

acceptability. He has gone now to his reward leaving behind him the reputation of a learned and thoroughly upright magistrate, and the memory of a kindly Christian gentleman.

He leaves a widow (a daughter of the late David Buchan, a former Bursar of the Toronto University) and several children. Two of his sons are now serving in the army. His eldest son Alexander volunteered for the service of the Empire during the Boer war and died after the conclusion of war in South Africa.

We may observe that under the provisions of the Ontario Judicature Act with the demise of Sir John Boyd the office of Chancellor of Ontario comes to an end, and the present learned Chief Justice of the King's Bench now becomes automatically the President of the High Court Division.

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Among the judicial tributes paid to the memory of the late Chancellor was the following by Mr. Justice Hodgins, at the opening of Court on the 23rd November, 1916, in the Chancery Court room. He spoke as follows:—

"It is fitting that, in this room where Sir John Boyd has so often presided, I should express on behalf of the Bench of this Province our profound grief at the sudden taking off of Sir John Alexander Boyd, for 35 years Chancellor of Ontario, and President of the High Court of Justice.

"His active work as a Master in Chancery preceded his appointment as a Judge. To his judicial duties he remained entirely faithful and it was while he was thus engaged during the week just ended that he was stricken down.

"The great career which has just closed has been of great value to Canada, and will, I believe, long remain as an example and incentive, not only to our profession, but to all Canadians who love their country and try to serve it. Of his commanding services to the jurisprudence of this country much might be said. Sir John Boyd is the last of a line of Chancellors, and he has worthily maintained the high standard which they inaugurated.

"In some departments of our complex profession he shone with peculiar lustre. No Judge has ever drawn so deeply from the well of English undefiled, or lent such an Attic flavour to the