

JOHN MORRIS, P.L.S.

By A. E. Morris.

John Morris was born in the Township of Drummond, County of Lanark, adjoining the Town of Perth, on the 9th day of May, 1824. He received his early education in the Town of Perth, and was indentured to the late Josiah Ritchie, P.L.S., who resided on his farm in the Township of Bathurst, close to Perth.

Here he remained for one year, and at the expiration of that time he passed his examination, receiving his certificate of P.L.S., on June 9th, 1847. He then returned to Mr. Ritchie with whom he spent the following year surveying through Lanark, Carleton, Frontenac, Addington and Renfrew Counties. At the close of the year he left for Ottawa, where he spent more than a year doing survey work for the settlers along the Ottawa River. The next years were spent at his home in Perth, where he continued to practise until the year 1854, when he took a contract to subdivide a part of the Townships of Alico in the County of Renfrew where the town of Pembroke stands. At the conclusion of this work he again returned to Perth where he resumed practice, doing a great deal of work for the lumbermen who controlled large limits along the Mississippi, Clyde and other streams in the adjacent counties. He did considerable drainage work also in these days, as well as the subdivision of village and town property. In the year 1872, following the first Riel Rebellion, he received a contract to survey some townships in the Stony Mountain district, Manitoba, west of Winnipeg, which he completed early that season. Returning to Perth he took up practice until the Spring of 1880, when he received another contract in Manitoba in the Turtle Mountains. He finished this, and in the following year, 1881, took a third contract near Souris River in the south-western part of Manitoba, finishing this one late in the season.

This was the last work he did in the West, and from that time until his death on the 10th of April, 1889, he continued local practice in Perth.

GEORGE CHARLES RAINBOTH.

By G. L. Rainboth (son of G. C. R.).

Mr. G. C. Rainboth was born on October 4th, 1846, at St. Andrews', Argenteuil County, Quebec.