

street. He added to the dignity of the bench, by his sound learning, his good judgment and his absolute fairness to all with whom he had to do. Equally in private life he was a gentleman, who would have been distinguished as such in whatever position he might have held, for, with much force of character, he fulfilled the primary meaning of the term "a gentle man." Temperate, as well in his language as in his tastes, his personal character was above reproach. What is still more important, he was a man whose religion was dear to him and who lived a life in accordance with the teachings of his faith. In a word, he was of the cast of man to make the upright judge, and as such he will be remembered.

Much could properly be said of Sir John Allen in his many relations of life, of the brilliant phases of his career, of what he accomplished, and of his lifelong interest in his native province, its history, its people and its resources. His title, accorded to him after half a century of professional life, was not needed to adorn or dignify the man. In the light of some instances of the distribution of colonial honors in recent years, it may be said that the man dignified the title. It was not given to him only because he was chief justice of New Brunswick, but because he was also John Campbell Allen. Well would it be if such wise judgment were always exercised in the conferring of titles in Canada.

It is something for those who come after us to remember that, whatever may be the stamp of men who sit upon the bench in future years, we have at least had such jurists as Chipman, Parker, Carter, Ritchie and Allen as chief justices of New Brunswick—men differing essentially one from another in certain respects, but all alike worthy of their high station and all alike adding to its lustre.