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and Descendants of Jacob Cummer  
a Canadian Pioneer

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*It is a privilege to present to*

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*When I consider the interest taken in the  
work by my father, Wellington W. Cummer, and others who  
have made it possible, I feel that my part is very small.*

*May it serve to perpetuate the lives of those  
who are no longer with us, and to inspire those who have the  
responsibility of maintaining an unblemished name.*

*Arthur Gerrish Cummer*



To The Memory  
of  
Jacob Cummer  
of Cadillac

This Work is Inscribed.



*“Everything he did was of the  
most substantial character, for  
he worked for good foundations.”*





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# PART I





## Acknowledgment

IT IS with a feeling of sadness that the junior author writes the closing words of this work. The master-spirit and inspiration of it all, he who had done the most for it and would have realized the greatest satisfaction in its publication, is with us no longer. Since early youth, Mr. Wellington W. Cummer had had as his ideal the collection and compilation of data in regard to family history, and if there is any credit in having collected these memoranda of the Cummer family, it is due to him. Inevitably the volume stands as a memorial to him.

In 1908, the material was practically ready for the printer, but the ill-health of the senior author necessarily delayed publication. Since that time, little additional authentic material has been secured, though revision has been rendered necessary by the lapse of time.

Mr. Arthur Gerrish Cummer has rendered every assistance in this part of the work, and his name would appear on the title page but for the feeling on his part that he is only fulfilling a filial duty in carrying out his father's plan. He has shared fully the labor of publication and all that it involves, and the writer wishes to make a grateful acknowledgment of his interest and his patient co-operation.

The writer knows that he is voicing the sentiments of the entire family when he speaks of the great debt we all owe to Mr. Wellington Cummer and his immediate family for meeting the expense connected with this publication.

This is a fitting place to acknowledge the efforts of the late Mr. William Wilson Cummer of Cadillac and of Mr. J. Walter Cummer of Cleveland, both of whom collected some years ago considerable data. The latter has

rendered incalculable assistance in many other ways. Especial appreciation is due to the late Mr. Marshall B. Snider of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, who was kind enough to supply us with a chart containing records for several families. Mr. Edward Pease, Mr. William Lockman Cummer, Miss Edith Harris, Mr. Franklin R. Cummer, and especially Mrs. Harriet Flook aided in the collection of material, and Messrs. Harold and Robert Cummer took photographs for two of the Waterdown scenes. We thank all those who have furnished us with facts regarding their several families.

I wish to acknowledge the assistance of my sister, Miss Bessie Cummer, in preparing the volume for the press and in reading the proof.

C. L. C.

## Preface

**I**N writing the last sentence of this brief work, those who are responsible for it feel that they have by no means completed their task. The researches which even this collection of scattered memoranda have required have been spread through nearly eight busy years. Through necessity the work has been dropped frequently to afford time for more pressing duties, but its ultimate completion has always been a matter of great hope. It is the main purpose of this unassuming publication to hold together such facts as we had accumulated, preserving them in permanent form with the hope that by this means general interest in the project would be aroused.

The general purpose of this work requires no justification in the day of numerous genealogies and family records. Our simple aim has been to tell of the lives of our forefathers, quite commonplace folks but possessing certain sterling qualities, in order that their progeny might profit by the example of their uprightness and honesty. To them we owe a heavy debt of gratitude, for it was they who braved the unknown perils of the wilderness in strange lands, that we, their posterity, might enjoy opportunity and live in liberty. As we value the rights and privileges of the new world where all may strive for the best, let us not forget those who gave us life.

The volume has been divided into two parts and an appendix. The first part contains a history of the family from the time when John and Daniel landed in America up to the time when the Cummers were most numerous in Willowdale. At the time when the younger generations began to scatter from this Cummer settlement, the chronological history was discontinued. In the second

part the history of the different branches of the family is given. A chapter has been devoted to the descendants of each of Jacob Cummer's children. Inasmuch as we were dependent upon the immediate families for these biographies and family records, the readers of future generations will have to hold the members of each branch responsible for any omissions. To find the data regarding a particular individual, the index should be consulted.

It might be said that we attempted to exercise some degree of historical judgment in the biographies, confining the accounts to a mere recital of facts as far as possible. With the older members, where time would permit a somewhat better sense of proportion, this rule has been slightly relaxed.

We again ask our kin to regard this as but a preliminary work, and to aid in the search for further data. We hope that all members whose records are missing may become interested, and that they will be urged to send for blanks. In this way, a second and more pretentious volume might be justified.

W. W. C.  
C. L. C.

## Explanatory

**I**N THE arrangement of the families, we have adopted the "clan system," and have treated the descendants of Jacob Cummer's children in separate chapters, believing that the work would prove more interesting in this way. Within each clan or branch, the system followed has been to give the data relating to the head of this branch (this being the second generation). Then come the families of his or her children, who are of the third generation. Next come families of their children, and so on.

Before the name of Jacob Cummer is placed the Arabic numeral One, and each of his *descendants* is given a numeral in the order in which their names occur in the book. After the names of married children who have sent memoranda will be found the word "Family" with a number. Reference to this family will give the full information regarding this member, husband or wife, and their children.

After the name of the head of the family will be found an Arabic numeral raised above the line. This refers to the generation to which the individual belongs, counting Jacob Cummer of Willowdale as the first generation. For example, the figure four *after* a name, e. g., Francis Rupert Cummer<sup>4</sup>, would mean that he is a great-grandson of Jacob Cummer.

After the name of the head of the family there will be found one or more given names in parenthesis. For instance, if in looking up Percival Walter Smith, we found the following: "Percival Walter Smith<sup>4</sup> (Agnes, John, Jacob)" we could tell at once that he was of the fourth generation, that his mother's name was Agnes, his grandfather's John, his great grandfather's Jacob.



His mother's name is given instead of his father's because the descent from the Cummer name is through her.

A limited number of names are preceded by a dagger instead of an Arabic numeral. In these cases the information was received at so late a date, usually with the return of the printer's proof, that the descendant could not be given a serial numeral.

References for Chapters I, II and III of Part I will be found at end of the respective chapters.



## CHAPTER I.

### INTRODUCTORY.

**T**O attempt to tell of the lives of our forefathers without describing the life of the times would be like an effort to paint a picture without color and without perspective. To appreciate their lives we must have some conception of the times in which they lived and of the obstacles which they had to overcome; for the vicissitudes which a man endures are the measure of his strength. Therefore we would ask the sufferance of the reader while we briefly review the conditions then existing.

For many years the dwellers in what are known as the Palatine States of Germany had led far from happy lives. Europe had been involved in countless wars and the Palatinate had been the stage upon which the tragedy was enacted. The subjects played a purely secondary though entirely necessary part; they were merely the pawns upon the board. While their wishes in regard to war or peace were never consulted, they were pressed into service in time of necessity and their homes were subject to destruction at any moment. The very substance of these unfortunate people was often confiscated for the cause. One exacting and arbitrary ruler was only succeeded by another whose exactions were more severe. The poor subjects were taxed at constantly increasing rates and a new ruler simply meant, more taxes. Withal, the future held little in store for them that was hopeful.

Darkness could not last forever and finally came the dawn. With it were the most wonderful hopes. The discovery of America by Columbus had opened up a land of promise and as each voyager returned he kindled fresh ambition. The results are a matter of history, and are

cited simply to show the influence upon the lives of those in whom we are interested. Of course the European powers made haste to claim some of this territory for themselves and speculators secured their share of the new lands. Land companies were organized but lands were valueless to them without settlers. Colonists were necessary and all means were used to secure them. As one writer has said, the prospectus of the present-day promoter is hardly more alluring than were the glowing attractions held out by the land companies before the eyes of these people.

William Penn, who had embraced the principles of the Friends and had suffered persecutions for them, petitioned King Charles II for a grant of land in the new world and a charter was granted in 1681, making Penn the proprietor of a vast tract which was called Pennsylvania, much against his wishes. This new commonwealth was designed to afford a home to all men without regard to race, color, or religion.

Now Penn had journeyed through the Rhine country in 1681 and had entered into sympathy with the people, persecuted as they were. In return they had given him their confidence. So when he had opened up his new lands, it was natural that after securing homes for the Quakers, he should think of his friends in Germany. Accordingly he issued a formal invitation for them to take up lands in his new colony, and in 1685 published a "Further Account of the Province of Pennsylvania and its Inhabitants. For the satisfaction of those that are (Adventurers) and inclined to be so." In this pamphlet he describes the country with great minuteness.<sup>1</sup> First he spoke of the richness and fertility of the soil and of the fact that it required less seed than usual. He detailed the crops which grew well, mentioning in the list "Buck-Wheat, Pease, Beans, Cabbages, Turnips, Carrots, Parsnups, Colleflovers, Onions, Charlots, Garlick, and Irish

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1 References are made to the foot notes, page 11.

potatoes." The "Weeds of the Woods" served well to feed the cattle, and "English grass-seed took well." "All sorts of English fruits take mighty well for the time," he told them. The fish are described in some detail, and prospective settlers are informed that "our Drink has been Beer and Punch, made of Rum and Water." The prices of provisions are carefully given, and then the scheme for the division of the land was outlined. Finally, the "adventurers" were warned as to the best times of the year for making the voyage.

For the Palatines this held out a future of hope, an opportunity to live in peace with a sufficiency to meet their daily needs; here too would be a home where they might worship God in their own way; here was a land of boundless opportunity for their children. Truly a land of promise for harrassed people! As would be expected, there was in response to this invitation a large immigration; so large in fact that the English-speaking people began to fear for the safety of the commonwealth on account of the number of Germans. After much agitation along this line the following resolution was passed by the Provincial Council in 1727; "That the masters of vessels importing Germans and others from the continent of Europe, shall be examined whether they have leave granted to them by the court of Great Britain for the importation of these foreigners, and that a list be taken of all these people, their several occupations, and the place from whence they came, and shall be further examined touching their intentions in coming hither; and that a writing be drawn up for them to sign, declaring their allegiance and subjection to the King of Great Britain, and fidelity to the Proprietary of this Province, and that they will demean themselves peaceably towards all his Majesty's subjects, and observe and conform to the Laws of England and the Government of Pennsylvania."

For this action, many of later generations have given heartfelt thanks, because in numberless cases it has given

genealogical workers the only clue as to the time when some ancestor first reached the shores of America.

The courage which was required to undertake an ocean voyage in those days was considerable. In the first place the time which the passage might consume was never known. The passengers could rest assured that land would not be seen again for four weeks, and there was always a possibility that they would be exposed to the dangers of the sea for even a half-year. The captain and crew were frequently rough and brutal men. They did not consider it their duty to make the voyage easier, and often the passengers were "crowded together like herring." Frequently the fare was very poor and many times the drinking water failed. Moreover no attention was paid to sanitary conditions so that on many of the ships fever and plague were not unusual. Added to these perils was the ever-present danger from pirates and buccaneers. Indeed, the risk to a passenger-ship unaccompanied by a man-of-war was very great, and some of the ships captured by pirates were never heard of again.

So it may be seen that the immigrant of those days was a man of valor, for each step of his undertaking was beset with unknown hazard. It is interesting in this connection to note John Wesley's comparison in his diary of the conduct of the German and English passengers during a storm. After witnessing the unrestrained and vigorously demonstrated terror of the English passengers he found the Heaven-born calm of the Germans (as he expressed it) and their confidence in Providence decidedly inspiring.

Amidst these trials, then, our German forefathers came to this new land. Though expatriation is a severe trial and especially so for those of Teutonic blood, the deep-rooted love for the fatherland was supplemented under new influences by different impulses, for with them the sublime hope for better things was supreme.



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3 Colonial Records of Pennsylvania, First Series, Vol. III, pg. 283.

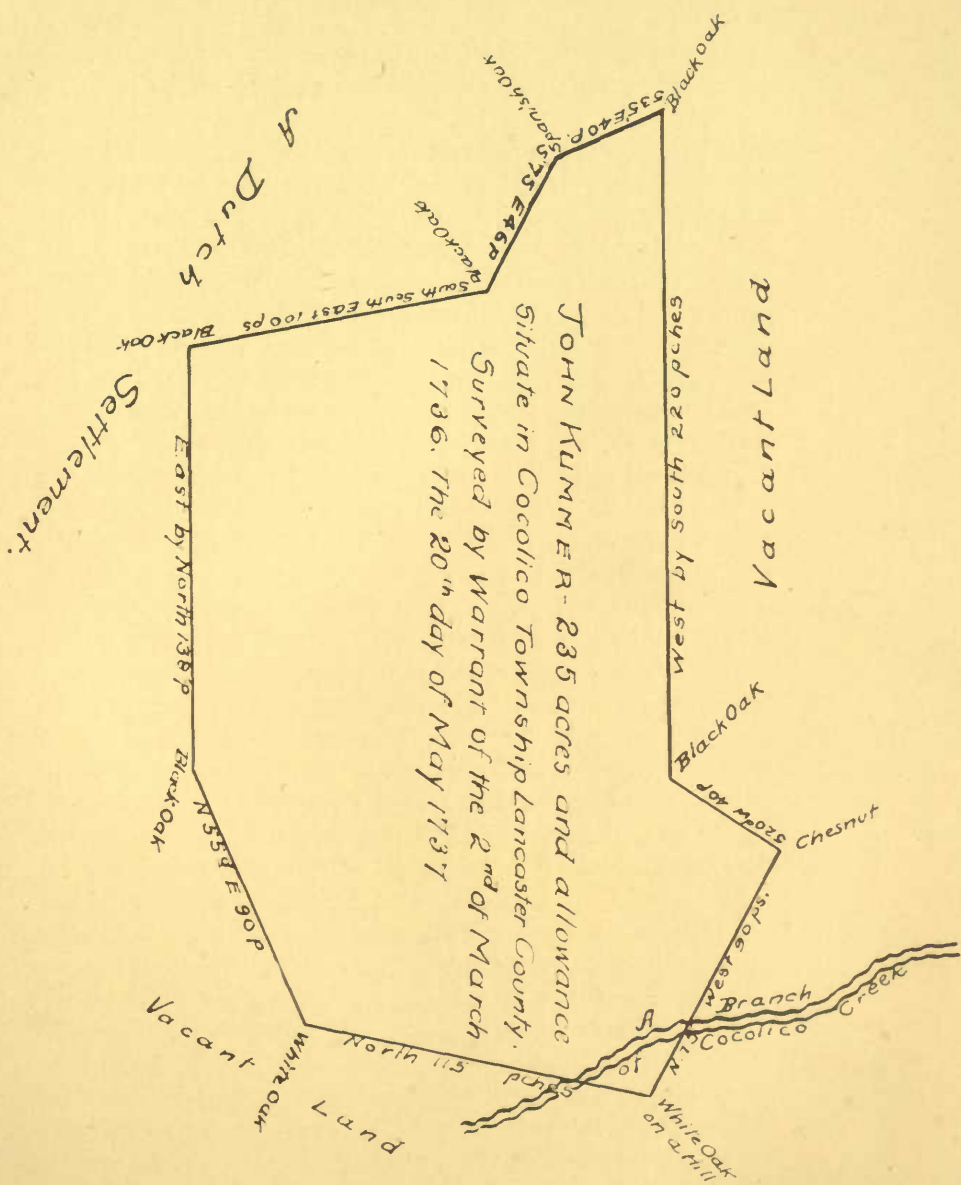
## CHAPTER II.

### IN PENNSYLVANIA.

OF THE first Cummers in Pennsylvania we are able to supply only the most barren facts. These facts to be sure are interesting and to one who has read the story of the early settlers they are suggestive of many things. After a visit to the Pennsylvania German counties, when one has seen the thrifty farms and neat farm houses, has made pilgrimages to the old Lutheran churches, has scraped moss from the weather-beaten tombstones in the adjoining church-yards, and has attempted to decipher the faded records of the past in the quaint German script, it will be easy for him to paint for himself a picture with much local color and with accurate historical setting. We do not feel, however, that there is any necessity for us to depart from the narration of the following facts, meagre though they may be as regards narrative.

John Cummer at the age of forty-six years and his son Daniel who was then nineteen years old came to America in the ship *Princess Augustus*, sailing from Rotterdam, and were qualified in 1736.<sup>1</sup> They then settled in Lancaster County.

We find from the records of the Land-office in Pennsylvania that in 1736 Benjamin Eastburn, Surveyor General, was ordered to survey for "Hans Commer" a tract of land situate in Cocolico Township, Lancaster County. It is stated on this document that he had settled on this land before August 1732. All the evidence at hand makes it most probable that this Hans Commer and the Hans Kummer who came to this country in 1736 are one and the same. The writer's opinion is that the father had come to this country to make a home for his family, and after







having become well established here, returned to Germany to bring back the other members. This he did in 1736.

According to the copy of the official survey<sup>2</sup> this land of Hans Commer contained two hundred and thirty-five acres and adjoined at one corner what is referred to on the map as "a Dutch Settlement," while the corner diagonally opposite was crossed by a branch of Cocolico Creek. A careful search of all the history pertaining to Lancaster County fails to show that there was any Dutch settlement in this township except a group of German Seventh-Day Baptists who settled here under the leadership of one Conrad Beissel. It would appear then that this land, which was the first location of a Cummer in this country, adjoined the Ephrata Colony.

This religious community still exists and its buildings may be seen today.<sup>3</sup> They are located a short distance from the city of Ephrata.†

During or before 1749, the father died. This is shown by the fact that in this year his eldest son Daniel was appointed administrator of his estate by the Orphans' Court of Lancaster County. In the Register's office we have found an administration bond taken out before William Plumsted, Register General for the Probate of Wills, etc. In the bond the administrator is described as "Daniel Kumer of Cocalico in Lancaster County—Yeoman." He is to be "administrator of all and singular the Goods Chattles Rights and Credits which were of John Kumer, deceased." The bond is signed by Daniel Commer (who spelled his name as you see it here) and by two others. It is witnessed by Samuel and Conrad Weiser and is dated the twenty-first of March, 1749. There is also an inventory of the property, the original being in German while there is an English translation attached. A perusal of this list<sup>4</sup> of household utensils shows us something of the home-life of the times. For example, we learn that he owned some five cows, ten heifers, "five

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†See photograph, page 14.

heads of horse," twelve sheep, six hogs. In addition to the land itself, the estate was valued at something more than three hundred and fifty pounds. To the German original there was appended a note in German. It read as follows: "The old father, Hans Kummer, owes to his son Daniel Kummer the sum of twelve pounds, which he loaned to his father, and this sum he gave to Daniel because he kept his father in his old age which would be equivalent to the sum of twenty-eight pounds. For that reason he shall also receive one horse the same as the other children because he is the oldest, and for this reason his father made it so and this is certified by three witnesses which have written their names below this, and they will certify to the above." Following this note are the names of Deitrick Merckell, Maria Commer, and Ava Commer.<sup>5</sup> From the reference of the distribution of a horse to each child we may conclude that there were four other children, but we learn later in his final account that there were six altogether. Thorough search failed to reveal their names, or how the land he possessed was disposed of. Enclosed in the account of administration<sup>6</sup> is this note, signed by Conrad Weiser, who was prominent in those days as an interpreter for both the Indians and Germans, and who was a conspicuous citizen. He was at one time a resident in the Cloister community and must have been a neighbor of the Cummers:

"Mr. Cookson

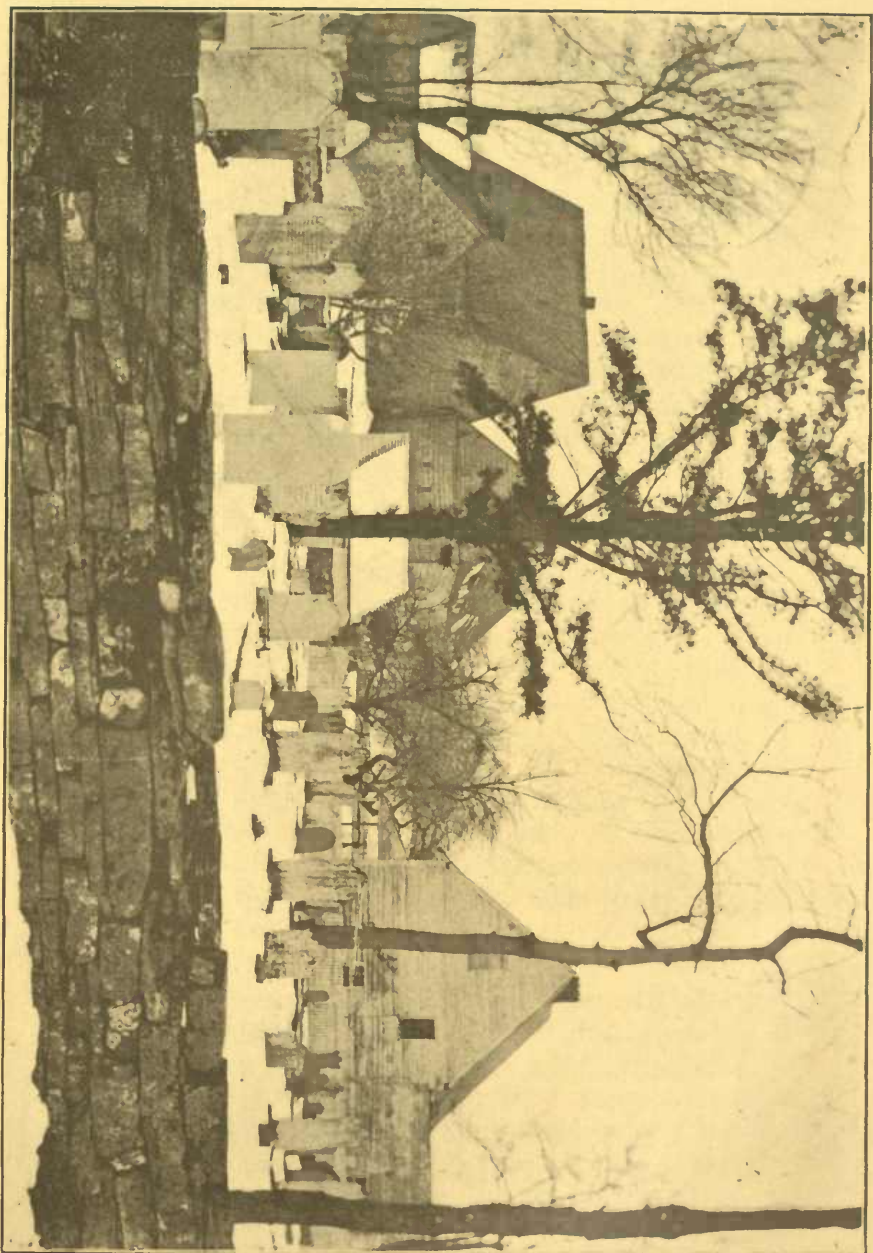
The bearer hereof Daniel Koomer by name prevailed on me to settle his account before he goes to you because he has no English and is a feared he can not get an Interpreter to do for him. I belief you will find everything right

I am

Sir Yours

C. Weiser."

It is not at all strange that Daniel could not talk English though he had been in the country thirteen or



GRAVE-YARD AT EPHRATA





fourteen years for even at this time the people of the rural districts in Lancaster and Berk Counties have retained many of their German ways and German is widely spoken.

Now we may suppose that after his father's death Daniel moved to Berks County and settled in Brecknock, not so far from the old home of the family, and allowed the legal right to the father's farm to lapse. According to the records of the Land Office we find that the Proprietaries revoked their warrant to him in 1752 and ordered that the land be deeded to one Abraham Wideman.<sup>7</sup>

The tax-returns from Brecknock Township show that a Daniel Kummer, farmer, owned land there in 1767 and 1768.<sup>8</sup> Daniel died before 1776, for on the fifteenth of October of that year his eldest daughter, Anna Maria Hassler, and her husband, Sebastian, appeared in the Orphans' Court at Reading and signed bond as the administrators of his estate, as he had died intestate. Soon afterwards, in 1778, this same daughter and her husband again appeared before the Court and asked that a guardian be appointed for Jacob Kummer, aged eleven, the minor son of the late Daniel Kummer. We know that our ancestor Jacob was just eleven at that time, so we take it that they are one and the same.<sup>9</sup> A week or two afterwards guardians were appointed for Jacob's brother John and his sister Elizabeth,<sup>10</sup> and from the records we see that they were above fourteen at the time.

Now in 1787, apparently when John had just reached his majority, he appeared before the Court and asked for a division of his father's estate. The Court appointed an inquest to view the property and report as to whether it could be divided without injuring it.<sup>11</sup> From these minutes we find that Daniel had seven children and we also learn their names. It was later reported to the Court that the property could not be divided without injury to it, and it was awarded to John as the eldest son. He was to pay the other children for their interest in it.<sup>12</sup> There is also record of the fact that when John was of age in

1787 the court awarded him his share of forty pounds nine shillings and six pence, the balance of his father's estate.<sup>13</sup>

This gives us the story of the Cummers in Pennsylvania. We see that John and his son came to this country in 1736 and settled in Cocalico, Lancaster County. After the father's death, the son Daniel moved to Brecknock in Berks County. When Daniel died, he left seven children, the youngest of whom was our common ancestor Jacob. He was only nine at the time of his father's death and was cared for by John Pannebeker, who was appointed "Guardian of the person and Estate of said Minor." The official records furnish us with no further clue after exhaustive search, but we know that he was married to Elizabeth Fisher and with some of her kin emigrated to Canada in 1797.

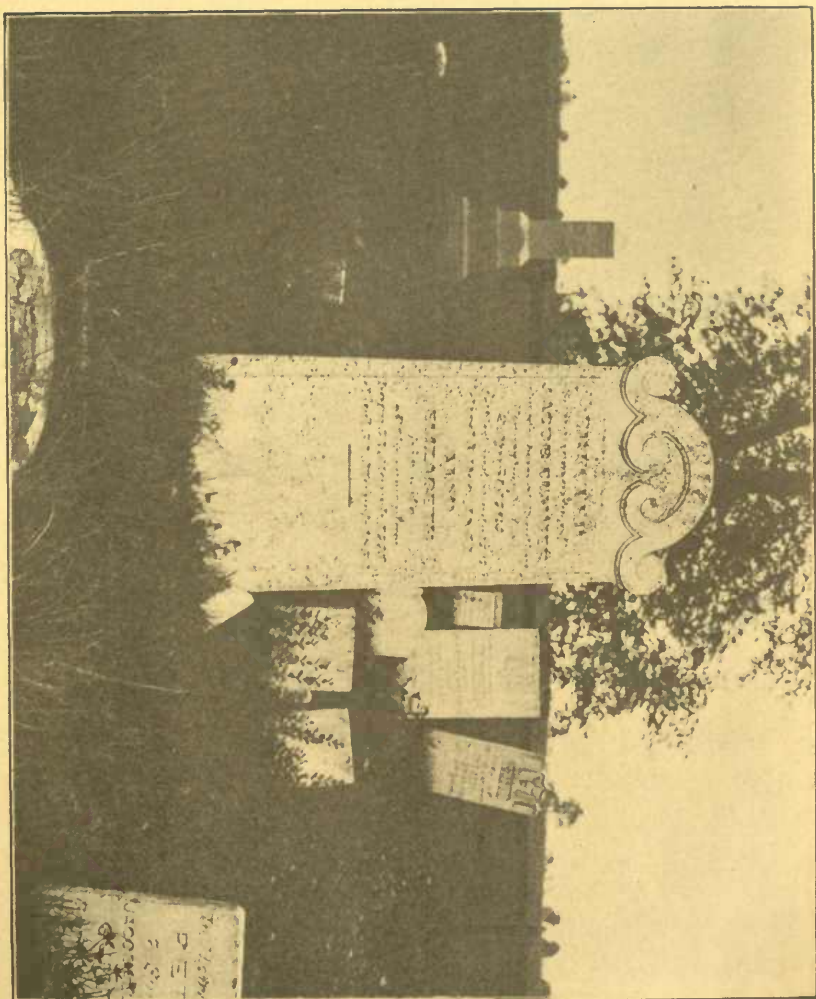
#### NOTES.

1 Pennsylvania Archives, Vol. 17, Series 2, p. 127. In the list of foreigners imported in the ship *Princess Augustus*, Samuel Merchant, Master, from Rotterdam, who were qualified on Sept. 16, 1736, we find the names of "Jean Comer" and "Daniel Kommer." In the same entry a copy of the original list was given and here the names appeared as Hance Commer, age 46, and Dan-nill Commer, age 19.

#### 2 PENNSYLVANIA, SS.

##### BY THE PROPRIETARIES.

WHEREAS Hans Commer of the county of LANCASTER hath requested that We would grant him to take up two hundred Acres of Land situate in Cocolico Township, (whereon he was settled before August, 1732), in the said County of LANCASTER for which he agrees to pay to our Use the sum of Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings current money of this Province, for each Hundred Acres and the yearly Quit-rent of one Half-penny Sterling for every Acre thereof: THESE are to authorize and require thee to survey or cause to be survey'd unto the said Hans Commer at the Place aforesaid, according to the Method of Townships appointed, the said quantity of 200 Acres that hath not been already survey'd or appropriated, and make Return thereof into the Secretary's Office, in order for a further Confirmation, for which this shall be the sufficient Warrant; which Survey, in case the said Hans



GRAVES OF JACOB AND ELIZABETH CUMMER AT WILLOWDALE





Commer fulfil the above Agreement within ————— Months from the Date hereof, shall be valid, otherwise to be void.

Given under my hand and the lesser Seal of our Province, at Philadelphia, this 21st day of March Anno Dom. 1736.

To BENJAMIN EASTBURN, Surveyor General.

THO PENN."

Recorded in the Department of Internal Affairs, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

3 *Ephrata* (village) was best known by the German neighbors by name of Kloster (Cloister), or Dunkerstown.

Ephrata was founded by Conrad Beissel. Beissel fomented a schism in the Dunkard body because he held the view that the seventh day should be observed as Sabbath and advocated celibacy and communal life. A Dunkard community had been established at Mill Creek. From this community he retired secretly (1725) to a cell in Cocalico. Later his place of retirement was discovered and some of the Mill Creek society who believed as he did sought him out. In May 1733 a monastic society was established when the buildings were completed. The habit of the Capuchins was adopted by the brothers and sisters. Monastic names were given to all who entered the cloister. The music of the organization was unique and had a wide reputation for its beauty and originality.

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4 "An English copy of the foregoing Inventory of the goods and Chattles rights & Credits which were of John Koomer Late of Cocalico in Lancaster County Deceased made the 23 day of March 1749 by us the Subscribers as Followes

| As Followes                          | Pounds | Shill | Pence |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| To wit five Cowes.....               | 11     | 00    | 00    |
| To ten haifers or Young Cattles..... | 4      | 7     | 0     |
| To five heads of Horse Kine.....     | 20     | 00    | 00    |
| To 12 heads of Sheep.....            | 2      | 16    | 0     |
| To six heads of Hogs.....            | 1      | 14    | 00    |
| To six —————                         | 00     | 6     | 2     |

|   | Pounds | Shill | Pence |
|---|--------|-------|-------|
| To a plow .....   | 00     | 15    | 3     |
| To hoes and Axes and other Iron Wear                                      | 1      | 1     | 0     |
| To horse Giers .....  | 00     | 12    | 2     |
| To a pair of old Sickels.....   | 00     | 4     | 2     |
| To an old Saddle .....  | 00     | 15    | 3     |
| To a Grin Hone .....  | 00     | 1     | 0     |
| To Kitchen Wear old books and the<br>rest of old Houselgoods in the Whole | 15     | 10    | 6     |
| To the Improvement on the land.....                                       | 300    | 00    | 00    |
| <hr/>   |        |       |       |
| Total pounds.....   | 359    | 2     | 6     |

Deider Markell

Didee Coquelin appraisers

Hans Zimmerman

translated by Conrad Weiser."

5 For this translation from the original document in idiomatic German, I am greatly indebted to the Rev. E. Meister, of Lancaster, Pa.

6 Accounts in the Register's Office, Lancaster, Pa.

The Accompt of Daniel Kumor Admr. of all and singular Goods Chattels Rights & Credits of John Kumor decd.

Imprimis. The said Accomptant charges himself with all and singular the Goods and chattels of the said Decd. Come to the Hands of the accomptant according to an Inventory thereof Exhibited in the Registrar's office at Lancaster amounting to 359:2:6

Also for the Advance of the Sale of the Improvement mentioned in the Inventory amounting to 100:0:0

Also with the Advance in Sales of the Goods mentioned in the Inventory amounting to 56:8:2

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515:8:2

Item—The said Accomptant prays for an allowance of his payment and disbursement out of the same as follows (Viz.)

To cash paid Daniel Cumor.....40: 0:0

To do. paid the Register for Letters of Administration.... 1: 2:6

To do. paid do. for Administration Amount Copy and ——— 0:15:6

Allowed the Admr. for his Trouble..... 8: 0:0

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49:18:0

Balance remaining in the Hands of the Admr. to be Distributed according to the Direction of the Orphans'

Court .....465:10:2

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515:8:2

Daniel Commer

Exhibited into the Register's Office at Lancaster the 21st day of February 1750.

7 Patent recorded in Patent Book A, Volume 17, Page 98, Department of Internal Affairs, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

8 Pennsylvania Archives, Vol. 18, Series 3, page 25, gives the Proprietary Return for the County of Berks. Under Brecknock Twp. we find that Daniel Komer, farmer, owned 200 acres, 1 horse, 3 cattle, and 3 sheep, in the year 1767, while on p. 104 we find that in 1768 he owned 50 acres, 2 horses, 3 cattle, 3 sheep.

9 Records of the Orphans' Court, Berks Co., Vol. 2, p. 248.

At an Orphans' Court held at Reading, the fourteenth of August, 1778, "Upon petition of Hassler and Anna Maria his wife (late Anna Maria Kummer) Adms. of Danl. Kummer late of Brecknock Township in the said County Yeoman deceased setting forth that the said Daniel Father of the said Anna Maria died about two years since intestate leaving seven children among which is Jacob, a minor child about 11 years of Age That the said Intestate left a real and personal Estate which according to law descends to and among the said Children. The petitioners therefor pray the Court would be pleased to nominate and appoint a Guardian or Guardians for the said minor to take care of his person and estate being read the Petitioners choose John Pannebeker who is approved and appointed Guardian of the person and Estate of the said Minor."

10 From the records of the same court we learn that at an Orphans' Court held at Reading the twenty-fourth of August, 1778, John Kummer, above the age of 14 years, son of Daniel, asked the Court for a Guardian, and chose Sebastian Hassler who was appointed. Also that at the same session of the Court another of the children, Elizabeth, also above the age of fourteen years, asked the Court for a Guardian, and chose George Breiniger, who was appointed.

11 In the records of the Orphans' Court of Berks County, Vol. 3, p. 287, we find this entry: "At an Orphans' Court Held at Reading in and for the County of Berks the eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven Before Henry Christ John Ludwig and John Otto Esquires Justices of the said court etc. upon the petitioner of John Kummer eldest son and Heir at Law of Daniel Kummer late of Brecknock County in the County of Berks aforesaid Yeoman deceased setting forth that the petitioner's said father lately died intestate leaving issue seven children, to wit. The Petitioner Jacob Anna the wife of Bastian Hassler Barbara the wife of John Knob Margaret the wife of Jacob Treitoch Elizabeth the wife of Adam Engel Anna Maria the wife of Michael Keller the second named of whom is yet in his minority and that the said Intes-



tate died seized in the desmense as of fee of and in A Certain Messuage or Tenement and Tract of Warrant Land situate in the Township of Brecknock aforesaid adjoining lands of John Pannebecker Adam Boemer and others containing two hundred acres or thereabouts be the same more or less with the Appurtenances to and among the children of the Said Intestate in such manner and in Such Proportions as by the Law of the Commonwealth is directed if such partition can be made without prejudice to or Spoiling the whole But if such Partition cannot be made thereof as aforesaid then to value and appraise the same and make report according to the Law etc The petition being read and heard The court do award an inquest to make Partition of the said Messuage or Tenement Plantation and Tract Piece or Parcel of Warrant Land Situate Lying and Being in the Township of Brecknock in the County of Berks aforesaid adjoining the land Respectively of John Pannebecker Adam Boemer and others Containing two hundred Acres or thereabouts be the same more or less with the appurtenances in the said petition mentioned whereof Daniel Kummer the Intestate in the said Petition named died seized to and among the children and Representatives of the said Intestate in such manner and in such Proportions as by the Laws of this Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is directed and appointed if such partition can be made without Prejudice to or spoiling the whole otherwise to value and appraise the same etc. And it is further ordered by the said Court that a writ of Partition or Valuation issue to the Sheriff of the County of Berks commanding him to summon an Inquest for the purpose aforesaid And the same being according issued returnable the ninth day of May next."

12 On p. 289 of the same volume of Court Records in which we found the last entry, we also note this order. It was reported to the Orphans' Court on the ninth of May, 1787, that the property owned by the late Daniel Kummer could not be divided without spoiling the same. Therefor the inquest appointed appraised the said real-estate at 400 Pounds in Gold or Silver. It was further ordered that John Kummer should hold and enjoy said property upon paying the shares of the several children.

13 Again in the same volume where the two preceding entries were found (p. 286), it is recorded that on April 18, 1787, Sebastian Hassler, late guardian of John Kummer, reported that "out of the balance the Administrators of Daniel Kummer deceased being ninety pounds four shillings and two pence, there are forty pounds nine shillings and six pence Continental money which was proved to us on Oath to be the proper money of the Heirs of said deceased of which said sum of forty pounds nine shillings six pence the within mentioned John Kummer is to receive his proper portion and dividend from his late Guardian."



METHODIST CHURCH AT WILLOWDALE



### CHAPTER III.

## THE CUMMERS AT WILLOWDALE.

**I**N THE fall of 1796 or spring of 1797 a little caravan of covered wagons had started from Pennsylvania. Among the band of pioneers were Jacob Cummer and his wife Elizabeth with their three young children, his wife's father, Jacob Fisher, and some of her married sisters with their husbands. The course of their journey is said to have been through Niagara. First they reached Little York or Muddy York. This, the site of the present beautiful Toronto, was then marked by but a little village on the northern shore of Lake Ontario, a muddy little town at the edge of the wilds with but few inhabitants. Jacob started north about four miles, following a pathway through the wilderness laid out shortly before by Governor Simcoe, now the famous Yonge Street. At a spot we know as Eglington he built a little log house where he left his family through the winter. Here his son John was born.

From this point he went still further north until he found a permanent location about six miles beyond Eglington, the spot for many years afterwards called Cummer's Settlement and later Willowdale. He selected about three hundred acres of land on which he commenced to make a home amidst the heavy pine forest. His good judgment was shown in choosing a tract one-half of whose acreage was pine, the rear part of the farm being hard-wood, with fine soil and gently rolling land. The location proved to be a wise one so he built a log-house and commenced the labor of clearing off the timber. The earth soon began to yield a good living. Of course the wild animals of the forest gave him as well as all the other settlers much trouble. Bears destroyed the



wheat, gathering the grain together with their paws, hugging it and eating off the heads. In this manner a large part of the crop would be destroyed. Then the wolves killed the sheep and hogs and the foxes preyed upon the chickens, lambs and small pigs. However, the early pioneers were diligent and watchful and waged war upon these pests by trapping and shooting. For this warfare they used the old-fashioned flint-locked army musket. Only by eternal vigilance were their enemies destroyed.

Life in Cummer's Settlement must have been most lonely for neighbors were far from plentiful. Indeed there were at first only three of them within a radius of four miles, and to have their grain ground, they had to go forty-five miles. As there were no roads, the grain was carried on the backs of horses. Often as they passed a neighbor's house on the way to the mill they found him out of flour. Then they would take half a bushel of his grain with them and have it ground. When one of the pioneers was gone over a week on such a trip, imagine the anxiety of his lonely family! Left to themselves with no human company, they would begin to worry, thinking that perhaps he had been made prisoner by the Indians or had been killed by wild animals. Then the neighbors, sympathizing with them in their loneliness, would organize a rally and institute search. During these early days, it is said that Elizabeth Cummer was at work in the kitchen in the pioneer dwelling, when an Indian came to the door and manifested his admiration for an ordinary kitchen knife which was on the table. Fearing him and anxious to have him leave, Mrs. Cummer gave him the knife and thought nothing more of him. Later, this Indian came back, making a journey from Lake Simcoe, and bringing as a gift for her a cradle which the Indian had fashioned in honor of her infant son John, for he heard that he was the first white child born in the wilderness north of Toronto.<sup>1</sup>

Flour was not obtained as easily then as now. Much



of the grain was laboriously pounded out after the Indian fashion, except that a hard-wood section was used for a bowl and a piece of wood for a pestle. This would do for rough bread, but for pastry and finer bread the flour had to be ground. The trouble of going to mill was lessened by the neighbors taking turn. In many other ways, too, would the neighbors unite to lessen the common burden.

