

community, Aug., 1880. At the same time he took over the duties of *procureur* at l'Evêché de Montreal. He was created a canon of the Cath., May, 1891, and in Oct., 1895, was chosen Vice-Rector of Laval Univ. at Montreal, *vice* Proulx, resigned. In July, 1897, he succeeded the late Abbé Bourgeault as V.-G. of the Diocese, and, in the same mth., was elected Chairman of the Bd. of R. C. Sch. Comrs., Montreal, *vice* Archbp. Bruchesi. The very rev. gentleman has been identified with several important undertakings in the Archdiocese of Montreal, having been instrumental in securing the erection of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, of the Acad. of St. Louis de Gonzague, and of completing the new Cath. of St. James the Great.—*Arch-evêché de Montreal*.

"One of the most distinguished of the local R. C. clergy."—*Witness*.

**RAMSAY, Alexander Gillespie**, insurance manager, is the s. of the late Alex. Ramsay, for many yrs. mangr. of the Edinburgh Water Co., and was b. in Edinburgh, Scot., 1830. Ed. at Newington Acad. and at private schs., he came to Can., 1859, to take the management of the Can. Life Assur. Co., and he was apptd. Presdt. of the Co., 1875; he is also its Mang. Dir. Under his control and direction the co. has made great headway. The business of the first year of the co. (1847) consisted of 136 policies, assuring \$222,600; the business in 1897 had reached 32,000 policies, assuring for over \$70,000,000. Mr. R. was a promoter of the Ont. and Qu'Appelle Land Co., 1882, and of the Toronto Securities Co., 1883. He is a Fellow of the Inst. of Actuaries, Eng. He has been for many yrs. a dir. of the Bank of Hamilton, and was elected to the office of V.-P., 1889. He is also a dir. of the Dom. Telegraph Co. A mem. of the Ch. of Eng., he is, politically, a Con. He m. Margt. Scott, dau. of David Wright, Edinburgh (she d. Mch., 1896).—"Dundee," *Hamilton, Ont.*; *Hamilton Club*; *Toronto Club*.

**RAMSAY, Mgr. David Shaw** (R.C.),

is the 2nd s. of the late David Ramsay, Grimmet, Ayrshire, W.S., by Helen, dau. of John Shaw, Dalton, Kirkcudbrightshire, Scot. B. in Edinburgh, he was ed. by private tuition and at Edinburgh Univ. Coming to Can. in early life, he became *Seigneur* of De Ramsay, P.Q., and distinguished himself by arduous and successful efforts towards establishing industrial reformatory schs. in the Province of Quebec for boys and girls. He unsuccessfully contested Bagot for the Can. Assembly, in the Con. interest, at the g. e. 1857. Ordained to the Catholic priesthood, Montreal, 1867, he became Rector of St. Bedes, South Shields, and Rural Dean of St. Aidans, Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Eng. He is the author of "A Life of Mad. D'Youville" (1896), and was created a Domestic Prelate by the Pope, 1897.—*St. Margaret's, Mayog, P.Q.*

**RAMSAY, William Miller**, insurance manager, bro. of A. G. Ramsay (*q.v.*), was b. in Edinburgh, 1834. Ed. there he came to Can., 1857, and was for some yrs. Insp. of Agencies of the Colonial Life Assur. Co., and after its amalgamation with the Standard Life Ins. Co. of Edinburgh, was apptd., 1861, Genl. Mangr. of the latter. In addition, he has filled various other positions connected with the commercial and industrial progress of the Dom., including the following: auditor of the Grand Trunk Ry. Co., dir. of the Intercl. Coal Co., dir. of Molsons Bank, V.-P. of the Montreal Warehousing Co., and Chairman Bd. of Trustees of the Guardian Life Assur. Co. He takes a warm interest in the promotion of humane and philanthropic work, and besides other organizations of a like character with which he is connected, is on the Ex. Comte. of the Soc. for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and is a gov. of the Montreal Genl. Hospital. As a young man he served in the V. M., and was one of the offrs. of the Royal Guides, or Gov.-Genl.'s Body Guard, raised by