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MacDougall, James Brown, 1871-1950.

Dr. James Brown MacDougall was born near Stirling, Scotland and came with his parents at the age of two to settle in Ramsay Township, Lanark County, near Almonte, Ontario. He attended Almonte High School, graduating in 1892 with the Prince of Wales Scholarship in Classics, English and Mathematics. He attended Queen's University and graduated in 1896 with honours in Classics and English, and in 1897 became principal of the North Bay Model School.

Dr. MacDougall made a major contribution to the advancement of schools in Ontario during his period of professional service. In 1904, the Department of Education appointed him as the first resident inspector of schools in the North. In 1909, the North Bay Normal School was built and in 1911 Dr. MacDougall became the Master in English and the Science of Education. This position he held until 1919, when the Minister of Education appointed him the Chief Inspector of Public and Separate Schools. In 1918 Dr. MacDougall received his doctorate degree in Pedagogy from the University of Toronto. High schools in these years were practically unknown in the far North and Dr. MacDougall advocated correspondence courses and railway school cars. As early as 1922 thirteen rural Consolidated Schools and Township Boards of Trustees were established in northern Ontario under the guidance of Dr. MacDougall. In 1925 Dr. MacDougall was transferred to the Department of Education where as Chief Inspector of Public and Separate Schools, he took charge of the general supervision of the elementary schools in eastern and north-eastern Ontario. Dr. MacDougall retired in 1942 after more than forty-eight years as teacher, principal, inspector, and official of the Department of Education. He is also the author of Miss Canada's Reception, Toronto: McClelland, 1917; Building the North, Toronto: McClelland, 1919; The Real Mother Goose; the Reality Behind the Rhyme, Toronto: Ryerson Press, 1940; and Two Thousand Miles of Gold, from Val d'Or to Yellowknife, Toronto: McClelland & Stewart, 1946.

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