

a prominent family in this part of the province. The village of Wolfville, seventeen miles west of Windsor, took its name from them. The progenitor of the family in Nova Scotia was Nathan De Wolf, a respectable and valuable citizen, who was a graduate of Yale college, and came from Connecticut when Loran was only seven years old, and settled at Horton. He was for many years the oldest magistrate in King's county.

Our subject was educated at the collegiate academy of King's college, in his native town; was a clerk a while in the old mercantile house of B. De Wolf and Son, established by his grandfather, and with which his father was at one time connected, and which stood for fifty years; commenced the study of law in the United States; finished at Halifax with the Hon. James McDonald, now Minister of Justice at Ottawa; was called to the bar in 1870, and opened an office at Windsor, and in connection with his practice, edited and published the *Windsor Mail*, a Conservative paper, for five years.

His present office of judge of probate he accepted in the summer of 1880, and to its duties he is now devoting his time.

Previous to his appointment to that office, in warm political contests, of which Hants county has been the arena since 1867, he took a very active part, both by pen and on the platform, in support of the principles of the Conservative party.

Mr. De Wolf is a member of the Masonic body, and is a prominent promoter and advocate of the temperance cause, both as a speaker and writer.

Mr. De Wolf has paid considerable attention to the art of elocution, and occasionally gives public readings for the benefit of religious and charitable objects.

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## HON. NATHANIEL W. WHITE, Q.C., M.P.P.,

SHELBURNE, N.S.

**N**ATHANIEL WHITWORTH WHITE, a member of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia, is a son of the Rev. Dr. Thomas H. White, rector of Shelburne, and rural dean, and grandson of Captain Gideon White, of the 4th, or Duke of Cumberland's, regiment during the American revolution (1775-1783), and a lineal descendant, in the 6th generation, of Peregrine White, the first white child born in New England, and who was a grandchild of the Bishop of Exeter; and was born at Shelburne, N.S., on the 2nd of June, 1837. A sketch of his father appears on preceding pages of this volume. His grandfather was quite a prominent man in his day, and represented Barrington in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly from 1789 to 1793.

Mr. White was educated at Shelburne, largely by his father; commenced the study of law with the present Judge Smith, of Halifax, then a barrister at Shelburne; finished with Attorney-General (afterwards Judge) Johnston, of Halifax; called to the bar of Nova Scotia in 1859, and was created a Queen's Counsel on the 26th of December, 1872.

Mr. White has a large practice in the several courts of the province, and has been very successful in his profession.

He entered public life in 1878, being elected in February of that year to the Local House for the county of Shelburne, and was re-elected in September of the same year, and on the