

for Peel. He is likewise a member of the High School Board, and chairman of the Public School Board. The doctor is a man of considerable commercial enterprise, and among others is a shareholder in the profitable Haggert Bros. manufacturing company. He has not shown much of an inclination for secret societies; but he allied himself with the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He has never aspired to political honours; though the future may have some such career in store for him. He was at one time an ardent Reformer, but he has latterly lost his zest for political work. Ten years ago he paid a visit to his native land, and his love for the "old sod" is still undiminished. Dr. Heggie has Presbyterian proclivities, but is so liberal in his religious views that he has attended the Methodist church for years, and is credited with being more fond of biological than theological studies. He married in 1865 Mary Carter, granddaughter of John Elliott, the founder of Brampton. He has a family of four boys and one girl, who are all faithfully kept at school, the doctor being a devoted believer in educational excellence. His eldest son has nearly completed his medical studies. He has a son who took a second class teacher's certificate at the age of fourteen.

Bell, Rev. George, B. A., LL.D., Registrar and Librarian Queen's University, Kingston, was born at Perth, Ontario, on September 8th, 1819. His father was Rev. William Bell, M. A., who was born in Airdrie, Scotland, in 1780, and taught a grammar school in Rothsay, about 1812-15. He was ordained in Edinburgh in 1817, and came to Canada in the summer of that year, as minister for the Scotch immigrants who had formed the Perth settlement the year before. For many years he did a large amount of home mission work over what is now the County of Lanark, and part of Leeds, &c. Increasing infirmity compelled him to cease his ministrations in the beginning of 1837, and he died in August of that year. His wife was Mary Black, a native of Shotts, Scotland, and a lineal descendant of one of the Huguenots who escaped from the massacre of St. Bartholomew in France, in 1572. She died in 1861. Of their sons, those best known were: Andrew, the eldest, minister of the Presbyterian church, and a diligent investigator of the geology of Canada, whose son, Robert Bell, M.D., LL.D., F.G.S., is at present assistant director of the geological survey of Canada; Robert, for many years in parliament, and afterwards inspector of canal revenue; and the subject

of this sketch, who is the youngest of the family. George Bell was educated at Perth, by private tuition, at the Hamilton Grammar school under Dr. Rae, and at Queen's College for two sessions, in arts and theology. Our subject married Mary Whiteford, of Montreal, in November, 1846. She died in 1851. He married again in 1880, Helen Chadwick, of Simcoe, Ontario. The fruits of each marriage are a son and daughter living; the eldest son is a captain in the Royal Engineers serving in India; and the eldest daughter is the wife of R. S. Dobbs, (who is a son of Major-General Dobbs, of Dublin), conservator of forests for the government of H. H. the Nizam of Hyderabad; the youngest son is a barrister in Toronto; and the youngest daughter is the wife of Charles N. Bell, of Winnipeg, a diligent explorer in the archaeology, geography, &c., of the North-West. The subject of this sketch was the first student whose name was entered on the roll of Queen's College at its opening, March 7th, 1842. He was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church, in Cumberland, on May 30th, 1844; removed to Simcoe in 1843; to Clifton, (Niagara Falls), 1857; and to Walkerton, 1874. Owing to his studies in geology, archaeology, &c., and particularly in the relations between science and revelation, his *alma mater* conferred on him the degree of LL.D., in 1872. He was connected with the administration of the school laws from 1851 to 1881, as local superintendent or inspector. He was for many years a trustee of Queen's University; and he was employed on several occasions to give courses of lectures on science and theology. In September, 1882, he was appointed registrar and librarian of that university, which position he now fills. He is, of course, a Presbyterian.

Sharpe, James William, Manager of the Bank of London, Dresden, Ontario, was born at Burlington, then Wellington Square, Halton county, Ontario, on the 15th of August, 1847. His father was James Sharpe of Scotland, and his mother Eliza Middleton, who was Irish. James William Sharpe received private tuition under the Rev. Dr. Greene, then rector of Wellington Square. He studied law at first with Alexander Shaw, M. P., and afterwards in the office of Galt & Henderson at Toronto. He was admitted as an attorney at Michaelmas term, 1869, and was called to the bar at Easter term, 1870. Having now obtained his professional *entré*, Mr. Sharpe settled in Dresden and began to practice law in 1872. He afterwards acted as