

**Rose, Hon. Sir John, Bart., G. C. M. G.**, London, England, was born at Turriff, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, on the 2nd August, 1820. He is a son of the late Mr. Rose, of Turriff, by his marriage with Elizabeth, daughter of Captain James Fyfe. John received his education at various schools in Aberdeenshire, concluding his course at King's College, Aberdeen. While he was still a youth he accompanied his parents to Canada, settling with them in the County of Huntingdon, Province of Quebec. For a time, pending an opening more suited to his tastes, John Rose engaged in school teaching in the Eastern townships. He soon abandoned this make-shift pursuit and proceeded to Montreal, where he began the study of law. In 1842 he was called to the bar of Lower Canada, and at once entered upon the practice of his profession. He at once attracted attention at the bar by his fine presence, which was commanding and tall; but better than all, his language was fluent and resonant, and his arguments searching, lucid and direct. He was soon master of the largest commercial practice in Montreal, and his place at the Lower Canada bar was among the very foremost. He conducted several important cases for the government of the day; and in this way, acquired his first thorough insight into political questions. In 1848 the silken gown of counsellor was conferred upon him, in recognition of his splendid legal talents; and during the Baldwin-Lafontaine administration he was strongly pressed to enter public life. But Mr. Rose was a man of cool head and sound judgment, and he resolved that no allurements should draw him into political quicksands till his fortunes, in the commercial sphere, had been laid on firm foundations. Thereafter up to 1857 he held many of the foremost positions in banking and other circles in Montreal. In the year last mentioned he began his parliamentary career, and on the 26th November, accepted office in the Macdonald-Cartier administration as solicitor-general for Lower Canada. Thereafter, till the close of his political career, the record of this distinguished and gifted man is a series of successes unparalleled, save in one other instance, among our Canadian statesmen. After the collapse of the Short Administration, Mr. Rose accepted, nominally, the office of receiver-general, but almost immediately passed back again to the solicitor-generalship. On the 10th of January following, he assumed charge of the department of public works, holding the port-folio till June, 1861, when the com-

bined strain of his official duties and private business caused his health to give way, and he was obliged to resign office, continuing, however, to represent Montreal in parliament. In 1864 Mr. Rose was appointed by the Imperial government a commissioner on behalf of the Empire, under the treaty with the United States for the settlement of the claims which had arisen out of the Oregon treaty. At the first general election after Confederation, Mr. Rose was elected for Huntingdon, and shortly afterwards—upon the retirement of the Hon. (now Sir) A. T. Galt—entered the cabinet as minister of finance. To him fell the greater portion of the task of constituting the new and difficult financial programme for the confederated provinces; but his splendid genius acted as a swift solvent of the difficulty. In July, 1868, Mr. Rose went to England and successfully floated half of the Intercolonial Railway loan. In 1869 he resolved to take up his abode in England, and resigning his seat in parliament, he brought his splendid parliamentary career (of twelve years) to a close. He entered the well-known banking firm of Morton, Bliss & Co., at London, which thereafter was known as Morton, Rose & Co., the subject of this memoir still maintaining his connection with the same. In 1870 he was nominated a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George; and in August, 1872, he was created a baronet. On the 29th October, 1878, in recognition of his services as executive commissioner of Canada at the Paris Exhibition, he was nominated a G. C. M. G. He married, 1843, Charlotte, daughter of the late Robert Temple, of Rutland, in the State of Vermont. There has been issue by this marriage, three sons and two daughters.

**Woodworth, Douglas Benjamin, LL.B., Q.C.**, Kentville, M. P. for Kings county, Nova Scotia, was born at Canning, in the Province of Nova Scotia, on June 1st, 1841. The paternal ancestors of Mr. Woodworth emigrated from England to Connecticut during the early period of settlement in the colonies; but on the outbreak of the revolution they moved to Nova Scotia, and settled there. The maternal ancestors of Mr. Woodworth came from Ireland, and likewise settled in Nova Scotia. His father was B. B. Woodworth, a prominent inhabitant, and a J. P., of Canning, Nova Scotia. D. B. Woodworth obtained a careful education, receiving, at first, tuition under the Rev. W. Sommerville, afterwards attending Sackville Academy, the Normal School at Truro, and Harvard University, near

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