

BLACKBURN, ROBERT. (*Russell.*)

S. of Robert Blackburn, Esq., merchant, Glasgow, Scot.; and nephew of the late James Blackburn, of Aylmer, P.Q., who represented the Co. of Ottawa in the L.C. Assembly from 1834 until the suspension of the constitution of the Province, 1838. B. in Glasgow, Scot., 17th Dec., 1828. Came to Can., 1842. M., June, 1864, Mary Ann, dau. of the late John French., Esq., of Burritt's Rapids, Ont. A merchant, and managing partner of the firm of Blackburn & Co., New Edinburgh Woollen Mills. Is a dir. of the Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Co., and of the Bank of Ottawa. Was for several years Reeve of Gloucester, and subsequently of the Village of New Edinburgh. First returned to Parlt. for present seat at last e. A liberal and a supporter of Mr. Mackenzie. "The country being pledged to construct the Pacific Railway, he considers that this great enterprise should be constructed entirely within our borders, with a view to build up, strengthen, and consolidate the Dominion. Is in favor of even handed justice to every constituency; and maintaining 'British Connection' in the strongest possible manner."—*New Edinburgh.*

BLAIN, DAVID, L.L.D. (*West York, Ont.*)

S. of Mr. John Blain, J.P., now of South Easthope, Perth, Ont., and formerly of King, York, same Province, who came to Can. 1842, by Elizabeth McCutcheon. The family of Blain is a very old and well-known one in the South-west of Scot., the Blains of Blainfield being of the same stock. B. on Brown Carrick-hill, near Ayr, Scot., 15th Aug, 1832. Ed. there, at the Provnl. Normal School, Toronto, (from which he received a first-class certificate), and at the University of Toronto, where he took the degree of L.L.D., 1870. M., 27 Jan., 1867, Eliza, dau. of John Harrington, Esq., of Toronto, and great grand-dau. of the late Gen. Robinson, of Ballynovan, Tipperary, Irel. Called to the Bar, U.C., Trinity Term, 1860, but does not now practise his profession. First returned to Parlt. for present seat at g.e., 1872; re-elected at last g.e. A Liberal, and will give the Govt. of Mr. Mackenzie and independent support.—226, *Jarvis St., Toronto; Toronto Club.*

BLAKE, Hon. EDWARD, M.A., Q.C. (*South Bruce*) 2ND MEM. P.C.

Eld. s. of the late Hon. William Hume Blake, a distinguished jurist of U.C., who sat in the Can. Assembly from 1847 to 1849, was

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