





HISTORY OF THE GENESEE COUNTRY

(Western New York)

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Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans,
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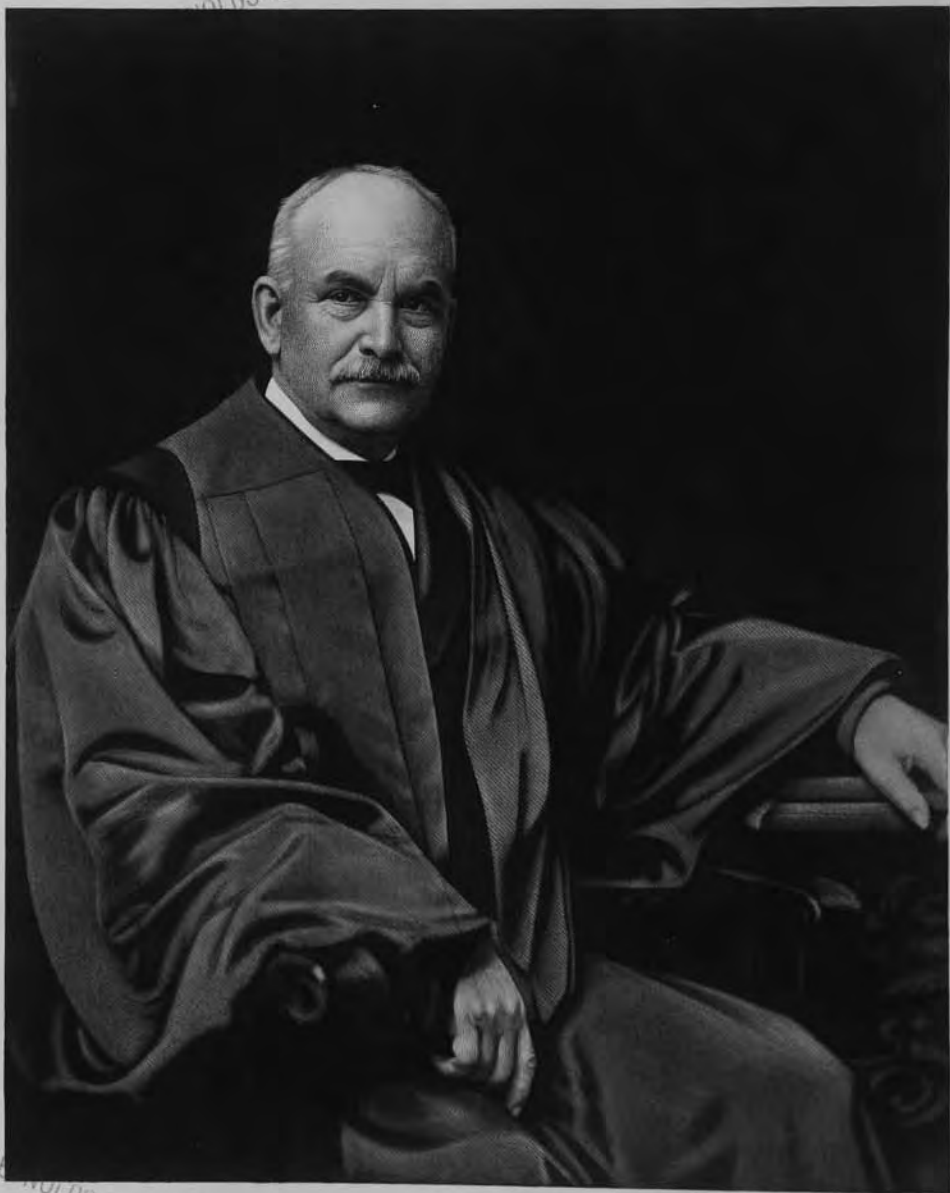
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BIOGRAPHICAL

FREDERICK COLLIN.

Frederick Collin has resided in the city of Elmira, New York, since 1873. Admitted as an attorney and counsellor at law in 1876, he has since been engaged continuously in the active practice of his profession, except during the period of his service as an associate judge of the court of appeals of the state of New York—from October, 1910, to January 1, 1921. He was born August 2, 1850, in Benton, Yates county, New York, and his parents were Henry Clark and Maria Louisa (Park) Collin. His paternal grandparents, Henry and Nancy (McAlpine) Collin, migrated in 1814, a few months after their marriage, from Hillsdale, Columbia county, New York, to a tract of land and a log cabin in Benton, which had been acquired by Frederick Collin's great-grandfather, David Collin. In about 1818 Henry and Nancy (McAlpine) Collin built the original portion of the present Collin homestead in Benton, where Frederick Collin was born.

The first in the line of his ancestors in this country, bearing the Collin name, was Paul Collin, son of Jean and Judith (Vasleau) Collin, whose home was on the Isle of Re', opposite the city of Rochelle, on the western coast of France. The Collin family there were Protestants of the Huguenot denomination. In 1683 Paul Collin and his wife fled from their home in France to Dublin, Ireland, to escape the religious and political persecutions which culminated with the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685. In 1686 they joined a company of Huguenot refugees, who migrated to Boston, Massachusetts, and thence to a tract of land near the northwest shore of Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island, which had been purchased by the Huguenot company. Within the short period of four years the company was dispersed, because of molestations and persecutions by their English neighbors. The Paul Collin family removed to Milford, Connecticut. There the son, John Collin, married Hannah Merwin. Their son, David Collin, was a lieutenant in the Colonial army, which helped the English to conquer the French in Canada in the middle of the eighteenth century. He afterward became a prosperous farmer in Amenia, Dutchess county, New York. His son, David, who married Lucy Bingham and settled in Hillsdale, and two successive Henrys in Benton, all prosperous farmers, transmitted the family name to Frederick Collin.

Frederick Collin's maternal grandparents, Avery and Betsy (Meech) Park, were born, and married, in New London county, Connecticut. In about 1810, a few years after their marriage, they migrated to Burlington, Otsego county, New York, where they died in 1876, ninety-four and ninety-three years of age, respectively. Their ancestry, in all lines, with scarcely an exception, goes back to the earliest English colonists in New England, prior to 1690, including Elder William Brewster, the religious leader of the Mayflower colony at Plymouth; and a goodly number of the first and second generations of Connecticut clergy.

All the lineal ancestors of Judge Collin's mother of the period from about 1690 to 1810, lived in New London county, Connecticut; were country people, with common school education; mostly independent farmers, owning the lands they cultivated. His mother's oldest brother, Rev. Roswell Park, D. D., graduated from Hamilton College and West Point Military Academy; was the founder and first president of Racine College at Racine, Wisconsin; and was the father of Roswell Park, M. D., LL. D., of Buffalo, New York, the distinguished surgeon and bacteriologist.

Evidently the value of an education, beyond that of the rural district schools, was beginning to be appreciated by farmers in the early years of the last century, for Judge Collin's grandfather, Henry Collin of Benton, who died in middle life (in 1835), made special provision in his will for such additional education of his chil-

dren. In accordance with his will, his son, Henry Clark Collin, attended the academy at Fayetteville, New York, and the Homer Academy at Cortland, New York, and his daughter, Emeline Collin, attended Grove Hall, the leading young ladies' boarding school of New Haven, Connecticut. She married Dr. William W. Welch of Norfolk, Connecticut, and they were the parents of William Henry Welch, M. D., LL. D., dean of the Medical department of Johns Hopkins University, the distinguished bacteriologist, discoverer of the Welch bacillus, one of the leading administrators of the Rockefeller Foundation, and often referred to as the dean of the medical profession in the United States. At about the same time, Judge Collin's mother, Maria Louisa Park, was attending Maplewood Institute, the young ladies' boarding school at Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

It is not surprising, therefore, that of the eight children born to Henry Clark and Maria Louisa (Park) Collin, in Benton, during the years 1843-1859, inclusive, the six sons were graduated from Yale College, and the two daughters were graduated from Packer Collegiate Institute in Brooklyn. Six of the eight children are still living: The oldest, Rev. Henry Park Collin (Yale '65), was a Presbyterian clergyman in Oxford, New York, from 1873 to 1878, and in Coldwater, Michigan, for the remainder of his life, dying there on April 15, 1923, having nearly completed his eightieth year. The second son, Hon. Charles Avery Collin (Yale '66), was a practicing lawyer in Elmira, New York, seventeen years (1870-1887); one of the members of the first faculty of the Cornell University Law School (1887-1895); legal adviser of Governors Hill and Flower; a commissioner of Statutory Revision (1889-1895); since 1895 to the present time (1924), a practicing lawyer in New York city, first as a member of the firm of Sheehan & Collin, and for the past twenty years as senior member of the firm of Collin, Wells & Hughes, one of the leading law firms of New York. The fourth child and third son is Judge Frederick Collin (Yale '71). The fourth son, George Collin (Yale '75), engaged in the lumber business in Michigan, and died of typhoid fever, contracted in a Michigan lumber camp. The fifth son, William Welch Collin (Yale '77), has been engaged in the lumber business the greater part of his life since graduation, and is still engaged in that business in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In college he was a leader in athletics, specializing in rowing, having been a member of the celebrated "Bob Cook Crew" in his sophomore and junior years, and captain of the university crew in his senior year. The sixth son, Hon. Frank McAlpine Collin ('80 Sheff.), has always resided on the Collin farm in Benton, has been many times the supervisor of the town, and a member of assembly from Yates county.

At Yale the two older brothers, Henry and Charles, were members of Phi Beta Kappa; and Charles was also a member of the Alpha Delta Phi. The three brothers, Frederick, George and William, were members of Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Frederick and William were also members of the senior society, Skull and Bones. The brother Frank was a member of a prominent "Sheff" Society. Within a few years after reaching the age of twenty-one, Frederick Collin became and has continued a member of the democratic party. Upon his admission to the bar in 1876, he became a partner of Mr. John A. Reynolds of Elmira (in whose office he completed his term of law clerkship), under the name of Reynolds & Collin. In January, 1885, John B. Stanchfield became their partner, under the name of Reynolds, Stanchfield & Collin. Upon the death of Mr. Reynolds in 1900 Mr. Stanchfield and Mr. Collin continued partners under the same firm name, until October, 1910, when Mr. Collin was appointed a judge of the court of appeals and retired from the firm.

In 1886 Mr. Collin was appointed by the common council of Elmira a member of the board of education of Elmira. He remained continuously a member, under successive appointments, until 1894; and was the president of the board from 1890 to 1894. In 1894 he was elected mayor of Elmira, and served through the term of two years, at the expiration of which he was again elected and served for a like term. In 1898 he again became the president of the board of education, which position he held until his resignation in 1910. In October, 1910, he was appointed by Governor Charles Evans Hughes an associate judge of the court of appeals to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Edward T. Bartlett, and immediately took his seat as a member of that court. In November, 1910, upon the nomination of each of the two great parties, he was elected an associate judge of the court of appeals for the term of fourteen years. On August 2, 1920, he became seventy years of age, and by reason of the age limit fixed by the constitution of the state, he retired from the court on December 31, 1920. Upon his retirement Judge Collin entered into partnership with the successors of his old firm under the present and new name of Stanchfield, Collin, Lovell & Sayles. The other members of the present firm are:

Ross M. Lovell, Alexander D. Falck, Halsey Sayles, Philip E. Loneragan, Henry B. Collin, Raymond F. Nichols and William Flannery.

Since 1920, the time of his retirement from the court of appeals, Judge Collin has been a director of the Chemung Canal Trust Company, the successor of the Chemung Canal Bank, one of the pioneer banking institutions of the Genesee country. He has been the president of Arnot Art Gallery since its organization in 1911.

Judge Collin has been three times married. He has no child living. His first marriage was in 1877, to Miss Mary Palmer Yates, who died in 1887. His second marriage was in 1900, to Mrs. Alice Atwater Bacon, who died in April 1917. His third marriage was on July 7, 1918, to Mrs. Margaret Fell Hallock of Elmira.

G. W. HILL.

One of the long established and prosperous financial institutions of Dalton, Livingston county, New York, is the Dalton Banking House, of which Guy W. Hill is cashier, and to his ability and sound judgment in financial matters much of its success may be justly attributed. He was born in Dalton, on July 17, 1880, the son of Dr. Hugh and Sylvia (Haight) Hill. The mother is living, but the father died in 1921. They were the parents of three sons.

G. W. Hill was educated in the Dalton grade and high schools, graduating from the latter in 1900, following which Mr. Hill spent about two years in the Dalton Banking House and another as cashier of the Bliss Banking Company, Bliss, New York. Entering the Maple City Business School of Hornell, New York, he completed a course there and then became an employe of the Wells Fargo Express Company, leaving a few months later to take the position of assistant paymaster with the Millard Construction Company of Philadelphia. In 1907 Mr. Hill returned to Dalton, was appointed cashier of the bank and has held the position since, except for a period of eighteen months during 1916-17. In 1917 he was appointed postmaster and continued in the office seven years. His connection with the Dalton Banking House requires a brief history of the institution and Mr. Hill's part in its fortunes:

The Dalton Banking House was established on May 1, 1900, by C. D. Whitmack, Charles E. Maker, M. J. Aylor, Alonzo D. Baker and Washington Moses. Mr. Moses was president, Mr. Baker vice president, Mr. Whitmack cashier, and Messrs. Maker and Aylor directors. A. D. Baker became the next president, buying out the other interests upon Mr. Whitmack's death in August, 1906. Mr. Baker conducted the bank alone until 1910, when G. W. Hill, E. W. Moses and G. E. Moses bought out Mr. Baker, G. E. Moses becoming president, E. W. Moses vice president, and Mr. Hill cashier. The bank is listed as a private institution.

Mr. Hill was married on January 16, 1907, to Minerva Scutt of Perry, New York. One daughter has been born to them, Rachael Mary Hill. Politically Mr. Hill is a democrat, and in his religious convictions he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order and is a past master of his lodge.

FREDERICK LENT.

Frederick Lent, president of Elmira College and well known as an educator, theologian and author, was born in Freeport, in the province of Nova Scotia, Canada, June 10, 1872. His parents, Shippy and Euphemia (Moore) Lent, were also natives of the Dominion. They came to the States in 1875 and settled in Michigan. The father was a seafaring man and for many years was captain of a vessel. He was identified with the Masonic order and his life was governed by the teachings of the Baptist church, with which his wife was also affiliated. They had a family of six children, one of whom is deceased. Frederick was the fifth in order of birth.

After completing a course in an academy at Leicester, Massachusetts, Frederick Lent matriculated in Brown University, from which he received the A. B. degree in 1900, and that of M. A. in the following year. He was graduated from the Newton Theological Institute in 1900 with the B. D. degree, and in 1906 Yale University conferred upon him the degree of Ph. D. He was ordained to the Baptist ministry in 1895, and from 1896 until 1898 was pastor of Calvary church at Salem, Massachusetts. His next charge was at Oak Lawn, Rhode Island, where he remained until 1901, and during 1900 and 1901 he was instructor in biblical literature at Brown University.

