

connection we may refer to his work, "The English in Africa," giving an account of the circumstances under which British dominion over British territory held in that continent has been secured. This notice of the honourable gentleman may fittingly conclude by a quotation from the book referred to, giving in his own words a clear exposition of his well considered sentiments :

"I have sat for more than thirty years in the Parliament of this country, and I have been impressed with two truths, which I desire to emphasize here, the first is that the service of the Crown is entirely consistent with the service of the people ; and the second is that the highest prosperity of every part of this great Empire can only be reached by the maintenance of its integrity ; I trust then for ages to come, the character and features of the mother, will be found in each of her numerous progeny. The old courage, the old patience, the old constancy, the old faith in the right, the old determination to hold all that we have ; and as a great family among the races of men to remain united, having in our international relations 'one life, one flag, one fleet, one throne,' to all of which we are devoted, and for which we are ready to make whatever sacrifices may be necessary to uphold them and make them now, and always the emblems of freedom and justice among men."

CHANGES IN THE ONTARIO BENCH.

Some important changes in the Judiciary of this Province have, as we go to press, been semi-officially announced, though we do not vouch for their accuracy.

Full of honours and ripe in age, Sir George Burton retires from the Court of Appeal followed by the kindest remembrances of all the members of the Bar who practice in that Court, and with the wishes of many friends that he may be long spared to enjoy the quiet comfort of retirement. For many years he was Judge of the Appellate Court, and on the retirement of the late Chief Justice Hagarty he naturally and properly succeeded to that position. Few men on the Bench to-day command as high a respect and regard as Chief Justice Burton.

Sir George would, it is said, be succeeded by Chief Justice Armour of the Queen's Bench Division ; a man of great mental and physical vigour, a strong reasoner and an able lawyer. The breeziness and rapidity of thought and action which distinguished him at Nisi Prius and in the Divisional Court would not perhaps be without its