Maclennan, contractors, and the Canadian Pacific Railway. Also the memorable trial of the St. George Railway disaster case. He has likewise been engaged in a number of important criminal cases. As a jury lawyer he is said to be singularly successful. He has been president of the Osgoode Literary and Legal Society, and in 1896 was recommended by the Tupper administration for appointment as a Queen's Counselor. He now confines his entire attention to consulting and counsel work, doing no business as a solicitor he holds retainers from a large number of important corporate interests throughout the Dominion.

In 1887 Mr. Nesbitt wedded the widow of Thomas Plumb, formerly Miss Elliott, of New Ontario, who died in 1894. In 1898 he married Miss Annie G. Beatty, a daughter of W. H. Beatty, and they have one son, Wallace Rankine. Mr. Nesbitt is a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Delta Chi. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Presbyterian Church, and his political views by his affiliation with the Conservative party.

## RUFUS SAWYER HUDSON.

Rufus Sawyer Hudson, equipped by liberal educational advantages for the responsible duties of a business career has made steady progress until he occupies a position of prominence in financial circles as joint general manager of the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation. December 17, 1843, was his natal day and the place Chelsea, Quebec. He is a son of Josephus and Didamia (Church) Hudson, and grandson of Lieut. Wm. Hudson, and is descended from English ancestors, who were United Empire Loyalists and settled in Quebec in 1792. The father, who came to the township of Hull, Quebec, in 1819, followed the occupation of farming near Ottawa until his death in 1846.

In his school life Rufus Sawyer Hudson displayed special aptitude in the mastery of the branches of learning which claimed his attention and was silver medalist of the grammar school at Ottawa City, leading prizeman of Upper Canada College and honor man of the University of Toronto. In 1864 he became mathematical master at the grammar school at Brockville,