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**John Clarence Shaw**

John Clarence Shaw was born at Simcoe, Ontario on March 17, 1863. During his boyhood, his father John Shaw, moved to Bay City, where he became interested in the Eddy-Shaw Transportation Company. John C. Shaw was educated in the schools of Bay City, and later in the Law Department, from which he graduated in 1886 with the degree of L.L.B. Later he went to Sault Ste. Marie, where he entered in the practice of admiralty law. He came to Detroit in 1890 to take up admiralty practice relinquished by Judge Swan when the latter was on the United States District Bench. Ten years ago he formed a partnership with Charles B. Warren, which expanded later into the law firm of Shaw, Warren, Cady, and Oaks. Beside extensive business interests, he was an enthusiastic yachtsman, having owned several boats, and was a member of the University, Country, and Detroit Boat Clubs, as well as of the Michigan State Bar Association. He was married in 1890 to Marie Scranton, of Sault Ste. Marie, who survives him, with two sons. He died at Denver, Colorado, on January 23, 1911, after a five year struggle against tuberculosis. He was spoken of as a probable successor to Judge Swan as United States District Judge, who has announced his coming retirement.