

Cayuga. His wife died in 1868. In his prime, Sheriff Martin was one of the most stirring, enterprising men in the county, and one of the best known men in this section of the Province.

At his demise he left five sons, Richard Martin, Q. C., the eldest, and Edward Martin, Q. C., the youngest, both prominent barristers in Hamilton; Evan Stratford Martin, who was Deputy Sheriff under his father for twenty-seven years; Frederick Oliver Martin, a prominent agriculturist, who owns and occupies the old homestead near York; and the subject of this sketch, who is the second son. John R. Martin was eight years old when the family came to this country, and has a distinct recollection of the wildness and romantic beauty of the scenes which here first met his eyes in the Valley of the Grand River in the latter part of the year 1833. His education, begun in the Old World, he finished in the public school at York; was first articled as a student-at-law to George S. Tiffarry of Hamilton; finished his legal education with his brother Richard Martin at Hamilton; was called to the bar in 1853, and practised at Hamilton until 1857, when he was appointed County Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace for Haldimand, and settled in Cayuga, now having one of the most sightly and delightful residences in the village, and carrying on a very large law business.

Mr. Martin is a large property owner in other parts of the county as well as at the shire-town; is one of the leading agriculturists of Haldimand; has aided largely in the introduction of blooded stock, horses, cattle, sheep, etc., into the country, and was a Director of the County Agricultural Society, serving also as its President some years. At one period in his younger years, the chief care of his father's farm was left to him, and he managed it admirably. He is emphatically a self-educated man. In politics he is a Liberal-Conservative, but holding a Government office for the last twenty-three years, he has taken no active part in such matters. He is doing general law business, and stands well as a barrister. He is a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, and has often served as warden of the same.

Mr. Martin was married the first time in 1855, and the second time August 30, 1874, to Sarah Gubbins, daughter of Joseph Lancelot Gubbins, of Limerick, Ireland, a well-known family in that country.

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GEORGE RALPH RICHARDSON COCKBURN, Principal of the Upper Canada College, Toronto, for nearly twenty years, is a son of Robert and Margaret (Burke) Cockburn, and was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, February 15, 1834. He received his education in that city, in the celebrated High School, then under the Rectorship of Dr. Schmitz, and passed thence to the University, where, on the completion of a brilliant career, he graduated with the highest