

A. E. WILLIAMSON.

By Mrs. Alfred Hoskin.

William Williamson, Jedburgh, Scotland, and Margaret Erskine, Cumberland, came to Canada before their marriage, Mr. Williamson having been the master in a school in England. A. E. Williamson was the eldest son and was born in Toronto on March 26th, 1841. He was educated at Upper Canada College and University of Toronto, after which he studied under Sandford Fleming, qualifying as a Provincial Land Surveyor on January 8th, 1864. He was then employed upon the staff of Sandford Fleming or of Samuel Hazlewood on the construction on the Intercolonial Railway.

He took a special interest in Geology and associated himself with Prof. E. J. Chapman, of the University. He was also an active member of the Canadian Institute, which was organized by a band of Engineers, Surveyors, Architects and Scientists in 1849, and incorporated in 1851.

In 1867 he married Miss Ellen Osler, daughter of the Rev. F. L. Osler, Rector at Ancaster and Dundas, Ont., and sister of Sir Edmund Osler, the late Sir Wm. Osler and the late B. B. Osler.

Mr. Williamson died in Toronto on Sept. 2nd, 1870, and was buried in St. James' Cemetery. His widow died on the 19th March, 1903, and was also buried in St. James'. She was for many years President of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Church of England in Canada.

One child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, who now survives—Mr. A. E. Williamson.

Mrs. Alfred Hoskin is a sister of Mr. Williamson.

