

Mr. Gladstone's own matchless powers would have been greatly circumscribed. This fact the great Liberal leader has often gracefully admitted. His special honouring of provincial editors will recall his expression that the English extra-metropolitan papers are even more trustworthy exponents of public thought than the great dailies of London, and the wags will add, as they have done before—"Mr. Gladstone is criticised by the London papers, but flattered by the provincial." There is, however, not one amongst these newly-honoured country journalists who has not been during many years a leader of men. As for some of the other recipients of Her Majesty's favour, the most remarkable fact is the advanced age at which their reward comes. Sir J. Tenniel is seventy-three, and Sir I. Holden is one of the oldest men in the House of Commons. He was born two years before Mr. Gladstone, and is therefore eighty-six years of age. This fact brings into strong relief the anomaly that the renowned Prime Minister should have been recommending hundreds of humbler men to the Royal favour, and yet in his eighty-fourth year should himself be plain Mr. Gladstone still. The position is of his own seeking; and, whatever he may consent to be, he will be always best known as William Ewart Gladstone.

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CABLE MESSAGES.

BIRTHDAY HONORS.

A K.C.M.G. FOR MR. TODD.

CHIEF JUSTICE MADDEN
KNIGHTED.

DR. E. C. STIRLING DECORATED.
LONDON, June 2.

The *Gazette*, published on Thursday, contains the names of the gentlemen on whom Her Majesty the Queen has bestowed titles and distinctions in honor of her birthday. They include the following:—

PEERS.

Sir Henry Huxley Vivian, Liberal member of the House of Commons for Swansea, who was born in 1821, and who has sat in Parliament continuously since 1852. He is a member of the firm of Messrs. H. H. Vivian & Co., metallurgists, and was created a baronet eleven years ago.

Sir Thomas Henry Farrer, who was permanent secretary to the Board of Trade until 1886. He was born in 1819, and was created a baronet in 1882.

BARONETS.

Dr. Charles Cameron, M.D., LL.D., Liberal member for the College division of Glasgow, and proprietor of the *Glasgow Daily Mail*, which he edited for 10 years.

Mr. William James Ingram, Liberal member for Boston, and eldest surviving son of the late Mr. Herbert Ingram, the founder of the *Illustrated London News*. The new baronet, with his brother, now undertakes the management of the journal.

KNIGHTS.

Mr. Charles Todd, M.A., F.R.S., Postmaster-General and Superintendent of Telegraphs of South Australia, who was created a Companion of the order in 1872 on the completion of the Overland Telegraph Line, has been made a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George.

The Hon. John Madden, LL.D., who was recently appointed Chief Justice of Victoria in succession to the late Mr. George Higinbotham, has been made a Knight Bachelor.

The Hon. George Shenton, who was appointed President of the West Australian Legislative Council on the death of Sir T. Cockburn-Campbell, Bart., has been made a Knight Bachelor.

Knighthoods have also been conferred on:—

Mr. John Long, senior member in the Liberal interest for Dundee, and proprietor of the *People's Journal*.

Mr. John Tenniel, who has been connected with the staff of *London Punch* since 1851, and who has for many years drawn its chief cartoons.

Mr. John Richard Robinson, managing editor of the *London Daily News*.

Mr. E. R. Russell, proprietor of the *Liverpool Daily Post*.

Mr. Gilzean Reid.

COMPANIONS OF ST. MICHAEL.

Dr. Edward Charles Stirling, M.A., M.D., F.R.O.S., lecturer on physiology and clinical surgery at Adelaide University.

Major-General Alexander Bruce Tulloch, C.B., Commandant of the Victorian military forces.

Mr. Dennis O'Donovan, F.R.G.S., Parliamentary librarian at Brisbane.

His Excellency the Governor on Saturday morning received a cablegram announcing that among the Birthday honors conferred by Her Majesty the Queen Mr. Charles Todd, C.M.G., the Postmaster-General, had been created a K.C.M.G., and Dr. E. C. Stirling a C.M.G. As soon as the news of his knighthood became known in Adelaide Mr. Todd received a large number of congratulations, among the first being a letter from Lord Kinross, which appears elsewhere.

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ELOCUTIONARY RECITAL.

A large and brilliant assemblage gathered at the University on Thursday evening at the invitation of the Chancellor (the Chief Justice) to hear a recital by Mr. Alexander Macaulay, M.A., professor of elocution, a gentleman who comes with high credentials from Melbourne, and who intends to stay in Adelaide. The weather was not such as to induce people to leave the cosy fireside, but it did not affect the attendance, the large hall being filled, the ladies especially numbering in considerable force. The programme was opened by a pianoforte solo by Mr. Louis W. Yemm, who very tastefully played "Adagio Sostenuto" and "Presto Agitato," being No. 2 of Beethoven's Op. 27. Professor Macaulay then appeared, attired in a costume of black relieved with touches of white lace, and he was accorded a hearty reception. Prior to the recital he delivered an address on "The Culture of the Speaking Voice." In the course of these preliminary observations he referred to the neglect which the average person of the present day showed in respect to the cultivation of a good speaking voice, a neglect which he considered quite unjustified. It had been said that to speak or read well was a gift of nature, and so the art was not studied; but they might on the same grounds discountenance the study of painting, sculpture, and the other arts. After five years at Trinity College, Dublin, he had been struck with the defects of Australian youths in culture, and suggested that they should disengage with the "swagger" which masqueraded as "freedom," although not to the extent of reaching the obsequiousness which in England was only too prevalent, but rather to attain a type of firm manliness. After speaking of the desirability of the study of articulation and modulation in the voice Mr. Macaulay recited "Hamlet's advice to the players." The Professor possesses a voice which has evidently been carefully cultivated. His enunciation is perfect, but there is a lack of variety in intonation. He delivered the well-known lines with a good deal of expression.