

GOODERHAM, JAMES, miller. B. in Norfolk, Eng., 29th December, 1838; d. in Toronto, from injuries received at a railway accident on the Credit Valley Railway, near Carlton, Ont., 11th May. The deceased gentleman was the second son of Wm. Gooderham, Esq., the senior partner of the well-known firm of Gooderham & Worts, Toronto. Having been of a serious turn of mind from a child, and evinced decided religious tendencies very early in life, Mr. James Gooderham was educated for the ministry of the Methodist Church, of which he became a member when he was but a boy, and in 1853 entered upon the duties of the calling to which he intended to devote his life. Failing health, however, soon compelled him to desist from the work of the ministry; and in 1859 he went into business in the Village of Norval, in partnership with his brother, Mr. William Gooderham, now President of the Nipissing Railway; he subsequently removed to Meadowvale, and afterwards to Streetsville, where he managed for many years the large commercial and milling business of Messrs. Gooderham & Worts. He was an active promoter of the Credit Valley Railroad, believing it to be calculated to benefit that part of the country in which he had resided many years, and in the prosperity of which he had taken a lively interest. He had, about two years prior to his death, purchased a beautiful residence in the City of Toronto, which he had fitted up with great care, expecting to spend in it the evening of his days, which bid fair at the time to extend far into the future, but this was not to be. We have in another place described the accident which led to his death. Mr. Gooderham was a man of remarkably sound judgment and of high moral principle; an unassuming but public-spirited citizen, he was ever forward in promoting any useful or good object. He will long be missed. The high estimation in which he was held was strikingly illustrated by the large concourse of people that accompanied his remains to their last resting place—the largest, it is believed that ever attended the funeral of any private citizen in the City of Toronto.