

and Dr. Alanson have passed away; but we have still with us Sir John Macdonald, George Brown, Chief Justice Richards, R. W. Scott, Sir Narcisse Belleau, H. L. Langevin, David Christie, J. B. Robinson, J. C. Aikins, William McDougall, Edmund Heath, David E. Price, John Simpson, Joseph Rymal, and Louis Lacoste. The document is of great interest, especially at the present moment, when the good Prince is making a second royal tour, this time through his royal mother's Eastern possessions; and in looking over its many pages, the thought has not unnaturally suggested itself that a gentleman who was so largely instrumental in bringing about so important an event as the one we have referred to, ought not to be forgotten in these days of C.M.G.'s. Surely if it pleases the Colonial Office to decorate every quiet-going Governor's Secretary on his return from five years' stay in the colonies, with the Ribbon of the Order, the smaller honor might with propriety be accorded to one who has done something to merit recognition at the hands of our gracious Sovereign.

MR. J. G. NORRIS.

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Mr. J. G. Norris, formerly of Toronto, who, it will be remembered, originated the idea of a visit to Canada by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and who himself, in 1858, at his own expense, carried the petition in behalf of that object to the foot of the Throne, is now in Ottawa, after an absence from Canada of eighteen years. Mr. Norris, in the service to which we have referred, did much towards securing the unity of the Empire in this portion of Her Majesty's dominions, and thereby placed the country and all who value "British connection" under no inconsiderable obligation to him. Absent from Canada at the time of the Royal Visit, he has never received reward or acknowledgment for his loyal and unselfish service—nor do we know that he expects anything. But it would be a graceful act, if some mark of royal favor were now bestowed upon him.