

Co.; and a director of the Boston Mining and Smelting Co. Was for many years in the service of the British American Land Co., and held the office of Chief Commissioner of the Co., for a considerable period previous to his retirement from it. Was president of the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad in 1852-3, and carried out the amalgamation of that line with the Quebec and Richmond, Atlantic & St. Lawrence, Toronto and Guelph, and Montreal & Toronto, forming the railway system now known as the Grand Trunk Railway, of which line he was a govt. director, 1857-8. Proposed resolutions in Parliament in favour of a Federal Union of B. N. A. Colonies, 1858, which became the basis of the policy of the Government, which he joined that year under Sir G. E. Cartier; and together with that gentleman and the Hon. John Ross, proceeded as a delegate to England to urge before the Imperial Govt. the Confederation of B. N. A., and the construction of the Intercolonial Railway. Called upon to form an Administration, 1858, but declined. Was a mem. of Ex. Council and Minister of Finance, Can., from 7 August, 1858, to 21 May, 1862, when the ministry was defeated on the Militia Bill. Held the same office a second time from March, 1864, to Aug., 1866, when, in his capacity of leader and representative of the British population of L. C., he resigned his office and seat in the Cabinet on the educational policy of the administration. Appointed Minister of Finance of the Dominion, 1 July, 1867, on which occasion he was sworn of the Queen's Privy Council of Can., and continued to hold office until 4 Nov. of that year, when he resigned his seat in the Cabinet for private reasons. Was a delegate to the Charlottetown Union Conference, 1864, to that at Quebec, same year; a mem. of Confede-