

and a director of the Hamilton Public Library. In 1883 he was appointed a Justice of the Peace for the County of Wentworth, but, save in the matter of frequently presiding at the Police Court, in the absence of the Magistrate, he has had little to do with dispensing the law. It is perhaps in connection with benevolent societies that Mr. McLellan has done his most arduous work, and his record in this respect is decidedly unique. As a member of the Masonic fraternity, he is one of the best known men in Ontario. In August, 1865, he was initiated in King Solomon's lodge, Toronto, in which he held successively the office of secretary, senior warden (2 years), and Worshipful Master (3 years in succession.) On his departure for Hamilton in 1871, the closing year of his Mastership, he was presented by his brethren with a magnificent Past Master's collar and jewel. Four years later, a deputation of his old-time brethren in King Solomon's visited Hamilton and presented him with a handsomely engrossed address, informing him that he had been elected an honorary member in recognition of his valuable services in the past. Following up the study and practice of Masonry, Mr. McLellan rapidly rose in the Order, and has for years taken an active part in the work of the Grand Lodge. In 1869 he was appointed Grand Steward, and in the following year elected Grand Registrar by the largest vote in the Grand Lodge. Since 1874 he has been a member of the Board of General Purposes, and in 1879 he was elected Grand Senior Warden. He also holds the position of representative in Canada of the Grand Lodges of Georgia and Illinois. In capitolary masonry he has long held a leading place, and he has filled the office of Grand Scribe E. since 1878; and is also representative of the Grand Chapter of Georgia. In the Cryptic and A. & A. Scottish Rites he has equally distinguished himself; at present he is Captain of the Guard in the Supreme Council of the latter in the 33rd degree. He is Past Grand Sovereign and representative of the Order of Rome and Constantine, P. G. Sovereign of the Grand Imperial Council of Illinois, P. G. Commander of the Grand Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners and representative of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the United States. He is also a member of the Royal Order of Scotland. Outside of Masonry, Mr. McLellan has done good work in connection with a number of other societies. He was the first charter member and first Past Master of Hamilton Lodge, No. 49, A. O. U. W.—the largest in the Dominion—has been District Deputy Grand Master for the Hamilton District, and for several terms a member of the Executive Committee of the Grand Lodge. In the Royal Arcanum he holds the offices of Deputy Grand Regent, and Grand Regent, and is now Grand Secretary. He is an

honorary member and one of the trustees of Court Maple Leaf, Ancient Order of Foresters, and also a charter member and one of the trustees of Hamilton Camp, No. 21, Sons of Scotland. The St. Andrew's Benevolent Society—a benevolent organization in every sense of the term—is one in which Mr. McLellan has always taken a very deep interest. He has been a member of the society ever since coming to Hamilton, and was elected president in 1875 and 1876, being the first to be re-elected to that high office in a period of about twenty years. Since 1879 he has continuously occupied the position of treasurer of the society, of which he is one of the most active members. Notwithstanding that he has been one of the busiest men at home, Mr. McLellan has done considerable travelling in his time. He has crossed the ocean no less than six times, and has travelled over a large portion of the United States. In July, 1864, he married Elizabeth Dittey, of Toronto, a native of Londonderry, Ireland, who came to this country when a child, and by whom he has had six children. The eldest of these, a daughter, died when a child; the remainder, two boys and three girls, are still living. The eldest son is in Chicago, and the other is being trained in his father's office, while the eldest daughter bids fair to distinguish herself in the profession of her choice—that of a teacher. Mr. McLellan formerly belonged to the 10th Royal Volunteers, Toronto. He was gazetted ensign and quartermaster, and on removing to Hamilton, in 1871, he held the rank of captain. In politics Mr. McLellan has always been a staunch Reformer, and since his boyhood has taken an active part in political contests. In religion he is a Protestant, and throughout his life he has ever shown a deep interest in the affairs of the Presbyterian church, with which he is connected. He was ordained deacon in Knox church, Toronto; and became an elder in Knox church, Hamilton, on October 31st, 1877. Several years ago he succeeded the late Alexander Mitchell as Session Clerk and Treasurer of Poor's Fund, Knox church. He is also a member of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Committee of the General Assembly. From what has been written, it may be seen that there are few men who, in the various walks of life, occupy a higher position in the esteem of their fellow citizens than David McLellan. His enviable status he has won by his uprightness of character, his honesty of purpose, strict business integrity, and a geniality, benevolence and goodness of heart which are rarely surpassed. Mr. McLellan is yet in the prime of life, and has the prospect of many more years of usefulness ahead of him. During Oct., 1890, while the members of the Iron and Steel Institute of Great Britain were on a visit to Hamilton, where they spent only a few hours