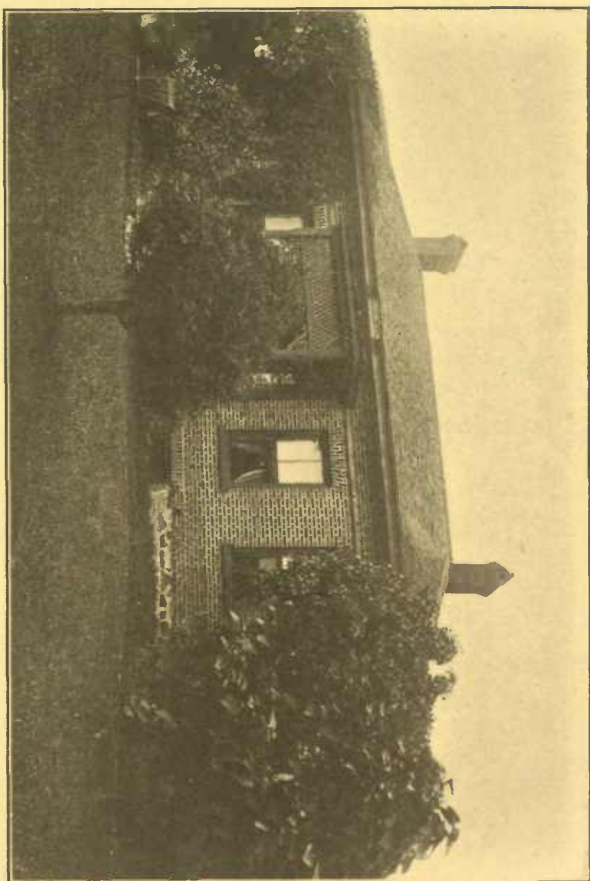
These wild frontier conditions did not last long because in the midst of the fight for existence the farms were cleared and made more inhabitable, new neighbors settled near-by, and schools and churches were built. Indeed, upon Jacob Cummer's farm was built the first church in the neighborhood. It was evidence of the yearning of these early settlers for the blessings of the church that Jacob Cummer gave the northwest portion of his homestead for a location and did most of the building himself. Religious life was an important part of their existence. Some of the men who were able to remember the early days said that "Sabbath School" was held at nine o'clock promptly. Then came the church service at two in the afternoon and service again in the evening. As Jacob Cummer's house was nearest to the church and as the latch-string was always on the outside, it was well-filled by his friends and all were made welcome.

When we know that the family had been Lutherans, perhaps we wonder about the change to Methodism. In explanation it can only be said that in those early days the Methodist church was the great pioneer church. As one writer expressed it, "its self-denying evangelists and earnest people served to keep alive the flame of religion when it would have perished among the early English-speaking settlers of Upper and Lower Canada." So the early settlers around Willowdale became devoted Methodists, and the children of Jacob and Elizabeth confessed this faith some time before their parents, who loyally clung to Lutheranism although they were widely separated from their communion and aided so much in supporting

the Methodist church. It is interesting to note that at this time when Methodism was divided into four or five bodies, our ancestors were Episcopal Methodists, the branch which remained in America after the division of the church in 1828 into Wesleyan Methodists and Episcopal Methodists.

While attempting to reconstruct the life of those days we naturally desire to know something of Jacob Cummer himself, of him who braved the perils of the unknown wilderness that he might make a home for his family in Canada. That he was a man of courage we may safely say, and this courage was doubtless founded in some measure on his religious faith. It speaks well for the man that after laboring so hard to clear a farm, he should give himself to the building of a church, even sacrificing a part of the homestead he had wrested from the wilderness. He was, too, a man of energy, never idle. Fortunately he was also the possessor of a wonderful constitution. Perhaps his stern and rigorous life did much to develop a hardy physique; it certainly was not gained through sparing himself. He was, they tell us, well read and a man of more than the ordinary education. With his other attributes he combined a mechanical genius and in his work he could handle iron, wood, brick, or stone. Probably nothing better could be said of any man than one of his grandchildren said of him, that "everything he did was of the most substantial character, for he worked for good foundations, believing that if a thing was worth doing at all, it was worth doing well." For his work he had a well-arranged workshop where he made all his own farm implements, such as cradles, snaths, ploughs, harrows, flails, wagons, carts, and sleighs. And best of all everything was made neatly and durably. He worked not only for himself but also for his neighbors, though without compensation. The Cummer plough, we may proudly say, was well regarded and the demand was beyond the supply.

While working at the forge or the bench, tools in



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hand, he would discuss the topics of the day with his neighbors. Soon his shop became a center for them. Inasmuch as he was "a politician, but not an office-holder, working always for the best man, asking no favors for himself," he had a strong following. His position in that region was shown by the fact that the neighbors referred to him their little misunderstandings and he thus became an unofficial but none the less recognized peacemaker, keeping the people well disposed to one another.

In addition to his ability in other lines he was quite clever in the treatment of horses and cattle and was much sought after on this account. Bleeding was of course a common practice at that time and for this work he owned a spring lance made in England, containing several different blades. His skill, moreover, was frequently used in treating his neighbors and his grandson Jacob Cummer was at one time sent to him for treatment. He says of his grandfather, "He looked me over, locating my pain. 'I guess I had better bleed you.' He took out his lance, examining it carefully, wiping it. Grandmother brought the bowl, expecting to hold it. He said, 'Let him hold the bowl; if he can't, he is no Cummer,' and I held it. He said, 'You will pass all right.'"

Everything about the Cummer farm was in perfect shape. The shop was orderly; the barns, yards, and stables well-kept, while the house was clean and neat, and "there was good, wholesome cooking." "A place for everything and everything in its place" was the strict rule, and one of Jacob's grandchildren<sup>2</sup> today owns a cabinet which he built after this ideal. In it the plates were kept in place by suitable grooves and notches were made to support the spoons. It embodies the essence of neatness and order. To further illustrate his carefulness his grain bags have been described. They were made at home from flax. First they would take dry hetchel, which was rotted and the shell broken. Then the fiber was spun and next the thread. This was woven into cloth which was seamed into bags. Each bag was stamped



with the initials J. K. standing for Jacob Kummer (as the name was spelled during the earlier years in Canada). He also had an iron log-stamp with the same letters.

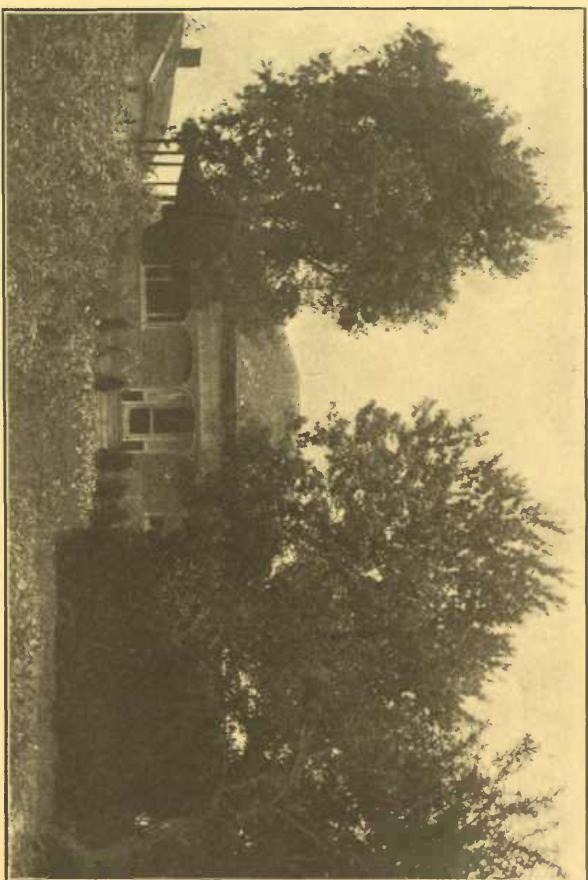
Since the Cummers were of German ancestry, the question arises as to what language they used. Jacob and his wife Elizabeth talked German between themselves but spoke English well. All their children were taught English and soon the German language was forgotten. With long residence in a thoroughly English colony and by intermarriage with English stock, the family became completely Anglicized.

Of Jacob Cummer we have no portrait nor have his lineaments been transferred to paper in any way. For an image of him, we must depend upon the memory of those who knew him. We are told that he was of medium height, weighing about one hundred and fifty or one hundred and sixty pounds. He had a fair complexion and chestnut hair, with rather short side whiskers.

He was not one to do much talking, using but few words to express his meaning. In all his habits he was strictly temperate and was held up as rather of a model for the entire neighborhood. His sons he kept near him after they became of age and were married, giving each a farm. Here they had comfortable homes and became good citizens.<sup>3</sup> His death occurred quite suddenly in 1841. He was buried in the graveyard next to the church for which he had labored for so many years.

If courage, industry, faithfulness in the little things and in the great, good citizenship and fatherly affection are to be reckoned as worthy attributes, Jacob Cummer deserves to live in the memory of his descendants.<sup>4</sup>

His wife Elizabeth survived him about twelve years and after his death lived with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Joshua Cummer. She was a good, strong minded woman, who could rule without being known as the ruler. As one of her grandchildren<sup>5</sup> has written "she was what the Scot would say 'a woman o' pairts.' She attended to the moral and other affairs of the daily routine and used what



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was handiest in the due repression of any evil doing or intent on the part of the large family which looked to her as captain and helmsman." Her disposition was of the kindly yet masterful type; and being full of discretion she was of great aid to her husband.

After the death of Jacob Cummer, the settlement retained the family name for many years<sup>6</sup> and it was some time before the family was completely scattered. The old homestead was occupied by the sons Joshua and Samuel. Before his father's death, John had obtained possession of a farm at Finche's Corners, a little north of the old home, and he subsequently moved to a farm almost opposite the old family home.

When and why the "K" of the family name was changed to "C" are questions we are not able to settle definitely. An interesting tradition tells us that Jacob Cummer himself made the change because he found it easier to mark his grain bags with a "C" than with a "K." Evidently the change was made before his death. Mrs. Joshua Cummer says that it was during the boyhood of her husband. As Joshua was married in 1835, we are safe in saying that the change was made before that time.

### POLITICAL LIFE OF THE TIMES.

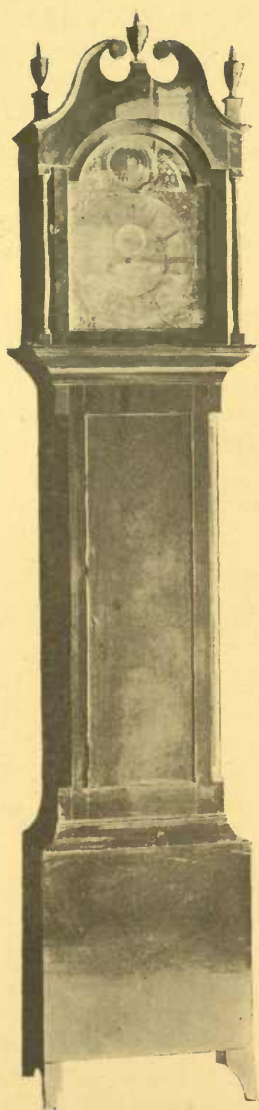
During their residence at Willowdale the Cummers lived through the most stirring times in Canadian history. They had settled near Toronto which had but recently been made the parliament city of Upper Canada. So they had witnessed and taken part in the growth of this rich province. This development was not an entirely peaceful one. Many battles of the war of 1812-1814 had been fought out almost before their eyes and it was the devastation of this same Toronto by the United States soldiers which furnished the British with an excuse for the destruction of the city of Washington. Within itself Canada underwent great struggles during the development of its responsible Government. For years there

had been much friction between the Legislative and Executive Councils on the one side and the Assembly on the other. Indeed the Upper House (if that term may be used) was almost entirely controlled by a clique of families, interrelated and very exclusive in their privilege of control. True, they had been among the most vigorous in the movement for popular government but their ardor cooled with the control once in their own hands. This Family Compact, as it was called, was so influential in commercial and other ways that its members were able to fill with their friends the Assembly, corresponding to the Lower House. This body was elected by popular vote and would naturally be regarded as representative.

With the power so completely in their hands, many unpopular policies were adopted. The Crown had originally made provision for the Protestant Church in Canada, but in carrying out these provisions the Family Compact chose to regard the Protestant Church as the Church of England, or in some exceptional cases, as the Church of Scotland. Inasmuch as two and one-half millions of acres of land in Upper Canada were reserved for the church it was only natural that some objection to this interpretation should be raised by the Baptists, Methodists, and others.

The Family Compact and the clergy reserves did not appeal to the members of our family for almost without exception they were Methodists. They naturally belonged then to the Reform party and with this party awaited the dawn of better times. The growth of the Reform movement in Upper Canada was not rapid and not until 1824 did the Reform party come into control of the Assembly, or lower house of the Legislature. At this time the famous William Lyon MacKenzie began publishing his Reform paper, the Colonial Advocate.

MacKenzie was a warm friend of John Cumber<sup>s</sup> and it is related that when the latter passed the door of MacKenzie's printing shop in Toronto he was often summoned in by the great reformer and asked for his opinion



OLD CLOCK BELONGING TO  
JACOB CUMMER  
IN POSSESSION OF WM. JOHNSTON, ESQ.



on various radical not to say violent articles which he intended to print. It is said that the editor was always cautioned against making his denunciations too bitter. The Cummers, it would seem, rather leaned toward the more conservative wing of the party. Affairs in provincial politics went on from bad to worse, however, and MacKenzie became more incensed. At last he proclaimed Rebellion and mustered the more war-like of his followers at Montgomery's Tavern on Yonge Street, December 4th, 1837.

The policy of the Willowdale neighbors was to refrain from war-like and treasonable measures. When the time for action came, they must have felt some doubts about their course and Lockman Cumber remembers starting with his father to the Methodist prayer-meeting where the neighbors were to ask Divine guidance in their deliberations. At this time they decided to stand aloof from more radical measures.

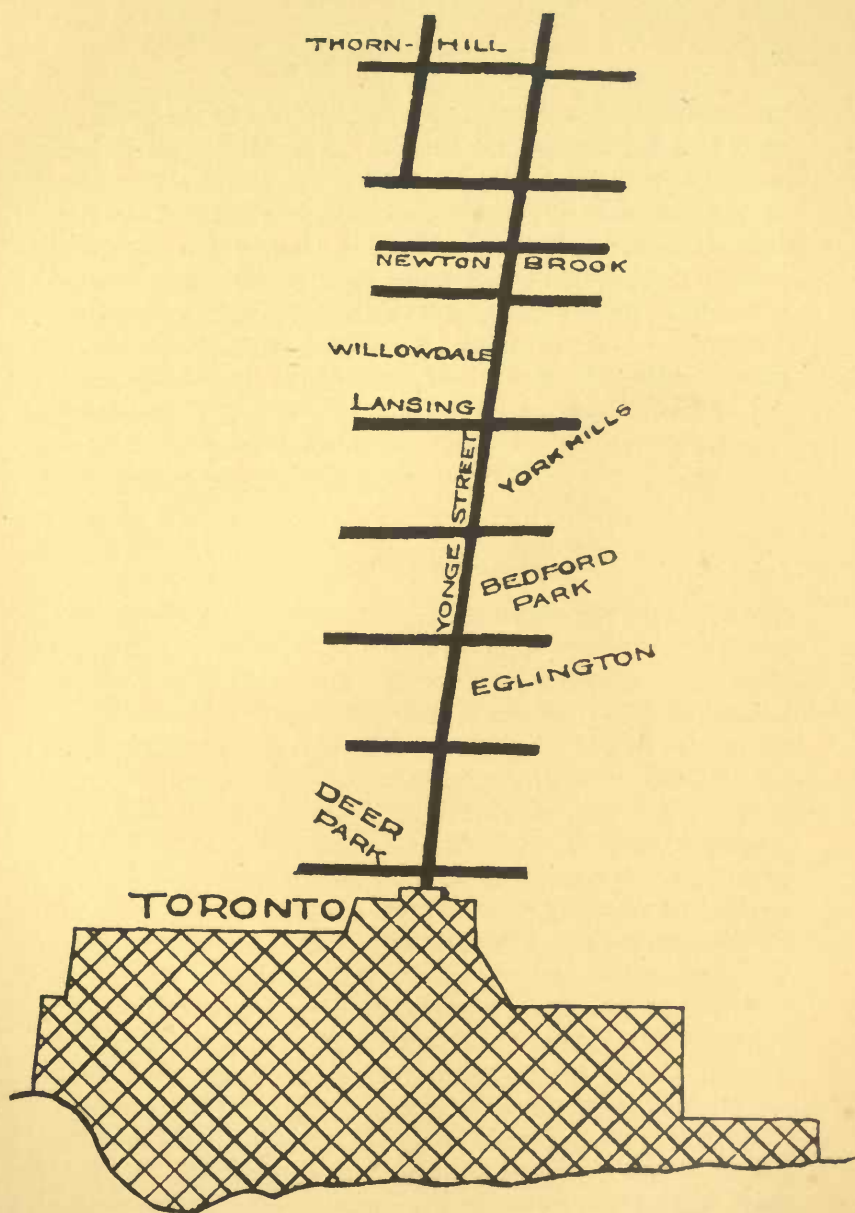
It is said that MacKenzie offered John Cumber the command of his forces but the offer was refused. On this account he was known among his neighbors as "the man who refused the sword."<sup>9</sup> His refusal did not relieve him from the suspicion of the party in power. His belief in Reform principles and his personal friendship with MacKenzie subjected him to the suspicion of the government so that he was arrested as a rebel by the soldiery.

After the complete and utter defeat of the rebels at Montgomery's tavern the victors burnt the home of David Gibson, a prominent Reform leader. Now Gibson was an old neighbor, for his farm was just opposite the old Cumber homestead and on the morning after the fire, John Cumber went down to view the place. After he had returned to his home, a band of British soldiers appeared. His family immediately knew that the worst had come. Picture to yourself the fear and terror of his wife and young children when thus confronted with all the majesty of the British military! After calling for



John Cummer the officer in charge noisily rode his horse up onto the veranda and hammered upon the door with the butt of his pistol. The father appeared and was tied by the wrists with a stout rope into line with the other rebels and so the party proceeded on foot down Yonge Street to the Court House in Toronto where they were locked up. John's confinement did not last long, however, for sometime the next day his release was secured by influential Tory friends, including his brother-in-law, Peter Lawrence. He owed his release to the influence of Sir Allan MacNab, and this brings out an interesting story. It seems that in the course of his business he had furnished considerable lumber to Sir Allan for extensive building operations in Toronto, and being unable to secure payment, had even been obliged to have a *capias* issued on MacNab. Afterwards during the Rebellion MacNab heard that many of his old acquaintances were among the suspects in confinement and so he went to visit them. When he saw John Cummer he immediately demanded his release, saying that he was certainly not a traitor to the Government.<sup>10</sup> This was the very truth for although a Reformer he had never favored the Rebellion, telling MacKenzie that war-like measures were unnecessary.

In connection with the story of the Gibson home there is another interesting anecdote.<sup>11</sup> It seems that the government had offered a reward of five hundred pounds for the capture of Mr. Gibson, and when the soldiers were unable to find him, they set fire to his house, hoping to drive him out. They did not do so, though they burned the house to the ground. During this time he was safely concealed behind a panel or invisible door in the log-house of Jacob Cummer, where he had been hidden by Elizabeth Cummer when he first sought refuge. Here he remained three days, while the soldiery ransacked all the houses in the neighborhood. When they appeared at the Cummer home and told Mrs. Cummer that they were hunting Gibson, she answered "all right, but you will not find him," and they did not.



# LAKE ONTARIO.

MAP SHOWING SUBURBS OF TORONTO





Others of our family were also involved in the Rebellion in a quiet way. Samuel Cummer, a rebel in sympathy, was draughted into the Government army and was locked up all night, but was released in the morning on account of his youth. MacKenzie's printing press was hidden in an old dry well back of Joshua Cummer's farm. Joshua's wife, "Aunt Angelina," was a very ardent Reformer, and she had many an argument before the Rebellion with her brother-in-law, Peter Lawrence, who espoused Tory principles. She stated that after the Rebellion he became disgusted with the Tories and always afterwards voted the Reform ticket.<sup>12</sup>

### WILLOWDALE ITSELF.

A few words regarding Willowdale and its neighborhood may not be out of place. At the present time if one follows the hilly way out Yonge Street, shortly after leaving North Toronto, Deer Park is reached. Then further out is Eglinton. On the west side of the road may be seen the spot where Montgomery's tavern stood. This place was the scene of the battle in the Rebellion of 1837-8. Near it was the birth-place of John Cummer. Across the road is the Snider homestead, the home of so many who intermarried with the Cummer family. Going still further out is York Mills, and on the top of a hill to the right is the English Church. Just before reaching Willowdale we come to Lansing and on the left side of the road is the Golden Lion Inn, a rather delapidated frame structure with a huge gilded lion above the entrance. It was from this inn that MacKenzie made his escape. Mrs. Joshua Cummer remembered standing in her own doorway and seeing him rush out from the public house and mount a horse which stood before the door, saddled and bridled by some unknown sympathizer.

Now we come to Willowdale itself. On our right we see what was once the homestead of Jacob Cummer, the first of the name to settle in Canada. The old home is no

longer standing, but upon the farm are two brick houses, formerly the homes of Joshua and Daniel Cummer. At the corner of the homestead nearest Toronto, is the home of Mrs. Harriet Flook, who with her children represent the Cummer family in Willowdale now. At the further end of the farm is the church and beside it the graveyard, where rest many of the Cummers. Now on the opposite side of Yonge street, or upon the left hand side as we go north, is first seen the Gibson home. Further on is the postoffice and next to it the old house built by Jacob Cummer, one of Jacob Cummer's sons. Next we come to one of the homes of John Cummer, another of the sons. This was the second house built by him and is a substantial brick cottage placed well back from the road. At one side is a picturesque little pond. Next to it is the school. The modern structure we now see is the successor of the old building where so many of the former generations learned the rudiments. Proceeding still further out we reach Finche's Corners. At the northwest corner of the cross-roads is the first house that John Cummer built, a brick cottage much like that in Willowdale, but with a narrow veranda almost encircling the house. Here John Cummer was arrested as a rebel, and here all his children except Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Reed were born.

The next cross-roads is called Newton Brook. At the northwest corner still stands the store which William Willson Cummer formerly owned for many years. Following this road east for perhaps two miles, we see the River Don, now but an insignificant stream. On the river were the Reading Mills, no longer standing but formerly operated by John Cummer and his sons, Jacob, William and Albert. A brick house, built by Jacob Cummer, of Cadillac, is still to be seen. Further south along the Don were the woolen mills.

With this we must leave the Cummers of Willowdale. The important facts in their lives will be narrated separately in the following pages.

## NOTES.

1 A family tradition handed down to Walter Harris through his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Cummer Harris, and given to the writer (C. L. C.) in a personal interview, Dec. 21, 1910.

2 Mrs. Harriet E. Flook of Willowdale.

3 For the foregoing account of Jacob Cummer and his life we are indebted to his grandson, Jacob Cummer, who several years before his death dictated a partial account of the family to his son, Wellington W. Cummer. The notes have been re-arranged with some additions and changes in form.

4 For a copy of the will of Jacob Cummer, see the Appendix.

5 James Walter Cummer.

6 This is evidenced by an old tombstone in the graveyard bearing the following inscription:—"In memory of William, Son of Rev. Wm. D. & Agnes Brown, born in Lanerkshire, Scotland, Aug. 21, 1838, died in Cummer's Settlement, Yonge St., July 18, 1853 A.E. 11 yrs. 10 mos. & 12 das."

7 Mr. Jacob Cummer, his grandson, told Wellington W. Cummer, that he remembered seeing I. K. marked on the grain bags, the I. being used for a J.

8 Son of Jacob Cummer.

9 From a personal interview with Lockman Cummer, 1905. (C. L. C.)

10 Personal Interview with Lockman Cummer, 1905. (C. L. C.)

11 Letter from Mrs. Thos. Lawless who heard the anecdote related often by her grandfather, Jacob Cummer, Jr., and a letter from Mrs. H. E. Flook.

12 Interview with Mrs. Angelina Cummer, Aurora, 1905. (C. L. C.)

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## PART II







# FAMILY RECORD.

## BIRTHS.

Jacob Cummer was  
born April the 2<sup>d</sup> 1767

Elizabeth Cummer was  
born March the 2<sup>d</sup> 1775

Rebecca Cummer

Agnes was born May  
the 24<sup>th</sup> 1792

Petsy was born the 1<sup>st</sup>  
of Apr. 1793 —

Daniel was born the  
21<sup>st</sup> of August 1795

John Cummer was  
born the 28<sup>th</sup> of March  
1797

Matharine was born  
the 10<sup>th</sup> of Dec. 1798

David was born the  
31<sup>st</sup> of Jan. 1803

Jacob was born the  
26<sup>th</sup> of <sup>Decr</sup> Nov 1800

## BIRTHS.

Joseph was born the  
19<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1801

Fetty was born the 28<sup>th</sup>  
of May 1806

Nancy was born the 16<sup>th</sup>  
of August 1808

Isaac was born the  
17<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1810

Petsy was born the 16<sup>th</sup>  
of Sept 1812

Daniel was born  
the 5<sup>th</sup> of Dec 1815

# FAMILY RECORD.

## BIRTHS.

## DEATHS.

John Cummer died the  
16 day of March 1816

Joseph Cummer died  
the 9 day of April  
1818

John Cummer died the 16 day of March 1816

John, Swindler  
the 15 day of June  
1832 Aged 32 years  
and 32 days

Jacob Cummer  
died December 5, 1848  
Aged 74 years 8 months  
and 3 days

Elizabeth Cummer  
died March 31st  
1854 aged 79

David Cummer



## CHAPTER I.

### JACOB CUMMER

#### FAMILY 1

1. JACOB CUMMER<sup>1</sup> (*Daniel, John*), son of Daniel Kummer and grandson of John Kummer; was born 2 April 1767, at or near Reading, Pa.; died 5 December 1841 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 25 April 1791 to Elizabeth Fisher; born 31 March 1775; died 31 March 1854 at Willowdale, Ont., who was a daughter of Jacob Fisher and granddaughter of Herman Fisher.

For history of lives of Jacob Cummer and his wife, see Chapter III, Part I.

2. I. Mary,<sup>2</sup> born 26 May 1792; married John Will-  
son. FAMILY 2
3. II. Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> born 20 November 1793; married  
Maj. Peter Lawrence. FAMILY 21.
4. III. Daniel,<sup>2</sup> born 21 August 1795; married Sarah  
Endicott. FAMILY 62.
5. IV. John,<sup>2</sup> born 28 March 1797; married Sarah  
Lockman Smith. FAMILY 91.
6. V. Katherine,<sup>2</sup> born 10 December 1798; married  
Elihu Pease. FAMILY 139.
7. VI. Jacob,<sup>2</sup> born 20 November 1800; married Agnes  
Endicott. FAMILY 148.
8. VII. David,<sup>1</sup> born 31 January 1803; married Abigail  
McKergan. FAMILY 159.
9. VIII. Joseph,<sup>2</sup> born 19 September 1804; married;  
died 9 April 1813.
10. IX. Sarah,<sup>2</sup> born May 28, 1806; married Robert P.  
Irwin. FAMILY 165.

11. X. Nancy,<sup>2</sup> born 16 August 1808; married William Snider. FAMILY 171.
12. XI. Joshua,<sup>2</sup> born 19 September 1810; married Angelina Irwin FAMILY 197.
13. XII. Peter,<sup>2</sup> born 10 September 1812; died 10 March 1813.
14. XIII. Samuel,<sup>2</sup> born 2 December 1815; married Mary Ann Toole. FAMILY 210.



## CHAPTER II

### JOHN WILLSON AND MARY CUMMER AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 2.

2. MARY<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 26 May 1792; died 23 June 1869. She was married to John *Willson*, born 18 April 1785, died 25 January 1865.

#### CHILDREN

15. I. Elizabeth,<sup>s</sup> born 2 June 1809; died in infancy.
16. II. Sarah,<sup>s</sup> born 13 April 1811; married William Jeffery.
17. III. Jane,<sup>s</sup> born January 1814; married Joseph Reed.
18. IV. Jacob,<sup>s</sup> born 30 April 1816; married Eliza Ann Sayres. FAMILY 3.
19. V. Margaret,<sup>s</sup> born 8 May 1818; married William Crawford. FAMILY 4.
20. VI. Eliza,<sup>s</sup> born 21 June 1820; married James Hale. FAMILY 5.
21. VII. Daniel,<sup>s</sup> born 13 August 1822; married Beatrice Armstrong; died 24 January 1882.
22. VIII. Mary Ann,<sup>s</sup> born 30 May 1824; married Charles Lobb. FAMILY 6.
23. IX. Stephen,<sup>s</sup> born 28 November 1826; married Mary Lloyd. FAMILY 7.
24. X. Joshua,<sup>s</sup> born 10 August 1832; married Sarah Ann Mitchell. FAMILY 8.

## FAMILY 3

18. JACOB<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of John Willson and Mary Cumber; was born 30 April 1816 at Toronto, Ont., died at Goderich, Ont. He was married to Eliza Ann Sayers. Late residence, Goderich, Ont.

## CHILDREN

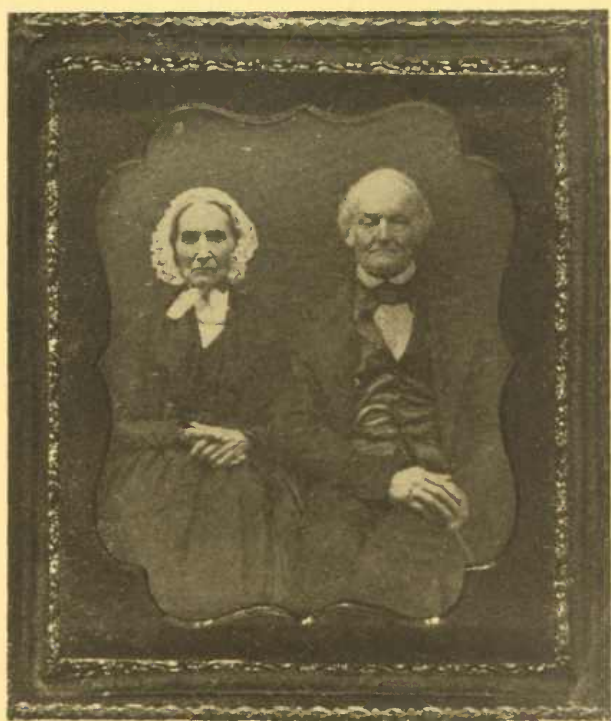
- 25. I. Oliver Creedon,<sup>4</sup> born October 1838; married Sara Sloane. FAMILY 9.
- 26. II. Clara,<sup>4</sup> born 1840; married Benj. Allan.
- 27. III. Albert Jacob,<sup>4</sup> born July 1843; married Christina McDonald.
- 28. IV. Lockman Stephen,<sup>4</sup> born 16 February 1845; married Annie Wilson. FAMILY 10.
- 29. V. Otter Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> married Phoebe Dhurst.
- 30. VI. Arthur William,<sup>4</sup> married Emma Crawford.
- 31. VII. Ella Anne Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 1856; married James Scott.

## FAMILY 4

19. MARGARET<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of John Willson and Mary Cumber; was born 8 May 1818; died 4 November 1887. She was married 21 July 1836 at Goderich, Ont., to William Colwell *Crawford*.

## CHILDREN

- 32. I. Emory Oscar,<sup>4</sup> born 7 April 1837; died 28 February 1877.
- 33. II. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 21 December 1839; residence, Willowdale, Ont.
- 34. III. Alice Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 27 May 1845; died 30 June 1848.
- 35. IV. Sarah Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 17 June 1847; died 23 July 1848.
- 36. V. Asenath Louisa,<sup>4</sup> born 1 April 1852; died 30 January 1874.
- 37. VI. Emma Eliza Josephine,<sup>4</sup> born 10 August 1854.



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## FAMILY 5

20. ELIZA<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson III and Mary Cummer; was born 21 June 1820 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 4 March 1883 at Goderich, Huron Co., Ont. She was married 1833 at Goderich to James *Hale*, born 1805 at Toronto. Residence, Willowdale, Toronto, and later Goderich, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 38. I. Emily,<sup>4</sup> born 31 January 1836; married Niel McKinnan; died 13 July 1905.
- 39. II. Hezekiah,<sup>4</sup> born 12 January 1838; married Irene Brown. FAMILY 11.
- 40. III. Mary Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 1840; died 1844.
- 41. IV. Clara,<sup>4</sup> born 1842.
- 42. V. Francie Elmira,<sup>4</sup> born 1844; married Dawson Kerr.
- 43. VI. Stephen,<sup>4</sup> born 1848; married Almeda Brown; died 1876.
- 44. VII. Alice Louisa,<sup>4</sup> born 1850; married Joseph Armstrong.
- 45. VIII. Eliza Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 1852; died 1861.

## FAMILY 6

22. MARY ANN<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson and Mary Ann Cummer; was born 30 May 1824 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 24 January 1891 at Frankfort, Benzoinia Co., Mich. She was married 15 March 1848 at Toronto to Charles *Lobb*, born 28 March 1821 at Glasgow, Scotland; died 15 July 1885 in his boat near Cheboygan, Mich. Late residence, Frankfort, Mich.

## CHILDREN

- 46. I. Emma C.<sup>4</sup> born 31 December 1848; died in infancy.
- 47. II. John Charles,<sup>4</sup> born 27 August 1850; died in infancy.

48. III. Herbert E.,<sup>4</sup> born 20 January 1853; died in infancy.
49. IV. Henry M.,<sup>4</sup> born 7 August 1854; died in infancy.
50. V. Arthur S.,<sup>4</sup> born 9 October 1855; married Francina Cairns.
51. VI. M. E. Blanche,<sup>4</sup> born 21 June 1859.
52. VII. Edwin E.,<sup>4</sup> born 26 February 1862; married Marguerite Dawson.

## FAMILY 7

23. STEPHEN<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson and Mary Cummer; was born 28 November 1826 at Goderich, Ont.; died 1 November 1883 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. He was married 24 June 1867 at Aurora to Mary Lloyd, born 27 July 1843 at Aurora; died 23 January 1904, at Aurora, daughter of David Lloyd.

## CHILDREN

53. I. May Harriett,<sup>4</sup> born 20 January 1869; married John M. Andrews. FAMILY 12.

## FAMILY 8

24. JOSHUA CUMMER<sup>3</sup> WILLSON (*Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson and Mary Cummer; was born 10 August 1830 at Goderich, Ont.; died 4 August 1890 at Escanaba, Delta Co., Mich. He was married April 1849 at Toronto, Ont., to Sarah Ann Mitchell, born 9 April 1849 in England; died 10 January 1890 at Escanaba, daughter of John Mitchell and Charlotte Reese.

## CHILDREN

54. I. Marion,<sup>4</sup> born 25 December 1851; married Franklin B. Hollister. FAMILY 13.
55. II. Eliza Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 3 September 1854; married Rufus Spaulding. FAMILY 226.

See appendix.



56. III. Charlotte E.,<sup>4</sup> born 24 December 1857; married William J. King.
57. IV. Edith E.,<sup>4</sup> born 14 March 1866; married J. P. McColl. FAMILY 227.  
See appendix.
58. V. Catherine B.,<sup>4</sup> born 17 March 1870; married J. J. Mallmann. FAMILY 228.  
See appendix.
59. VI. John O.,<sup>4</sup> born 4 February 1865.

#### FAMILY 9

25. OLIVER CREEDON<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Willson and Eliza Ann Sayres; was born 4 October 1837 at Goderich, Ont. He was married to Sarah Sloan, born 29 September 1845 at Toronto, Ont., daughter of James Sloan and Catherine Campbell. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

#### CHILDREN

60. I. Albert J.,<sup>5</sup> born 24 July 1866; married Mamie Williams.
61. II. Elizabeth M.,<sup>5</sup> born 8 September 1867.
62. III. Maude Alice,<sup>5</sup> born 14 March 1871; married Walter Willis. FAMILY 14.
63. IV. Russell,<sup>5</sup> born 14 August 1874; died 18 August 1874.
64. V. Olive G.,<sup>5</sup> born 1 December 1876; married George McMann.
65. VI. William S.,<sup>5</sup> born 23 February 1880; died 25 May 1880.
66. VII. Harold G.,<sup>5</sup> born 4 December 1881; married Alice McDonald.
67. VIII. Chester E.,<sup>5</sup> born 9 March 1884; married Florence Gregor.

#### FAMILY 10

28. LOCKMAN STEPHEN<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Willson and Eliza Ann Sayers;

was born 15 February 1845 at Goderich, Ont. He was married 29 April 1868 at Goderich to Annie Wilson, born 27 November 1847 at Goderich, daughter of George Wilson and Mary Rutherford. Residence, Barrie, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 68. I. Infant,<sup>5</sup> born 1869.
- 69. II. Mary Grace,<sup>5</sup> born 5 December 1870; married Harry L. Willson.
- 70. III. Stephen Enslow,<sup>5</sup> born 25 November 1873; died November 1895.
- 71. IV. Adeline Ella,<sup>5</sup> born 11 May 1875; married James J. Teskey.
- 72. V. Martha Ann,<sup>5</sup> born 25 February 1877; married James H. Robertson.
- 73. VI. Gershom Lockman,<sup>5</sup> born 24 July 1879.
- 74. VII. Ruth Alberta,<sup>5</sup> born 14 January 1885.

## FAMILY 11

39. HEZEKIAH<sup>4</sup> HALE (*Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of James Hale and Eliza Willson; was born 12 January 1838 at Goderich, Huron Co., Ont. He was married 28 November 1860 at Sarnia to Irene Brown, born 25 November 1840 at St. Catherines, Welland Co., Ont., daughter of William H. Brown and Mary Stewart. Residence, Goderich, Ont.

Mr. Hale is one of the oldest natives of Goderich now living in the town. Shortly after his marriage he moved from this place and lived for a time at other points, but for the last forty years he and his wife have resided continuously in Goderich. They celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding on the 28th of November, 1910.

## CHILDREN

- 75. I. Carrie<sup>5</sup> born 24 February 1863; married Benjamin Burkholder; died 17 December 1908.
- 76. II. William J.,<sup>5</sup> born 12 May 1865; married Minnie Atkinson.

## FAMILY 15.

77. III. Stephen Russel,<sup>5</sup> born 14 April 1867; died 1876.  
 78. IV. Theodore,<sup>5</sup> born 28 August 1870; married Mary Brand. FAMILY 16.  
 79. V. Eliza Jane,<sup>5</sup> born 1 January 1872; married Alfred Edwards. FAMILY 17.  
 80. VI. Frank,<sup>5</sup> born 21 September 1877; married Melinda McClymont. FAMILY 18.  
 81. VII. Maude,<sup>5</sup> born 6 September 1879.  
 82. VIII. Mary,<sup>5</sup> born 13 December 1881; married Louis McRae. FAMILY 19.  
 83. IX. Edgar Bertram,<sup>5</sup> born 4 May 1884; married Margaret Vanstone. FAMILY 20.

## FAMILY 12

53. MAY HARRIET<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Stephen,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Stephen Willson and Mary Lloyd; was born 20 January 1869 at Aurora, Ont. She was married 4 December 1889 at Aurora to John Milton Andrews, born 20 Oct. 1867 at Teston, York Co., Ont.; died 7 March 1906 at Aurora, son of Benjamin Andrews and Elizabeth Jackson. Residence, Aurora, Ont.

## CHILDREN

84. I. Edna Alberta,<sup>5</sup> born 5 March 1894.

## FAMILY 13

54. MARION<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Joshua,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joshua Cummer Willson and Sarah Ann Mitchell; was born 25 December 1851 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 11 February 1870 at Escanaba, Mich., to Franklin B. Hollister, born 12 April 1849 at Troy, Mich.; died 4 February 1908 at Green Bay, Wis., son of Milo Hollister and Lorain Sylvester. Residence, Green Bay, Wis.

