

Montreal. During his residence in Canada, Mr. Smith has been prominently connected with the press. He was a frequent contributor to the *Canadian Monthly* during the early part of its career, and was a leading writer on the staff of the *Nation*. During the past twenty-five years he has been an assiduous writer, and has published the following works:—"Irish History and Irish Character;" "Rational Religion and the Rationalistic Objections of the Bampton Lectures of 1858;" "Lectures on the Study of History," 1861; "The Empire: A Series of Letters to the *Daily News*;" and "Does the Bible Sanction Slavery?" 1863; "Letter to the Southern Independence Association," and "Plea for Abolition of Tests in Oxford," 1864; "England and America: A Lecture," 1865; "The Civil War in America: An Address delivered in Manchester," 1866; "Three English Statesmen—Pym, Cromwell, and Pitt," 1867; "The Reorganization of the University of Oxford," 1868; "The Relations between America and England," being a reply to a speech by Charles Sumner, 1869; and "The Political Destiny of Canada," 1878. Mr. Smith's style is pure, clear, and very vigorous, and his language remarkably select.

In politics, he was originally an adherent of Sir Robert Peel, and an admirer and supporter of that statesman in his attempt to rise above the trammels of party, and to govern in the interest of the whole nation. After the rupture between Peel and the Tory aristocracy, he took his place in the ranks of the Liberals, and has ever since been, as a political writer, an opponent of class government and legislation. In Canada, he has never connected himself with a party, but has remained an independent member of the press.

Goldwin Smith was married in 1875 to Harriet, daughter of Thomas Dixon, Esq., of Boston, and widow of William Boulton, Esq., of Toronto.

It has been justly said of him that "He is undoubtedly stamping his impress upon the literature and the history of his time, and Canada has reason to be proud of her adopted son."

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OTTAWA.

THE late Chief Justice of the Dominion of Canada is descended from a family that left Staffordshire, England, in the early part of the 18th century, and settled at Norwich, Conn. Our subject was the eldest son of Stephen Richards, of Brockville, Ontario, the mother being Phoebe, daughter of William Buell, a United Empire Loyalist and an officer in the "King's Rangers," who represented Leeds in the Upper Canada Assembly, from 1801 to 1804, and was born in Brockville, May 2, 1815. He was educated at the Johnstown Grammar School, and at Potsdam Academy, N.Y.; read law with Andrew Norton Buell, who afterwards became Master in Chancery at Toronto, and with Judge George Malloch, of Brock-