



A. Browning, Montreal,
Compiler of highest score (204) in America.

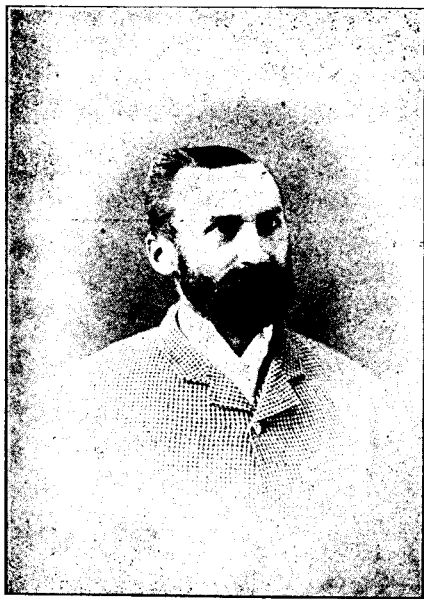
once a captain at Eton and afterwards killed in Zululand. Lord Cecil, an old Harrow boy, Cobden, who learned his cricket at Rugby, and who was an excellent wicket-keeper as well as a fine bat, (a brother of that Cobden who, playing for Cambridge a few years later took the last three Oxford wickets in four balls when they wanted but three runs to win the match,) "Schoolmaster" Foster, notably one of the best cricketers in the service, Hornby, a cousin of the Lancashire hero, and Capt. Birch, an old Marlburian and a fine bat, now living at Montreal, were hard men to beat. Capt. Phillips of the Grenadier Guards was a good all round man, and Colonel Bathurst who frequently played for the Gentlemen of England helped to make up a practically invincible eleven.

Peacock the bat maker turned out then, as he does now, some fine drivers. The civilian eleven of this time was chosen from such men as Young, Smith, Murray, Tetu, Mackenzie, Ridley, Bacon, Buchanan, Hardman, Hebden, Oswald, Elliott, Jones, Pearn, Rose and Brotherhood. Hebden, Tetu, Rose and Oswald were the bowlers, the best batsmen being Tetu, Murray, Mackenzie, Brotherhood and Hardman.

In 1872 Fitzgerald's team, of which, by the way, that gentleman, and not W. G. Grace, was the captain, played in Montreal. Six years later the second largest in-

dividual score—202—ever made in America was compiled by Leisk, of Hamilton, during a match at Montreal with the local eleven. Playing for Montreal in 1880, A. Browning made at Ottawa the American record for individual score—204—in an innings, the total of which was 402, to which Badgeley contributed 80. This large score was made in one of the matches played by the Montreal Club while on an eastern tour, during which they defeated Hamilton, then very strong, lost at Port Hope and drew with Kingston. The middle seventies were active years for the Montreal Club, at that time very strong. In 1875 they won nine out of fifteen matches, of which two were drawn. The next year H. C. Simonds, one of the best all round men Canada has ever had, made some big scores, notably 60 and 75 in one match against Ottawa. The men of this period were W. Smith, G. L. Hardman, E. H. Gough, F. Stancliffe, H. C. Simonds, C. L. MacLean, J. Smith and T. D. Bell. Some of these gentlemen are playing to-day, but their places have been filled from time to time by others, prominent amongst whom were Guerrier, Browning, Badgeley, Pinkney, Alslow, H. Hamilton, F. T. Short and P. Barton, all of whom have shed lustre on the club.

Both of Sanders' English elevens won at Montreal, as did the West Indians in 1886, and the Halifax Wanderers in the



F. C. Stancliffe, President Montreal C. C., 1884-6.