

through strong influence, after leaving the matter to the citizens almost entirely without work, organization or canvass ; ran for the same office in 1879 and was elected by a majority of 635 over the largest vote given to five of the strongest men the city afforded in municipal affairs—ex-Mayors Medcalf and Manning, and Aldermen Turner, Britton, and P. G. Close. So satisfactorily was his administration of municipal affairs conducted during 1879, that he was re-elected for 1880, by over 900 majority over ex-Mayor Morrison.

Mayor Beaty's professional career has been varied, but more as an office lawyer than a public one ; he has, however, conducted many important cases from the Court of Appeal down, including the Criminal and Election Courts ; has always had a large and responsible business, especially in the management of property, having at times clients' property approximating in value to three-quarters of a million of dollars under his care as trustee and otherwise, and for all the time having every year over half a million dollars worth to invest and manage in some form or other.

Mr. Beaty took an active part in conjunction with the late John M. Trout, founder and Editor of the *Monetary Times*, and who had also been a law-student with him, and with the present managing director, Mr. John K. Macdonald, in establishing the Confederation Life Association, which in a few years has reached great importance under the presidency of Sir Francis Hincks, and latterly of Sir W. P. Howland, as a life insurance institution. His firm are solicitors for the Association and have been since its organization. They are also solicitors for the Commercial Building and Investment Society, one of the oldest institutions of the kind in the city. His late partner, Mr. Justice Patterson and he, with the co-operation of Dr. L. W. Smith and others had much to do in the formation of the Building and Loan Association which is now one of the most flourishing societies of that class in Toronto. Mr. Beaty's firm are solicitors for this, and also for other societies and companies besides those named. He is a director in the Scarboro' Heights Hotel Company, which recently built a hotel east of Toronto a few miles on the "Balmy Beach" property on the shore of Lake Ontario. He has refused other directorships for various reasons, principally on the principle actuating him through life, not to undertake any more than he can well perform. For many years he has refused all solicitations for public life, chiefly for professional and personal reasons. He was waited upon by various deputations to run for East Toronto at the last election, consequent upon the elevation of Mr. Justice Cameron to the Bench, and it was generally believed he would have had no opposition, and that even if he had he could have carried the riding by a large majority. The contest for the mayoralty was then actively progressing, and he had pledged himself to citizens interested, as he himself was, in economy and faithful administration of civic business, to go to the polls, and therefore he refused to step aside and become a candidate for what seemed a far better opening for a public man.

The subject of this sketch never engaged in military training, although offered in the