

have been located and a reprint of his Class picture of 1886 is the best available likeness.

He was married to Margaret Hutchison who for some years previous to her marriage was private secretary to the late John Ross Robertson, owner of the Toronto Telegram and founder of the Hospital for Sick Children. There were three children, Brent, born September 7th, 1902, and died August, 1915, while with his father on Northern Development near Port Arthur; Margot Elinor, now Mrs. E. B. Dustan, Toronto; and John Kenneth, born June 7th, 1908, unmarried and also living in Toronto.

In February, 1924, when the Women's Auxiliary of the Ontario Land Surveyors' Association was formed, Mrs. Laird became its Secretary, which position she held until her death, June 30th, 1927. It was largely due to her patience and skill that this organisation was so successfully inaugurated.

ARCHIBALD McNAB

Was born in 1818. He was appointed a Land Surveyor on the 19th April, 1846. Articled to Chas. Rankin.

The McNabs settled in Barnet, Virginia, in the year 1500 with their retainers, servants, school teachers, clergyman, &c., where they composed the whole village.

At the time of the American Revolution they came to Canada with the United Empire Loyalists.

They settled first in the Niagara District. Col. James McNab had at least three sons, and they took up land at the Forks of the Credit, now Sombra. Where John of Scotland was granted 300 acres in Esquesing in 1822. Archibald was granted 100 Ac. W. $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 2, Con. 3, in 1825. James N. $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 2, Con. 3, 100 Ac., making a total of 500 Ac. Here they built a mill in 1825. Then in the 1837 Rebellion, they were handed a note, stating that if they did not discontinue their partizan activities, they would be put out of business. And they were put out of business. Then they went to Owen Sound.

It is believed that before 1870 he married Rachael Sutton. She died giving birth to a child. About 1870 Archibald was in Detroit, Mich., where it is believed he married Catharine Brown.

In 1881 he was granted a D.L.S. contract for surveying Townships 9 and 10, Ranges 21 and 22, and Townships 11 and 12, Ranges 27 and 28, West of the Prin. Mer.

But he died on the 3rd of Aug., 1881, before his contract was completed, his son, John F. McNab, acting as his assistant on the survey.

His P.O. address on Dec. 1st, 1880, was Rapid City, Man. In Jan., 1881, he was living in a shack built by himself on Sec. 24-10-22 W., about 25 miles southwest of Rapid City, and for a considerable time was confined to his shack through illness. Harry Foster, a resident of Grand Valley, took Mr. McNab into his own house in July, 1881, and looked after him during his illness.

Mr. McNab died at Grand Valley on Aug. 3rd, 1881, and his son and assistant, John F. McNab, notified the Department on Aug. 4th, 1881, of the demise of his father. John F. afterwards killed in British Columbia.

Grand Valley P.O. in 1881 is shown on the map of Manitoba in Sec. 10 or 19, Township 10, Range 18, west of the Principal Meridian. But not shown on the map now.

A picture of Archibald McNab cannot now be found, but when one is discovered it will be published.

There has been some legal activity about this biography, as there is a small estate connected with it.
