PART TWO
THE GOODERHAM FAMILY

Introduction

William Gooderham, a co-founder of Gooderham & Worts distillery, was father to fourteen children; his brother Ezekial who also came to Canada in 1832 had eleven. Between them they set down the roots for a large yet close family. The family tree includes more than 1200 people at present; get-togethers at Gooderham reunions in 1966, 1984 and 1992 attracted attendances of upwards of three hundred.

Regrettably it was not possible in preparing this inventory to do justice to the breadth and diversity of the family. The entries below relate largely to those who were most prominent in founding and directing Gooderham & Worts; some of the endeavours to which other Gooderhams contributed are noted in the Introduction to Part One. Much more material is available, however, largely in the hands or heads of members of the family like Donna and Dan McNeill, Lani Moses or Bertram Sturrup.

A. Family Tree

See Appendix D, p. 133, for a genealogical table of the descendants of James Gooderham (1757-1820) revised to July 1984. A more up-to-date and much expanded tree was prepared for a family reunion in 1992, but has not yet been produced in a format that could be reproduced here. (Courtesy Mrs. Lani Moses)

B. Biographies

Albert Edward Gooderham (1861-1935)


Charles Horace Gooderham (1843-1904)

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George Gooderham (1830-1905)


5. Morgan, Henry James, Canadian Men and Women of the Time Toronto, 1898, p. 389

George Horace Gooderham (1868-1942)


William Gooderham (1790-1881)


William Gooderham (1824-1889)


William George Gooderham (1853-1935)


C. Obituaries

George Gooderham (1830-1905)

1. Evening Telegram [Toronto], 2 May 1905, pp. 7-8

2. The Globe [Toronto], 2 May 1905, p. 1

3. The Mail & Empire [Toronto], 2 May, 1905, pp. 4-6

4. Monetary Times [Toronto], vol. 38, no. 45 (5 May 1905) pp. 1480-81
Gooderham Family Obituaries

5. *Saturday Night* [Toronto], vol. 18, no. 26, 6 May 1905, p. 2


7. *Toronto News*, 2 May 1905, pp. 1, 6

8. *Toronto World*, 2 May 1905, p. 1; 4 May 1905, p. 4

William Gooderham (1790–1881)


10. *Monetary Times*, vol. 15, no. 9 (26 Aug. 1881) 237


William Gooderham (1824–1889)


15. *Toronto World*, 13, 18, 20, 22 Sept. 1889

William G. Gooderham (1853–1935)


D. Portraits

Albert Edward Gooderham (1861–1935)

1. Photograph, c. 1886 (NAC, C-051762)

2. Photograph, c. 1935 (NAC, Louis Laurier Lyonde Collection, PA-053780)
Gooderham Family Portraits

George Gooderham (1830–1905)

3. **Edmund Wyly Grier.** Oil on canvas, probably painted 1895. Presentation reported in *Our Monthly*, [the house-journal of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company], vol. 5 (Feb. 1896) 151. (Manulife Collection)

4. Owen Staples. Watercolour. (MTRL, JRR Collection, #1048)

5. Anon. Oil on canvas. (Toronto-Dominion Bank Archives)

6. Anon. Oil on canvas. Note on back says it was copied in 1905 from a 1902 portrait of George Gooderham by Robert Harris. Water-damaged. (Archives of Little Trinity Church, Toronto)

7. Photograph (Manulife archives)

George Horace Gooderham (1868–1942)

8. Tinted photograph. Framed with portraits of other presidents of the St. George's Society, which he headed in 1898. (MTRL, JRR Collection, #1017)

Harriet Herring Gooderham (1802–1885)


Mary Reford Duncanson Gooderham

10. John Wycliffe Lowes Forster. Oil on canvas, much water-damaged. Presented to her husband, Col. A.E. Gooderham, by the officers of the Grenadiers to accompany a ‘soldierly’ portrait of him. (Archives of Little Trinity Church, Toronto)

11. Photograph of the preceding portrait. Mary (Mrs. A.E.) Gooderham was National President of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, 1911–1919. (NAC, IODE Collection, PA-135290)
William Gooderham (1790-1881)


13. John Colin Forbes. Oil on canvas, painted in late 1870s. (Toronto-Dominion Bank Archives)

14. Owen Staples. Watercolour. (MTRL, JRR Collection, #1046)

15. Oil on canvas. (Toronto General Hospital)

William Gooderham (1824-1889)

