

ARTHUR ARDAGH.

The well-known Toronto stock and grain broker, Arthur Ardagh was born in that city on 26th December, 1857. He is the son of the late Richard Ardagh, who came to Canada with his parents at four years of age from Tipperary, Ireland, where he was born. Richard Ardagh was Chief of the Toronto Fire Brigade, and died from injuries he received at the "Globe" fire, which occurred in the year 1895. Arthur Ardagh's mother, whose maiden name was Elizabeth A. Rudd, was born at Hemlock Lake near Rochester, N.Y., her parents also having come from Tipperary, Ireland. Arthur Ardagh was educated at the Grammar School, Jarvis Street, Toronto, and upon entering business, followed the occupation of city contractor for fifteen years, becoming the head of the firm of Ardagh and Leonard. For years they undertook most of the road work in Toronto. Mr. Ardagh then became the manager of the Constructing and Paving Company, organized for the making of asphalt roads, etc.

Subsequently Mr. Ardagh embarked on his present business of stock and grain broking. He deals principally in New York stocks, and the Chicago grain market. His offices at 12 Victoria Street, Toronto, are connected by private wires with New York and Chicago, thus facilitating the transacting of the volume of business passing through his hands. He has achieved a great business success in his present profession, as indeed he has done in the various walks in life he has pursued, earning the confidence, respect, and support of his fellow citizens. Mr. Ardagh is a member of the National Club, the Albany Club, the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, and the Orange Order and Arcanum.

On the 29th of August, 1878, Arthur Ardagh married Annie H. Irwin, a daughter of the late ex-Alderman Irwin, the union having been blessed with four children—John Irwin Ardagh, Harry-Richard Ardagh, Ottielyn Ardagh, and Rheta Ardagh.