

## ELIHU STEWART, O.L.S., D.L.S.

Elihu Stewart was born on November 17th, 1844, at Sombra, Lambton County, Ont. He was the son of Lionel Stewart, whose father, James Stewart, came to Canada with Lord Selkirk's settlement of 1804. His mother's maiden name was Catherine Sikes, who was born in Detroit in the year 1822.

He was educated in the Public Schools of Lambton County and the Normal School in Toronto graduating about the year 1867.

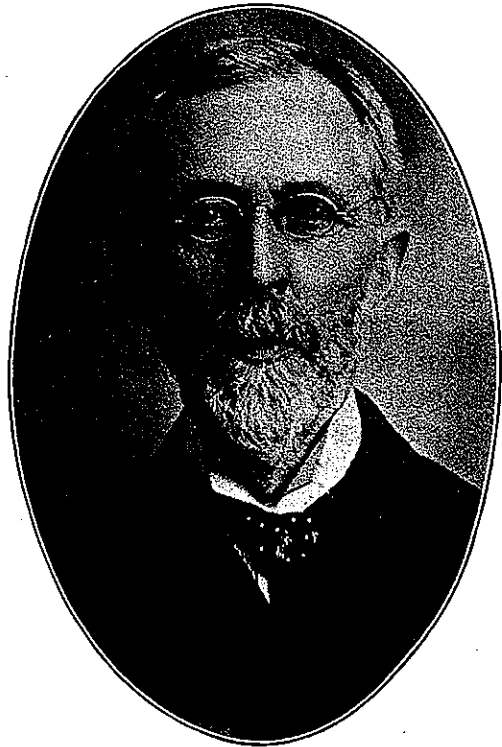
After passing his Normal School examinations he taught school for a few years and then served his articles for Dominion and Ontario Land Surveyor under C. F. Miles, D.L.S. He qualified for Provincial Land Surveyor and Dominion Land Surveyor in the year 1872.

He married Ellen Noble of Collingwood in the year 1875. In the year 1896 he contested the riding of North Simcoe in the interests of the Liberal party, being opposed by the late Dalton McCarthy, Independent candidate and H. Lennox, Conservative. He was unsuccessful in this contest, Dalton McCarthy being elected.

In the year 1896 he was elected by acclamation as Mayor of the town of Collingwood.

During the years 1899 to 1907 he was Superintendent of Forestry for the Dominion of Canada and which Department he organized. During his term as Superintendent of Forestry he addressed many meetings throughout Canada in regard to the conservation of the forests and tree planting in the prairie provinces.

He also organized the Canadian Forestry Association of which he was for some years president.



He was one of the founders of the "Canadian Magazine" to which he contributed many articles and served as a Director of the magazine. He served as a Director on several British Columbia timber companies.

He was one of the original owners and directors of the Spruce Falls Pulp and Paper Company at Kapuskasing.

He was ex President, Collingwood Liberal Association, and the Ontario Land Surveyors Association. He was author of "The Forestry Problem in Canada", "The Establishment of Fur Farms", "The Utility of Forests With Reference to a Water Supply", "The Resources of the Territory Contiguous to the Mackenzie River", "Down the Mackenzie and Up the Yukon".

He was ex-member of the Rideau Club, Ottawa and the Engineers' Club, Toronto.

He was an extensive traveller both in America and in Europe where he made a study of forest conservation. He had a very keen sense of observation and delighted, in conversation with his friends and in public, to describe in a most pleasant style his various journeys in this and other countries he had visited.

The following Land Surveyors served under articles with Mr. Stewart during apprenticeship: Arthur O. Wheeler, James F. Whitson, Louis V. Rorke, Lionel C. Charlesworth, H. S. Carpenter, Jadel Robinson.

It is doubtful if any land surveyor was entrusted so continuously with government surveys and inspections in his long career, as a list of such work following will show.

For the Dominion Government he was employed in the year about 1875 in surveys near Battleford, this was before the advent of the C.P.R., and from Fort Garry the trip was made by Indian ponies and ox teams.

The following list is surveys made by him for the Ontario Government:

Survey township of Machar, May 4th, 1875.

Survey townships of Johnson, Tarbutt and Tarbutt add'l,  
May 30th, 1876.

Survey township of Parkinson, June 18th, 1879.

Survey township of Chisholm, May 7th, 1880.

Survey township of Mack, May 13th, 1881.

Survey park lots, Sault Ste. Marie, July 28th, 1881.

Survey township of Hallam, May 17th, 1883.

Survey Lorne and Louise townships, May 23rd, 1884.

- Survey township of Orlig, May 29th, 1885.  
 Survey residue Maria township, May 29th, 1886.  
 Survey township of Edgar, May 31st, 1887.  
 Survey township of Bronson, May 29th, 1888.  
 Survey outlines Rat Portage, September 13th, 1889.  
 Survey township of Appleby, June 25th, 1890.  
 Survey township outlines, district Algoma, July 9th, 1891.  
 Survey township of Falconbridge, June 20th, 1892.  
 Survey township of MacLennan, June 20th, 1892.  
 Survey portions of township outlines, Algoma, along C.P.R., July 25th, 1893.  
 Survey portions of township outlines, Thunder Bay, July 24th, 1894.  
 Survey portions of township outlines, Thunder Bay, June 3rd, 1895.  
 Survey portions of township outlines, Rainy River, July 10th, 1896.  
 Inspection of townships Tilton, Secord, Parkin, etc., October 3rd, 1898.  
 Survey of certain roads, district Nipissing and Sudbury, May 15th, 1929.  
 Survey of certain roads, district Sudbury, May 7th, 1930.  
 Survey to re-establish certain township boundaries along the line of Canadian Pacific Railway, May 16th, 1930.  
 Inspection surveys, June 11th, 1931.  
 Survey to establish original monuments in the township of Nottawasaga, May 21st, 1934.

Mr. Stewart is survived by his wife Ellen Stewart, one daughter and three sons, namely: Miss Kasie Stewart, residing in Collingwood; E. E. Stewart, residing in Collingwood; J. R. F. Stewart, residing in Vancouver; L. D. N. Stewart, residing in Toronto.

He was an Anglican in religion.

Mr. Stewart's long and useful life came to an end at his old home in Collingwood on the 9th day of July, 1935, after a few days illness.

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