

reason for giving a mortgage on all you possess, present and prospective, but in the former it would seem reasonable to let each property bear its own burden. We should like to hear this matter discussed.

*SIR JOHN HAWKINS HAGARTY, D.C.L.*

On the 27th April last Sir John Hawkins Hagarty, ex-Chief Justice of the Province of Ontario, died at his residence in Toronto, at the ripe old age of 83. Although a man of somewhat delicate constitution he outlived most of his contemporaries, and was the last of the judges who occupied the Bench of this Province in 1857, and not a few of the subsequently appointed judges have preceded him to that bourne from which no traveller returns.

Sir John Hawkins Hagarty was the son of Matthew Hagarty, who formerly held the post of Examiner in His Majesty's Prerogative Court for Ireland. His father was a man of superior education, and from him his gifted son no doubt inherited both his fine literary tastes and also a predilection for the law. Sir John was educated at a private school at Dublin, from which he proceeded to Trinity College, Dublin, in his sixteenth year, but he could have hardly completed much more than one year at that well-known seat of learning when he left Ireland for Canada in 1834. His school education there terminated comparatively early, but he had nevertheless acquired a taste for literature, which was to him a life-long source of delight. On his arrival in Canada he went first to a farm near Bowmanville, but in the following year he reached Toronto, then but lately known as "Muddy little York," and there he continued to reside until his death.

Upon coming to Toronto he began the study of the law in the office of Mr. George Duggan, afterwards Recorder of Toronto, and who ultimately succeeded the Hon. Samuel Bealey Harrison as Judge of the County Court of York. In 1840 the future Chief Justice was called to the Bar of Upper Canada, and very soon attained a conspicuous position in its ranks. On the same day two other men signed the roll of solicitors, both of whom afterwards attained distinction, viz., Zacheus Burnham, for many years the highly-respected County Judge of Ontario, and Samuel Black Freeman, an eminent Queen's Counsel, who practiced in Hamilton.