

Order of *Isabel la Catolica* (of Spain), Jan., 1872. Nominated a mem. of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, July 1872, and sworn in Aug., 1879. Unanimously elected leader of the Can. Liberal Conservative Opposition, 6 Nov., 1873. Sat for Kingston in the Can. Assem. from Nov., 1844, until the Union. Returned for same seat in Commons at g.e., 1867; at g.e., 1872, and at g.e., 1874. Unseated on petition, 21 Nov., 1874; re-elected 29 Dec., 1874. Contested the city of Kingston at g.e., 1878, when he was defeated. Immediately

extension and consolidation of the Dominion. In his position as leader of the Opposition, Sir John, on several occasions, gave the late Government the benefit of his ability and long experience in perfecting several of their most important measures, notably the Insolvent Act and the Act constituting the Supreme Court of the Dominion. During the summer of 1880, Sir John visited England in company with Ministers of Railways and Agriculture, where they arranged the contract for the construction of the Pacific Railway, to which Parlt. has given effect. Visited Eng. again Nov., 1884, and while there was recognized as the pioneer of the idea of Imperial Unity.