ALWAYS TO THE FRONT.

A PORTRAIT AND SKETCH OF WEST-MORLAND'S MEMBER.

Josiah Wood M. P., Farmer, Shipbuilder, Banker, Lawyer and Politician-Success ful in all Things-How He Chose His Profession-He and Dr. Howard Sprague

Tossed a Chip-"Wet or Dry?" SACKVILLE, May 29 .- Anyone visiting the Canadian house of commons, during its last, or any of its recent sessions, might notice, seated half way to the front, among the Conservative benches, a tall, well-built man, with brown hair-almost black-and a clever, intelligent face, which is only saved from an expression of over-keenness by a pair of bright, smiling eyes. These eyes, withal so smiling, are, notwithstanding, as sharp to detect a trick on the other side of the house as are those of "Old Tomorrow" himself, and they are always to be found exercising that function on the floor of the house during business hours. The possessor of them is Josiah Wood, dominion representative for Westmorland county, N. B.

Mr. Wood, although generally a believer in the truth of the saying that some people should be seen and not heard, gives startling evidence, once or twice in the course of each session, that he is silent from choice and not from lack of talent. Although seldom taking a very prominent part in the parliamentary debates, there are few more gifted speakers on the floors of the house of commons today. Mr. Wood's command of language is remarkable; his delivery smooth and graceful, his grammar faultless. When he is once well warmed up to his subject, to say that he makes the rafters hum would be a mild way of putting it. He is never tiresome, and no member better commands the attention of the house, in which he is as popular as he is in his own constituency.

Mr. Wood does not claim a direct descent from the royal family, and it is, doubtiess, on that account that his biography has been omitted from the pages of that great monument of Canadian letters, Representative Canadians, with gleanings from which the readers of Progress have been tavored in the past. A partial object of the present sketch is in some measure to compensate for this unmerited slight at the hands of the publishers of the work just of it-wealth would inevitably come upon referred to.

The old saw, "like father, like son," seems to have applied, in a business sense into politics he plunged, as fearlessly as he at least, to Mr. Wood. His father, Mariner Wood, founded and carried on at Sackville the large mercantile business which the son is managing so successfully now, and which descended upon him as did Elijah's cloak upon Elisha. In this instance, a very snug little cloak to be wrapped in, I might add.

Mr. Wood's paterna! grandfather was one of the United Empire loyalists, who settled in Westmorland (then part of Nova Scotia), in 1783. His mother's maiden name was Louise C. Trueman, of Point de Bute, whose grandfather came to New Brunswick from Yorkshire, England, about the close of the last century. Mr. Wood, M. P., was born in the month of April, 1843. At that time he was minus the M. P., which came later. Tradition says that he was a remarkably good baby-a constant object of wonder and admiration for all the people dwelling round about the muddy Tantramar. His first tooth is said to have been carefully extracted, and put away for future reference and a perpetual memorial.

Whom the gods love die young. As Mr. Wood has lived to the age of 46 years, it is safe to infer that he was no special favorite of the gods, notwithstanding the extreme goodness of his angel infancy. This is in no wise a serious blemish on his character. Quite the reverse, in fact.

Besides the subject of this sketch, there was another brother, the junior of the two, who would have succeeded to his father's business had he not suffered from ill health during a great part of his life. The younger brother, Josiah, took a B.A. course at Mount Allison college, where, after three years of honest work, he graduated successfully in 1863. At the final examination he either led his class or was second-I forget which. The other member of the class was the Rev. Howard Sprague.

In Sackville, at that time, only two professions were considered respectable for college graduates-law and the Methodist ministry. Mr. Wood and his classmate had so much advice given them, gratis, respecting their choice of one of these callings that they were rendered temporarily insane. When a lucid interval came, they resolved to leave the decision to chance. As it was wicked to pitch cents, Mr. Wood found a nice flat chip, which Mr. Sprague spat upon. "Wet or dry?" inquired Mr. Wood, twirling the chip in the air. "Dry," said Mr. Sprague. Dry it was. Mr. Sprague devoted his life to pious purposes, and Mr. Wood took the law.

