

- (9) Susanna Wartman, m. Calvin Day; set. Front of Frontenac. Issue: (a) Peter, and (b) Calvin.

ALEXANDER GUNN.

James Gunn, who was the father of Alexander Gunn, now Postmaster of Kingston, and for many years the representative of that historic city in the Dominion Parliament, came, with his wife and family, and settled at Kingston in 1842. He had been a farmer and contractor in Scotland, and pursued the latter avocation until his death in 1854. His wife (whose maiden name was Jane Sherer) predeceased him upon the 28th day of August, 1842—within less than thirty days after their arrival in Kingston.

They had six children:

Alexander Gunn, the eldest son and child, married Angélique Agnes Matthews.

The second son, William Gunn, of the wholesale firm of Rimmer, Gunn & Co., Montreal, was first married at Melbourne, Australia; his second wife was Letitia Ramage, of Kingston. He died in London, England, January, 1900.

A third son, James Gunn, and the eldest daughter, Janet, died in infancy.

Of the remaining daughters it may be noted that Christina married Rev. George Porteous, well known in the ministry throughout the counties of Hastings, Frontenac and Dundas; and that Margaret married Dr. Moore, and settled in Kingston.

From an early age Alexander Gunn manifested a decided taste for mercantile pursuits. He entered the grocery business, and in time became the head of the large and well-known wholesale house of Alexander Gunn & Co. This firm did an extensive business; it was widely and favorably known far beyond the limits of Ontario; with correspondents from Boston to San Francisco, and from Halifax to Vancouver. They competed with the large houses of Montreal and fairly outdistanced their competitors of Toronto.

In 1878 Mr. Gunn was prevailed upon to stand as a candidate in the Liberal interests against the late Sir John A. Macdonald. It seemed to many a hopeless contest, but when the votes were counted, the entire Dominion was electrified by the intelligence that Sir John was beaten; and Alexander Gunn took his

place in the Commons as the representative of Kingston. This victory brought him into national prominence, and he was again returned at the general elections in 1882, this time defeating Dr. Michael Sullivan, now a member of the Dominion Senate. Mr. Gunn was again a candidate in 1887, being defeated by Sir John A. Macdonald. In 1894 he retired from business, having been appointed Postmaster of Kingston.

Mr. Gunn received a thorough, if brief, schooling, while still a lad in Scotland; but he has been largely his own preceptor. He is a constant reader and a student of history, past and present; he has travelled extensively, and his mind is stored with varied and accurate information. His political success can not be attributed neither to his ambition or to the ordinary arts of the politician. He entered with unfeigned reluctance upon his career; he made no effort to court mere passing popularity, but at all times remained, as he is to-day, independent in his views and fearless in their expression.

Mr. Gunn had six children. Of these, Janet Kathleen died in 1893, and Ernest Grant in 1891. Two sons, Norman Matthews and William Sherer Gordon, have cast their fortunes with the coming province of Alberta.

His daughter, Marie Valliere Gunn, married R. Harcourt Smith, of Quebec. They have one child, Alexandra Harcourt Carrington. His son, James Alexander Gunn, married Mary Alexandra Carr Harris. They reside at Cairo, Egypt, and have one child, Kathleen Alexandra.

THE GRANGE FAMILY.

John Grange, the pioneer of this family, came from Scotland to Canada in 1795. He brought with him a letter of recommendation from the minister of his parish, a document still legible and fondly treasured by his descendants at Napanee. He married Nancy McKim, a daughter of the doughty loyalist, Sergeant McKim, who was born at Three Rivers, Quebec, when the family were en route from the United States to their future home in Ontario.

The McKims settled at a point near Bath, while John Grange located just back of what is now the town of Napanee. He was a millwright by trade, and built the first mill in that part of the