

ration, and when the Hon. A. G. Archibald was appointed lieut.-governor of Manitoba, Mr. Reading was selected as a candidate to contest the seat thus made vacant, but he declined the honor, preferring to live quietly and peacefully in the bosom of his family during the remainder of his days.

Mr. Reading is a consistent member of the Church of England. He has represented his church at the Diocesan Synod from its formation to the present time, and has also represented the Diocesan Synod in the Provincial Synod. He has lived a highly exemplary life, and is greatly esteemed for his many excellent social and benevolent as well as moral qualities.

In 1841 he was joined in marriage with Eliza, daughter of John MacKenzie, of Truro. They have lost one son, and have six daughters, and one son living. The eldest daughter, Mary, is the widow of Samuel H. Cox, late a merchant at Shelburne, N.S.; Harriet is the wife of George R. Gibson, Nova Scotia; Julia is the wife of B. F. Pearson, attorney-at-law, and the other three daughters, Eliza, Emma L. and Annie are at home. The son, William Edward, is married and lives in California.

STEPHEN H. MOORE,

KENTVILLE, N.S.

STEPHEN HARRINGTON MOORE, judge of probate for the county of King's, is a son of William C. and Elizabeth (Harrington) Moore, and his birth is dated at Cornwallis, in this county, October 22, 1802. His paternal grandfather was a British officer during the struggle of the American colonies for independence. The Harrington family were also from the States. The parents of Stephen belonged to the farming community, and lived and toiled at Cornwallis, where they both died and are buried. Mr. Moore was educated in common and grammar schools; cultivated the soil until nearly of age; studied law in Kentville with John Whidden, Esq.; was called to the bar on the 22nd of January, 1828, and has practised his profession in Kentville for fifty-three years, being one of the oldest lawyers in the western part of the province. He was created a Queen's counsel in February, 1873.

Mr. Moore has made a fair success of his profession pecuniarily, and has always had a respectable standing among the legal fraternity. He has never had much to do with politics, and has sedulously refused to offer himself for any political post, his ambition not running in that direction. He seems to have been contented to stand well in his profession. Unsolicited by him, the office of judge of probate was conferred upon him in March, 1879, and its duties now absorb most of his time.

His ancestors for many generations have been churchmen; and Mr. Moore attends St. James' church.

Mr. Moore was first married in October, 1833, to Miss Lavinia Angus, of Kentville, she dying in December, 1842, leaving three children; and the second time in October, 1846, to Miss Hannah M. De Wolfe, of Liverpool, N.S., having by her also three children, losing one of them. Nancy, the only daughter by the first wife, is married to Leveret De Veber Chipman, agent of the bank of Nova Scotia, Kentville; Stephen D. is a farmer at Greenwich, King's county; Joseph J. is a lawyer at Kentville; George T., the only son by the second wife, is a lawyer at Liverpool, N.S.; and Catherine is married to T. S. Greenalgh, of Lynn, Mass.