

ter, and in the same year, after the election of Mr. (now the Honourable) Mackenzie Bowell, to the grand mastership of British North America, and his resignation of the grand mastership of Ontario East, he succeeded to the latter office, to which he was re-elected in 1871, 1872, and 1873. On the 12th July, 1872, Mr. McDonald laid the corner stone of an Orange hall, or building at Ottawa, upon which occasion he was presented with a trowel. In 1873 he had charge, in the Ontario legislature, of the Orange incorporation bills, which passed the house, but were reserved by the then lieutenant-governor. In the same year, in company with D'Arcy Boulton (now deceased), Mr. McDonald proceeded to Great Britain as one of the delegates to the Triennial Orange conference, which met in Glasgow, in July of that year. He addressed meetings of Orangemen, or in connection with Orangeism, at Londonderry, Coleraine, Ballymena, Dublin, Portadown, Lurgan, Armagh, Enniskillen, Birmingham and Liverpool. He ceased active connection with the Orange Association after his appointment to the bench in 1873, and subsequently obtained a certificate. At one time he was a member of Simpson lodge of A. F. and A. Masons, of Newboro', Ontario, and proceeded to the degree of master mason; but he withdrew from active membership some years ago. Also at different times he was a member of temperance associations, and at present is connected with the Trinity Church of England Temperance Society of Brockville. Mr. McDonald has been an active supporter of prohibition and the Scott Act, and besides advocating and aiding the passage of that act in the united counties of Leeds and Grenville, has spoken in behalf of it in the counties of Dundas, Carleton, Lanark, Hastings, Northumberland and Durham, and the cities of St. Thomas, Kingston, and St. Catharines. The Honourable John McDonald was an elder in the Presbyterian church, and in his youth Judge McDonald attended that church; but when about seventeen years of age he commenced attending the Church of England, and in 1863 was confirmed in that church. He is an earnest and zealous member of the Evangelical school. He has been, since 1867, a member of the diocesan synod, and for some years has been a delegate to the provincial synod. He is now a member of the congregation of St. Paul's, Brockville (Rev. Dyson Hague, M.A., rector), and a lay delegate from that congregation to the synod of the diocese of Ontario. He married, on the 15th June, 1864, Emma

Matilda, daughter of David Jones, of Brockville, registrar of the County of Leeds. Mr. Jones was the son of a U. E. loyalist, and was himself a barrister-at-law, and at one time a representative of the County of Leeds in the Upper Canada House of Assembly, and also at one time a Judge of the District Court of the Eastern District. He resigned the office of county registrar in 1864, and died at Brockville in 1870. His brother was Sir Daniel Jones, who was knighted during the reign of King William IV. He was, we believe, the first native born Canadian who received the honour of knighthood. Of the children of Judge and Mrs. McDonald two are living, viz., Katharine Henrietta and John Herbert. Guy Morville died an infant of one month old, and Muriel Adelaide died in September, 1885, aged within a few days of one year and nine months.

Hobbs, William Richards, London, Ontario, was born in the parish of Aberavon, County of Glamorganshire, Wales, England, in the year 1846; and is a son of Thomas and Mary Hobbs, of the same place. W. R. Hobbs was educated at Prospect academy, Shebbear, Devonshire, England, and came to Canada in the spring of 1869. Mr. Hobbs is senior member of the firm of Hobbs, Osborn & Hobbs, and their house transacts by far the largest wholesale general hardware business in Canada, west of Toronto and Hamilton, and imports more plate and sheet glass than any other firm in the Dominion. This firm's purchases of glass for the coming spring delivery will weigh from 1,000 to 1,200 tons. Good fortune has attended the undertakings of the firm, and it is now master of a sound and profitable business, and one that is every day achieving a new growth. Mr. Hobbs has not allowed his business, extensive though it be, to completely absorb his attention; he has taken a constant and a zealous interest in the promotion of the moral welfare of the community. Temperance has found in him a steadfast and a strong ally; and he has been a total abstainer from his birth. He is president of the London Young Men's Christian Association; treasurer of the London Scott Act Committee; and was a delegate to the the World's Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, held at Berlin, Germany, in 1884. He is an Oddfellow, and a member of the Masonic craft. His travels have been extensive, he having visited Europe, combining during his visits, business and recreation. Mr. Hobbs is, and always has been, a member of the Methodist