

private secretary to the Prime Minister, and held that office until shortly before the fall of the Mackenzie Government, when he was appointed Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. On the accession to office of the present Administration, he was offered a position in the public service inferior to that he then held, which he declined to accept, and returned to Stratford, where about that time the British Mortgage Loan Company was removed from London, and of this he was offered and took the offices of Secretary-Treasurer and Manager.

Mr. Buckingham has been Reeve and acting Mayor of Stratford; member of the Council of the Board of Trade; Director of the Mechanics' Institute; Trustee of the Grammar School; President of the St. George's Society; Director of the North Perth Agricultural Society, and of the Stratford and Lake Huron Railway, and President of the Canadian Press Association. In 1862 he was a member of the Commission appointed to enquire into the management of City Post Offices.

HENRY MACPHERSON,

OWEN SOUND.

THE subject of this biographical notice, Judge of the County of Grey, and Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Courts, is a grandson of Lieutenant-Colonel Donald Macpherson, who had command of the Fort at Kingston at the commencement of the war of 1812, and was removed to Quebec, where he remained until the close of the war in 1814. Donald Macpherson was the son of Evan Macpherson, of Cluny, Chief of the Clan Macpherson, who joined Prince Charles with his Clan in 1745. Henry is a son of Lowther P. Macpherson, barrister, who was born in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, when his father was on his way to Canada with his regiment. Our subject was born at Picton, County of Prince Edward, August 17, 1832. The maiden name of his mother was Eliza I. L. McLean, daughter of Lieut.-Colonel Allan McLean of Kingston, and who was for sixteen years Speaker of the old Canadian Assembly.

Judge Macpherson was educated in the Grammar School of Kingston and Queen's College, being graduated from the latter Institute, Bachelor of Arts, in 1851. He read law with Thomas Kirkpatrick, Q.C., of the same city; was admitted as an Attorney at Easter term in 1854, and called to the Bar at Hilary term 1855. He opened an office at Owen Sound in March of that year, and continued in the practice of his profession until he was placed on the Bench of the county in January, 1865. Prior to this date he had acted as Crown Counsel at Assizes several times. His appointment to the office of Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Court, was made in March, 1879.

When at the Bar Judge Macpherson was regarded as a good consulting lawyer, and being a good speaker, very favorably impressed a jury. He has a good supply of common sense as