

J. D. Buell received a careful educational training, attending the minor and Grammar schools of his native place; and upon completing his course, entered upon the study of law, being called to the bar of Upper Canada at Michaelmas term, 1854. He first married Susan Chaffey, of Pittsburg, U. S., who died in December, 1857. He next married (1861) Margaret Sophia, fourth daughter of the late Rev. Edmund J. Senkler, M.A., formerly of Docking, Norfolk, England. Colonel Buell has always taken a deep interest in militia matters; has held a seat in the Dominion Rifle Association, and is lieutenant-colonel in the 42nd battalion, Brockville. In the municipal affairs of Brockville, he has been a foremost figure, and served as mayor of the town for many years; and he is a master in Chancery. In 1871 he contested Brockville riding for a seat in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, but was defeated; but the following year he was elected to the House of Commons for the same constituency, being re-elected in 1874. In 1878 he was again in the field, but was defeated by Mr. Fitzsimmons. In politics Colonel Buell has always been a Liberal.

**Massey, Hart Almeri**, President of the Massey Manufacturing Company, Toronto, was born in the township of Haldimand, Northumberland county, Ontario, on the 29th of April, 1823. His grandfather settled in Canada in 1807, and served in the war of 1812, teaming for the troops from Kingston to Toronto, leaving his son, Daniel, a boy of only twelve years old, the entire charge and management of the homestead. He had to attend the market with grain, settle up accounts, and pay the men. Few boys at his age would have been able to do this. The grandfather was born in Vermont, and in 1803 removed with his family to Jefferson county, and in 1807 the family, as we have seen, crossed the border, having heard of the greater facilities for farming in Canada, and settled in the township of Haldimand. Daniel Massey imported one of the first thrashing machines brought into Canada in the year 1830, and afterwards imported others for use on his own land and for sending them out to thresh on neighbouring farms. Prior to the introduction of these machines, the grain had to be harvested by sickle and cradle and threshed in the barn by cattle being driven over the grain in the most primitive manner. Mr. Massey gave great attention to the clearing of wild lands, and under his personal supervision, as many as 1,200 acres were chopped and cleared, frequently em-

ploying 100 hands at the work. H. A. Massey received his early education in Jefferson county, New York state, where he had been sent to stay with his father's relations. On his return home he entered Victoria College, Cobourg, and remained there during the years 1842-44. While a boy he took great interest in machinery of all kinds, and delighted in devising improvements in farming implements. At school and at college, he not unnaturally exhibited the commanding intellectual parts which have distinguished him during his business career. Upon leaving college he became much interested in the management of his father's farms, and the desire for improved implements took such possession of his mind, that in the year 1847, he induced his father to establish a foundry and machine shop, for the manufacture of farming implements at Newcastle, Ontario. In the same year he married Eliza Ann Phelps, of Johnstown, New York, and soon afterwards took entire charge of his father's farms. In 1850, he was appointed justice of the peace for the Counties of Northumberland and Durham, and continued to act in that capacity for twenty years. In 1851, he removed to Newcastle, and began to devote his attention practically to the subject with which he used to amuse his leisure hours when a boy. What he achieved it is hardly necessary to say, as every one has heard of the fame of the firm of which Mr. Massey is the head. In 1852, he was taken in as partner and business manager, and this year they commenced the manufacture of the "Ketchum Mower" and the "Burrell Reaper," the first reapers and mowers ever manufactured in Canada. In 1855, H. A. Massey became sole proprietor, his father (the founder of the business) retiring. On the 15th of November, of the following year he died, at the age of fifty-nine. The same year the "Manny Combined Reaper and Mower" was commenced; and the Hon. William McDougall, then editor of the *Canadian Farmer*, purchased one of these machines, a short time after. Six years later, the Wood's Mower appeared; and in 1863, the justly celebrated Wood's Self-rake Reaper was first made in Canada. For several years Mr. Massey worked side by side with the men employed in the factory, and was literally one of them; his motto was then and is to-day, "never to ask a man to do anything he would not do himself." In 1863, he became a Freemason, and is now a master mason of Durham lodge. In 1864, a fire occurred which destroyed the entire property, foundry and machine shops, some ten or