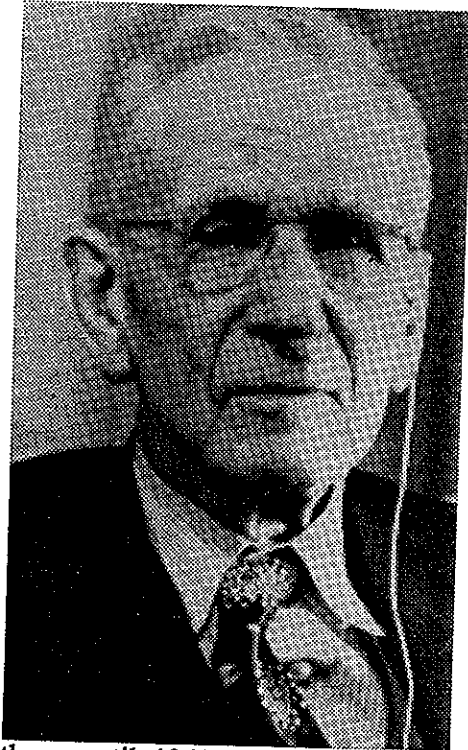


## BIOGRAPHIES

Howard Fairchild was highly respected in his profession, and had a wide circle of friends. After an illness of about three months he passed away July 4th, 1943, at the home of his son, Lee Fairchild, on the Galt-Hamilton Highway. He was 71 years of age. Surviving him were his wife, the former Lottie A. Lee, who passed away November 26th, 1949, three sons, William Lee and John H. of Galt and Douglas M. of Barrie, and one daughter, Mrs. Fred E. Farlinger of Toronto.

### DARRELL DENMAN JAMES, O.L.S.

Darrell Denman James, O.L.S., died at his home, 6 Wanita Road, Port Credit, Ontario, on March 21st, 1959, aged 89 years. He was born in Toronto in 1870, second son of Silas James, O.L.S. and Jane Sully James.



He attended the original Church Street School, Jarvis Collegiate and University of Toronto. He obtained his Ontario Land Surveyor's diploma in 1889. He was also a Dominion Land Surveyor. He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1894, with B.A. and B.A.Sc. degrees. With his father he formed the partnership of S. James and Son, and together they laid out many Townships in Northern Ontario. In early years he did work for the New York Central in New York State, for the New York Subway and on the Canadian Northern Railway through the Western provinces. At one time he was resident Engineer at Helen Mine.

In 1923 he married Alice Elizabeth Kaye of Toronto, who survives him. There were two children, Douglas Denman James, who died in 1942, aged 16 years, and Katherine Kay James (now Mrs. Harold Dyer of Brampton, Ontario).

In 1932 he transferred his practice to Cooksville, Ontario, and remained there until 1942 when he moved to Port Credit. He was actively engaged in surveying until shortly before his death, and his name is retained in the partnership of James and Wandabense.

Mr. James retired from full time practice in 1952. Old clients, however, continued to insist upon his advice and services almost to the last, often coming for him and bringing him back. He had an amazing memory for detail. On one occasion recently when his partner was leaving for a job in Erindale, he recalled an old stake he had planted in 1892. He stake was found as described by Mr. James. Mr. James was an avid reader and took a keen interest in past and current history, and could discourse on any topic. He had a vast store of facts relating to Peel County and to Toronto Township in particular. Some of these things are preserved in his old notes by way of old clippings and letters. The memory of Mr. James will always be that of a gentleman of the old school, meticulous in all his work, honourable in all things and courteous to all.