

1838, and as a barrister in February, 1840, and, after being in partnership with Mr. Chandler five or six years, removed to Hopewell Cape, when Albert county was set off from Westmoreland, and the officers were appointed (1846), he accepting the office of judge of probate. That position he resigned on the death of his brother, Dr. Rufus Palmer (1873), in order to take that brother's seat in the local assembly for the county of Albert, the brother having occupied it for three sessions. The judge was successful in the contest, and filled the unexpired term of one year; was unsuccessful at the next general election, and has made no further attempt to serve his country in the capacity of legislator. His politics are Conservative.

He is practising his profession in a quiet manner, attending to attorney and office business only, doing all, we presume, that he cares to do, being in quite comfortable circumstances, and letting the world do its own fretting.

Mr. Palmer is a man of a good deal of public spirit, and he and his brother, the doctor, were among the leaders in getting the Albert railway built, he being still a director of that company.

He married, in January, 1857, Rebecca Bennett, daughter of Benjamin Bennett, of Hopewell, and they have lost one child, and have one son, Rufus Philip, living.

RANDOLPH K. JONES,

WOODSTOCK, N.B.

RANDOLPH KETCHUM JONES, mayor of Woodstock, and a prominent lawyer in Carleton county, was born in the parish of Simonds in this county, on the 19th of October, 1840; his father is James Jones, son of a Loyalist, who came to this province from Staten Island, N. Y., about the time that the war for independence closed, and settled in the county of York, where James Jones was born. The mother of Randolph was Eliza Shaw, the daughter of Daniel Shaw, and grand-daughter of John Shaw, the progenitor of a large family of Shaws in this province; her mother was a Phillips, and came to New Brunswick from the United States when twelve years old; her father being an adherent of the Crown.

Mr. Jones was educated in the arts at Woodstock grammar school and the Sackville academy, and in law at Harvard law school, being admitted to practise in 1866, and called to the bar a year later. For fourteen years he has been in steady practice at Woodstock, doing business in all the courts of the province, and making a success of his profession; he is a close student, and constantly growing in reputation as a lawyer. Being a good speaker, a clear reasoner, and candid and honest in his statements of a case, he very favorably impresses a jury.

Mr. Jones has held a variety of civil offices, faithfully performing the duties of all of them. In January, 1867, he was appointed secretary-treasurer of the municipality of Carleton, and has been reappointed without a dissenting voice, annually to the present time (1881). He was clerk of the circuit court from 1868 till he resigned in 1874 to contest Carleton for the Legislative Assembly, in which step he was successful, serving four years, and refusing to be renominated; he is inclined to be independent in his political notions.

Mr. Jones is a school trustee, and vice-president of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals. He was town-treasurer of Woodstock, when nominated for mayor, and resigned to