

JURIST AND JOKER.

United States District
Judge Dies Suddenly
in Newark.DECIDED MANY FAMOUS
CASES.Learned Judge Could Ex-
tract Humor from Bond
Issue Litigations.ONCE MADE LAWYER GUTHRIE
LAUGH.

Newark, N. J., May 6.—Andrew Kirkpatrick, Judge of the United States District Court in New Jersey, died suddenly this afternoon at his home, 91 Lincoln Park. Heart disease, following attacks of acute indigestion, which he had suffered since last fall, caused his death.

Though Judge Kirkpatrick was known throughout the country as an able jurist, his wide reputation was due more to his quaint personality, perhaps, than to his many decisions in famous cases. Lawyers far and wide wondered at the informality of his methods in court, and never a case passed under his eye without his discovering somewhere in it a source of diversion. While disposing of the most serious tangles in finance and business, he was never too busy to crack a good-natured joke at the expense of the lawyers, most of whom were his friends and admirers.

Once during the bitter litigation over the receivership of the Shipyard Trust an old woman came to the courtroom in Newark to see the Judge. A messenger brought in a little envelope she had sent.

"Hold on a minute, gentlemen," remarked the court. "Here is where the court makes some money."

It developed that the old woman had owed the Judge \$25 for a long time, and she had come to pay it. He did not allow the \$30,000,000 case to proceed until he had signed a receipt and sent her a message of thanks for she was too bashful to come inside.

All through the shipyard hearings the Judge would address Attorney General Robert H. McCarter as "Bob." "Now, Bob," he would say, "don't get excited over that. Let Mr. — say a word."

When Samuel Untermyer, who repre-

sented the bondholders in their efforts to prove Charles a swindler, delivered one of his barabanges on the wickedness of Schwab, the Judge remarked:

"Well, if all is true, it does seem that he got into the crowd, doesn't it?"

Even Mr. Guthrie, who, say his friends burts himself when he laughs, smiled once in the Judge's court, and the other spectators had a laugh at least every ten minutes. Some times the court would

pass a few remarks with a score of reporters seated on the floor near his desk for want of chairs in the little room. If anybody thought, however, that he was missing the arguments it was a big mistake. At the close he always was familiar with every point.

Born in Washington, D. C., on Oct. 8, 1844, the son of J. Bayard Kirkpatrick of the Government employ, Andrew

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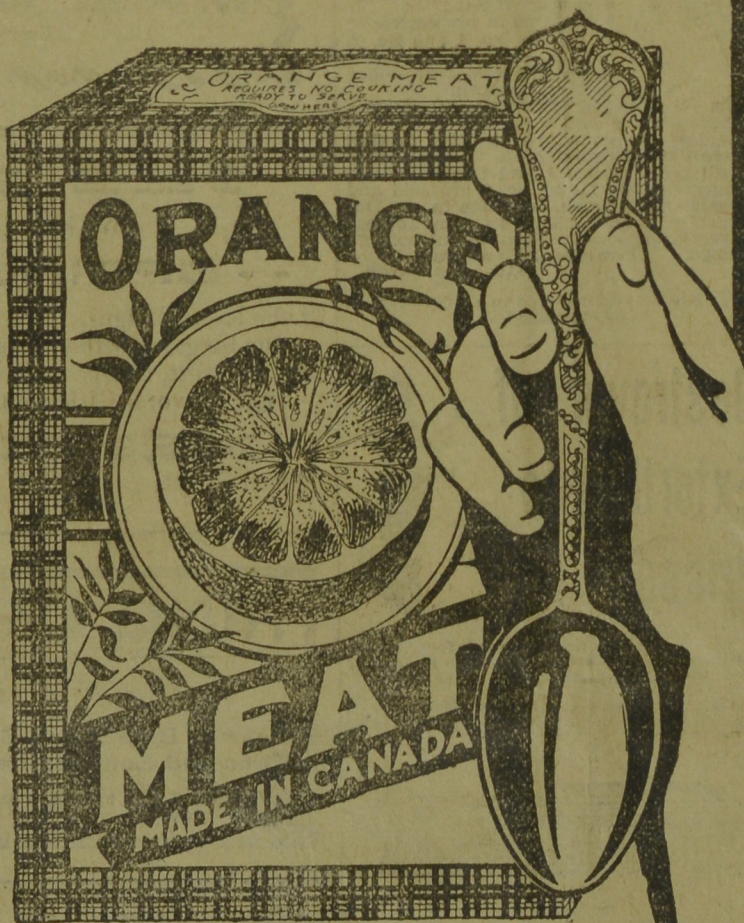
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