

SARNIA'S WELCOME TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Of the various places visited by His Excellency the Governor-General in the course of his late official tour Sarnia, it is generally admitted, excelled many in the enthusiasm of its salutation, and gained the admiration of all observant visitors by the abundance of its decorations. Prominent among these were the gaily-adorned escort of steamers that accompanied the vice-regal boat to the landing dock, the beautiful open pavilion in which the several addresses were presented, and the two large and stately arches, one erected by the county and the other by the town, under which His Excellency and Lady Dufferin, with their suite, accompanied by the Mayor, the Premier, and other official and resident gentlemen, passed in carriages in making a circuit through the principal streets of the town. We present our readers this week with views of the arches referred to, the residence of the Mayor, Mr. Geo. Stevenson, and a portrait of that gentleman. The county arch, a beautiful gothic triplet, having an altitude of fifty feet, displayed on the top a selection of agricultural implements and products, emblematic of the chief industry of the County of Lambton, and also oil and salt, extracted from the underlying rock in the Townships of Enniskillen and Warwick, the former locality being well known as the

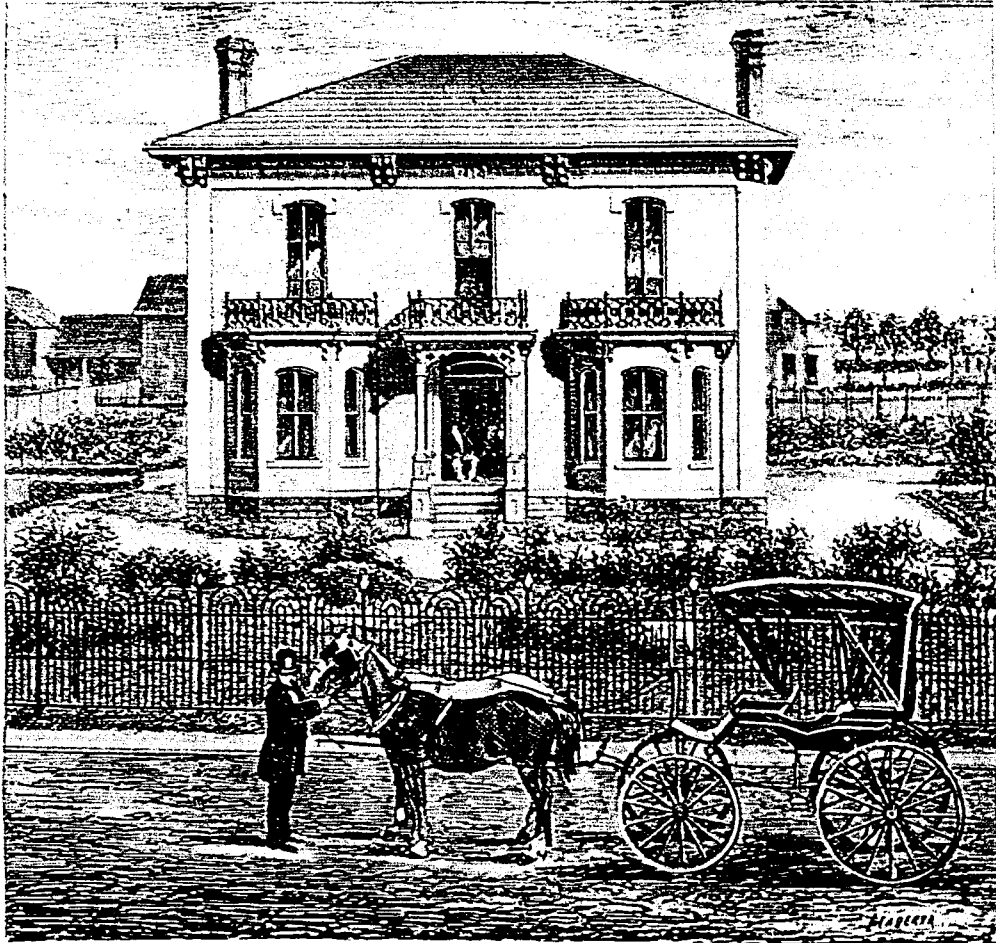


GEO. STEVENSON, MAYOR OF SARNIA.

