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BIOGRAPHY

Born at Upper Charles, New Brunswick, Canada. His mother, Grace McNair, was the second wife of James McDonald. The family moved to Missouri, later settled near Caledonia, N.D. Hugh worked on various farms, started farming on his father's place, later established his own farm. Married Elizabeth "Mamie" Irwin in 1882. Retired from farming in 1951 and moved to Caledonia, N.D. where he later died.

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