He also taught at Yale University from 1903 until 1907, and during 1909 and 1910. In 1903 he was called to New Haven, Connecticut, as minister of the First church, of which he had charge until 1918, and in September of that year assumed the duties of president of Elmira College. Doctor Lent is a capable executive and under his administration the institution has prospered from both a financial and educational standpoint. The college was founded in 1855 for the education of women and was the first institution of the kind to establish as high a standard as colleges for men. Doctor Lent usually delivers a sermon on Sunday and also devotes a portion of his time to literary pursuits. He is a contributor to various church and Sunday school journals and the author of "The Life of Simon Stylites", which was published in 1914.

In 1896 Doctor Lent was married to Miss Estelle Bolles of New Bedford, Massachusetts, and they have become the parents of three children: Henry Bolles, a graduate of Hamilton College at Clinton, New York; and Robert Wayland and Elizabeth, both of whom are attending Elmira Academy. Doctor Lent is a trustee of the Newton Theological Institution and the American Baptist Home Mission Society. He belongs to the American Oriental Society and to the Phi Beta Kappa and Chi Phi fraternities. He is also a member of the Rotary Club and the Elmira Golf and Country Club, while his political support is given to the republican party. He is a logical thinker, an able writer, a clear and convincing speaker and a man of scholarly attainments and high ideals. He has been a strong moving force for moral and educational progress and his course has at all times awakened admiration and respect.

HARMON HERSHEY.

Harmon Hershey, president and founder of the Genesee Bridge Company, has had long experience in the structural steel trade, and his activities in that line of business have been no small factor in Rochester's upbuilding during the last fifteen years.

Mr. Hershey was born at Canton, Ohio, March 22, 1871, a son of William H. and Mary M. (Kinney) Hershey. He received his more advanced education at Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio, and aside from teaching school for a short time when a young man, Mr. Hershey's business career has been passed entirely in connection with important manufacturing interests. In 1909 he established the Genesee Bridge Company in Rochester and has been its president ever since. This industry under the direction of Mr. Hershey has been developed into one of the most important ones in its line in the Genesee Country.

On December 24, 1893, Mr. Hershey was married to Miss Ada M. Dyer, and they have a son and daughter, Donald H. and Mary G. Donald H. Hershey was born July 1, 1896, and is associated with his father in the Genesee Bridge Company, being secretary of the corporation. He married Miss Katherine Wilson of this city and has a daughter Helen Tozier Hershey. The daughter, Mary G., is the wife of K. D. Rockwell of Rochester and has a son, Kenneth H.

Mr. Harmon Hershey is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian church and also belongs to the Washington Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Builders Exchange and the Brooklea Country Club. In political affairs his sympathies are with the republican party. He is regarded as a very able man in his line of business and is accorded a most creditable position among Rochester's best citizenship.

JAMES GREEN.

From early youth the life of James Green has been one of unceasing activity and at the age of seventy he is in full possession of his mental and physical powers, discharging with ability the duties of superintendent of the Livingston County Home for the poor. He was born October 7, 1853, in Montreal, Canada, and was a small boy when his parents, Thomas and Sarah (Armitage) Green, came to the United States. He attended the little red schoolhouse north of East Avon and at the age of thirteen began working on a farm in Livingston county, being thus engaged for seven years. On the expiration of that period he obtained a position in a plow factory at East Avon, where he was employed until 1875, when he resumed agricultural pursuits, operating a farm for five years. In 1880, in association with his father-in-law, Mr. Green took over the Excelsior Hotel at Conesus Lake, in Livingston county, and con-



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Harmon Hershey

ducted this popular hostelry for a number of years. He next operated the Wallace Hotel at Geneseo for two years and then became proprietor of the St. George Hotel at Avon, which he managed successfully for seven years. From there he went to Lima, New York, where he engaged in the hotel business, and a year later returned to Geneseo, acquiring control of the American, now known as the Powers Hotel, which he conducted for seven years. He was a popular host, studying closely the wishes of his patrons and putting forth every effort to insure the comfort and well being of his guests. His broad experience in hotel management well qualified him for the position of superintendent of the Livingston County Home for the poor and he has secured a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the institution, gaining at the same time the goodwill of its inmates for his well directed efforts in their behalf.

On the 25th of February, 1875, Mr. Green was married to Miss Jennie Cole, and they have a son: Ludern P., who is assisting his father in the management of the county home. Mr. Green is identified with the Masonic order and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party, while his religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Methodist church. He has a wide acquaintance in Livingston county and an industrious, useful and honorable life has earned for him the respect, esteem and confidence of his fellowmen.

WILLIAM WALLACE HIBBARD.

William Wallace Hibbard, senior member of the well-known stock brokerage house of Hibbard, Palmer & Kitchen, is an outstanding figure in security brokerage circles of Rochester. Mr. Hibbard's identification with the business interests of this city dates back more than forty years and for more than twenty-seven years he has had a continuous connection with the stock brokerage business in Rochester. He was born in Palmyra, New York, on the 4th of January, 1865, his parents being Ezra Amos and Frances (Pinckney) Hibbard, who were also natives of the Empire state. The father was a tinsmith and followed his trade at Palmyra and at Phelps, this state. He died in 1911, having for two years survived his wife, whose death occurred in 1909.

William Wallace Hibbard attended the public school of Phelps, New York, until sixteen years of age, when he entered upon his business career as a clerk in a drug store. He later learned telegraphy in the service of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Phelps, New York, and in 1883 came to Rochester as a telegrapher. In 1891 he became connected with the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle and in the following year entered the service of the Standard Electric Signal Company, with which he continued for three years. It was in 1897 that he turned his attention to the brokerage business, which has since claimed his time and energies. In 1900 he was taken in as a partner by the Spader-Perkins firm, with which he remained for four years. On the expiration of that period he became junior member of the firm of Bonbright & Hibbard, which in 1914 was succeeded by Hibbard, Kalbfleisch & Palmer. This firm became Hibbard, Palmer & Miller in 1917, while four years later the present style of Hibbard, Palmer & Kitchen was adopted. Mr. Bonbright is still connected with the business, although his name does not appear as a member of the firm. Hibbard, Palmer & Kitchen occupy a foremost position among Rochester brokerage houses and enjoy an extensive high-class clientele. Mr. Hibbard was a member of the New York Stock Exchange and has become widely recognized as one of the leading and successful representatives of the brokerage business in Rochester. Among his other business connections he is a director of the Rochester and Lake Ontario Water Company.

On the 3d of July, 1886, Mr. Hibbard was married to Miss Carolyn L. Short. Their only son, Karl William, died in June, 1911, at the age of twenty-one. Mr. Hibbard is a staunch republican in politics and has taken an active and helpful interest in public affairs. He served as president of the common council for two and a half years, is a member of the board of managers of the Community Chest and has occupied the presidency of the Rochester Exposition Association since 1917. He was appointed chairman of the municipal reception committee for the returned soldiers and sailors and was responsible for banqueting several thousand of the country's defenders, presiding over sixteen dinners, at each of which from eight to nine hundred young men were entertained.

Mr. Hibbard is a member of the Rochester Historical Society, the Rochester Academy of Science, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the United States

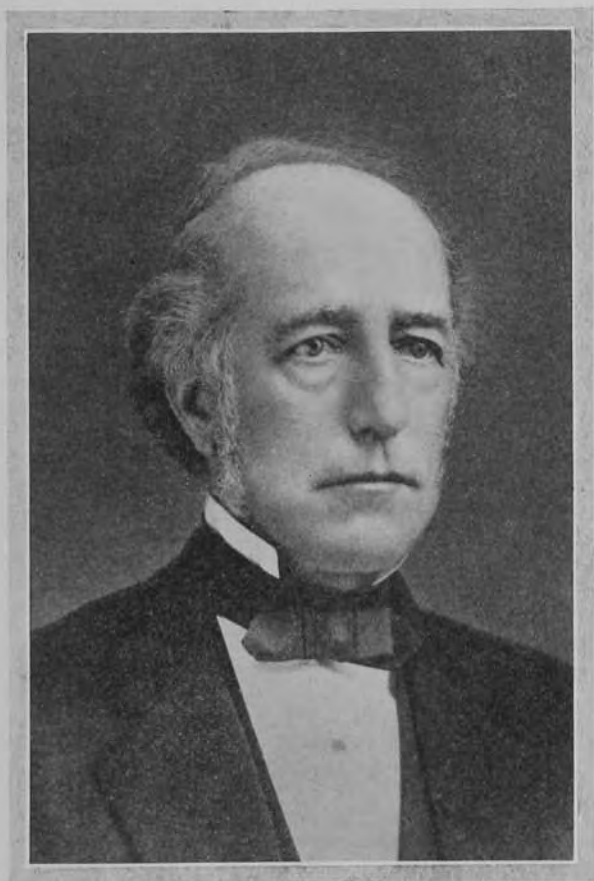
Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, A. F. and A. M.; Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.; Monroe Commandery No. 2, K. T.; Rochester Consistory, A. and A. S. R.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In club circles he is well known and popular, having membership in the Rochester Country Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, of which he is a director; the Monroe Country Club, the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Yacht Club, the Rochester Auto Club, of which he is a director; the Rochester Athletic Club, the Washington Club, the Rochester Club, and the Rotary Club. A lifelong resident of the Genesee country and so long a prominent part of the business, civic and public life of Rochester, he enjoys a wide acquaintanceship throughout the city and many of his best friends are those who have known him the longest. The elements were happily blended in the rounding out of his nature, for he unites the refinements of life with the sterner qualities of manhood and his efforts are resultant factors in most of his undertakings.

ADONIRAM J. ABBOTT.

BY L. B. PROCTOR.

Adoniram J. Abbott was a true son of Livingston county, which he loved and venerated for its brilliant history in the annals of the state of New York, for the intelligence of its people, for the honored names that adorn its history, for the beauty and variety of its scenery, for the charming lakes and streams that embellish it, and for its proud record in all that tends to advance education, religion and a high degree of intellectual improvement. Those were his sentiments, repeated almost verbatim, whenever he spoke of Livingston county. It is pleasant for us to say that his life added much to the fame of his county. He was born in Moscow, Livingston county, October 28, 1819. He drew his first inspirations of life from the beautiful scenes that surrounded his birthplace. The Genesee, winding its way through a valley unequalled in beauty and perfect cultivation, and rich in historic memories of the homes and of the hunting ground of the natives of the soil, who have faded away. His next inspiration was drawn from books, from his devotion to mental cultivation and to the attainment of an education. His strong, native, vigorous and original mind enabled him to attain mental accomplishments with a facility that gave him an honorable place in those educated circles which he adorned in his future life, tempered by an unassuming demeanor, which, while it avoided pedantic pretension, gave lustre to his life and career. From the common school of his native village, he entered Moscow Academy, which, after pursuing a profitable course of study, he left to enter the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, from which he graduated, thoroughly prepared with classic endowments to enter upon the study of his chosen profession. But before entering upon his legal studies he engaged in the great work of teaching school for several years, with a success that placed him high among the educators of his time. Mr. Abbott pursued the occupation of teacher for several years, and finally, with some reluctance, abandoned his work to prepare for that profession which was to be his calling for life. He entered the office of John H. Martindale, then one of the distinguished lawyers of the Genesee bar, and we might say of western New York, even at that early age. After spending two years with Mr. Martindale, he entered the office of John Young, in Genesee, New York, afterward governor, one of the most accomplished lawyers in western New York, peerless as a legal orator and unequalled as a parliamentary debater in the legislature of the state and on the floor of the house of Representatives at Washington. In the office of Governor Young, Mr. Abbott made the acquaintance of James Wood, afterward general, a young lawyer, the brilliance of whose career at the bar is identified with the legal history of western New York. Mr. Abbott also drew inspiration from his relation with Mr. Wood, which was valuable to him in his practice at the bar, and when they became friendly rivals their friendship seemed to increase until death ended it. Each regarded the other as a "foeman worthy of his steel." In October, 1848, Mr. Abbott was admitted to practice law, and at once decided to unite his professional fortunes with the Livingston county bar.

Mr. Abbott's mind was excursive, and of so active a nature that it constantly required intellectual aliment. He was very fond of literary pursuits. The field of



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literature, and to some extent of poetry, was exceedingly attractive to him. Few persons possessed a more chaste and yet active literary taste. He was a delightful conversationalist, and he quoted from his readings with spontaneity and much effect. He wrote with versatility, ease, and always with a depth of thought and originality, but his writings he reserved for himself and seldom published what he wrote. Occasionally he would read something he had written to a friend, and I never knew a man, so accomplished in literature as he, with so little vanity, and who made so little display of his literary resources.

Soon after his admission to practice Mr. Abbott opened an office in Dansville, New York, having formed a copartnership with Alexander C. Fraser, an industrious and very able lawyer. This business relation brought fair remuneration to the partners and continued several years, when it was dissolved, and Mr. Fraser removed to Washington, in the state of Michigan, where he attained an honorable and successful practice. After the dissolution of this firm Mr. Abbott formed a copartnership with John Wilkinson of Dansville, a careful business lawyer, a practitioner, and an able representative of that class of the profession known as office lawyers. This partnership was successful and existed eleven years, when it was dissolved, and Mr. Abbott removed to Geneseo in the year 1859, where he spent the remainder of his life. He soon took a conspicuous and honorable position at the Geneseo bar. His sphere of action was enlarged and he became one of the leading lawyers of his native county and of western New York. At Geneseo, Mr. Abbott formed several successful copartnerships; among his partners were Sidney Ward, Augustus A. Curtiss, Edward E. Sill, John N. Drake, Colonel John Rorbach, and his own son, John B. Abbott. Mr. Abbott was engaged as leading counsel in very many cases of importance and trials that were invested with unusual interest in Livingston and other counties of western New York. Like most lawyers, Mr. Abbott's time and tastes gravitated toward the political arena, which absorbed much of his attention, time and study. He was familiar with the political history of the past and the present. He learned it by research, by careful investigation and thought; he learned it by looking out upon the political field and watching with keen circumspection the movements and platitudes of political parties and of politicians. But he never aspired to ephemeral honors of official position, neither did he mingle in the petty strifes of conventions, wire-pullers and political gamesters.

He early gave his allegiance to the doctrines, teachings and principles of the democratic party, maintained them with rare ability and gave uniform abiding adhesion to them through life. Although Mr. Abbott never aspired to political position, yet such was the confidence his party had in him he was often consulted as to party movements, and was frequently offered representative positions in party conventions, which he rarely accepted. But, when delegates were to be selected for the memorable democratic presidential convention, to be held in Charleston, South Carolina, he was elected a delegate to that convention from his congressional district. He accepted the position, and the ability with which he discharged his duties gained for him the approbation and the admiration of his fellow members in that convention. When this convention was dissolved by the singular division that invaded it, it again met in Baltimore, Maryland, and here Mr. Abbott resumed his duties as a representative of his fellow citizens of the state of New York. During the struggle to sustain the Union, Mr. Abbott may be called one of the patriotic pillars of the times. He devoted his energies to enlisting troops, organizing regiments and sending them to the front. His eloquence his influences and his time were given liberally to the cause, and when at last the banner of his country was no longer in danger, and the Union was saved, no man rejoiced with deeper joy, or felt more gratitude to Him who holds the destiny of nations in the hollow of His hand.

