

his mother, Julia Ann MacPherson, was the daughter of Daniel MacPherson, a United Empire Loyalist, who was born in 1753, at Fort William, Invernesshire, Scotland, and driven from Philadelphia in 1783.

Upon very few of our citizens have honors poured so thickly as upon the author of "Maple Leaves," of "Quebec Past and Present," of "Picturesque Quebec," and of so many other books of history, archaeology, ornithology, Canadian legends, and the sports afforded by our woods, and waters.

Admitted to the Bar of Quebec in 1850, he practised law for some time as a member of the law firm of Kerr & LeMoine, and then for a long period of years served his country as Inspector at Quebec of the Inland Revenue of the Dominion. His official services extended over a period of 52 years.

For many years President of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, he has also been President of the Royal Society of Canada, the highest honor that literature in this country can confer. To crown all, he was knighted on the 1st of January, 1897, by her late Majesty Queen Victoria, for his distinguished services to Canadian literature. He is a D.C.L. of Bishop's College, Lennoxville. Sir James is also the possessor of a very long list of titles and diplomas from various home and foreign learned societies. Such distinguished novelists as Francis Parkman, William Kirby, author of the *Chien d'Or*, and Sir Gilbert Parker, have freely expressed their indebtedness to him for assistance, and suggestions in their work.

The *Daily Telegraph* unites with the many friends of the gallant Knight of Spencer Grange, in warmly congratulating him upon his attainment of his eightieth birthday, and in wishing him a green old age in which to enjoy many more anniversaries of his birth, and the esteem and regard of his fellow citizens; and with these congratulations the writer presents his own, regretting that unavoidable absence from town this afternoon prevents him from tendering them in person.

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