

has been a director of the Grand Trunk railway, and is one of the most energetic business men of that part of the Province of Ontario. His business now is agriculture.

Mr. Read sat for "Quinté" division in the Legislative Council of Canada from October, 1862, until the union in 1867. He represented East Hastings in the House of Commons, from the union until called to the Senate, February 24, 1871, his politics being Conservative. In 1876 he moved the first resolution affirming the national policy, and in 1877 he introduced the Bill, prohibiting the carrying concealed fire arms on the person, a measure carried through by Mr. Blake.

July 2, 1840, Mr. Read was married, at Montreal, to Miss Margaret Campion, and they have had six children, three of them now living. Adelaide Eliza is the wife of Albert Campion, of Belleville, and Caroline and Robert J. are at home.

CHARLES AND ORMOND JONES,

BROCKVILLE.

AMONG the early and prominent families to settle in the county of Grenville, Upper Canada, now Ontario, were the Joneses, figuring largely in the history of Brockville. About the time of the opening of the struggle of the American colonies for their independence, Ephraim Jones, United Empire Loyalist, left the United States and his property there, came to Canada, and was an officer in the King's service, settling in Augusta, Grenville, eight miles east of where Brockville now stands. There he died in 1811. He was the father of eight children, one of whom, Charles Jones, born in 1781, was a leading man of this part of the Province. In March, 1805, he purchased 200 acres of land, comprising no inconsiderable part of the present site of Brockville, and became the founder of the town. He and some other men, meeting Gen. Brock about that time, at their solicitation he gave his consent to have the new town named for him—Brockville. He afterwards fell in the battle of Queenston Heights.

When Brockville was started there was a court house at Johnstown, below Prescott, and by the efforts of Mr. Jones, it was removed to this place, and courts were therefore held here, thus giving this town its first important start. He was an enterprising business man, a merchant here for a long period, owning at the same time extensive milling interests in the township of Young, county of Leeds.

He was a member of the Legislative Council of Upper Canada for some time, dying in August, 1840, while holding that office. He was well-known, particularly in this part of the Province, and by the older people now living in this section, his name is held in tender remembrance. He first married Mary Stuart, daughter of Rev. Dr. Stuart, of Kingston, by whom he had three