

in the municipality of the town. He was Councilor one or two terms; Mayor in 1867; Coroner from 1855 to 1873, and Trustee, at different times, of the Public Schools.

On the unseating of Thomas Stock in 1875, the Doctor was elected to the Local Assembly, being opposed by Dr. Thomas Miller, of West Flamboro'; and in 1879 he was re-elected over James McMonies, jr., having more than a thousand majority. With such an endorsement of his constituents, he is now filling his second term. In politics he is a Reformer; in religion, a Roman Catholic.

In January, 1858, Dr. McMahon married Miss Julia Maria Ball, daughter of William M. Ball, of Niagara. They have no children.

STEPHEN J. JONES,

BRANTFORD.

STEPHEN JAMES JONES, Judge of the County Court of Brant, and Master in Chancery, dates his birth at Stoney Creek, County of Wentworth, December 21, 1821, his father being Stephen Jones, son of a United Empire Loyalist, and born in Dutchess County, New York. A great-uncle of our subject, Augustus Jones, also a loyalist, was Government Land Surveyor in the old Niagara District his residence being at Stoney Creek. The mother of our subject was Mary Smith.

He was educated in the district grammar school at Hamilton; studied law at first with Miles O'Reilly, of Hamilton, and afterwards with S. B. Freeman, Q.C., of the same city; was called to the Bar in February, 1846, and practised with Mr. Freeman until 1853, when he received the appointment of County Judge. He is the only officer of the kind whom the separate County of Brant has ever had. The appointment of Master in Chancery was made in August, 1875.

Judge Jones is naturally of a judicial temperament; has a legal turn of mind; is not afraid of work, and is a growing man. He is considered, on the whole, outside of the county, as well as in it, one of the ablest and most satisfactory County Judges in the Province. During the earlier years that he was on the Bench, appeals were not unfrequently made from his decision, but rarely with success, and of late years, few, if any, appeals have been made.

While a resident of Hamilton, the Judge held the position of Adjutant of the 3rd Gore Militia, under Lieutenant-Colonel Gourlay.

Judge Jones is a member of the Board of County Judges, which consists of five members, Messrs. Gowan, of Barrie; Jones, of Brantford; Hughes, of St. Thomas; McDonald, of Guelph, and Daniell, of L'Orignal; he being second in position, he has kept place with his rank.

He is a member of the Methodist Church of Canada, Recording steward, leader and trustee