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CHARLES HAZEN RUSSELL DEAD Long Prominent as State Senator from Brooklyn.

Charles Hazen Russell, formerly State Senator from Brooklyn, is dead in his home, No. 425 West End avenue, Manhattan. For many years he was one of the most prominent men in the State Legislature. He was conspicuous in the famous Stalwart-Halfbreed fight, so conspicuous that both Roscoe Conkling and Thomas C. Platt blamed him for their defeat.

He was born in Canton, St. Lawrence county, on June 11, 1845, the son of Thomas V. Russell, a lawyer. He studied in St. Lawrence University before his family moved to Philadelphia, where he entered the banking business. He took up the study of law and was admitted to the Pennsylvania bar in 1875. The next year he went to Brooklyn and plunged into politics with such success [that] he was elected to the Assembly in 1879 and the term following. In 1881 he was sent to the State Senate, and was the only Republican Senator elected this side of Albany when Grover Cleveland was Governor.

The law firm Russell & Percy, in No. 35 Nassau street, Manhattan, was established by Russell, and he continued the practice of law until his death, which occurred last Thursday afternoon. He was one of the organizers of the Twenty-sixth Ward Bank and the Nassau Trust Company in Brooklyn, and was a director of the Washington Trust Company in Manhattan.

Russell was a member of the Union League, Brooklyn, Republican and Universalist clubs in Brooklyn and the Economic Club in Manhattan. For a time he was president of the Brooklyn Law School and of the St. Lawrence University Alumni Association. He married twice, his second wife, who was Mrs. Anna Ayres Lindquist, surviving him. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon in the Church of the Divine Paternity [Fourth Universalist], Central Park West and Seventy-sixth street.

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