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His Honor Mr. Justice Riddell

IT was felt by members of the legal profession, when Hon. A. B. Aylesworth a distinguished member of the bar and an honored graduate of the University of Toronto, became Minister of Justice, that he would be exceedingly careful in his nominations to the Bench and that the dignity and responsibilities of such offices would be fully considered in any appointments that he might make. When a vacancy occurred in the Court of King's Bench for Ontario, through the death of Mr. Justice Street, much curiosity was aroused as to how the new Minister of Justice would fill this important position. When it became known that Mr. W. R. Riddell, K.C., had been offered the position and that he had agreed to accept the same, there was expressed some surprise that Mr. Riddell would give up his very extensive and very lucrative practice, but at the same time there was unanimous agreement that a most excellent appointment had been made, an opinion that has since been endorsed by the profession and the public in the able manner in which he has performed his work.

Graduates of Victoria have taken very prominent places in the legal profession in Ontario, especially in the city of Toronto, and no less than four Victoria graduates occupy judicial positions in the High Courts of this Province.

Mr. Justice Riddell is a pure product of Ontario soil. He was born on a farm near Cobourg, a member of a large family. He came from sturdy Scotch Presbyterian stock and acquired his first training and love of nature on an Ontario farm. His