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## *JAMES MUIR, K.C.*

Mr. James Muir, whose likeness appears on the page opposite, is a native of Quebec, having been born of Scotch parents in the county of Chateaugay, P.Q., in 1842. He graduated in Arts at Queen's College at Kingston in 1861, and soon after entered into articles as a student-at-law with Hon. James Maclellan, who has recently retired from the Supreme Court of Canada. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1872 and for nineteen years practised his profession in the county of Wellington in that province. He was created a Queen's Counsel by the Dominion Government on December 2nd, 1889.

In the following year Mr. Muir removed to Calgary in the then District of Alberta and was admitted to the Bar of the North-West Territories. He has practised continuously in that city ever since, at first alone, but since 1893 in association with J. I. J. Jephson, the firm of Muir & Jephson thus being the oldest as well as one of the best known firms in the Western city. He is now senior member of the firm of Muir, Jephson & Adams. In June, 1899, Mr. Muir was elected a Benchler of the Law Society of the North-West Territories and served as such till the dissolution of that Society and the creation of the Law Society of Alberta. At the first election of Benchers for Alberta in October, 1907, he was again elected a Benchler, and at the first meeting of the Benchers was elected the Society's first President, which office he still holds. Since 1901 he has also been President of the Calgary Bar Association, and is generally regarded as the doyen of the Alberta Bar.

Besides holding a foremost place in his profession Mr. Muir has been prominent in educational matters, being for three years chairman of the Calgary Public School Board and President of Western Canada College since its organization in 1903. His reputation as a counsel and a sound erudite lawyer in every sense is well known throughout both the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.