## CHILDREN

85. I. Russell S.,<sup>5</sup> born 12 January 1871; married Lovira Leach. FAMILY 21.

- 86. II. Charles T.,<sup>5</sup> born 15 October 1874; died 3 December 1901.
- 87. III. Lorain,<sup>5</sup> born 2 March 1877.
- 88. IV. Browning B.,<sup>5</sup> born 30 June 1886.
- 89. V. Marian A.,<sup>5</sup> born 4 October 1895.

## FAMILY 14

62. ALICE MAUDE<sup>5</sup> WILLSON (*Oliver,<sup>4</sup> Jacob,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Oliver Creedon Willson and Sarah Sloan; was born 14 March 1871 at Seaforth, Huron Co., Ont. She was married 25 September 1895 at Seaforth, Huron Co., Ont., to Walter George *Willis*, born 3 December 1870 at Seaforth, Huron Co., Ont., son of Robert Willis and Lewanna Brewer. Residence, Seaforth, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 90. I. Muriel Kathleen,<sup>6</sup> born 15 February 1897.
- 91. II. Olive Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> born 19 August 1900.
- 92. III. Gordon Willson,<sup>6</sup> born 28 June 1904.
- 93. IV. Robert Oliver,<sup>6</sup> born 1 November 1908.

## FAMILY 15

76. WILLIAM JAMES<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah,<sup>4</sup> Eliza,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; born 12 May 1864 at Port Huron, Mich. He was married 25 August 1887 to Agnes Ellen Kedsle, who died 9 May 1889. He was married second 9 June 1890 to Minnie Atkinson, born 1 March 1873 at Simcoe, Ont., daughter of Emanuel Atkinson and Adlet Hoover. Residence, Mount Clemens, Mich.

## CHILDREN

- 94. I. Irene,<sup>6</sup> born 12 February 1891; died 12 February 1892.
- 95. II. Stephen,<sup>6</sup> born 1 March 1893; died June 1893.
- 96. V. Cecil,<sup>6</sup> born 21 February 1898; died 21 January 1899.

- 97. III. Pearl,<sup>6</sup> born 21 November 1894.
- 98. IV. Carrie,<sup>6</sup> born 8 July 1896.
- 99. VI. Gladys,<sup>6</sup> born 2 January 1900.

## FAMILY 16

78. THEODORE RIALTO<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; was born 28 August 1869 at Goderich, Huron Co., Ont. He was married 15 October 1890 at Brantford, Brant Co., Ont., to Mary Ann Brand, born 3 May 1866 at Lincolnshire, England, daughter of Henry Brand and Mary Fairbanks. Residence, Clinton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 100. I. Henry Russell,<sup>6</sup> born 12 July 1892.
- 101. II. Charles Carlton,<sup>6</sup> born 11 October 1894.
- 102. III. Stanley,<sup>6</sup> born 5 July 1899.
- 103. IV. Alma Bertha,<sup>6</sup> born 23 July 1902.
- 104. V. Louisa Gertrude,<sup>6</sup> born 13 September 1904.

## FAMILY 17

79. ELIZA JANE<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; was born 1 January 1872 at Port Huron, Mich. She was married 23 August 1893 at Goderich, Ont., to Alfred Nicholas *Edwards*, born 29 June 1869 at Falmouth, Cornwall Co., Eng., son of Samuel Edwards and Mary Jane. Residence, N. Tonawanda, N. Y.

## CHILDREN

- 105. I. Alfred Hale,<sup>6</sup> born 16 July 1903.
- 106. II. Helen Maude,<sup>6</sup> born 20 July 1909.

## FAMILY 18

80. FRANK T.<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; was born 21 September 1876 at Goderich, Ont. He was married to Linda McClymont, born 14 July 1878 at Wing-



ham, Turnburry Co., Ont., daughter of William McClymont and Lizzie Davison. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 107. I. Myrtle Viola,<sup>6</sup> born 16 May 1900.
- 108. II. Chester Franklin,<sup>6</sup> born 26 August 1902.
- 109. III. Anna Beatrice,<sup>6</sup> born 30 June 1908.
- †. IV. Everett,<sup>6</sup> born 24 December 1910.

## FAMILY 19

82. MARY STUART<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; was born 13 December 1881 at Goderich, Ont. She was married 27 June 1906 at Goderich to Louis Henry *McRae*, born 21 October 1881 at Goederich Township, Ont., son of Roderick *McRae* and Ann Clark. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 110. I. Mildred Ruth,<sup>6</sup> born 14 January 1907.
- 111. II. Madeleine Phillis,<sup>6</sup> born 22 March 1908.
- 112. III. Edgar Louis Hezekiah,<sup>6</sup> born 12 January 1910.

## FAMILY 20

83. EDGAR BERTRAM<sup>5</sup> HALE (*Hezekiah*,<sup>4</sup> *Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Hezekiah Hale and Irene Brown; was born 4 May 1884 at Goderich, Huron Co., Ont. He was married 15 September 1909 at Goderich, Huron Co., Ontario, to Marguerite Delphine Vanstone, born 4 December 1882 at Thamesford, Middlesex Co., Ont., daughter of Thomas Vanstone and Christie Ann Kelterborn. Residence, Goderich, Ont.

## FAMILY 21

85. RUSSELL S.<sup>5</sup> HOLLISTER (*Marion*,<sup>4</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>3</sup> *Mary*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Franklin B. Hollister and Marion Willson; was born 12 January 1871 at Escanaba, Mich.



He was married 25 May 1891 at Green Bay, Wis., to Lovira Leach, born 10 April 1868 at Waukau, Wis., who was a daughter of Reuben Leach and Ellen Clark. Residence, Kewaunee, Wis.

CHILDREN

- 113. I. Floyd Milo,<sup>6</sup> born 24 July 1894.
- 114. II. Arlettie Ione,<sup>6</sup> born 11 July 1897.
- 115. III. Andrie Olive,<sup>6</sup> born 29 April 1900.
- 116. IV. Franklin Russell,<sup>6</sup> born 15 January 1909.

### CHAPTER III

## MAJOR PETER LAWRENCE AND ELIZABETH CUMMER AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

### FAMILY 21

3. ELIZABETH<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 20 November 1793 in Pennsylvania; died 4 April 1881 at Eglington, York Co., Ont.. She was married 14 May 1812 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont., to Major Peter *Lawrence*, born 21 November 1788 at Frederickton, New Brunswick; died 18 August 1860 at Eglington. Late residence, Eglington.

### CHILDREN

117. I. Margaret,<sup>3</sup> born 30 May 1813; married John Willson. FAMILY 22.
118. II. Capt. John,<sup>3</sup> born 1 July 1815; married Majorie Street.
119. III. Peter,<sup>3</sup> born 18 March 1819; married Mary Willson. FAMILY 23.
120. IV. Jacob,<sup>3</sup> born 13 December 1821; married Maria Wilkinson. FAMILY 24.
121. V. Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 25 May 1824; married John Walker. FAMILY 25.
122. VI. Joseph,<sup>3</sup> born 15 September 1827; died in infancy.
123. VII. Mary,<sup>3</sup> born 12 January 1829; married William T. Mason. FAMILY 26.
124. VIII. William,<sup>3</sup> born 29 March 1831; married I. Emma Harris July, II. Emily Harris; died July 1906. FAMILY 27.
125. IX. Nancy C.,<sup>3</sup> born 7 April 1834; married H. *Pelican*  
~~F. A. Noverre.~~ FAMILY 29.
126. X. Sarah Jane,<sup>3</sup> born 26 February 1837; married *F. A.*  
~~Peterson.~~ *Noverre* FAMILY 28.



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FAMILY 22

117. MARGARET<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 30 May 1813 at Eglington, York Co., Ont.; died 28 May 1890 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 25 February 1830, to John *Willson* IV., born 25 August 1804 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 1866. Late residence, Willowdale, Ont.

John Willson IV., was elected Town Clerk of the Township of York in 1837, and held the offices of Clerk and Treasurer of the Township until the time of his death in 1866.

CHILDREN

127. I. John,<sup>4</sup> born 18 December 1831; married Marion Woodruff. FAMILY 30.
128. II. Elizabeth Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 4 June 1834; married Joseph Snider. FAMILY 31.
129. III. Arthur Lawrence,<sup>4</sup> born 20 March 1838; married Sarah Adelaide Mitchell.
130. IV. Egerton,<sup>4</sup> born 15 June 1841; married Jennie Wallace Woods. FAMILY 32.
131. V. Sarah Margaret,<sup>4</sup> born 23 February 1846; married Rev. James Hannon. FAMILY 33.
132. VI. Emma Maria,<sup>4</sup> born 16 September 1848; married George Washington Irwin. FAMILY 34.

FAMILY 23

119. PETER<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Major Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 18 March 1819 at Toronto, Ont.; died 3 May 1898 at Rodney, Elgin Co., Ont. He was married 23 January 1844 at Toronto to Mary Willson, born 4 April 1828 at Toronto; died 27 December 1902 at Rodney; a daughter of John Willson IV., and Sarah Snider. Late residence, Rodney, Ont.

## CHILDREN

133. I. Margaret E.,<sup>4</sup> born 8 October 1849.  
 134. II. Sarah M.,<sup>4</sup> born 26 January 1854; married  
 William Morris. FAMILY 35.

## FAMILY 24

120. JACOB<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Major Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 13 December 1821 at Toronto, Ont.; died 25 August 1885 at Sarnia, Ont. He was married 25 May 1848 to Anne Maria Wilkinson, born April 1830 at St. Catherine's, Ont.; died 10 August 1900 at Sarnia, Ont.; daughter of Rev. Henry Wilkinson and Mary Moore. His late residence was Sarnia, Ont.

Jacob Lawrence was born on a farm situated on what is known as Lawrence's Corners in the village of Eglington. He was married to Anne Maria Wilkinson, the daughter of Rev. Henry Wilkinson, a Methodist clergyman. Mr. Lawrence purchased part of his father's farm and started housekeeping in the old homestead. He also operated a saw-mill on the farm. All their children were born here and practically all attended the school at Eglington. In 1870 Mr. Lawrence rented his farm and bought a saw mill at Wanstead, where he remained for over two years. The increase in his business necessitated his removal to Watford, where he started a lumber yard. Six years afterwards he moved to Sarnia, where he was the proprietor of a wholesale lumber yard. In 1883 his health, which had previously been very rugged, began to fail, and he died in 1885 of a lingering illness. In his business relations he was marked by punctuality, tact and sterling integrity. He had been a member of the Methodist church for over forty years, and as a constant Christian every good work met with his assistance.

## CHILDREN

135. I. Henry Peter,<sup>4</sup> born 10 March 1849; married  
 Mary Ann Kerr. FAMILY 36.





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136. II. William Frederick,<sup>4</sup> born 9 November 1851;  
married Eliza Jane Carroll.

FAMILY 37.

137. III. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 13 July 1856; married  
George Littleton Bowen.

FAMILY 38.

138. IV. Marie Josephine,<sup>4</sup> born 8 August 1859; mar-  
ried William Ritchie.

FAMILY 39.

139. V. Amelia Margaret,<sup>4</sup> born 25 June 1862; mar-  
ried Bertram Bailie.

FAMILY 40.

140. VI. Helen Eliza,<sup>4</sup> born 14 June 1867; married Ed-  
ward Kelly.

FAMILY 41.

FAMILY 25

121. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Major Peter Rezeau Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 25 May 1824 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. She was married 17 February 1849 at Toronto, Ont., to John *Walker*, born 22 November 1818 at Coleraine, Londonderry Co., Ireland; died 27 May 1879; son of John Walker and Rachael Keith. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

141. I. Mary Emeline,<sup>4</sup> born 25 November 1849; mar-  
ried J. A. Sturgeon Stewart.

FAMILY 42.

142. II. Maria Nelson,<sup>4</sup> born 14 November 1851; mar-  
ried Joseph Tisdale.

FAMILY 43.

FAMILY 26

123. MARY<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Maj. Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 12 January 1829 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. She was married 10 November 1856 at Eglington to William Thomas *Mason*, born 5 January 1824 at Ivy Bridge, Devonshire, Eng.; died 6 November 1882 at Toronto;

son of Thomas Mason and Mary Stevens. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

143. I. Lt. Col. Percival,<sup>4</sup> born 24 August 1857; married Luella I. Mitchell.

## FAMILY 44.

144. II. W. E.,<sup>4</sup> born 11 January 1859; died 23 September 1860.

145. III. Alfred Effingham,<sup>4</sup> born 2 October 1860; married Clara Dack.

## FAMILY 45.

146. IV. Arthur Herbert,<sup>4</sup> born 24 August 1862; married Mary M. S. Davidson.

## FAMILY 46.

147. V. Bertha E.,<sup>4</sup> born 12 September 1864.

148. VI. William Ethelbert,<sup>4</sup> born 15 July 1866; married Helen A. Cockburn.

## FAMILY 47.

149. VII. Thomas H.,<sup>4</sup> born 17 September 1868.

150. VIII. E. M.,<sup>4</sup> born 1 May 1870; died 10 September 1870.

151. IX. J. F.,<sup>4</sup> born 2 February 1873; died 2 February 1873.

## FAMILY 27

124. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Maj. Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 29 March 1831 at Eglington, York Co., Ont.; died 20 July 1906. He was married first to Emma F. Harris, deceased, and second to Emily Harris, both daughters of Rev. James Harris and Fidelia Ketchum.

## FAMILY 28

125. NANCY CATHERINE<sup>3</sup> (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 7 April 1834 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. She was married 12 January 1882 to Henry *Peterman*, born 8 May 1818 at Vaughan, York Co., Ont.; son of George and Susanna Peterman. Residence, Aurora, Ont.

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FAMILY 29.

126. SARAH JANE<sup>3</sup> LAWRENCE (*Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Maj. Peter Lawrence and Elizabeth Cummer; was born 26 February 1837; died 27 February 1899. She was married to Frank A. *Noverre*, born in England; died 18 July 1908. Late residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

152. I. Mary Elizabeth Harrington,<sup>4</sup> born 20 June, 1866; married Norman Duperow.

FAMILY 48.

153. II. Emma Alberta,<sup>4</sup> born 19 September 1868; married I. Alfred Pearson; II. Fred A. Bain.

FAMILY 49.

154. III. Arthur L.<sup>4</sup>

FAMILY 30

127. JOHN<sup>4</sup> WILLSON V., (*Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson IV. and Margaret Lawrence; was born 18 December 1831 at Toronto, Ont.; died 15 January 1900 at St. Louis, Mo. He was married 10 August 1865 at Detroit, Mich., to Marian Woodruff, born 6 October 1842 at Beaumon, Scotland; died 21 March 1903 at St. Louis, Mo.; daughter of Duncan Woodruff. Late residence, St. Louis, Mo.

CHILDREN

155. I. Lelia Ada,<sup>5</sup> born 6 May 1866; married Benj. G. Trueman.

FAMILY 50.

156. II. John Stephen VI.,<sup>5</sup> born 17 May 1868; married Eleanor Mitchell.

FAMILY 51.

157. III. Arthur Egerton,<sup>5</sup> born 1 March 1872; married Mitta Basket.

FAMILY 52.

FAMILY 31

128. ELIZABETH JANE<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson IV. and Margaret Lawrence; was born 4 June 1834 at Toronto, Ont.



She was married 14 October 1857 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont., to Joseph *Snider*, born 20 April 1833 at Eglington, York Co., Ont.; son of Martin Snider and Allida McCready. Residence, Broomhill, Man.

## CHILDREN

- 158. I. Joseph Willson,<sup>5</sup> born 11 February 1860; died 13 September 1878.
- 159. II. Arthur Walcott,<sup>5</sup> born 12 November 1861.
- 160. III. John Elbert,<sup>5</sup> born 25 May 1864; married Harriet Adela Willis. FAMILY 53.
- 161. IV. Adelaide Jane,<sup>5</sup> born 20 December 1866; died 24 July 1895.
- 162. V. Edwin Harvard,<sup>5</sup> born 27 June 1870.
- 163. VI. Emma Harriet,<sup>5</sup> born 17 January 1873.
- 164. VII. George Egerton,<sup>5</sup> born 11 November 1874.

## FAMILY 32

130. EGERTON<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson and Margaret Lawrence; was born 15 June 1831 at Toronto, Ont.; died 9 January 1908 at Cadillac, Mich. He was married 24 November 1870 at Thornhill, Ont., to Jennie Wallace Woods, born 18 July 1850; died 9 February 1892 at Thornhill; daughter of John Chase Woods and Susan Bowman Patterson. Late residence, Thornhill, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 165. I. Albert Egerton.<sup>5</sup>
- 166. II. William Arthur;<sup>5</sup> died 20 September 1874.
- 167. III. Florence Ethel,<sup>5</sup> born 9 September 1876.

## FAMILY 33

131. SARAH MARGARET<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson IV. and Margaret Lawrence; was born 23 February 1846 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 17 June 1869 at Toronto, Ont., to Rev. James *Hannon*, D. D., born 1838; son of





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Michael Hannon and Elizabeth McTearnan. Residence, London, Ont.

Rev. Hannon held charges in Toronto, Hamilton, London, Chatham, Dundas, St. Thomas and other Canadian cities, entering the ministry in 1858. He retired from active work in 1905.

### CHILDREN

168. I. James Willson,<sup>5</sup> born 11 October 1870; married Emma Orilla Woods.

#### FAMILY 54.

169. II. Mary Alice,<sup>5</sup> born 5 October 1873; married Rev. Frederick E. Malott.

#### FAMILY 55.

170. III. Robert Maitland, D. L. S.,<sup>5</sup> born 17 March 1878; died 22 August 1909 at London, Ont.

### FAMILY 34

132. EMMA MARIA<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson IV. and Margaret Lawrence; was born 16 September 1848 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 4 October 1871 at Toronto to George Washington *Irwin*, born 8 September 1841; son of Thomas Irwin and Philadelphia Irwin. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

### CHILDREN

171. I. Mabel Emma,<sup>5</sup> born 30 July 1878; married Arthur C. Symmes.

172. II. Margaret Lina,<sup>5</sup> born 13 July 1882; married F. D. Byers.

### FAMILY 35

134. SARAH<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Peter*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Peter Lawrence and Mary Willson; was born 26 January 1854 at Clareville, Ont. She was married 3 January 1877 at Willowdale, Ont., to William *Morris*, born 26 June 1849 at Portland, Leeds Co., Ont.,

son of Henry Morris and Elizabeth Kidd. Residence, Rodney, Ont.

## CHILDREN

173. I. Viola Rodella Gertrude,<sup>5</sup> born 24 March 1878.
174. II. William Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> born 5 May 1879; married Marie Anna Best. FAMILY 56.
175. III. Evangelina Mary Alberta,<sup>5</sup> born 21 October 1880; died 13 April 1881.
176. IV. Pearle Evangeline,<sup>5</sup> born 18 June 1883; married Austin Kenneth Bryant. FAMILY 57.
177. V. Harvey Kidd,<sup>5</sup> born 29 November 1885.
178. VI. Vernon St. Claire,<sup>5</sup> born 27 August 1897.

## FAMILY 36

135. HENRY P.<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Lawrence and Anna Maria Wilkinson; was born 10 March 1849 at Eglington, Ont.; died 26 December 1902 at Watford, Ont. He was married 25 October 1880 at Watford to Mary Ann Kerr, born 18 January 1860 at Watford, Ont.; daughter of Henry Kerr and Mary Hume. Late residence, Watford, Ont.

Mr. Lawrence's early education was received at the place of his birth, Eglington, Ontario. His business career really commenced at Wanstead, where he engaged in a saw-mill business with his father and his brother, William. In 1873 they settled at Watford and two years later added to the enterprises a planing mill, and still later a stave and heading mill. They also established stave and heading mills at Sutorville, Kingscourt and Warwick. After the death of Mr. Lawrence in 1902 the firm of Jacob Lawrence & Sons was dissolved and the Watford branch of the business was conducted under the firm name of M. A. Lawrence, the widow of Mr. Lawrence, in trust for the two youngest sons.

Mr. Lawrence was a man well fitted for extensive

enterprises and became widely known in his line, though this was the result of his personality and not of any especial effort on his part. From the time he settled in Watford he took an active part in municipal affairs, serving at different times as a member of the Town and County Councils and as Reeve of Watford. He never thrust himself forward, but being an able man was looked to for many things and always proved himself worthy of any trust reposed in him. In private life as in public matters he was always a helpful friend, and while he did his duty to the full extent of his powers, he was never ostentatious or anxious to have his kindness known to any but the recipient. A public benefactor in the best sense, he was an ardent believer in temperance reform and took an active interest in the Referendum campaign, not long before his death.

On December 26, 1902, he had been at Chatham, Ontario, and had returned to spend a few hours with his family, leaving later on the train for Sarnia. The train was wrecked at Wanstead and he met death within sight of the place where he had made his first start in life. Being a most devoted family man, his death was indeed a sad loss to his wife and family and many marks of sympathy told of the high respect in which he was held by his neighbors.

#### CHILDREN

179. I. Frederick Henry,<sup>5</sup> born 31 March 1882; married Gertrude Brock. FAMILY 58.
180. II. William Harold,<sup>5</sup> born 28 January 1888. Student at Toronto University.
181. III. Ernest Wilkenson,<sup>5</sup> born 11 August 1890.

#### FAMILY 37

136. WILLIAM FREDERICK<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Lawrence and Mary Ann Wilkinson; was born 9 November 1851 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. He was married to Eliza J. Carroll



25 September 1877, born 28 May 1855, daughter of Edward Carroll and Eliza King. Residence, Sarnia, Ont.

## CHILDREN

182. I. Edward Carroll,<sup>5</sup> born 10 December 1878; married Ada J. Hanes. Child, Carroll Hanes Lawrence, born 1904.
183. II. William Ralph,<sup>5</sup> born 29 May 1883; married Maude E. Henderson.
184. III. Charles Wilbur,<sup>5</sup> born 11 June 1891.

## FAMILY 38

137. MARY ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob,<sup>3</sup> Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Jacob Lawrence and Anne Maria Wilkinson; was born 13 July 1856 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. She was married 25 November 1880 at Sarnia, Ont., to George Littleton *Bowen*, born 4 August 1851 at London, Eng.; son of John Bowen. Residence, Sarnia, Ont.

## CHILDREN

185. I. Eva Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> born 19 January 1882.
186. II. Harry Littleton,<sup>5</sup> born 16 August 1884.
187. III. Leslie George,<sup>5</sup> born 20 August 1886.
188. IV. Arnold Llewellyn,<sup>5</sup> born 14 March 1889.
189. V. Helen May,<sup>5</sup> born 27 March 1895.

## FAMILY 39

138. MARIE JOSEPHINE<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob,<sup>3</sup> Elizabeth,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Jacob Lawrence and Anne Maria Wilkinson; was born 8 August 1859 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 5 June 1888 at Sarnia, Ont., to William *Ritchie*, born 10 December 1857 at Watford, Ont.; son of Robert Ritchie and Jane Hastings. Residence, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.



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### CHILDREN

- 190. I. Mae Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> born 19 May 1889.
- 191. II. Bertram William,<sup>5</sup> born 27 February 1891.
- 192. III. Edna Susanna,<sup>5</sup> born 17 July 1893.
- 193. IV. Olive Amelia,<sup>5</sup> born 13 March 1896.
- 194. V. Lisle George,<sup>5</sup> born 4 May 1898.

### FAMILY 40

139. AMELIA MARGARET<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Lawrence and Anne Maria Wilkinson; was born 25 June 1862 at Eglington, Ont. She was married first 11 May 1887 to Bertram James *Bailie*; died 9 September 1891. She was married second, 18 September 1893 to Thomas H. *Slater*, who died 26 April 1905. She was married third 15 June 1907 to Charles G. *Roehm*, born 14 January 1841 at Detroit, Mich. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

### CHILDREN

- 195. I. Bertram Lawrence (BAILIE),<sup>5</sup> child by first husband, born 2 July 1888.

### FAMILY 41

140. HELEN ELIZA<sup>4</sup> LAWRENCE (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Lawrence and Anne Maria Wilkinson; was born 14 June 1867 at Eglington, Ont. She was married 5 September 1888 at Sarnia, Ont., to Edward *Kelly*, born 18 June 1867 at Newmarket, Ont.; son of Patrick Kelly and Susan Smith. Residence, Winnipeg, Man.

### CHILDREN

- 196. I. Edward Arthur,<sup>5</sup> born 1 July 1889.
- 197. II. Mildred Helen,<sup>5</sup> born 7 April 1891.

### FAMILY 42

141. MARY EMELINE<sup>4</sup> WALKER (*Elizabeth*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Walker and Elizabeth

Lawrence; was born 25 November 1849. She was married 18 June 1878 to J. A. Sturgeon *Stewart*, A. M., Ph. D. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

198. I. John Walker Elford,<sup>5</sup> born 26 December 1879; married Eva Gertrude Jull.  
 199. II. Basil Walsingham,<sup>5</sup> died in infancy.

## FAMILY 43

142. MARIA NELSON<sup>4</sup> WALKER (*Elizabeth*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Walker and Elizabeth Lawrence; was born 14 November 1851 in Township Vaughn, York Co., Ont. She was married 25 September 1872 at Township Vaughn to Joseph Cleoden *Tisdale*, Jr., born 2 April 1848 at Paris, Brant Co., Ont. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

200. I. Frederick Walker,<sup>5</sup> born 12 March 1874; married Edith Maude Richards.

FAMILY 59.

## FAMILY 44

143. LT. COL. PERCIVAL L.<sup>4</sup> MASON, C. V. O., (*Mary*<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Thomas Mason and Mary Lawrence; was born 24 August 1857 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 3 May 1883 at Toronto to Luella I. Mitchell, born 25 December 1859 at Eglington, York Co., Ont.; daughter of James Mitchell and Emma Snider. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

Has served in Canadian Militia for thirty-two years and is now Lt. Colonel, commanding 1st Battalion, 2d Regiment, Queen's Own Rifles, of Canada.

201. I. Bertha L.,<sup>5</sup> born 17 November 1884; married W. B. Woods. FAMILY 60.

202. II. Aileen,<sup>5</sup> born 7 August 1892.

FAMILY 45

145. ALFRED EFFINGHAM<sup>4</sup> MASON (*Mary*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Mary Lawrence and William Thomas Mason; was born 2 October 1860 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 18 February 1886 at Toronto to Clara Jane Dack, born 7 April 1861 at Toronto; daughter of Edward Dack and Jane Bower Nixon. Residence, Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. Mason was born at Toronto and received his early education at Dundas College. He entered business life at the age of twenty. For four years he was extensively engaged in farming and ranching in southern Manitoba. He then went to British Columbia, where he was interested in mining. Later he and his brother, Arthur Herbert Mason, devoted themselves to the rice milling and brokerage business in the city of Vancouver.

CHILDREN

203. I. Edith Geraldine,<sup>5</sup> born 10 September 1888.

FAMILY 46

146. ARTHUR HERBERT<sup>4</sup> MASON (*Mary*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Thomas Mason and Mary Lawrence; was born 24 August 1862 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 22 June 1892 at Toronto to Mary Matilda Stewart Davidson, born 25 January 1868 at Hamilton, Ont.; daughter of Charles Davidson and Janet Marie Cook. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

204. I. Islay Stuart,<sup>5</sup> born 6 April 1894.

205. II. Edna Victoria,<sup>5</sup> born 24 May 1895.

206. III. Carol Irene,<sup>5</sup> born 24 December 1899.

207. IV. William Charles,<sup>5</sup> born 28 April 1901.

208. V. Donald Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> born 2 June 1903.

FAMILY 47.

148. WILLIAM ETHELBERT<sup>4</sup> MASON (*Mary*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Thomas Mason and Mary

Lawrence; was born 16 July 1866 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 10 June 1891 at Gravenhurst, District of Muskoka, Ont., to Helen Agnes Cockburn, born 15 September 1867 at Orillia, Simcoe Co., Ont., daughter of John P. Cockburn and Sarah Magee. Residence, Regina, Sask.

## CHILDREN

- 209. I. Helen Maude,<sup>5</sup> born 25 December 1892.
- 210. II. Harold Ethelbert,<sup>5</sup> born 17 August 1895.
- 211. III. Percival Edgar,<sup>5</sup> born 6 August 1897.
- 212. IV. Herbert Cockburn,<sup>5</sup> born 26 February 1906.

## FAMILY 48

152. MARY ELIZABETH HARRINGTON<sup>4</sup> NOVERRE (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Frank Noverre and Sarah Jane Lawrence; was born 20 June 1866 at Toronto, Ont. She was married to Norman *Duperow*, born 15 November, 1854 at Stratford, Perth Co., Ont.; son of Charles Duperow and Ann Duperow. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 213. I. Emma,<sup>5</sup> born 3 June 1894.

## FAMILY 49

153. EMMA ALBERTA<sup>4</sup> NOVERRE (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Capt. Frank A. Noverre and Sarah Jane Lawrence; was born 19 Sept. 1868 at Toronto, Ont. She was married first 4 October 1887 to Alfred *Pearson*; died 2 May 1897; son of Marmaduke Pearson and Kate Pritchard. She was married second, 14 December 1904 to Fred A. *Bain*, born 17 April 1868, son of William Bain. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 214. I. Edythe (PEARSON),<sup>5</sup> child by first husband, born 27 August 1891.

FAMILY 50

155. LELIA ADA<sup>5</sup> WILLSON (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Willson V. and Marian Woodrow; was born 6 May 1866 at St. Louis, Mo. She was married 5 September 1893 at St. Louis to Benjamin George *Trueman*, born 6 November 1864 at Wales, Eng.; son of Christopher Trueman and Hannah Westwood. Residence, St. Louis, Mo.

FAMILY 51

156. JOHN STEPHEN<sup>5</sup> WILLSON VI. (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson V. and Marion Woodrow; was born 17 May 1868 at St. Louis, Mo. He was married 15 June 1898 to Eleanor Louise Mitchell, born 25 September 1871 at St. Louis, Mo.; daughter of John F. Mitchell and Mary A. Kilkney. Residence, St. Louis, Mo.

CHILDREN

- 215. I. John Edmund VII.,<sup>6</sup> born 2 October 1899.
- 216. II. Arthur Mitchell,<sup>6</sup> born 22 June 1901.

FAMILY 52

157. ARTHUR EDGERTON<sup>5</sup> WILLSON (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Willson V. and Marion Woodruff; was born 1 March 1872 at St. Louis, Mo. He was married 25 June 1893 at St. Louis, Mo., to Mitta Baskett, born 1 March 1875 at Summerville, Mo.; daughter of William Baskett and Lizzie Loyd. Residence, Aberdeen, Wash.

FAMILY 53

160. JOHN ELBERT<sup>5</sup> SNIDER (*Elizabeth*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph Snider and Elizabeth Jane Willson; was born 25 May 1864 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. He was married 6 January 1886 at Aurora, York Co., Ont., to Harriet Adelia Willis, born 7



January 1866 at Aurora, York Co., Ont., daughter of Benjamin Willis and Rebecca Davis. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 217. I. Bertha Adelia,<sup>6</sup> born 7 September 1887; died 16 February 1896.
- 218. II. Arthur Ernest,<sup>6</sup> born 9 June 1889; married Ethel Jepson. FAMILY 61.
- 219. III. Estella Mildred,<sup>6</sup> born 26 April 1891; married Frederick Thompson, 1 February 1911.
- 220. IV. John Willson Willis,<sup>6</sup> born 12 April 1893.
- 221. V. Edgar Harold,<sup>6</sup> born 5 April 1895.
- 222. VI. Lelia Irene,<sup>6</sup> born 20 August 1897.

## FAMILY 54

168. JAMES WILLSON<sup>5</sup> HANNON (*Sarah*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Rev. James Hannon and Sarah Margaret Willson; was born 11 October 1870 at Hamilton, Ont. He was married 25 July 1900 at Toronto, Ont., to Emma Orilla Woods, born 29 October 1863 at Kincardine, Bruce Co., Ont.; daughter of Charles Campbell Woods and Anne McLean. Residence, Regina, Sask.

James W. Hannon was educated in the public and high schools and collegiate institutes of Ontario, Canada (Dundas, St. Mary's, Walkerton, Kincardine). He also attended the County Model School. In 1888 he matriculated with honors in Classics at Toronto University. From January, 1889, to July, 1890, he taught a country school about eighteen miles south of Chatham.

Mr. Hannon graduated from law school at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, Ontario, in 1895 and was admitted to the bar of Ontario as Barrister-at-Law and Solicitor the same year. He practised law at Guelph, Ontario, and later at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. He was appointed Crown Prosecutor for Saskatchewan in 1899 and Solicitor for the city of Prince Albert. In 1901 he was made Agent



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of Dominion Lands and Crown Timber Agent at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Mr. Hannon became Registrar of Land Titles for the West Saskatchewan Land Registration District, with office at Battleford, Saskatchewan in 1905 and removed to Battleford in that same year. In 1909 he was appointed Judge of the District Court of the Judicial District of Regina and since then has resided at Regina. Judge Hannon is a member of the Board of Governors of Regina College.

At Prince Albert he served several terms as public school trustee and also as secretary of the Liberal Association.

### FAMILY 55

169. MARY ALICE<sup>5</sup> HANNON (*Sarah*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Rev. James Hannon and Sarah Margaret Willson; was born 5 October 1873; died 8 January 1908. She was married 11 October 1899 at Chatham, Ont., to Rev. Frederick E. *Malott*, B. A., B. D., born 31 October 1866; son of David E. Malott and Lucinda Coatsworth. Late residence, London, Ont.

Rev. Malott received the Prince of Wales gold medal from the Toronto Normal School in 1887, the Sanford gold medal in Philosophy at Toronto University in 1899, and the Sanford gold medal in divinity at Victoria University in 1901.

He is at present pastor of the Colborne Street Methodist Church at London.

### CHILDREN

223. I. Margaret Alice,<sup>6</sup> born 7 March 1902.

### FAMILY 56

174. WILLIAM LAWRENCE<sup>5</sup> MORRIS (*Sarah*,<sup>4</sup> *Peter*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Morris and Sarah Lawrence; was born 5 May 1879. He was married 26 August 1909 at Detroit, Mich., to Marie Ann Best, born 1 December 1883 in Germany. Residence, Detroit, Michigan.

## FAMILY 57

176. PEARLE<sup>5</sup> MORRIS (*Sarah*,<sup>4</sup> *Peter*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Morris and Sarah Lawrence; was born 18 June 1883 at Rodney, Ont. She was married 4 May 1905 at Detroit, Mich., to Austin Kenneth *Bryant*, born 14 October 1879 at Bristol, Eng.; died 9 November 1908. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

## CHILDREN

224. I. William Morris,<sup>6</sup> born 28 February 1906.  
225. II. Gertrude Sara,<sup>6</sup> born 4 October 1907.

## FAMILY 58

179. FREDERICK HENRY<sup>5</sup> LAWRENCE (*Henry*,<sup>4</sup> *Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry P. Lawrence and Mary Ann Kerr; was born 31 March 1882. He was married 28 April 1906 to Gertrude Brock, daughter of William Brock and Mary A. Kenward. Residence, Bruce Mines, Ont.

Mr. Lawrence received his education at the High School in Watford and at Toronto University. For three years after his father's death he devoted his attention to the business of M. A. Lawrence, and then established in business for himself at Echo Bay. He is a prominent Mason, belonging to the Knights Templar and the Shrine.

## CHILDREN

226. I. John Frederick Brock,<sup>6</sup> born 4 February 1907.

## FAMILY 59

200. FREDERICK WALKER<sup>5</sup> TISDALE (*Maria*,<sup>4</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph Cleoden Tisdale, Jr., and Maria Nelson Walker; was born 12 March 1874 at Nobleton, York Co., Ont. He was married 10 July 1901 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to Edith Maude Richards, born 26 August 1874 at Frankville, Leeds Co., Ont.; daughter of Christopher Richards and Adelaide McCrea. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

227. I. Edith Maude,<sup>6</sup> born 21 March 1906.

FAMILY 60

201. BERTHA LUELLA<sup>5</sup> MASON (*Percival*,<sup>4</sup> *Mary*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Lt. Col. Percival Mason and Luella I. Mitchell; was born 17 November 1886. She was married 12 January 1909 to William Blakeney Woods. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

FAMILY 61

218. ARTHUR ERNEST<sup>6</sup> SNIDER (*John*,<sup>5</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>4</sup> *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> *Elizabeth*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Elbert Snider and Harriet Adelia Willis; was born 9 June 1889 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. He was married 16 February 1910 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to Ethel Emily Jepson, born 13 April 1891 at Toronto, York Co., Ont.; daughter of Daniel Jepson and Emily Ford. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

228. I. Verna Ethel,<sup>6</sup> born 12 January 1911.

## CHAPTER IV

### DANIEL CUMMER AND SARAH ENDICOTT AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 62

4. DANIEL<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 21 August 1795 near Lancaster, Pa.; died 8 December 1882 at Welland, Welland Co., Ont. He was married 2 February 1819 to Sarah Endicott, born 28 June 1800; died 4 February 1860 at St. David's, Lincoln Co., Ont., daughter of John Endicott.

Daniel Cummer was born near Lancaster, Pa., August 21, 1795, and moved with his parents to Canada in 1796. He served under the flag of England during the war of 1812.

In February, 1819, he married Miss Sarah Endicott, by whom he had eleven children. In June 1819 or 1820 he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church and was one of the petitioners to the Methodist Church in the United States for the independence of the Canadian Church. He was appointed class leader upon joining the church, and held the position until he moved out of the neighborhood. He stood like a hero by the church during the trials of 1833 and following years. After he again settled down he was appointed steward, which position he filled up to 1874, when he moved into the township of Waterloo. In 1849 he moved into the Niagara District. In the same year he was made steward, and filled this position until old age compelled him to retire from church work. In February, 1860, he lost his wife, and in April, 1862, he married Mrs. Fannie Wilson, who survived him.

He was a regular subscriber to the Canada Christian Advocate from its first issue to the day of his death.

His service in the past cannot be better expressed than is stated by his son, John Cummer, in a letter from which is made the following extract:—

“He was true to the old Methodist Episcopal Church in its dark days; he never wavered, but clung to the old ship and worked hard to get the timbers of the ship together again.”

Even when eighty-six years old he would walk about one mile to attend church every week, and for only a few Sabbaths before his death was his seat in the house of God vacant. He died on December 8th, 1882. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. G. Abbs, of Port Perry, and his body was placed at rest in the burying ground of Cummer's chapel, at Willowdale.

## CHILDREN

229. I. Elisabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 28 November 1819; married Edward Stevenson. FAMILY 63.
230. II. John,<sup>3</sup> born 21 August 1821; married Amy Yokom. FAMILY 64.
231. III. Catharine,<sup>3</sup> born 19 June 1823; married George Lee. FAMILY 65.
232. IV. Nancy,<sup>3</sup> born 1 April 1825; died 10 February 1831.
233. V. William Ryerson,<sup>3</sup> born 19 November 1827; died 25 April 1830.
234. VI. Alvin Evans,<sup>3</sup> born 13 February 1830; married Isabel Bedford. FAMILY 66.
235. VII. Nancy 2d,<sup>3</sup> born 1 October 1832; married Henry Rinker. FAMILY 67.
236. VIII. William Ryerson 2d,<sup>3</sup> born 19 September 1834; died 3 October 1843.
237. IX. Simeon Endicott,<sup>3</sup> born 1 March 1838; died in California 1 December 1880; unmarried.
238. X. Edward Stevenson,<sup>3</sup> born 5 September 1840; married Ann McNiel Rump. FAMILY 68.
239. XI. Elihu Pease,<sup>3</sup> born 6 January 1842; married Mary Umbach. FAMILY 69.



## FAMILY 63

229. ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Daniel Cummer and Agnes Endicott; was born 28 November 1819; died 11 November 1860 at Aurora, Ont. She was married 20 February 1840 to Edward *Stevenson*, born 12 February 1816; died 24 August 1906 at Aurora. Late residence, Aurora, Ont.

## CHILDREN

240. I. Sarah Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 23 December 1840; married Benjamin Lloyd.

## FAMILY 70.

241. II. Catherine Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 1842.  
242. III. Matilda Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 1845.  
243. IV. Mary,<sup>4</sup> born 1852.  
244. V. Parker Willoughby,<sup>4</sup> born 1854.

