

COMMITTEE ON BIOGRAPHY

JOHN JAMES FRANCIS

The subject of this sketch was a son of William Francis and his wife Helen Rose, of Toronto.

He was born in April, 1834. He was articled to Dennis and Gossage in Toronto on the 13th April, 1858, for three years, and was appointed a Land Surveyor for Ontario on the 16th October, 1861.

He married Hester Burr, who was the youngest sister of the mother of J. W. Tyrrell, O.L.S., &c. He lost one of his arms.

He subdivided much of the land in and around Sarnia, Ont., which was his home town.

He died in the General Hospital there on the 13th April, 1916, aged eighty-two years and six months, and was buried in Lake View Cemetery there on September 16th, 1916, in grave 13, Lot 2, Line E.

A picture of him has not yet been found. When one is found it will be published.

He had four children; Millie, who became a very talented woman and lived in Buffalo; Edmund, lived, married twice, and died in Buffalo; Johnson and John.