To repeat what has been said of him by one of his eulogists: "He at one time was elected president of the village of Geneseo. He served for over thirty years as one of the board of trustees of its splendid Wadsworth Library. He was for many years president of the board of trustees of its union free school, and it was mainly through his active and persistent efforts, that its former district school was merged into the union free school system. He was one of the trustees of the Temple Hill Cemetery Association of Geneseo, to whom, with two or three more, the village is particularly indebted for such a complete and satisfactory change in the resting place of its dead." Mr. Abbott now sleeps peacefully in this beautiful receptacle for the dead, in an honored grave.

It is pleasant to remember Mr. Abbott as a citizen and a friend. While there was a quiet reserve and unassumed dignity in his manner, often taken for a kind of haughtiness, it was more a shading of one of the most delightful minds that ever

kindled with friendship and affection. On a near acquaintance this passed away, as we have often seen a cloud pass from the rays of the sun, leaving it to illumine all objects around it.

We have already said Mr. Abbott was a delightful conversationalist. This attribute was the result of a mind invigorated, enlarged and rendered flexible by a careful study of the beautiful productions of the best poets in ancient and modern times. It would have taken but little to make him an acceptable poet and writer; indeed, as we have already said, he did write poetry that would have illumined the literature of the times. His writing was the offspring of a mind too full not to give utterance to its musings and reflections. He did more—he quoted poetry with a fervor and eloquence that reminded one of the utterances of a Booth or a Forrest. He had many favorites among the British poets, and among them all Byron was the chief. He used to say that he rose to a greater poetic height than any other poet until we come to the immortal Shakespeare. He felt the truth of Pollock's tribute:

"Byron touched his harp,
And nations heard entranced."

To Mr. Abbott other poems seemed poor and dull by the side of the prodigality of accumulated splendors of Childe Harold.

His domestic life was all that might well be expected from a man of his tender and affectionate nature. There was in it a concentration of love—the embodiment of all that enters into the sacredness and beauty of domestic life. The happiness of his home life was intensified by his union with a woman in every sense worthy to become the wife of such a man. In 1848 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Jane Beach. This union was blest by the birth of several children, all of whom were removed from their parents by death, excepting one, who survives him. We allude to John B. Abbott, who was a son, a companion and a copartner in the practice of law, upon whose counsel and assistance he largely relied, and who sustained him as the labors of his professional life were drawing to a close, fading into the years that saw the sun of life gradually decline until at last all that was mortal of him passed peacefully to the tomb. His death occurred April 8, 1898. We contemplate his approach to the grave with feelings so beautifully described by the poet Young:

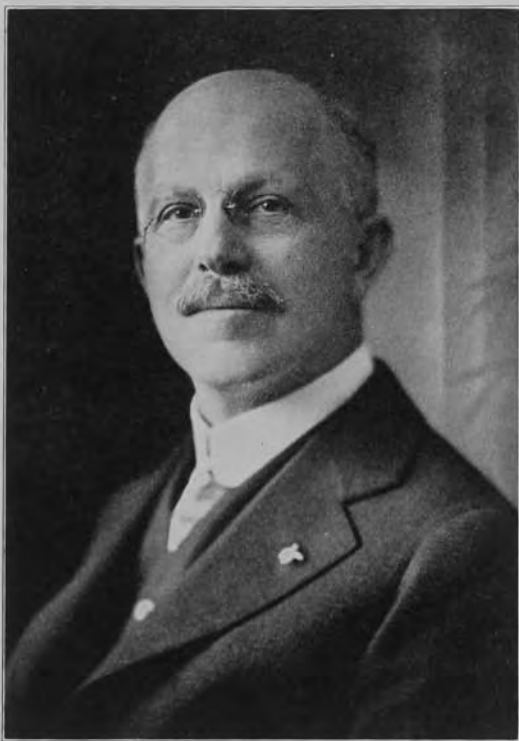
"The chamber where the good man meets his fate,
Is privileged beyond the common walk
Of virtuous life, quite in the verge of heav'n."

We have thus glanced over the long and interesting career of one who, if he did not hold the most conspicuous place in life, occupied one that cannot and ought not to be easily forgotten or passed by with indifference. Its lessons are salutary; its example and influence valuable, and its whole detail a rich tribute to the biographical history of the legal profession, not only of Livingston county but of western New York.

J. LOUIS WILLARD.

The progress of any section of the country depends upon the individual success of its citizens, and through the capable conduct of a modern enterprise, operated along efficient lines, J. Louis Willard is contributing his quota toward Rochester's industrial development. He was born in Webster, New York, October 21, 1860, and his parents, Albert J. and Martha L. (Robb) Willard, were also natives of the Empire state. The former was born in Williamson, Wayne county, and the latter in Eden, Erie county. The father was a wagon manufacturer and during the Civil war was a member of the Fourth Heavy Artillery of New York, serving as head wagoner of his regiment.

J. Louis Willard completed his education in the Union high school of South Webster, New York, and in July, 1879, when a young man nearly nineteen, he became a member of the clerical force of Hamilton & Mathews, hardware dealers of Rochester. He remained with that concern for three years and afterward held clerical positions with A. K. Tower & Company and F. S. Hess & Company, spending a year with each firm. He next formed a company and bought out a lithographing company and for three years was identified with the business known as the Rochester Lithographing Company. On the expiration of that period Mr. Willard purchased the Palace Laundry Company, which was later consolidated with the Star Laundry, conducted by Arthur T. Hagen & Company. The business was operated under the name of the Star Laundry and this association was continued until 1895, when Mr. Willard sold his stock to Mr. Cooper and purchased the Time Recording basic patent, and at once formed a company known as the Willard & Frick Manufacturing Company. It was



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later merged with the Bundy Manufacturing Company, under the name of the International Time Recording Company of New York city. They engaged in the manufacture of time-recording clocks for factories and other large business institutions and after spending a year in the eastern metropolis Mr. Willard went to Binghamton, New York. Three years later he disposed of his business interests in that city and returned to Rochester, organizing a company for the manufacture of automobiles in 1904. He was a member of the corporation for a few years. He then decided to retire, but a year later reentered the business arena, finding a life of idleness most irksome, and has since devoted his attention to the management of the affairs of the Pullman Manufacturing Company, of which he is president and treasurer. He brings to his duties in this connection broad experience along business lines, mature judgment and marked executive ability and under his administration the business has made notable progress. The company manufactures builders' hardware and window balances and finds a ready market for its products, which are of high grade.

On the 16th of April, 1884, Mr. Willard was married to Miss Clara A. Wheeler, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Wheeler of Rochester. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Willard, a daughter, married John C. Kurtz, by whom she has three sons: Willard B., William J. and Richard B. Kurtz. Mr. Willard is a Knights Templar Mason, belonging to Damascus Commandery, and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Rochester Historical Society and the Washington, Automobile and Ad Clubs of this city. With a mind commercially comprehensive, quick to perceive and act, he has taken advantage of circumstances and bent them to his will. His activities have covered a wide scope, and avoiding the pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led, Mr. Willard has focused his energies in directions where fruition is certain. He has never resorted to questionable methods in his business operations, and a life of rightly directed endeavor has earned for him the unqualified esteem of his fellowmen. Mr. Willard resides at No. 1120 Meigs street.

CHARLES J. ZIEGLER.

Charles J. Ziegler, jeweler and optician, is classed with Palmyra's leading business men and his civic loyalty has been demonstrated both by word and deed. He was born October 23, 1870, and has always resided in the village. His parents, Jacob J. and Lena (Zipfel) Ziegler, were natives of Germany and came to the United States in early life. The mother was a child of thirteen when her parents migrated to the New World, establishing their home in Wayne county, New York, prior to the Civil war, and the father came alone to this country when eighteen years of age. He became a carriage builder and followed that occupation in Palmyra. He was an honored veteran of the Civil war and was wounded in the battle of Gettysburg. He was sergeant of his company and after serving for three years he reenlisted. Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler were married in Palmyra and three children were born to them, two sons and a daughter.

Charles J. Ziegler is the youngest member of the family. His elementary education was received in the grammar and high schools of Palmyra, graduating from the latter in 1886. In 1902 he became a student in the South Bend College of Optometry, while two years later he was graduated from the Rochester College of Optometry. His identification with the jewelry business dates from 1891. He first worked for a Mr. Bates and next entered the store conducted by Samuel P. Nichols. In 1894 Mr. Ziegler and Mr. Smith purchased the business of their employer and for thirty years they have remained partners, operating under the name of Smith & Ziegler. The business is conducted on a retail basis and theirs is the oldest jewelry firm in Palmyra. In their dealings with the public they have never deviated from the highest standard of commercial ethics and their trade has increased steadily, keeping pace with the growth of the town and the surrounding district. Mr. Ziegler was one of the founders of the State Bank of Palmyra and served on its directorate, but is not identified with the institution in an official capacity at the present time.

In 1910 Mr. Ziegler was married to Miss Sarah L. Tuttle, a daughter of James P. Tuttle, a prominent resident of Palmyra. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler: Margaret T. and Karl L. Mr. Ziegler is a Knights Templar Mason, is a Methodist in religious faith, and for twenty years was superintendent of the Sunday school. He is allied with the republican party and is serving as town committeeman. Of all that makes for loyal and progressive citizenship he is an effective exponent and during the World war was one of a committee of fifteen who worked for the

success of the Liberty Loans and other campaigns instituted by the government for the purpose of securing funds to continue the war. He is deeply interested in all matters that affect the welfare and advancement of his community and served for four years as village trustee, while for six years he was a member of the school board. Mr. Ziegler is enterprising, broad-minded and public-spirited and enjoys the esteem of many friends.

FRANCIS EVERETT BALDWIN.

Francis Everett Baldwin, a dynamic personality in business circles of Elmira, is president of the Thatcher Manufacturing Company, whose destiny he has successfully guided for nearly a quarter of a century. He is one of America's "captains of industry", representing that class of men who are capable of controlling the forces of trade and commerce and directing them for the benefit of the majority, and his life has been one of intense activity and usefulness, crowned with notable achievement. He was born in Otego, Otsego county, New York, August 30, 1856, a son of John Jackson and Sallie M. (Beardsley) Baldwin, the former a native of Meredith, Delaware county, this state, and the latter of Connecticut. The father was a blacksmith and operated a shop in Otego for many years. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a republican in politics. There were eight children in the family, four of whom are living. Erwin J. Baldwin, an older brother of Francis Everett Baldwin, has been a member of the Elmira bar since 1873 and is the oldest practicing attorney in the city.

Francis Everett Baldwin attended the public schools of Otego and an academy in Oneonta, New York, after which he read law in his brother's office. He taught school for two years, being obliged to walk a distance of five miles in the discharge of his duties, and for a similar length of time was an instructor in the Elmira Reformatory. He was admitted to the bar in January, 1881, and formed a partnership with his brother, Erwin J. Baldwin, with whom he was associated in practice for a period of twenty-one years. Meanwhile, in 1900, he had become president of the Thatcher Manufacturing Company and since 1902 he has given his undivided attention to the management of the business. The factory was first located in Potsdam, New York, and at the time Mr. Baldwin entered the firm it was in financial difficulties. With borrowed capital he began to develop the business, which he soon established upon a paying basis, and in 1920 the company enlarged the scope of its operations, taking over seven additional plants. It now has factories in Lockport, Dunkirk and Elmira, New York; Parkersburg, Cedargrove and Clarksburg, West Virginia; Mount Vernon, Ohio; Winchester, Indiana; and Streator, Illinois, maintaining headquarters in Elmira. The authorized capital stock of the company is one hundred and thirty thousand shares, common stock, non-par value, of which eighty thousand shares are outstanding; twenty-five thousand shares of preferred stock of a par value of one hundred dollars a share, with eight thousand, eight hundred and fifty-three shares outstanding. Its assets total seven million, nine hundred and fifty-three thousand, five hundred and eighty-seven dollars. Mr. Baldwin and his family own nearly one-half of the stock in the corporation and most of its functions are vested in him. That he is an executive of exceptional ability is indicated by the fact that when he assumed control of the company its sales amounted to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year and the corporation is now doing a business of seven million dollars annually. Milk bottles are manufactured in eight of their plants and one factory is equipped for making condiment ware. The industry is one of the largest of the kind in the country and Mr. Baldwin has perfected an organization which operates with maximum efficiency at a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material.

On the 7th of May, 1882, Mr. Baldwin was married to Miss Anna Grandin, a daughter of Rev. James L. S. and Elizabeth (Knapp) Grandin, the former the first collegiate minister of the Methodist church to preach in this section of the country. Mrs. Baldwin was born in Laceyville, Pennsylvania, and received her education in Elmira and Ovid, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin have two daughters: Lena Grandin and Ethel, both graduates of Syracuse University. Ethel is the wife of Edwin E. Bruce, who is connected with the Elmira offices of the Thatcher Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Baldwin is a zealous member of the Hedding Methodist church and an indefatigable worker in its behalf. He is acting as steward and trustee and has been elected a delegate to four General conferences of the Methodist Episcopal church, while he is also a teacher in the Sunday school. He was one of the strongest advocates

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of prohibition and served for a considerable period on the state committee, while for four years he was its chairman, and he was a member of the national committee for many years. He takes a keen interest in civic affairs and for eight years has been a director of the Elmira Chamber of Commerce. He is also a director of the Rotary Club and for twenty years has been a member of the National Arts Club of New York city. He belongs to the City, Country and Century Clubs of Elmira and is a life member of the Masonic lodge. Mr. Baldwin is a master builder and Elmira is the richer in resources and citizenship by reason of his constructive labors and beneficial influence.

FLOYD P. BREESE, M. D.

Dr. Floyd P. Breese is one of the patriotic Americans whom Elmira contributed to the World war and is now serving his community in the capacity of physician and surgeon. He is one of the city's native sons and was born May 15, 1893, of the union of Otis C. Breese and Cora Pinckney, the former of whom was born in Elmira and the latter in the vicinity of Ithaca, New York. They were married near Spencer, in Tompkins county, and have a family of three children, of whom the subject of this sketch is the oldest. They have long been residents of Elmira and the father is connected with the American Sales Book Company. They are zealous, helpful members of the First Baptist church and Mr. Breese is a Knights Templar Mason.

