

material from any part of the continent, and to load and ship machinery to all parts of the country. The John Doty Engine Company of Toronto (Limited), was organized in 1891. The following are its officers:—John Doty, President; Daniel Hunter, Vice-President; Franklin H. Doty, General Manager; Frederic W. Doty, Secretary-Treasurer; John Walsh, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. They manufacture all kinds of machinery, and for any purpose. In addition to all this they have a ship-yard at the foot of Bathurst-street, near the bay, where they pay particular attention to the building of steel ships. They also have a store at Vancouver, B.C., for the sale of general engineering and vessel supplies. So extensive has the little business, established at the foot of Yonge-street, become, that employment is now given to from one hundred to three hundred hands, and their manufactures are sold from ocean to ocean. Mr. Doty's two sons, Franklin H. and Frederic W., were admitted to partnership at the formation of the company, but they had previously taken an active part in their father's business. Another son, Albert J. Doty, now living in New York City, where he is a consulting engineer, like his brothers, became a practical mechanic under his father's tuition. Mr. Doty is a shareholder in the Toronto Ferry Company, and also in the Island Amusement Company, and with his sons, ran and controlled the Island ferries and amusements for about five years. The only society with which he is connected is the Masonic fraternity, having been made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 40, Hamilton, in 1859, where he still retains his membership. He is perfectly neutral in politics, avowing neither side; voting for the man, not for party. His travels have been of a business nature, and confined to this continent. In religion, Mr. Doty, as well as his family, are Episcopalians, and attend Christ Church (Reformed Episcopal.) He was married on the 30th of November, 1843, to Louisa Jane Wilcox, daughter of Charles Wilcox, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., once his partner in business. The issue of this marriage was five children, two of whom, a boy and a girl, died in childhood. Of the three now living mention has been made. All three are married and the grand-children from these marriages number fourteen. First seeing Toronto in 1841, when it was yet in its infancy, Mr. Doty has watched its growth, which has been in many respects like the business he has succeeded in building up here. Now he is able to live at ease, and with the wife of his youth, take that rest from labor which is so anxiously sought for, but seldom found, by the mass of the people. His life record is indeed a verification of the adage: "Small beginnings often make great endings."

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AS a member of the Local Legislature, and now Provincial Treasurer, few of the leaders in either Houses have attained more prominence than Mr. Harcourt, who has for many years ranked among the leading politicians of Ontario, and as one of her most prominent sons. He was born in the township of Seneca, Haldimand county, Ont., on the 17th March, 1849. His parents, Michael and Helen (Weir) Harcourt, were both of Irish extraction. Michael Harcourt, although born in Scotland, was of Irish parentage, and came to Ontario, then called Upper Canada, when a very young man, and after a time settled in Seneca township, Haldimand county. Here he soon acquired great influence on account of his genial disposition and his adaptability, which had so early developed itself, as a leader of men. For many years he was the chosen standard-bearer of the Liberal party, in whose principles he was an ardent believer. He represented the county for nearly two parliamentary terms, this being prior to the confederation of the provinces. In his first election he was kept out of his seat for nearly two years, his opponent being wrongly returned, but on a revision of the vote being made, it was found that he was the duly elected candidate, when Mr. Harcourt was installed into office. Before and after taking his seat in parliament, Michael Harcourt was considered as one of the best platform speakers in the now province of Ontario. To this day, in Haldimand, the old settlers, as elections come around, remind the younger generation of this or that great meeting in which Michael Harcourt took part. Three of his sons, Robert H., William L., and John, who settled in Chicago, became successful physicians. One of them, Frederick W. Harcourt, has for some years been a partner in the well-known law firm of McCarthy, Osler, Hoskins & Creelman. Another of the sons, James L. Harcourt, is now accountant in the Montreal branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, while the youngest, George A., is a law student in Toronto. Richard Harcourt, our subject, was privately taught at first by Rev. B. C. Hill, M.A., a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin; afterwards at the Cayuga grammar school and at Toronto University, from which he graduated in 1870, and in 1871 received his M.A. degree. Here he was also a medallist in metaphysics. After graduating, he became principal of Cayuga high school, which position he held for more than a year. He was inspector of public schools of the county of Haldimand from 1871 to 1876 (at the same time being engaged in his law studies),