

In 1860, when His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales visited Charlottetown, our subject read to him the executive address of welcome, which the historian Duncan pronounced as far above the average of such addresses, in neatness and good taste.

Chief Justice Palmer married Isabella P., daughter of Benjamin Tremain, Esq., of Quebec, and they have eight children living, and have buried one daughter. Herbert James, the eldest son, is married, and a practising barrister at Charlottetown; Sarah is the wife of Dr. George Canning, L.R.C.P.S., Edinburgh, resident surgeon of the Hutes and Sculcoates Dispensary, Yorkshire, practising at Staffordshire, Eng., and the other members of the family are unmarried.

Chief Justice Palmer is a member of the Church of England, and a modest, unassuming Christian gentleman. No province, commonwealth or country can have too many citizens of his stamp of character.

ADMIRAL HENRY W. BAYFIELD,

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HENRY WOLSEY BAYFIELD, well known in the Maritime Provinces for his important admiralty surveys in this part of the Dominion, is a member of the ancient family of Bayfield, formerly of Bayfield Hall, county of Norfolk, England. He was born at Hull, Yorkshire, on January 21st, 1795; entered the navy in 1806, before he was eleven years old; and was in that service for more than fifty years. He started, as we learn from O'Byrne's "Naval Biography," as supernumerary volunteer on board the *Pompée*, bearing the flag of Sir William Sidney Smith, soon afterwards joining the *Queen*, flagship of Lord Collingwood, off Cadiz. On being transferred, with lieutenant Francis Brockell Spillsbury, to the *Duchess of Bedford*, hired armed ship, he was wounded in the forehead in a severe action, in which that vessel beat off in the gut of Gibraltar two powerful Spanish feluccas, defended by double the number of her own men. For his brave conduct on that occasion, young Bayfield was promoted (September 6, 1806) and placed on board the *Beagle*, and he assisted in compelling the enemy to abandon an English merchant vessel, laden with naval stores, which had been stranded under the sandhills on the coast of Spain. He also contributed, as we learn from the work mentioned, to the capture, at different times, of the *Hazard*, *Vengeur* and *Fortune* privateers, carrying, in the whole, 44 guns and 155 men. He participated in Lord Cochrane's attack upon the French shipping in Basque Roads early in April, 1809, and in the operations of the 11th, 12th and 18th of that month, on the first of which days the *Beagle*, in company with other vessels, distinguished herself in an engagement of five hours with the *Océan*, *Regulus* and *Indienne*, as these lay aground at the mouth of the river Charente, and was exposed for some time to a heavy fire from the batteries on Isle d'Aix. In the autumn of the same year, Mr. Bayfield accompanied the expedition to the Walcheren, soon afterwards attaining the rating of midshipman.

In April, 1811, our subject was transferred to the *Wanderer*, and during the next three years was employed in the West Indies, Halifax, Lisbon and Spanish stations, serving in Canada during the latter part of the war with the United States (1814). When peace was proclaimed with that country, "he assisted Captain William Fitzwilliams Owen in surveying lake Ontario, the upper St. Lawrence, and the Niagara river. In June, 1817, he was appointed admiralty surveyor, and for nearly forty years thereafter was engaged in the survey of lakes