16. Owen Staples. Watercolour. (MTRL, JRR Collection, #1047)

William George Gooderham (1853-1935)

17. John Wycliffe Lowes Forster. Oil on canvas. (Toronto-Dominion Bank Archives)

18. Oil on canvas. Formerly in offices of The Canada Permanent. (Collection of David White, Toronto)

19. John Vincent. Full-length oil on canvas (Upper Canada College)

20. Several black and white photographs. (Toronto Dominion Bank Archives)

21. Two black and white photos, one by T.J. Leatherdale, Toronto, signed April 1915. (Manulife Archives)

E. Photographs

1. Family group, possibly Gooderhams, by Eldridge Stanton, Toronto, fl. 1881-1900 (G&W On-site)

2. George Gooderham's yacht, 'Oriole,' [188-], lying off Tinning's wharf, (MTRL, Baldwin Room, T-10359)
Gooderham Family Photographs

3. George Gooderham House, now the York Club, St. George Street at Bloor, Toronto, c. 1900 (OA, Acc. 14056-10)

4. Four generations of Gooderhams (William Sr., George, William G. and William H.) taken in the drawing room of one of the family residences in the area of Trinity and Mill streets, Toronto, c.1880. Large format. (Ian Macintosh Collection, Toronto)

F. Correspondence and Private Papers

Few letters written by members of the family on private or business matters are found in public collections. Those dealing with business subjects other than the distillery are rarer still.

1. Correspondence with Sir John A. Macdonald, 1869-1891 (NAC, MG 26, A)

   Listed in the finding aid to Macdonald's incoming correspondence are about thirty letters from various Gooderhams dealing chiefly with railways, but also with political matters.

G. Books and Essays

1. Bank of Toronto, Annual reports, 1855-1935


4. Adam, G. Mercer, Toronto, Old and New, Toronto: The Mail Printing Company, 1891, pp. 133-34, pp. 189-90. Describes the Toronto College of Music, which George Gooderham patronized in a major way. Also the Toronto Silver Plate Company, established 1882, of which E.G. Gooderham was manager, Alfred Gooderham was vice-president and George Gooderham a director.


7. Bank of Toronto, 75 Years of Service, [1931]

8. The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, The First Sixty Years, Toronto, 1947

9. Schull, Joseph, 100 Years of Banking in Canada: a history of the Toronto-Dominion Bank, Toronto: Copp Clark, [1958]

10. "... and all the past is future," Toronto: Manufacturers Life, c.1971. A brief semi-fictional history of Manulife, which was established in 1887 with Sir John A. Macdonald as president and George Gooderham as vice president. The latter succeeded to the presidency in 1891 on Macdonald's death. The company's first policy was for $50,000, issued on Gooderham's life.


Goederhammer Family Books and Essays


d. Newspaper Reports and Magazine Articles

1. 'Building in Toronto,' *The Globe*, 3 Nov. 1866, pl. "On Trinity street, a red brick dwelling is being erected for Henry Gooderham, Esq. . . ."

2. 'Progress of Toronto . . . St. Lawrence Ward,' *The Globe*, 22 Nov. 1869, p. 2. "Mr. George Gooderham has been making an addition to his large brick dwelling on the corner of Palace and Trinity streets. . . ."

3. 'Mr. George Gooderham lies at death's door,' *Toronto Star*, 1 May 1905


5. 'New President Manufacturers' Life,' *Canadian Courier*, v. XV, no. 21, 25 Apr. 1914, p. 17

6. 'Ancient Dwelling Goes to Wreckers Toronto Star, 4 Jan. 1929. [William Gooderham house, Carlton and Sherbourne streets]

7. 'Name of Gooderham Leader in York for Hundred Years,' *Evening Telegram*, 23 Jul. 1932
Gooderham Family Newspaper Reports

'First of Gooderham Line Brought 54 Here in 1832,' by R.E. Knowles, *Toronto Star*, 31 Mar. 1933

'300 Gooderham Descendants to meet in Ancestral Home,' *Toronto Star*, 15 Jun. 1966

10. 'Wheezing and coughing -- but with style,' by Sid Adelman, *The Telegram* [Toronto], 7 Feb. 1970, p45


14. '[George H.] Gooderham’s Jarvis St. house will soon by a historic site,' by Donald Jones, *Toronto Star*, 21 May 1977, p B8


