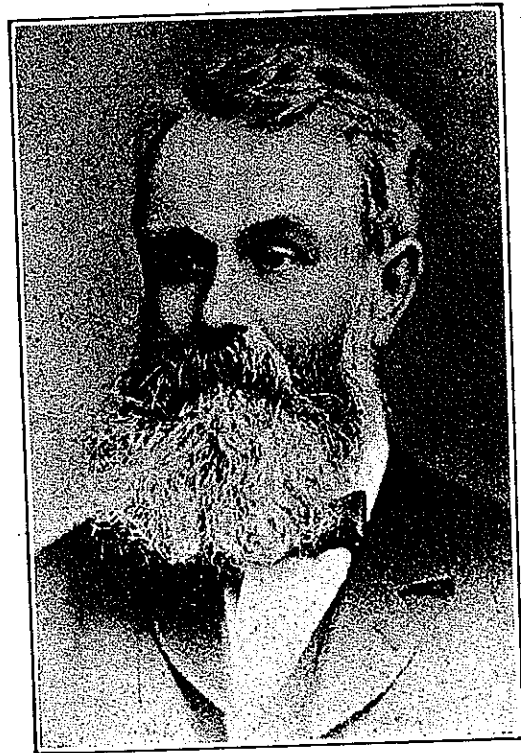


WILLIAM PERCEVAL

William Perceval, who became a Land Surveyor on the 8th July, 1852, was the son of the Rev. Willie Maxwell and Anne, eldest daughter of John Waring Maxwell, of "Kilmore Hill," in the town of Tallow, in the county of Waterford. The Rev. Willie Maxwell was the son of Dr. Robert Perceval, a noted Dublin doctor, and Anne, eldest daughter of John Brereton, of Ruthgibbert.

William Perceval was born 14th April, 1825. He was a graduate in civil engineering of Trinity College, Dublin. He came to Canada in 1850. While in Canada he was asked by his brother, Robert Perceval Maxwell (the Maxwell being added to Perceval upon becoming heir to his uncle), to inspect and report upon Amherst Island, Ont. His report was favourable, and Mr. Maxwell purchased it. Then William resided on the island, and acted as agent for his brother, and made surveys there.



On the 17th July, 1852, he married Miss Sara Maria Going, of Wolf Island, formerly of the county of Tipperary, Ireland. There was no issue to this marriage.

He left Canada in 1871, and returned to his home in Ireland. Later on, through the death of his brother, he succeeded to "Kilmore Hill" house, where he spent his last years, dying on October 5th, 1905, in the same house where he was born. On December 28th, three months following, his widow followed him, both being buried in the churchyard at Tallow, Ireland. He was a member of the Church of England, of strong faith and religious feeling, and most amiable and generous to a fault.

After he came into "Kilmore Hill," he took great interest in breeding shorthorn cattle, winning prizes on them at different fairs.

He had several brothers and sisters, viz. : Robert, his eldest brother, was heir to his uncle, John Maxwell, of Finnebrogue, County Down, Ireland, and assumed his name, being known as Robert Perceval Maxwell. He was very wealthy, and Finnebrogue was a fine estate. John was in the army in India, and retired with the rank of colonel. There was also a brother, Spencer. Richard, who inherited Kilmore Hill from his father, left it to William, the subject of this biography, and to Frederick, who was a doctor. There were four sisters: Anne, Maria, Maddaline and Caroline. All of them remained single, but Maria, who married John Moutry, of Favor Hall, in the county of Tyrone, Ireland, and her son, W. H. Moutry, still lives on Amherst Island, where he succeeded his Uncle William as agent.
