

with the late Sir. Henry Smith, a partnership which continued until the death of the latter gentleman in the year 1868. He soon became known as a sound and painstaking lawyer, and although he did not appear at the bar as frequently as his partner, he established a reputation as a case lawyer and sound adviser which has been surpassed by few men in this Province.

At a time when the practice of the law was a tangled mystery, and when the form of a pleading was all important in an action, Mr. Henderson's advice was eagerly sought by his fellow practitioners whose pleadings were confidently submitted to him for his inspection and settlement. In 1857 he was appointed Master in Chancery at Kingston, an important judicial position, which he occupied up to the time of his death; and it is but a just tribute to his ability to say that his duties were performed in such a manner as to give universal satisfaction, and that during his long tenure of the office, very few of his decisions were reversed on appeal. He possessed the great gift of unerring common sense, which, it is said, is one of the greatest talents a lawyer can possess.

In 1883 the University of Trinity College, of the Council of which he was afterwards a member, conferred on Mr. Henderson the degree of D.C.L.; and some years later he received from the Government a patent as Queen's Counsel. In 1878 he was elected one of the Benchers of the Law Society, and for some years before his death he was President of the Frontenac Law Association and leader of the Frontenac Bar. The doctor has no more sincere mourners than his fellow practitioners in the city of Kingston who were accustomed to apply to him for advice, which he freely gave them, and to whom he was endeared by his genial manners and his bright and cheerful disposition.

Early in life Dr. Henderson became a member of the Society of Freemasons, in the affairs of which he took a warm and active interest up to the time of his death. His devotion to the principles of his order, the profession and practice of which he always regarded as entirely consistent with his duties as a Christian and a churchman, was rewarded by his promotion in the year 1879 to the position of Grand Master, which he held for the usual term of two years. No man ever occupied the Grand Master's chair who was more beloved by his brethren than "The Doctor." His courteous manners, his accessibility, his singularly handsome face and physique, and his constant practice of the principles of Freemasonry made him a universal favorite with the fraternity. A few months before his death he was by acclamation elected to the position of Grand Master of the Templar organization in Canada. His funeral was conducted by his Masonic brethren with the ceremonies befitting his exalted rank.

Though Dr. Henderson devoted his time and talents chiefly to the practice of his profession and the affairs of his Church, he yet found opportunity to attend to the interests of his fellow citizens. He was always anxious to promote the prosperity of the city in which he lived, and for many years before his death was president of the Frontenac Loan and Investment Society, the Kingston Gas Company and the Cemetery Company. His services in these positions were highly appreciated.

The writer once heard it said by one of our Bishops that whenever he wanted anything done he went to the busiest man of his acquaintance capable of doing it; that the man who had nothing to do was always too busy to do anything, and could never be depended upon.

The work of Dr. Henderson in connection with his Church recalls this remark to memory. Though busily occupied in the practice of his profession, he yet found a great deal of time to give to the service of that Church of which he was a life-long and devoted member.

At the time of the formation of the Diocese of Ontario, in 1862, Dr. Henderson was one of the churchwardens of St. George's Cathedral, and on behalf of the members of the Church of England in Kingston, read an address of welcome to the new Bishop, the Right Reverend John Travers Lewis. The Bishop fortunately recognizing in him the abilities which he subsequently displayed, appointed him Chancellor of the diocese, a choice which neither he nor the church-people of the diocese ever had reason to regret. The present prosperity of the Diocese of Ontario, so far at least as its temporal affairs are concerned, is largely due to the labors of its late Chancellor, who moulded its legislation and exercised a keen supervision over its finances; and the thoroughly cordial feeling of confidence which exists between the Bishop, clergy and laity of the diocese is in some degree at least attributable to his salutary counsels and influence. His life work was crowned by the final revision of the Canons of the diocese, the adoption of which he moved at the last session of the Synod. The Bishop keenly feels the loss of his faithful counsellor and friend, the clergy mourn the death of one who was always ready to assist them with his advice and counsel; and the laity will sorrow for the taking away of their chief representative who, while loyal to his Bishop and the clergy of the diocese, was ever mindful of the rights and interests of his own order.

But the talents of Dr. Henderson found even a wider field for their exercise than his own diocese. Constantly elected from the year 1862 as delegate from St. George's Cathedral to the Diocesan Synod, he was by the latter body, from the year 1863 up to the time of his death, sent as one of its representatives to the Provincial Synod, where he took an active part in the Church work assigned to that body. He was a