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THE GENIUS OF PALMER.

SHOWN IN MARY DIES CTIONS DUR-ING HIS LIFE TIME.

Bis End was Praceful and Fe Dird on Thursday Evening—The Important Case He was Erguged in to be Appealed—some Talk of Bis Outside of Legal Orci s.

Since the last issue of PROGRESS the news of the death of ex-judge Palmer has at an early hour and his end was as pease.

ful as he himself could have wished:
Only a few menths ago he and his friends
and those of his talented son, Chr. A Palmer were called upon to fillow the latter to an early grave. He was at that time associated with his father and Dr. Quigley in the case of Hesse sgainst the street railway, with which all are familiar, and few who heard the brief but fouching reference that the aged judge made to his loss when he reappeared before the New Bruns-wick bar for the first time can ever forget

Judge Palmer was a man of remarkable vigor. His brain was just as active as it was years ago and as he passed rapidly along the street the grisled veteran gave little evidence of physical infirmity.

Although his career as a lawyer was a brilliant one perhaps he was best known to the people of St John and the province as a supreme court judge. For many years he sat in equity and some of the cases that came before him were very important in their character. For years he had the a!fairs of the cotton mills in his hands as judge and it is said that during that time ne displayed that remarkable fore-sight which characterized his operations years ed it.

He had been a shipowner and a millownbar by any means tut it was in the practice of his profession that he was most successful. Shipping declined in value and Mr. Palmer was among the heavy lesers yet it took mere than that to discourage this man of indomnitable perseverance.

Even the failure of the Maritime bank

could not do that and it is within the recollection of very many people how he suf tered at that time in a financial way. PRO GRESS has alluded before to his wonderful argument in Fredericton in opposition to certain liquidators and his success in

Judge Palmer was getting old when he was given a retiring allowance of between three and four thousand dollars. Then he went to Boston and became eng ged in the completion of a work on international law. The notes and experience of forty years of the leaders of the New Brunswick bar, and who is there who will deny that it would have been a most valuable addition His grandlather, Captain Gideon Palmer, to any library. But the tack became too was born in New York state (then province) formidable. He told the writer that as in 1749, and served as lieutenant and he progressed he tailed to see how any later as captain in the famous DeLancy one volume would contain all that he corps of royaliste, during the revolution proposed to include in his work. "Then ary war. At the cless of that long struggle these stenographers" he exclaimed im- for independence, Captain Palmer lett a these stenographers" he exclaimed impatiently, "how few of them understand a handsome property in Westchester, New York, came to New Brunswick and settled to not think that every word York, came to New Brunswick and settled Leod did the best work of the Roses. Sharof repetition must go on paper. That was my main difficulty. If I could have had a L. Palmer was born at Sickville, 28th his friends happy. man like Fry who was used to my ways August, 1820 the son of Philip Palmer, and dictated to him as I went along I land surveyor and Sarah Ayer, both ...natthink I would have continued, but I found | ives of Westmorland. He was educated in the physical effort of writing with impaired the Sackville grammar school, principally eyesight too much for me."

which he had full knowledge and his as:o- admitted to practice as an attorney in 1844 ciations with the politicians of Canada. and was called to the bar of the province During Sir John Macdonald's life he was in 1846. Mr. Palmar practiced an intimate friend of his and the letters of Dorchester until 1867, in which year he the great premier to the representative of St. John, as Palmer was then, would make ed to St. John. He was president of the interesting reading it they could be pub- Bar Association of New Brunswick for a

Prof. Hesse happened that Judge Palmer the lawyers of Canada. During his continu heard the particulars of it. He was at that time stopping at Evandale, a favorite rest ing place for the summer, and though he law and as a keen and logical reasoner, had not the slightest intention or idea then that brought him into prominence in conof being engaged in any suit that Hesse nection with a great number of the most might bring he spoke for ful'y two hours famous cases cases before the provincial in a conversational vein upon the different things that had to be considered in a suit has been intellect enabling him to grasp with wonderful facility the whole situation with regard to

many parts of the province in favor of the measure. But when the act came in force he said he saw his mistake and came to the conclusion that man's appetite could not be controlled by legislation. The plebis-



cite was about to be taken in Canada when he was thus resting in the country and he local option but had changed his mind about putting a law on the statute book that could not be efferced. Thus it was when the proposal to repeal the prohibition law in New Brunswick was made he favor-

For nearly all his li'e the judge was a total abstainer but of late years he said his physicians had ordered him to take whisky in the proportion of one part liquor to ten prescription was a very safe one." But he spoke of the benefit he had derived from the use of liquor in this way though he could not depart from the physicians formula without it being injurious to him.
It is a strange coincidence that Judge

Palmer should have been injured on a street railway as Prot. Hesse was-not, in fact, by a runaway car but while stepping from one. He has suffered more than his client did by the accident though it is not