He read Blackstone and other gentlemen for three years, in the office of Hon. A. L. (now Judge) Palmer, after which he was admitted an attorney. Dorchester-better known then as the "Devil's Half Acre"-was a festering mass of lawyers, and thither went Mr. Wood to swell the heap. He opened an office, and practised successfully for a short time, until, on account of his brother's illness, he gave up his profession and returned to Sackville to take charge of his father's business. Prior to his brother's death, in England, in | nion election in 1887, Mr. Wood, although

extensive wholesale business in tea, flour, English and West India goods.

Mr. Wood was quite largely interested in shipbuilding-an industry which flourished, under his father, at Sackville, and which he continued to make profitable. He still owns a few vessels, and notwithstanding is not destitute of other titles. Max that the profits to be reaped from that line of vessels have largely diminished, it is, with him, far from being a losing property. In 1874 Mr. Wood married Miss Laura Trueman, daughter of Mr. Thompson Trueman, of Sackville, and a very estimable lady in every way. They have a fine, happy family growing up about them, such as will doubtless prove a credit to their parents and their birthplace.

The same year Mr. Wood opened a pri. vate banking-house, which proved as great a success as any other branch of his business, until it was transferred to the Halifax Banking company, which opened a branch in Sackville in 1882. To accommodate his rapidly increasing business, he built a hand somestone block on Bridge street, in Sackville, and in it the business is still largely carried

As the result of his various enterprises, Mr. Wood soon saw that-unless he



JOSIAH WOOD, M. P.

speedily hit upon some plan of getting rid His friends convinced him that politics was the only certain antidote, and plunged into all his enterprises. He was a little green about politics, it being his first offence, and he got absorbed, though no doubt he succeeded in damming for a time the flow of wealth that threatened to drown This was in 1878. Mr. Wood, associated with Messrs. McQueen, Humphrey and McKenzie, mounted the hustings as a candidate for the local house, his opponents being Messrs. Hanington, Landry, Killam and Black. He and his colleagues were defeated by a minority of 788, but Mr. Wood polled the banner voted for his ticket. He went back to his business, entirely satisfied that he had struck the surest and, withal, the most useless way of

Business continued to pour in, and in 1882 he was threatened by the same danger that he had averted in 1878, but this time in a more aggravated form. Again he sought relief in politics. Again he found it. This time he aspired to nothing less than the dominion house of commons, and his opponent was no less a man than Sir Albert J. Smith, of Dorchester, a knight, a former cabinet minister, and who had for 30 years uninterruptedly represented Westmorland county in the house of commons, in spite of the most determined efforts of the Conservatives to defeat him. In the light of the result of his last political engagement, and in face of such an adversary, many of Mr. Wood's friends considered his attempt sheer madness; but he was not a man to be turned to go ahead. The crash came. When the debris was removed, Mr. Wood emerged, triumphant and smiling, with a modest majority of 432. The defeat broke Sir Albert's heart. He sank under it, and within a year he was sleeping in the pretty Lakeside cemetery at Dorchester, leaving a record dimmed only by the tears of his

Mr. Wood returned again to Sackville, to meditate. As the result of his meditations, he added another branch to the business-the raising of fat cattle for the English markets. This venture was as great a success as every other he had undertaken, the election of 1878 alone excepted. He now fattens from 100 to 200 head of cattle every year, besides doing a large business in the importation and breeding of thoroughbred Durham cattle, and other varieties of pure stock.

He is a large shareholder in the Moncton sugar refining company, as well as in tha gas and water company of the same place, both of which companies are paying very snug dividends to their shareholders. Besides these, he owns half the stock of the N. B. and P. E. I. railway, and is very largely interested in several other enterprises, in Westmorland county and out of it, all of them, I might add, profitable

Nothing succeeds like success; and acting on that principle at the general domi-1871, Mr. Wood was given a partnership opposed by all the Liberal strength of

in the firm of M. Wood & Sons, under | Westmorland at the back of his opponent, which name he is still conducting a very Mr. Henry R. Emmerson, succeeded in seeing his former majority and raising it 110 votes. He can doubtless go one better at the next election, should be conclude to run, if indeed he be not returned by ac-

