

No. 109.—THE HON. COL. JOHN H. GRAY.

The Hon. Col. Gray was first returned to the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick in June, 1850, as Member for the City and County of St. John, and retained his seat with the exception of two short sessions from that time until the Confederation in 1867, when he resigned the Speakership and his seat, and was returned without opposition for the same constituency to the House of Commons in the Dominion Parliament. He sat in the Dominion Parliament from 1867 until its dissolution in 1871. In 1851 he became a member of the New Brunswick Government. Was appointed Attorney-General in 1856, and Speaker in 1866. In 1857 he was chosen as Umpire between Great Britain and the United States under the Treaty of Washington of 1854, for his services in which capacity he received the strong approval of Her Majesty's Government, and was shortly after, in 1860, appointed Imperial Commissioner on behalf of Her Majesty's Government, in connection with the Hon. Joseph Howe on behalf of the Tenants, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Ritchie on behalf of the Proprietors, to investigate and report upon the tenant right question in Prince Edward Island. After the Confederation he was appointed by the Dominion Government in 1868 the Dominion Arbitrator to determine in conjunction with the Hon. Judge Day on behalf of Quebec, and the Hon. Mr. Macpherson on behalf of Ontario, the division of the surplus assets and liabilities of those two Provinces, amounting to between eight and ten millions of dollars. His decision on this question in 1870 gave great dissatisfaction to the Province of Quebec, but we are compelled to say that up to this time its legality has not been successfully assailed. In January, 1871, he made a preliminary report to the Dominion Government upon the assimilation of the Civil Laws of the Provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and was in July last gazetted to the Bench of British Columbia—being a member of the Bar of New

OUR CANADIAN PORTRAIT GALLERY.



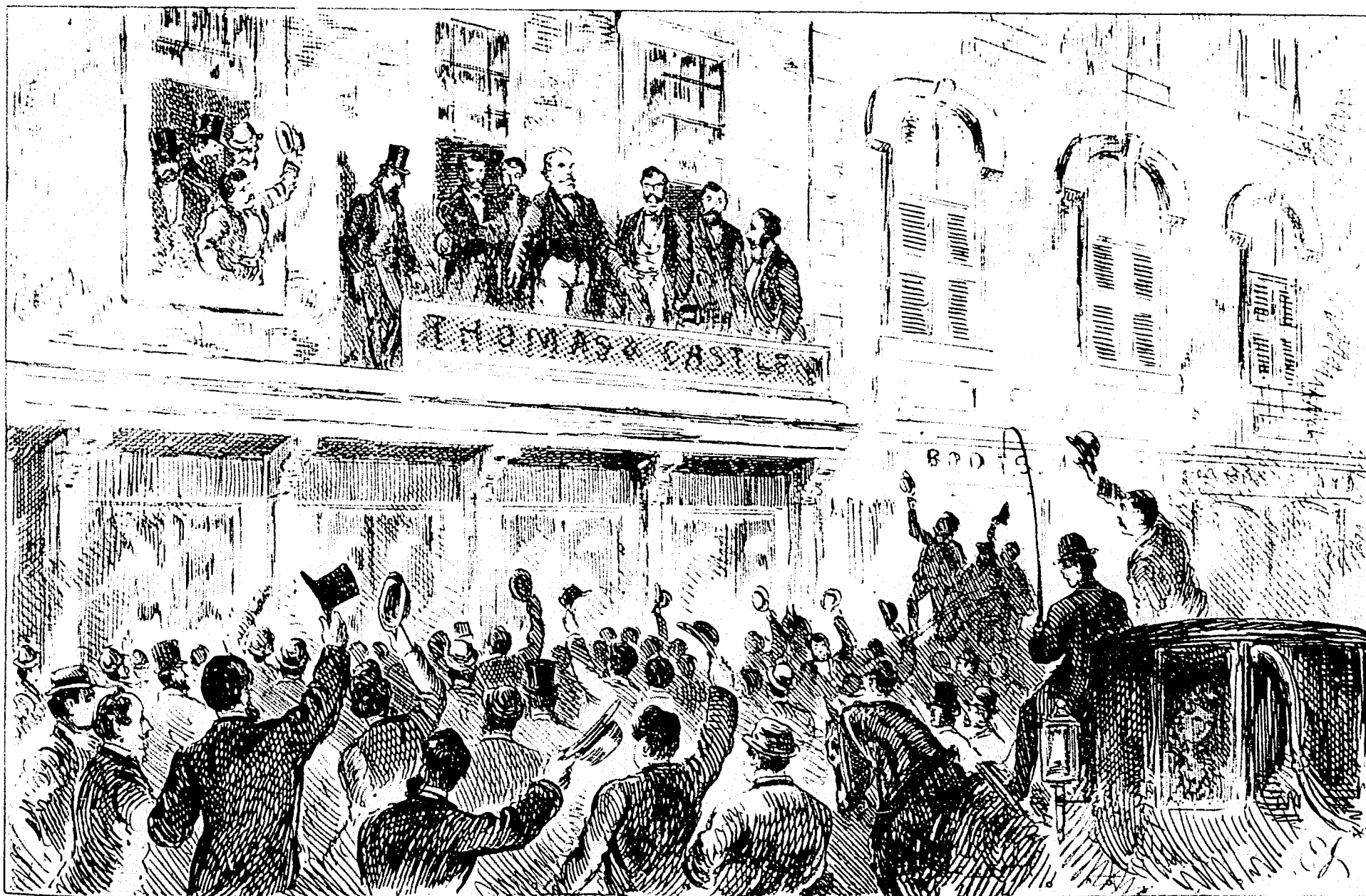
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Brunswick and of Nova Scotia, a Barrister of Osgoode Hall, Ontario, and one of the Queen's Counsel of New Brunswick.

Col. Gray has taken the degrees of A.B. of King's College, Nova Scotia, and D.C.L. of the University of New Brunswick. He is the author of several pamphlets and works involving much research. His awards under the Treaty of Washington and his still later work on the Confederation of the Dominion of Canada, published during the present year, will long be regarded as standard authorities upon the subjects on which they treat. From his first entry into public life he has always advocated the union of the Maritime Provinces with Canada, having as far back as 1849—during the then stormy period of political excitement—proposed a resolution to that effect at a public meeting held in St. John, on which occasion he drew a comparison between the position, trade, and resources of the United States at the time of the Revolution, and the position, trade, and resources of the Provinces—a comparison which was reproduced at the time with comments by the United States Press. When the question of Confederation was first submitted to the people of New Brunswick in 1865, he, with the Hon. Mr. Tilley and its other advocates, was defeated; but in the following year, on its being a second time submitted, was triumphantly returned. Col. Gray seems in the vigour of life, and apparently has many years of useful exertion before him.

We clip the following from an English paper: Miss Edith Challis, a well-known actress in London and New York, whilst travelling some months since was very attentive to an old lady, who fell ill on the journey and subsequently died. Last week Miss Challis was greatly astonished at receiving a letter from her executors to the effect that the kindness shown to the old lady had resulted in her being remembered in her will to the extent of a clear two thousand a year for life. In consequence of this she retires from the stage.



THE MONTREAL ELECTIONS—THE HON. JOHN YOUNG ADDRESSING HIS FRIENDS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE POLL.