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DISTINGUISHED children's novelist, C. Everard Palmer was born in Kendall, Hanover, Jamaica in 1940 where he spent his childhood years on a farm. He credits his pleasurable childhood memories of people and incidents, for inspiring and creating the vivid characters in his novels.

Palmer says that he was also inspired to write after reading a western novel in 1952. He has written a number of books including: *The Cloud with a Silver Lining*, *My Father Sun-Sun Johnson*, *The Hummingbird People*, *The Sun Salutes You*, *The Wooing of Beppo Tate*, *A Cow Called Boy*, *Baba and Mr. Big*, *Big Doc Bitterroot*, and *A Dog Called Houdini*.

Fellow Caribbean novelist Andrew Salkey, writing in *The Times Educational Supplement*, says of C. Everard Palmer: "He is a master of the rural Caribbean tale for any readership, adult or juvenile."