After completing his high school course, Floyd P. Breese matriculated in the medical department of the University of Buffalo and was graduated with the class of 1915. He was interne in a hospital at Youngstown, Ohio, for a year and then spent a similar period in the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital of Elmira. At the end of that period he began practice in this city, and six months later, in January, 1918, entered the United States Medical Corps. He was sent for training to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he was stationed for six months, and was next transferred to Camp McArthur at Waco, Texas. He was assigned to duty at Base Hospital No. 87 and spent nine months in France. While in that country he rose from the rank of first lieutenant to that of captain and was discharged from the service in June, 1919. Returning to Elmira, he resumed the practice of medicine and surgery. He also does X-ray work for the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital.

On September 11, 1918, Doctor Breese was married to Miss Mabel Love Loomis, a native of Elmira, and a daughter of William C. and Mabel (Love) Loomis. The former was connected with the La France Fire Engine Company. Mrs. William C. Loomis was also a member of the Diven family. Dr. and Mrs. Breese have one child: Mabel Love. Dr. Breese belongs to the Exchange Club and the Elmira Golf and Country Club. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and his professional connections are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

ARTHUR C. GLOVER, M. D.

Among the younger members of the medical fraternity of Elmira is Dr. Arthur C. Glover. He was born in Burns, New York, July 2, 1894, a son of Albert D. and Caroline Elizabeth (Grover) Glover, and was graduated from the high school in Portville, New York. He next matriculated in the University of Buffalo, which in 1917 awarded him the M. D. degree, and in July of that year he became an interne at the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital in Elmira. In July, 1918, he enlisted for service in the World war and received his training at Camp Gordon, Georgia, having been the youngest medical officer among the two hundred who were there at that time. He remained in the service for fourteen months and was released from military duty in September, 1919. He then completed a course in the Manhattan Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital of New York city, and in July, 1920, opened an office in Elmira as a specialist in those branches of medical science. He is well equipped for his chosen line of work and has been very successful in treating the cases intrusted to his care.

On the 14th of April, 1920, Dr. Glover was united in marriage to Miss Hazel E. Drew, who was born in Rochester, New York, and was educated in that city. She is an active member of the Episcopal church and the Doctor's religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a Mason and gives

his political support to the republican party. He belongs to Omega Upsilon Phi, a college fraternity; to the Masonic, Exchange and Century Clubs, and is also a member of the American Legion. His interest centers in his profession, in which he is making rapid progress, and close study keeps him abreast of the times in the field of medical research, while his personality is one that inspires confidence and respect.

ERNEST GORDON PARMELEE.

The efforts of the real estate dealer are a most potent and far-reaching element in the upbuilding of a community, and in this connection Ernest Gordon Parmelee has rendered notable service to Rochester, his native city. He was born September 1, 1873, a son of William Frank and Julia (Gordon) Parmelee, the former a native of Massillon, Ohio, and the latter of West Henrietta, New York. When a boy of six the father came with his parents to Rochester on a packet, and his education was acquired in the public schools of the city. He served an apprenticeship to the carriage maker's trade, which he followed for a number of years, and built up a good business. Later he retired from business life and acted for some time as custodian of the Rochester Armory. The mother is still a resident of the city, but he has passed away.

Ernest Gordon Parmelee supplemented his public school training by a course in the Rochester Free Academy and after completing his education opened a general store at Rush, New York. He conducted the business from 1891 until 1897 and then disposed of it, afterward working as a traveling salesman for various wholesale houses of Rochester for some time. In 1907 he entered the real estate business in partnership with Maurice H. Neil. Subsequently the business was incorporated as the Neil & Parmelee Company, of which Mr. Parmelee is president. This company conducts a large general real estate brokerage business and is recognized as one of the most progressive real estate houses in the city. Its volume of business places it among the very foremost real estate organizations in Rochester, utilizing an office force of ten persons and a corps of twenty-five salesmen. The operations of the Neil & Parmelee Company have had to do with many important development projects, transforming unsightly vacancies into beautiful residential districts. They recently platted three subdivisions: the Bon Air, situated near Eastman Park and comprising one hundred and ten lots, all of which have been sold; the Park View, containing seventy-five lots; and the Fair Lea, which is situated at the intersection of Wisner road and Culver road, and embraces eighty-five lots. The firm also takes charge of the management of property and likewise engages in home building and general development work, conducting its operations on an extensive scale. Mr. Parmelee is president of the Developers Realtor Company, Incorporated, and the Realtor Building & Construction Company, Incorporated, and his official connection with any business organization is a guarantee of its success, for he never fails to accomplish what he undertakes.

At Wheeling, West Virginia, on the 18th of January, 1904, Mr. Parmelee was united in marriage to Miss Bernadine Cecelia Schaefer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schaefer, prominent residents of that city. Mr. Parmelee is an influential member of the Chamber of Commerce and is also identified with the city, state and national real estate boards and the Rochester Club. He is a dominant figure in real estate circles of Rochester, a strong center of the community in which he moves, and his life history is a record of noteworthy achievement through individual effort. Mr. Parmelee's city residence is at No. 42 Darwin street, while his country home is "Walnut Ridge Farm" at Rush, New York.

ISAAC M. BRICKNER.

Isaac M. Brickner, who has been an active representative of the legal profession in Rochester for nearly a quarter of a century, is a worthy native son of the city who is widely recognized as an attorney of exceptional power and ability. He was born on the 14th of January, 1869, his parents being Max and Caroline (Wile) Brickner, both of whom were natives of Germany. The mother was a little maiden of five summers when brought by her parents to the New World. Max Brickner reached American shores on the 14th of December, 1859, and after spending some time in New York city made his way to Talladega, Alabama. As he was not in sympathy



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with the cause of the Confederacy, however, he returned to the Empire state at the time of the outbreak of the Civil war, and in 1864 took up his abode in Rochester. Here he embarked in the wholesale clothing business, in which he met with a gratifying degree of success, continuing therein for about a third of a century, or until 1897. In the latter year he became identified with the stock brokerage firm of J. M. Bache & Company, which he represented for a period of two decades, or until 1917, when he put aside business cares, spending the remainder of his life in honorable retirement. He was chosen president of the Chamber of Commerce in 1892 and was long numbered among the leading and highly respected citizens of Rochester. His death occurred on the 23d of November, 1920. It was on the 14th of March, 1866, that he wedded Miss Caroline Wile, who departed this life on August 16, 1877. Their family numbered five children, as follows: Dr. Samuel M. Brickner, now deceased, who was one of the best known obstetricians in the world; Sadie, who passed away in 1879, when six years of age; David M. and Max O., who are residents of New York city; and Isaac M., of this review.

Isaac M. Brickner supplemented his public school education by a course of study in the Rochester Free Academy, from which he was graduated in 1887. His more advanced intellectual training was received in the University of Rochester, in which institution he completed his course by graduation in 1891. During the succeeding seven years he devoted his attention to the publishing business and then took up the study of law under the preceptorship of George Raines. He began the practice of his chosen profession on the 9th of October, 1900, and has since been accorded a steadily growing and distinctively representative clientage that has connected him with considerable important litigation. He is remarkable among lawyers for the wide research and provident care with which he prepares his cases. At no time has his reading been confined to the limitations of the questions at issue. It has gone beyond and compassed every contingency and provided not alone for the expected but for the unexpected, which happens in the courts quite as frequently as out of them.

On the 29th of June, 1905, Mr. Brickner was united in marriage to Miss Edith L. Bradstreet. Politically Mr. Brickner is a staunch supporter of the democratic party. As the democratic nominee for the position of district attorney in 1916, he ran five thousand votes ahead of the ticket. He is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Yonondio Lodge No. 163, F. and A. M., of which he served as master in 1922; Ionic Chapter No. 210, R. A. M.; Doric Council, R. and S. M.; Rochester Consistory, A. and A. S. R.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise a member of the Masonic Club, the Shrine Lunch Club, the Greek letter fraternity known as Delta Upsilon and the Automobile Club of Rochester. Mr. Brickner well deserves representation among the able lawyers and esteemed citizens of Rochester, where he has resided from his birth to the present time.

WILLIAM W. BABCOCK.

William W. Babcock is a prominent representative of industrial interests in Steuben county as president of The W. W. Babcock Company, ladder and churn manufacturers in the town of Bath, which he organized two decades ago. He was born on October 16, 1868, in Dansville, Livingston county, New York, a son of Seymour and Joanna (Coleman) Babcock. The family is among the oldest in Steuben county, for George G. Babcock, the paternal grandfather of William W. Babcock, was born in Mendon, Ontario county. Seymour Babcock, the father of Mr. Babcock of this review, served with the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Infantry in the Civil war, was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and enjoyed the close friendship of Colonel Faulkner.

In the acquirement of an education William W. Babcock attended the grammar schools and continued his studies in the high school at Canaseraga. After putting aside his textbooks he learned the painter's trade, at which he worked for a period of fifteen years. Subsequently he spent three years in a general store in Campbell, New York, and afterward served as under sheriff of Steuben county for a similar length of time. It was in 1904 that he organized The W. W. Babcock Company for the manufacture of ladders, which he has developed from a small concern to one of extensive and profitable proportions, the product being sold in all parts of the United States. The output includes all kinds of ladders and also churns. The business of the corporation has grown to such a degree that the capital has been increased from ten thousand dollars to a quarter of a million. The steady expansion of the industry

is largely attributable to the well directed energy, excellent executive ability and sound judgment of Mr. Babcock, its president, who has ever manifested a keen interest in the welfare of those in his service. The W. W. Babcock Company has built houses for its employes, most of whom now own their homes, having taken advantage of the easy payment terms offered. The company maintains its own fire department, the members of which cheerfully go to the assistance of the village department when their aid may be needed. Mr. Babcock is also the president of the Courier Printing Company and has long ranked among the leading business men and influential citizens of Bath.

Mr. Babcock is married and has one son, Millard Babcock, who is connected with the Babcock Company. Mr. Babcock is now constructing a modern theater in Bath, to be known as the Babcock Theater, costing sixty thousand dollars, and seating an audience of seven hundred. No movement for the betterment of the community seeks his aid in vain. A staunch supporter of the republican party, he was a member of the county committee for several years and a presidential elector in 1916. As a member of the Bath board of aldermen for nine years he pushed forward many public improvements and was instrumental in the paving of all streets in the town. For several years he owned a baseball team in Bath and contributed very liberally to the pay of the players. He is an enthusiastic advocate of healthy outdoor sports. A member of the Christian Science church, Mr. Babcock largely attributes his success in life to the inspiration of that faith.

FRANK P. CONLON.

If a census were taken of the automobiles that traverse the highways of Livingston county, New York, by the thousands every day, it would be found that an unusually large proportion of them first started on their duty of demolishing distances, from the agency of Frank Patrick Conlon, at Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York, who was one of the pioneer dealers in automobiles, opening the first garage in Livingston county in 1909, and who has for some years been conducting the largest agency in the county. He was born at Le Roy, Genesee county, New York, on November 14, 1882, the son of Patrick and Anna (Judge) Conlon, both of whom are living in Le Roy. They had a family of twelve children.

Frank P. Conlon, after receiving his education in the parochial schools, went to work at the age of fourteen. He was on a farm for two years, in a dry goods store two years, and then in a clothing store for ten years. In 1911 he established a garage and Ford agency at Mount Morris, managed both successfully for ten years, and sold out on January 1, 1921. He now has the agency for the Studebaker cars. Mr. Conlon is a director of the Genesee River National Bank, and has been president as well as a trustee of Mount Morris village.

Mr. Conlon was married on January 20, 1903, to Edith M. Wiseman, who died on December 1, 1919. On January 31, 1923, he was married to Katharine E. Rimmel. He is a democrat in his political views, and in religion a member of the Roman Catholic church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

HENRY J. SCHIEFER, JR.

Important business interests claim the attention and profit by the experience, ability and good judgment of Henry J. Schiefer, Jr., a well-known electrical engineer, who for the past eight years has made Rochester the scene of his operations. He was born in Buffalo, New York, August 25, 1882, and is a son of Henry J. and Clara (Whittaker) Schiefer, also natives of that city, in which they have always made their home. The father was a jeweler of Buffalo and one of its prosperous business men and highly respected citizens. Mr. and Mrs. Schiefer have two sons, Henry J. and Fred W., both residents of Rochester.

Henry J. Schiefer received his elementary training in his native city and continued his studies in the University of Syracuse, from which he was graduated in 1908, on the completion of a course in electrical engineering. He followed his profession in Buffalo and other cities until 1917, when he came to Rochester and organized the Schiefer Electric Company, of which he is president and general manager. He has an expert understanding of the work in which he is engaged and through wise

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management and concentrated effort has built up a business of substantial and profitable proportions.

In Berwick, Pennsylvania, June 14, 1912, Mr. Schiefer was married to Miss Florence Lowry, a daughter of William F. Lowry, district manager of the American Car and Foundry Company of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Schiefer have one child, Elizabeth. She was born August 14, 1915, in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and is now a student in grammar school No. 23 of Rochester. Mr. Schiefer is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and a Knights Templar Mason and Shriner. He belongs to the Shrine Lunch Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Rochester Club, the Automobile Club, the Rochester Engineering Society and the Chamber of Commerce. He is an earnest member of the Third Presbyterian church and consistently follows its teachings. Mr. Schiefer is an able representative of his profession and close study and unremitting effort have brought him to the front in his chosen line of work.

HERBERT WILLIAM FUDGE, M. D.

Among the physicians and surgeons of Elmira who have achieved success in the profession is numbered Dr. Herbert William Fudge, who for thirty-one years has practiced in this city. He was born in Seneca Falls, New York, March 21, 1869, a son of William and Elizabeth (Salvage) Fudge, both of whom were natives of England. They were married in the Empire state and were parents of four children, three of whom are living, Herbert W. being the youngest in the family. The father followed the trade of a machinist and became a resident of Elmira in 1875. He obtained work with the La France Engine Company and remained in its service until his death, which occurred in 1902. He was a member of the Episcopal church, with which his wife was also affiliated, and cast his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party.

Herbert William Fudge attended the public schools and Elmira Academy, afterward becoming a medical student at the University of Buffalo, and was graduated with the class of 1893. He chose Elmira as the scene of his professional activities, and while he conducts a general practice, his attention is given chiefly to surgical cases and he has won an enviable reputation as an obstetrician. He is surgeon to the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital. He took a postgraduate course in the Polyclinic Hospital of Philadelphia in 1900.

On March 30, 1897, Dr. Fudge was married to Miss Bertha Rice, who was born in Cuba, New York, and was there educated. Dr. and Mrs. Fudge have become the parents of three children: Russell G., who was graduated from Princeton University in June, 1923, and is now following the profession of a civil engineer in the city of Philadelphia; Donald G., who is a junior at Princeton; and Marjorie, a high school student.

Dr. and Mrs. Fudge are affiliated with the Episcopal church and he is identified with the lodge, chapter and Grotto in Masonry. He also belongs to the Masonic Club and the Elmira Golf and Country Club, while his professional connections are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine and the Chemung County Medical Society. He has been president of both organizations and is also a member of the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

RICHARD WHITNEY ADAMS.