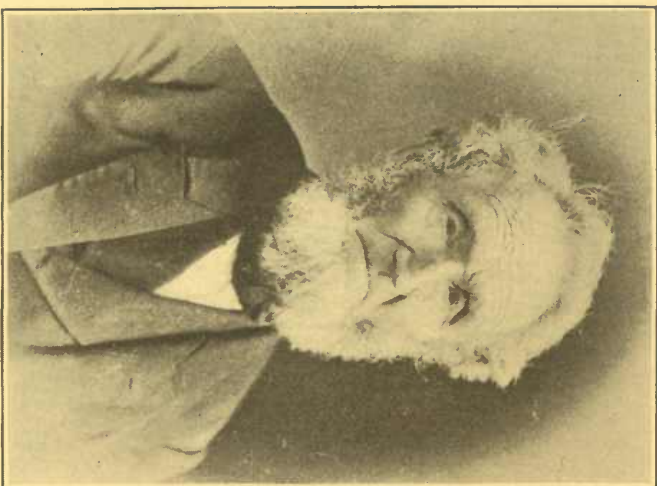
## FAMILY 64

230. JOHN<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Daniel Cummer and Sarah Endicott; was born 21 August 1821 at Vaughan, York Co., Ont.; died 8 July 1901 at Cleveland, Ohio. He was married 20 February 1850 at Crowland, Welland Co., Ont., to Amy Yokom, born 15 January 1830 at Crowland; died 21 March 1909 at Cleveland, O., daughter of John Yokom and Deborah Doan. Late residence, Cleveland, O.

John, the eldest son of Daniel and Sarah Cummer, was born August 21st, 1821, in Vaughan Township, York County, Ontario Province, Canada. His education, so far as book lore enters into an education, was obtained in the public schools of his birth place. He learned the trade of tanner, and was for a short time engaged in the flour milling business, but later chose the craft of carpenter.

On February 20th, 1850 he married Miss Amy Yokom, of Crowland township. In 1864 he moved from Canada to the United States, living for some two years





DANIEL CUMMER



MRS. SARAH ENDICOTT CUMMER



on Grand Island. He then moved to Buffalo, where he resided until 1882, when he moved with his family to Cleveland, Ohio.

Though not engaged in active political life, he was, in the truest sense of the word, a public spirited man. While a resident in Canada he cast his lot with the Liberal Party, and when he took up his abode under the Stars and Stripes he became an ardent supporter of the Republican Party.

About 1871 he joined the Lodge of F. & A. Masons. From 1871 to the time of his death he was a member in good standing of the Queen City Lodge, Buffalo, and the Rites of the Order were conferred by Forest City Lodge, Cleveland, Ohio, at his obsequies.

He was converted while still a young man and his high standard of Christian character was evidenced by a blameless record of constant membership in the church of his choice, the Methodist Episcopal. He was for a number of years a member of Asbury M. E. Church, Buffalo, and at the time of his death a highly respected member of Willson Ave. M. E. Church, Cleveland, Ohio. He was beloved by all who knew him and while he lived a quiet and retired life there were many who bore testimony to the respect in which he was held.

In 1886 he was struck by a train and so badly injured that he was compelled to abandon physical labor.

On July 8th, 1901, he was called to the reward of a life passed in the service of his Master.

BY JOHN W. THOMAS.

#### CHILDREN

245. I. Francis Allen,<sup>4</sup> born 15 December 1850; died 1 March 1855.
246. II. Orion Arcturus,<sup>4</sup> born 16 June 1853; died 31 January 1854.
247. III. Elmelve Emmer,<sup>4</sup> born 7 October 1856; married Joseph Francis Rossella.

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248. IV. Olivia Pleiades,<sup>4</sup> born 27 December 1858; married Samuel Benj. Berow.

## FAMILY 72.

249. V. George Washington,<sup>4</sup> born 3 April 1861; married Annie May Siddal.

## FAMILY 73.

250. VI. Jessie Elfin,<sup>4</sup> born 2 September 1863; died August 1864.

251. VII. Abraham Lincoln,<sup>4</sup> born 5 August 1865; died 5 October 1865.

252. VIII. Cora Gertrude,<sup>4</sup> born 27 March 1868; married John Wesley Thomas. FAMILY 74.

## FAMILY 65

231. CATHERINE<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Daniel Cummer and Sarah Endicott, was born 19 June 1823; died 19 May 1887 at Richmond Hill, York Co., Ont. She was married 1842 at Newton Brook, York Co., Ont., to George *Lee*, born March 1822 at Dublin, Ireland; died 28 June 1878 at York Mills, York Co., Ont.

## CHILDREN

253. I. Daniel Frederick,<sup>4</sup> born 15 February 1848; married Alice Legg. FAMILY 75.

254. II. George,<sup>4</sup> born 28 January 1850; married Sarah Ann Cleverdon. FAMILY 76.

255. III. Sarah Margaret,<sup>4</sup> born 15 January 1853; died 6 May 1857.

256. IV. Nancy Minerva,<sup>4</sup> born 24 August 1855; married Robert Summers. FAMILY 77.

257. V. Charles Henry,<sup>4</sup> born 15 August 1857; married Louisa Munshaw. FAMILY 78.

258. VI. Ella Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 7 June 1862; married Charles Windsor. FAMILY 79.

## FAMILY 66.

234. ALVIN EVANS<sup>3</sup> CUMMER, (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Daniel Cummer and Sarah Endicott, was born 13

February 1830 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont.; died 18 January 1895 at Alvinston, Ont. He was married to Isabel Bedford, born at Georgetown, Ont., died 26 March 1909 at Alvinston, Ont. Late residence, Alvinston, Ontario.

Mr. Cummer's early days were spent in the vicinity of his birth-place. He learned the trade of a woollen-manufacturer at Georgetown, and followed this occupation for a number of years. After living in Milton for twelve years, he took up his residence in Alvinston in 1894, and purchased the plant and business of the Alvinston Free Press.

For forty years he had been a member of the Methodist church, and had been a choir leader for a number of years.

## CHILDREN

- 259. I. William C.<sup>4</sup>
- 260. II. Oscar.<sup>4</sup>
- 261. III. Eda Ann,<sup>4</sup> born 19 March 1856; married George Hawkins. FAMILY 80.
- 262. IV. Frederick.<sup>4</sup>
- 263. V. Simeon.<sup>4</sup>

## FAMILY 67.

235. NANCY<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*<sup>2</sup>, *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Daniel Cummer and Sarah Endicott, was born 1 October 1832 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont.; died 25 January 1910 at Chantler, Welland Co., Ont. She was married 1858 at St. David's, Lincoln Co., Ont., to Henry Rinker, born 7 May 1830 at Welland, Welland Co., Ont.; died 8 February 1902 at Welland; son of Samuel Rinker and Elizabeth Wyers. Late residence, Chantler P. O., Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 264. I. Herman Leslie,<sup>4</sup> born 23 February 1859; married I Alberta Brown, II Augusta Nelson. FAMILY 81.



265. II. Sarah Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 13 April 1860; married Henry Stringer. FAMILY 82.  
266. III. Charles Rolson,<sup>4</sup> born 22 July 1861; married Ida Moisley. FAMILY 83.  
267. IV. Benjamin Edward,<sup>4</sup> born 6 December 1862; married I Nellie Jennings, II Victoria Page.  
268. V. Jennie Carribelle,<sup>4</sup> born 11 July 1868; married Henry Wilkerson. FAMILY 84.

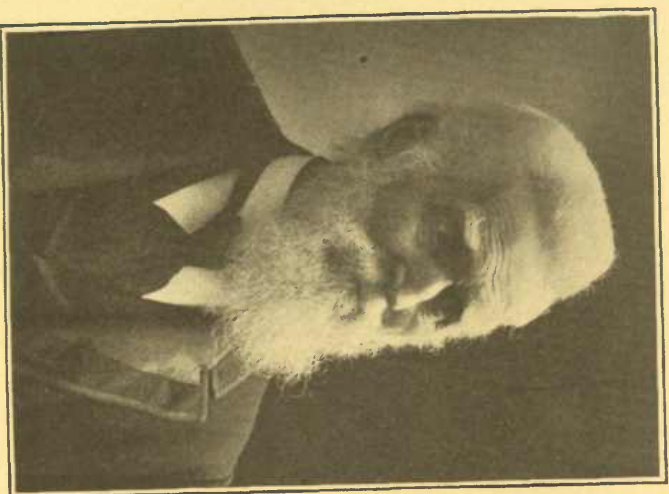
## FAMILY 68

238. EDWARD STEVENSON<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Daniel Cumber and Sarah Endicott, was born 5 September 1840 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 5 March 1910 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 30 April 1862 at Tilsonburg, Ont., to Ann McNiel Rump, born 2 August 1840; daughter of Rev. Thomas Rump, a Methodist clergyman, and Rachael Bye. Late residence, Toronto, Ont.

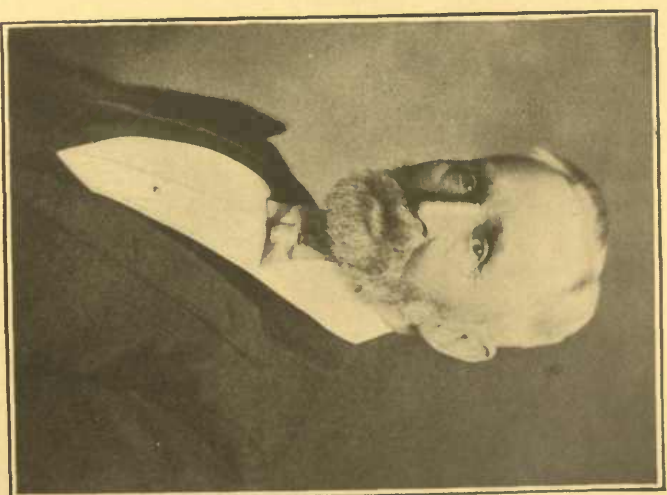
Edward S. Cumber was born near the village of Newtonbrook in the county of York, in 1840. When but seven years of age, the family moved to the Niagara peninsula. The educational facilities were not as good then as now, but being a diligent student at both the common school and the Aurora Grammar School he fitted himself for the teaching profession, which he entered at the age of eighteen and followed successfully for seven years. Failing health constrained him to abandon teaching. For two years he managed at Glenmorris the extensive general store of the late Gavin Fleming, M. P., of Brant County. Here he made many warm friends. From Glenmorris he moved to Hamilton, where for two years he managed a co-operative store. During the five following years he was engaged with a wholesale grocery firm and with a real estate company. For five years, in conjunction with Dr. Stone, he had charge of the book room of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Hamilton.

Mr. Cumber was one of the veterans of the Independent Order of Foresters, having joined the order in 1878. He was a charter member of Court Oronhyatekha,





JOHN CUMMER



EDWARD S. CUMMER



and also its first Chief Ranger. In 1880 he was elected High Secretary, and on the reorganization of the Supreme Court in 1881 he was elected Supreme Secretary. He held the dual position till 1883, when he resigned the High Secretaryship. He discharged the duties of Supreme with great fidelity for eight years. For some time he occupied an important post in connection with the Supreme Court.

He was a devoted member of the Methodist Church. While in Hamilton he was for nine years Recording Steward of the congregation with which he was connected.

#### FAMILY 69

239. ELIHU PEASE<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Daniel Cummer and Sarah Endicott, was born 6 January 1842 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 1 January 1883 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Mary Maria Umbeck, born 8 February 1859 at Buffalo, N. Y.; daughter of Christopher Umbeck and Mary Jane Leighton. Residence, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. Cummer was educated in Canada. After two years' residence in the United States, he enlisted during the Civil War on the side of the Union, serving in the New York Volunteer Cavalry, from January 21, 1864, till July, 1865, when he was mustered out with the rank of First Sergeant. He then spent a short time in the oil fields of Bothwell, Canada, but returned to Buffalo, N. Y. He started as a commercial traveler, working in the western and northern portions of Canada and later in the western and southern States. While in the South he had charge of the firm's office at Atlanta. Shortly after his marriage, he discontinued traveling. Since then he has been in the employ of the city of Buffalo.

#### CHILDREN

269. I. Alice Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 16 December 1883; died 22 November 1905.

270. II. Elihu Christopher,<sup>4</sup> born 10 June 1886; died 19 February 1888.
271. III. Mary Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 2 February 1888; married John S. Grice.
272. IV. Grace Florence,<sup>4</sup> born 11 March 1890; died 20 November 1894.
273. V. William Elihu,<sup>4</sup> born 14 December 1892.
274. VI. Christopher Umbeck,<sup>4</sup> born 17 August 1896.

## FAMILY 70

240. SARAH ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> STEVENSON (*Elizabeth*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edward Stevenson and Elizabeth Cummer, was born 23 December 1840 at Aurora, Ont. She was married 9 February 1865 at Aurora to Benjamin *Lloyd*, born 13 February 1842 at King, York Co., Ont., son of John B. Lloyd. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

275. I. Charles Herbert,<sup>5</sup> born 2 August 1866.
276. II. Henry Munford,<sup>5</sup> born 1 February 1869.
277. III. Ernest Edgar,<sup>5</sup> born 30 August 1871; married Georgia Chapman, Oak Park, Ill.
278. IV. Clarence Melville,<sup>5</sup> born 30 June 1875.

## FAMILY 71

247. ELMELVA EMMER<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Cummer and Amy Yokom, was born 7 October 1856 at Crowland, Welland Co., Ont. She was married to Joseph F. *Rossella*, born 16 July 1852 at Savoy, Italy; son of Francisco and Theasia Rossella. Residence, Los Angeles, Cal.

## CHILDREN

279. I. Georgia Theasia,<sup>5</sup> born 1 September 1880; died 9 September 1881.
280. II. Archie Benovia,<sup>5</sup> born 28 September 1882.

FAMILY 72

248. OLIVIA<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of John Cummer and Amy Yokom, was born 27 December 1858 at Crowland, Welland Co., Ont. She was married 17 January 1883 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Samuel Benjamin Berow, born 12 December 1854; son of Lewis David Berow and Mary Elizabeth Shompang. Residence, Cleveland, Ohio.

CHILDREN

281. I. Aimee Gertrude,<sup>5</sup> born 17 September 1896.

FAMILY 73

249. GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of John Cummer and Amy Yokom, was born 3 April 1861 at Welland, Ont. He was married 17 November 1887 at Cleveland, Ohio, to Annie M. Siddall, born 12 November 1865 at Cleveland; daughter of Samuel J. Siddall and Annie Clark. Residence, Ft. Collins, Colo.

In the course of his occupation as constructing engineer, Mr. Cummer has superintended the erection of factories, especially the sugar beet factories, in different parts of the world, in Pennsylvania, New York, Hawaiian Islands, and many of the western states. His permanent address is Ft. Collins, Colorado.

CHILDREN

282. I. Oley M.,<sup>5</sup> born 9 June 1889. Was graduated from Colorado State College.

283. II. Allen W.,<sup>5</sup> born 19 September 1891. Student at Colorado State College.

284. III. George W.,<sup>5</sup> born 28 August 1894.

FAMILY 74.

252. CORA GERTRUDE<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*John,<sup>3</sup> Daniel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of John Cummer and Amy Yokom, was born 27 March 1868 at Buffalo, N. Y. She was married



9 May 1887 at Cleveland, O., to John Wesley *Thomas*, born 23 March 1861 near Hamilton, Ont.; son of Joseph Emery Thomas and Mary Ann Ker. Residence, New York City.

## FAMILY 75

253. DANIEL FREDERICK<sup>4</sup> LEE (*Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Lee and Catherine Cummer, was born 15 February 1848 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. He was married first 1878 to Annie Nichol, died 1881. He was married second in 1888 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to Eleanora Legg, born 27 December 1868 at Aurora, York Co., Ont.; daughter of Gilbert Legg and Christina Longhurst. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 285. I. Eva Christina,<sup>5</sup> born 22 December 1888; married Wm. E. Gay, Jr.
- 286. II. Dorcas Elizabeth,<sup>5</sup> born 28 July 1890.
- 287. III. Gladys Louise,<sup>5</sup> born 6 March 1892.
- 288. IV. Ralph Daniel R.,<sup>5</sup> born 15 May 1894.
- 289. V. Hazel Eleanora,<sup>5</sup> born 25 March 1896.

## FAMILY 76

254. GEORGE<sup>4</sup> LEE (*Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Lee and Catherine Cummer, was born 28 January 1850 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. He was married 14 January 1877 at Palermo, Halton Co., Ont., to Sarah Ann Cleverdon, born 2 February 1861 at Plymouth, Devon Co., Eng.; daughter of William Cleverdon and Mary Ann Weeks. Residence, Aurora, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 290. I. Richard,<sup>5</sup> born 31 January 1878.
- 291. II. Lena Carrie,<sup>5</sup> born 25 May 1879.
- 292. III. Cecelia Rosenna,<sup>5</sup> born 10 August 1884.



293. IV. Oliver Mulock,<sup>5</sup> born 1 November 1886.  
 294. V. Zella Christina,<sup>5</sup> born 6 December 1891.  
 295. VI. Lorne Cecil,<sup>5</sup> born 13 October 1896.

#### FAMILY 77

256. NANCY MINERVA<sup>4</sup> LEE (*Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George Lee and Catherine Cummer, was born 24 August 1855 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. She was married to Robert *Summers*, born 28 March 1851 at Plymouth, Eng.; son of Thomas and Annie Summers. Residence, Willowdale and York Mills, Ont.

#### CHILDREN

296. I. Frederick,<sup>5</sup> born 11 September 1880; married Maggie English.  
 297. II. Minnie,<sup>5</sup> born 22 January 1882; married Campbell English. FAMILY 85.  
 298. III. Robert Leslie,<sup>5</sup> born 22 May 1883; married Kate McNally. FAMILY 86.  
 299. IV. Ethel Louise,<sup>5</sup> born 27 February 1887; married Charles T. Frogley. FAMILY 87.  
 300. V. Ambrose,<sup>5</sup> born 27 June 1892.

#### FAMILY 78

257. CHARLES HENRY<sup>4</sup> LEE (*Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Lee and Catherine Cummer, was born 15 August 1857 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. He was married 19 September 1883 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to Louise Hannah Munshaw, born 12 March 1862 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont.; daughter of Nicholas Miller Munshaw and Hannah Cowen. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

#### CHILDREN

301. I. Charles Herbert,<sup>5</sup> born 7 August 1884; married Mona Pownall.

- 302. II. Daniel Frederick,<sup>5</sup> born 1 August 1886.
- 303. III. Norman Albert,<sup>5</sup> born 18 August 1890; died May 14, 1891.
- 304. IV. Bertha Irene,<sup>5</sup> born 10 April 1893.

## FAMILY 79

258. ELLA ANNE<sup>4</sup> LEE (*Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George Lee and Catherine Cummer, was born 7 June 1863 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. She was married 18 October 1892 to Charles *Windsor*, born 11 May 1866 at Gravenhurst, Muskoka, Ont. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## FAMILY 80

261. EDA ANN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Alvin*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Alvin Evans Cummer and Isabel Bedford, was born 19 March 1856 at Streetsville, Peel Co., Ont. She was married 11 May 1875 to George *Hawkins*, born 8 May 1851 at London, Middlesex Co., Ont.; son of George Hawkins and Elizabeth Cleave. Residence, Sutton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 305. I. George Evans,<sup>5</sup> born 3 February 1876; married Susan Hooper. FAMILY 88.
- 306. II. Eda May,<sup>5</sup> born 10 March 1877; died.
- 307. III. Frank Claude,<sup>5</sup> born 31 July 1878; died.
- 308. IV. Nellie,<sup>5</sup> born 10 February 1880; married Walter Lytle. FAMILY 89.
- 309. V. Cora May,<sup>5</sup> born 13 July 1881; married William J. Graham.
- 310. VI. Maud,<sup>5</sup> born 17 March 1885; died.
- 311. VII. Mable,<sup>5</sup> born 17 March 1885; died.
- 312. VIII. Harold Charles,<sup>5</sup> born 17 November 1887; died 12 January 1906.
- 313. IX. Roy Arnott,<sup>5</sup> born 21 October 1890.
- 314. X. Hazel H.,<sup>5</sup> born 3 December 1891; died.
- 315. XI. Garnet C.,<sup>5</sup> born 22 March 1893; died.
- 316. XII. John C.,<sup>5</sup> born 23 May 1897; died.

FAMILY 81

264. HERMAN LESLIE<sup>4</sup> RINKER (*Nancy*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry Rinker and Nancy Cummer, was born 23 February 1859 at Welland, Welland Co., Ont. He was married 31 October 1888 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont., to Augusta May Nelson, born 22 March 1871 at Kingsville, Essex Co., Ont.; daughter of Caleb Nelson and Louise Jane Brunner. Residence, Welland, Ont.

CHILDREN

317. I. Edward E.,<sup>5</sup> born 13 March 1891.  
318. II. Norman Kennedy,<sup>5</sup> born 24 October 1897.

FAMILY 82

265. SARAH ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> RINKER (*Nancy*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry Rinker and Nancy Cummer, was born 13 April 1860 at Welland, Ont. She was married 12 November 1879 at Welland to Henry Emerson Stringer, born 27 June 1844 at Caistor, Lincoln Co., Ont., died 16 June 1893 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont.; son of David Stringer and Mary Eliza Seeber. Residence, Chantler, Ont.

CHILDREN

319. I. Maggie Bell,<sup>5</sup> born 10 January 1881; married Edward Sylvester Keenan.

FAMILY 90.

FAMILY 83

266. CHARLES ROLSON<sup>4</sup> RINKER (*Nancy*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry Rinker and Nancy Cummer, was born 22 July 1861 at Welland, Welland Co., Ont. He was married 1 November 1882 to Ida Moisley, born 8 October 1860 at Welland, Ont., daughter of William J. Moisley and Fannie Coots. Residence, Welland, Ont.

FAMILY 84

268. JENNIE C.<sup>4</sup> RINKER (*Nancy*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>),

daughter of Henry Rinker and Nancy Cumber, was born 6 July 1867 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont. She was married 8 May 1887 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Henry E. *Wilkerson*, born 11 September 1865 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont., son of David Wilkerson and Jane Wormer. Residence, Niagara Falls Centre, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 320. I. Eva M.,<sup>5</sup> born 26 July 1889.
- 321. II. Annie E.,<sup>5</sup> born 27 July 1895.
- 322. III. Ida U.,<sup>5</sup> born 19 July 1898.
- 323. IV. Earl J.,<sup>5</sup> born 27 April 1904.

## FAMILY 85

297. MINNIE<sup>5</sup> SUMMERS (*Nancy*,<sup>4</sup> *Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Danied*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Robert Summers and Nancy Minerva Lee, was born 22 January 1882, at York Mills, York Co., Ont. She was married 25 September 1907 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to Campbell *English*, born 31 October 1879 at Port Perry, Ont.; son of Thomas English and Mary Blakley. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 324. I. Jack Campbell,<sup>6</sup> born 1 September 1908.

## FAMILY 86

298. ROBERT LESLIE<sup>5</sup> SUMMERS (*Nancy*,<sup>4</sup> *Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Robert Summers and Nancy Minerva Lee, was born 22 May 1884 at York Mills, York Co., Ont. He was married 23 June 1909 at Ebor-dale, Grey Co., Ont., to Sarah Catherine McNally, born 7 November 1885 at Ebor-dale, Grey Co., Ont., daughter of John McNally and Martha Cook. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 325. I. Robert John,<sup>6</sup> born 31 August 1910.

## FAMILY 87

299. ETHEL LOUISE<sup>5</sup> SUMMERS (*Nancy*,<sup>4</sup> *Catherine*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Robert Summers and Nancy Minerva Lee, was born 27 February 1887 at Richmond Hill, York Co., Ont. She was married 31 September 1908 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont., to Charles T. *Frogley*, born 24 April 1880 at Port Colborne, Welland Co., Ont.; son of Thomas *Frogley*. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## FAMILY 88

305. GEORGE EVANS<sup>5</sup> HAWKINS (*Eda*,<sup>4</sup> *Alvin*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Hawkins and Eda Ann Cummer, was born 3 February 1876 at Sutton West, York Co., Ont. He was married 2 August 1897 at Detroit, Mich., to Susan Harriett Hooper, born 2 August 1877 at Detroit; daughter of John Hooper and Hannah Cole. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

## CHILDREN

326. I. George Evans, Jr.,<sup>6</sup> born 24 October 1898; died 6 April 1899.
327. II. John Stanley,<sup>6</sup> born 4 November 1899.

## FAMILY 89

308. NELLIE HAWKINS<sup>5</sup> (*Eda*,<sup>4</sup> *Alvin*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George Hawkins and Eda Ann Cummer, was born 10 February 1880 at Sutton West, York Co., Ont. She was married to Walter *Lytle*, born 16 April 1868 at Coburg, Northumberland Co.; son of Gouverneur *Lytle* and Jane Cruickshanks. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

328. I. Eda Jane,<sup>6</sup> born 11 March 1906.
- † II. Norma,<sup>6</sup> born 25 January 1908.



## FAMILY 90

319. MAGGIE BELL<sup>5</sup> STRINGER (*Sarah*,<sup>4</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>3</sup> *Daniel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry E. Stringer and Sarah Elizabeth Rinker, was born 10 January 1881 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont. She was married 25 December 1901 at Fenwick, Welland Co., Ont., to Edward Sylvester *Keenan*, born 27 October 1878 at Jordan Station, Lincoln Co., Ont.; son of Capt. Wm. Keenan and Australia Hagarty. Residence, Chantler, Ont.

## CHILDREN

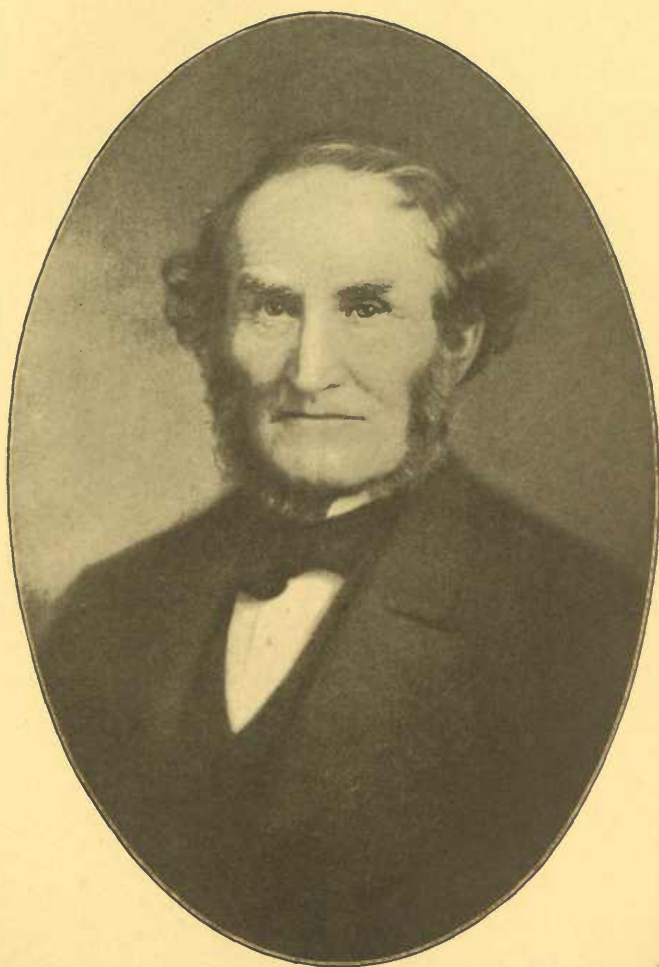
329. I. Helen Gertrude,<sup>6</sup> born 17 January 1909.







MRS. SARAH LOCKMAN SMITH CUMMER



JOHN CUMMER



## CHAPTER V

### JOHN CUMMER AND SARAH LOCKMAN SMITH AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 91

5. JOHN CUMMER<sup>2</sup> (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 28 March 1797 on Yonge St., north of Toronto, Ont.; died 11 September 1868, at Toronto, Ont. He was married 1 January 1823 to Sarah Lockman Smith, born 20 June 1806 on Yonge St.; died 11 April 1870 at Waterdown, Ont., daughter of David Smith and Rebecca Willson. Late residence, WilLOWdale and Waterdown, Ont.

“Add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, charity;—For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.”

A reference which would in fewer words run in direct parallel with the thoughts of the writer regarding the life of John Cummer could not be found.

John Cummer was born in Eglington, the location directly adjoining the scene of the battle of Montgomery's tavern. It was while his father and mother, with his brother Daniel and sisters Mary and Elizabeth were making their way through the wilds of York County from their former home in Pennsylvania that John Cummer was born, and it was often stated that he was the first white child born on Yonge Street north of Toronto. The day following John's birth, they proceeded on their

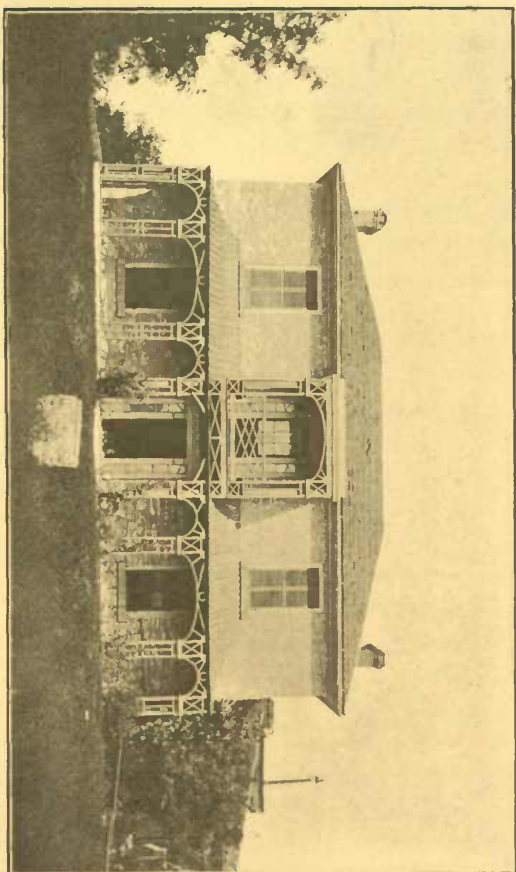
journey, walking through the snow on a bridle path to their future home in the forest.

There is probably little interesting that can be written regarding his younger life. It was not particularly eventful, having scarcely anything that might be termed adventure. One's imagination can picture the simple life in the forest; the father at his work and the mother, saving and energetic, in fact, the captain of the household, for she it was who attended to the details. As a child John was strong and full of energy, fond of sport and inclined to be mischievous. It is said by some that he was sent to school for one whole day, by others, for a month, and this last was at the most the limit of his "college career." During his term of school life, he became quite a charge upon the dominie, who was repeatedly obliged to return him to his place upon the bench, a slab split from a log. The poor master's patience became exhausted to a degree, and he hit upon a scheme which proved effectual. Taking a saw, he cut a gain upon either side of John's place, and thereby hoped to circumvent the spirit of "wanderlust" so evident in his young student.

At the time when he attained the age of about ten years, there was born she who sixteen years later was to become his wife. It would appear that John was a frequent visitor to the home of his future life-companion and very soon after her birth he asked her mother, Rebecca Willson Smith, that he be given the promise then and there that the child in after years might be his wife. And strange as it may appear, the youngster carried out his engagement. A promise was always a promise, then as in after life.

His mother's brother, Valentine Fisher, was very fond of children and John was his favorite. The uncle would write him asking him to come for a visit on the pretense of working for wages. The time, however, was taken up in racing, jumping, and wrestling, in which John was proficient in spite of his short stature.





CUMMER HOME AT WATERDOWN



About this time, or probably three or four years later, the Methodist circuit-riders visited the neighborhood. John was impressed with the preaching of the holier life and the stricter observance of the Sabbath. He inclined to the new doctrine and thereupon became a member of the Episcopal Methodist Church of Canada. This church was the outgrowth of the teaching of those holy men who had been sent into Canada by the Methodist Church of the United States and it was without doubt the pioneer Methodist Church in Canada. This fact, however, was the subject of a rancorous dispute with the Wesleyan Methodist Church in later years, the latter claiming priority and therefor ownership of all Methodist church property. This condition of affairs between two Christian bodies was an apparently interminable cause of bad feeling and it was at all times sorrowfully deplored by John Cummer. During the hottest contention he was ever loyal to the then despised church and after helping to uphold its banner for years, was rewarded in due time by seeing the union of all the branches of Methodism in one grand body.

Our reason for dwelling upon this unpleasant subject is to impress upon the reader's mind the cause of one of John Cummer's chief sorrows. This turmoil among Christians embittered his life for years. He always held that he and his church were the subjects of cruel persecution, and it is easy to see how such a quarrel would affect one of his disposition.

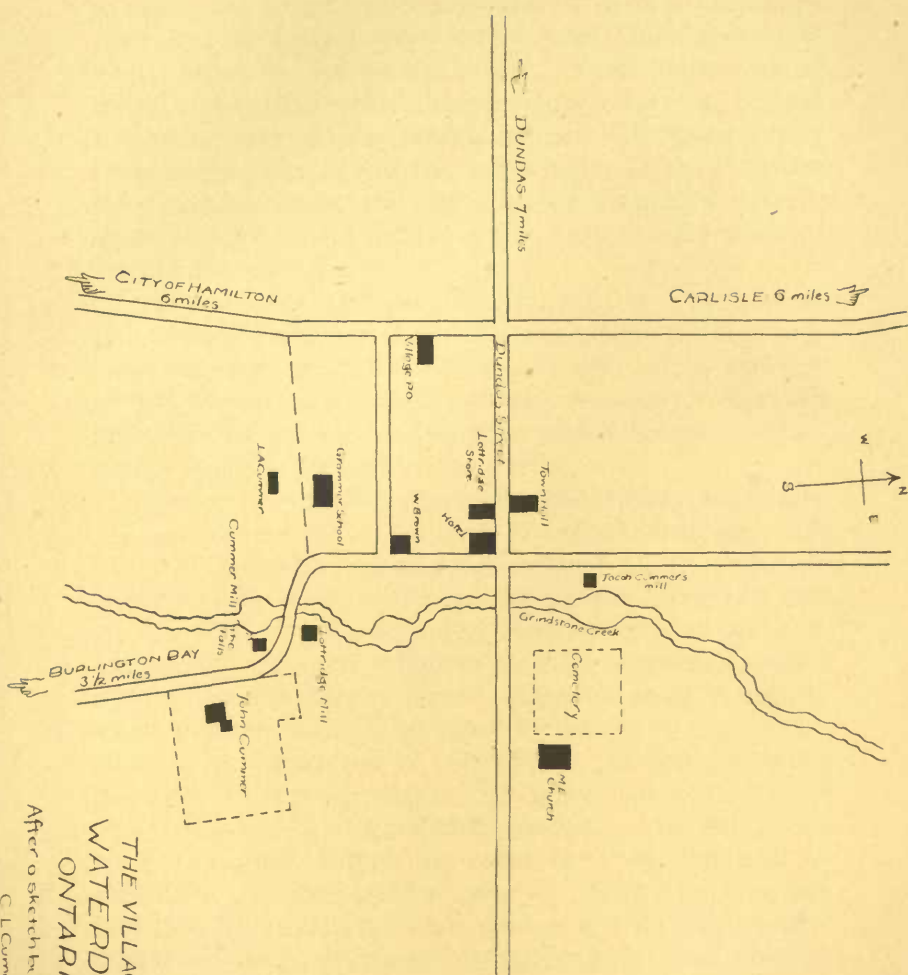
There is little available in the recollections of his living descendants regarding his boyhood or his youth. Evidently he left the home roof at or about the time of his majority and associated with Robert P. Irwin, commenced earning his living by building mills, first saw mills, afterwards flouring mills and woolen mills. He often remarked in after-life that seventeen hours was an average day's labor for him then. When he arrived at the age of twenty-seven, he married and his bride was Sarah Lockman Smith, to whom some

sixteen years previously he had sung his lullabys. His love was an example of all that can constitute connubial happiness.

One can easily imagine that these years of his life were laborious. As it should be with one who toils so hard, he gained steadily in wordly possessions and in those times was considered a prosperous operator. At one time, a farm, a saw mill, a grist mill, and a woolen mill were owned and operated by him successfully. The usual result of burning the candle at both ends followed. He had overdone and his health was seriously impaired. Now we will come to a few thrilling episodes in his life, incidents of a political character. It has been said that he suffered from the taunt of being an "irregular" Methodist, and to emphasize matters he and his fellow-believers were dubbed "Yankee Methodists," on account of the connection of their church with the Methodist Church in the United States. This will show us the reason for some of the troubles now approaching.

A rebellion against the tyranny of the "Family Compact" took place in the winter of 1837. This compact had secured its hold upon the government by many methods said to be questionable, and the members of the clique were so unjust and autocratic that Canadian blood was aroused. Probably the indignation was greater since the party in power had for its main contention the establishment of a State Church. The rebellion came under the leadership of the Canadian champion of liberty, William Lyon MacKenzie, who for years had fought the Tory government through the medium of his paper, "The Colonial Advocate," as well as by unflinching denunciation of the party on the floor of Parliament. Suffice it to say that in the end MacKenzie proved to be the Garibaldi of Canada and that there existed no truer lover of his country at that time than he who has been termed "traitor" and "rebel."

The rebellion was fought and there was again heard on American soil, the determined cry, "Liberty or death."



# THE VILLAGE OF WATERTOWN, ONTARIO.

After a sketch by J.W. Currier

C. L. Currier





A battle was fought at Montgomery's tavern, blood was shed, the Reformers were routed, and MacKenzie with many others fled across the border. These were stirring times and caused John Cummer much sorrow, besides subjecting him to considerable danger. He was as fully convinced as any one of the monstrosity of the injustice then existing under the name of the Canadian government, and yet he did not favor the more radical views of MacKenzie.

The reason for again referring to this episode so fully is to place before the reader's mind one of the prominent experiences of John Cummer's life, for he was one of the despised Methodists and was regarded as a rebel, inasmuch as he was a Reformer and a friend of MacKenzie and the leaders of the party.

Twice he was taken prisoner and rudely hustled to jail at Toronto by a drunken, irresponsible mob. His life was seriously endangered several times and this because it was known that he opposed the "Family Compact." Still, in his association with the discontented he had always opposed rebellion and its necessary consequence, the shedding of blood. Many times he urged the leaders of the party to be more moderate, to oppose the Tory party vigorously if need be, to petition the home government, arguing that in the fullness of time all they demanded would be graciously granted. He was in no sense rebellious, but on the other hand was opposed to rebellion. He was truly a patriot. Thus one may see that first his church relations, and after this, his political affiliations, were the causes of much mental and physical disturbance.

During the summer of 1838 he was attacked by that dreaded disease, cholera, and while he made a recovery, his health was seriously undermined. He was always busily engaged in his milling operations and carried on farming as well.

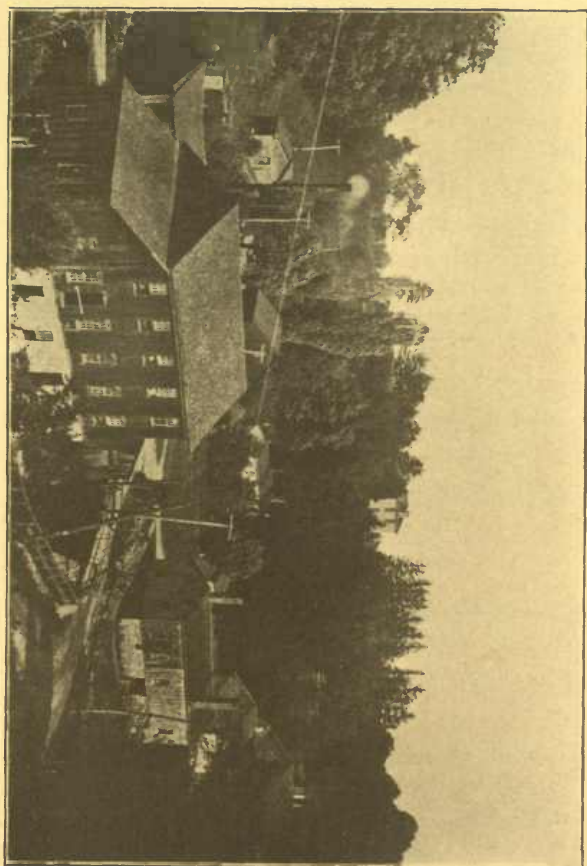
At this time there was now quite a family in the household. Space would not permit us to enter into a

lengthy description of the family relation, though the life of him of whom we write is so closely interwoven with that of his children and their faithful loving mother; that to avoid it is to miss much that would show best the father's characteristics.