The story of his lite as told in brief to gether with a short account of the principa cases he was engaged in is as follows:

equity, and for a long term of years one was a descendant of an old Irish family which settled in New York about 1742 In a reminiscent mood Judge Palmer teacher, Mr. Ross, later head of Da housie College, Halifax, studied-to-dwell upon the events of years ago of law with the Hon. E. B. Chandler, was under the instruction of that excellent number of years, and while he remained in It was some time after the accident to practice he stood in the front rank among ous legal career of thirty years Mr. Palmer established a reputation as a master of

argument in the court room was preisely intricate points of law. He was similar to his impromtu talk upon the versalso a great criminal lawyer, and was engaged as counsel in a number of There too he related his experience in temper not matters. Years ago when the question of prehibition was before the New Brunswick people he spoke strongly in tober, 1877, was an effort that won for many parts of the province in favor of the Mr. Palmer universal praise. The case for the crown was most ably conducted by the Hon. W. H. Tuck (now Chi t Justice Tuck), and so far as popular sentiment went, it was dead against the accused. The first trial for murder, at Dorchester-lasted 27 days, and resulted in the disagreement of the jury. A second trial was ordered, and it too ended in the same way. It is a matter of history that had not Mr. Palmer unearthed the previous career of Annie Parker, the chief witness for the crown, and established her utter u:reliability, the jary would have been a jury stood 11 for conviction and one for acquittal; the second jury 8 to 4. If the secret pages in connection with the re-markable taking off of McCar by are ever unsealed, Mr. Palmer's management of the defence will stand out in a stronger light than is thrown on it by the official

BASEBALL FEVER BAGING.

Games Nearly Every Day and Good and Poor Playing Mixed. Buse ball seems to have regained much of its old popularity in St. John and if the boys will play good gettlemanly ball they will have no difficulty in retaining the support of the public. The enterprise of the Alerts and those associated with them

brought the Boston Collegiates here. They proved a good team the first two games but they made many triends in St. John, too many for them to contirue to play good ball and they did sewing machine agency. This was plausible not put up their game on Saturday or on Monday, though by good luck and Sullivan's pitching together with Richard's bome run in the ninth they won from the Roses. Then they went to Fredericton had paid \$50 for and off-ring it as and what St. John entertainers failed to security for the \$10 which of course, she do the Fredericton boys did. They went would repay in a tew days. She got the down before the Tartars whom they say know how to play ball from start to finish. Capt Richards said the capital team 19 a having others than them appointed.

As a judge in equity he was a power in the land—too much of a power perhaps, but the duties of his effice were arduous and landered land—too much of a power perhaps, but the duties of his effice were arduous and landered land—too much of a power perhaps, but the duties of his effice were arduous and landered and "Trilby" didn't like it because it made his team weaker and the Roses beat it 18 \$5 Progress will not say, but in some manto 2 in seven innings. It is said that ner the rumor leaked out that he did. It Jope got five dollars extra for catching it is true there is no doubt his intention was the game. The A'erts played against Web all right, but at the same time subsequent sters Portland boys and found them a facts that came to light show just how easy one but the Portland's won 3 to 1.

Some changes and additions are talked She so spoken of but only in whispers as yet.

his friends happy.

afternoon on the Victoria grounds.

The St. John "Knights" are great en tertainers. At least that is the opinion of their visiting brothers who enjoyed their hospitality last Tuesday. The programme was a trip up the main river and then a short journey up the Kennebecasis to Rothesay where some dined on the steam e: and some at the hotel. The Aberdeen served as a tender, rather a large one to be sure but all the more satisfactory from that fact. There was plenty of good music, the evening was delightful and the enjoyment of the excursionists supreme. They returned weary but happy before midnight.

It is a pity some one would not take an interest in the Bay Shore, make a decent approach, clear the beach of the rotten logs and re'use that cover it at present and at the same time eract some presentable bathing houses. Strangers can well afford to smile and some sneer at the place as it looks at present, and yet hundreds of ed the jury that brought a verdict of cases of the m st widely divergent joy the delicious air and perchance venture character and involving the most a plunge in the sea water.

THE VALUE OF CHARMS. HOW. MRS. MAHONEY'S DAUGHTER

Ste was able to Persuade Several People to the Extent of Some Pollers—A Few Ex-ample Noted of Her Success as a Tal'nt-ed suppliant.

