

Two sons and two daughters survive—John A., Manager of Bank of Nova Scotia at Cobalt; Gerald F., in the Department of Customs, Ottawa; Effie K., and Jean L., at Ottawa.

### DAVID WILLIAMS.

In the "Pioneers of the Bay of Quinte District" published many years ago, the Henry Young family occupies a prominent place, and reference is also made to the Williams family.

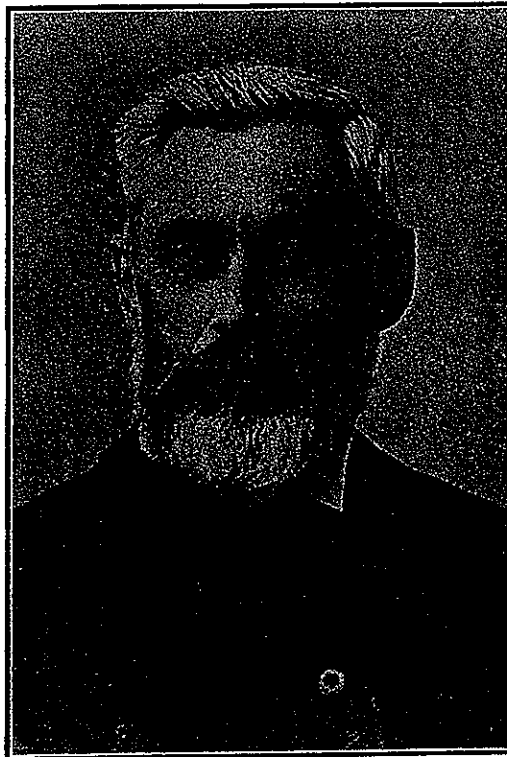
Samuel Williams came to Prince Edward County from the United States early in the nineteenth century, and married a Miss Conger.

David Conger came to Prince Edward Co. from New Jersey and died at Hallowell in 1792 at the age of 31 years. His youngest son, Wilson Conger, was one of the pioneer surveyors in this province, born Jan. 20th, 1778, appointed Deputy Surveyor on Feb. 7th, 1811, and died Aug. 12th, 1843, leaving a large family. Jno. O. Conger, the surveyor, was a nephew of Wilson Conger.

Samuel Williams had thirteen children—twelve sons and one daughter. They were well known in the county and the majority of them had large families.

James Williams, one of the sons of Samuel, was born in 1804, and died 1839 at the early age of 35 years. He married Dorcas Young, daughter or niece of Col. Henry Young. There is a tradition in the family that Fort Henry at Kingston was named after Col. Henry Young.

James Williams left the following children: Eliza—b. 1828, married Aaron Baker, died Jan. 14th, 1921. Emeline—b. 1830, died Sept. 20th, 1851. Wm. R.—b. 1832, died Dec. 9th, 1865.



David—b. Sept. 16th, 1834, died Jan. 8th, 1916. Maria V.—b. 1837, married Wm. Yerex in 1855, died Dec. 1st, 1915. James C.—b. 1839, died Nov. 5th, 1916.

David attended the public schools at Hallowell, near Picton, and was, no doubt, attracted to the profession of land surveying by his acquaintance with John O. Conger, a distant connection who resided in the vicinity.

He qualified as a Provincial Land Surveyor on April 9th, 1864, and took up his residence at Kingston shortly afterwards.

He made a specialty of surveying mining lands and claims, and made many surveys along the line of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway before and after its construction.

Folger Bros., and their associates of Kingston employed Mr. Williams on surveys and prospecting for iron ore in the Port Arthur and Rainy River Districts for some years, including surveys on Hunter Island and the Mattawin Iron Range. This work was commenced about 1896 and Mr. Williams made Port Arthur his headquarters for about twenty years thereafter. He surveyed the Hammond Reef Gold Mine property for Folger and Hammond, also the Tip Top Copper mine in the Shebandowan District.

Before going to Port Arthur he made his home with Mr. John Walker in Kingston.

In 1864 Mr. Williams surveyed lots 15 to 31 in the first concession of the Township of Percy for the Provincial Government, and in 1909 surveyed timber berths in the Thunder Bay District.

Mr. Williams was a religious man, and when working at Calabogie he was instrumental in erecting there a Mission Church, which was called after him.

A few years before his death he returned to Kingston from Port Arthur to investigate some personal matters, but returned to Port Arthur, where he remained until the Autumn of 1915, when he returned to Kingston. He was taken ill in December, 1915, and removed to the Hotel Dieu where he died on Jan. 8th, 1916. He was buried in the Walker family plot at Cataraqui Cemetery without a tombstone to his memory.

The widow of his youngest brother, James C., is now living at Picton, Ont.

Miss Alice E. Yerex of Calgary, is a daughter of his sister Maria V. There are in all six nephews and four nieces, but none by the name of Williams.

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