

Association. On leaving Frankford for Stratford, his friends evinced their esteem by presenting him with an address and a gold watch. He removed to London in 1875, where he built up an extensive medical practice. His devotion to Forestry, with the ever-increasing demands on his time, made by the rapid growth of the Order, necessitated the neglect and final abandonment of the active duties of the profession. The rapid growth of the Independent Order of Foresters suggested the desirability of having the executive offices in Toronto, to which city they were removed in 1889, and since then the Doctor's official residence has been the Ontario capital. Oronhyatekha is above all things a family man. To his home near Deseronto, where he has an extensive farm, he repairs as often as his responsible duties will permit. His wife was Ellen Hill, of the Mohawk tribe, a great grand-daughter of the celebrated Mohawk Chief, Capt. Joseph Brant. They have a son and a daughter. The son is named Acland, after his father's old friend and teacher, Prof. Sir Henry Acland, of Oxford, and has just graduated in medicine at Trinity University of Toronto. In the midst of his many duties, the doctor has kept his connection with his tribe and people intact, and of all the honors he has received there is none he prizes more highly than that of "President of the Grand Council of Chiefs," to which he was elected some years ago by the chiefs of the various tribes in Ontario. His address on Indian education at the great gathering of teachers and educationists, held in Toronto last summer, was one of the cleverest of the convention. He is proud of his race and language, and in his charming home at Deseronto the language of his native tribe is always used. He is a Conservative in politics, but has taken little part in active politics for some years, wisely concluding that the chief executive officer of a great organization, that numbers among its membership thousands of both political parties, should keep aloof from partizan strife. The Supreme Chief Ranger has had some military experience. He was a member of the Queen's Own Rifles during his University course in Toronto, and during the Fenian raid of 1866 did some active duty. Some nine prizes that he won as a member of the first Wimbledon team attest the accuracy of his aim as a marksman. The doctor has attained prominence in other orders besides the Foresters. He is a well-known Orangeman, having been a Canadian delegate to the triennial council that met in Glasgow some time ago. At present he is medical referee for the Orange Mutual Benefit Association. As a Mason, he is away up, has long since passed the third degree, the mirth-destroying stage, that once reached, according

to a Toronto divine, destroys the desire and capacity to smile. But those who know Oronhyatekha, have seen his genial smile, and heard his hearty laughter, must be convinced that keeping so many profound secrets has not destroyed his peace or frozen his geniality. He is now the Most Worshipful Grand Master-General for the Dominion, of Royal and Oriental Free Masonry. Last July, in Edinburgh, at the world's gathering of Good Templars, in Right Worthy Grand Lodge, he received by an overwhelming majority the highest office in the gift of that well known and world-wide body. As Right Worthy Grand Templar, he wears worthily the mantle of his predecessor, Mr. Turnbull, of Glasgow, who succeeded the late Hon. John B. Finch. The work done by Dr. Oronhyatekha for Independent Forestry need not be detailed here. To do so would be to write the history of the Order, and that is not the purpose of this sketch. That from the inception of the Order up to the present he has been not only its friend but also its most successful promoter, ablest administrator, and most valiant defender, are facts patent to every member of the Order. As a public man dealing with many men, he has not wholly escaped the penalty that almost every one is called upon to pay who attains to eminence, and who in the discharge of the duties imposed by the trust of office must inevitably wound the vanity of some, disappoint the ambition of others, and checkmate the unworthy designs of a few. A wise policy of conciliation and forbearance has enabled him to escape with less of carping criticism and personal abuse than usually fall to the lot of men called upon to deal with men of diverse views and interests. Few men have been as fortunate in their colleagues as he. Men of ability and standing, they enhance the confidence with which the public regard the Independent Order of Foresters, and the doctor may be pardoned the boast that they are not only his trusted co-workers, but also his esteemed personal friends. As a character study, the subject of this sketch presents more than ordinary attractions. Of another race, without the adventitious aids of birth or fortune, he has pushed his way by dint of merit and ability to the front, and stands to-day, by common consent, the first in fraternal societies in America. The elements that have contributed to this success are not far to seek. The brief sketch given shows how many-sided is his character, and how versatile his gifts. He has studied books, but he has studied men more, and has kept abreast of the times, and in touch with the spirit of the age. He wields the pen of a ready writer, and in controversy more than holds his own. In debate, he is clear and forcible, and his presentation of the claims of the cause he advocates is invar-