

VAVASOR ROBIN.

Mr. Vavasor Robin, Toronto, Treasurer of the York County Loan and Savings Company, was born in the city of Quebec, July 23rd, 1862, his father being a native of the Isle of Jersey, his mother being a Canadian by birth, but of Scottish descent. He left Quebec for Port Hope in his twelfth year, and received his education at Trinity College School, one of the famous boys' schools of Canada.

In 1882, when the Manitoba boom was at its height, he joined the stream of people flocking westward, and at first proceeded to Winnipeg, then a town of very modest proportions. He did not remain at the Manitoba capital very long, proceeding well out in the then little known region of the North-West Territories, and taking up a homestead in the picturesque Qu'Appelle Valley, which homestead he still owns. During the time of the North-West Rebellion of 1885, Mr. Robin's property was often in jeopardy, and as a matter of precaution, all of his horses and other live stock were removed for safe keeping to his uncle's ranch, which

was further removed from the scene of actual and anticipated trouble.

In 1890, Mr. Robin returned east intending to acquaint himself with the details of the hardware trade, with the intention of returning to the west and establishing a business in that line. He consequently accepted a position with a hardware firm in Toronto; but in 1891 relinquished that employment to join the staff of the York County Loan and Savings Company as an office assistant. That his work was congenial is evident from his rapid promotion in the service, until he held the responsible appointment of Treasurer, which he at present fills.

Mr. Robin is now recognized as one of the leading men of the financial and social life of Toronto, and is a member of the Rosedale Golf Club and the Granite Club.

He married in 1893 Miss Jeannie Reid, daughter of Mr. James Reid, of Howmanville, and their family consists of two children.