> In addition to his "M. P.," Mr. Wood O'Rell says that nearly every American southerner is either a captain or a colonel, and, in like manner, nearly every New Brunswicker is either a J. P. or a coroner. Mr. Wood is a J. P., but he could have been a coroner if he had wanted to. Owing to his other duties, however, he does not devote very much of his time to his ministerial duties, but on the contrary he is guilty of much neglect on that behalf. It is years since he has tried a man for sheepstealing or for anything else, and it is said that he has even given away his copy of the consolidated statutes. I confess to having felt a thrill of the deepest disappointment, when this report first reached

Mr. Wood was also circuit steward of the Methodist church in New Brunswick, and is a very active and prominent member of that denomination. He likewise has a lien on the first Senatorial vacancy that may occur in his section of the province. He is a faithful worker for the interests of his alma mater, the university of Mouut of Allison, being treasurer of the board of regents, and a member of the executive committee. A few years ago, when efforts were being made to more fully endow the university, Mr. Wood generously subscribed \$10,000 to the fund,—an amount which does not by any means represent the total of his contributions towards the college exchequer. Few men give to good objects more liberally than Mr. Wood, and still fewer make as little hurrah about the good that they do.

He is yet in the full prime and vigour of his manhood. He is Conservative in politics, having been converted from the Liberal ranks by the national policy, which greatly benefitted the various branches of his business. He is a fine example of an earnest, hardworking, farseeing man, who knows how to take time by the bang in order to attain the desired end. Better wear out than rust out is a ruling principle of his life. Honest dealing, with strict attention to business has gained for him an amount of this world's goods which not even politics and the most open-handed liberality have been able to dissipate. Canada has no better son, and none more true to self, friends and country. FAGIN.

THINGS ARE QUIET.

So Johnny Mulcahey Says - Incidents of His Holiday.

Things is quite. Ma said she's tired seein' my traps layin' round, co she put a hole box full in the stove all at once. I guess we'll have ter git a new stove, and besides there's a whole in the ceilin' right up inter the attick. Ma oughter knowed not to fool with my things at this season of the year. All our neighbors is indignant and says what they'll all be blowed up inter their beds some nite. I guess they don't know us. They needn't complain anyhow as long as they don't go up through their

Pa went out fishin' the twenty fourth. The fish what he brought didn't swell his fishin' bag much; but I guess his head was though. Any way ma's mad, 'cause she promised all the new 1st a May neighbors some fish an' pa didn't get none. I hate to see our famerly go back on its word, so I caught some Tommy Cods at the wharf and 'stributed them 'round. Ma don't know what makes our neighbors so cool now. Perhaps they put the Tommy Cods on ice afore usin'.

I don't think much of the baby down stairs. It put five cents what belonged to me in its mouth and it wouldn't spit it out, so 'cause I stood it on its head to see if it was goin' to roll out, it beliered like fun, aside, when he had once made up his mind and I let it drop. I wouldn't only I thort its mother was goin' to reach for me first, 'cause she looked that way.

I went over to see our last years naybors on the 20 forth. Things was awful quite. Our old shoemaker was closed up too, and Bill said he was celebratin' the day out at the cemetary, showin' his famerly his first wife's grave. So we put a card on his door with "Closed on account of a death in the famerly" on it. They had lots a people up to the house to help them weep, but I guess they got disappointed, 'cause the people what lived up there told the weepers what the famerly was out to the cemetary, and the weepers was supprised 'cause they never found it out afore. So they had to weep on the door step till the people told 'em what the shoemaker's first wife dide some time ago. JOHNNY MULCAHEY.

THE OTHER FELLOW.

How seldom do our dreams come true! The very things our fancy lets Us hope in time will be our own Some other fellow always gets.

We fall in love: the mind's deseased The brain is in a foolish whirl And while we worship from afar Some other fellow gets the girl.

We try for wealth, deluded fools! As men from Adam's time have done; And while we strive and toil, and fret, Some other fellow yanks the bun.

We yearn for fame, and struggle hard To win some measure of renown, And find that to posterity Some other fellow's name goes down.

Ah! what a torment life would be If we were of the hope bereft That in some fairer world than this The other fellow would get left! -W. H. Hills, in the Somerville Journal.

ELECTION CARDS.

Electors of the City of Saint John.