16. 'Famed King Edward Hotel was built as a barrier,' by Donald Jones, *Toronto Star*, 19 Nov. 1977, p. G11


19. 'Coffin Block to Flat Iron,' by Mike Filey, *The Sun* [Toronto], 10 Mar. 1985, p. 5–27


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22. 'Goederham always answered the door when opportunity came knocking,' by John Southerst, Financial Post, 6 Apr. 1987

23. 'Air conditioning [at the York Club] be darned,' by John Bentley Mays, Globe & Mail, 1 Jul. 1992

24. In the History Department, Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library there is an extensive collection of scrapbooks containing biographical clippings from newspapers, which can be viewed on microfilm (film T-686.3). The index lists references to more than two dozen persons surnamed 'Goederham.'

25. The City of Toronto Archives has files containing clippings and other materials on the Goederham Building (49 Front Street E.); the house of William Goederham (1824-89), at n.e. corner of Carlton and Sherbourne streets, now demolished; and George H. Goederham's house (504 Jarvis Street).

I. Architectural Drawings

1. Smith & Gemmell, architects, House proposed to be erected by George Goederham, n.d. but watermarked '1873.' Elevations, ground and first floor plans. Scale 8 ft. to one inch. (G&W On-site)

2. Smith & Gemmell, unidentified house, n.d. Plan, elevation and section. (G&W On-site)

3. Plan showing houses of Goederhams and Worts's on Front, Trinity and Mill streets, 22 Mar. 1880, with distances between [for laying piping?] (G&W On-site)


5. David Roberts, Jr., Perspective drawing of a house for George Goederham, St. George Street at Bloor, Toronto, c. 1888. (Private collection, Toronto)

Sketch plan of lots, Toronto Island, n.d. (G&W On-site)
Gooderham Family Architectural Drawings

7. Small unidentified house, n.d. Floor plans (G&W On-site)

8. Sketch plans of estate west of Clarkson, Toronto Township, n.d. (G&W On-site)

9. P. Ross, Gooderham House [York Club], St. George and Bloor Streets, measured drawing, 1963 (OA, Picture Colln., D 612-613)

10. [I. Rayman], Gooderham House [York Club], St. George and Bloor Streets, measured drawing, 1963 (OA, Picture Collection, D 614–615 N)

J. Drainage Permits

See introduction to Section L, Part One, p. 41 above.

1. #3082, 5 June 1890, to George Gooderham, 72 Trinity Street

2. #14957, 10 Sept. 1900, to George Gooderham, 90 Mill Street


K. Building Permits

See Introduction to Section M, Part One, p. 42 above. All permits listed below are found in CTA, RG 13, Series C.

1. B.P. #445, 1 Aug. 1891, to David Roberts, Jr. (for company) for a 5-storey stone and brick office building at the junction of Wellington and Front Streets. Est. cost $66,000

2. B.P. #998, 23 Sept. 1892, to George Gooderham for a 1½ storey brick stable in rear of residence northeast corner of St. George and Bloor Streets. Est. cost $6,000.

4. B.P. #31, 26 May 1897, to Mr. Gooderham for a large two-storey dwelling and outhouses, Island Front East. Cost $7,500.

5. B.P. #6, 16 Jul. 1897, to George Gooderham for a small galvanized stable at 842 King Street West. Cost $150

6. B.P. #149, 27 Nov. 1897, to George Gooderham for a two-storey brick addition to nos. 141-143 Spadina Ave. Cost $2,000.

7. B.P. #45, 23 Mar. 1898, to George Gooderham for porches and verandah at nos. 141-143 Spadina Ave. Cost $150.

8. B.P. #107, 25 Apr. 1898, to George Gooderham for a brick addition and alterations to 607 Queen Street West. J. McKerrachen, builder. Cost $500.

9. B.P. #229, 26 Apr. 1900, to George Gooderham for factory, Millstone Lane near York street, Toronto. $6500. David Roberts, Jr., architect.

10. B.P. #156, 10 Apr. 1901, to George Gooderham for three pairs of semi-detached dwellings, Worts Ave., Toronto. Cost $8,000. David Roberts, Jr. architect. Worts Avenue, running east from Cherry Street between Front Street and Eastern Avenue, abutted G&W's cooperage on the north side of Front Street. In 1906 the cooperage was re-established on the east side of Trinity Street above Mill Street. About 1916 the houses on Worts Avenue disappeared when the former site of the cooperage and many other nearby properties were incorporated into a yard for the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway.