SIR HENRI JOLY DE LOTBINIERE.

Since the last issue of the JOURNAL, the Canadian Forestry Association has sustained a severe loss in the death of its first President, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere.

For many years Sir Henri held a prominent position among the public men of the Dominion. Entering the Legislative Assembly of Canada several years prior to Confederation, as member for the County of Lotbiniere, he took an active part in the discussions leading to the union. For seven years subsequent to Confederation he represented his country in both the Dominion House of Commons and the Legislative Assemby of the Province of Quebec. Then, when dual representation was abolished, he chose to retain his seat in the Provincial Assembly, and from 1874 to 1878 led the Opposition in that chamber. In 1878 he became Premier of the province, but resigned that position in 1879, and for four years longer was head of the provincial Opposition. He retained his seat in the Assembly until 1885, when he resigned owing to his disapproval of the attitude of his party in regard to the Riel agitation.

Elected to the House of Commons in 1896 as member for Portneuf, he became Controller of Inland Revenue, and afterwards Minister of the same department. In 1900 he was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, an office which he held for the full term.

He was created a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George in 1895; and, in recognition of his services in accompanying Li Hung Chang in his tour of the Dominion in 1896, he was also appointed a member of the Imperial (Chinese) Order of the Double Dragon. He was an honorary D.C.L. of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, Que.. and an LL.D. of Queen's College, Kingston, Ont.

Among the pioneers of the forestry movement in Canada Sir Henri held a unique position. Long before the necessity for forest preservation and protection was generally recognized, Sir Henri labored in many ways to arouse the public to the