

Catholic Literary Asso., of Brockville. Was one of the originators of the Ont. Catholic League. Is a director of the Ontario Bank. Apptd. a mem. of the Ex. Council, 25 Nov., 1873, and was Provl. Secy. and Registrar from that date until 4 April, 1874, when appointed Commr. of Public Works. An unsuccessful candidate for Brockville at g.e., 1867, and for South Grenville at g.e., 1871. First returned to Leg. Assem. for South Grenville, March 1872, on death of sitting mem., but unseated on petition. Again returned on new election, Oct. 1872, and by acclamation on his appt. to office; re-elected at g.e. 1875. Was elected for Brockville at g.e. 1879, 1883 and 1886. A Liberal.—*Public Works Dept., Toronto; Brockville, Ont.*

FREEMAN, JOHN BAILEY. (*North Norfolk.*)

Paternal grandfather was a U.E. Loyalist, and was one of the first Methodist ministers that settled in the Long Point country. Father occupied several important offices in the Co. of Norfolk, and was Supt. of Schs. from 1844 to 1874. B. in the Tp. of Windham, Co. of Norfolk, 22 Aug. 1835. Ed. at the Co. Grammar Sch. M. in 1861, Jane, dau. of Thomas Scatcherd, Esq., of Wyton, Co. Middlesex. Is still living on the same farm where both his father and grandfather lived and died. Has been a mem. of the Council of Windham and President of the Co. Agricultural Soc. Is a director of the Reform Club, Toronto. First returned to Leg. Assem. g.e. 1879, and re-elected at g.e. 1883 and 1886. Has been Govt. Whip since 1883. A Liberal. Believes that the resources of the Province should be guarded with great care, and that direct taxation should be kept as far in the future as possible. Does not believe in special legislation for any class or creed, but favors equal rights to all.—*Simcoe, Ont.; Reform Club.*

FRENCH, FREDERICK JOHN. (*South Grenville.*)

S. of John Strachan French, merchant, of Burritt's Rapids. Descended from an Eng. family (of Manchester), who had granted to them the land on which the City of Manchester, N.H., is built. At the American Revolution they elected to remain British subjects, and as U.E. Loyalists were granted lands in Can. The homestead still remains in the family, near Cornwall. Great grandfather, Jeremiah French, represented the Eastern District in the first Parlt. held in U. C., 14 Oct., 1792. B. at Burritt's Rapids, 18 Jan. 1847. Ed. at Ottawa. Called to the Bar, Ont., May, 1870. M. Miss Gordon, of Stratford, Ont., 28