

Young Fraser was educated at the Newcastle grammar school; began to study law in October, 1845, with the late Hon. John Ambrose Street, subsequently attorney-general of the Province of New Brunswick, and was admitted an attorney in 1850. Upon the appointment of Mr. Street as attorney-general, in January, 1851, he removed to Fredericton, and remained with him until 1854; he was admitted to the bar in 1852, and was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1873. Mr. Fraser concerned himself but little with politics until 1865, when he was returned to the provincial parliament from York county, in conjunction with Messrs. Allen, the present chief justice, Hatheway and Needham, as champions of the cause of anti-confederation. The House was dissolved in 1866 on the resignation of the Smith Government, and at the election consequent on the dissolution, Mr. Fraser again ran but was defeated. In June, 1871, he was appointed a member of the Legislative Council and president of the executive council in the Hatheway-King Government; he held both these positions until the death of Mr. Hatheway which occurred in 1872, when he resigned; he was offered the post of provincial secretary in the Government of which Mr. King was leader, and accepted it; upon his acceptance he was again returned for the county of Ycrk, which county he continued to represent until May, 1878, when Mr. King retired from local politics. On his retirement, Mr. Fraser became attorney-general and leader of the government, which position he still holds.

He was married in September, 1867, to Martha, eldest daughter of the late Alex. Cumming, Esq., a merchant of Fredericton, and had by her two children both of whom are dead. She died in March, 1871.

### GEORGE S. GRIMMER, Q.C.,

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GEORGE SKEFFINGTON GRIMMER, barrister and clerk of the peace, and of the circuit and county courts, and secretary of the county of Charlotte, dates his birth at St. Stephen, in that county, on the 11th of June, 1826. His father, John Grimmer, was born in the same place and was in early manhood a ship-builder and ship-owner, and later in life collector of customs at St. Stephen, where he still resides, being in his 93rd year. The family were originally from Germany, coming to this country from England. The mother of George was Elizabeth Maxwell, daughter of James Maxwell, who was in the American colonies when the revolutionary war broke out, and before it closed shouldered the musket for the king.

Mr. Grimmer was partly educated in the public schools of St. Stephen parish, and Washington academy, State of Maine, finishing his literary studies under the private tuition of the Rev. Skeffington Thomson, a LL.D., of Trinity college, Dublin; commenced the study of law at St. Andrew, with the Hon. James W. Chandler; finished at Fredericton, with David Shanks Kerr, Q.C., was admitted to practise as an attorney in 1847; called to the bar in 1849; created a Queen's Counsel on the 2nd of April, 1873, and since 1847 has been in steady practice in the county of Charlotte, having an office at St. Stephen as well as at St. Andrew. He has always had a fair share of legal business; is well read in his profession, and has a highly creditable standing among the fraternity in this section of the province.

Mr. Grimmer was elected to the local legislature for Charlotte county in 1860, served three sessions, and then retired having never been before the public since that period. He was a