

but always exhibited matured reason and judgement, and was skilful and *thoroughly reliable* in counsel, and strict legal argument. He also became a Judge of the Supreme Court. The other members of the Bar, residing in Halifax, during those early years, were,—S. B. Robie, —Lewis M. Wilkins, the father of the present retired Judge,—Crofton Uniacke, and the talented and highly esteemed Brenton Haliburton, who remained but a short time at the Bar, and, in or about 1810, was appointed an assistant Judge, and after several years of able and very highly estimated performance of the duties of that office, he became Chief Justice, and received the honor of knighthood. S. G. W. Archibald, in the latter part of that early period, came into practice at the Halifax Bar,

continued to attend it regularly for several years, before becoming a permanent inhabitant of the city. My own practice, here, commenced in 1816,—the previous eight years, while resident in Pictou, being spent in attending the court on some of its circuits. Other members of the Bar, during a later course of years, need not be named, as there are very many living persons who were acquainted with them. In those early years, and until about 1810, there were only 8 or 9 Barristers residing in the city, which, I think, during that period, contained a resident population of between 15 and 20 thousand. The present population is not much over 30,000, if so large, and I see by the Almanac of this year, that nearly *seventy* of the profession are named as being resident in the city, which, I presume, will be generally thought an ample number to fulfil all our litigating and other legal desires and purposes. In those