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PATRICK HENRY JONES DEAD

Was Postmaster of This City from 1869 to 1873-

His Military Record.

Patrick Henry Jones, who was Postmaster of New York during President Grant's first term, died at his home, on Ann Street, Port Richmond, Staten Island, Monday evening, after an illness of four years.

Gen. Jones was born in the County Westmeath, Ireland, in 1830, and, after attending school in Dublin, came to this country at the age of ten with his parents, who settled on a farm in Cattaraugus County. In 1850 he became a journalist, and was subsequently the local editor of The Buffalo Republic, and later one of the editors of The Buffalo Sentinel. This, however, did not seem to suit him, for three years later he took up the study of law, entering into partnership with Addison G. Rice at Ellicottville, N.Y., when he was admitted to the bar.

At the outbreak of the civil war he entered the Thirty-seventh New York Volunteers as Second Lieutenant. His regiment was attached to the army of Gen. McClellan, and Lieut. Jones served throughout the whole campaign of the Peninsula, and for gallant conduct was successively promoted Adjutant and Major of his regiment. In 1862 Major Jones was appointed Colonel of the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth New York Volunteers. He was captured at Chancellorsville, but was soon exchanged, rejoining his command a day before the battle of Chattanooga. For services during the campaigns about Chattanooga and Atlanta he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. After the review at Washington at the close of the war he resumed the practice of law.

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At the State election in 1865 he was elected Clerk of the Court of Appeals in this State, which position he held for three years. April 1, 1869, he was appointed Postmaster of New York City, and served as such during President Grant's first term, after which he again practiced law, and in 1875 he was elected Register of the City and County of New York, and held that position for three years. He is survived by his wife and four sons. He lived on Staten Island during the last fifteen years of his life.