

command of the 2nd Brigade, 2nd Division, XX Army Corps, and continued to command the same until the close of the war. He also participated with it in the March through Georgia and the Carolinas. On the 27th of June, 1865, the war being closed, he tendered his resignation as Brigadier General of Volunteers, which was accepted, and he returned home and resumed the practice of his profession in Ellicottville. In the state election in November, 1865 he was elected Chief of the Court of Appeals for 3 years and performed the duties of that office during that term. His official duties required his presence in Albany the greater part of the time. In 1867 he opened a law office in the City of New York and in that year was appointed Council to the Commissioners of Immigration of this State. In 1868 his former law partner Mr. Rice removed to New York City to practice his profession and they became partners, Edward I. Wilson of that city joining them and forming the law firm of Rice, Wilson and Jones. This partnership continued until April, 1869, when Mr. Jones was appointed by President Grant Postmaster of the City of New York whereupon the firm was dissolved. This appointment was unexpected. Soon after the election of General Grant, Horace Greeley, who was a warm friend of General Jones, obtained from the President-elect a promise to appoint General Jones Marshall of the Southern District of New York. This promise the President forgot, and soon after his inauguration another candidate for the position was appointed. It is said that Mr. Greeley was terribly incensed, and taking Mr. Jones with him repaired to Washington where he was given an audience with the President. He stated his grievance and the President informed him his promise had slipped his mind but assured Mr. Greeley that the matter must be left to the President and that he would try to find something for General Jones. The result was that the General was appointed Postmaster. The first intimation he had that he was a candidate was when his commission was placed in his hand. While holding the office of Postmaster, General Jones formed a partnership with General George W. Palmer and Colonel Mitchell Knowland. General Palmer was from Westfield, New York, and Colonel Knowland from St. Lawrence County. Both of these gentlemen are now dead. General Jones served as Postmaster of New York during President Grant's first term when he resigned and resumed the practice of law in that city. At the general election of 1874 he was elected register of the city and county of New York and served out his term of 3 years and again returned to the practice of his profession in New York. General Jones was a delegate to the Republican National Convention, held in Chicago in 1868, and he is now living at Fort Richmond, Staten Island, New York.