

Queens, Sept., 1873; re-elected at last g.e. A Liberal. An advocate of international free-trade upon a just and equitable basis, and of a prohibitory liquor law.—*Summerfield, P.E.I.*

SKINNER, *Lieut.-Col.* JAMES ATCHISON. [*South Oxford.*] 2ND MEM.

B. in the Royal Burgh of Tain, Ross-shire, Scot., 1826. Ed. at the Grammar School and Royal Academy there. Came to Can., 1843, and in 1849 m. Agnes, second dau. of Robert Johnston, Esq., of Annandale. "A farmer, and proud of being a farmer." Entered the Can. Volunteer Militia service, 1855, and shortly afterwards organized the first Highland Co. enrolled in Western Can.; in 1860, after the disbandment of the first one, organized a second Highland Co., (which he uniformed at his own expense) and which did duty during the visit to Hamilton of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales; in 1862, on formation of the 13th V.I., became Major, and in 1866, succeeded to the Lieut.-Colonelcy of that Batt., a position he still retains. Is also Vice Presdt. of the Ontario Rifle Assn.; a mem. of Council of Dominion Rifle Assn.; and Presdt. of the Highland Society of Hamilton and Canada West, (holding a charter from the Highland Society of Scotland), and of the High-