BLAKE, Hon. EDWARD, M.A., Q.C. [West Durham.]

Eld. s. of the late Hon. W. H. Blake, a distinguished jurist of U.C., who sat in the Can. Assembly from 1847 to 1849, was Solicitor-Genl. for U.C., for a short time, and subsequently Chancellor of U.C., by Catherine Hume, grand-d. of William Hume of Humewood, Esq., M.P. for Wicklow in the British House of Commons, and grands, of the late Rev. Edward Dominick Blake, (of the family of Blake of Cashlegrove, Galway) Rector of Kiltegan and of Lough-bucklow, and Rural Dean, by Anne Margaret Hume of Humewood. B. in Tp. of Adelaide, Middlesex, Ont Ed. at University of Toronto, where he graduated. M. the dau. of the late Right Rev. J. Cronyn, Lord Bishop of Huron. Called to the Bar U.C. in Michaelmas Term, 1856; created Q.C. 1863. Senior partner in the extensive law firm of Blake, Kerr & Bethune, Toronto. Is a mem. of the Senate of the University of Toronto; and a dir. of the Isolated Risk Fire Insurance Co. Elected a Bencher of the Law Society of Ont., 1871. Returned for South Bruce in Local House at g. e., 1867, and was leader of the Opposition in that body from 1868 until Dec., 1871 when called upon to form a Govt. for Ontario, which he succeeded in doing, accepting for himself