

Autobiography of Mr. Counter, C.O.O.

Mr. Charles Albert Counter was born at Southrood, Kingston, the residence of his father, John Counter, Esq., on the 7th of May, 1841. His father was a prominent man in the history of Kingston, having been Mayor of the Limestone City for eight years. Charles Albert early evinced a taste for oratory, and even when a school boy was fond of discussing public questions. He frequently addressed the students of Queen's College from the rostrum, and was a prominent debater in the Alma Mater Society. Of late years Mr. Counter has acquired his principle notoriety as the champion of the female sex, his eloquent efforts on behalf of woman's rights entitling him to the gratitude of every lady in this country. Mr. Counter has also served his country in many ways. He has been engaged on several important public works—the Midland Railroad, the Credit Valley Railroad, the Toronto Grey and Bruce, the Grenville and Lachine Canals, the Canada Pacific and the Kingston and Pembroke Railways. Mr. Counter possesses a splendid delivery, enhanced by a good physique and powerful voice, and should be heard to be appreciated. As a political speaker Mr. Counter has few equals in Canada.