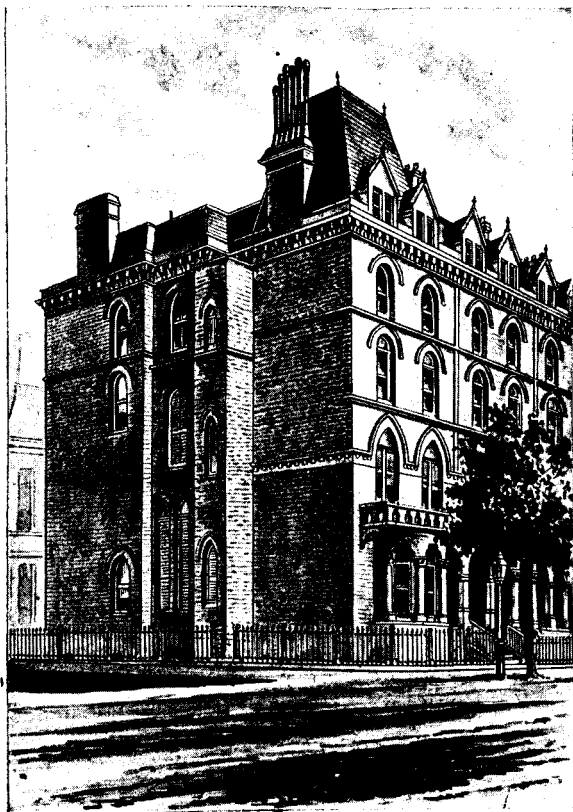


the position, and held it until April of the present year, with one or two intervals, during which, however, he remained Acting High Commissioner, without salary. The Hon. Sir Donald Smith, G. C. M. G., became High Commissioner on April 24th last. Until 1883 there was no official residence, but in that year the Government acquired a lease of a house at No. 97 Cromwell

was decided to retain were transferred to Westminster; but although the office was not an appanage of the Ministry of Agriculture, the staff continued to be paid out of the appropriation of that Department until the year 1888, when the office was made a separate department, to all intents and purposes, a separate annual appropriation thenceforward being voted by



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RESIDENCE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER IN LONDON.

Road, South Kensington, and partly furnished it, although unquestionably not in the luxurious manner that is generally supposed. It is an unpretending though commodious building, near Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens, and is within some twenty minutes' drive of the Canadian Government Offices. When Sir Alexander Galt organized the office, such of the staff of the Agent-General's Department as it

Parliament for salaries and contingencies. The officers and clerks employed, (Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Accountant, one first-class clerk, one second-class clerk, and two third-class clerks) were also brought under the supervision of the Civil Service Act and of the Civil Service Superannuation Act. It may be mentioned, however, that this arrangement only applied to the London Office. The Emigration