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GRAND SENIOR WARDEN.

R. W. Bro. Thomas White junior, whose portrait is given in this number was born in Montreal in 1830, and received a liberal education at the High School of that City. When seventeen years of age he went to learn the Hosiery business under the late T. C. Panton, and after remaining with him for two years, he was engaged (1849) by Messrs E. Roy, & Co., of Brantford with whom he remained for a short time, and then removed to Peterboro. The business in which he was engaged up to this time, was not at all suitable to his taste; the independence which a knowledge of some handicraft trade confers induced him in 1851 to accept an engagement in the Queen's Printing Office, for the purpose of learning the Printing business. On the removal of the seat of government to Quebec in the fall of 1851 he went there in charge of the Office. Some evidence of his talents as a writer having been brought to the notice of the late Stewart Derbyshire, then Editor of the Quebec Gazette, induced that gentleman in the spring of 1852 to offer him a position on the editorial Staff of that paper, and at length he had found his proper sphere of labor. In the following year he returned to Peterborough, and in connection with his brother-in-law Bro. Romaine, commenced the publication of the Peterborough Review, which he conducted until 1864, when in connection with his brother Richard, he purchased the Hamilton Spectator, which he edited until July 1870. His position as editor of the Spectator, opened for him a larger a sphere of usefulness than he had hitherto had. Into the Railway struggle between Toronto and Hamilton, in the -counties of Wellington, Grey and Bruce, he entered with all the zeal and energy which are characteristic of him, and rendered most -eminent service to the side which he espoused. His clear, forcible