First we will cite his intense devotion to all religious duties. Picture to yourself the morning and evening prayer, surrounded by the family and the servants. We have already spoken of his loyalty to his church. Upon divine services he was most regular in attendance. Another striking characteristic was his intense desire to acquire knowledge, a desire which was only partially satisfied during his life. Seldom indeed could instances be found where books became food for the mind to a greater extent than in his case. As a result of the most careful reading of good books, John Cummer became an intelligent man. In fact, it has been said that none of his name have exceeded him in depth of general knowledge. Books were to him as companions and friends who opened and entered and sat down with him as in a charmed circle. As a consequence of his attentive reading he became an excellent conversationalist and debater, but was never anything but gentlemanly in discussion, never contentious and always urbane.

His especial delight was in children and children's idiosyncrasies. He loved the opening buds and was peculiarly adapted to teach and lead them. For many years he was one of the most successful Sunday School superintendents. There are many who will remember his kindly smile and efficient leadership. He always held that much of the success in this work was dependent upon good singing; and acting upon this belief he for many years trained the children. He himself was possessed of a charming voice and had received good instruction in the old singing-schools of those days. He required that everything be exact as to time or tune.

We have now come to the time when the strenuous labors of his earlier years had been laid aside. Since



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the removal of the family to Waterdown he had practically retired from the cares of mill and factory, having given over their management to his sons, especially to Jacob, the eldest. As the sons attained their majority he assisted them by his counsel and in other ways, nearly all of them starting as millers.

After a life well spent in good deeds, in kindly sympathy with all good endeavor, and in loving relations with his family, the Reaper came and took him from their midst. He had started on a business trip and was staying at the home of his son, Franklin, on Elizabeth Street in Toronto. While here he was suddenly taken ill and died September 11, 1868. His grave is in the Necropolis at Toronto, on the hill side overlooking the Don, the river which had been so closely associated with his arduous labors in by-gone years.

He left no bitter memories behind him. Would that each of us who read these lines may feel that in their own individual lives there was as much deserving of emulation.

JAMES WALTER CUMMER.

#### CHILDREN.

330. I. Jacob,<sup>s</sup> born 1 November 1823; married Mary Ann Snider. FAMILY 92.
331. II. Eliza Jane,<sup>s</sup> born 4 December 1825; married Jacob Fisher. FAMILY 93.
332. III. Abram Lockman,<sup>s</sup> born 26 November 1827; married Rachel Catherine Lottridge. FAMILY 94.
333. IV. Joseph,<sup>s</sup> born 17 March, 1830; died 3 February 1832.
334. V. John,<sup>s</sup> born 4 August 1832; died 25 July 1835.
335. VI. William,<sup>s</sup> born 8 February 1835; married Margaret James. FAMILY 95.
336. VII. Edwin<sup>s</sup> born 19 February 1838; married Arvilla Williams. FAMILY 96.



337. VIII. David Franklin,<sup>3</sup> born 11 February 1841; married Eliza Myles. FAMILY 97.

338. IX. Albert George,<sup>3</sup> born 27 April 1843; died 14 June 1869.

Was born at the homestead of his father, opposite Finche's Corners, north of Toronto. He attended college at Belleville, Ontario. Later he was engaged with his brothers, William and Edwin, in the milling business at Reading Mills, York Co., Ont. Then he went to Walpole, County of Haldiman, Ontario, where his brother, Franklin, and himself were interested in lumbering. Afterwards he moved to Michigan. There he contracted smallpox, and died at the untimely age of thirty. He was buried at Cedar Springs. A great favorite among those who knew him, his death was deeply mourned.

339. X. James Walter,<sup>3</sup> born 12 September 1845; married Mary Brown. FAMILY 98.

340. XI. Sarah,<sup>3</sup> born 22 April 1848; married Joseph B. Reed. FAMILY 99.

341. XII. Rebecca Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 7 April 1850; married Joseph Harris. FAMILY 100.

#### FAMILY 92

330. JACOB<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 1 November 1823 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 7 November 1904 at Cadillac, Mich. He was married 6 November 1845 at Eglington, Ont., to Mary Ann Snider, born 7 April 1825 at Toronto, Ont., daughter of Jacob Snider and Rachel McCready. Late residence, Cadillac, Mich.

Jacob Cummer's early youth was without stirring incidents. His early education was obtained at the common schools and before he attained his majority he became a flour miller, learning his trade at Lockport,



N. Y. For a time he operated the mills at Reading Mills, near Willowdale. He then became a miller at Delaware, Ont. Later he moved to Nawaygo, Mich., and afterwards to Croton in the same State. At both places he was engaged in lumbering and milling. At Cedar Springs he devoted himself to lumbering. Then at Morley and later at Cadillac he and his son, Wellington, controlled extensive lumber tracts as J. Cummer & Son.

As the pine forests in Michigan became exhausted the firm found a field for its energies in Florida. Here the business was carried on in the name of the Cummer Lumber Company, with Jacksonville as its headquarters. In this firm were representatives of three generations, Jacob Cummer, his son Wellington, and his grandsons Arthur and Waldo.

At Cadillac Jacob Cummer was a devoted member of the Congregational Church, being a charter member of the organization of that body. In the church he held the office of deacon. Political life did not attract him, but at Morley he was elected Justice of the Peace, and at Cadillac he occupied the office of Mayor as well as being a member of the Board of Education for many years.

If he possessed any characteristic which might be called a distinctively Cummer one, it was a firm and positive nature. Moreover he was almost always correct in his judgment and so was greatly esteemed, as a good adviser, by those who knew him.

His business methods were simple but lived up to most exactly. He lived and worked by the Golden Rule. Furthermore, whatever he did was done well. Indeed, he could not even undertake a thing unless it were worth doing well. Whenever he put in a foundation for a piece of machinery, it never failed him. It was by these virtues that his life was regulated.

Originally his trade was that of a miller and he followed it until the fall of the year 1869. Gristing in Northern Michigan was done largely for the early pioneers, and it was his rule never to take toll from the first

products of the land, so that in this way many a farmer's heart was made happy. As an example, a young pioneer is recalled, one who had come a distance of forty miles with only ten bushels of wheat, the entire year's product. Jacob Cummer's son had charge of the mill and, of course, his instructions were not to toll the grist of this young pioneer. When morning came and he was given his grist, the pioneer was asked where his bran should be put. "Why," he said, "I have brought my extra bags and I see that they are filled; therefor there is nothing more due me." The miller insisted that it was all his, and as the farmer stoutly denied it, he was finally told that it was the rule not to take toll from the first products of the pioneer's land. The farmer was greatly affected and the tears coursed down his cheeks as he said, "This perhaps does not mean much to you or your father, but it is everything to me and my family, and all I can do now is to thank you, but I will never forget this little act of kindness." Nor did he, for on the night of the same day, and for several days afterwards, new customers came to the mill who had designed going elsewhere, but who had made the Cummer Mill their preference through the instrumentality of the young pioneer. Jacob Cummer did these things, not with the view of any direct gain, but because he thought they were right. However, the gain came to him, and many fold.

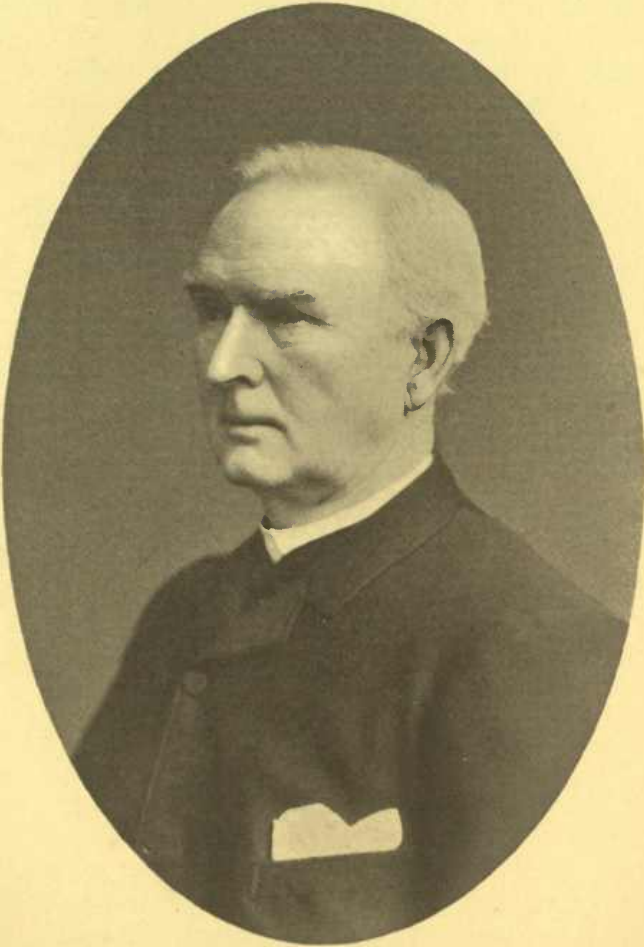
As an example of his consideration for others, it may be said that at the mill he built a comfortable barn, in which the farmers kept their teams over night, and all that was asked of them was to furnish their horses with the necessary provender. In his large and commodious office he built a series of bunks, which at night, by an ingenious device of his, made comfortable beds that could be rolled together again in the day time, so as to form a bench. In the office he kept a large case of good smoking tobacco and some clay pipes. All these conveniences were free to the farmer.

Near Newaygo there lived a tribe of Indians, the





MRS. MARY ANN SNIDER CUMMER



JACOB CUMMER





Pottawattames. They became quite familiar with Mr. Cummer and confided to him all the little troubles which came up in the course of their business affairs. The government annuities were paid to them through him and what corn they raised he ground free of cost. Of course, it was not much, but still sufficient for their wants. Their chief, "Poconobino," could talk some English and naturally he was the one with whom Mr. Cummer dealt. During the Sioux War in Minnesota in the fall of 1862, these Indians feared that the whites would wage war against them and completely annihilate them. For weeks not an Indian was to be seen. Of course, the white settlers felt uneasy, fearing that the Indians were preparing for an outbreak, and every man who could drill and shoulder a musket did so. After a while "Pocconobino" found a way to avoid the guards and reached Jacob Cummer's home. After a conference with him, he met some of the city's principal officers who assured him that there would be no trouble. With Jacob Cummer's endorsement of this promise he returned to his tribe and old relations were revived.

Mr. Cummer had friends on all sides. He always took the part of the man who was down and would try to help if the man would show a willingness to help himself.

He had a great horror of debt and was never known but once to borrow money of a relative, and that he paid twice. It was only six hundred dollars, but as security he gave the party a mortgage on property which he had. Then came the crisis of 1857, during which many good men had to give up their holdings and he was among the number. Now the good uncle who had loaned him the money had refused to have the mortgage recorded out of respect to his nephew, and the result was that the property went to the general creditors. However, he went back to Canada some six or seven years after with the six hundred dollars and accrued interest and paid "Uncle Joshua" the amount in full.

These little incidents will tend to show what sort of man he was, for while today they may seem small, in those times small things seemed large and amounted to much. A sketch like this can give the reader but a most superficial insight into a man's character, but there are many men, kinsmen and others, who can testify to the sound advice which Jacob Cummer gave them, to the encouragement he lent, to financial assistance which he rendered in time of emergency, and to the example of Christian manhood which he set. He was a man of whom the Cummers may be proud, for he lived his life according to true ideals and was blessed in being able to help others to do similarly.

WELLINGTON W. CUMMER.

CHILDREN.

342. I. Wellington Willson,<sup>4</sup> born 21 October 1846; married Mary Ada Gerrish; died 25 December 1909. FAMILY 101.
343. II. Emily Eliza,<sup>4</sup> born 20 April 1848; died 9 July 1848.
344. III. Harvey Ford,<sup>4</sup> born 16 November 1853; died 21 April 1859.
345. IV. Elmer Charles,<sup>4</sup> born 14 May 1860; married Ida Hoag; died 14 February 1888. FAMILY 102.
346. V. Emma Isabella,<sup>4</sup> born 1 February 1863; died 31 August 1863.
347. VI. Carrie Eveline,<sup>4</sup> born 29 September 1866; married Fred A. Diggins. FAMILY 103.

FAMILY 93

331. ELIZA JANE<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 4 December 1825; died 8 May 1888 at Burlington, Halton Co., Ont. She was married 4 February 1847 at Burlington to Jacob Harmon *Fisher*, born 8 July 1804;

died 8 February 1888 at Burlington, son of Herman Fisher and Mary Cline. Late residence, Burlington.

CHILDREN.

- 348. I. George Elgin,<sup>4</sup> born 15 October 1848; married Agnes Randall. FAMILY 104.
- 349. II. Sarah Eliza,<sup>4</sup> born 5 September 1856; died 19 October 1857.
- 350. III. John Cummer,<sup>4</sup> born 10 February 1859; married Mary Isabella Woodbridge. FAMILY 105.

FAMILY 94

332. LOCKMAN ABRAM<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 26 November 1827 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 28 June 1907 at Burlington, Ont. He was married first 18 July 1849 at Waterdown, Ont., to Rachel Catherine Lott-ridge, born 5 July 1831 at or near Hamilton, Ont.; died 11 April 1864 at Waterdown, Ont., daughter of Robert Lott-ridge and Sarah Bates. He married second Flora Ann Creen on 28 November 1864, born 28 July 1830 at Erin, Wellington Co., Ont.; died 30 December 1895 at Hamilton, Ont., daughter of Hugh Creen and Mary Ferguson. Married third Elizabeth Fisher, born 26 August 1830 at Bloomsville, Lincoln Co., Ont.; died 3 March 1910, daughter of Jacob Fisher and Jane Ghent.

Lockman Abram Cummer was born at York Mills on Yonge Street in the County of York on November 27, 1827. Here his boyhood days were spent and here he attended the common school, completing his education at the Genesee Wesleyan College, Lima, New York. At the age of nineteen he came to Waterdown in the County of Wentworth to supervise the building of his father's home. Here was spent most of his active business life.

He assisted his father in the flour milling business for about three years and then succeeded to the establishment, conducting it for about eleven years.

In 1849 he was married to Rachel Catherine Lottridge of Waterdown. Her family, devoted United Empire Loyalists, had descended from Captain John Lottridge who, as one of the early colonists in New York, had remained loyal to the King during the American war for independence and at its close had removed to Canada to occupy a Crown-grant on the site of the present city of Hamilton. She was a woman of beautiful character and by her gentle, loving ways had endeared herself to her four young sons. Her early death at the age of thirty-three robbed them of a devoted mother, of whom they thought with tender recollections in adult years.

In the year 1855 an iron foundry and flour milling business was established at what was known as the "Ransom" or "Upper Mills" in Waterdown. The style of the firm was Cummer, Gill & Co., and the partners were Jacob Cummer, Lockman Cummer and William Gill. This business was carried on with very bright prospects until 1857. This was the year of the memorable panic, the worst ever experienced in Canada's history, when values suffered unprecedented shrinkage, when hope gave way to despair, when very few of even the old and established concerns were able to withstand the extreme financial crisis. During this storm the business had to be abandoned.

After the year of the panic and until 1860, the subject of our sketch continued the milling business at the "Ransom Mills." Then, when the Civil War was impending in the United States, he moved to Newaygo, Mich., and engaged in the same business as previously, together with lumbering, continuing until 1863. He returned to Waterdown and associated himself with Lottridge Brothers, who were conducting the "Lower Mills" at that place.

In 1864 he again acquired the "Upper Mills" and remained here until 1871, when he disposed of his business and subsequently led a rather retired life. Until 1888 his home was at Waterdown, when he moved to





LOCKMAN A. CUMMER



MRS. ELIZA CUMMER FISHER



WILLIAM CUMMER





Hamilton. After a residence here of seven years, he established his home at Burlington.

He was married in 1864 to Flora Ann Creen. The two children of this union did not survive infancy. She died in 1895.

From early manhood, Lockman Cummer had been an active member of the Methodist Church and was honored by being chosen as delegate to twenty, almost consecutive, annual conferences of that body. He was Justice of the Peace for the County of Wentworth for twenty-five years and a member of the Wentworth County Council, being Reeve of East Flamboro. Although not at any time ambitious for political prominence, he was always an ardent supporter of the Liberal party.

In 1896 he was married to Elizabeth Fisher, who survived his death, which took place in 1907.

#### WILLIAM LOCKMAN CUMMER.

#### CHILDREN.

##### *By first wife—*

351. I. John Henry,<sup>4</sup> born 8 May 1851; married I. Susan Allen, II. Annie M. Atchinson.

##### FAMILY 106.

352. II. Robert James,<sup>4</sup> born 28 May 1853; married Abbie Armilla Stone.

##### FAMILY 107.

353. III. William Lockman,<sup>4</sup> born 5 April 1855; married Charlotte Louisa Day.

##### FAMILY 108.

354. IV. George Albert,<sup>4</sup> born 24 November 1857; married Margaret Cloud.

##### FAMILY 109.

##### *By second wife—*

355. V. Hugh Oscar,<sup>4</sup> born 16 May 1866; died 21 April 1867.

356. VI. Oliver Creen,<sup>4</sup> born 7 September 1869; died 19 January 1872.

## FAMILY 95

335. WILLIAM WILLSON<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 8 February 1835 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 9 November 1894 at Cadillac, Mich. He was married 24 November 1857 at Newton Brook, Ont., to Margaret James, born 29 November 1834 at Newton Brook, Ont.; died 3 April 1897 at Cadillac, Mich. Late residence, Cadillac, Mich.

William Willson Cummer, the third son of John and Sarah Lockman Cummer, was born Feb. 8th, 1835 on Yonge Street, north of Toronto, near what was then known as the "Cummer Settlement," in York County, Ont., Willowdale Post Office. In his youth he was not offered many educational privileges but made the best possible use of the advantages to be had in the country schools at Willowdale, which in those early years were certainly of a high order. The years spent in these schools under tutors of more than ordinary ability laid the foundation for a useful, practical and every-day education.

When his school days were ended William Cummer served an apprenticeship with his brother Jacob, who was then a practical flour miller at Reading Mills. Many times did he refer to the happy days he spent with his brother and wife while serving this apprenticeship. He afterward went to Bronte, Ont., where his father had an interest in a flour mill. In the year 1857 at Newton Brook, Ont., he was married to Margaret James, daughter of John and Catherine James. After several years of hard work at Bronte he took charge of the old Reading Mills at Newton Brook, being associated with his brothers, Edwin, Albert and Franklin. This business, for many reasons, was unprofitable, and after six years of hard work he was obliged to give it up. He then went into general merchandising at Newton Brook, where he was postmaster for a number of years.

While at Newton Brook William Cummer was an

active member of the Methodist Church, a member of the Board of Trustees and also of the official board of Yonge Street South Circuit. He took a lively interest in Sabbath School work and was for a number of years superintendent of the Sabbath School, which under his careful and zealous administration grew to be one of the best in the county. Usually, when able to leave his business, William Cummer attended all County, Provincial and International Sunday School Conventions and many a time he was assigned some subject to introduce for discussion at such meetings. His efforts in this line were well received.

He was fairly prosperous in the mercantile business but as he was never very strong after the years he had spent in the milling business he decided to dispose of his interests to his son, Herbert. After a visit to Michigan in 1883, he removed to Cadillac, Mich. Here he was one of the charter members of the First Congregational Church and was happy when laboring for the welfare of the church. During the latter part of his life he was interested with his son, Herbert, in the manufacturing business. He enjoyed to the full the privilege of being with his brother, Jacob, for whom he had the highest esteem. Between these brothers there were bonds of affection of the strongest kind.

William Cummer was quiet, sincere and the soul of honor. He loved his home and family and was beloved by those who knew him best. He was a true and devoted husband, a kind and indulgent father, a sincere Christian, and although quite a number of years has elapsed since he passed to his reward, his memory is still fresh in the minds and hearts of his many friends.

HERBERT HARVEY CUMMER.

#### CHILDREN.

357. I. Herbert Harvey,<sup>4</sup> born 23 August 1860; married Helena Munshaw.

FAMILY 110.

358. II. William Sheldon Howard,<sup>4</sup> born 13 February 1875; married Selma Konopak.

FAMILY 111.

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336. EDWIN<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 19 February 1838; died 1 December 1872 at Ottawa, Putnam Co., O. He was married to Arvilla Williams; born 23 April 1840 at Bronte, Halton Co., Ont.; died 23 March 1905, daughter of Elijah Williams and Susan Belyea. Late residence, Willowdale, Ont., and Toledo, O.

Edwin S. Cummer was born at the old family home on Yonge Street, across from Finche's Corners. His early life was spent in farming, but his inclinations were for milling, which he learned under the instruction of his eldest brother, Jacob, at Reading Mills, Ont. After a term of service here, he again engaged in milling, this time in partnership with his brother, William, and his father-in-law, Mr. Elijah Williams, at Bronte, Ont. Later he returned to the mill at Reading Mills, and subsequently moved to Ashtabula, O., and from there to Leipsic, O. He was a genial, warm-hearted, honest man, and his loss was deeply felt when he died at the age of thirty-four, leaving quite a family of little children.

### CHILDREN.

359. I. Eleanor Avelyn,<sup>4</sup> born 11 December 1860; married Henry F. Askam, M. D.

FAMILY 112.

360. II. Arthur Edwin,<sup>4</sup> born 21 April 1863; married Rhoda Bingham.

FAMILY 115.

361. III. Etha Lillian,<sup>4</sup> born 19 October 1865; married W. W. Sutton.

FAMILY 114.

362. IV. May Arvilla,<sup>4</sup> born 19 April 1868; married Lafayette Fruchey.

FAMILY 116.





FRANKLIN D. CUMMER



EDWIN CUMMER



ALBERT CUMMER





363. V. Percy Vernon,<sup>4</sup> born 19 October 1870; married Iva M. Hamden. FAMILY 117.
364. VI. Elijah Franklin,<sup>4</sup> born 5 July 1876; married Etta Hann. FAMILY 118.

FAMILY 97

337. FRANKLIN DAVID<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Sarah Lockman Smith and John Cummer; was born 11 February 1841 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 4 May 1898 at Cincinnati, O. He was married to Eliza Ellen Myles at Toronto, Ont., 16 October 1866; daughter of William Myles and Sarah Honan. Late residence, Cleveland, O.

Franklin David Cummer was born at the homestead at Willowdale, Ont. His early education was obtained in the schools on Yonge Street and at Waterdown, his college training at Belleville, Ont. He was of a studious disposition and his mind inclined to the mathematical and mechanical. To this trend of thought the inventions of his later years testify.

Mr. Cummer started his business life as a grain broker at Toronto. While living at Toronto he married Miss Eliza Myles, the eldest daughter of Mr. William Myles. After a few years he removed to Buffalo and was associated with Nordyke & Marmon. He soon went to Detroit where, with Christie & De Graff he engaged in manufacturing engines, the engine produced being of his own invention. In the early eighties he located in Cleveland and organized the Cummer Engine Company. This was one of the first manufacturing plants along Cleveland's lake shore, a region which has since become the location of some of the city's largest factories. This engine was also designed by Mr. Cummer and was known as the "Cummer Engine." At the time it was considered to be the best of its kind. For its design he was awarded several gold medals. After some time he was succeeded by the Kilby Manufacturing Company.

He then entered the oil field, controlling the People's and the Keystone Oil Companies, but was forced out of business by the Standard Oil Company and returned to Detroit, where he was connected with the Flint Glass Sand and Stone Company of Toledo. Mr. Cummer later succeeded in producing a very efficient dryer and returned to Cleveland. With his son, William Myles Cummer, he produced and sold his invention under the firm name of F. D. Cummer & Son. The firm was incorporated later as F. D. Cummer & Son Company, including his two younger sons, Albert Edwin and Frederick.

As may be seen from the foregoing account, Mr. Cummer was a man of marked inventive ability, and perfected many mechanical appliances. He possessed a keen mind and a wonderful power of concentration. After once attacking a problem he persisted until he had solved it. His ability as a salesman was almost equal to his skill as inventor, for he had a most convincing way of talking and presenting an argument.

Personally, he was an attractive and very likeable man. He was an excellent conversationalist, a man of many interests, and his extensive travels in his own country and abroad gave him a breadth of view which was increased by much reading. He was essentially a family man and keenly enjoyed his own home. Music was his favorite diversion, and he had a family orchestra of which he was the leader and his children the members.

His death came suddenly in 1898 by accident in Cincinnati, where he had gone on a business trip.

ALBERT EDWIN CUMMER.

#### CHILDREN.

365. I. William Myles,<sup>4</sup> born 10 August 1867; married Allethaire Ludlow.
366. II. Evelyn,<sup>4</sup> born 10 October 1871; married Frederick C. Kingston. FAMILY 118.
367. III. Albert Edwin,<sup>4</sup> born 3 August 1873; married Louise West. FAMILY 119.

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368. IV. Franklin David, Jr.,<sup>4</sup> born 1875; died 22 December 1876.
369. V. Frederick Henry,<sup>4</sup> born 14 February 1878.
370. VI. Mabel Florence,<sup>4</sup> born 10 October 1882; married Spencer Duty. FAMILY 120.

FAMILY 98

339. JAMES WALTER<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 12 September 1845 at Finche's Corners, York Co., Ont. He was married 26 June 1873 at Waterdown, Wentworth Co., Ont., to Mary Brown; born 20 February 1852 at Waterdown, daughter of William Brown and Jane Proctor. Residence, Cleveland, O.

J. Walter Cummer was born Sept. 12, 1845, in York Township, York Co., Ont., at his father's home opposite Finche's Hotel. The family soon moved from here to a home a mile south, across from the old Cummer homestead at Willowdale. When he was about seven years old his father retired from the active life of a farmer and moved to Waterdown in Wentworth County. The change was made largely on account of the superior educational facilities offered at Waterdown. Here the family remained for some years. After his father's death Mr. Cummer remained at home with his mother, but upon her death he went to Michigan. Though he went for the purpose of making a visit, the circumstances seemed favorable for a business opening in the manufacture of lumber. This he undertook at Morley, Mich., and was associated with his nephew, Mr. Wellington W. Cummer, for several years.

When the timber supply in this section was exhausted, he moved to Cadillac, where he entered the hardware business. Later he removed to Cleveland, O., where he has since resided. He is now engaged in manufacturing and has associated with him his sons, Karl and Robert.

## CHILDREN.

371. I. Edith Proctor,<sup>4</sup> born 17 May 1874; married Dr. Duncan A. Campbell.

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372. II. Frederick William,<sup>4</sup> born 26 September 1876. Was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1902 (A. B.), and since then has acted as chemist for various manufactories. Residence, Detroit, Mich.
373. III. Stuart Walter,<sup>4</sup> born 5 October 1880; died 8 July 1898.
374. IV. Jane Muriel,<sup>4</sup> born 17 February 1883; died 21 March 1884.
375. V. Karl Harris,<sup>4</sup> born 17 January 1885. Since his graduation from the Cleveland Central High School in 1905, has been associated with his father.
376. VI. Ruth Helen,<sup>4</sup> born 26 February 1887.
377. VII. Robert Gladstone,<sup>4</sup> born 4 April 1889.
378. VIII. Dwight Emerson,<sup>4</sup> born 24 February 1892; died 19 March 1893.
379. IX. William Brown,<sup>4</sup> born 24 February 1892; died 19 March 1893.
380. X. Constance Collier,<sup>4</sup> born 6 April 1895.

## FAMILY 99

340. SARAH<sup>3</sup> REED CUMMER (*John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Cumber and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 22 April 1848 at Waterdown, Ont. She was married 4 June 1867 at Waterdown to Joseph Benjamin *Reed*; born 9 June 1845; died 19 September 1905 at Toronto, Ont.; son of Joseph Croker Reed, who came from Barnstable, Mass., and Jane Willson, a daughter of John Willson III. Residence, New York City.

## CHILDREN.

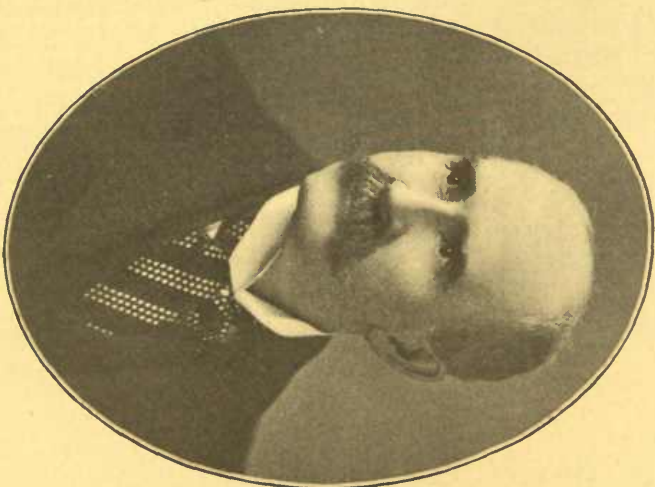
381. I. Joseph Carl,<sup>4</sup> born 23 June 1869; married Myra Stafford.

## FAMILY 122.





MRS. SARAH CUMMER REED



JAMES WALTER CUMMER



MRS. REBECCA CUMMER HARRIS





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382. II. Cora Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 28 February 1871; married William Rathbun Hees.

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383. III. Le Grand,<sup>4</sup> born 8 October 1873; married Mary Ellen Crawford.

FAMILY 124.

FAMILY 100

341. REBECCA<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of John Cummer and Sarah Lockman Smith; was born 7 April 1850 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont.; died 27 December 1909 at Toronto. She was married 30 April 1879 at Cadillac, Mich., to Joseph *Harris*; born 22 February 1836 at Toronto, Ont.; died 1 November 1899 at Toronto. Late residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN.

384. I. Ida Cummer,<sup>4</sup> born 10 April 1880; died 10 September 1880.  
385. II. Edith Florence,<sup>4</sup> born 17 December 1881.  
386. III. Walter Percival,<sup>4</sup> born 1 July 1885.

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342. WELLINGTON WILLSON<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Jacob Cummer and Mary Ann Snider; was born 21 October 1846 at Toronto, Ont.; died 25 December 1909 at Jacksonville, Fla. He was married 3 October 1871 at Hersey, Osceola Co., Mich., to Mary Ada Gerrish; born 20 August 1853 at Lee, Penobscot Co., Me., daughter of Nathaniel L. Gerrish and Caroline Gatchell. Late residence, Jacksonville, Fla.

In one of Wellington Cummer's pocket memorandum books is written, "Be honest with yourself and the world, then work with method and vigor." To the writer this expresses one of the characteristic principles of his life.

This sketch of the life of a man who honored above all the Cummer name and who, in the successful develop-

ment of large business interests, made that name stand for honesty, purity and love for all mankind will touch rather briefly on the commercial side of his nature, for his character and example are far greater tributes to his memory than the business fabric he was the means of rearing.

Wellington Willson Cummer, the eldest son of Jacob and Mary Ann Cummer, was born on a farm near Toronto, Canada, the 21st day of October, 1846. His early education was received in the district school near Toronto, and when his parents removed to Newaygo, Mich., in 1860, he continued his studies in the village high school at that place. This was followed by further instructions in the grammar school at Waterdown, Can., and this again was supplemented by a commercial course in the Bryant and Stratton Business College in Toronto, from which he was graduated at the age of eighteen years.

His father operated a flouring mill in connection with his business as a farmer in Canada and continued in this industry for several years after coming to Newaygo. In connection with his grist mill, he gradually added lumbering operations, which have developed greatly since that time. Wellington W. Cummer began his actual business career in Newaygo and his aggressive qualities as a conservative and practical business man combined very happily with his father's years of experience along honest, upright lines.

Moving rather rapidly to Croton, Mich., then Cedar Springs, Mich., the family settled in 1870 at Morley, Mich., where the Cummers really commenced their development as lumbermen. Here Wellington Cummer learned the practical side of the manufacture of lumber; and this must be taken literally, for he built his knowledge on a firm foundation, and mastered every detail of the mill and manufactured product. While located in Morley, he was married on October 3rd, 1871, to Mary Ada Gerrish, daughter of Nathaniel Lord Gerrish and Caroline Gatchell Gerrish of Hersey, Mich. A woman

of exceptionally sound judgment, possessed of infinite love and tenderness, she made an ideal helpmate for him. Through all the active years of his business life, in his home and in his relations to mankind, her sweet, sustaining character was ever present. Two sons, Arthur Gerrish and Waldo Emerson, and one daughter, Mabel Carrie, were born to them. Their married life was most ideal, for the companionship and confidence of early days grew stronger and stronger as their combined efforts were fraught with success.

The last change of base of the Cummers in Michigan took them to Cadillac (then Clam Lake), at that time the center of the great Michigan pine belt. On establishing himself in Cadillac in 1876 Wellington W. Cummer commenced the manufacture of pine lumber from the stumpage holdings of J. Cummer & Son in that vicinity, and this arrangement was continued till 1892, when their Cadillac timber was exhausted. During the progress of this operation in 1882, he organized a stock company under the corporate name of Cummer Lumber Company in connection with Mr. James M. Barnett and Mr. Harvey J. Hollister, and they became the owners of a large tract of land in Missaukee County. The business affairs of this company were conducted by Mr. Cummer, and the timber was cut in a mill at Cadillac, which had been purchased for that purpose. The mills and yards of J. Cummer & Son and the Cummer Lumber Company were examples of the practical judgment of their manager. Always progressive, he was the first to adopt new and modern methods of manufacture and in the development of these two firms he placed the Cummer name firmly before the lumber-consuming trade. In 1893 the Cummer Lumber Company had finished cutting out its timber and was dissolved.

After closing up the affairs of J. Cummer and Son and the Cummer Lumber Company, Wellington W. Cummer and his brother-in-law, Delos F. Diggins, entered into a partnership with Delos A. Blodgett under the

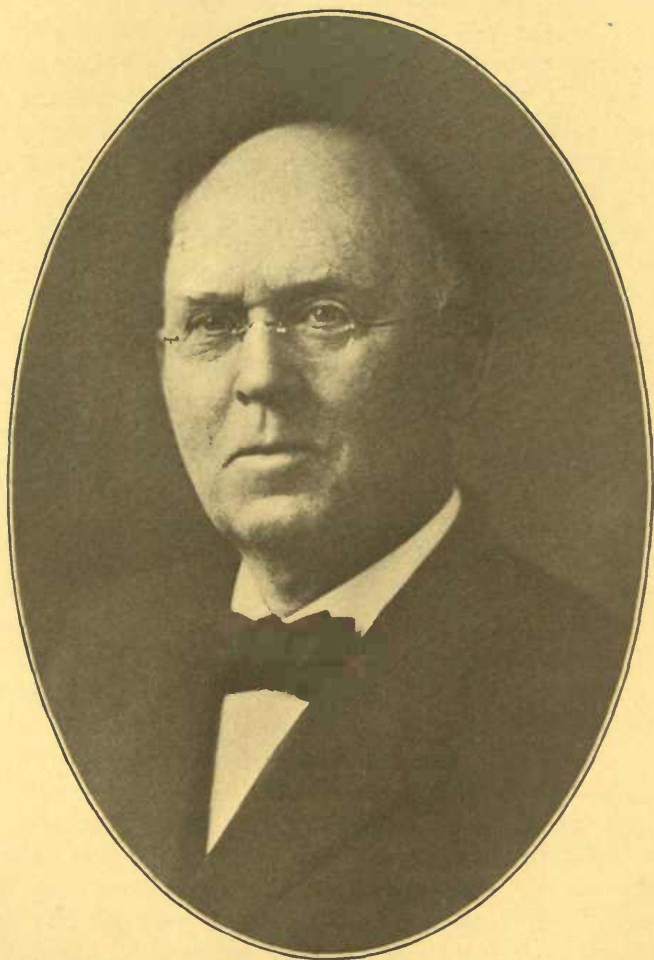


name of Blodgett, Cummer & Diggins, and the firm Cummer & Diggins took over the old mills, rebuilt them and commenced the manufacture of the Blodgett timber holdings near Cadillac. When this was cut out in 1900 it marked the quarter of a century of active manufacture of the famous "Cummer" white pine product.

During these years, Wellington W. Cummer had been investing heavily in Michigan hardwoods, so when the last white pine log was cut, he turned his attention to the manufacture of hardwood in Cadillac and the mills were remodeled again. Mr. William L. Saunders was admitted to the firm then known as Cummer-Diggins & Company and operations were continued. The years of practical experience of these men insured economical handling of hard woods, a chemical plant was installed to utilize the waste, and this company, incorporated in 1907 under the name of Cummer-Diggins Company, has an exceptionally bright future before it.

The active development of the Cummers' timber holdings in the South was commenced in 1892. Under the name of The Cummer Company, which was made up of Jacob Cummer, Wellington W. Cummer, James M. Barnett, Harvey J. Hollister, McGeorge Bundy and E. C. Fosburgh, a mill was purchased at Norfolk, Va., for the manufacture of short leaf pine and was operated by the Cummers for nine years. In 1896, under the name of Cummer Lumber Company, a new and modern plant was built at Jacksonville, Fla., and the manufacture of long leaf pine was added to the combination of forest products. The development of the Florida timber holdings by the Cummer Lumber Company was the result of many years of careful thought on the part of Jacob and Wellington Cummer, and was expressive of their love for their family. The two sons of Wellington Cummer had received a careful, thorough and practical business training from their grandfather and father, had had the benefits of a college education, and were now ready for active business life. To have placed them in charge of plants





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already established and properly managed would have meant to limit their responsibilities, so they were given the opportunity of developing an entirely new operation. To a friend who asked Jacob Cummer why he had come South to start the organization of another manufacturing plant under new conditions of climate, labor and methods, he replied with his characteristic smile and a wave of his hand toward his grandsons, "Simply to make men out of the boys." Jacob and Wellington Cummer gave the development of the Florida interests more time and attention than they had any of their other operations. Their years of experience and the motives behind it all prompted their best efforts, and as a natural consequence their organization in Jacksonville has expanded wonderfully. In 1902 a transfer of stock was made with Messrs. Barnett and Hollister, whereby the Virginia holdings passed into their hands to be reorganized under the name of The Fosburgh Company and the Cummers became the sole owners of the Cummer Lumber Company. In connection with the lumber industry, this company mines and exports phosphate rocks and operates an extensive crate factory in which is utilized the waste from its saw mills. Following a long established policy, Wellington Cummer invested heavily in Florida pine and cypress stumpage, and his family own sufficient timber to operate their plant for many years.

Such is a brief outline of Wellington W. Cummer's success in business, a success gained by hard and attentive work, but with the utmost honesty and fairness. No sharp practices entered into his commercial life, his reputation and the fair name of Cummer was never soiled. The element of so-called luck did not enter into his success, for he was always careful and conservative while progressive and aggressive.

As one having the honor of being a grandson and son of Jacob and Wellington Cummer, and the privilege of many years of companionship with them, the writer now turns to the most sacred and happy memories one

could hope for, and in taking up the story of a devoted father and a broad and generous man he feels his unworthiness and incompetency to an extent that he can not express. His one consolation is that these memories are universal, and that all who may read these lines will cherish, at least, some thought of the man whose character and influence has not been confined to any one group or individual.

Wellington W. Cummer was a man who commanded the admiration and respect of all who saw him, for his face expressed his generous, honest nature, and with his unassuming and retiring manner his whole physical aspect stamped him as a Man. In his home life he was always a most devoted husband and father. His relations to his wife, the companion of his many years of active business cares, was that of a lover. She was always consulted in all matters pertaining to the home, the business and the world, and, in turn, she always had preference over everything in his life. Rarely if ever separated, even by business necessity, the confidence and love existing between them was most ideal. As a father he was never stern, but taught his children by example and reason. At the time that his sons reached an age when they were physically strong enough to work, an agreement was entered into whereby they were to work at least one month of each summer in the mills. As an incentive, the father offered to double each one hundred dollars they might earn by such labor, so the result was that they learned the practical side of the business without realizing it, and acquired a love for lumbering and a knowledge of manual labor at an early age. Always indulgent, he placed his children on their honor, gave them his confidence, and asked for theirs in return. His love and respect for his own father and mother inspired his children to the same feelings toward their parents and altogether his example was so irresistible that one could do naught but follow it. When his sons entered into business, they were given responsible positions, and



their duties were gradually added to as they demonstrated ability, their opinion was asked for, and full reasons given for any and all changes made in their policies and plans. In short the same confidence existed between them always, and they were companions and business associates in every sense of the term.

