

numerous and important private bills. He was chairman for several years of the special committee on the municipal code, and is chairman of the standing committee on private bills, to which he has recently devoted his time most assiduously.

In 1880 he prepared and carried through a Bill to incorporate the "Crédit Foncier Franco-Canadien," a company organized in France, with a capital of twenty-five millions of francs, to be increased according to the demand, and formed by himself, the honorable Mr. Chapleau, the honorable Mr. Paquet, and Mr. Carrier, of Lévis, for the purpose of affording their fellow countrymen the possibility of paying off their hypothecary indebtedness and of improving their farms with loans, at a low rate of interest, redeemable in capital and interest by annuities during a long term, but of small amounts. He is the managing director, or "administrateur délégué," of the company.

In the spring of 1880, he was sent to Europe by the Provincial Government to negotiate a loan of \$4,000,000, which he succeeded in doing in France without the least trouble or delay, making a brilliantly successful mission and having been absent only thirty-eight days.

Mr. Wurtele was first married on the 7th of January, 1854, to Julia, daughter of the late Dr. Wolfred Nelson, of Montreal; she dying in 1870 leaving five children, and the second time on the 1st of June, 1875, to Mrs. Sarah O'Brien, daughter of the late Thomas Braniff, of New Brighton, Staten Island, N.Y.

Mr. Wurtele is not a brilliant or eloquent speaker, but he has the facility of expressing himself in a terse and forcible manner and commands attention when he rises. He is an able and sound lawyer and a practical and hardworking legislator, popular with his own party and respected by both sides. His motto is "*Honneur et devoir*."

LOUIS TELLIER, M.P.,

ST. HYACINTHE.

LOUIS TELLIER, member of the House of Commons for the county of St. Hyacinthe, is a son of Zephirin Tellier, of Ste. Mélanie de Daillebout, yeoman, and Luce Ferland, daughter of Prisque Ferland, and was born at Berthier-en-Haut, December 25, 1844. The Tellier family came from France about 1789, its progenitor in this province settling at Berthier-en-Haut. Mr. Tellier was educated at Joliette college; began the study of law at Joliette under Hon. Mr. Baby, now Federal Minister of Inland Revenue, and finished at St. Hyacinthe, under Hon. Hubert W. Chagnon, now a puisne judge of the superior court, and was called to the bar at Montreal, on the 16th of October, 1866, and since 1873 has been in practice at St. Hyacinthe, being senior member of the firm of Tellier, DeLabruere and Beauchemin. He has a liberal share