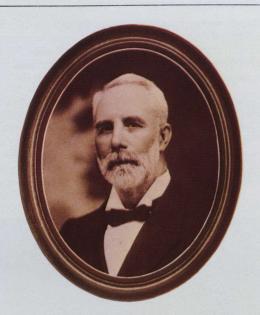
THE PIONEERS



J.S. Larke

John S. Larke was born near Stratton, Cornwall, England, in 1840 and went to Canada as a child and settled in Oshawa. He was educated in public and high schools in Oshawa and Victoria University, Cobourg. He began his working life as a school teacher and later became Principal. A few years later he branched into journalism and bought into the "Oshawa Vindicator." He came to Sydney in 1895 as Canada's first commercial agent and remained there until his death in 1910 while still in the service of his country.



D.H. Ross

Mr. D.H. Ross represented Canada in Australia for 30 years. Born in Englishtown, Nova Scotia, Mr. Ross spent some time in New Zealand before coming to Australia to establish a business and then take up an appointment first as commercial agent and later Trade Commissioner. He retired in 1934 and remained in Australia until his death in 1949, at the age of 85.



Charles Burchell

Mr. Charles J. Burchell K.C., was a senior member of a legal firm when he was appointed Canadian High Commissioner to Australia, the first such appointment. Mr. Burchell was a graduate of Dalhousie University with the degrees of Bachelor of Law and Master of Arts, and lectured on Admiralty and shipping at the University. He was a member of the Canadian delegation to the conference which prepared a report on which the Statute of Westminster was based.