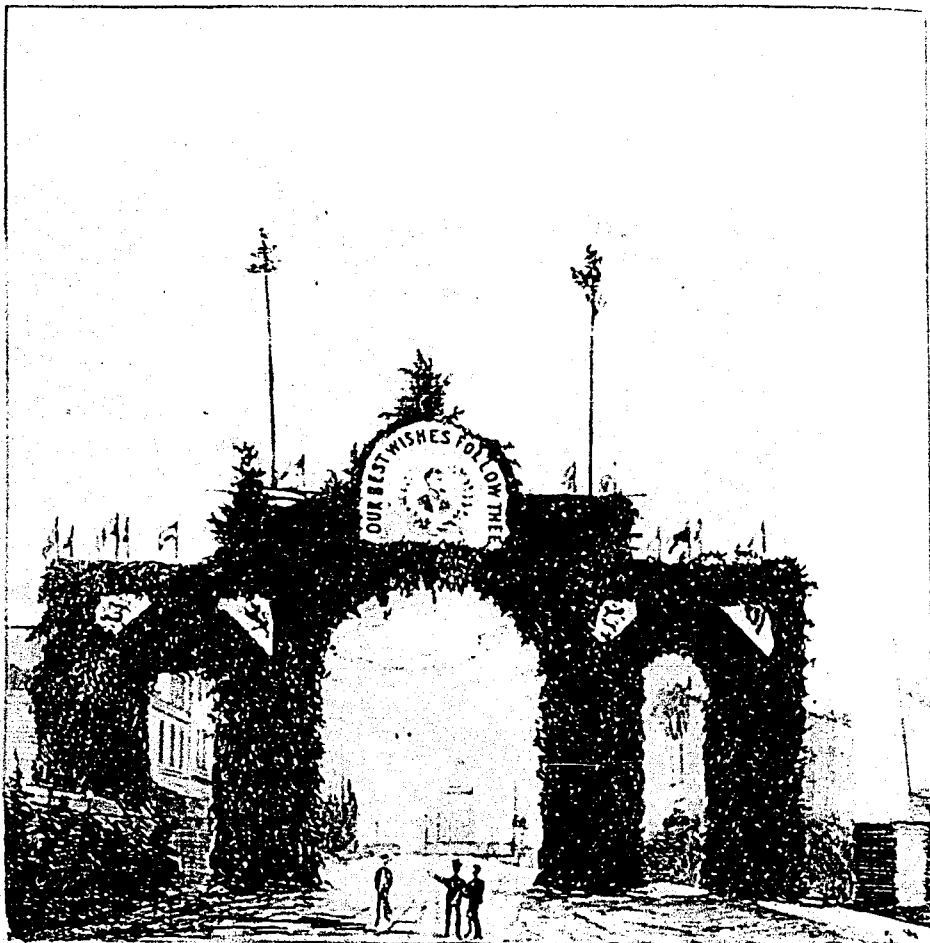
centre and all but exclusive source of our Canadian supply of petroleum and rock oil. Surmounting the town arch, which appears as a gate of entrance from the south, was set a colossal medallion picture of the Queen, with the surrounding motto, "She Reigns in our Hearts," while the north or exit side of the arch displayed an excellent likeness of the Governor-General, with the parting salute "Our Best Wishes Follow Thee."

Mr. Stevenson is a native of Glasgow, where he was born in 1812, in the old Mansion House of Barrowfield. He has been a resident of Sarnia for upwards of thirty years, and had formerly the honour, in September, 1850, while Reeve of the undivided Town and Township of Sarnia, of receiving the late Earl of Elgin, then Governor-General of British North America, no vice-regal visit having occurred from that period to the present.

