

YOUNG, JAMES. (*North Brant.*)

Eld. s. of the late John Young, Esq., of Galt, Ont., formerly of Roxburghshire, Scotland, who came to Canada in 1834. B. at Galt, 24 May 1835. Ed. there. M., Feb. 1858, Margaret, second dau. of John McNaught, Esq., of Brantford. A member of the Honorary Council, Ont. School of Agriculture; a member of the Agricultural and Arts Council; a dir. of the Confederation Life Assurance Co.; of the Canada Landed Credit Co.; and of the Gore District Mutual Fire Insurance Co.; and Presdt. of the Association of Mechanics' Institutes, Ont. Has been Presdt. of the Provincial Sabbath School Convention of Ontario, and is now Vice-President of the Sabbath School Association of Canada. Was for several years a member of Board of Public School Trustees and the Collegiate Institute; six years a member of Galt Council, and once Deputy Reeve. Owned and edited the *Dumfries Reformer* (Galt), from 1853 to 1863. Author of two prize essays: *The Agricultural Resources of Canada, and the inducements they offer to British Labourers to settle in Canada*, and *The Reciprocity Treaty*. First returned to represent South Waterloo in the Commons at g.e. 1867; re-elected by acclamation at g.e. 1872, and at g.e. 1874. An unsuccessful candidate for same seat at g.e. 1878. Elected for present seat in Leg. Assem. at last g.e. (Ontario). While in the Commons he proposed the abolition of the office of Queen's Printer, and letting all Departmental printing by tender, which has greatly reduced the annual expenses; in 1871 the House adopted his bill confirming the naturalization of all aliens who had taken the oaths of allegiance and residence prior to Confederation; in 1873 submitted a bill in favour of the ballot; in 1873, and again in 1875, carried addresses to Her Majesty, praying that the Imperial Government might take steps to confer on Germans and other aliens naturalized in Canada the same rights in all parts of the world as British born subjects; and in 1874 proposed a committee and report which resulted in the publication of the "Hansard," containing the House of Commons debates. A Liberal.—"*Thorahill*," Galt, Ont.; Rideau Club.