

Assn., and likewise a mem. of the editing comte. of the *Can. Bankers' Journal*. He is also Presdt. of the Dist. Bankers' Assn., Ottawa. As a compliment to his musical abilities, he was elected Presdt. of the Ottawa Schubert Club, Apl., 1895. In addition to the above he is a dir. of the Lady Stanley Inst., Ottawa. In religious belief, he is an Ang.—255 Metcalfe St., Ottawa; Rideau Club.

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BURNHAM, John Hampden, barrister, is the s. of Dr. Geo. Burnham, of Peterborough, Ont., by his wife Adeline H., dau. of John Spalding. B. at Peterborough, Oct. 14, 1860, he was ed. at the Univ. of Toronto (B.A., 1883; M.A., 1886), and was called to the bar 1886. He practises his profession in his native place. Besides a series of papers in the *Week*, 1895, on "The Socialism of To-Day," he has published two volumes: "Canadians in the Imperial Naval and Military Service Abroad" (Toronto, 1891), and "Adeline Gray; a tale." Politically, he is a Con.; in religion, an Ang.—*Peterborough, Ont.*

BURNS, Rev. Alexander (Meth.), educationist, was b. at Castlewellan, Co. Down, Irel., Aug. 12, 1834. He is the s. of the late Jas. Burns, by his wife Eliza McAdam, who emigrated to Can. 1847, taking up their residence in Toronto. When 17 yrs. of age he joined the Meth. Ch., and subsequently entered Victoria Univ. (B.A., Prince of Wales gold med. and Valedictorian, 1861; M.A., 1867; LL.D., 1878). Ordained 1864, he spent his first year at Stratford, passing thence to Drayton. Declining the Vice-Presidency of Mount Allison Univ., N.B., he accepted the chair of Math. and Astronomy in the Iowa Wesl. Univ. Soon after, he became Presdt. of the Simpson Centenary Coll., where he remained for 10 yrs. In 1869 he was elected Presdt. of Iowa Wesl. Univ., but declined. While in the U. S. he did a great deal of lecturing, and was one of the three dels. from the

Des Moines Conf. of the Meth. Ch. to the Genl. Conf. in Baltimore in the Centennial year, 1876. On the retirement of the late Dr. Rice from the Hamilton Ladies' Coll., 1878, the Bd. prevailed on Dr. B. to take the presidency of the institution, and its history ever since seems to have justified their choice. Dr. B. received the degree of S.T.D. from the State Univ. of Ind., 1870. He is a senator of

Toronto Univ., and a mem. of the Bd. of Regents and a senator of Victoria Univ. For many yrs. he has been also an Exam. in Phil. in the Univ. He is well and favourably known as a lecturer, preacher and writer. His lectures have been principally in defence of free thought, free trade, Home Rule for Irel., etc. He is a pronounced Radical and a Home-Ruler; and was nominated as a del. to the Irish National Con. held in Dublin, 1896. He ran as one of the Lib. candidates for Hamilton at the g. e. 1887, polling 3402 votes to 3571 votes for his Con. opponent, Mr. McKay. His political views and position are thus defined: "A free trader; opposed to an Upper House; believes in the equality of all churches; opposed to exemptions; a Henry George man as far as practicable; opposed to Separate Schs., but believes that the curriculum of the Common Schs. could and should be made acceptable to all." He was tried for supposed heresy by the London, Ont., Conf., 1882, and unanimously acquitted on all the charges. In 1895 he became sole proprietor of Hamilton Ladies' Coll. In 1897 he headed a movement for establishing a Ladies' Univ. in Hamilton. He is V.-P. of the Grimsby Park Co., and was elected Presdt. of the Hamilton Ministerial Assn., 1896. He m. 1863, Miss Sarah Andrews, of Barnstable, Devonshire, Eng.—*Ladies' College, Hamilton, Ont.*

BURNS, Rev. Nelson (Meth.), is the s. of John and Deborah Burns, and was b. at Niagara, Mch. 22, 1834. Ed. at Niagara High Sch.