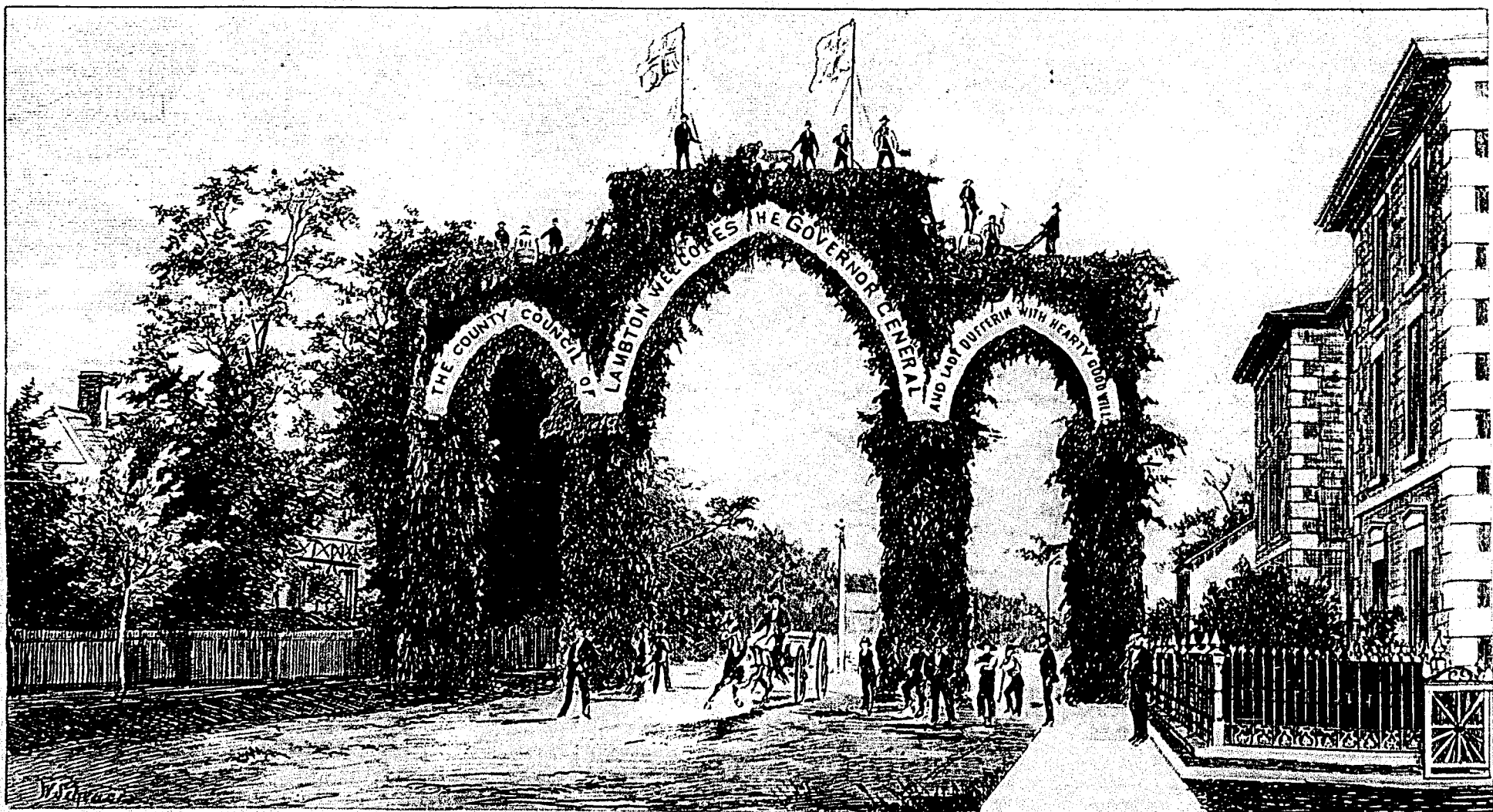
Marshal MacMahon is a compact sort of man in his habits, his whole travelling luggage consisting of a sub-lieutenant's small trunk. The only civil dress in which he indulges is a frock-coat. "In winter as in summer," said the gallant President recently, "I have worn no other body vestment for forty years past, and my tailor has consequently no trouble in fitting me. After the war, having caught rheumatism, I allowed myself to be persuaded by my wife to order a dressing-gown, but I have never put it on. When my rheumatic pains return I wear my officer's cape



RESIDENCE OF THE MAYOR OF SARNIA.



ARCH ERECTED BY THE TOWN OF SARNIA IN HONOUR OF THE GOV-GENERAL'S VISIT.



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