ADIES AND GENTLEMEN—In response to the wishes of an influential delegation of citi-zens, I have concluded to permit myself to be nom-inated as a Candidate for the office of

MAYOR.

Should I be honored by a majority of your votes, I will, to the best of my ability, assist in the completion of the organization of the enlarged city, carefully providing for the interests of all its sections.

CHAS. A. EVERETT. May 24, 1889.

To the Electors of the City of St. John.

L ADIES AND GENTLEMEN—On TUESDAY, the 11th day of June, I shall be a Candidate for

MAYOR

of the populous and extended City of St. John.

Fully appreciating the labors and duties attendant upon the Mayor of the new city, I pledge myself, if elected, to devote my time and energies to the inter-est of St. John, and to the welfare of the citizens I am, your obedient servant,

> GEORGE A. BARKER. Electors of Wellington Ward

T ADIES ADD GENTLEMEN-We, the undersigned, your representatives for several years past at the civic board, return our thanks for the confidence heretofore reposed in us, and trust that our record has been such as to merit your suffrages at the elections to be held on the 4th of June inst., at which time we will be Candidates for the office of

ALDERMEN

Respectfully yours, WILLIAM SHAW, THOMAS W. PETERS.

To the Electors of KING'S WARD.

ADIES AND GENTLEMEN-At the solicitation of a large number of the Electors of King's Ward, we, the undersigned, have decided to allow ourselves to be nominated for

ALDERMEN.

Should we receive a majority of your votes, we pledge ourselves faithfully to perform the duties involved as your representatives in the City Council.

R. R. BARNES, FRED. BLACKADAR.

To the Electors of KINGS WARD

L ADIES AND GENTLEMEN.-I shall be

ALDERMAN

at the approaching Election, and respectfully solicit a renewal of your confidence.

EDWARD LANTALUM. To the Electors of Queens Ward

L ADIES AND GENTLEMEN:-I shall be a

ALDERMAN

in Queens Ward, and should I be honored by being elected to that position, I trust that my conduct will be such as to meet with your approval.

D. R. JACK. of Dufferin Ward

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THOMAS MILLIDGE. SYDNEY WARD.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 12, 1889.

WE, the undersigned Residents and Voters of Sydney Ward, in the City of St. John, N. B., would nominate WM. LEWIS, Esq., of said Ward, to represent us in the Common Council as Alderman, and pledge ourselves to do all in our power to secure his election. SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 12, 1889. Signed by 85 electors.

To the Electors of Sydney Ward.

CENTLEMEN: In compliance with your requisition, asking me to allow myself to be put in
nomination as a candidate for ALDERMAN at the
approaching election, I beg to say that, although the
matter is not of my seeking, I am entirely in your
hands, and will accept with pleasure your flattering
nomination. A glance at the names on your requisition convinces me that you intend to carry the election, and I am content to leave the result in your
hands, assuring you that if elected my best efforts in
the future, as in the past, will always be put forward
in the interest of this city, and Sydney Ward in
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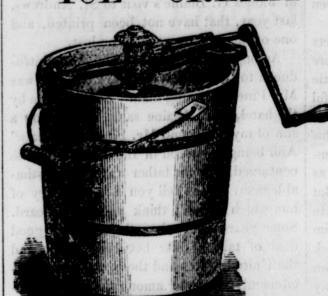
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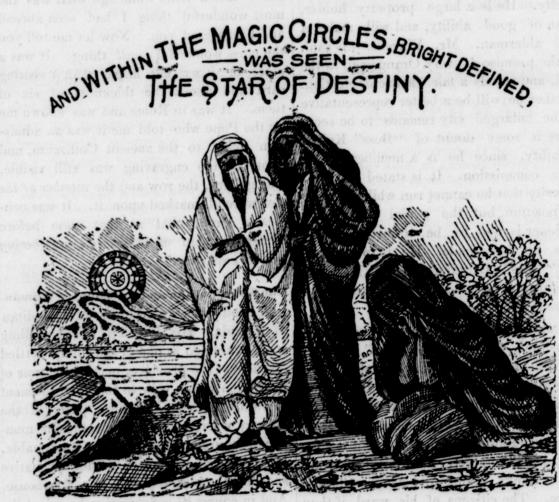
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