

On April 14, 1892, Mr. L. M. Bowman was admitted to practice as a Provincial Land Surveyor, and registered as an Ontario Land Surveyor the same year, but at the same time withdrew from the list of practitioners.

Energetic and persevering, he was too unsparing of himself in his work, and succumbed to a complication of diseases before the prime of life had been reached.

A widow and two small children are bereft of their mainstay by his early demise.

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WILLIAM HASKINS.

Another of our members, Mr. William Haskins, has passed away. The deceased has for the past forty years been Engineer for the City of Hamilton. Mr. Haskins was born May 29, 1848, at Coolkeno Hall, county Wicklow, Ireland. He was a son of Abraham Haskins, who came from England and settled in the county of Wicklow, and Margaret Fitzmaurice, daughter of Col. Fitzmaurice. Mr. Haskins was educated in Dublin, Ireland, where he studied his profession of civil engineer at Trinity College, under Sir John McNeill. In 1852 he married Catherine Murray, daughter of Hugh Murray, of the county of Carlow, Ireland, a gentleman of Scottish ancestry. He came to Canada in 1852, and obtained a position as assistant engineer on the survey and construction of the Great Western Railway. On 5th July, 1855, he received his commission as Provincial Land Surveyor. In 1856 he was appointed City Engineer for Hamilton. With the exception of Mr. Beasley he was the oldest civic official in that city. He rendered the city valuable service during his long term of office, all the important public works being constructed under his supervision. Mr. Haskins was a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, London, Eng., and of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers. He died suddenly at his residence in Hamilton on July 5, 1896, leaving a widow and five sons to mourn his loss.

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ALFRED HOWITT.

Mr. Alfred Howitt, O.L.S., was taken from amongst us on May 6, 1896. The deceased gentleman was born in Nottinghamshire, Eng., in 1829, and came to this country with his father and mother in 1833. He commenced his studies in Guelph, and was afterwards sent to the Rockwood Academy, where he entered on his professional studies under the late Hugh Black, P.L.S. He went to Hamilton about the year 1848, and was employed professionally at Stratford after that time. In 1863 he married Miss Elizabeth Parks, of Puslinch Lake, and moved to the farm of Wingfield, near Gourock, where he practised his profession until the time of his death. He leaves one son, Dr. J. A. Howitt, of Morriston, and five daughters to regret his departure.

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