

Sweatman, Right Rev. Arthur, M.A., Bishop of Toronto, was born at London, England, in November, 1834. He is a son of Dr. John Sweatman, of the Middlesex Hospital, London, and received his early educational instruction at the hands of private tutors. At a very early age he began his christian work, having been a teacher in Christ Church Sunday-school, Marylebone, from 1849 to 1855. In the last named year he entered Christ's College, Cambridge; in 1856 obtained a scholarship; and in 1859 was graduated B.A., taking honours in mathematics. From December, 1856, to February, 1859, Mr. Sweatman was superintendent of the well known Jesus lane Sunday-school, which has always been conducted by University men. He was ordained deacon in St. Paul's Cathedral, in 1859, and in the following year was ordained priest at Chapel Royal, Whitehall, by the late Right Rev. Dr. Tait, then bishop of London, and afterwards archbishop of Canterbury. For some years thereafter he held the position of master of Islington College, at the same time officiating successively as curate of Holy Trinity, Islington, and of St. Stephen's, Canonbury. His career from the first was characterised by activity and zeal, and while at Islington he founded the Islington Youths' Institute. In 1862 he proceeded to the degree of M.A. In 1865 the bishop of Huron was in England, and hearing from many quarters of the zeal and the learning of Mr. Sweatman, induced that young clergyman to accept the head-mastership of the Hellmuth Boys' College in Canada. For seven years he filled this position, revealing unusual powers for organization and administration; and at the same time making manifest his splendid scholarly attainments and ability as a clergyman. In 1872 he resigned this position to accept the rectorship of Grace Church, Brantford, where with his characteristic powers, he ministered for two years. The authorities of Upper Canada College had learnt of the gifts of the Rev. Arthur Sweatman, and offered him the mathematical mastership in the college. He accepted the offer, but after a short time was once more persuaded to assume the charge of Hellmuth College, from which institution he had never wholly taken his heart, and which owed so much of its success to his genius for administration and the power he possesses of awakening enthusiasm. He was appointed canon of the Cathedral at London, in 1875, and upon the election of the Ven. Archdeacon Farkier, to the bishopric of Algoma, Mr.

Sweatman was created archdeacon of Brant. He was subsequently appointed assistant minister and acting rector of Woodstock, in the place of the Rev. W. Bettridge, who became incapacitated for active service. In 1872 he became examining chaplain to the bishop of Huron, and in 1863 was appointed clerical secretary to the diocese of Huron, and secretary of the House of Bishops. As archdeacon he was esteemed and beloved everywhere, and his administration of ecclesiastical affairs during the absence of the bishop of Huron, was enlightened and highly satisfactory. In 1879 he was chosen by the almost unanimous vote of the synod, to the vacant bishopric of Toronto, which high and responsible office he still fills and adorns by his learning, his virtues and his zeal. The capacity for administration already observed in his lordship as a teacher and a priest, finds a fuller scope for its exercise in the episcopal seat, and there is revealed more fully. More brightly there shine his intellectual gifts, and all men are drawn to him by his endearing manners, his piety, and his unassuming gentleness. "Above all," says a memoir before us, "he is a good man and full of the Holy Ghost; devout and spiritual; attached by conscientious convictions to evangelical truth, and the great principles of our reformed and protestant church, while he works heartily and cordially with all loyal churchmen of every school."

Lash, Zebulun Aiton, of the firm of Blake, Lash, Cassels & Holman, barristers, etc., Toronto, was born in September, 1846. Having completed his educational course, he entered upon the study of law, and in May, 1868, was called to the bar of the Province of Ontario. He at once commenced the practice of his profession at Toronto. In November, 1872, he was appointed lecturer and examiner in commercial and criminal law to the Law Society of Ontario. This position he filled till 1876, when he was appointed to the office of deputy Minister of Justice of Canada. Although this was an office whose honours any member of the Canadian bar might court, Mr. Lash was ambitious to achieve in the open field, and he resigned in May, 1882, and at once entered the firm already mentioned, and resumed practice. In 1879 Mr. Lash was appointed a Queen's counsel. In July of the following year he appeared before the judicial committee of the Imperial Privy Council, as counsel for the government of Canada in the Mercer escheat case. Without question his return to practice has been a conspicuous gain for the bar of Ontario.