One of the proprietors of a leading King

street hotel had a lady callers short time ago. She was a fine looking woman and when he entered the ladies parlor in response to her request, he thought at once that she was a newly arrived guest and one that she was a newly arrived guest and one of those who always want to see the pro-prietor. Such however was not the care. She did want to see the proprietor but she did not want to register at the hotel. In fact here mission was an entirely different one. She was in distress, and wanted sesistance to the extent of a \$10 bill to help herself thrown around the room. He had hardly

hotel man in question that he made up his mind he would assist her to the extent of \$10 in order that she might buy a sewing machine and commence upon that business career which was necessary to save herselt career which was necessary to save herselt denial was very effective because from the and her sister from want. Still, not being very appearance of the place the inspector sure in his cwn mind whether she was all gathered that there was not only no liquor that she represented to be, he suggested that instead of giving her the money he should go up to Mr. Crawford's and go security for the amount of \$10 on the machine. But this did not appear to be satisfactory. She wanted the money and felt that if she got that she would avoid the publicity attendant upon the hotel man becoming her security at the too and when she saw him beginning to besitute as to what he should do, she gave

ten and departed. But she did not go home to her suffering sister just then. Her next call was upon splendid one—far stronger than they had the chief of police and sgain her fine spearcalculated upon meeting. He proposes to ance, pleasant address and charming marreturn next year and the team he will bring ners made an impression quite unusual in ners made an impression quite unusual in for the Alerts with whom he was engaged be and in great need of assistance. Whethtough proposition. The game was a good it is sometimes to tool even the chief of

She seemed to have a partiality for ofof on the Roses team. Friars is overworked ficers of the law, because the depu'y sheriff and must have assistance so another pitcher was her next victim and from that kind will probably be secured. Then "Bucky" hearted official she secured a con iderable Mills is in Boston and a first baseman is quantity of very presentable old clothing wanted. There are some other changes with which to start a second hand clothing store. It seems from this that her ambi-

necessary to start the establishment which The Alerts and Portlands' play this it is quite evident she did not have. That was delf, such crockery ware as was necessary to complete the equipment of a small The creckery man she called on has an eye for beauty and good man ners and he was easily persuaded to loan enough dishes to enable the party to go out on a small sized picnic . Sie did not want them for housekeeping. Oh, no, just for a picnic that afternoon and they back." But it seems that they went to a in Fredericton. Taylor it appears has little shop down on the corner of Charlotte and St. James streets which happened to to get off his hands to such really desirget a job in some hotel. It is said that he able people as this lady and her sister ap-

But there were other people to be consulted, those who live in the other parts in the building. They it seemed were not exactly pleased with the character of the new

Whether it was that the rent was not forth coming or for what reason a lawyer in person of Mr. E R Chapman was engaged in the case and Mr. Caspman's talk was so plain to the ladies in question, that they were vary indignant indeed, in fact so

worked up were they over the matter that there is a good joke going around in legal circles that the lady with the prepossessing manner and handsome style suc getting one or two eminent legal lights to take the defence of her case. However it never came to trial, nor is it likely to.

The people in the vicinity of her new residence must have felt that (verything was no: as it should be in the little shop on the corner, so a quiet hint was given to the liquor inspector that it he called there to the extent of a \$10 bill to help herself and a sister who had just arrived from Boston to carn their livelihood in the cooler climate of St. John.

Her story was a pa hetic one—tu h stories always are—and she prevailed so upon the sympathy and good heart of the head better state his business as soon as possible. He did so in his head was part of the manner in which there but there was nothing there for anysaid "Now sir, if you have finished your business you may retire" he did so with as good grace as possible.

It was about this time that the identity of this preposessing person was discovered and low and behold she was no other than the daughter of that well known lady Mrs. Mahoney of old clothes fame. For years this genial person has carried on one portion of the city to the other and becoming acquainted with all those who have nice things in the way of worn dresses and who are supposed to give them away on the promise that payment will be forthcoming when they are disposed of.

Mrs. Mahoney is not a stranger to the readers of Progress although of late cears she has lived in some retirement, but t would appear that she has fi ting successors in her good looking daughters. The police say that they are quite capable of doing all that has been credited to them but they were a little late in finding them out this time for when they called at the locked and the birds had flown.

The watch that the hotel man got was, it is said secured from a well known jeweler but instead of it being worth \$50 five would be the nearer figure. It is seldom that the monotony of August life in this city is varied by the visits of such a charming persuader as Mrs. Mahony's daugh'er proved to be. None the less those who had the pleasure of her vis to feel a respect for her cleverness, even if they are at the same time kicking themselves for being fooled.

on the people here. She came from Bangor for a change of scene and it seems renewed relations with her parent, who however has another daughter in town. She however has had troubles of her own having sent her husband to Dorchester on a charge of bigamy or something of that nature.

Monoton Maidens in Distress.

A young man named Taylor is blamed by two fair looking girls at present in the were secured on very easy terms. It is quite city for enticing them from their situations unnecessary to say that "they never came in Moncton by promising them better jobs worked in a good many places and in spite of the fact that he has figured in one cf be vacant and which the lessee was glad the shadiest transactions still manages to is at present in Fredericton or was there, up to a short time sgo.

He was in St. John a few days ago and the girls in distress say that they came with Taylor from Moncton and that they had plenty of money to pay their expenses but that Taylor managed to borrow it from them. Now they are stranded and are looking in vain for a tall slim young man with a dark moustache.

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