Richard Whitney Adams has made efficiency his watchword and each change in his business connections has brought him a broader outlook and wider opportunities. He has won success through the medium of his own efforts, and experience and ability well qualify him for the responsible office of cashier of the Power Specialty Company of Dansville. He was born in East Bloomfield, Ontario county, New York, December 20, 1866, and his parents were Philip T. and Julia A. (French) Adams. He attended the country schools and completed his education in the Genesee Normal School. When a young man of eighteen he engaged in teaching school in Livingston county under the direction of Foster W. Walker and devoted two years to educational work. He then went to Chicago and spent four and a half years in that city, concentrating his attention upon the general fire insurance business. He returned to the east and for a year engaged in the hardwood flooring business in Boston, employed by a branch

of the Wood Mosaic Company of Rochester, New York. He arrived at Dansville in 1895 and became identified with the George Sweet Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of agricultural machinery. Mr. Adams served as secretary and treasurer of the firm, and in 1904, when the business was taken over by the Power Specialty Company, was made cashier of the new organization. For twenty years he has filled that office, discharging his duties with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency and rendering to the firm faithful and valuable service. The company manufactures Foster superheaters, economizers and oil heaters and conducts a business of extensive proportions. The firm has established its headquarters in New York city and maintains branch offices at Dallas (Texas), Pittsburgh, Boston, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia, Kansas City, San Francisco and Los Angeles, and in London, England, while its industrial plants are located at Dansville, New York, and Egham, England.

On the 10th of June, 1903, Mr. Adams was united in marriage to Miss Alice Bradner Grant, and they have a daughter, Amelia Louise. Mr. Adams is a warden and vestryman of the Episcopal church and indorses the candidates and principles of the republican party. He is identified with the Masonic order and is also a member of the Rotary Club of Dansville. He takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs and conscientiously discharges the duties and obligations of life. He has placed his dependence upon the substantial qualities of industry, honesty and perseverance and time has proven his worth.

THOMAS HOYT ARMSTRONG.

Thomas Hoyt Armstrong, long prominent in educational circles of the Genesee country, is at the head of the Interstate Teachers' Agency of Rochester, which he established in 1905. His birth occurred in Pompey, Onondaga county, New York, November 15, 1864, his parents being James and Jane (Cavanaugh) Armstrong, both of whom were natives of the north of Ireland, whence they emigrated to the New World. The father, who devoted his life to general agricultural pursuits, has passed away, as has also the mother.

In the acquirement of an education Thomas Hoyt Armstrong attended public school in his native city, pursued a course of study in the Pompey Academy and subsequently entered the Brockport State Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1890. Taking up the profession of teaching, he acted as an instructor in Pompey Academy for one year, subsequently taught for two years in the Andover Academy of Andover, New York, and then spent four years as a teacher in Friendship Academy. He was afterward made superintendent of schools at Medina and thus served for seven years, during which period he was chosen president of the New York State Associated Academic Principals. It was in the year 1905 that he came to Rochester and established the Interstate Teachers' Agency, of which he has remained the sole proprietor. He is president of the National Association of Teachers' Agencies for 1924-1925.

A progressive republican in politics, Mr. Armstrong served as chairman of the progressive party in Monroe county during the campaign of 1912. During the period of the World war he was a member of the speakers' committee for various Liberty Loan and Community Chest drives, served as chairman of the Community Chest for Irondequoit, New York, and was also made chairman of the committee of organization of the Red Cross campaign for organization work in seven counties adjoining Rochester. Mr. Armstrong has membership connection with the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and the Young Men's Christian Association and also belongs to the Rochester Historical Society, the New York State Historical Society, the National Historical Society, the New York State Teachers Association and the National Education Association. He is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity and a consistent member of Mount Hor Presbyterian church, in which he is serving as teacher of the Armstrong class.

On the 29th of December, 1891, in Macedon, New York, Mr. Armstrong was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Mildred Shourds, daughter of Daniel S. Shourds. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong have four children: Ralph Waldo, Pearl Anita, Hoyt Shourds, and Phebe Jeanette. Ralph Waldo, who was born at Andover, Allegany county, New York, June 12, 1893, obtained his education in the East high school of Rochester, also spent two years as a student in the University of Rochester and subsequently pursued an architectural course in the Mechanics Institute. His military record is a most interesting one. He served with Troop H on the Mexican border, and was a second



THOMAS H. ARMSTRONG



RALPH WALDO ARMSTRONG



HOYT SHOURDS ARMSTRONG



PEARL ANITA (ARMSTRONG)
MACK

lieutenant of the Aviation Corps during the World war. His military training was received at Madison Barracks, at Cornell University, in the aviation camp at Issoudun, France, and in the aviation camp at Tours, France. He now acts as supervising architect with the general contracting firm of Stewart & Bennett. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in Mount Hor Presbyterian church and he also belongs to the University Club, the Rochester Canoe Club and the Psi Upsilon fraternity. His wife bore the maiden name of Grace Durant of Newton, Massachusetts, and both are well known and highly esteemed in Rochester.

Pearl Anita, whose birth occurred in Friendship, Allegany county, New York, January 9, 1895, was educated in the East high school and in the University of Rochester, which institution she attended for two years. During the influenza epidemic of 1917 she served in the training department of the Homeopathic Hospital. On the 19th of August, 1920, she became the wife of E. L. Mack and they have a daughter, Carolyn. Her work as a Red Cross nurse during the period of the World war was most creditable. Mrs. Mack is a member of the First Presbyterian church at Hempstead, Long Island, and resides in Garden City, Long Island.

Hoyt Shourds Armstrong, born at Medina, Orleans county, New York, November 23, 1898, received his education in the West high school and in the University of Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1923. He enlisted in the army, joining Troop M at Geneseo, New York, and was sent to Camp Spartanburg, North Carolina, after which he sailed overseas, spending eleven months in France with the Twenty-seventh Division. This was the division which helped break the Hindenburg line. Hoyt S. Armstrong is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity and is now successfully engaged in teaching. Phebe Jeanette Armstrong, who was born in Rochester on the 31st of March, 1912, is a student in the East high school. Mr. Armstrong resides on Culver road Irondequoit.

LUCIUS ANDREW MERTZ.

Executive and organizing ability and an enterprising spirit, guided by unerring judgment, have actuated Lucius Andrew Mertz throughout his business career, bringing him to the fore in commercial circles of Rochester. As president of the Consolidated Milk Company he has built up one of the finest dairy plants in western New York, and twenty years of experience, added to constant study, enable him to speak with authority on matters pertaining to this business. He was born in the town of Manchester, Ontario county, New York, May 13, 1884, and is a son of Andrew and Charlotte (Schaefer) Mertz, natives of Germany. His parents immigrated to the United States in early life, settling in Ontario county, New York, where the father acquired a farm. He followed agricultural pursuits for many years, then lived retired in Palmyra, where he died May 16, 1924. He had reached the ripe age of seventy-nine years. The mother survives. Four children were born to them: Lucius Andrew, of this review; Augustus S., president of the Mertz Milk Company of Rochester; Elizabeth R., who acts as executive secretary of the Big Sister Social Welfare Society of Rochester and who was formerly engaged in teaching, in which profession she was very successful; and Harold, general agent at Palmyra for the Prudential Insurance Company.

Lucius Andrew Mertz received his first instruction in the Armington school in Ontario county and continued his studies in the Palmyra high school. His initial experience along business lines was obtained with the Garlock Packing Company of Palmyra, with which he was connected until 1904, and in June of that year he came to Rochester, joining his brother, Augustus S. Mertz, in the milk business. This partnership was continued for four years and each then established an independent concern. The L. A. Mertz Milk Company was formed in 1908 and conducted under that name until 1917, when the business was merged with that of four other firms. It has since been conducted under the style of the Consolidated Milk Company, of which Lucius A. Mertz is the president, and the other officers are: F. J. Woodruff, vice president; B. P. Nassetth, secretary; and F. S. Cramer, treasurer. Since the consolidation the output has been increased one hundred per cent and the firm has forty persons in its employ, while twenty-one delivery wagons are utilized in distributing its product, which is sold chiefly to hospitals, sanitariums and other institutions where good, pure milk is required for invalids, children and undernourished persons of all ages. The plant is a model of cleanliness. All the milk is handled in glass-lined tanks made by the Pfaudler Company and the firm has an improved bottle

washer, the only one of its kind in Rochester, by means of which every bottle is thoroughly cleansed and brushed inside and out. The greatest precautions are taken in the preparation of the milk, which is not touched by human hands from the time it reaches the plant until bottled and placed in the refrigerator. The company is sole distributor of the Browndale Farms Certified Jersey milk, which received the blue ribbon and cup as first prize at the national certified milk exhibit in Chicago. The milk is produced and bottled in Warsaw, New York, and shipped to Rochester in iced containers. The cows and plant are under the weekly inspection of the commission and the milk boasts of the best mark in Rochester given by the Monroe Medical Commission. The firm also has the exclusive privilege of distributing the Butchers Farm Grade A Guernsey milk, produced and bottled in Fulton and shipped to the city under the inspection of the Rochester Health Bureau. It is the finest grade of Guernsey milk to be found in the city and is sold in large quantities. The company bears an unassailable reputation for integrity and reliability and the pronounced success of the business is attributable to the high standards of service adopted by Mr. Mertz, his progressive policy and expert knowledge of the industry.

On November 30, 1919, Mr. Mertz was married to Miss Grace E. Tucker, a daughter of Dr. Charles J. Tucker, a prominent physician of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Mertz have a son: Richard Lucius, born July 17, 1921. Mr. Mertz is a Knights Templar Mason and in the consistory has attained the thirty-second degree. He is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and is one of the influential members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He is also connected with the Young Men's Christian Association, the Kiwanis Club and the Automobile Club. He is a member of the Corn Hill Methodist Episcopal church and consistently follows its teachings. Mr. Mertz has ever manifested a spirit of helpfulness and devotion to the general good and is recognized as a public-spirited citizen and an exceptionally capable business man.

CHARLES HENRY STUART.

Industrial progress in Newark has received marked impetus from the initiative spirit and well directed efforts of Charles Henry Stuart, who has built up a large manufacturing enterprise and is also at the head of an extensive nursery business. He is a business man of more than ordinary ability and Newark is proud to number him among her native sons. He was born September 18, 1868, of the union of Charles W. Stuart and Caroline Emmons, the former a native of Onondaga county and the latter of Port Chester, New York. They were married in Port Chester and became the parents of five children, two sons and three daughters. At the time of the Civil war the father offered his services to the federal government but was rejected, being unable to pass the severe physical test. In 1855 he had embarked in the nursery business in Newark, organizing the firm of C. W. Stuart & Company, and in this venture he was very successful, ably guiding the destiny of the concern for many years. His activities were not narrowed to business affairs and as supervisor and president of the village he rendered valuable service to his community.

Charles Henry Stuart, the second child in the family, attended the public schools of Newark and afterward spent two years as a student in Cornell University, specializing in chemistry. In 1889, when twenty-one years of age, he joined his father in the nursery business and they were associated until the latter's death in 1923. The business was established in 1852 and has been in continuous operation for a period of seventy-two years. It is one of the oldest and largest of the kind in the United States and is composed of several subsidiary companies. The firm of C. W. Stuart & Company caters exclusively to the retail trade. In 1903 Mr. Stuart formed the C. H. Stuart Company, manufacturing chemists, and has since been its president. Under his able administration the business has grown steadily and the factory operatives now number one hundred, while over two hundred persons are employed in the office. The firm manufactures toilet requisites, shaving creams, tooth paste, perfumes and flavoring extracts and conducts the only business of the kind in Wayne county. There is a large demand for its products, owing to their purity and excellence, and in its dealings with the public the firm adheres to the highest standards of commercial ethics.

In New York city, in 1905, Mr. Stuart was married to Miss Jane Knight, a daughter of A. L. Knight. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart have a son, L. K. Stuart, who is twenty-six years of age and is associated in business with his father. He was mar-

ried to Miss Harriet Sanford, who lived in the vicinity of Orange, New Jersey, and they have a daughter, Margaret Coventry.

During the World war Mr. C. H. Stuart utilized his plant for government work, developing and manufacturing special gases. He is a republican in politics and takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs but has never sought office as a reward for party fealty. He is a member of the Episcopal church and for thirty years was one of its vestrymen. His religion is carried into his daily life and he never fails to inspire respect for his strength of character, admiration for his business ability and confidence in his integrity.

RICHARD OLIVER GREGORY, M. D.

Among the younger physicians of Elmira is Dr. Richard Oliver Gregory, who is worthily following in the professional footsteps of his father. He was born in Troy, Pennsylvania, in 1885, a son of Dr. George W. and Nellie (Oliver) Gregory, the latter also a native of that place. The father was born near Auburn, New York, and completed his education in the Union Medical College at Albany. He was numbered among the leading members of Elmira's medical fraternity and practiced here until his death, which occurred on the 25th of February, 1915. The mother still resides in this city. He was identified with the Masonic order and gave his political support to the republican party, while his religious views were in harmony with the doctrines of the Presbyterian church. Dr. and Mrs. Gregory were the parents of two children: Richard Oliver, of this review, and Margaret, who is the wife of T. J. Berry of Tioga, Pennsylvania.

Richard O. Gregory was a student in the Elmira schools and prepared for his profession in the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1909. He began practice with his father, from whom he received the advantage of personal advice and guidance during the years when he was establishing a foothold in the profession. In 1918 he laid aside personal considerations and responded to the call to the colors, in the World war. In the fall of that year he was sent to Camp Meade, Maryland, where he was stationed until his release from military service in May, 1919, at which time he was holding the rank of first lieutenant. He resumed the work of his profession in Elmira on the 24th of that month and is now caring for a large practice.

On April 20, 1911, Dr. Gregory was married to Miss Antoinette Spring, who was born in Bath, New York, and received her education in Elmira College. They have two children: George S. and Elizabeth. Mrs. Gregory is a member of the First Baptist Church, and its teachings guide her in the daily relations of life. The Doctor belongs to the Elmira Golf and Country Club and gives his political support to the republican party. He holds membership in the Chemung County and New York State Homeopathic Medical Societies.

FREDERICK J. MAIER.

Frederick J. Maier, proprietor of the Elm Bowling Hall, is a representative of an old and prominent family of Rochester and one of the enterprising and substantial business men of his native city, in which he is widely and favorably known. He was born March 12, 1878, a son of L. W. and Mary (Kiefer) Maier, and his mother is one of Rochester's native daughters. She engaged in teaching previous to her marriage and has reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. The father was born in Germany and when a boy of twelve came to the United States. He was one of Rochester's honored pioneers and became superintendent of the House of Refuge for boys, of which he had charge until the institution was closed. In 1872 he opened an undertaking establishment at No. 5 North Clinton street, remaining at that location for a quarter of a century. He was numbered among Rochester's substantial business men and highly respected citizens, enjoying the esteem of many friends. His life was brought to a close in September, 1902, when he had reached the age of sixty-seven years. He was the father of seven children, four of whom survive: William F., Frederick J., Mrs. Joseph T. Otto and Mrs. J. Oscar Schuchart, all of whom are residents of the city.