Words cannot express the tender sentiments which were centered around the home life of the family and it is only necessary to add that father, mother and children have never been separated in any way, and that no cloud ever darkened the ideal condition of their home. When the children married, their wives and husband were made a part of the happy circle and all lived in harmony and love. The example given the children by their parents was so sweet and loving that without assuming any inherited virtues the family were bound together by ties almost too ideal to be expressed.

With this glimpse into the home life of the family of Wellington W. Cummer, it is easy to understand how his broad, noble, generous nature went out to his fellow-man, for his virtues were not alone for his family; there was no limit to the extent of his love for humanity. His relations to his employees were that of a friend and adviser. He was intensely loyal to them. With his knowledge of human nature he surrounded himself with a corps of honest and efficient men, who returned his confidence as a matter of course. Generous to a fault, he gave each man an opportunity for advancement, and has often expressed to the writer the following as a good policy to follow in dealing with men: "You must teach men as if you taught them not, and tell of things unknown as things forgot." There was no false pride in his make up, he called his employees by their first names, and was as friendly with them after working hours as when they were working for the mutual interests. And yet with all this fellowship, which is commonly supposed to be impossible between employer and employee, he maintained the respect, loyalty and co-operation of all



his men. No labor troubles ever entered into his business, a strike was unknown. On the other hand, his mills were never shut down because they were not earning money. "I can afford to operate at a loss, but men cannot afford to lose their wages," was his motto.

His genuine love for humanity was unlimited, and yet with all he followed the Scriptures in as much as he carried on his work of doing good in a quiet and unassuming manner. He gave liberally to every good undertaking and while confining his gifts to no particular line, the work among children and young men always appealed strongly to him. As evidence of this he made possible a magnificent Y. M. C. A. building in his adopted home of Jacksonville, Fla., and with his wife he maintained for many years a free kindergarten in Cadillac, Mich., and later three free kindergartens in Jacksonville. But his philanthropy was not confined to the mere giving of money, and many is the man who from some kind word or sound advice from him found a new inspiration in life and a greater incentive to live as a true man.

With his retiring disposition he did not seek after political honors, although without solicitation many public offices were thrust upon him and these were filled consistently and creditably. Whatever was worth doing at all was worth doing to the best of his ability and when he entered into anything, either in business, in politics, or for humanity, one could count on his unqualified support and co-operation.

As a member of the Congregational Church he was always ready to do his part in the advancement of its work, but he was liberal in his views on all religious questions, and gave both time and money to the development of other denominations. In a word, his broad, generous nature knew no distinction as regards the different churches, all of which were working toward the same end, as he said.

For a man who led an active life he was most methodical. For years he kept a diary which covered

every important event transpiring in his home and business; he also kept a scrap book in which he carefully pasted clippings of interest. He was a great reader and being especially intersted in geology and antiquity had made a collection of many rare old things. As a traveller, and he had travelled extensively, the points of interest which appealed particularly to him were those along mechanical and commercial lines, and he was more interested in the economical and physical development of a country than in its cathedrals and its art galleries.

Perhaps no more fitting testimony to his character can be found with which to close this sketch than the following, which he left in his own handwriting as his reasons for being a Christian:

"Without God and the Christian Religion I would have no purpose in life.

A Christian is the highest type of man.

It does not require great learning or much money, the poor and rich have an equal chance, all that is needed is a true and honest heart and a willingness to serve God.

Christianity made a Republic like ours possible, and the more true Christian religion we get, the better will be our nation.

It gives to woman an equal right with man, no other religion known to me does this.

No other religion except Judaism and Mohammedism can give an historic account of its origin or claim to have stood from first to last for the worship of one living God.

No other religion has such a force of purity, authority and love.

No one except Christ claimed to be both Human and Divine and had his claims permanently acknowledged."

ARTHUR GERRISH CUMMER.

#### CHILDREN

387. I. Arthur Gerrish,<sup>s</sup> born 10 October 1873; married Ninah M. Holden.

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388. II. Waldo Emerson,<sup>5</sup> born 31 December 1875;  
married Clara M. Cook.

FAMILY 126.

389. III. Mabel Carrie,<sup>5</sup> born 7 May 1882; married  
John L. Roe.

FAMILY 127.

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345. ELMER CHARLES<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Mary Ann Snider; was born 14 May 1860; died 14 February 1888 at Cadillac, Mich. He was married 12 October 1887 at Big Rapids, Mich., to Ida M. Hoag; born 25 October 1860 at Cleveland, O., daughter of James E. and Lucelia C. Hoag. Late residence, Cadillac, Mich.

Elmer Charles Cummer was born in Newaygo, Mich., 14 May 1861. His parents in 1870 moved to Morley, Mich., where Elmer attended the village school, and in 1876 the family again moved to Cadillac, Mich., and made that city their permanent home.

For many years Elmer was a sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, and owing to his health was unable to attend college regularly, although his common-school education in Cadillac was followed by a short course at the Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Mich., and later by another course at Olivet, Mich. His health was for many years such that he was forced to spend the winters in the South as he could not stand the rigorous Michigan climate, and during his Southern visits he gathered a rich fund of practical information.

With natural abilities along mechanical lines, together with the fact that for many years his health demanded that he spend much of his time out-of-doors, it is no wonder that he grasped the opportunity of being in and around the mills and railroad belonging to his father and brother Wellington. Here his mechanical turn of mind had full freedom, and as he was intensely practical, he soon mastered all the details of machinery and developed to a remarkable extent his natural abilities.

He was always popular with the workingmen with whom he was thrown in contact, and as he possessed a generous and lovable disposition, he had all the attributes of a leader, and bid fair to occupy a responsible position in the affairs of his father.

On October 12th, 1887, he was married to Miss Ida M. Hoag of Big Rapids, Mich. At this time he had the management of the railroad belonging to J. Cummer & Son. He had entirely recovered from the rheumatism, was ideally happy in his home, and had charge of a line of work dear to him. Altogether his prospects seemed exceedingly bright. On February 14th, 1888, when in the discharge of his duties, he met with a terrible accident, and while showing a bravery and courage such as to cause universal admiration, his injuries were so severe that they caused his death in a short time.

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347. CARRIE EVELINE<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Mary Ann Snider; was born 29 September 1866 at Croton, Newaygo Co., Mich. She was married 29 October 1890 at Cadillac, Mich., to Fred A. *Diggins*; born 8 July 1862 at Harvard, McHenry Co., Ill., son of Franklin Diggins and Ellen C. Blodgett. Residence, Cadillac, Mich.

#### CHILDREN.

390. I. Helen C.,<sup>5</sup> born 21 January 1892.  
391. II. Dorothy C.,<sup>5</sup> born 1 July 1893.

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348. GEORGE ELGIN<sup>4</sup> FISHER (*Eliza*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Harmon Fisher and Eliza Jane Cummer; was born 15 October 1848 at Burlington, Halton Co., Ont. He was married 27 December 1876 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont., to Agnes Randall; born 20



November 1853 at Newmarket, daughter of John Randall and Ellen Dales. Residence, Freeman, Ont.

Most of Mr. Fisher's life has been spent on the old farm, which has been devoted to fruit growing. He was forced to become somewhat of an entomologist in fighting insect pests on his farm and early in 1898 was requested by Hon. John Dryden, the Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, to take charge of the San Jose scale investigation, which his department was then undertaking. This work lasted five years and in 1903 he entered the canning business.

#### CHILDREN

- 392. I. Ellen Gertrude,<sup>5</sup> born 30 March 1878.
- 393. II. Arthur Edwin,<sup>5</sup> born 24 May 1880; died 24 September 1881.
- 394. III. Marion Cummer,<sup>5</sup> born 30 September 1887.

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350. JOHN CUMMER FISHER (*Eliza Jane*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Fisher and Eliza Jane Cummer; was born 10 February 1859; died 15 March 1901. He was married 27 September 1888 at Toronto, Ont., to Mary Isabel Woodbridge; born 8 June 1866 at Windsor, Essex Co., Ont., daughter of Thomas Woodbridge and Mary Sanderson Turnbull. Mrs. Fisher's residence is in Toronto, Ont.

#### FAMILY 106

351. JOHN HENRY<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Lockman Abram Cummer and Rachel Catherine Lottridge; was born 8 May 1851 at Watford, Ont. He was married first 8 August 1873 at Niagara Falls, N. Y., to Susan Allen; born 21 July 1851 at Bristol, Eng.; died 15 April 1900 at Hamilton, Ont., daughter of Capt. Allen and N. Gold. He married second 28 February 1902 at Greenfield, Mass., to Annie M. At-





ROBERT J. CUMMER, M. D.



ELMER C. CUMMER



GEORGE A. CUMMER



kinson; born 30 October 1857 at Hamilton, Ont. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

John Henry Cummer was born in Waterdown, Ontario, Can., 8 May 1851. He received his education in the schools of Waterdown, Newaygo, Michigan, and Hamilton. As apprentice to his uncle, James M. Lottridge, he learned the trade of grocer. After completing his apprenticeship with Mr. Lottridge, he started his business career in his employ, and later was associated with his uncle in the Grant-Lottridge Company for a number of years. In 1889 he withdrew from this firm and started an independent business, dealing in mineral water, coal and ice. He associated with himself his son Albert and took into the firm, as they reached their majority, his sons Robert and Herbert. His home has been in Hamilton since 1869.

## CHILDREN

395. I. Albert James,<sup>5</sup> born 10 April 1874; married Azuba Bristowe. FAMILY 128.
396. II. Sarah Rachel,<sup>5</sup> born 31 May 1875.
397. III. Georgina May,<sup>5</sup> born 9 December 1876; married Harold H. Lumsden. FAMILY 129.
398. IV. Robert Henry Lottridge,<sup>5</sup> born 27 May 1878; married Margaret Lavina Kelk. FAMILY 130.
399. V. Herbert John,<sup>5</sup> born 1 May 1880; married Janette Stewart File. FAMILY 131.
400. VI. Cora Ethel,<sup>5</sup> born 17 March 1885.

## FAMILY 107

352. ROBERT JAMES<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Lockman Abram Cummer and Rachel Catherine Lottridge; was born 28 May 1853 at Waterdown, Ont.; died 22 October 1905 at Cleveland, O. He was married 3 May 1881 at Oberlin, O., to Abbie Armilla

Stone; born 28 July 1854 at Pittsfield, Lorain Co., O., daughter of Reuben Stone and Hannah Whitney. Late residence, Cleveland, O.

Robert James Cummer was born in the year 1853 in Waterdown, Ontario, Can. His early education was obtained in the village school of Waterdown. From earliest youth, his dearest ambition had been to become a physician. During the last illness of his mother he had given her much tender care. It is probable that the desire to help others who were suffering had its birth at that time. Ambitious and thirsting for knowledge, he begged his father to give him a college education, something which had been offered to another son and had been declined. This the father refused to do.

He was apprenticed to his uncle, William M. Lottridge, then a wholesale grocer at Hamilton, Ont., and he started to learn the grocer's trade from the very bottom with characteristic thoroughness. The willingness he then manifested to master the fundamental principles of anything he undertook was a potent one in his ultimate success. It was a principle which he never failed to impress upon his children.

After a brief service with his uncle, following the completion of his four years' apprenticeship, he came to Cleveland in 1875, hoping to fulfill his ambition by studying medicine. For this purpose he had saved a small sum of money from his meagre earnings and to it had added a bequest from his paternal grandfather's estate.

While in Cleveland he made his home with his uncle, W. M. Lottridge, who had moved to the same city, and entered the Medical Department of Wooster University, then a famous institution.

At this time one of his relatives became embarrassed financially, and was in rather severe financial straits. With characteristic generosity, sacrificing for the time his own interests, and postponing the achievement of his most cherished ambition, Robert Cummer loaned to him his small capital, and secured a position at the Cleveland

State Hospital for the Insane, serving the institution as Pharmacist for three years, from 1876-1879. When he finally left he entered the Medical Department of Western Reserve University, which was then in an old building standing on the site of the present structure.

He was graduated from this institution in 1880 and immediately established himself in practice at Cadillac, Mich. When he went there the town was truly a pioneer one, but even then was a lumbering center of some importance. In 1881 he had been married to Miss Abbie Armilla Stone, at Oberlin, O.

While in Cadillac, Dr. Cummer served as health officer and acted as local surgeon for some of the railroad companies. Although he enjoyed an enviable practice, the work, with its long drives in the country over the rough log roads, became very arduous, and in 1888 he moved from Cadillac to Cleveland, O. Here he engaged in manufacturing. The business, like so many others, succumbed in the panic of 1893.

Robert Cummer decided to re-enter his profession and in the fall of 1894 he entered the Cleveland Medical College. This was a year filled with the hardest kind of work, as one may well imagine, for the habits of the student's life are quite different from those of the commercial world. His strong will, however, made him equal to the burden.

The acquirement of a practice was not a tedious matter as it is with so many younger men, though of course it was slow enough. His previous experience, his wide acquaintance, his age, and his courteous bearing, helped him to secure the professional esteem of those who knew him. Gradually his clientele grew and at times he was too heavily burdened with the responsibility of life and death.

In his relations with his patients his attitude was ideal. He became the repository not only of the



details which pertain to illness itself, but the confessor for the plaints of many an anguished heart. How few turned from him whose wounds had not been soothed by the healing touch which is furnished only by the truly sympathetic spirit! While this deep interest made him all the dearer to those who depended upon him, we can not but believe that it took much of his life's strength. The cares of others weighed upon him, though he would deny this to those who were worried for his welfare. Indeed, his attitude in life was one of sublime optimism.

In his family relations he was an ideal father, kind, affectionate and deeply interested in his children's work and play. His love was blended with just enough firmness and judgment to give him wonderful influence. His word was law, not through fear or threat, but because he knew how to say the best thing in a gentle and yet decided way. Withal, his relation with his children was that of a companion and a contemporary.

His desire for education became a ruling passion. He himself had longed for a well-rounded academic training, as can only those from whom it is withheld, and throughout his life he read and studied that he might perfect himself in his chosen calling. Of course it was only natural that he should wish his children to receive that of which he had been deprived, and to a great extent this desire shaped his life-plans.

During the last two years of life, his work became very arduous. He limited his time for recreation to a minimum, and so weakened his power of resistance. Late in the fall of 1905, he and his wife spent their vacation in a tour to the points along the St. Lawrence River. They visited Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec, and on their return stopped at Toronto. After his return home, Dr. Cummer did not seem to be himself, for he was abstracted and evidently weary. Some ten days later he was stricken down with typhoid fever and passed away after an illness of only two weeks.

C. L. C.

CHILDREN

401. I. Clyde Lottridge,<sup>5</sup> born 23 February 1882.  
Was graduated from Adelbert College of Western Reserve University (Ph. B.) 1904, and from the Medical Department (M. D.) of the same institution in 1907. Served as Medical House Officer at Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland. Since 1908 he has practiced in Cleveland, acting meanwhile as an Instructor in the Medical Department of Western Reserve University.
402. II. Bessie Rachel,<sup>5</sup> born 27 July 1886.  
Was graduated (A. B.) in 1910 from the College for Women of Western Reserve University.

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353. WILLIAM LOCKMAN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Lockman Abram Cummer and Rachel Catherine Lottridge; was born 5 April 1855 at Waterdown, Ont. He was married 18 December 1878 at Hamilton, Ont., to Charlotte Louisa Day; born 30 July 1859 at Hamilton, Ont., daughter of Francis Thomas Day and Charlotte Howard. Late residence, Hamilton, Ont.

William Lockman Cummer was educated in the Waterdown High School, and at the age of seventeen was apprenticed to his uncle, William M. Lottridge, Esq., who at that time conducted a wholesale grocery business at Hamilton, Ont. From 1874 to 1895 he was engaged in mercantile pursuits at Hamilton in association with his uncle, James M. Lottridge, Esq. Following this he enjoyed a rest of one year and then became connected with the Dowswell Manufacturing Company of Hamilton in the manufacture of wooden-ware and mechanical appliances. This business was succeeded to January 1st, 1909, by Cummer-Dowswell, Limited, the subject of this sketch being Managing-Director and controlling share-holder.

For a number of years he has been associated with the Wesley Methodist Church, and during this time has held the offices of Trustee, member of Quarterly Board, Treasurer and Bible Class leader.

## CHILDREN

403. I. William Ernest,<sup>5</sup> born 4 December 1879; married Gertrude May Perry.

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404. II. Harold Howard,<sup>5</sup> born 11 July 1882; married Margaret L. Thibaudeau.

## FAMILY 133.

405. III. Charlotte Evelyn,<sup>5</sup> born 1 February 1886; died 9 November 1887.

406. IV. Robert Lockman,<sup>5</sup> born 31 December 1888. Student at McGill University.

## FAMILY 109

354. GEORGE ALBERT<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Lockman Abram Cummer and Rachel Catherine Lottridge; was born 24 November 1857 at Waterdown, Ont.; died 9 April 1910 at Detroit, Mich. He was married 2 November 1880 at Cadillac, Mich., to Margaret S. Cloud; born 30 August 1863 at Fremont, O., daughter of John and Mary Cloud. Late residence, Detroit, Mich.

George Albert Cummer, son of Lockman A. and Rachel Catherine Cummer, was born at the village of Waterdown in Wentworth County, Can., on November 24th, 1857, and received his education at the High School there.

In 1878 he went to Cadillac, Mich., where he was engaged in mercantile pursuits for a number of years and also filled the position of Clerk of Court and Registrar of Deeds for two terms (four years) for Wexford County.

After a residence of about twelve years in Cadillac

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he removed to Cleveland, O., and was there associated with his brother, the late Robert J. Cummer, M. D., in the manufacturing business for about five years.

Early in 1895 he became a resident of Detroit, Mich., engaging in the hardware business until 1902. In that year, owing to illness, he was compelled to abandon active occupation and lived in retirement there until 9 April, 1910, when he passed away.

In politics he was an ardent Democrat, but for many years prior to his death was unable to take any interest in public matters.

On 2 November 1880, he was united in marriage to Margaret Simkins, the only daughter of John and Mary Matilda Cloud of Cadillac.

WILLIAM LOCKMAN CUMMER.

### CHILDREN

407. I. John,<sup>5</sup> born 26 August 1881; died 23 July 1882.  
408. II. Rachel,<sup>5</sup> born 13 July 1889; married Stanley N. Mason. FAMILY 134.

### FAMILY 110

357. HERBERT HARVEY<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*William,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of William Willson Cummer and Margaret James; was born 23 August 1860 at Bronte, Ont. He was married 2 July 1883 at Thornhill, Ont., to Helena Munshaw; born 20 August 1859 at Thornhill, Ont. Residence, Cadillac, Mich.

Herbert Harvey Cummer received his education at the common schools of Newton Brook and Willowdale. Until he was twenty-three years of age he worked for his father, William W. Cummer, in the general store at Newton Brook. After his father removed to Michigan Mr. Cummer succeeded him as postmaster and continued his father's business for about three years. He then moved to Cadillac where he has been engaged for twenty-five years in manufacturing business of one kind and



another. Of late years his attention has been given more particularly to the manufacture of fruit and vegetable crates. The Cummer Manufacturing Company was incorporated July 3d, 1902. At that time Mr. Cummer was elected President and has occupied the position ever since. He is also President of the Cummer Manufacturing Company of Paris, Texas.

## CHILDREN

409. I. Florence Helena,<sup>5</sup> born 12 September 1885.  
410. II. Bertha Irene,<sup>5</sup> born 2 November 1888.

## FAMILY 111

358. WILLIAM SHELDON HOWARD<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*William,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of William Willson Cummer and Margaret James; was born 13 February 1875 at Newton Brook, Ont. He was married 27 June 1899 at Toledo, O., to Selma Theresa Konopak; born 8 March 1876 at Toledo, O., daughter of Constantine Robert Konopak and Emma Tibbs. Residence, Chicago, Ill.

## CHILDREN

411. I. Margaret Emma,<sup>5</sup> born 9 April 1902.

## FAMILY 112

359. ELEANOR AVELYN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 11 December 1860 at Toronto, Ont.; died 30 March 1895 at Atlanta, Ga. She was married 1 June 1877 at Leipsic, Putnam Co., O., to Henry Franklin Askam, M. D.; born 4 December 1854 at Findley, Hancock Co., O. Residences, Ottawa, O.; Leipsic, O.; Cadillac, Mich., and Atlanta, Ga.

## CHILDREN

412. I. Daisy Edith,<sup>5</sup> born 9 March 1878; married Stephen A. Ryan. FAMILY 135.  
413. II. Kathryn,<sup>5</sup> born 26 May 1888; married James M. Lynch. FAMILY 136.



FAMILY 113

360. ARTHUR EDWIN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 21 April 1863 at Toledo, O. He was married 20 July 1881 at Kansas City, Mo., to Rhoda Elizabeth Bingham; born 17 June 1863 at Freeport, Ill., daughter of William Bingham and Anna Hahn. Residence, Kansas City, Mo.

CHILDREN

414. I. Winifred,<sup>5</sup> born 15 August 1888; married Bert G. Kennedy. FAMILY 137.  
415. II. Florence Evelyn,<sup>5</sup> born 16 April 1891.

FAMILY 114

361. ETHA LILLIAN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 19 October 1865 at Ottawa, O.; died 3 July 1893 at Ottawa, O. She was married October 1883 at Ottawa, O., to William Ward *Sutton*; born 1861 at Ottawa, O. Late residence, Ottawa, O.

Mr. Sutton was graduated from University of Michigan, 1882, and for several years practiced law with his father as "Sutton and Sutton." He was at one time a member of the Ohio State Senate, and for several years was President of the Ottawa School Board.

CHILDREN

416. I. Stansberry,<sup>5</sup> born 21 April 1882; died 11 April 1904.  
Met death by being struck by a falling skid in a lumber camp near Scanlon, Minn.  
417. II. Etha Arvilla,<sup>5</sup> born 17 August 1883; married Fred C. Lawrence. FAMILY 138.  
418. III. Edwin Cummer,<sup>5</sup> born 16 September 1892.

## FAMILY 115

362. MAY ARVILLA<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 19 April 1868 at Thornbury, Ont. She was married 9 November 1884 at Ottawa, O., to Lafayette Fruchey; born 7 October 1864 at Columbus Grove, O., son of Columbus Fruchey and Catherine Becker. Residence, Columbus Grove, O.

## CHILDREN

419. I. Arthur Edwin,<sup>5</sup> born 3 April 1886; died 19 May 1910 at Columbus, O.  
420. II. Etha Lillian,<sup>5</sup> born 26 May 1888.

## FAMILY 116

363. VERNON PERCY<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 19 October 1870 at Toledo, O.; died 10 August 1899 at Williamstown, Pa. He was married 3 March 1893 at Ottawa, O., to Iva N. Hamden; born 17 May 1870 at Marysville, O., daughter of George D. Hamden and Frances E. Welch. Late residence, Ottawa, O.

## CHILDREN

421. I. George Edwin,<sup>5</sup> born 19 July 1894; died 4 November 1902.  
422. II. Lyle Vernon,<sup>5</sup> born 12 July 1895.

## FAMILY 117

364. ELIJA FRANKLIN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Edwin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edwin Cummer and Arvilla Williams; was born 5 July 1876 at Toledo, O. He was married 26 December 1904 to Etta A. Hann; born 12 April 1881 at Columbus, O., daughter of Michael Hann and Madaline Hettles. Residence, Flint, Mich.

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FAMILY 118

366. EVELYN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Franklin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Franklin David Cummer and Eliza Ellen Myles; was born 10 October 1871. She was married 2 June 1904 to Frederick C. *Kingston*, son of Charles Kingston. Residence, Los Angeles, Cal.

CHILDREN

423. I. Evelyn,<sup>5</sup> born 26 February 1907.

FAMILY 119

367. ALBERT EDWIN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Franklin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Franklin David Cummer and Eliza Myles; was born 3 August 1873 at Buffalo, N. Y. He was married 7 November 1904 at Syracuse, N. Y., to Louise Jane West; born 7 August 1882 at Little Falls, N. Y., daughter of George West and Catharine Wraught. Residence, Cleveland, O.

Albert Edwin Cummer started in business life under his father in the Flint Glass, Sand and Stone Company, and was subsequently associated with him in the F. D. Cummer and Son Co. In the interest of this firm he travelled extensively in various parts of Europe, including Russia and Africa and South America. As their representative he was a resident of London for one year and of Paris for three years.

FAMILY 120

370. MABEL FLORENCE<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Franklin,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Franklin David Cummer and Eliza Ellen Myles; was born 10 October 1882 at Detroit, Mich. She married 12 December 1905 at Cleveland, O., to Spencer Marcus *Duty*; born 28 September 1878 at Cleveland, O., son of Daniel Duty and Sarah L. Cozad. Residence, Cleveland, O.

## CHILDREN

424. I. Spencer Cummer,<sup>5</sup> born 9 February 1907.

## FAMILY 121

371. EDITH PROCTOR<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*J. Walter*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of J. Walter Cummer and Mary Brown; was born 17 May 1874 at Waterdown, Ont. She was married 28 July 1903 at Cleveland, O., to Duncan Alexander Campbell, M. D.; born 10 March 1874 at Windsor, Ont., son of George and Fanny Helen Campbell. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

Dr. Campbell studied at Windsor Collegiate, later at Detroit College of Medicine, and was a house physician at Harper Hospital in Detroit for two years. Was a contract surgeon in the U. S. Army for a time, but is now in private practice.

## FAMILY 122

381. JOSEPH CARL<sup>4</sup> REED (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joseph Benjamin Reed and Sarah Cummer; was born 23 June 1869 at Waterdown, Ont. He was married 14 December 1898 at Toronto, Ont., to Myra Stafford; born 15 September 1868 at Newbury, Ont., daughter of Ezra A. Stafford and Eliza Hannah Hurlburt. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

Was graduated from Deveaux College. Student at Cornell University 1889-1890.

## FAMILY 123

382. CORA<sup>4</sup> REED (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Joseph B. Reed and Sarah Cummer; was born 28 February 1871 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 16 September 1891 to William Rathbun Hees; born 18 June 1867 at Oswego, N. Y., son of George Harris Hees and Antoinette Rathbun. Residence, New York City.



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### CHILDREN

425. I. Marion Lockman,<sup>5</sup> born 11 August 1892.  
426. II. Willard Rathbun,<sup>5</sup> born 12 December 1895.

### FAMILY 124

383. LE GRAND REED,<sup>4</sup> (*Sarah,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Joseph Benjamin Reed and Sarah Cummer; was born 8 October 1873 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 4 June 1896 at Detroit, Mich., to Mary E. Crawford; born 8 September 1877 at Detroit, Mich., daughter of Daniel Crawford. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

Was graduated from Deveaux College. Student at Cornell University 1890-1891.

### FAMILY 125

387. ARTHUR GERRISH<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*Wellington,<sup>4</sup> Jacob,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Wellington Willson Cummer and Ada Gerrish; was born 10 October 1873 at Morley, Mecosta Co., Mich. He was married 20 October 1897 at Michigan City, Laporte Co., Mich., to Ninah May Holden; born 16 October 1875 at Bremen, Marshall Co., Ind., daughter of George Reed Holden and Mary Elizabeth Trask. Residence, Jacksonville, Fla.

Arthur Gerrish Cummer was a student at University of Michigan from 1892-1895 in the course for Mechanical Engineering. He left college before the completion of his course to enter the lumber business, and with his brother, Waldo E., represents the fourth generation of his family line to follow this pursuit. His training was received from his father, and was thorough and fundamental. Since his father's death, he and his brother and brother-in-law, John L. Roe, have cared for the interests of their family.



Mrs. Cummer was graduated from the University of Michigan.

427. I. De Ette Holden,<sup>6</sup> born 13 November 1909; died 30 November 1909.

#### FAMILY 126

388. WALDO EMERSON<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*Wellington,<sup>4</sup> Jacob,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Wellington Willson Cummer and Ada Gerrish; was born 31 December 1875 at Morley, Mich. He was married 22 February 1898 at Cadillac, Mich., to Clara M. Cook; born 23 June 1873 at Flowerfield, Kalamazoo Co., Mich., daughter of Myron Smith Cook and Alice Mullen. Residence, Jacksonville, Fla.

Waldo Emerson Cummer was a student at Ann Arbor High School, 1891-1892, and at the University of Michigan, 1893-4-5. He left the University at the end of his Junior year to go into business with the Cummer Company at Norfolk, and went to Florida in 1896. His business career and that of his brother Arthur, have been almost parallel.

#### CHILDREN

428. I. John Gordon,<sup>6</sup> born 3 December 1900; died 17 May 1901.
429. II. Ada Gerrish,<sup>6</sup> born 5 September 1902.
430. III. Barbara Van Wye,<sup>6</sup> born 4 July 1905.

#### FAMILY 127

389. MABEL CARRIE<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*Wellington,<sup>4</sup> Jacob,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Wellington Willson Cummer and Ada Gerrish; was born 7 May 1882 at Cadillac, Wexford Co., Mich. She was married 20 February 1908 at

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Jacksonville, Fla., to John Lowry *Roe*; born 8 May 1875 at Madison, Jefferson Co., Ind., son of John L. *Roe* and Minnie Francisco. Residence, Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. *Roe* was graduated from Perdue University, class of 1896. For many years he was connected with the General Electric Co. in various important capacities. His training along business and mechanical lines has admirably fitted him to share with Arthur G. and Waldo E. Cummer the responsibilities of the management of the Cummer interests.

### CHILDREN

431. I. Daughter,<sup>6</sup> born 30 April 1910; died 30 April 1910.

## FAMILY 128

395. ALBERT JAMES<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Henry Cummer and Susan Allen; was born 10 April 1874 at Hamilton, Ont. He was married 14 May 1903 at Hamilton to Azuba Bristow; born 9 December 1873 at Arthur, Wellington Co., Ont. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

### CHILDREN

432. I. John Albert,<sup>6</sup> born 28 April 1904.  
433. II. Ralph Coburn,<sup>6</sup> born 29 November 1905.  
434. III. Evelyn Elizabeth,<sup>6</sup> born 25 February 1910.

## FAMILY 129

397. GEORGINA MAY<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Henry Cummer and Susan Allen; was born 9 December 1877 at Hamilton, Ont. She was married 6 April 1900 at Hamilton to Harold Hayden *Lumsden*; born 28 January 1878 at Hamilton, Ont.; son of George Edward Lumsden, Deputy Provincial Secretary, and Mary E. Farish. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

435. I. Helen Grace Frances,<sup>6</sup> born 25 September 1901.  
436. II. Allen Cummer,<sup>6</sup> born 1 November 1902.

## FAMILY 130

398. ROBERT HENRY LOTTRIDGE<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Henry Cummer and Susan Allen; was born 27 May 1878 at Hamilton, Ont. He was married 31 December 1907 at Hamilton to Margaret Lavina Kelk; born 15 August 1879 at Hamilton, daughter of John George and Henrietta Amelia Kelk. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

437. I. Pauline Henrietta,<sup>6</sup> born 16 August 1910.

## FAMILY 131

399. JOHN HERBERT<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*John*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of John Henry Cummer and Susan Allen; was born 1 May 1880 at Hamilton, Ont. He was married 19 April 1905 at Hamilton, Ont., to Janette Stewart File; born 2 September 1879, Ancaster, Wentworth Co., Ont., daughter of Daniel File and Mary Ellen Forbes. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

438. I. Phyllis Eleanor Susan,<sup>6</sup> born 18 February 1906.

## FAMILY 132

403. WILLIAM ERNEST<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*William*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Lockman Cummer and Charlotte Louisa Day; was born 4 December 1879 at Hamilton, Ont. He was married 25 June 1907 at Toronto, Ont., to Gertrude May Perry; born 10 July 1882 at Lachine, Quebec, Ont., daughter of Ralph Stanley Perry and Mary Julia Perry. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

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Dr. Cummer was graduated from the Royal College of Dental Surgeons at Toronto in 1902, receiving degrees of D. D. S. and L. D. S. He is now practicing in Toronto and holds the professorship of Prosthetic Dentistry in his alma mater.

### CHILDREN

439. I. Marjory Perry,<sup>6</sup> born 1 January 1909.

### FAMILY 133

404. HAROLD HOWARD<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*William*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Lockman Cummer and Charlotte Louisa Day; was born 11 July 1882 at Hamilton, Wentworth Co., Ont. He was married September 1908 at Putnam, Ont., to Margaret Luella Thibaudeau, M. E. L.; born 9 December 1880 at Mildmay, Ont., daughter of Rev. Alexander Thibaudeau and Jennie Bayne. Residence, Hamilton, Ont.

For three years (1903-1906) he attended the School of Practical Science at the University of Toronto, being registered in the department of Electrical and Chemical Engineering.

### FAMILY 134

407. RACHEL A.<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*George*,<sup>4</sup> *Lockman*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George Albert Cummer and Margaret Cloud; was born 13 July 1889 at Cadillac, Mich. She was married 22 February 1910 at Detroit, Mich., to Stanley N. Mason; born 4 August 1888 at Ingersoll, Ont., son of Charles Francis Oscar Mason and Margaret Nellis. Residence, Detroit, Mich.

### FAMILY 135

412. DAISY EDITH<sup>5</sup> ASKAM (*Eleanor*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry Franklin Askam, M. D., and Eleanor Avelyn Cummer; was born 9 March 1878 at Leipsic, Putnam Co., O. She was married 11



February 1896 at Atlanta, Fulton Co., Ga., to Stephen Andrew *Ryan*; born 11 February 1859 at Atlanta, Ga., son of John Ryan and Isabella Grey. Residence, Atlanta, Ga.

## CHILDREN

440. I. Edith Eleanor,<sup>6</sup> born 20 November 1896.

## FAMILY 136

413. KATHRYN SYBILLA<sup>5</sup> ASKAM (*Eleanor Avelyn*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry F. Askam and Eleanor Avelyn Cummer; born 26 May 1888 at Cadillac, Mich. She was married 26 December 1906 at Atlanta, Ga., to James M. *Lynch*; born 3 June 1887 at Savannah, Ga., son of James F. Lynch and Veronica Marie Reilly. Residence, Atlanta, Ga.

## CHILDREN

441. I. Kathryn,<sup>6</sup> born 15 May 1909.

## FAMILY 137

414. WINIFRED<sup>5</sup> CUMMER (*Arthur*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Arthur Edwin Cummer and Rhoda Elizabeth Bingham; was born 15 August 1888 at Sabetha, Kan. She was married to Bert G. *Kennedy*; born at Chicago, Ill. Residence, Kansas City, Mo.

## FAMILY 138

417. ETHA ARVILLA<sup>5</sup> SUTTON, (*Etha*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwin*,<sup>3</sup> *John*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Ward Sutton and Etha Lillian Cummer; was born 17 August 1884 at Ottawa, O. She was married 25 March 1905 at Muskogee, Indian Territory, to Fred C. *Lawrence*, born 9 March 1871 at Boonsboro, Iowa, son of Hon. William R. Lawrence and Josephine Frazier. Residence, Muskogee, Okla.



Mr. Lawrence began in the government service in the United States Geological Survey in New Mexico. Later he enlisted in Co. L of the 37th U. S. Volunteer Infantry at the time of the Philippine trouble. He was mustered out in 1901. In 1903 he engaged in the United States Indian Service as a clerk at Muskogee, Okla., but resigned in 1907 to engage in the oil and gas business.

## CHAPTER V.

### ELIHU PEASE AND KATHERINE CUMMER AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 139

6. KATHERINE<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 10 December 1798 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont.; died 11 August 1886 at Thornburg, Ont. She was married 1819 at York to Elihu Pease; born 24 June 1781 at Enfield, Ct.; died 4 September 1854 at Lansing, Ont.

Elihu Pease resided at Buffalo for two or three years after his marriage, but soon returned to York, near Toronto, where he had lived at one time previous to his marriage and where he died in 1854. He was a leather manufacturer.

#### CHILDREN

442. I. Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 6 June 1822; married Andrew Davis; died 11 February 1907.  
443. II. Edward,<sup>3</sup> born 15 September 1824; married Sarah Castle. FAMILY 140.  
444. III. Hannah,<sup>3</sup> born 5 February 1832; married Joseph B. Marsh; died 28 September 1908 at Thornbury, Ont.  
445. IV. Asenath,<sup>3</sup> born 13 June 1834; married Christopher Harrison.

#### FAMILY 140

443. EDWARD<sup>3</sup> PEASE (*Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Elihu Pease and Katherine Cummer; was born 15 September 1824 at Newtonbrook, York Co., Ont. He was married 15 September 1846 at Willowdale, Ont., to Sarah

Castle; born 20 December 1823 at Vaughn, York Co., Ont.; died 6 May 1898 at Laskay, York Co., Ont., daughter of Samuel Castle and Mary Shepard. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

At the age of fifteen years Mr. Edward Pease started to learn the trade in his father's tannery and worked with his father eight years. During this period, he married Sarah Castle and removed to the Township of King in York County, Ont., where he built a tannery and started his own business. Here he remained for about thirteen years and afterwards removed to Aurora, continuing the same business until the year 1879, when he came to Toronto and engaged in the wholesale leather business. This he continued for some ten or twelve years, until his retirement from commercial life. He is still residing in Toronto. For several terms he was elected to the Township Council in King County, and at one time he was a member of the Town Council in Aurora. In politics, he has always been a Liberal. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Church.

#### CHILDREN

446. I. Luther Herbert,<sup>4</sup> born 4 December 1847; married Jane French. FAMILY 141.
447. II. Mary Amelia,<sup>4</sup> born 13 August 1849; married Isaac French. FAMILY 142.
448. III. Horace Castle,<sup>4</sup> born 2 October 1851; married Wilhelmina Hume. FAMILY 143.
449. IV. Joseph,<sup>4</sup> born 25 May 1853; married Harriet Duncan. FAMILY 144.
450. V. Elihu,<sup>4</sup> born 28 January 1856; married Emma Davis. FAMILY 145.
451. VI. Franklin,<sup>4</sup> born 12 July 1859; died 27 April 1884.
452. VII. Maggie Jane,<sup>4</sup> born 5 June 1862; married Geo. Teasdale. FAMILY 146.

453. VIII. Edward W.,<sup>4</sup> born 15 September 1865; died when young.
454. IX. Hattie Sarah,<sup>4</sup> born 18 October 1867; married William Henry Wise. FAMILY 147.

## FAMILY 141

446. LUTHER HERBERT<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 4 December 1847 at Lansing, York Co., Ont. He was married 25 May 1885 to Jane French; born 19 February 1837 at Toronto, daughter of Richard French and Mary Williamson. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## FAMILY 142

447. MARY AMELIA<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 13 August 1849 at King, York Co., Ont. She was married 12 June 1888 to Isaac French; born 28 June 1840 at Toronto, Ont.; died 13 October 1903 at Toronto; son of Richard French and Mary Williamson. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

455. I. Hattie Castile,<sup>5</sup> born 1 January 1890; died 16 September 1890.
456. II. Norah Elsie,<sup>5</sup> born 15 June 1892.

## FAMILY 143

448. HORACE CASTLE<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 2 October 1851 at King, York Co., Ont. He was married first 22 February 1882 to Elizabeth Georgina Grey; born 1858 at Newcastle, Ont.; died 30 October 1884, daughter of George Grey and Elizabeth Ivory. He married second 15 October 1902 to Wilhelmina Hume; born 5 February 1864 at Milton, Halton Co., Ont., daughter of William Hume, M. D., and Priscilla Bessey. Residence, Toronto, Ont.



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FAMILY 144

449. JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 25 May 1853 in King Township, York Co., Ont. He was married to Harriet Duncan; born at Locheil, Glengarry Co., Ont., daughter of Thomas Duncan and Harriet Fraser. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

- 457. I. Edward Duncan,<sup>5</sup> born February 1875; married Emma Rothaermal.
- 458. II. Minnie Fraser,<sup>5</sup> born October 1877; died 9 May 1905.
- 459. III. Isabel Josephine Castle,<sup>5</sup> born May 1883.
- 460. IV. Oswald Middleton,<sup>5</sup> born 9 March 1885.

FAMILY 145

450. ELIHU<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 28 June 1855 at King, York Co., Ont.; died 25 January 1902 at Georgetown, Halton Co., Ont. He was married 25 June 1890 at Uxbridge, Ont., to Emma Letitia Davis; born 3 December 1858 at Uxbridge, daughter of Franklin Edwy Davis and Martha Ann O'Flynn. Late residence, Georgetown, Ont.

