

also had considerable experience as a traveler, having visited nearly all the different countries of Europe; many of them twice. Mr. and Mrs. Lauder have only one child, a son named William Waugh, who promises to become quite celebrated as a musician and pianist. He has studied at Heidelberg, Germany, and is now finishing under the best masters at Leipsic in the same country. Last June he was selected from the many students at Leipsic to play at the annual *Gawand haus* Concert, a distinction which many hope for, but few obtain. He is the first from Canada, and one of a very few from America, who ever acquired this honor, which is regarded as indicating the possession of very superior musical abilities.

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JOHN R. MARTIN,

CAYUGA.

JOHN ROBERT MARTIN, County Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace, dates his birth in the County of Kildare, Ireland, February 25, 1825. He is a grandson of the celebrated Col. Richard Martin of Connemara, County of Galway, Ireland, a large land owner in Ireland, representing Galway in the Irish Parliament, with such associates as Grattan, Curran, Flood, and that class of statesmen and orators. We learn from the "Historical Atlas of Haldimand County," that Col. Martin<sup>a</sup> sat for Galway until the Union, and continued to represent it in the British Parliament, for a long period, and in that body received the appellation of "Humanity Martin," for obtaining the passage of an Act for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, then, strange to say, considered by many people as an infringement on their rights.

The father of our subject was Richard Martin, junior, second son of Col. Martin, and born in the County of Galway, March 25, 1797. He married Emily Sylvia, daughter of John Kirwan, Q.C., of Dublin, and emigrated to Canada in 1833, settling in the Township of Seneca, County of Haldimand, near York, and there improved a farm, partly opened when he purchased it. At that time the Indians had not left this part of the province; the country was wild; but few roads were opened; grist mills and markets were remote, and Mr. Martin and his family had a liberal experience in frontier life.

When the rebellion broke out in the latter part of 1837, Mr. Martin was prompt to shoulder his musket and march to the front, joining a company which was stationed several months at Chippawa. On returning from the "war" he raised a company of volunteers in Haldimand, and was subsequently appointed Lieut.-Colonel in the local militia. He was for years a member of the District Council; was one of the originators and directors of the Gore Bank, and was Sheriff of Haldimand from 1850 until the time of his death, April 4, 1878, being in the 82nd year of his age. He sleeps in the church-yard of St. John's Church, York, six miles from