

marked ability, as an independent paper. He seems to be rather proud of the pen, and the editing of the paper affords him a fine field for literary recreation during his leisure moments.

Mr. Butterfield has been connected with the militia for several years, and holds the rank of Major 18th battalion volunteer infantry. He is serving his first year as reeve of the village of L'Orignal, being elected by acclamation in December, 1879, and he had a similar honor conferred upon him by the united counties of Prescott and Russell. The latter being an honor rarely bestowed on anybody. With the exception of Hon. John Hamilton, senator, Major Butterfield is the only member of the county council who was ever chosen warden on first entering that body. He is its youngest member in years; he, no doubt, fully appreciates the compliment paid him for his fine business talents and executive abilities.

In July, 1868, Mr. Butterfield was united in marriage with Mrs. Frances Evelina Freel, widow of Judge Freel, and youngest daughter of the late John Chesser, of Plantagenet, at one time a member of the Canadian parliament for Prescott.

NELSON G. REYNOLDS,

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NELSON GILBERT REYNOLDS, high sheriff of Ontario county, since it was organized in 1853, is a son of Rev. John Reynolds, many years a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a native of the north of Ireland, and was born at Kingston, Upper Canada, January, 23, 1814. His mother was Mary *née* Gilbert, whose father was from England.

Young Reynolds was educated at Upper Canada College, and Cazurovia (New York) seminary; at fifteen years of age went to England, and became an officer in the 11th Lancers, afterwards Huzzars; in 1833 returned to Belleville, Canada, where his parents were residing; shortly afterwards went out to what is now Manitoba, as Lieutenant of a company of the 54th regiment, contingent troops, in the service of the Hudson Bay company, going as far west as Jasper House, part way up the Rocky Mountains, and enduring many privations, hardships, and perils. Returning to Belleville, he was elected to the Upper Canada Parliament, from the county of Hastings, before he was of age, taking his seat as soon as legally entitled to it. The Parliament, however, was soon dissolved.

For several years Mr. Reynolds was President of the celebrated Marmora foundry, or smelting company; was also at one time at the head of a steamboat company, and interested in banking, mercantile business, railroading, and other enterprises, this period of his life being subsequent to the rebellion of 1837-'38.

At the breaking out of the so-called "Patriot war," Mr. Reynolds was an officer on duty, and during all that trying period, was perfectly loyal to the parent Government, having no