

Commander of the Bath. Till this time those difficulties had been of a most serious nature, often resulting in bloodshed. He was Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Paymaster-General from 1868 to 1872. He was appointed Lord Lieutenant of County Down, Ireland, in 1864, and Governor-General of Canada, May 22, 1872. In addition to the satisfactory arrangement of the Turkish troubles, mentioned above, he also compromised certain differences between the French and the warlike Druses. In proof of his ability as a statesman and a diplomatist, he gave a Constitution to Lebanon. Soon after this he was offered the Governorship of Bombay, which, on account of the failing health of his mother, he felt himself obliged to decline.

In the year 1862 he married Harriet Georgiana Hamilton, eldest daughter of Archibald Rowan Hamilton, Esq., of Killyleagh Castle, County Down, Ireland. Lord Dufferin is a Liberal in politics, and is decided in his convictions, though free from the rancor which often accompanies party spirit. The ascendancy of the Liberal party in 1872 gave him, under the ministry of Mr. Gladstone, the appointment of Governor-General of the Dominion. His success in Syria and the fitness he there manifested for dealing with Oriental peoples, have caused his name to be frequently mentioned in connection with the Vice Royalty of the Indian Empire.

As an instance of the high regard in which he is held at home, when he received his appointment as Governor-General, the people of Belfast, as soon as they learned the fact, determined to tender him a public banquet, which was held at Ulster Hall, attended by representatives of every creed and class. At the close of his term of office in the Dominion he had the satisfaction of seeing a marked advancement in the condition of the country; and a healthy growth in its development, as having been gained during the six years of his administration. An equal satisfaction is the high regard which he continues to hold in the hearts of the Canadian people. In 1879 Lord Dufferin received further proof of the confidence of the Home Government in his judgment, skill and ability, by being gazetted to succeed Lord Loftus as British Ambassador at St. Petersburg. The mission is one of the highest importance, especially in the light of recent events; but, with his ripened political tact, ready wit, and extensive knowledge of men and affairs, he is sure to earn for both England and himself, additional fame and new honors.

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ASIDE from being for many years a prominent public character, and one who has filled many offices of trust and emolument, with honor and credit to himself and his native province, the subject of this sketch is deserving of a conspicuous place in this volume, as an eminent example of a man who has successfully fought his way from a comparatively small