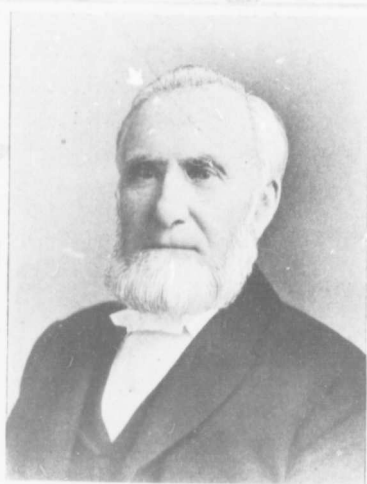


OUR BELOVED SENIOR HON. PRESIDENT.

(Went Home June 17th, 1903.)

REV. EDWARD HARTLEY DEWART, D.D.



EDWARD HARTLEY DEWART was born in County Cavan, Ireland, 1828. He came to Canada with his parents, who settled about the centre of the Township of Dunham, in 1834. Amid many drawbacks and difficulties he became as a lad quite a scholar and in 1848 walked to Toronto to attend the Normal School. Upon receiving a certificate he taught school for a few sessions, joining the Methodist Conference in 1851 as a probationer. He early became distinguished as a man of great force of character, a clear thinker, vigorous writer, powerful debater and able preacher. In 1863 he was elected Editor of the *Christian Guardian* and for twenty-five years, until superannuated, was the most potent factor in the Methodist Church of Canada in the moulding, shaping and directing of her policy. Not alone as poet, author and journalist did he excel, but also as an evangelical preacher and broad-minded citizen. He has made a deeper impress for good upon humanity than any other "Peterborough Boy" of his time.