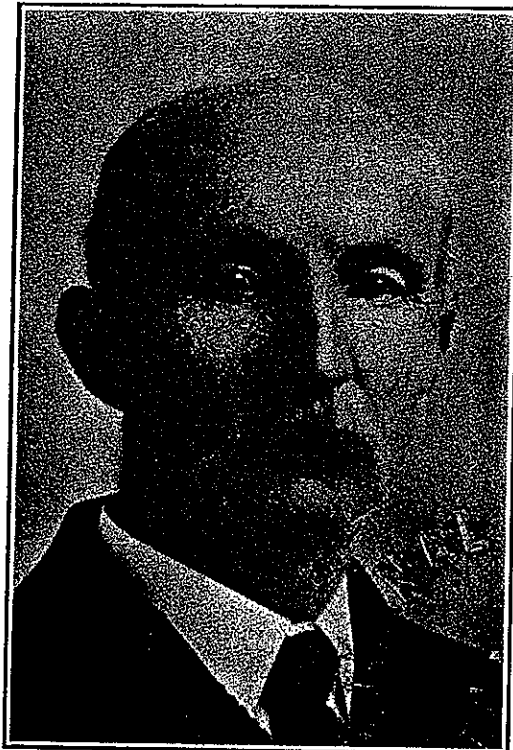
He made the following Dominion Land Surveys:
 1882-83—Survey of outlines of Townships 45, 46, 47 and 48, Ranges 4 and 5.
 Subdivision of Townships 45, 46 and 47, Range 4.
 Townships 45, 46, 47 and 48, Range 5. All west of the 3rd Meridian.

HENRY LIONEL ESTEN

Compiled by Mr. R. M. Anderson, O.L.S.

Henry Lionel Esten was born in Toronto on October 19th, 1863, in the old Esten residence on Beverley Street, which is now the "Georgina House".

His father was James Hutchison Esten, who was born at Exeter, County of Devon, England, on February 23rd, 1833, the son of Hon. J. C. P. Esten, Vice-Chancellor of Upper Canada, whose father was Hon. J. C. Esten, Chief Justice of Bermuda. James Hutchison Esten became Provincial Land Surveyor October 16th, 1857, having served his apprenticeship with Col. J. Staughton Dennis. He later became a barrister, and was secretary of the Law Society of Upper Canada until his death on June 13th, 1892.



Henry Lionel Esten attended Mr. Broughalls' private school in Toronto and Upper Canada College from 1874 to 1879, when the college was on Adelaide Street at Simcoe Street.

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He was articled to Mr. Charles Unwin and received his diploma on January 7th, 1887.

Shortly after qualifying as a surveyor, Mr. Esten went to Thorold, Ontario, to work on the plans of the old (second) Welland Canal. He was an excellent draughtsman.

Returning to Toronto, he entered into partnership with C. G. Hanning and C. J. Murphy until the retirement of Mr. Hanning. He continued in practice with Mr. Murphy until 1891, when the firm of Unwin, Foster, Murphy & Esten was started. After the death of Mr. Foster in 1899 the firm was continued as Unwin, Murphy & Esten, although Mr. Unwin had retired in 1896 to become a City Assessor, later City Surveyor.

On the death of Mr. C. J. Murphy in 1921, Mr. Esten carried on the firm name with C. J. Manser as partner. Mr. Esten's practice was mostly in Toronto and vicinity.

He joined the Queen's Own Regiment in 1887 at the time of the Northwest Rebellion. He was in H Company, known as Trinity College Company, for many years.

He was of a very retiring nature, was particularly well read, and had a vast knowledge of the old residents of Toronto. He took very great interest in the Biographical work and the veterans of the Association. Mr. Esten served as well on many committees and the Council of the Association.

The following served their articles with Mr. Esten:— N. C. Lloyd, C. J. Manser, I. L. Flint, J. Beatty and Y. Anderson.

He married Helen Marguaret, second daughter of the late Rev. Canon Murphy of Innisfil, on July 25th, 1903. He had no children and is survived by his wife, two sisters, Miss K. Esten and Miss F. Esten, of Toronto, and one brother, G. H. Esten, barrister, of Barrie, Ontario.

Mr. Esten was an Anglican and a member of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

He died on May 13th, 1934, and was buried in the family plot at St. James Cemetery, Toronto.

A very high tribute was paid him by the Association in the following message of sympathy, upon his death: "Mr. Esten was a man universally respected by his fellow surveyors, and was one of those, who by his example, did so much to place this organization on a high professional basis."