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## The Late John Dougall.

THE portrait presented to our readers in this issue is that of the late Mr. John Dougall, whose name is familiar throughout the length and breadth of the American continent, and whose reputation as a consistent, whole-souled Christian philanthropist, has spread beyond the seas. He lived to a ripe old age (76 years), and died the death of the righteous, on Wednesday, August 18th, 1886.

"A man of remarkable physical and mental strength was John Dougall. His strongly marked face, framed in long, glossy white hair, bearing in every well-worn line marks of thought and kindly feeling, was well known throughout Canada. It strongly resembled that of the poet Bryant, although probably the differences were much more marked than the resemblances. His personal magnetism was great, his influence wide in extent, permanent in its results, kindly and beneficial in its nature. He had the gift of securing the warm love and esteem of those associated with him in any work. His chief thought was the elevation and benefit of his fellow men."

His native town was Paisley, Scotland. His father

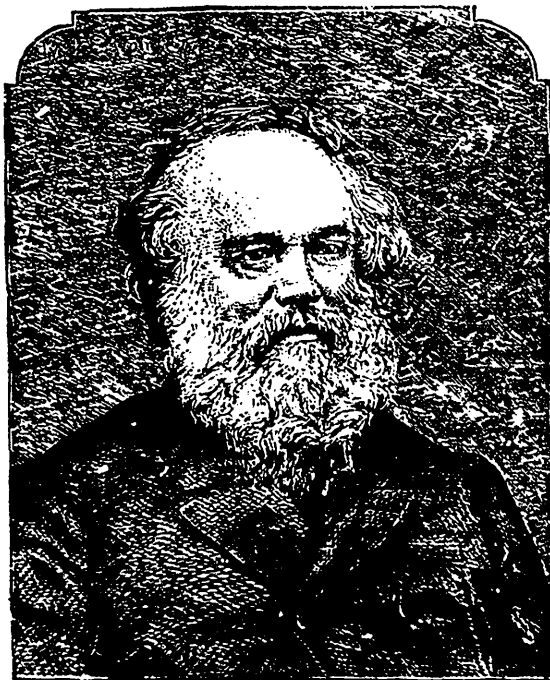
was a keen reformer of all which he thought was wrong, and besides was reputed to be the greatest reader of his town. His only brother was Mr. James Dougall, now of Windsor. These two, when boys, with a number of other lads, were by their father

formed into a boys' literary club, which met at the Dougall homestead. One poet and three journalists, all of considerable note, ascribe their taste for literary pursuits to this club.

John Dougall, at the age of eighteen, started for Canada with a stock of goods with the object of establishing a business. This ultimately grew into one of considerable extent, but was given up when the cares of journalism engrossed his whole attention.

Mr. Dougall was temperate from his early youth, but not till 1828 did he take an active part in the temperance movement. Temperance was first publicly advocated in Montreal, in that year, by Rev. Mr. Christmas, pastor of the American Presbyterian church, and as a result of his advocacy, the Montreal

Temperance Society was organized, and still exists. Mr. Dougall joined the Society, and at once became one of its most active members. The need of temperance literature being acknowledged, even at that early stage in the history of the movement, *The*



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