

YOUNG, JAMES, (*North Brant.*)

Eld. s. of the late John Young, Esq., of Galt, Ont., formerly of Roxburghshire, Scotland, who came to Can. in 1834. B. at Galt, 24 May 1835. Ed. there. M. Feb. 1858, Margaret, second dau. of John McNaught, Esq., of Brantford. Is Presdt. of the Gore District Fire Insur. Co.; a dir. of the Confederation Life Asso. Co., of the Canada Landed Credit Co., and the Ayr American Plough Co. Was elected, in 1878, Presdt. of the Reform Asso. of Ont., was eleven years Presdt. of the Associated Mechanics Institutes of Ont., and a mem. of the Council of the Agriculture and Arts Asso., and has been Presdt. of the Sabbath Sch. Asso. of Ont., and is now a Vice-Presdt. Was for several years a member of the Galt Board of Public School Trustees and the Collegiate Institute; six years a member of Galt Council, and once Deputy Reeve. Owned and edited the *Dumfries Reformer* (Galt), from 1853 to 1863. Author of two prize essays: *The Agricultural Resources of Canada, and the inducements they offer to British Labourers to settle in Canada*, and *The Reciprocity Treaty*. In 1880, published a book entitled: *Reminiscences of the Early History of Galt and the settlement of Dumfries*. First returned to represent South Waterloo in the Commons at g.e. 1867; re-elected by acclamation at g.e. 1872, and at g.e. 1874. An unsuccessful candidate for same seat at g.e. 1878. Elected for present seat in Leg. Assem. at g.e. 1879 and re-elected by acclamation at last g.e. Sworn of the Executive Council on 2 June, 1883, and became Provincial Treasurer. Resigned that position on 1 Nov., in consequence of temporary ill-health. While in the Commons he proposed the abolition of the office of Queen's Printer, and letting all Departmental printing by tender, which has greatly reduced the annual expenses; in 1871 the House adopted his bill confirming the naturalization of all aliens who had taken the oaths of allegiance and residence prior to Confederation; in 1873 submitted a bill in favour of the ballot; in 1873, and again in 1875, carried addresses to Her Majesty, praying that the Imperial Government might take steps to confer on Germans and other aliens naturalized in Canada the same rights in all parts of the world as British born subjects; and in 1874 proposed a committee and report which resulted in the publication of the "Hansard," containing the House of Commons debates. A Liberal.—"*Thornhill,*" *Galt, Ont.*