Frederick J. Maier attended St. Joseph's parochial school, also the public schools,

and completed his education in the Rochester Free Academy, in which he spent two years as a student. For several years he was identified with the manufacture of surgical instruments and in 1906 directed his energies into another channel, erecting a bowling hall on Elm street, which he has since conducted. He is the owner of the property, which is very valuable, being situated in the heart of the downtown district. He is also interested in various other real estate holdings in desirable sections of the city. Mr. Maier owns a half interest in the Genesee Amusement Company, being a partner of Thomas Northway in that enterprise. He has prospered in his undertakings and is regarded as a business man of foresight and good judgment.

On June 3, 1915, Mr. Maier was married to Miss Lillie Tooker of Rochester, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Tooker, residents of Canada. John Frederick Maier, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Maier, was born March 25, 1924. Mr. Maier is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Rochester Club, and his religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Roman Catholic church. A man of progressive ideas, he cooperates heartily in all movements for the benefit of his city and state and is therefore a serviceable factor in general advancement. Mr. Maier's residence is at No. 215 Canterbury road.

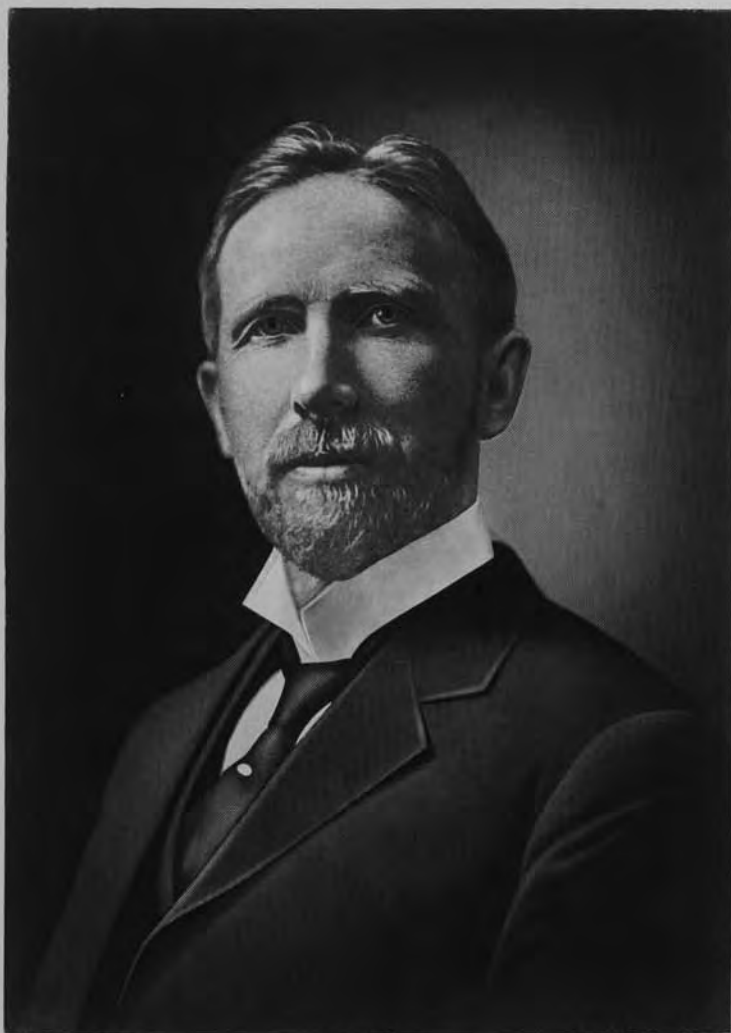
JAMES T. MILLER.

In the passing of James T. Miller, twelve years ago, Rochester sustained the loss of one of her honored and successful business men and eminent citizens. He was born on the Miller farm of twenty acres located in Lamson, Onondaga county, New York, on the 25th of October, 1864, and he passed away at his home at No. 325 Oxford street in Rochester, this state, on August 19, 1913. He was one of a family of ten children and received his early education in the county district schools, continuing his studies in the high school in Phoenix, Oswego county, New York.

James T. Miller was a youth of seventeen when he took up his permanent abode in Rochester. He began his career as a clerk in one of the city's mercantile establishments and there worked his way upward until admitted to a junior partnership. Realizing and utilizing the opportunities offered in the field of real estate, he gradually developed a most substantial business of that character and eventually abandoned his mercantile interests in order to devote his attention exclusively to real estate dealing and to building operations. With these activities thoroughly organized and prosperous, he turned to another line in which he saw potential advantages. In association with Winfield P. and Charles J. Pembroke he formed the Kee Lox Manufacturing Company and began making typewriter ribbons and carbon paper. The Messrs. Pembroke were the owners of the patents, processes and formulas under which the Kee Lox Company manufactured their products, and were practical men in the factory department of the business. Mr. Miller was secretary-treasurer of the company from its organization until his death, and under his wise office and financial management the company won high reputation and standing. The product of the factory was of superior quality, and with factory and office closely coordinating, a business of great magnitude resulted. The Kee Lox product gained international reputation and the Kee Lox Company became one of Rochester's important corporations. Mr. Miller, although secretary-treasurer, was conceded the executive management of the company, and under his able control and methods the Kee Lox Company became very prosperous, its financial standing and reputation for honorable dealing being very high. He possessed untiring energy, was very resourceful, quick both to plan and execute, and confined himself perhaps too closely to his business, as he died a comparatively young man, not having reached the age of fifty when death called him.

On the 17th of June, 1903, Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Carrie E. Reeder, who survives him and still makes her home in Rochester, where she enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance.

A contemporary biographer said: "Mr. Miller was a man of public spirit, and Rochester profited through the keen interest he manifested in the welfare and development of his city. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and always could be relied upon to support any movement endorsed by the Chamber. He was a warm friend to the Young Men's Christian Association, was greatly interested in the work of the Mechanics Institute, and aided all good causes. He was a student of Spiritualism for several years and an active, helpful member of the American Society for Psychical Research. His life furnishes an example which should prove an in-



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spiration to the young man seeking to win his 'place in the sun' against adverse circumstances. He began at the lowest round of fortune's ladder, but he stayed there only for the time required to place his feet upon the next round, and that was true until he had reached the top. In every position he occupied he met the requirements so well that when a vacancy occurred he was the natural choice for advancement. He possessed the two requirements a young man must have to succeed—a stout heart and a clean mind, and to these he added that other prime requisite—industry. Through his entire business career he was a model of integrity and honor, making no engagements which he did not keep, nor promise he could not fulfill. He compiled a business record of which any man might be proud; he was honored and respected wherever known, and his life stands as an example of the heights of business success a young man may aspire to and reach if he lives as cleanly, works as intelligently and as industriously, and as closely observes the homely virtues of honesty, industry and fidelity as did James T. Miller. . . . During his residence in Rochester he contributed to the strength of its citizens and left behind him a monument in the form of a prosperous manufacturing enterprise, a record of uprightness and integrity, and an example of right living worthy of emulation."

A. L. DARLING, M. D.

Dr. A. L. Darling, a representative and successful member of the medical fraternity in Corning, is a physician of pronounced skill who has been accorded an extensive general practice during the seven years of his residence in the city. He was born in Tioga county, Pennsylvania, on the 22d of June, 1870, and belongs to an old American family whose progenitor in this country crossed the Atlantic on the Mayflower. Dr. Darling and his brother, Carlos Darling, are members of the Mayflower Society. Both his father and grandfather, Dr. Lewis Darling, Jr., and Dr. Lewis Darling, Sr., were physicians by profession who served as surgeons in the Union army during the period of the Civil war.

A. L. Darling supplemented his early educational training by a course of study in Elmira Academy, from which he was graduated in 1888, and then entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo, which in 1892 conferred upon him the degree of M. D. He began practice in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, where he continued for a quarter of a century, being accorded a gratifying patronage. In 1917 he came to Corning, where he has remained to the present time and has gained an enviable reputation for professional ability of a high order. Actuated by the laudable ambition to progress, he has ever kept in touch with the latest scientific researches and discoveries along medical and surgical lines through his membership in the Corning Medical Society and the New York State Medical Society.

Dr. Darling has two living sons: Lewis A. and Waldo P. His son, Carlos M. Darling, who was born on the 12th of September, 1899, was a medical student in Hobart College when the United States entered the World war. He enlisted in the Medical Corps and after a period of honorable service was stricken with pneumonia and died on the 21st of December, 1918. He had made the supreme sacrifice.

In politics Dr. Darling maintains an independent attitude, giving his country, commonwealth and county the allegiance of a one hundred per cent American and supporting the candidates whom he deems most worthy of public office. Fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he also belongs to the Corning Country Club. He is an exponent of all that is highest and best in his profession and of all that is worthy and honorable in his relations with his fellowmen.

NATHAN R. WICKERSHAM.

Nathan R. Wickersham, general superintendent of the Ingersoll-Rand Company of Painted Post, New York, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 7, 1874, and following grammar school days he went to work for the Pencoed Iron Works as an apprentice machinist, working for them for four years and then going to Bement Miles & Company for five years more. Five years of service with the Bethlehem Steel Company preceded his connection with the Ingersoll-Rand Company. It was in 1903 that Mr. Wickersham was called to Painted Post as superintendent for the Ingersoll-

Rand Company. When Mr. Wickersham came to the Ingersoll-Rand Company the plant was a very small one. Today seven hundred men are employed and the concern is the mainstay of Painted Post. The management's humane treatment of labor and its ability to create harmony is notable. The wonderful esprit de corps, so noticeable in the entire plant, is made possible by the efforts of Mr. Wickersham, Mr. Hollister and Mr. Pitts, the three local officials. The plant made munitions for the government during the World war and wisely followed the motto: "Help America and the boys overseas" instead of the "profits first" plan of many industries.

The parents of Nathan Wickersham were John M. K. and Florence R. (Rowland) Wickersham. John M. K. Wickersham was an oil operator in Pennsylvania, and his father, John B. Wickersham, was one of the organizers of the Grand Old Party in 1854. Mr. Wickersham's grandfather, Nathan Rowland, was an organizer of the famous Union League Club of Philadelphia.

In October, 1898, Nathan Wickersham was married to Miss Ellen P. Wynkoop of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and they have three children: Leonore, now the wife of Lieutenant George H. Miller, U. S. N.; Nathan R., Jr., and Rowland de Benneville Wickersham. In politics Nathan Wickersham is an independent, voting for the man rather than the party. He has served as police commissioner of Corning for several years and was president of the Red Cross during the World war. He was reared a Quaker but is now a member of the Presbyterian church. He lists his favorite recreation as golf. He is a member of Montour Lodge, F. & A. M., Painted Post; of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and of the Corning Club, Corning Country Club, Elmira Country Club and the Rotary Club. But with all these business and social interests his work is nearest to his heart, and he has become the great engineer that he is by love of mechanics and ability to reach heights of accomplishment.

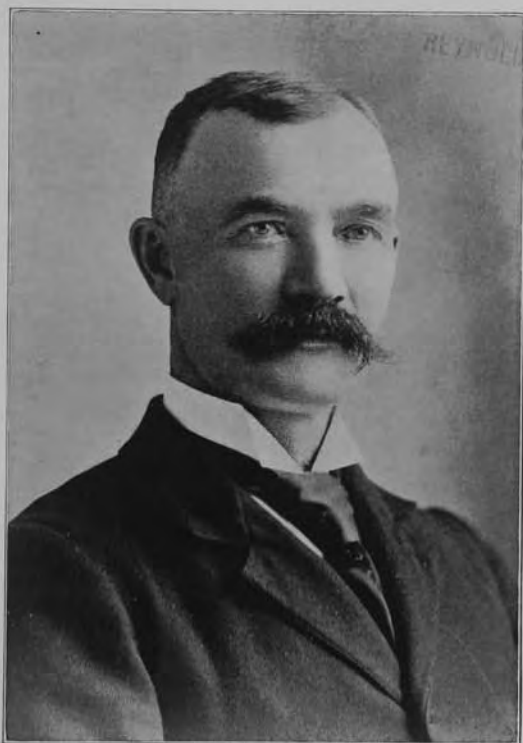
EDWARD BACON.

The quality of the fruit produced in New York has never been surpassed by that grown in any other state of the Union and because of this fact there is always a large demand for the products of its orchards. Many enterprising agriculturists have found fruit growing a profitable industry and among those who have contributed substantially to the horticultural development of Livingston county is numbered Edward Bacon, who for forty years has continuously engaged in the nursery business in Dansville, his native village. He was born February 12, 1853, and his parents, Peter and Mary (Tierney) Bacon, were both natives of Ireland, the former being a skilled mechanic. They reared a family of three sons, all of whom survive.

Edward Bacon received a public school education and his first knowledge of the nursery business was obtained in 1863, when a boy of ten, with the firm of Maxwell & Pratt. He remained with them until 1870 and then entered the service of S. P. Williams, under whom he also gained valuable experience, continuing in his employ for fourteen years. Prompted by a laudable ambition, he then established a business of his own, starting on a small scale and gradually expanding the scope of his operations. He now caters exclusively to the wholesale trade and is known throughout the east as an expert judge of fruit trees, having made a life study of the business. He specializes in fruit trees and grows fine varieties of apples, plums, cherries, peaches, quinces, etc. He has admitted his son, William E. Bacon, to a partnership and their trade covers a wide territory, while their integrity has never been open to question.

Mr. Bacon has been married twice, his first union being with Miss Nellie Veeder in 1875. She passed away in 1884, leaving six children: Mary; Ellen; William E., a sketch of whom appears on another page of this work; Ida C., now the wife of John Karshner; Fannie; and Clara, who married John Reilly. Mr. Bacon was married in 1885, to Miss Theresa M. Cogan, and her demise occurred in 1919. They had two daughters: Theresa, who is now Mrs. Walter C. Knapp; and Bessie L., who is the wife of Roland B. Thomas.

Mr. Bacon has never been remiss in the duties of citizenship and has served as a supervisor of Livingston county. He has also held village offices and no trust reposed in him has ever been misplaced, for he has always been actuated by an unselfish spirit of devotion to the general good, discharging to the best of his ability every duty assigned him. He gives his political support to the republican party, for he believes that its principles contain the best elements of government for the majority. He belongs to St. Patrick's Catholic church and is a charter member of the Knights of Columbus. He is numbered among those stable business men who have aided in



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pushing forward the wheels of progress in Dansville and his life history is written in terms of success, for diligence and perseverance have done for him what inheritance has at times failed to accomplish for others.

WILLIAM E. BACON.