After Mr. Pease left school he entered his father's tannery, where he learned the trade. Later he joined with his father and two brothers in the wholesale leather trade, Mr. Pease acting as traveller for the firm. Subsequently he represented a Quebec firm. Though he had been in poor health his sudden death in 1902 came as a great shock to his family and the community.

CHILDREN

- 461. I. Allen Francis,<sup>5</sup> born 11 June 1892; residence, Winnipeg, Man.

## FAMILY 146

452. MAGGIE JANE<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 5 June 1862 at Lansing, York Co., Ont. She was married 28 December 1887 at Toronto, Ont., to George *Teasdale*; born 21 August 1855 at Markham, Ont., son of William Teasdale and Margaret Bowes. Residence, Laskay, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 462. I. Frank William,<sup>5</sup> born 28 October 1889.
- 463. II. Mary Pease,<sup>5</sup> born 26 February 1891.
- 464. III. Edythe Hattie,<sup>5</sup> born 27 December 1895.
- 465. IV. Edward Horace,<sup>5</sup> born 21 September 1897.
- 466. V. George Anthony,<sup>5</sup> born 11 February 1902.

## FAMILY 147

454. HATTIE SARAH<sup>4</sup> PEASE (*Edward*,<sup>3</sup> *Katherine*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edward Pease and Sarah Castle; was born 18 October 1867 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. She was married 15 June 1898 at Toronto, Ont., to William Henry *Wise*; born 11 November 1867 at Tottenham, Middlesex Co., Eng., son of Thomas Wise and Mary Claridge. Residence, Eglington, Ont.

## CHILDREN

- 467. I. Gertrude Mary,<sup>5</sup> born 24 August 1899.
- 468. II. Thomas Arthur,<sup>5</sup> born 30 November 1902.
- †. III. Margaret Hattie,<sup>5</sup> born 7 January 1907.



ELIHU PEASE



EDWARD PEASE





## CHAPTER VI

### JACOB CUMMER AND AGNES ENDICOTT AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 148

7. JACOB<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 20 December 1800 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 26 March 1880 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 31 December 1823 at Eglington, York Co., Ont., to Agnes Endicott; born 22 October 1802 at Weston, York Co., Ont.; died 29 March 1873 at Willowdale; daughter of John Endicott and Elizabeth Devins. Late residence, Goderich, and Willowdale.

Jacob Cummer was born in Cummer's Settlement in a log house built on the old Indian trail afterwards called Yonge Street. The family tradition says that his cradle was one of the sap troughs that his father had made on their journey from Pennsylvania. In those days the educational advantages were, of course, very limited and he enjoyed in all only two years in the common school, although he made good use of his opportunities, being especially clever in mathematics.

A few years after his marriage to Miss Agnes Endicott they moved to Goderich but returned to Willowdale after seven years, building a home just opposite his birth-place.

Of a very kind and generous disposition, the hungry were never turned away from his door and many a way-worn traveler found a comfortable night's lodging beneath his roof. Although he raised only two children of his own, he and his wife received many a poor orphan boy and girl into their home, fed, clothed and educated them, and kept them until they were able to make their own way in the world.

His disposition was a retiring one, but the fact that he was a sufferer with asthma had much to do with that. For a long time he carried on a tinsmith or hardware business. At the time of his death he was the oldest postmaster in York County. He was a devoted Christian and like most of the early Cummers, a member of the Willowdale Methodist Church.

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#### CHILDREN

469. I. Joseph Charles,<sup>3</sup> born 20 January 1825; married Mary Price. FAMILY 149.
470. II. Susanna Miranda,<sup>3</sup> born 24 July 1826; married William G. Moore.  
FAMILY 150.
471. III. Elizabeth Ann Britain,<sup>3</sup> born 1 January 1828; died 3 August 1828.

#### FAMILY 149

469. JOSEPH CHARLES<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Agnes Endicott; was born 20 January 1826 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 5 January 1896 at Minneapolis, Minn. He was married 27 January 1848 at Willowdale to Mary A. Price; born 1823 at London, Eng.; died 2 July 1892 at Buffalo, N. Y., daughter of Edward Price and Susanna Wales. Late residence, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. Cummer was a man of varied talents. Well educated, he had considerable knowledge of astronomy and chemistry and could read Latin, Greek and Hebrew. His skill in mechanical lines was marked, for he was able to work in wood and in all sorts of metal. He was not, however, a business man in the ordinary acceptance of the term, and was almost too sensitive to succeed. He was killed by a street car in Minneapolis and was buried in that city.



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CHILDREN

- 472. I. Jessie Wales,<sup>4</sup> born 18 November 1848; died 18 October 1849.
- 473. II. Josephine Belvedere,<sup>4</sup> born 10 September 1850; married I. Adrian Mugridge, deceased, II William Douglass, Residence, Missoula, Mont.
- 474. III. Ida Hannah,<sup>4</sup> born 16 September 1852; residence, Appleton, Minn.
- 475. IV. Theodore Charles,<sup>4</sup> born 1 December 1854; married Margaret Simpson.

FAMILY 151.

- 476. V. Harry,<sup>4</sup> born 2 April 1857; married I. Mildred Swartz, deceased, II. Sarah MacArthur.

FAMILY 152.

- 477. VI. Oswald Munroe,<sup>4</sup> born 31 August 1859; married Rhoda Whitchlow.
- 478. VII. Suzetta Gibson,<sup>4</sup> born 16 May 1862; married Sylvester Eckenbeck. FAMILY 153.
- 479. VIII. Frederick Gibson,<sup>4</sup> born 16 May 1862.
- 480. IX. Mary Naomi,<sup>4</sup> born 24 July 1866; married Ebenezer Southall. FAMILY 154.
- 481. X. Phil. Sheridan,<sup>4</sup> born 11 May 1869.

FAMILY 150

470. SUSANNA MIRANDA CUMMER (*Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Agnes Endicott; was born 24 July 1826 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 5 October 1865 at Lima, O. She was married 3 September 1844 at Scriba, N. Y., to William G. *Moore*; born July 1824 at Lexington, Ky. Late residence, Lexington, Ky., Delphos, O.

CHILDREN

- 482. I. Franklin Coborne,<sup>4</sup> born 16 February 1847; died 14 February 1873.
- 483. II. Willmina Catherine,<sup>4</sup> born 23 February 1849; died 23 March 1908.



484. III. Montimore A. Delbert,<sup>4</sup> born 3 May 1851; died 17 October 1852.
485. IV. Mary Helen,<sup>4</sup> born 11 March 1854; married Thos. V. Lawless. FAMILY 155.
486. V. Susanna Minnie Augusta,<sup>4</sup> born 14 December 1857; married Joseph Bernice Allison. FAMILY 156.

## FAMILY 151

475. THEODORE CHARLES<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Jacob,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Joseph Charles Cumber and Mary A. Price; was born 1 December 1854. He was married to Margaret D. Simpson; born 2 January 1857 at Chipewa, Ont.; died 4 July 1907, daughter of John F. Simpson and Dorothy Douglass.

## CHILDREN

487. I. William C.,<sup>5</sup> born 8 August 1879; residence, Buffalo, N. Y.
488. II. Jessie M.,<sup>5</sup> born 22 October 1881; married Percival DeKlyn Walty.

## FAMILY 152

476. HARRY<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Jacob,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Joseph Cumber and Mary A. Price; was born 2 April 1857 at Aurora, Ont. He was married first 5 January 1886 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Mildred Thornton Swartz; born 29 December 1857; died 1 July 1901 at Buffalo, N. Y., daughter of Henry Alvin Swartz and Mary Thornton. He was married second to Sarah MacArthur at Hartley, Ont., 17 December 1902, daughter of Charles and Margaret MacArthur. Residence, Buffalo, N. Y.

## CHILDREN

489. I. Mildred Mary,<sup>5</sup> born 14 October 1886.
490. II. Marjorie Clara,<sup>5</sup> born 22 April 1888; married George Chase Bolton.

491. III. Harry Wales,<sup>5</sup> born 21 October 1897.  
 492. IV. Stella MacArthur,<sup>5</sup> born 24 August 1907.

#### FAMILY 153

478. SUSETTE GIBSON<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Jacob,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joseph C. Cummer and Mary Price; was born 16 May 1862 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 3 April 1884 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Sylvester Charles *Eckenbeck*; born 27 May 1852 at Waterford, Wis., son of Charles Eckenbeck and Christina Lassman. Residence, Appleton, Minn.

#### CHILDREN

493. I. Norval Ray,<sup>5</sup> born 21 September 1887.  
 494. II. Everett Erle,<sup>5</sup> born 2 April 1894.  
 495. III. Dana Charles,<sup>5</sup> born 6 February 1900.  
 496. IV. Sylvester Dean,<sup>5</sup> born 6 February 1900; died 14 February 1901.

#### FAMILY 154

480. MARY NAOMI<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Joseph,<sup>3</sup> Jacob,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joseph Cummer and Mary A. Price; was born 24 July 1866 at Buffalo, N. Y. She was married 1 January 1886 at Buffalo, N. Y., to Ebenezer *Southall*; born 17 August 1865 at London, Eng., son of Edward Windsor Southall and Esther Pranter. Residence, Buffalo, N. Y.

#### CHILDREN

497. I. Bertha Jean,<sup>5</sup> born 3 December 1886.  
 498. II. Doris Mary,<sup>5</sup> born 12 December 1888; died 2 January 1889.  
 499. III. Doris Esther,<sup>5</sup> born 18 July 1891.  
 500. IV. Winifred,<sup>5</sup> born 19 June 1895.  
 501. V. Hilda May,<sup>5</sup> born 5 May 1899.  
 502. VI. Herbert Alfred,<sup>5</sup> born 6 March 1903.  
 503. VII. Naomi Endicott,<sup>5</sup> born 21 August 1908.

## FAMILY 155

485. MARY HELEN,<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Susanna*,<sup>3</sup> *Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Gamble Moore and Susanna Miranda Cummer; born 11 Mar 1854 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 18 February 1874 at Willowdale to Thomas *Lawless*; born 22 November 1852 at Birmingham, Eng., son of John Lawless and Emma Brittian. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

504. I. Franklin Eugene,<sup>5</sup> born 15 December 1874; married Mary Drucilla Arnott.

## FAMILY 157.

505. II. Cora Merl,<sup>5</sup> born 11 November 1878; married John Kearney Fleming.

## FAMILY 158.

506. III. Adelbert Elwyn,<sup>5</sup> born 7 July 1882.

507. IV. Velva Beryl,<sup>5</sup> born 7 July 1892.

## FAMILY 156

486. MINNIE AUGUSTA<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Susannah*,<sup>3</sup> *Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Gamble Moore and Susanna Miranda Cummer; born 14 December 1857 at Lockland, O. She was married 5 September 1883 at Willowdale, Ont., to Joseph Bernice *Allison*; born 22 October 1857 at Moffat, Halton Co., Ont., son of Robert Allison and Margaret Taylor. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

508. I. Maggie Willmina Augusta,<sup>5</sup> born 24 June 1884; died 18 May 1909.

509. II. Lulu Beatrice,<sup>5</sup> born 15 July 1885; married Leo P. Greene.

510. III. Robert Victor,<sup>5</sup> born 15 March 1887.

511. IV. Joseph Earl,<sup>5</sup> born 19 June 1889.

512. V. Beulah Faye,<sup>5</sup> born 30 May 1896.

FAMILY 157

504. FRANKLIN EUGENE<sup>5</sup> LAWLESS (*Mary*,<sup>4</sup> *Susannah*,<sup>3</sup> *Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Thomas Vivian Lawless and Mary Helen Moore; was born 15 December 1874 at Baltimore, Northumberland Co., Ont. He was married 28 February 1898 at Campbellford, Northumberland Co., Ont., to Mary Drucilla Arnott; born 7 June 1865 at Trenton, Ont., daughter of William Arnot and Drucilla Oliver. Residence, Peterboro, Ont.

513. I. Eva May,<sup>6</sup> born 9 May 1900.

514. II. Muriel Irene,<sup>6</sup> born 10 January 1902.

515. III. Geraldine Gladys,<sup>6</sup> born 5 November 1903.

516. IV. Blanche Helen,<sup>6</sup> born 28 June 1905.

517. V. Mary Drucilla,<sup>6</sup> born 3 September 1909.

FAMILY 158

505. CORA MERL LAWLESS<sup>5</sup> (*Mary*,<sup>4</sup> *Susannah*,<sup>3</sup> *Jacob*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Thomas Vivian Lawless and Mary Helen Moore; was born 11 November 1878 at Monroe, Monroe Co., Mich. She was married 17 July 1901 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to John K. *Fleming*; born 10 March 1871 at Toronto, York Co. Ont., son of Joseph Fleming and Maria Shanks. Residence, Lambton Mills Ont.

CHILDREN

518. I. Agnes Endicott,<sup>6</sup> born 26 April 1902; died 27 April 1902.

519. II. Winnifred Helen,<sup>6</sup> born 20 March 1903.

520. III. John Elwyn,<sup>6</sup> born 17 July 1905.

521. IV. Robert Orval,<sup>6</sup> born 28 March 1907.

522. V. Frederick Mortimore,<sup>6</sup> born 28 March 1910; died 29th March 1910.



## CHAPTER VII

### DAVID CUMMER AND ABIGAIL McKERGAN AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 159

8. DAVID<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 31 January 1803 at Willowdale, York Co., Ont.; died 11 January 1876. He was married 25 March 1824 at Markham, York Co., Ont., to Abigail McKergan; born 2 November 1797 at Harwich, Kent Co.; died 26 April 1872.

#### CHILDREN

523. I. Caroline Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 8 January 1826; died 30 October 1843.  
524. II. David Ninnian,<sup>3</sup> born 11 December 1826.  
525. III. Joshua Caleb,<sup>3</sup> born 24 November 1828.  
526. IV. Ezra Adams,<sup>3</sup> born 2 March 1831.  
527. V. Jacob Israel,<sup>3</sup> born 24 January 1833.  
528. VI. Margaret Matilda,<sup>3</sup> born 25 March 1835; married Thomas Cope.  
529. VII. Samuel Sutherland,<sup>3</sup> born 24 November 1837; married Sarah Topping.

#### FAMILY 160.

530. VIII. Sarah Catherine,<sup>3</sup> born 24 November 1837; died 29 October 1843.

#### FAMILY 160

529. SAMUEL SUTHERLAND<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*David*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of David Cummer and Abigail McKergan; was born 24 November 1837 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 16 January 1862 at Willowdale to Sarah Top-





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ping; born 5 September at German Mills, York Co., Ont.; died 28 January 1876, daughter of John Topping and Mary Cullen. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

531. I. Mary Edith,<sup>4</sup> born 5 March 1863; married James Drury. FAMILY 161.
532. II. William Ernest,<sup>4</sup> born 28 July 1865; married Annie Howard. FAMILY 162.
533. III. Selina B.,<sup>4</sup> born 26 September 1867; married Wilmer Cummer.
534. IV. Alice M.,<sup>4</sup> born 5 June 1869; died 8 October 1871.
535. V. Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 5 June 1871; died 8 October 1871.
536. VI. Herbert Augustus,<sup>4</sup> born 17 April 1873; married Ella Tuton. FAMILY 163.
537. VII. Sarah Caroline,<sup>4</sup> born 28 January 1876; married Walter Morris. FAMILY 164.

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531. MARY EDITH<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel<sup>3</sup> David,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Samuel Sutherland Cummer and Sarah Topping; was born 5 March 1863 at York Co., Ont. She was married 29 October 1884 at Thornhill, Ont., to James *Drury*, son of James Drury and Mary Schofield. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

538. I. Eva Maud,<sup>5</sup> born 8 April 1888.

FAMILY 162

532. WILLIAM ERNEST<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> David,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Samuel Sutherland Cummer and Sarah Topping; was born 28 July 1865 at Toronto, Ont. He

was married 26 April 1893 at Thornhill, Ont., to Charlotte Annie Howard; born 28 January 1873 at Thornhill, daughter of William James Howard and Mary Bishop. Residence, Dollar, Ontario.

## CHILDREN

539. I. Elvy May,<sup>5</sup> born 5 November 1896.

540. II. Hazel Neta,<sup>5</sup> born 7 April 1909.

## FAMILY 163

536. HERBERT A.<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> David,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Samuel Sutherland Cummer and Sarah Topping; was born 17 April 1874 at Thornhill, York Co., Ont. He was married 21 April 1897 at Penetanguishere, Simcoe Co., Ont., to Eleanor M. Tuton; born 20 April 1875 at Penetanguishere, daughter of George Tuton and Jessie Watt. Residence, Penetanguishere, Ont.

## CHILDREN

541. I. Harold C.,<sup>5</sup> born 16 March 1898.

542. II. Samuel C.,<sup>5</sup> born 21 January 1899.

543. III. William H.,<sup>5</sup> born 29 January 1901.

544. IV. Jessie E.,<sup>5</sup> born 24 July 1903.

545. V. George E.,<sup>5</sup> born 6 October 1905.

546. VI. Francis M.,<sup>5</sup> born 29 July 1907.

## FAMILY 164

537. SARAH<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> David,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Samuel Sutherland Cummer and Sarah Topping; born 28 January 1878 at German Mill, Ont. She was married 15 June 1898 to Walter K. Morris; born 5 May 1878 at Trinity, Newfoundland, son of Jacob Samuel Morris and Emma Jane Morris. Residence, Deer Park, Ont.

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CHILDREN

- 547. I. Earl Walter,<sup>5</sup> born 1 April 1899.
- 548. II. Verna May,<sup>5</sup> born 20 September 1901.
- 549. III. Frederick Kenneth,<sup>5</sup> born 1 August 1904;  
died 29 November 1905.
- 550. IV. Ruby Viola,<sup>5</sup> born 27 April 1906.
- 551. V. Cecil Ernest,<sup>5</sup> born 26 January 1909.



## CHAPTER VIII

### ROBERT PENROSE IRWIN AND SARAH CUMMER AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 165

10. SARAH<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 28 May 1806 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 20 June 1838 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 5 April 1830 at Willowdale, Ont., to Robert Penrose *Irwin*; born 25 February 1805 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont.; died 20 May 1884 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. Late residence, Willowdale, Ont.

#### CHILDREN

552. I. Charles,<sup>3</sup> born 19 June 1831; married Catherine Tyson. FAMILY 166.  
553. II. Samuel,<sup>3</sup> born 10 August 1840; married Susan Appleton.  
554. III. William,<sup>3</sup> born 5 June 1836; died 12 October 1838.  
555. IV. Robert Penrose,<sup>3</sup> born 28 June 1838; died 5 August 1838.  
556. V. Sarah,<sup>3</sup> born 28 June 1838; died 19 July 1838.

#### FAMILY 166

552. CHARLES<sup>3</sup> IRWIN (*Sarah*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Robert Penrose Irwin and Sarah Cummer; was born 19 June 1831 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont. He was married 19 October 1855 at Aurora, York Co., Ont., to Catherine Tyson; died 4 May 1906 at Toronto, daughter of Isaiah Tyson and Catherine Courtwright. Residence, Toronto, Can.

Shortly after Mr. Irwin's birth his parents moved from their home at Newmarket to Willowdale. They settled on a farm which his father had purchased from Jacob Cummer and then presented to his mother. In the fall of 1849 he was apprenticed to his uncle, who then lived at Pleasant Valley, Belmont County, O., to learn the trade of a carpenter, but after a year returned home at his mother's request. In the meantime the farm at Willowdale had been sold and his father had purchased the Tyler Mills at Aurora. After a second period spent with his uncle in Ohio, he entered the milling business under his father in 1852.

Following his marriage some three years later, he and his brother Samuel bought the milling plant from their father and were known by the firm name of C. and S. P. Irwin, Merchant Millers. The business was enlarged by building a flour mill and stave factory. Then Mr. Irwin sold his interest to his brother and engaged in farming in King Township, but after five years re-entered the milling business, from which he retired a few years later. In 1893 he moved with his family to Toronto.

In politics he is a Reformer. He was the first Deputy Reeve of the municipality of King in York County and was a member of the County Council of York County. During his term of service, one of the most important by-laws was that establishing a County Industrial Home for the destitute poor. On account of his support of this measure, Mr. Irwin was called the "poor-house man." He was also honored by appointment as Justice of the Peace, which office he held for thirty years. In religion he is a Methodist.

#### CHILDREN

557. I. Josephine,<sup>4</sup> born 5 August 1855; married John Wells.
558. II. Marion,<sup>4</sup> born 3 April 1860; married Thomas Hammell.

FAMILY 167.

559. III. Kate,<sup>4</sup> born 19 April 1866; died ———.  
560. IV. Fred,<sup>4</sup> born 186—; died ———.  
561. V. Charles Courtwright,<sup>4</sup> born 31 December  
1870; married Eva Brown.

## FAMILY 168.

562. VI. William Snider,<sup>4</sup> born 18 November 1872;  
married Lillian Richardson.

## FAMILY 169.

## FAMILY 167

558. MARION ELIZA<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Charles,<sup>3</sup> Sarah,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Charles Irwin and Catherine Tyson; was born 3 April 1861 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. She was married 1 November 1882 at Lloydstown, York Co., Ont., to Thomas *Hammell*; born 14 December 1853 at Beeton, Simcoe Co. Ont., son of William Hammell and Mary Brown. Residence, Beeton, Ont.

## CHILDREN

563. I. Esther Louise,<sup>5</sup> born 31 August 1883.  
564. II. Charles Irwin,<sup>5</sup> born 1 June 1885.  
565. III. Catherine Marion,<sup>5</sup> born 13 June 1890.  
566. IV. Margaret Mary,<sup>5</sup> born 25 July 1893.

## FAMILY 168

561. CHARLES COURTWRIGHT<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Charles,<sup>3</sup> Sarah,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Charles Irwin and Catherine Tyson; was born 31 January 1870 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. He was married to Sarah Evalyn Brown; born at Schamberg, York Co., Ont., daughter of John R. Brown and Mary Price. Residence, London, Ont.

## CHILDREN

567. I. Douglas Price,<sup>5</sup> born 5 May 1896; died in  
infancy.  
568. II. Douglas Tyson,<sup>5</sup> born 14 June 1898; died in  
infancy.  
569. III. Pearson Courtwright,<sup>5</sup> born 18 June 1900.

FAMILY 169

562. REV. WILLIAM SNIDER<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Charles,<sup>3</sup> Sarah,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Charles Irwin and Catherine Tyson; was born 18 November 1872 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. He was married 11 July 1900 near village of Penville, Simcoe Co., Ont., to Lilian May Richardson; born 17 March 1873 near Penville, daughter of Hugh Richardson and Sarah Susannah Brown. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

570. I. Muriel Susannah,<sup>5</sup> born 29 March 1903.  
571. II. Vera Catherine,<sup>5</sup> born 19 September 1905.

FAMILY 170

572. ANNIE ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Sarah,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Samuel Irwin and Susan Appleton; born 3 April 1862 at Aurora, Ont.; died 3 April 1898 at Carberry, Man. She was married 26 June 1889 at Virden, Man., to Robert *Hay*; born 17 January 1856 at Paisley, Bruce Co., Ont. Residence, Winnipeg, Man.

CHILDREN

573. I. Gladys Muriel,<sup>5</sup> born 22 April 1890.

## CHAPTER IX

### WILLIAM SNIDER AND NANCY CUMMER AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 171

11. NANCY<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 16 September 1808 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 26 May 1864. She was married 16 August 1827 at Willowdale to William Snider; born 16 June 1802 in New Brunswick, Can.; died 19 December 1876 at Aurora, York Co., Ont. Late residence, on Yonge St., 9 miles north of Toronto.

#### CHILDREN

574. I. Sarah J.,<sup>3</sup> born 28 October 1829; married William Jackes April 1849; died 18 August 1850.

575. II. Edwy William,<sup>3</sup> born 21 July 1833; married Margaret Robinson.

#### FAMILY 172.

576. III. Mary Adelaid,<sup>3</sup> born 6 April 1837; died 1841.

577. IV. Emily Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 20 September 1842; married Charles H. Moore.

#### FAMILY 173.

578. V. Harriet Amelia,<sup>3</sup> born 28 May 1848; married M. B. Irwin.

#### FAMILY 174.

579. VI. Annie,<sup>3</sup> born 20 June 1851; died 20 June 1851.

#### FAMILY 172

575. EDWY WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> SNIDER (*Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of William Snider and Nancy Cummer; was born 21 July 1833; died 28 November 1902. He was married 21





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February 1855 to Margaret Robinson; died 21 March 1897 at San Diego, Cal.

He was one of the pioneers of Manitoba, for he moved there in 1880. His courage and enterprise were shown by this fact, for he invested a sum of six thousand dollars in land in an unimproved country, far from railroad or any conveniences.

To his family he was extremely devoted, and he provided well for each son by giving him a tract of one hundred and sixty acres of good farming land.

He commanded the utmost respect and confidence of his fellowmen, and occupied many positions of trust. He was most prominent in school affairs, serving as a school trustee during the entire time of his residence in Portage la Prairie. At this time the town was in the hands of a receiver and it was necessary for him to aid in raising the teachers' salaries by subscription.

A devoted musician, he sang in choirs for several years. He was instrumental in organizing several bands.

Soon after losing his wife, he died, apparently of a broken heart. A man of noble character, he was ever ready to aid the poor.

#### CHILDREN

580. I. George William,<sup>4</sup> born 22 January 1856; married Annie May Atkins.

FAMILY 175.

581. II. Egerton Edwy,<sup>4</sup> born 9 December 1857; married Mary Crawford.

FAMILY 176.

582. III. Marshall Bidwell,<sup>4</sup> born 26 October 1859; married Anna Marguerite Brown.

FAMILY 177.

583. IV. Ella Lucilla,<sup>4</sup> born 28 July 1861; married Hugh Savigny Paterson.

FAMILY 178.

584. V. Irvine Robinson,<sup>4</sup> born 1 January 1864; married Helen Swales. FAMILY 179.

585. VI. Norman Franklin,<sup>4</sup> born 21 September 1865; married Agnes Davison Cowan.

FAMILY 180.

586. VII. Alva Morley,<sup>4</sup> born 10 October 1867; married Margaret Drysdale. FAMILY 181.

587. VIII. Percy Harrington,<sup>4</sup> born 6 December 1869; married Laura Knowlton Halstead; died 4 November 1897. No issue.

588. IX. Claude Hilton,<sup>4</sup> born 11 February 1872; married Lulu Gertrude Curtiss.

FAMILY 182.

589. X. Maude Lillian,<sup>4</sup> born 25 April 1875; married Bertram Augustus St. John.

FAMILY 183.

590. XI. Gertrude May,<sup>4</sup> born 21 August 1878; married William G. J. Stephen.

FAMILY 184.

591. XII. Daisy Mabel,<sup>4</sup> born 15 June 1880; married Gorder Griffith St. Clair, M. D.

FAMILY 185.

### FAMILY 173

577. EMILY ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> SNIDER (*Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Snider and Nancy Cumber; was born 20 September 1842 at Toronto, Ont.; died 30 November 1907. She was married 16 May 1864 at Eglington, York Co., Ont., to Charles Henry *Moore*; born 16 May 1837 at Staten Island, N. Y., son of Henry Moore of Staffordshire, Eng., and Jane Bird of Cumberland, Eng. Late residence, Owen Sound, Ont.

### CHILDREN

592. I. William Henry,<sup>4</sup> born 6 March 1865; married Alice Grace Leitch. FAMILY 186.

593. II. Henry Clifford,<sup>4</sup> born 13 October 1866; married Emma Ryan. FAMILY 187.

594. III. Herbert Russel,<sup>4</sup> born 8 July 1868; married Ida Miller. FAMILY 188.

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595. IV. Jane Melissa,<sup>4</sup> born 8 March 1870; married  
A. W. Joyce. FAMILY 189.
596. V. Emily Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 24 March 1872; married  
C. F. Wilkinson. FAMILY 190.
597. VI. Harriet Amelia,<sup>4</sup> born 7 September 1873;  
married Edward Rive. FAMILY 191.
598. VII. Charles Pelham,<sup>4</sup> born 16 September 1875;  
married Marion Du Val.
599. VIII. Isabell Emslie,<sup>4</sup> born 1 June 1877.
600. IX. Frank Stanley,<sup>4</sup> born 1 December 1878; married  
Dell Ina Collins. FAMILY 192.
601. X. Mary,<sup>4</sup> born 15 November 1880; died 17 November  
1880.
602. XI. Gertrude Maria,<sup>4</sup> born 14 March 1884.

FAMILY 174

578. HARRIET AMELIA<sup>3</sup> SNIDER (*Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William Snider and Nancy Cummer; was born 28 May 1848 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. She was married 3 December 1868 to Marshall Bidwell *Irwin*; born 1843 at Willowdale, Ont., son of Robert P. Irwin and Hannah Crown. Residence, Virden, Man.

CHILDREN

603. I. Sarah Adaline,<sup>4</sup> born 3 October 1869; died 30  
July 1870.
604. II. Rhodella Armstrong,<sup>4</sup> born 8 February 1873;  
married Harvey C. Simpson.  
FAMILY 193.
605. III. Walter Snider,<sup>4</sup> born 18 May 1875; died 29  
August 1875.
606. IV. Edgerton Edwy,<sup>4</sup> born 23 August 1877; married  
Eva Wyatt. FAMILY 194.

FAMILY 175

580. GEORGE WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 22 January 1856 at Nobleton, Ont.; died



1 April 1905 at Portage la Prairie, Man. He was married 1 March 1880 at Aurora, Ont., to Annie May Atkin; born 21 March 1858 at Aurora, daughter of Thomas and Dinah Atkin. Late residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

George William Snider was educated in the Toronto schools and at Upper Canada. After his marriage he moved to Portage la Prairie, though he later lived at Moosomin, Saskatchewan, only to return to Portage la Prairie after a residence of some four years. He possessed considerable natural musical ability and organized the first band at Portage la Prairie.

He died in 1905 after a painful illness of some three years.

#### CHILDREN

607. I. Vera May,<sup>5</sup> born 15 December 1882; married Robert Milton Morton 4 July 1910.

#### FAMILY 195.

608. II. Margaret Belle,<sup>5</sup> born 17 August 1887.  
 609. III. Arthur Wilford,<sup>5</sup> born 28 October 1890.  
 610. IV. Clara Eileen,<sup>5</sup> born 9 June 1894.

#### FAMILY 176

581. EDGERTON EDWY<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 9 December 1857 at Nobleton, Ont. He was married 2 April 1884 to Mary Crawford, daughter of Andrew Crawford and Prudence Campbell. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

#### CHILDREN

611. I. Bertha Elma,<sup>5</sup> born 13 January 1885; married Percival McKechnie FAMILY 196.  
 612. II. Hilton Marshall,<sup>5</sup> born 23 October 1890.  
 613. III. Edith Margaret,<sup>5</sup> born 23 June 1900.

## FAMILY 177.

582. MARSHALL BIDWELL<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 26 October 1859; died 4 February 1908. He was married 12 September 1899 to Anna Marguerite Brown, daughter of Robert Malcolm Brown and Hannah Moore. Late residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

Mr. Snider was born on his father's farm at Nobleton, Ont., and with the family moved to Eglington four years later. Here his boyhood was spent on the old Snider homestead. He attended the local school, later the high school at Toronto, and afterwards finished his education at Day's Business College. With the others of the family he moved west to Manitoba in March 1880, and was in the service of the Hudson Bay Company until the fall of 1882, when he took a surveying party eight hundred miles across the country to Edmonton. At Edmonton he worked for Mr. Walter Beatty, returning to Portage in the spring of 1884. After being in business for about two years his health failed and he was obliged to go to New York for treatment.

After he had regained his health he was given the management of the Portage la Prairie Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company. This company was developed by him from a mere half million in 1888 to fourteen millions, as was shown by the annual report issued a month previous to his death. He was a past Grand Patriarch of the I. O. O. F. and was Grand Representative at Grand Encampment at Richmond, Va. He took his part in the pioneer work of the vast Canadian prairies and perhaps the hardship and exposure, from which he never shrank, aided in his early demise, which took place in February, 1908. Mr. Snider rendered much valuable assistance in the compilation of data regarding the Snider family for this work.

## FAMILY 178

583. ELLA LUCILLA SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup>

*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 28 July 1861. She was married 3 August 1881 at Portage la Prairie to Hugh Savigny *Paterson*; born 1 January 1855 at Streetsville, Ont., son of Thomas Paterson and Agnes Blair Savigny. Residence, Winnipeg, Man.

## CHILDREN

614. I. John Blair,<sup>5</sup> born 4 August 1882; died 28 March 1894.

615. II. Norman McLeod,<sup>5</sup> born 3 August 1883.

616. III. Hamilton Savigny,<sup>5</sup> born 10 June 1886.

Was educated in the public schools, Winnipeg Collegiate, and at Manitoba College. Here he took the bachelor's degree in arts in 1908, and finished the law course in 1911. Was called to the bar in 1911.

617. IV. Donald Hugh,<sup>5</sup> born 11 May 1890.

618. V. Margaret,<sup>5</sup> born 14 May 1892.

619. VI. Thomas Roberts,<sup>5</sup> born 27 December 1899; died 23 October 1900.

## FAMILY 179

584. MAJOR IRVINE ROBINSON<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 1 January 1864. He was married 24 May 1887 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to Helen Swales; born 17 April 1864 at Markham, York Co., Ont., daughter of Thomas Swales and Eliza Little. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

Major Snider was born in the village of Nobleton, Ont., but while he was still an infant the family moved to Eglington. Here his boyhood was spent on the old Snider homestead, which had been given his ancestors by the Crown in lieu of lands forfeited in the United States after the Revolutionary War. His education was obtained at the Ontario Model School, where the basis of his military training was laid. In the spring of 1880 he went west

with his father and mother, and roamed the wide prairies as Surveyor and Land Inspector until the spring of 1885, when Louis Reil started his insurrection in the North Saskatchewan. He then joined the 90th regiment of Rifles as a private, and took part in the fight at Fish Creek and in the battle of Batoche, where the rebel forces were defeated and came to terms.

After this brief campaign he was married to Miss Helen Swales and settled down to farming until the winter of 1899-1900, when as Captain, commanding a squadron of Dragoons, he was engaged in recruiting men for the war in South Africa. In March of 1900, Col. Steele, of the famous Strathcona Horse, offered him a commission as lieutenant to take charge of the Regimental transport on that campaign. He again responded to the call of duty and proceeded to Cape Town with the regiment, serving for one year.

He took part in many battles and traversed most of South Africa in an endeavor to capture the slippery De Wet and other Boer generals. On their return, the regiment was brought home by way of London and had the honor of being presented to their King, who thanked them personally.

In January, 1902, he was offered a commission for special service with the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles, with the rank of Captain in the Imperial Army. This he accepted and proceeded to Africa, taking part in the closing struggles of this war. He had the honor of being mentioned by Lord Kitchener in his dispatches to the King. After peace had been declared he returned and again settled down to the life of a farmer, which he considers a truly ideal occupation.

At the time of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897 he had the honor to serve as one of the troops to represent Canada. Since then he has been promoted to Major and 2nd in command of the 99th Regiment of Rifles.



## CHILDREN

620. I. Gordon Irvine,<sup>5</sup> born 29 March 1890.  
621. II. Garnet Harold,<sup>5</sup> born 25 February 1892.  
622. III. Clarence Swales,<sup>5</sup> born 20 October 1896.

## FAMILY 180

585. NORMAN FRANKLIN<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy,<sup>3</sup> Nancy,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 21 September 1865 at Eglington, Ont. He was married 26 August 1901 at Niagara Falls, Ont., to Agnes Davidson Cowan; born 26 October 1863 at London, Eng. Residence, Los Angeles, Cal.

## CHILDREN

623. I. Eva Eleanor,<sup>5</sup> born 8 May 1903.  
624. II. Norman Bramwell,<sup>5</sup> born 15 March 1906; died 10 November 1906.

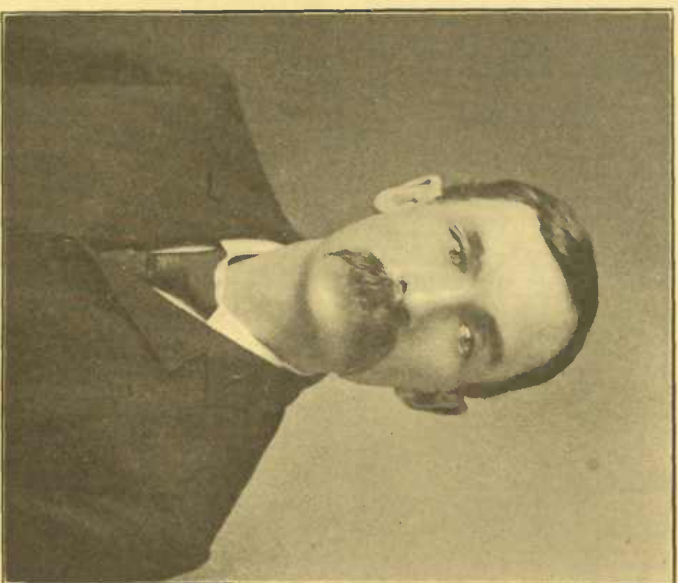
## FAMILY 181

586. ALVA MORLEY<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy,<sup>3</sup> Nancy,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 10 October 1867 at Toronto, Ont. He was married 17 December 1890 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to Margaret Drysdale; born 29 January 1873 at Barrie, Ont., daughter of William Drysdale and Elizabeth Watt. Residence, Lund, B. C.

## CHILDREN

625. I. Percy Harrington,<sup>5</sup> born 1 February 1892.  
626. II. Edwin William,<sup>5</sup> born 20 March 1894.  
627. III. Gertrude Marguerite,<sup>5</sup> born 8 August 1897.  
628. IV. Wilfred Laurier,<sup>5</sup> born 25 August 1899; died 12 July 1910.  
629. V. Alva Morley,<sup>5</sup> born 17 July 1901.  
630. VI. Adela Mable,<sup>5</sup> born 20 December 1904.  
631. VII. Celia Helene,<sup>5</sup> born 28 July 1906.





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- 632. VIII. Roland Cecil,<sup>5</sup> born 10 April 1907.
- 633. IX. Beulah,<sup>5</sup> born 14 May 1909.
- 634. X. Kathleen,<sup>5</sup> born 28 November 1910.

#### FAMILY 182

588. CLAUDE HILTON<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy,<sup>3</sup> Nancy,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Edwy William Snider and Maragaret Robinson; was born 11 February 11, 1872 at Eglington, York Co., Ont. He was married to Lulu Gertrude Curtis 6 June 1904 at Brandon, Man.; born 26 May 1883 at Winnipeg, Man., daughter of Joseph William Curtis and Catherine Emma White. Residence, Brandon, Man.

He served with the 1st Royal Canadians throughout the Boer War in 1899.

#### CHILDREN

- 635. I. Claude William Edwy,<sup>5</sup> born 21 March 1905.
- 636. II. Donald Marshall,<sup>5</sup> born 6 February 1908.

#### FAMILY 183.

589. MAUDE LILLIAN<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy,<sup>3</sup> Nancy,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 25 April 1875. She was married 2 April 1895 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to Bertram Augustus *St. John*; born 8 September 1872 at Walkerton, Ont., son of Augustus B. St. John and A. Busselle. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

#### CHILDREN

- 637. I. Florence Ruth,<sup>5</sup> born 14 June 1896; died 19 June 1903.
- 638. II. Roland Bertram,<sup>5</sup> born 4 December 1897.
- 639. III. Claudia Gertrude,<sup>5</sup> born 6 January 1900.
- 640. IV. Margaret,<sup>5</sup> born 17 August 1901; died 4 January 1902.
- 641. V. Edwy Snider,<sup>5</sup> born 24 December 1902.
- 642. VI. Jack,<sup>5</sup> born 20 September 1906.

## FAMILY 184

590. GERTRUDE MAY<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 21 August 1878 at Eglington, Ont. She was married 24 November 1902 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to William George James *Stephen*; born 17 January 1873 at Montreal, Quebec, son of James Stephen and Sarah McGarvey. Residence, Bauff, Alberta.

## CHILDREN

643. I. George Mount,<sup>5</sup> born 12 October 1903.  
644. II. Margaret Robinson,<sup>5</sup> born 6 November 1904;  
died 9 August 1905.  
645. III. Gertrude Ruth,<sup>5</sup> born 6 November 1904; died  
13 August 1905.

