

Ont. A merchant, and managing partner of the firm of Blackburn & Co., New Edinburgh Woollen mills. Is a dir. of the Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Co., and of the Bank of Ottawa. Was for several years Reeve of Gloucester, and subsequently of the Village of New Edinburgh. First returned to Parlt. for present seat at last g. e. A Liberal and a supporter of Mr. Mckenzie. "The country being pledged to construct the Pacific Railway, he considers that this great enterprise should be constructed entirely within our borders, with a view to build up, strengthen, and consolidate the Dominion. Is in favor of even handed justice to every constituency; and maintaining 'British Connection' in the strongest possible manner."—*New Edinburgh.*

BLAIN, DAVID, LL.D. (*West York, Ont.*)

S. of Mr. John Blain, J. P., now of South Easthope, Perth, Ont. and formerly of King, York, same Province, who came to Can., 1842, by Elizabeth McCutcheon. The family of Blain is a very old and well-known one in the South-west of Scot, the Blains of Blainfield being of the same stock. B. on Brown Carrick-hill, near Ayr., Scot, 15 Aug., 1832. Ed. there, at the Provnl. Normal School, Toronto (from which he received a first-class certificate), and at the University of Toronto, where he took the degree of LL.D., 1870. M., 27 Jan., 1867, Eliza, dau. of John Harrington, Esq., of Toronto, and great grand-dau. of the late Gen. Robinson, of Ballynovan, Tipperary, Irel. Called to the Bar, U.C., Trinity Term, 1860, but does not now practice his profession. First returned to Parlt. for present seat at g. e., 1872; re-elected at last g. e. A Liberal, and will give the Govt. of Mr. Mackenzie an Independent support.—226, *Jarvis Street, Toronto; Toronto Club.*

BLAKE, Hon. EDWARD, M.A., Q.C. (*South Bruce.*) 2ND Mm. P.C.

Eld. s. of the late Hon. William Hume Blake, a distinguished jurist of U.C., who sat in the Can. Assembly from 1847 to 1849, was Solicitor-Genl. for U.C. for a short time, in the LaFontaine-Baldwin Administration, and subsequently Chancellor of that Province, by Catherine Hume, grandau. of William Hume of Humewood, Esq., M.P. for Wicklow in the British House of Commons; and grands. of the late Rev. Dominick Edward Blake, (of the family of Blake of Castlegrove, Galway) Rector of Kiltegan and of Loughbrickland, and Rural Dean, by Anne Margaret Hume of Humewood.