OBITUARY

MR. JUSTICE J. H. A. L. FAIRWEATHER

Mr. Justice J. H. A. L. Fairweather, a Judge of the King's Bench Division of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick since 1935, died on January 19, 1948, after having been seriously ill for a fortnight.

Courteous, kindly, a deep reader and student of trends and affairs, Mr. Justice Fairweather was widely known as a delightful conversationalist. His geniality and other outstanding qualities won him esteem and respect on all sides, and he was highly regarded by Bench and Bar for his judicial ability and legal knowledge.

Jack Hall Aliger Lee Fairweather was born in Rothesay January 9, 1878, son of the late A. C. Fairweather and Annie Rebecca Lee Fairweather. He received his early education at Rothesay Collegiate School and then 8th Bishop's College, Lennoxville, Quebec. He graduated from the University of New Brunswick in 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and then attended Harvard Law School, where he received his degree of Bachelor of Laws.

In the First Great War Mr. Justice Fairweather served overseas as a Captain of Artillery, from April of 1915 until the Armistice. He saw extensive action in France and Flanders, and for valor during the attack on Vimy Ridge by the Canadian forces he was awarded the Military Cross.

With the exception of those war years, Mr. Justice Fairweather had practised law in Saint John from 1902 until his elevation to the Supreme Court Bench in August of 1935. He had been made a King's Counsel in 1931.

A Conservative in politics, he was elected to the New Brunswick Legislature in 1930 as one of the members for Kings County, and during the ensuing five years of his term he became known as one of its most able speakers.

Mr. Justice Fairweather was prominent as Secretary-Treasurer of Fredericton Diocesan Synod of the Church of England, as a member of the governing board of the University of King's College, Halifax, and as a member of the Board of Governors of Rothesay Collegiate School, and as a member of the Senate of the University of New Brunswick.

Matters of community welfare always interested Mr. Justice Fairweather, and at various times he gave valuable assistance and advice as a member of the Wiggins Male Orphans Institution, as President of the Saint John Cancer Society and as a director of Fernhill Cemetery. He past a Past President of the Saint John Branch of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs. He had been a member of the advisory board of the Eastern Trust Company, and he belonged to the Union Club and the Cliff Club.