## FAMILY 185.

591. DAISY MABEL<sup>4</sup> SNIDER (*Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edwy William Snider and Margaret Robinson; was born 15 June 1880 at Portage la Prairie, Man. She was married to Gorder Griffith *St. Clair*, M. D., 27 August 1888 at Ishpeming, Mich., son of Julius St. Clair and Sophie Rood. Residence, Almont, N. D.

## FAMILY 186

592. WILLIAM HENRY<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Charles Henry Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 6 March 1865 at Owen Sound, Ont. He was married 16 May 1889 at Fleshurton, Ont., to Alice Grace Leitch; born 16 May 1867 at Milton, Wentworth Co., Ont., daughter of Thomas Leitch and Marion Peacock. Residence, Winnipeg, Man.

## CHILDREN

646. I. Charles Harold,<sup>5</sup> born 28 June 1890; died 9 August 1890.

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- 647. II. Maurine Gertrude,<sup>5</sup> born 30 March 1893.
- 648. III. Walter Leitch,<sup>5</sup> born 7 January 1895.
- 649. IV. Herbert Russel,<sup>5</sup> born 26 March 1899.
- 650. V. Alice Isabell,<sup>5</sup> born 29 June 1904; died 8 August 1905.

FAMILY 187

593. HENRY CLIFFORD<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Charles H. Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 13 October 1866 at Owen Sound, Ont. He was married 3 June 1891 at Owen Sound to Emma Augusta Ryan; born 15 January 1870 at Georgetown, Halton Co., Ont., daughter of Augusts Ryan and Angelic Higgins. Residence, Owen Sound, Ont.

CHILDREN

- 651. I. Juanita Marie,<sup>5</sup> born 3 July 1892.

FAMILY 188

594. HERBERT RUSSELL<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Charles H. Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 8 July 1868 at Owen Sound, Ont. He was married 16 December 1896 to Martha Ida Miller; born 22 April 1872 at Owen Sound, Ont., daughter of John Miller and Harriet Crawford. Residence, Virden, Man.

CHILDREN

- 652. I. Frances Crawford,<sup>5</sup> born 21 October 1899.
- 653. II. Norma Florence,<sup>5</sup> born 2 September 1902.
- 654. III. John Charles,<sup>5</sup> born 25 February 1905.
- 655. IV. Isabel Snider,<sup>5</sup> born 5 September 1907.

FAMILY 189

595. JANE MELISSA<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Charles H. Moore and Emily Eliza-



beth Snider; was born 8 March 1870 at Owen Sound, Ont. She was married 10 September 1890 at Owen Sound, Ont., to Albert Wismer *Joyce*.

## CHILDREN

656. I. Charles Maurice,<sup>5</sup> born 17 September 1891.

## FAMILY 190

596. EMILY ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Charles H. Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 24 March 1872 at Owen Sound, Ont. She was married 13 September 1899 at Owen Sound to Charles Frederick *Wilkinson*; born 10 December 1870 at Owen Sound, son of Brigham Wilkinson and Elizabeth Brown. Residence, Owen Sound, Ont.

## CHILDREN

657. I. Gordon Moore,<sup>5</sup> born 26 May 1903.  
658. II. Murray Glenmoore,<sup>5</sup> born 18 July 1908.

## FAMILY 191

597. HARRIET AMELIA<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Charles H. Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 7 September 1873 at Owen Sound, Ont. She was married 10 October 1900 to Edward *Rive*; born 12 September 1872 at Jersey, Channel Islands, son of Elias Rive and Mary Cochrane. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

659. I. Edward Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> born 6 April 1905.  
660. II. Marion Mary Louise,<sup>5</sup> born 30 May 1910.

## FAMILY 192

600. FRANK S.<sup>4</sup> MOORE (*Emily*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Charles H. Moore and Emily Elizabeth Snider; was born 1 December 1879 at Owen Sound, Ont. He was married 29 June 1904 at Toronto, Ont., to Della Collins,

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born 30 March 1880 at Ripley, Bruce Co., Ont., daughter of Richard Collins and Kate Johnson. Residence, Owen Sound, Ont.

CHILDREN

661. I. Laurretta May,<sup>5</sup> born 9 May 1905.

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604. RHOELLA ARMSTRONG<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Harriet*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Marshall B. Irwin and Harriet Amelia Snider; was born 8 February 1873 at Aurora, Ont. She was married 31 May 1892 at Virden, Man., to Harvey Cathcart *Simpson*; born 11 February 1862 at Carleton Place, Carleton Co., Ont., son of Robert Simpson. Residence, Virden, Man.

CHILDREN

662. I. Fred Irwin,<sup>5</sup> born 15 April 1893.  
663. II. Edith Francis,<sup>5</sup> born 2 August 1895.  
664. III. Mary Olive Victoria,<sup>5</sup> born 4 June 1897.  
665. IV. Hattie Mills,<sup>5</sup> born 17 April 1902; died 3 November 1902.  
666. V. Alice Rhodell,<sup>5</sup> born 20 September 1907.

FAMILY 194

606. EDGERTON EDWY<sup>4</sup> IRWIN (*Harriet*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Marshall Bidwell Irwin and Harriet Amelia Snider; was born 23 August 1877 at Aurora, Ont. He was married 30 October 1901 at Virden, Man., to Eva Wyatt; born 10 April 1880 at Oshawa, Ont., daughter of William G. Wyatt and Ellen Lyon. Residence, Lumsden, Sask'n.

CHILDREN

667. I. Alice Maurine,<sup>5</sup> born 7 April 1903.

## FAMILY 195

607. VERA MAY<sup>5</sup> SNIDER (*George*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George William Snider and Annie May Atkin; was born 15 December 1883 at Portage la Prairie, Man. She was married 4 July 1910 at Portage la Prairie to Robert Milton *Morton*; born 2 June 1885 at Everton, Ont., son of Robert H. Morton and Jennie Black. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

## FAMILY 196

611. BERTHA ELMA<sup>5</sup> SNIDER (*Egerton*,<sup>4</sup> *Edwy*,<sup>3</sup> *Nancy*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Edgerton Edwy Snider and Mary Crawford; was born 13 January 1885 at Portage la Prairie, Man. She was married 13 March 1907 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to George Percy *McKechnie*; born 28 December 1882 at Emerson, Man., son of Archibald and Ann McKechnie. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

## CHILDREN

668. I. Douglas Percival,<sup>6</sup> born 30 May 1909.  
669. II. Jean Bertha,<sup>6</sup> born 29 May 1910.

## CHAPTER X

### JOSHUA CUMMER AND ANGELINA IRWIN AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 197

12. JOSHUA<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 19 September 1810 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 27 September 1879 at Aurora, Ont. He was married 22 October 1835 on Yonge St., north of Aurora, to Angelina Irwin; born 14 March 1816 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont.; died 8 February 1908 at Aurora, daughter of Charles Irwin and Hannah Penrose. Late residence, Aurora, Ont.

Joshua Cummer spent most of his life on the old farm at Willowdale. The family tradition is that his farm was purchased by his father, Jacob, for a home-made wagon. His early education was received at the Willowdale school. The old farm was sold in 1875 or 1876, when the family moved to Aurora.

He was endowed with more than an ordinary share of good sense and intelligence. Deeply pious, he was led to take an active part in the church matters. He served as Trustee, Steward, Class leader and Sunday School Superintendent.

He married Miss Angelina Irwin. Though she descended from English Quakers, she adapted herself to the ways of the family and was so beloved by her husband's mother that this aged woman's last days were spent with her daughter-in-law. She had lived through the exciting times of the MacKenzie Rebellion and could tell many a stirring story of the gallant Reformer and of the trials of his sympathizers. The old Willowdale Methodist Church owes much to her untiring efforts, for she and her husband were faithful workers in



its behalf. There was always a welcome for the passing traveller in the old home on Yonge Street, and having long outlived all the dear ones of her own time, "Aunt Angelina" will be affectionately remembered by many generations of the Cummer kinsfolk for her gentle, motherly kindness.

## CHILDREN

670. I. Syrian,<sup>3</sup> born 4 February 1837; married Rosanna Shaw. FAMILY 198.
671. II. Rachael Pearson,<sup>3</sup> born 9 October 1839; married Alfred Brunton. FAMILY 199.
672. III. Eli,<sup>3</sup> born 27 July 1841; married Susan Bishop. FAMILY 200.
673. IV. Elizabeth Hannah,<sup>3</sup> born 15 November 1845; married Harrison Read. FAMILY 201.
674. V. Milton Edway,<sup>3</sup> born 19 August 1847; married Martha Kemly. FAMILY 202.
675. VI. Charles H.,<sup>3</sup> born 19 December 1851; died 16 February 1889.

After a prolonged residence in Wisconsin, Charles Cummer died rather suddenly while visiting his mother at Aurora. He was educated at Albert College, Belleville, where he received the gold medal for modern languages and won the highest honors of the college in being awarded the Harry Nichol memorial.

676. VII. Franklin Right,<sup>3</sup> born 24 October 1858.
- Mr. Cummer's early life was spent at home with his parents. In 1878 he went to Leipsic and remained there for a year and a half, studying music. Returning home, he again visited Leipsic for a season of study in 1882-3. Since then he has been teaching in Toronto and Barrie, with frequent trips to Europe and Africa. During this time he has travelled in almost all of the European states





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and has collected an enormous number of photographs and plates. These are copies of the famous works of art, views of famous buildings, and panoramas of different cities. This really wonderful collection he has placed in a large gallery at his home, the "Villa del Prado." The gallery is a large room built after the model of the King's Chamber in the Pyramid of Cheops at Cairo in Egypt, and is visited by many interested in art and music.

## FAMILY 198

670. SYRIAN<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joshua Cummer and Angelina Irwin; was born 4 February 1837 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 6 August 1872 at Southampton, York Co., Ont., to Rosanna Shaw; born 4 January 1854 at Milbrook, Durham Co., Ont., daughter of John Shaw and Mary Ann Thorn. Residence, Mazenod, Sask.

Syrian Cummer lived with his father's family until he was twenty-one, excepting one winter when he went to school at Newmarket. Here he was a fellow-student with Sir William Mulock, who was later Canadian Postmaster General. He completed his education at Baldwin University, a Methodist school at Berea, O., where he spent a year with his cousin, Edwin Cummer. Having decided to learn the milling business, he studied with his cousin at Bronte, but when they failed, he came to Aurora. Then he went to Invermay, where he lived for forty years. Here he was made Justice of the Peace. He sustained an unfortunate loss when his grist mill was burned in 1891, although it was rebuilt in the following year. Later he moved to Owen Sound, Ont. In 1906 he started in the grocery business but sold his interests in 1909, and moved to Mazenod, Sask. Here he and his sons hold over a thousand acres of fertile land.

## CHILDREN

- 678. I. Angelina,<sup>4</sup> born 29 May 1874.
- 679. II. Frederick,<sup>4</sup> born 18 March 1876; married Jane Watson Bell. FAMILY 203.
- 680. III. Charlotte,<sup>4</sup> born 20 December 1877; married J. H. Fawcitt.
- 681. IV. Ethel May,<sup>4</sup> born 15 February 1880; died.
- 682. V. Edway Howard,<sup>4</sup> born 29 December 1881.
- 683. VI. Blanche Adwena,<sup>4</sup> born 27 November 1884.
- 684. VII. Syrian Oscar,<sup>4</sup> born 1 January 1887.
- 685. VIII. Charles Sidney,<sup>4</sup> born 25 March 1889.  
Lieutenant in B Company, 31st Regiment Canadian Militia.
- 686. IX. Frank Robert,<sup>4</sup> born 24 April 1892.
- 687. X. William Irwin,<sup>4</sup> born 4 July 1897.
- 688. XI. Russel John,<sup>4</sup> born 18 July 1899.

## FAMILY 199

671. RACHEL PEARSON<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Joshua Cummer and Angelina Irwin; was born 9 October 1839 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 6 April 1869 to Alfred *Brunton*; born in 1840 at London, Eng. Residence, Tara, Ont.

Alfred Brunton was born near London, Eng. His father died when he was quite young and he lived with his mother until he was fourteen years old when he went to sea. He remained a sailor for a number of years, becoming a captain when quite young. He sailed in many parts of the world, China, India, West Indies and America. He came to Canada about 1868 to visit an uncle, John W. Linton, who was living in Bruce County, Ontario, near Tara. In the course of a year or so he married Rachael Pearson Cummer and took up his residence on Captain Linton's farm, where he still resides with his son, John Franklin Brunton.

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### CHILDREN

689. I. William,<sup>4</sup> born 27 April 1870; married 12 June 1894 to Margaret R. Johnston.
690. II. Eleanor,<sup>4</sup> born 9 August 1871.
691. III. John F.,<sup>4</sup> born 2 January 1874.
692. IV. Elizabeth C.,<sup>4</sup> born 3 July 1875.
693. V. Gertrude,<sup>4</sup> born 1 February 1877; married Aaron Morrow. FAMILY 204.
694. VI. Charles A.,<sup>4</sup> born 19 July 1878; married Nellie Coleman.
695. VII. Beatrice,<sup>4</sup> born 23 July 1880; married Richard Fenton. FAMILY 205.

### FAMILY 200

672. ELI<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joshua Cummer and Angelina Irwin; was born 27 July 1841 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 24 December at Owen Sound, Grey Co., Ont., to Susan Louisa Bishop; born 8 May 1839 at Unionville, York Co., Ont., daughter of Avery Bishop. Residence, Toronto, Ont. He received his education at Belleville College.

### CHILDREN

696. I. Ella,<sup>4</sup> born 14 April 1870; died October 1873.
697. II. Annie,<sup>4</sup> born 24 May 1871.
698. III. Maggie Maria,<sup>4</sup> born 21 October 1872.
699. IV. Lillian,<sup>4</sup> born 28 December 1873; died 9 December 1876.
700. V. Herbert Joshua,<sup>4</sup> born 12 December 1874.
701. VI. Walter Edgar,<sup>4</sup> born 24 December 1877.
702. VII. Ada,<sup>4</sup> born 28 January 1881; died 7 September 1881.
703. VIII. Mabel Augusta,<sup>4</sup> born 29 February 1884; married Leigh Clow Todd 21 June 1906.

### FAMILY 206.



## FAMILY 201

673. ELIZABETH HANNAH<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Joshua Cummer and Angelina Irwin; was born 15 November 1845 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 26 October 1869 at Willowdale, Ont., to Henry Harrison Read; born 9 July 1841 at Markham, York Co., Ont., son of William Sutton Read and Sophia Herrick. Residence, Aurora, Ont.

## CHILDREN

704. I. Charles A.,<sup>4</sup> born 28 May 1871; married Elsie Ogilvie. FAMILY 207.  
 705. II. William H.,<sup>4</sup> born 21 September 1874.  
 706. III. Nellie Maud,<sup>4</sup> born 17 November 1876; married John G. Marks.

## FAMILY 202

674. MILTON EDWAY<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Joshua Cummer and Angelina Irwin; was born 19 August 1847 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 18 November 1874 at Willowdale to Martha Ferguson Kemly; born 3 October 1853 at Richmond Hill, York Co., Ont., daughter of Charles Kemley and Charlotte Arnot. Residence, Portage la Prairie, Man.

## CHILDREN

707. I. Arthur Charles,<sup>4</sup> born 13 November 1875; married Caroline Moore. FAMILY 208.  
 708. II. Etta Jean,<sup>4</sup> born 28 October 1882; married Edward J. McKay. FAMILY 209.

## FAMILY 203

679. FREDERICK<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Syrian*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Syrian Cummer and Rosanna Shaw; was born 18 March 1876 at Tara, Grey Co., Ont.; died 24 July 1908. He was married to Jane Watson Bell; born 16 July 1875 at Toronto, Ont.

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CHILDREN

- 709. I. Frederick M.,<sup>5</sup> born 30 September 1902.
- 710. II. Zelma Margory,<sup>5</sup> born 22 February 1904.
- 711. III. Lawrence Joseph,<sup>5</sup> born 1906.

FAMILY 204

693. GERTRUDE<sup>4</sup> BRUNTON (*Rachel*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Rachel Pearson Cummer and Alfred Brunton; was born 1 February 1877 at Tara, Ont. She was married 17 March 1909 at Tara, Ont., to Aaron James *Morrow*; born 30 June 1868 at Orono, Durham Co., Ont., son of Thomas Morrow and Jane White. Residence, Tara, Ont.

FAMILY 205

695. BEATRICE<sup>4</sup> BRUNTON. (*Rachel*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Alfred Brunton and Rachel Pearson Cummer; was born 23 July 1880 at Tara, Bruce Co., Ont. She was married 23 June 1909 at Tara, Ont., to Richard Cooper *Fenton*; born 22 June 1877 at Tara, son of John Fenton and Sarah Jane Nelson. Residence, Tara, Ont.

CHILDREN

- 712. I. John Alfred,<sup>5</sup> born 22 July 1910.
- 713. II. Gertrude Irene,<sup>5</sup> born 22 July 1910.

FAMILY 206

703. MABEL AUGUSTA<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Eli*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Eli Cummer and Susan Bishop; was born 29 February 1884 at Tara, Bruce Co., Ont. She was married 21 June 1906 at Toronto, Ont., to Leigh Clow *Todd*; born 11 August 1881 at Toronto, son of William Valant Todd and Elizabeth Grace Good. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

CHILDREN

- 714. I. Margaret Grace,<sup>5</sup> born 7 May 1907.

## FAMILY 207

704. CHARLES ALBERT<sup>4</sup> READ (*Elizabeth*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry Harrison Read and Elizabeth Hannah Cummer; was born 28 May 1871 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married to Elsie Olgilvie; born 5 July 1876 at Elgin, Morayshire, Scotland, daughter of Alex Olgilvie and Mary Murray. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

## CHILDREN

715. I. Mary Alberta,<sup>5</sup> born 7 June 1898.  
716. II. Norma Cummer,<sup>5</sup> born 2 October 1905.

## FAMILY 208

707. REV. ARTHUR CHARLES<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Milton*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Milton Edway Cummer and Martha Kemly; was born 13 November 1875 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 24 December 1903 to Caroline S. Moore; born 19 September 1877 at Seaforth, Huron Co., Ont., daughter of William Dow Moore and Caroline Makings. Residence, Cannington, Ont.

## FAMILY 209

708. ETTA JEAN<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*Milton*,<sup>3</sup> *Joshua*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Milton Edway Cummer and Martha Kemly; was born 28 October 1882 at Tara, Bruce Co., Ont. She was married 9 July 1907 at Portage la Prairie, Man., to Edward J. MacKay; born 27 April 1876 at Walkerton, Bruce Co., Ont., son of Alexander MacKay and Jane Johnston. Residence, Shoal Lake, Man.

## CHILDREN

717. I. Jean Alexandria,<sup>5</sup> born 9 April 1909.

## CHAPTER XI

### SAMUEL CUMMER AND MARY ANN TOOLE AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

#### FAMILY 210

14. SAMUEL<sup>2</sup> CUMMER (*Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Jacob Cummer and Elizabeth Fisher; was born 8 December 1815 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 5 June 1883 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 1 August 1839 at Willowdale, Ont., to Mary Ann Toole; born 2 June 1817 at Toole's Run, Pa.; died 3 August 1889 at Willowdale, Ont., daughter of Jacob Toole. Late residence, Willowdale, Ont.

Samuel Cummer lived on the old homestead at Willowdale all of his life with the exception of three years following 1864, when he rented the farm and moved with his family to his wife's birthplace in Pennsylvania. At the end of this time, his health, which had been impaired, was much improved, and he returned to his home in Canada. He was a Methodist and a man of most sterling principle.

#### CHILDREN

718. I. George Washington,<sup>3</sup> born 8 June 1841; married Jane Flook. FAMILY 211.

719. II. Margaret Asenath,<sup>3</sup> born 6 January 1845; married Charles Case.

#### FAMILY 212.

720. III. Sarah Jane,<sup>3</sup> born 11 March 1850; married Henry Coder. FAMILY 213.

721. IV. Harriet Elizabeth,<sup>3</sup> born 12 December 1853; married Benjamin Flook.

#### FAMILY 214.



## FAMILY 211

718. GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), son of Samuel Cummer and Mary Ann Toole; was born 8 June 1841 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 12 March 1868 at Montoursville, Pa., to Kate Jane Flook; born 26 June 1850 at Montoursville, daughter of John Flook and Lydia Everit. Residence, Barnsley, Man.

## CHILDREN

722. I. William Gilbert,<sup>4</sup> born 25 September 1868; married Cora May Hodge.

## FAMILY 215.

723. II. Augustus Eugene,<sup>4</sup> born 1 April 1870; married Selecta Buck. FAMILY 216.

724. III. Samuel Franklin,<sup>4</sup> born 16 August 1871; died 2 August 1887.

725. IV. Freeman Baker,<sup>4</sup> born 16 September 1873; married Clara Beatrice Bowman.

## FAMILY 217.

726. V. Marven Everit,<sup>4</sup> born 16 July 1874.

727. VI. Alfred Cameron,<sup>4</sup> born 7 January 1877.

728. VII. Doctor John Reid,<sup>4</sup> born 8 July 1878; married Sarah Margaret Huston.

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729. VIII. Arley George,<sup>4</sup> born 31 January 1880.

730. IX. Edward Ralph Leroy,<sup>4</sup> born 5 January 1882.

731. X. Asenath Arvilla,<sup>4</sup> born 8 February 1884; married George Huston. FAMILY 219.

732. XI. Amos Toole,<sup>4</sup> born 30 April 1886.

733. XII. Mary Almira,<sup>4</sup> born 13 April 1888; married George Anderson Milne.

## FAMILY 220.

734. XIII. Mahala Spray,<sup>4</sup> born 1 July 1896.

## FAMILY 212

719. MARGARET ASENATH<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Samuel Cummer and Mary Ann





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Toole; was born 6 January 1845 at Willowdale, Ont.; died 13 November 1901 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont. She was married 7 March 1878 to Charles Augustus Case; born 10 May 1847 at Uxbridge, Ont. Residence, Newmarket, Ont.

CHILDREN

735. I. Edith O.,<sup>4</sup> born 7 April 1879; died 31 August 1907.

736. II. Mary Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> born 2 November 1880; married John McDermott.

FAMILY 221.

737. III. Arvilla,<sup>4</sup> born 24 January 1883; married George W. Carberry.

FAMILY 222.

738. IV. Samuel Glen,<sup>4</sup> born 25 September 1885; married Norah S. Martin.

739. V. Lina F.,<sup>4</sup> born 20 June 1888.

FAMILY 213

720. SARAH JANE<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Samuel Cummer and Mary Ann Toole; was born 11 March 1850 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 20 August 1868 at Montoursville, Pa., to Henry Costello Coder; born 21 April 1846 at Montoursville, Pa., son of Levi Coder and Leah Hile. Residence, Montoursville, Pa.

CHILDREN

740. I. Asenath Elsie,<sup>4</sup> born 12 November 1872; married Worthy McConnell.

FAMILY 223.

741. II. Samuel Charles,<sup>4</sup> born 11 April 1881; married Bertha E. Burrows. FAMILY 224.

742. III. Arthur Wilson,<sup>4</sup> born 1 February 1893.

FAMILY 214

721. HARRIET ELIZABETH<sup>3</sup> CUMMER (*Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Samuel Cummer and Mary Ann

Toole; was born 12 December 1853 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married at Willowdale to Benjamin Franklin *Flook*; born 20 October 1853 at Montoursville, Pa., son of John Flook and Lydia Evert. Residence, Willowdale, Ont.

## CHILDREN

743. I. Amy Elsie,<sup>4</sup> born 21 March 1885; married William H. Grainger.

## FAMILY 225.

744. II. Samuel Evert,<sup>4</sup> born 12 March 1887.  
Student in the Civil Engineering course at Toronto University.

745. III. Bertram Cummer,<sup>4</sup> born 6 June 1889.

746. IV. Franklin Roy,<sup>4</sup> born 26 September 1891.

747. V. Florence Mary,<sup>4</sup> born 31 October 1894.

## FAMILY 215

722. WILLIAM GILBERT<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Washington Cummer and Jane Flook; was born 25 September 1868 at Montoursville, Pa. He was married 22 June 1893 at Elmira, Chemung Co., N. Y., to Cora May Hodge; born 3 July 1872 at Picture Rocks, Pa., daughter of Zephemiah Hodge and Phoebe Ann Rynearson. Residence, Narbeth, Pa.

## CHILDREN

748. I. Francis Martin,<sup>5</sup> born 30 May 1894.

749. II. Myrtle Sylvania,<sup>5</sup> born 19 December 1895.

750. III. George Reed,<sup>5</sup> born 14 August 1899.

751. IV. William Lowe,<sup>5</sup> born 9 July 1902.

## FAMILY 216

723. AUGUSTUS E.<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George W.*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Washington Cummer and Kate Jane Flook; was born 1 April 1870 at Toronto, Ont. He was married to Selecta Julia Buck; born 16 July 1873

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at Hughesville, Lycoming Co., Pa., daughter of Charles Buck and Katherine Lambert. Residence, Syracuse, N. Y.

### FAMILY 217

725. FREEMAN BAKER<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Washington Cummer and Jane Flook; was born 16 September 1873 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 7 March 1904 at Vancouver, B. C., to Clara B. Bowman; born 2 June 1871 at Ipswich, Suffolk Co., Eng., daughter of George N. Bowman and Harriet Major. Residence, Vancouver, B. C.

### FAMILY 218

728. DOCTOR JOHN REID<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of George Washington Cummer and Kate Jane Flook; was born 8 July 1869 at Willowdale, Ont. He was married 24 October 1903 at Elm Creek, Man., to Sarah M. Huston; born 21 April 1875 at Bal-dur, Man., daughter of Donald Scott Huston and Sophronia Matilda Drury. Residence, Carman, Man.

### CHILDREN

- 752. I. Percy Benjamin,<sup>5</sup> born 13 January, 1904.
- 753. II. George Scott,<sup>5</sup> born 1 March 1905.
- 754. III. Dorothy Spray,<sup>5</sup> born 29 November 1908.
- 755. IV. Ella Jane,<sup>5</sup> born 3 December 1910.

### FAMILY 219

731. ASENATH<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of George Washington Cummer and Jane Flook; was born 8 February 1884 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 25 November 1902 at Barnsley, Man., to George *Huston*; born 29 March 1880 at Havlock, Ont., son of Scott Huston. Residence, Barnsley, Man.



## CHILDREN

756. I. Earnest Clinton,<sup>5</sup> born 29 May 1904.  
757. II. Otto Freeman,<sup>5</sup> born 13 February 1906.  
† III. Cicel Eugene Blake, born 15 March 1909.  
† IV. George Alban, born 18 February 1911.

## FAMILY 220

733. MARY ALMIRA<sup>4</sup> CUMMER (*George,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of George Washington Cummer and Jane Flook; was born 13 April 1888 at Toronto, Ont. She was married 31 March at Carman to George Anderson *Milne*; born 10 September 1878 at Bauff, Scotland, son of James Milne and Annie Laing. Residence, St. Daniel.

## CHILDREN

758. I. Grace Jane,<sup>5</sup> born 20 January, 1909.

## FAMILY 221

736. MARY ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup> CASE (*Margaret,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Charles Augustus Case and Margaret Asenath Cummer; was born 2 November 1880 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont.; died 31 January 1910. She was married 4 May 1905 at Toronto, Ont., to John *McDermott*; born 4 May 1867 at Brechin, Ont., son of Thomas McDermott and Catherine Duffy. Late residence, Toronto, Ont.

## FAMILY 222

737. ARVILLA<sup>4</sup> CASE (*M. ASENATH,<sup>3</sup> Samuel,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Charles Augustus Case and Margaret Asenath Cummer; was born 24 January 1883 at Newmarket, York Co., Ont. She was married 16 October 1907 at Toronto, York Co., Ont., to George William *Carberry*; born 18 September 1882 at Barrie, Simcoe Co., Ont., son of Frank Carberry and Lizzie Hutchinson. Residence, Toronto, Ont.

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759. I. Lina Aileen,<sup>5</sup> born 14 December 1908.  
760. II. Howard Alexander,<sup>5</sup> born 13 November 1910.

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740. ASENATH ELSIE<sup>4</sup> CODER (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry Costelo Coder and Sarah Jane Cummer; was born 12 November 1872 at Montoursville, Pa. She was married to Worthy *McConnell*; born 11 December 1853 at Oxford, Chester Co., Pa., son of Thomas McConnell and Mary J. McCurry. Residence, Altoona, Pa.

CHILDREN

761. I. Arthur Willson,<sup>5</sup> born 1 February 1893.

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741. SAMUEL CHARLES<sup>4</sup> CODER (*Sarah*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry Costello Coder and Sarah Jane Cummer; was born 11 April 1881 at Montoursville, Pa. He was married 7 September 1910 at Montoursville to Bertha E. Burrows; born 14 November 1879 at Montoursville, daughter of George W. Burrows and Anna Wilson. Residence, Williamsport, Pa.

FAMILY 225

743. AMY ELSIE<sup>4</sup> FLOOK (*Harriet*,<sup>3</sup> *Samuel*,<sup>2</sup> *Jacob*<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Benjamin Flook and Harriet E. Cummer; was born 21 March 1885 at Willowdale, Ont. She was married 10 June 1908 at Willowdale to William H. *Grainger*; born 19 March 1885, son of Joseph Grainger. Residence, Thornhill, Ont.



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Data regarding the following families was received too late for insertion in the body of the book.

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55. ELIZA ANN<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Joshua,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joshua Willson and Sarah Mitchel, was born 2 Sept. 1854 at Willowdale, Ontario. She was married 9 June 1878 to Rufus *Spaulding*, born 13 June 1854 at Stark, Coos Co., New Hampshire, son of Alonzo Spaulding and Lovira Barrows. Residence, Escanaba, Michigan.

#### CHILDREN

- 762. I. Vida E.,<sup>5</sup> born 1879.
- 763. II. Russel L.,<sup>5</sup> born 1882.
- 764. III. Curtis G.,<sup>5</sup> born 1884.
- 765. IV. Robert B.,<sup>5</sup> born 1887.
- 766. V. Bessie M.,<sup>5</sup> born 1889.
- 767. VI. J. Earle,<sup>5</sup> born 1894.

### FAMILY 227

57. EDITH<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Joshua,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joshua Willson and Sarah Mitchel, was born 15 March 1861 at Toronto, York Co., Ontario. She was married 10 April 1877 at Fayette, Delta Co., Michigan, to John P. *McColl*, born 5 Jan. 1851 at Chatham, Kent Co., Ont., son of Duncan McColl and Mary McCrae. Residence, Escanaba, Mich.

#### CHILDREN

- 768. I. Mary E.,<sup>5</sup> born 9 Jan. 1879.
- 769. II. Sarah A.,<sup>5</sup> born 18 April 1881; died 16 May 1884.

770. III. Grace A.,<sup>5</sup> born 21 June 1883.  
771. IV. Martha Maud,<sup>5</sup> born 11 July 1885.  
772. V. June,<sup>5</sup> born 4 June 1888.  
773. VI. Jean Heather,<sup>5</sup> born 28 Nov. 1890.

## FAMILY 228

58. KATHERINE B.<sup>4</sup> WILLSON (*Joshua,<sup>3</sup> Mary,<sup>2</sup> Jacob<sup>1</sup>*), daughter of Joshua Willson and Sarah Mitchel, was born 19 April 1871 at Escanaba, Delta Co., Mich. She was married 6 June 1894 at Escanaba, Delta Co., Mich., to Joseph John *Mallmann*, born 10 Sept. 1872 at Isabella, Delta Co., Mich., son of Peter Mallmann. Residence, Escanaba, Michigan.

## CHILDREN

774. I. Walter LeRoy,<sup>5</sup> born 29 Oct. 1895.  
775. II. Iles Joy,<sup>5</sup> born 11 Feb. 1900; died.  
776. III. Kenneth Murdoch,<sup>5</sup> born 23 Dec. 1901.  
777. IV. Alton Joseph,<sup>5</sup> born 6 Aug. 1904.  
778. V. Marion J.,<sup>5</sup> born 20 Oct. 1908; died.  
779. VI. Robert Willson,<sup>5</sup> born 23 Nov. 1909.



## THE WILL OF JACOB CUMMER

The following is a copy of the Will and Codicil of JACOB CUMMER as appears in the Registry Office for the County of York, as Number 91406, the said Will and Codicil having been probated on the second day of March, 1842, the said deceased at the time of his death having a fixed place of abode at the Township of York in the Home District. The said Will was proved by Robert Irwin and John Cummer, the Executors named therein.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I, JACOB CUMMER of the Township of York in the Home District in the Province of Upper Canada, Husbandman, being weak in body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, do this day the 30th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, make and publish this last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say:

1. I desire that my just debts and funeral charges be well and truly paid out of my movable property.

2. It is my bequest and desire that my wife ELIZABETH CUMMER shall have comfortable support for life off of the 285 acres of land above named, and in case she may choose to remain on the premises upon which I now reside she is to have possession of the west half of the house, the garden with all fruit trees in or around said garden, also all my household furniture and live stock, and she my wife shall, if any of my children which are now living with me should marry or become of lawful age go to such of my heirs as she may deem a proper portion of the movable property of my estate, and in case my wife ELIZABETH shall wish to leave the premises on

which I now reside to live with any other person or persons, she shall have all the proceeds of the 285 acres of land above named; the sum of 30 pounds currency yearly to be paid ten pounds currency by Samuel Cumber when they get lawful possession of their respective lots as specified in this my last Will and Testament.

3. I also give and devise unto my son Daniel all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises in the Township of York in the District and Province aforesaid, being composed of the north half lot 23 in the First Concession on the east side of Yonge Street of the said Township of York to hold, occupy and enjoy same free of any encumbrance whatsoever and to his heirs and assigns forever.

4. I also give and devise unto my son JOHN all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises in the Township of York being composed of that part of Lot 22 on which my sawmill is now erected in the second Concession of the Township of York on the east side of Yonge Street, containing about 50 acres more or less, together with said sawmill and appurtenances thereto belonging, to have, hold, occupy and enjoy same and to his heirs and assigns forever, subject to the following encumbrances, namely:—

1. THAT in one year next ensuing after my death the sum of fifty pounds currency is to be paid out of the said estate to my daughter MARY, wife of John Willson, 3rd, without any defalcation or omission and the like sum of fifty pounds currency is to be paid unto my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Peter Laurence in two year next ensuing after my death, and the like sum of fifty pounds currency is to be paid unto my daughter Sally in three years next ensuing after my death, and the like sum of fifty pounds currency is to be paid unto my daughter Nancy in four years next ensuing after my death or their heirs equally divided.

5. I give and devise unto my son Jacob Cummer by Deed of Conveyance the west halves of Lots Four and Five in the second Concession in the Township of Vaughan, District and Province aforesaid, containing 200 acres.

6. I give and devise unto my son DAVID all that certain parcel or tract of land and premises in the Township of York in the Home District and Province aforesaid, being composed of the front half of Lot 21 in the Second Concession of the said Township of York, on the east side of Yonge Street, containing 100 acres more or less to occupy and enjoy with the appurtenances and to his heirs and assigns forever, reserving out of the same two rods in width all along the north side of said parcel or tract of land for the accommodation of a road.

7. I give and devise unto my son Joshua all and singular that parcel of land composed of the south half of Lot 19 in the First Concession of the Township of York, east side of Yonge Street, and the north part of Lot 18 being contiguous to the part of Lot No. 19 last above mentioned—Commencing on Yonge Street at the center of the lane leading from Yonge Street through the centre of said land eastwardly for the distance of 40 chains, from thence a line to run in such direction eastwardly as will include in this parcel or tract of land the one-half of the premises of 285 acres of land, being the tract on which I now reside, reserving for the purpose of a sight for a Meeting House one-half an acre of the aforesaid parcel of land, situate, and being the northwest corner of that part of Lot 19 above mentioned containing by admeasurement eight rods from north west corner of the said one-half Lot where a post has been planted in front of said Lot southerly in direction of Yonge Street, thence westerly in the direction of the said lines of the Lot, 10 perches including the aforesaid content of one-half acre which parcel of land I give and bequeath for the sight of a Meeting House forever, and my desire and request is that the Episcopalian Methodist shall have the privilege



of fulfilling their appointments and of hold conferences and any other general or quarterly meeting and that the trustees of the said Meeting house be empowered to let other Christian Denominations occupy the house as they may think proper. After said deduction being made I bequeath and devise unto him my son Joshua, possession and enjoyment of all and every part and parcel of the above mentioned tract or parcel of land with the appurtenances and to his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and devise unto my youngest son Samuel, all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises contiguous to my sons Joshua's southern boundary being the south half of premises or tract of land on which I now reside, Commencing at Joshua Cumber's southwest corner and the centre of the lane on Yonge Street which runs with Joshua's southerly boundary line to the rear or eastward and of the said parcel or tract of lands containing about 142 acres of land more or less to hold, occupy and enjoy the same free of any encumbrance whatsoever with the appurtenances and to his heirs and assigns forever.

I also give unto my sons Joshua and Samuel each one horse, a set of harness, a plough and harrow, one cow, one bed, bed stead and bedding after my decease out of the goods and chattels. The Horse and cow to be of good quality.

And my will is that my executors hereinafter mentioned after my decease shall equally divide or otherwise proceed to sell and equally divide the proceeds among all my children share and share alike in my household furniture, live stock or farm utensils if there be any such remainder which my wife Elizabeth should not deem fit to dispose of or keep for her own use.

Also I will and ordain that the executors of this my last Will and Testament or their executors for and toward the performance of my said Testament shall after

my decease, bargain, sell, and alien in fee simple and of every part and parcel of lands with their appurtenances which I now possess which I have not hereby given and devised or that I have not granted, bargained or sold. I do hereby give to my executors or their executors full power and authority to grant, alien, bargain, sell and convey all such lands above mentioned to any person or persons and their heirs forever in fee simple by all and every such lawful means in the law as to my said executors or their council learned in the law shall deem fit or necessary.

And I will that as soon as my Executors obtain the proceeds of said lands above mentioned, I desire that the proceeds be equally divided among all my surviving children, that is to say, my sons, Daniel, John, Jacob, David, Joshua and Samuel and my daughters Mary, Elizabeth, Catherine, Sarah and Nancy or their heirs,

And it is also my will and desire that all moneys I may possess at the time of my death and all such notes, debts and book accounts as may be collected by my executors or executrix and after my funeral charges are paid as also my just debts paid and my said executors paid for their trouble, then my wife ELIZABETH is to possess all the residuary of my money so left, one-third of which is to be her own and the two-thirds to be equally divided among all my surviving children or their heirs and for their use and benefit.

I also hereby empower my executors to make Deeds of Conveyance in fee simple for any lands by me sold and the Conveyance not executed and I do constitute and ordain Robert Irwin of the Township of York, my son-in-law, and John Cummer my son of the same place, and my beloved wife, Elizabeth, my executors of this my last Will and Testament and do such things as may be lawful and just in and about the premises as heretofore divided and directed.



SIGNED, SEALED, PUB-)  
 LISHED and DECLARED by)  
 the said JACOB CUMMER as)  
 for his last Will and Testament)  
 in the presence of us whose) "JACOB CUMMER"  
 names are hereunto written, and)  
 who each of us subscribed our)  
 names as witnesses at his re-)  
 quest and in his presence at the)  
 time and place as above written.)

John Willson, 4th  
 James Bell,  
 James Wanhope.

I also declare and publish this as part of my last Will and Testament by me made and executed this 30th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four. My Will is that whereas I hold Deeds of Conveyance from John Willson 3rd, of 4 Town Lots situate in the Town of Goderich in the London District, Province of Upper Canada, and also on which his dwelling house, outhouses and tannery is situate, and whereas the said John Willson 3rd, has the privilege of redeeming the above lands within five years from the 14th of August, 1834, and in case of his default or non-payment then I give and devise all the above named parcels of land unto my daughter Mary, wife of the said John Willson, 3rd, for and during her natural life and after her decease my will is that the above named property is to be equally divided amongst their heirs after deducting from the said lands the amount due me from the said John Willson, 3rd. The money to raised out of the lots that the dwelling house does not occupy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have set my hand and seal this day and year above written.

In the presence of us witnesses:

John Willson, 4th  
 James Bell,  
 James Wanhope.

JACOB CUMMER

## ADDENDA

### BIRTHS.

HAROLD BANE CUMMER<sup>0</sup> (Harold<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Lockman<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Jacob<sup>1</sup>), son of Harold Howard Cummer and Margaret Luella Thibaudeau, born 4 Aug. 1911.

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