An analysis of the life records of Dansville's leading business men discloses the fact that the majority are native sons, and to their loyalty and enterprise the village is largely indebted for its present prosperity and development. In this classification belongs William E. Bacon, who comes of a family long closely and prominently identified with the upbuilding and progress of this section of Livingston county and is contributing his quota toward the work of general advancement.

William E. Bacon was born May 30, 1878, and is one of the six children in the family of Edward and Nellie (Veeder) Bacon, the latter of whom is deceased. William E. Bacon is of Irish lineage, for his grandparents, Peter and Mary (Tierney) Bacon, were natives of the Emerald isle and eventually became residents of Dansville, where the birth of their son Edward Bacon, father of William E., occurred. Edward Bacon has become widely known through his operations as a nurseryman and is a recognized expert in his line. A sketch of him precedes this one of his son.

William E. Bacon obtained his early training in a parochial school and completed his studies in the Dansville high school. When a youth of sixteen he gained his initial experience in the nursery business and continued to assist his father until he reached the age of twenty-one. He then entered the service of the government and for twenty-two years was employed in the Dansville post office, filling the position of money order clerk. Since April, 1921, he has been associated with his father in the nursery business, assuming many of the burdens which the latter has borne for so many years, and has fully demonstrated his ability to manage the important interests intrusted to his charge. The firm specializes in fruit trees and the business is one of the oldest of the kind in this locality, while the volume of its trade is proof of its strict observance of a high standard of commercial ethics.

On the 7th of January, 1915, Mr. Bacon was united in marriage to Miss Katherine Theresa Bloomster, a daughter of Samuel and Anne (McKenna) Bloomster, and they have six children: Margaret, Edward, William, John, James and George. Mr. Bacon is a member of St. Patrick's church and his political views are in accord with the platform and principles of the republican party. Every project that means the betterment of his community enlists his hearty support and his sterling traits of character have established him high in public regard.

KARL A. GUELICH.

The efforts of the realtor are a most potent and far-reaching element in the advancement and upbuilding of a community, and in this field of endeavor Karl A. Guelich has won noteworthy success. He has long been a resident of Rochester, which numbers him among its most valuable citizens, but his activities in connection with development projects have extended far beyond the confines of his city and his exceptional ability has brought him state-wide prominence. He was born in Utica, New York, June 30, 1880, a son of Oscar and Josephine Guelich, the former a native of Denmark, while the latter was an Alsatian, and both came to this country in early life. The paternal grandfather was a scientific agriculturist and for many years had charge of the state farm in Oneida county. His son, Oscar Guelich, was an honored veteran of the Civil war and served throughout the period of that conflict. He joined the One Hundred and Fortieth New York Volunteer Infantry and won a major's commission, his superior officer being Colonel O'Rourke. After his release from military duty Mr. Guelich came to Rochester and for a time his attention was devoted to the sale of harvesting machinery. Later he became a railroad contractor, following that business until his demise. The mother has also passed away.

Karl A. Guelich's public school training was supplemented by a course in the engineering department of the Mechanics Institute of Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1898, when seventeen years of age. For a number of years he was connected with the Hiram Sibley estate and after severing his relations with that estate he engaged in engineering and realty work under his own name. Since 1909 his energies

have been given chiefly to development projects and he has done much important work of this character. He developed large tracts of land in the state of California and in the Adirondack mountains for the De Camp families Depew and Vanderbilt interests and laid out subdivisions for those families in the city of Buffalo. Mr. Guelich has also developed and placed upon the market Ross-More Gardens, an attractive subdivision, located on Lyell avenue, west of the city, also the Rochester Homestead farm for Paul R. Rochester, a direct descendant of the founder of the city, and has improved large tracts on Clifford, Norton and Arnette streets and Culver road. He likewise had charge of the original Gates Homestead subdivision of the Gates family and is an acknowledgedly greatly enhanced the value of property in the sections in which he has operated. edged expert in his line. His business has assumed extensive proportions and he has

In Rochester, on June 28, 1909, Mr. Guelich was married to Miss Matilda Ross McCort, a daughter of John Ross McCort, a prominent resident of Edinburgh, Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Guelich reside in the old Jacobs home at No. 14 Arnold park, which Mr. Guelich recently purchased. He is a member of the Adirondack Engineering Society, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Thendara Golf Club, the Rochester Club, and the local Automobile and Ad Clubs. He is a trustee of Westminster church. Mr. Guelich has aided in pushing forward the wheels of progress in many parts of the country and his work has been of signal service to his city. His success has been won by constructive effort and an unsullied reputation has earned for him the unqualified confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

J. FRANK NORRIS.

J. Frank Norris, a man of original ideas and creative powers as well as practical business ability and mature judgment, has utilized to the full the talents with which nature has endowed him. As the founder and head of one of the unique industries of Rochester he has given to the city a product almost indispensable to the builder's trade and of great value as a means of ornamentation, perfecting a large and prosperous business which redounds to his credit, while it is also a decided asset to the community. He is one of Rochester's native sons, and was born January 28, 1873. His parents, J. F. and Elizabeth (Ambrose) Norris, were natives of Brighton, New York, now a suburb of Rochester. His grandfather, Jabez B. Norris, settled in Brighton in 1822 and built the first house in this locality. He also established the first nursery business here and was very successful in his undertaking. As the pioneer in this line he became widely and favorably known and his death occurred at the venerable age of ninety-one years. His son, Jabez F. Norris, aided him in the management of the business, of which he subsequently became the head, continuing it successfully until his demise. He passed away in Brighton in 1901 but the mother is still living. Three children were born to them: Mrs. Emma De Potter, the wife of Abram De Potter, president of the town council of Brighton; Mrs. Lottie Williams, a resident of Syracuse, New York; and J. Frank, of this review.

J. Frank Norris obtained his education in Brighton and his teachers found him a mischievous, though interesting, pupil, full of vitality and high spirits. He also attended a preparatory school and after completing his studies entered his father's nursery business. While thus engaged he began experimenting in the manufacture of cement, concrete and stone products, working at night generally, and when his plans were perfected he started to make concrete blocks in a small shed, formerly used for packing trees. He was the first in this locality to realize the possibilities of manufactured stone and since its inception in 1908 the business has enjoyed an exceptionally rapid growth under the expert direction of Mr. Norris, who has carefully outlined every detail in its development, while in the management of its larger phases he displays notable foresight and executive power. His product is known as Norristone and his plant comprises several one- and two-story buildings. It covers nearly three acres of ground and ranks with the largest industries of the kind in the country, furnishing employment to from eighty to one hundred workmen. Mr. and Mrs. Norris are sole proprietors of the business and he attributes his success in large measure to the wise counsel and able cooperation of his wife, who is an unusually capable business woman. She has entire charge of the sales department and also of the ornament and garden furniture section, for which she has originated many beautiful designs. Norristone has never been offered as a cheap building material and Mr. Norris has adopted as his slogans "Quality always" and "Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you." The psychology of these slogans

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has done much to build the morale of the business. Cut cast granite is used extensively in the construction of many churches, banks, schools and buildings of varied character. It can be made in a number of colors and textures to match natural stone and is practically indestructible. Large hooks are cast in all large stones to facilitate their handling and setting. Concrete conduits for the New York Central signal system are now being made at the Norristone plant. The process of manufacture is distinctive and each order is taken care of in a thorough manner from the time it enters the drafting room until it is placed in the building for which it is designed. Draftsmen with long experience in handling the various styles of architecture constantly keep in touch with the contractor and architect. Skilled modellers and carvers are employed to turn out the work in a satisfactory manner. A special mold is made in which the stone is cast and it is then removed and recut by carvers and stone-cutters. Norristone has become a most conspicuous feature in Rochester's adornment and is seen to advantage in the beautiful Eastman Theatre and Eastman School of Music, the Security Trust building, the Catholic Institute, the National Bank of Rochester, which was recently completed, and the medical building for the University of Rochester, now in process of construction.

In Rochester, on June 15, 1901, Mr. Norris was married to Miss Grace Brightman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Brightman of Brighton. Mr. and Mrs. Norris have a daughter: Sylvia Frances Norris, who is now attending a finishing school for young ladies. Mrs. Norris is one of the most prominent business women of Rochester and is also active in the social life of the city. She is one of the charter members of the Zonta Club and one of its directing heads. She was chosen a delegate to the convention recently held in Buffalo and made a number of addresses to the assembled Zontonians. Mr. Norris is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Lions Club, a business men's organization devoted to Americanism, and to the Rochester Club and the Automobile Club. He has left the impress of his individuality upon the industrial progress of his city and his life record commands uniform respect and confidence, for he has never deviated from the path of honor and rectitude.

BERT GRANT VORHEES, M. D.

Dr. Bert Grant Voorhees, member of the medical profession, in which several members of the family have won success, has for the past nine years maintained an office in Elmira. He was born in Wells, Pennsylvania, in 1886, and is a son of Charles and Emma (French) Voorhees, also natives of that place. For many years the father followed the occupation of farming and since 1906 has been a resident of Philadelphia, where he is engaged in the ice business. He belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America and in politics is a republican. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, with which the mother is also affiliated, and both are earnest workers in its behalf. They have two sons: Bert Grant of this review; and Le Roy, a veteran of the World war. The latter was a corporal with the Nineteenth Railway Engineers, with which he served for twenty-two months. He now resides in Philadelphia, and his occupation is that of locomotive engineer. The paternal grandfather, Dr. Charles H. Voorhees, was born in Daggett, Pennsylvania, and after his graduation from the State University engaged in the practice of medicine, successfully following his profession from 1855 until 1893. His son, Dr. Sherman Voorhees, was graduated from the Baltimore Medical College in 1893 and four years later came to Elmira. He practiced here until 1914, when he was injured by an automobile, and his death occurred in 1915. Other members of the family, Dr. Shepard Voorhees, Dr. Belle (Voorhees) Aldridge, and Dr. Grant Voorhees, also entered the medical profession. The last named is a graduate of the Baltimore Medical College and one of the leading physicians of Prescott, Michigan. Dr. Shepard Voorhees received his training in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania and opened an office in Wells burg, New York, subsequently removing to New Jersey, where he engaged in practice until his death. Dr. Belle (Voorhees) Aldridge is the wife of Dr. Vincent Aldridge, also a physician, and both are engaged in practice in Brooklyn, New York. Mrs. Aldridge completed a course in Elmira College and prepared for her profession in the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia.

Bert Grant Voorhees received his rudimentary knowledge of English in country schools of his native state and afterward taught for a year. He completed a course in one of the high schools of Philadelphia and then became a student at the Jefferson

Medical College of that city, from which he received his professional degree in 1914. He devoted a year to postgraduate work and in 1915 began his professional career in Elmira as a specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

On the 29th of January, 1918, Dr. Voorhees laid aside his practice and enlisted for service in the World war. He went overseas on June 4, 1918, and was assigned to duty at Base Hospitals Nos. 1 and 19. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps and on February 18, 1919, was promoted to the rank of captain. He was connected with the eye, ear, nose and throat department and took a postgraduate course in Paris in March, 1919. He was sent all over France and examined one hundred and fifty thousand boys in the embarkation camps at Bordeaux and Gondrecourt. He returned to the United States, on July 5, 1919, and received his honorable discharge on the 24th of that month. He resumed his practice in Elmira in August, 1919.

On April 29, 1916, Dr. Voorhees was married to Miss Elizabeth H. Hammell, who was born in Marlton, New Jersey, and completed a course in the Nurses' Training School of Cooper Hospital in Camden, that state. To this union has been born a son: Charles H. Dr. and Mrs. Voorhees are members of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the platform and principles of the republican party. He belongs to the Ivy Lodge of Masons and Mrs. Voorhees is connected with the Eastern Star. His professional relations are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the Century Club, the Rod and Gun Club, and the American Legion.

FREDERICK FIELD SABEY.

Frederick Field Sabey, who began learning the tent and awning business when a lad of thirteen years, has been identified therewith continuously since and is now the president and treasurer of the Fred F. Sabey Company, Incorporated, of Rochester, which he established in 1902 and which was incorporated eight years later. He was born in Rochester, New York, on the 15th of December, 1867, his parents being George and Mary A. (Goodman) Sabey. The father, a native of England, crossed the Atlantic to the United States in early life and was active in business circles of Rochester as a contractor and builder to the time of his death, which occurred in 1870. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary A. Goodman, was born in Johnstown, New York, where she is still living at the age of ninety-two years.

In the acquirement of an education Frederick Field Sabey attended schools Nos. 12 and 4 to the age of thirteen years, when he secured employment with the James Field Company, manufacturers of tents and awnings. That his services proved highly satisfactory is indicated in the fact that he remained with the concern for a period covering twenty-two years, or until 1902, when he embarked in business on his own account, feeling that his long experience justified the venture. It was on a small scale that he established the extensive and profitable industry now conducted under the name of the Fred F. Sabey Company, Incorporated, but under his capable control the business gradually developed until it had assumed large proportions. He furnishes employment to from thirty to forty people in the manufacture of awnings, tents and cordage at Rochester and also operates a branch establishment at Honeoye Falls under the name of the Duban Shade Corporation. Twenty-five to thirty people are employed at the latter place. The success which has attended his undertakings is the merited reward of intelligently directed industry, undaunted determination and persistency of purpose.

On the 24th of September, 1891, in Rochester, Mr. Sabey was united in marriage to Miss Harriet S. Meyer, daughter of Jacob Meyer and Katherine Meyer. They are the parents of one son: Harold M., who was born in Rochester in 1893 and is the secretary of the Fred F. Sabey Company and also president of the Duban Shade Corporation. During the period of the World war he spent eighteen months in France, serving in the ordnance department with the rank of second lieutenant. To him and his wife, who was formerly Elizabeth M. Jones of Rochester, have been born two children, Fred F. (II) and Charlotte E.

Frederick F. Sabey has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry and has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is likewise identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and in religious belief he is an Episcopalian. In social circles he is well known as a member of the Rochester Club, the Masonic Club, the Oak Hill Country



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Club, the Yacht Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. His name is likewise on the membership roll of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and his cooperation is withheld from no movement or measure instituted to promote the progress and advancement of the city which has always been his home.

WILLIAM VALLANCE HAMILTON.

In the industrial and financial affairs of Caledonia, Livingston county, New York, the name of Hamilton has been preeminent for over sixty years, and much of the prosperity of the town and county is directly traceable to the activities of the Hamilton family. They have always been interested in grain and milling, and this in time led into the banking field, in which the Hamilton interests are now an important factor, W. V. Hamilton, head of the family, being president of the First National Bank of Caledonia, as well as interested in other financial institutions. He was born at Caledonia, on September 18, 1860, the son of William and Jane (Vallance) Hamilton. The father died in 1912; his widow is still living. All the grandparents of W. V. Hamilton were of Scotch birth. William Hamilton located in Caledonia in 1859 and entered the grain business. There were two sisters and two brothers in the family, all of whom are living.

