

ing business men of the town, he has been manufacturing and dealing in ship timber since 1855, and farming by proxy and through renters. He has a farm of three hundred acres adjoining the town, other property in Thorold and at Merritton and St. Catharines, being in very comfortable circumstances. The several buildings which he has erected in Thorold have been important improvements. He is quite enterprising.

Mr. McDonagh was in the Town Council five years; was Reeve and member of County Council four years, and has been magistrate of the county a decade or more.

About the time of the Trent affair, 1861, he raised a volunteer company, and commanded it for three years, and then resigned.

Mr. McDonagh is a Conservative in politics, and for the last eight years has been president of the Liberal Conservative Association for the County of Welland.

In 1854 he married Miss Mary Ann Williams, daughter of Daniel Williams, an early settler at Allanburg. The family came here from New Jersey, and are well known in this part of the Province. Mr. McDonagh belongs to the Episcopal Church, of which he was warden several years. He is a kind man to the poor, and a true friend of those suffering from any cause; has always been a hard working man; had some severe "roughing" in middle life, yet is still very healthy and robust, and as a business man he is a fine success.

HON. LEWIS WALLBRIDGE, Q.C.,

BELLEVILLE.

THE subject of this sketch, one of the oldest and most prominent barristers, and an *ex officio* bencher of the Law Society, in the Province of Ontario, was born in Belleville. He is a grandson of Elijah Wallbridge, a United Empire Loyalist, who settled in Canada shortly after the War of Independence of the American Colonies; is a son of William H. Wallbridge, lumber merchant, who died in Belleville, March 12, 1832. Asa Wallbridge, an older brother of Elijah, erected the first house where the city now stands. The family were from Dorsetshire, England, and took sides with the Duke of Monmouth in the rebellion against King James, and left England on that account.

Mr. Wallbridge received his education under the late Dr. Benjamin Workman, in Montreal, and at Upper Canada College, Toronto; his legal education in the office of Hon. Robert Baldwin, of Toronto; was called to the Bar at Hilary term in 1839; he was created a Queen's Counsel, when comparatively young.

Mr. Wallbridge was elected to the Canadian Parliament in 1858, and later, while a member of that body, became Solicitor-General, and a member of the Macdonald-Dorion Government.