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THE  
MARQUIS OF DUFFERIN AND AVA.

The Most Hon. Frederick Temple Blackwood, K.P. ; G.C.B. ; G.C.M.G. ; G.C.S.I. ; G.C.I.E. ; P.C. ; Marquis of Dufferin and Ava ; has had one of the most brilliant and successful careers in the annals of the British Diplomatic Service, and it would be impossible for us to present an adequate account of his public services in the limited space at our command. The only son of the fourth Baron Dufferin, of Clandeboye, Ireland, he was educated at Eton, and at Oxford, where he took his degree. He succeeded to the title in 1841 while still in his minority, and for some years thereafter was lord-in-waiting to the Queen. Thenceforward he was constantly engaged in important and confidential service for the Government, accompanying Lord Russell to Vienna in 1855, and going to Syria as British Commissioner in 1860. He was Under-Secretary of State for India from 1864 to 1866, and afterwards Under-Secretary for War. In 1868 he became Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, holding office until April, 1872, when he was appointed Governor-General of Canada. This important office he filled for more than seven years, to the entire satisfaction of both the Canadian and the Home authorities, and he has been a warm friend to Canada ever since. He afterwards became the British Ambassador at St. Petersburg and subsequently at Constantinople, displaying unique abilities as a diplomatist in those most difficult positions, and in 1884 he proceeded to India as Viceroy of that vast empire, where he acquitted himself no less honourably than

in Canada. In 1888 he became Ambassador at Rome and three years later was transferred to Paris, whence he has not long retired to a richly merited *otium cum dignitate*.

In addition to his fame as a diplomatist and administrator the Marquis of Dufferin has won no inconsiderable reputation as an author, his "Letters from High Latitudes" being a most interesting account of an Arctic yacht voyage, while his writings on different phases of the Irish Land Question commanded serious attention.

He takes a deep interest in all that relates to the Dominion of Canada, and is universally regarded as the most popular of our former Governors-General.

THE EARL OF ALBEMARLE.

The Right Hon. Arnold Allan Cecil Keppel, eighth Earl of Albemarle, has his seat at Quidenham Park, Norfolk, England. He is a grandson of that Earl of Albemarle who was one of the generals under Wellington at Waterloo. He is also a grandson of the late Sir Allan Macnab, Bart., who was so closely associated with the history of Canada as Prime Minister during the exciting period of the struggle for Responsible Government, and it therefore seems very fitting that he should be a member of the Trustee Board of a Canadian Company. Born in the year 1858, his interests have been mainly in the direction of military affairs, in connection with which he holds several important appointments. From 1892 to 1894 he sat in the House of Commons as member for Birkenhead, resigning on the death of his father to take his place in the House of Lords. He is married to the daughter and only child of Lord Egerton, of Tatton, who has such large interests in the neighbourhood of Manchester.