

McNEILL, ALEXANDER. (*North Bruce.*)

S. of the late Malcolm McNeill, Esq., of The Corran, Co. of Antrim, Irel., by Louisa, dau. of the late John McNeill, Esq., of Colonsay, Argyleshire, Scot. The late Lord Colonsay, Lord Presdt. of the Court of Session, Scot., and the Right Hon. Sir John McNeill, G.C.B., of Persian and Crimean fame, were brothers of his mother. B. 10 May, 1842, at The Corran, Co. of Antrim, Irel. Ed. at Wimbledon, Surrey, Eng., and Trinity Coll. Dublin. M. in London, in 1873, Hester Law Howard, dau. of the late Forbes McNeill, Esq., of Waikfield, Berks, Eng. Is a Barrister-at-Law of the Middle Temple, London, Eng., and a farmer. First returned to Parlt. at last g.e. A Liberal Conservative; for Fair Trade; for Canada; and for the Empire. As much in favor of the independence of Canada as any man, and therefore in favor of that British connection which has secured to her Freedom and Independence. — *The Corran, Wiarton, Ont.; and Balmacneill, Paisley, Ont.; Rideau Club.*

MILLS, Hon. DAVID, LL.B. (*Bothwell.*) 2ND MEM.

Family, which came from near Plymouth, Eng., proceeded to Holland in the time of Charles I., thence to New England with the Puritans, and the descendants removed to N.S. at the time of the Am. revolution. S. of Nathaniel Mills, who removed from U.S. to Can. 1817. B. in the Tp. of Oxford, Kent, Ont., 18 March 1831. Graduated at Michigan Univ. M., Dec. 1860, Miss M. J. Brown. Called to the Bar, Ont., 1883. Was Superintendent of Schools for Co. of Kent from April 1856 to April 1865. Was employed by Ontario Govt. to define the North Western boundary of the Prov. 1872, and was one of the counsel employed in the argument before the Privy Council in Eng. in 1884. Author of a pamphlet on *The Present and Future Political Aspects of Canada* (1860); and another on *The Blunders of the Dominion Government in connection with the North-West Territory* (1871.) Elected a mem. of the Council of Public Instruction for Ont. (representing the School Inspectors) Aug. 1875. Sworn as Minister of the Interior Oct. 1876, which position he held until resignation of Govt., Oct. 1878. An unsuccessful candidate for a seat in the Council of Public Instruction, Ont. 1874. First returned to Parlt. at g.e. 1867; re-elected at g.e. 1872; at g.e. 1874; at g.e. 1878; defeated at g.e. 1882 but subsequently awarded the seat by the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada. An advanced Liberal.— *Palmyra, Ont.*