

poor boy, he found employment in the lumber regions of his native province. Advancing step by step, as a successful man of business, he became lessee of what was then the finest and fastest mill in the province. It was situated at Lepreaux, and was owned by the late Wm. K. Reynolds, St. John, N.B. Subsequently, about 1864, he acquired the lumber establishment of Rankine Ferguson & Co., on the Nashwaak, about 2 miles from Fredericton, which had fallen into decay. He at once began a series of improvements which have since excited the wonder and admiration of every visitor. The place is now called Marysville, and was so named by Mr. G. Here Mr. G. has established saw mills for large and small lumber, cotton mills, brickyards, tanneries, etc. In addition, he employs in the woods some 1000 men with 1200 horses for the purpose of getting out lumber. He is an extensive shipper to Europe, the lumber thus exported amounting to 150,000 ft. annually and over. Locally he is known as the "King of the Nashwaak." Within the past 2 yrs., by the purchase of property at Blackville, he has extended his lumber operations to the Miramichi, and began the development of a new business in that region. His cotton mill at Marysville is regarded as the largest in Can., and employs 700 hands. Mr. G. has likewise acquired fame in other fields. While attending to his regular business, he found time, some yrs. ago, to build the North-western Ry., running across the country to the Miramichi, and in its course opening up immense tracts of valuable timber lands, and promoting settlement everywhere. This road he still owns. He was also instrumental in securing the construction of the N. B. Ry. to Edmundston. In 1880, he was one of the syndicate, with Sir W. P. Howland, that offered to construct the Can. Pac. Ry. Mr. G. is regarded as one of the wealthiest men in Can. In 1897, owing to the great increase in his

business, which made it impossible for one man to attend properly to all its complicated details, his large properties passed into the hands of a co., of which he is Presdt. and Mangr. Politically, he is now a Con., though previous to the Dom. g. e. 1896, he was a very pronounced Lib. In religion, he is a Meth., and has contributed largely to ch. objects. He is an hon. V.-P. of the Boys' Brigade in Can.—*Maryville, N.B.*

GIBSON, Rev. John Monro (Presb.), is the s. of the late Rev. Jas. Gibson, U.P. Min., formerly of Owen Sound, Ont., and latterly of N. Y., by Christian Monro, his wife, of Limekilns, Dunfermline, Scot. B. at Whithorn, Wigtonshire, 1838, he was ed. at Brechin High Sch. (where he won a bursary), at Glasgow Univ., and at Toronto Univ. (B.A., and Prince's prizeman, 1862; M.A., 1866). He studied Theol. at U. P. Hall and at Knox Coll., Toronto. Ordained as a min. of the Can. Presb. Ch., Dec. 16, 1864, he was selected the same day as colleague of the Rev. Dr. Taylor at Erskine Ch., Montreal. In 1874, he was called as pastor of the 2nd Presb. Ch., Chicago (and while in that city received the degree of D.D. from its Univ.), and in July, 1880, assumed the duties of his present charge, the St. John's Wood Presb. Ch., London, Eng. While in Montreal, he was lecturer in Exegetical Theol. in the Presb. Coll. Dr. G. in addition to sundry small issues from time to time, is the author of the following works: "Ages Before Moses" (1879), "The Foundations; Lectures on Evidences of Christianity" (1880), "The Mosaic Era" (1881), "Rock versus Sand" (1883), "Pomegranates from an English Garden" (1885), "Christianity According to Christ" (1888), "The Gospel of St. Matthew," in "Expositors' Bible," (1890), and "The Unity and Symmetry of the Bible" (1896). He was elected Moderator of Synod of Presb. Ch. of Eng., 1891, and Presdt. of the National Council of the Free