

New Brunswick in 1889, 1893 and 1894, and examiner for degrees at Kings College, Windsor in 1890, 1891, 1892 and 1893. He was Alumni orator at his Alma Mater, the U. N. B. in 1889, and has been Secretary of the Maritime Baptist Convention for the past fifteen years.

On the platform Prof. Keirstead is an orator of great force and power. He possesses the rare ability to sway an audience by the force and fire of his eloquence and the logic of his thought. He is an able expounder of the Gospel and a deep and earnest thinker. As a careful and diligent teacher and a respected citizen he is well known among those with whom he comes in contact in his daily life.

Science and Scientific Men.

SIR WILLIAM DAWSON.

Outside the arena of politics, perhaps no name is better known to the public mind of Canada than that of Sir William Dawson. It is gratifying to observe in the development of our country the tendency to respect and honor the scientist and educationist. While Canada does not at present afford the conditions necessary to the unfolding of great minds along the line of scientific work, such as obtain in older and more populous nations, still she does well in bestowing honor on those of her sons who having struggled against opposing forces have won for themselves the respect and admiration of the scientists of other countries. Sir William Dawson is one of the few who have won such distinction.

Sir John William Dawson was born at Pictou, Nova Scotia, on the thirteenth day of October, eighteen hundred twenty. His parents had come from Scotland a few years before. During his boyhood, young Dawson attended the school and Academy at Pictou. On graduating from this institution, he was sent to the University of Edinburgh to complete his education. While at Edinburgh he devoted the most of his time to the study of natural history and practical chemistry. His first attempts at authorship were made during his stay at that University, his productions being published in the Edinburgh newspapers. The University having conferred on him the degree, Master of Arts, Mr. Dawson returned to Canada, being then only twenty-two years of age. In the same year, eighteen hundred forty-two, he accompanied Sir Charles Lyell in his geological survey of Nova Scotia. Soon