

MORRIS, Hon. ALEXANDER, D. C. L. [South Lanark.] 2ND MEM.

Eldest s. of the late Hon. William Morris, who sat in the Provincial Parlt., Can., for a considerable period, and held office as Receiver-General, and afterwards as President of the Ex. Council. B. at Perth, Ont., 17 March, 1826. Ed. at the Universities of Glasgow, Scot., and McGill College, Montreal. M., November, 1851, Margaret, dau. of William Cline, Esq., of Cornwall, Ont. Called to the Bar, L.C., July, 1851, and to that of U. C. in Hilary Term, same year. Is President of the Young Men's Christian Association, Perth; a Governor of the University of McGill College; a Trustee of the University of Queen's College, Kingston; and a Director of the Life Association of Scot. Was President of St. Andrew's Society, Montreal, for two years. Author of *Canada and her Resources*, a prize essay; *Nova Britannia*, a lecture on the extent, resources and future of B. N. A., published, 1858, at the request of the Mercantile Library Association, Montreal, in which he advocated the incorporation of the B. N. A., Provinces under one Confederation; and of *The Hudson's Bay and Pacific Territories*, a lecture. Occupied the position of Chairman of the Committee on "Miscellaneous and Private Bills" in the former Parlt. of Can. for several years, and was elected to the same office in the first Parlt. of the Dominion; he obtained the appointment of a Committee to report as to "the Ottawa and Georgian Bay Territory, its adaptation for settlement, and the best means for opening it up." The Committee presented a report urging the examination of the territory and the establishment of roads into it. In 1854 was one of the active parties in the negotiations, which