

loss by his retirement from active practice. Mr. Aylesworth has always shewn in his work a broad grasp of principles, untiring industry and complete devotion to the matter in hand. The Dominion gains greatly by the accession to office of a man who possesses so many admirable qualities for the discharge of parliamentary and administrative duties, and who entertains high ideals of what the administration of justice should be.

The Honourable Mr. Aylesworth was born at Newburgh, Ontario, on 27th November, 1854, of United Empire Loyalist ancestry. He took the Arts course in the University of Toronto, graduating in 1874 with double first-class honours and the Prince's prize. Called to the Bar in 1878 he joined the law firm of Harrison, Osler & Moss—an office which during the past quarter of a century has given to the Ontario Bench many of its most eminent judges. Mr. Aylesworth came rapidly to the front as a counsel, and for years past he has appeared in most of the important Ontario cases and has also held many briefs from the other provinces in the Supreme Court and before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. In 1889 he was appointed a Queen's Counsel by the Ontario Government and subsequently the Dominion Government conferred the same honour. Mr. Aylesworth was twice offered a seat on the Supreme Court Bench. In 1903 Mr. Aylesworth became an international figure by his patriotic and independent stand as an arbitrator on the Alaska Boundary Commission. Mr. Aylesworth is one of the most active and useful Benchers of the Law Society of Upper Canada. He has sat continuously since 1891 and is at present Chairman of the Library Committee.

DAMAGES FOR MENTAL SUFFERING.

Three years ago (see 39 C.L.J. 503) the subject of damages for mental suffering came up for discussion in our columns based on an article in the *Central Law Journal* of St. Louis. That excellent periodical again returns to the charge in an article which we reproduce. With the views there expressed we entirely agree.