

at Trinity college, Dublin, where he graduated as senior moderator in ethics and logic; and held the distinguished position of gold medalist, having obtained classical and mathematical honors in his under graduate course, and obtained the degree of LL. D. He was ordained deacon in the chapel of Christ's college, Cambridge, by the Lord Bishop of Chester, in 1848; was consecrated priest by the Lord Bishop of Down, and appointed to the curacy of Newtown Butler, in the county of Fermanagh. Shortly afterwards, having vacated this living, he came to Canada, and for four years officiated in the parish of Hawkesbury, Canada West, having been appointed thereto by the Lord Bishop of Toronto. At the expiration of that time he was placed in the rectory of Brockville, where he faithfully discharged his duties for seven years; and was then elected by the synod, convened at Kingston, in the summer of 1861, to the new bishopric of Ontario.

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THE father of the subject of this notice, Thomas Ridout, came to this country in the year 1780, shortly after the American revolution. The incidents connected with his life—how he was taken prisoner by the Indians, when passing down the Ohio river; how he escaped to Detroit, and finally to Canada, are full of interest, and we may return to the subject at a future time. Having arrived safely in Lower Canada, he became connected with one of the government departments. On the 10th October, 1792, Thomas G. Ridout, was born near Sorel; so that had he survived till October, 1861, he would have been sixty-nine years of age. In 1796, when the seat of the Upper Canada government—with which Mr. Ridout would seem at that time to have been connected—was removed to Niagara, the family went with it. Subsequently Mr. Thomas Ridout was appointed registrar of York, and more lately surveyor-general of Upper Canada. When the government was removed to Toronto, some years afterwards, the family came with it. "Muddy Little York" was then but an Indian settlement consisting of a few wigwams, and the young Ridouts' playmates on the spot where Toronto now stands, were the children of the red men of that day. Mr. Thomas G. Ridout's first business connections were with the commissariat, in which he acted as deputy assistant-commissary general. He was then nineteen years of age.