

JOHN A. LOTT

was born in Flatbush, N. Y., in 1825. He was educated at the Flatbush Academy, entered college in his 20th year and was graduated in 1823. He studied law in New York and commenced practice there. In 1835 he removed to Brooklyn where his firm became the leading one of the city. He was appointed County Judge by Governor Marcy, in 1838, and in the meanwhile was elected to the Assembly in 1841. In 1842 he was elected to the State Senate and served for four years with faithfulness and ability. In 1857 he was made Justice of the Supreme Court and served for eight years. In 1869 he was elected to the Court of Appeals and was subsequently appointed Chief Commissioner of Appeals, holding the latter office until 1875. He was appointed by Governor Tilden one of the Commissioners to draft a uniform law for the government of cities in this State. He then ceased from the active practice of his profession with the exception of occasionally acting as referee in important litigations. He was made President of several important Companies and of the St. Nicholas Society of Nassau Islands. He received the degree of LL.D. from Union. Judge Lott was married about 1830 and had five children, all of

whom are living. In politics he was a strong democrat although not active in politics. He was characterized by gravity of demeanor, firmness, courage, high sense of honor and of duty. He died at Flatbush, July 20th, 1878.

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The Hon. John A. Lott, resigned the office of first judge of this county on the 11th. inst. He has held the station about five years, and discharged its duties with ability and impartiality. His successor is not yet named. (Brooklyn Eagle) -

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CLASS OF 1823

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Born in 1825

Died in Flatbush, Long Island, July 20, 1878.

Was graduated from Union College in 1823, and, after studying law and being admitted to the bar, began practice in the City of Brooklyn. He was active both as a legislator and upon the bench. He was county judge of Kings county between 1838 and 1842; in 1841 was a member of assembly, and from 1842 to 1846 a member of the state senate; sat upon the state Supreme Court bench between 1857 and 1865; was in 1869 appointed to fill a short term as judge of the Court of Appeals; between 1870 and 1875 served upon the commission of appeals, and in 1875 was one of the commissioners appointed to formulate a measure for the uniform government of all the cities of the State of New York.

His opinions will be found in the reports of the various courts of which he was a justice. In his later years he was engaged in business enterprises, at the time of his death being president of the Flatbush and Coney Island railroad.

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JOHN A LOTT, 1823, of Flatbush, N.Y., was a member of the Adelpic Society.  
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HON. JOHN A. LOTT, LL.D., Flatbush, N. Y.....Died 1878

Appointed Trustee of Rutgers in 1860. Born at Flatbush, L. I., Feb. 11, 1806. A. B. (Union, 1823). Lawyer. Judge Kings county, 1838-42. Member, N. Y. Assembly, 1841. State senator, 1842-6. Justice Supreme Court, 1857-65. LL.D. (Union, 1859). Died, July 20, 1878.

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