The education of William Vallance Hamilton was obtained in the grade and high schools of Livingston county, after which he had one year in the Peekskill Military Academy and two years at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. Upon leaving the university Mr. Hamilton returned to Caledonia and went into the grain business with his father. The business, which has grown to sizable proportions, is still conducted from the headquarters in Caledonia, and the company also has a mill at Honeoye Falls, New York. In 1900 the business became a partnership under the name of William Hamilton & Son, and in September, 1922, it was incorporated as William Hamilton & Son, Incorporated, W. V. Hamilton becoming president.

In January, 1918, Mr. Hamilton became president of the First National Bank of Caledonia. He is a director of the Monroe County Savings Bank of Rochester, New York, and of the State Bank of Honeoye Falls, New York. He is president of the New York State Millers Association, and holds membership in the Genesee Valley Club of Rochester, and the Laurentian Club of Quebec, Canada. Politically he is a member of the democratic party, and in religion he is a Presbyterian. Fraternally Mr. Hamilton's affiliations are with the Masonic order.

THOMAS F. VOGT.

Thomas F. Vogt is imbued with that spirit of energy, enterprise and ambition which insures success in any vocation to which its possessor may turn and while his connection with the automobile trade covers but a year, he has already become an influential figure in business circles of Rochester, his native city. He was born December 20, 1890, and is a son of John W. and Catherine (Meagher) Vogt, also natives of Rochester, which has always been their home. Mr. Vogt was a prominent leather goods manufacturer and is now living retired in the enjoyment of a substantial competence, won through the careful management of his business affairs. For many years he was closely identified with the industrial development of his city and during the course of a long, useful and honorable life he has won the esteem of many friends. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Vogt: Martin G., Mrs. Rita McCargle, Mrs. Marie C. Gamble, Mrs. Helen Wegg, Mrs. Lydia Hart, and Thomas F., of this review.

Thomas F. Vogt was a pupil in St. Mary's parochial school and afterward attended a night school of Rochester, completing a course in business accounting. He secured a position in the auditing department of the Rochester Railway & Light Company and spent six years in the employ of that corporation. His next position was that of salesman for A. H. Boyce, an automobile dealer, whom he represented in that capacity for six years, gaining a comprehensive knowledge of the business. In August, 1923, he secured the local agency for the Willys-Knight and Overland cars, opening a salesroom on Joseph avenue, and his business has a very encouraging outlook. It has been incorporated and is conducted under the name of Thomas F. Vogt, who acts as president and treasurer, while the other officers are: George E. Gamble, vice president, and Glenn A. Spoor, secretary. Mr. Vogt is an expert sales-

man, while he also possesses executive force, and his business associates are men of proven ability and integrity.

Mr. Vogt enlisted for service in the World war and was assigned to the quartermaster department. He became an instructor at Camp Johnson, Florida, and was discharged at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in February, 1919. He is a member of the American Legion and fills the post of welfare officer in the local organization. His religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Roman Catholic church and he has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is connected with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and also belongs to the Automobile Club. He is an enthusiastic member of the Chamber of Commerce and conscientiously discharges the duties and obligations of citizenship, measuring up to high standards in every relation of life.

EDWARD JOSEPH DUNN.

With the history of progress in Elmira the name of Edward Joseph Dunn is inseparably associated, for his life has been so varied in its activities, so honorable in its purposes, so far-reaching and beneficial in its results that it has become an integral chapter in the annals of the city. A man of extraordinary mental versatility, born with a genius for leadership, his efforts have been directed along constantly ramifying lines, extending to financial, commercial, civic and philanthropic affairs, and in every sphere of life in which he has acted he has left an indelible impress, through his ability and tireless energy, which never stops short of the attainment of its purpose. He has built his success and reputation from the ground up, he has maintained the common touch with his fellows, and he has never allowed material success to stultify his love of the simple ideals of life. He is one of Elmira's native sons. He was born January 23, 1866, and his parents were Patrick and Bridget (O'Brien) Dunn. They were of Irish ancestry and the father was superintendent of the Elmira Gas Light Company.

Edward Joseph Dunn attended the public schools and completed his education in the Elmira Free Academy. He did not have the advantage of a collegiate education, but even as a lad in his teens he perceived clearly the goal which he wished to reach and accordingly, bent every effort to this attainment. In his younger years he was accorded the gentle and wise counsel of an older brother, the late Rev. William T. Dunn, who spent his life in the service of the Catholic church. To this brother and his affectionate guidance may be attributed the splendid teachings which Edward J. Dunn accepted during the formative years of his life.

In the month of August, 1881, Mr. Dunn began his business career as a clerk in the office of the Elmira Gas Light Company and the Arnot Real Estate office, with which he remained for five years. In 1886 he entered the service of the Chemung Canal Bank, starting as bookkeeper, at the munificent salary of twenty-five dollars per month. He was promoted from time to time and became assistant cashier in 1900. In 1903, upon the organization of the Chemung Canal Trust Company, which was a merger of the Chemung Canal Bank with the Elmira Trust Company, Mr. Dunn was made treasurer, and in December, 1919, assumed the duties of president, in which capacity he is now serving. The terms under which Mr. Dunn accepted the position of president of this institution are typical of his conception of the fitness of things, for he stipulated that his services in this connection should be given without salary.

The other officers are: Frederick W. Swan, vice president; Alexander D. Falck, second vice president; Paul G. Kingston, treasurer; F. E. Sackett, cashier; J. Ernest Webb, secretary and trust officer; Charles A. Bowman, assistant treasurer, and Robert H. Gardinier, assistant cashier. The directors are: Isaac Baldwin, E. E. Buchanan, B. S. Chamberlin, Hon. Frederick Collin, Edward J. Dunn, Alexander D. Falck, Thomas B. Fitzgerald, Fred D. Herrick, H. C. Mandeville, W. S. McCord, J. Arnot Rathbone, J. R. Reynolds, Daniel Sheehan, Frederick W. Swan and Halsey Sayles. The bank was founded in 1833 and for the succeeding period has been the central point around which all the movements of trade in Elmira have gravitated. It has played a most important part in the upbuilding of the city and is one of the oldest, as well as one of the strongest financial institutions of this section of the state. It is capitalized for six hundred thousand dollars and at the close of business on November 15, 1923, its surplus and undivided profits were \$773,331, while the deposits



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amounted to eight million, eight hundred and thirty-four thousand, six hundred and thirty-nine dollars, and its resources total in excess of ten million dollars.

Mr. Dunn's constantly expanding powers have carried him into important relations and many organizations have benefited by his ripe experience, mature judgment and superior administrative ability. He is president of the Eclipse Machine Company of Elmira; the Eclipse Machine Company, Limited, of Walkerville, Ontario, Canada; the Eclipse Textile Devices, Incorporated, of Elmira; the Dunn Realty Corporation and the Dunn-Cooper Corporation, both of this city; executor of the Mathias H. Arnot Estate of Elmira; and a director of the Elmira Water, Light & Railroad Company, the Elmira Knitting Mills, the Shepard Electric Crane & Hoist Company of Montour Falls, New York, and the Johnson Oil Refining Company of Chicago, Illinois. He is also a director of the American-La France Fire Engine Company, and a director of the Elmira Chamber of Commerce, of which he formerly served as president.

During the World War Mr. Dunn was executive chairman of eight counties on the war industries committee, and a member of the executive committee of the sixth region of the War Industries committee, which had its executive headquarters in Rochester, New York. He gave to the Dunn Field Corporation the land used for athletics and as a baseball park, the net income from which is donated to charity. In many ways he has been a leading spirit in all worthy civic projects. Mr. Dunn is a Knight of Columbus and a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers, the Engineers Club of New York city, the Old Timers Club of America, the Old Colony Club of New York city, the Aviation Country Club of Detroit, Michigan, the Catholic Club of New York city and the Congressional Country Club of Washington, D. C. He also belongs to the Elmira Lodge of Elks, the Elmira City Club, the Century Club of this city, the Pine Cliff Club of Elmira, the Elmira Golf and Country Club, being vice president of the latter organization, and the Rotary Club. He is one of the trustees of the Chemung County Historical Society, in the affairs of which he has always taken an intense interest. He is president of the Elmira Industrial Association; president of the Elmira Community Service, Incorporated; president of the Arctic League, a charitable organization; president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, also a charitable organization; vice president of the Arnot Art Gallery; vice president, Elmira Council, Boy Scouts of America; chairman, Building and Advisory Committee, St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; and chairman, community Recreation Commission of Elmira.

On the 28th of June, 1904, Mr. Dunn was united in marriage to Miss Julia O'Connor of Elmira, a daughter of Hon. J. J. O'Connor, whose sketch appears on another page of this volume. In closing this brief review of the career of Edward J. Dunn, it may be truthfully written that he is a self made man, whose success has been worthily won and well used. He has a mind that conceives in large proportions and executes as readily as it conceives. He has been a power in constructive development and evolution and his life, now in its prime, has been one of intense activity, directed into those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number.

WALTER LONGWELL.

Walter Longwell is an active factor in business circles of Steuben county as secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Longwell Roofing Company of Bath, which he organized in association with his brother in 1910. He was born in Urbana, Steuben county, New York, on the 3d of May, 1875, his parents being John and Ella (Bradt) Longwell. The family is one of the oldest in western New York. The grandfather of Walter Longwell came here when the Indians had a runaway to Seneca Lake and at one time was in possession of the land on which the Soldiers Home at Bath now stands.

In the acquirement of an education Walter Longwell attended the Haverling high school in Bath, then read law for a year and afterward continued his studies in the Corning high school. Subsequently he followed the profession of teaching for three years and next entered the employ of the Bath Harness Company in the capacity of bookkeeper. He then spent six years in the service of the Lake Keuka Vintage Company of Bath, after which he and his brother organized the Longwell Roofing Company in 1910. Five years later the business was incorporated. As above stated, Walter Longwell is the secretary, treasurer and general manager of the concern, while his brother, Spencer Longwell, occupies the presidency. They began as roofers, but their business has expanded and prospered to such a degree that they have added

a line of lumber and builders' supplies. Their premises extend for three thousand feet along the railroad track.

On the 17th of September, 1899, Mr. Longwell was united in marriage to Miss Stella B. Hamilton and they have two children: Harold W. and Evelyn Ruth. A democrat in politics, Mr. Longwell has been a member of the county committee for several years and has been a delegate to numerous democratic conventions. He was elected justice of the peace in Bath on the democratic ticket and after serving in that capacity for four years received the support of both the republican and democratic parties for another term of four years. In 1924 he was elected a member of the board of education of the village of Bath. In Masonry Mr. Longwell has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, belonging to Bath Lodge, No. 112, A. F. & A. M., of which he is past master; Bath Chapter, No. 95, R. A. M., of which he is high priest; Bath Council, No. 45, R. & S. M., and Corning Consistory, A. & A. S. R. He is likewise identified with the Grange. He is an enthusiastic radio fan and also derives pleasure from motoring.

HENRY B. CURTIS.

Head of the largest insurance agency in Livingston county, New York, an active dealer in real estate, and owner of much valuable farm land in the county, Henry B. Curtis of Geneseo, Livingston county, New York, is a factor of importance in the community's affairs and has done much to assist in the county and town's development. He was born in Geneseo, on March 23, 1861, the son of Remembrance and Amanda M. (Chase) Curtis, both deceased. His descent is from Revolutionary stock, on both the paternal and maternal sides. He was one of four children, two sons and two daughters, all living.

In the acquirement of his education Henry B. Curtis attended the public schools until he was fourteen years old, when he started out to work and for a time was employed as a clerk by C. O. Atherton, at Moscow, New York. In 1884 Mr. Curtis engaged for himself in the mercantile business at Moscow (now called Leicester) with C. Leslie Botsford under the firm name of Botsford & Curtis, and they continued the business until the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western fire of 1902, which destroyed the town. Since then Mr. Curtis has handled over sixty claims of property owners against the D., L. & W. Railroad, and has collected over twenty-four thousand dollars without trial. Mr. Curtis served as county clerk for two terms, beginning in 1899, and in 1903 purchased a half interest in the E. F. Young fire insurance and real estate business, an arrangement which continued until January, 1905. He then took over the entire business, which he now conducts as the largest insurance agency in Livingston county, also doing an extensive business in real estate. Mr. Curtis owns over three hundred and fifty acres of the best farm land in the county. He is also receiver of the firm of Ewart & Lake, produce dealers, of Groveland, New York.

Mr. Curtis was married on January 8, 1885, to Inez D. Botsford of Leicester, New York. One daughter has been born to them: Eloise M., who was married in November, 1921, to George I. Lockwood, now of Geneseo. Mr. Curtis belongs to the Association of Federated Insurance Men of New York state. He is a member of the Masonic order, a Presbyterian in his religious convictions, and has served as chairman of the church board of trustees for eleven years. In his political opinions Mr. Curtis is a republican, was town clerk of Leicester when twenty-two years old, was a director in the Genesee Valley National Bank for eighteen years, and during the World war was food administrator of Livingston county, and chairman of the board of military census.

ELLIOT T. BUSH, M. D.

For the past eight years Dr. Elliot T. Bush has been a resident of Elmira and the profession as well as the public accords him rank with the leading medical practitioners of the city. He was born in Horseheads, Chemung county, New York, June 16, 1880, a son of Dr. Robert Porter and Loretta (Ludlow) Bush, the latter a native of Penn Yan, this state, in which they were married in 1870. The father was born in Branchport, New York, and on April 19, 1861, enlisted for service in the Civil war, joining the Twelfth New York Volunteer Infantry. On the expiration of his term he reenlisted, becoming captain of the One Hundred and Eighty-fifth New York Infantry,



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and was later promoted to the rank of major. After the close of the war he prepared to enter the medical profession, studying in Bellevue Hospital and in the University of Buffalo. He and his wife were instructors in Penn Yan Academy and were also teachers in the Union Free School at Horseheads, where he began his medical career. He was one of the pioneer physicians of Horseheads, practicing there from 1874 until his death in 1923, and stood high in his profession. He was a staunch democrat and wielded a strong influence in political circles of the state. He took a very active part in legislative affairs and for thirteen terms was a member of the general assembly, of which he was speaker for a term. He never used his talents unworthily nor supported a dishonorable cause in order to advance his own interests, accumulating but little of this world's goods. He was a man of spotless reputation and was known as "Honest Bob Bush." He was a York Rite Mason and served as the first high priest of the chapter at Horseheads, which he aided in organizing. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and a Presbyterian in religious faith. Dr. and Mrs. Bush became the parents of nine children and seven are now living.

Elliot T. Bush was the fifth in order of birth and the fourth son in the family. He attended the public schools of Horseheads and Cook Academy at Montour Falls, New York, afterward devoting a year to teaching. On the expiration of that period he matriculated at the Buffalo Medical College, from which he received his professional degree in 1903, and then spent a year in the Erie County Hospital of that city. Returning to Horseheads, he formed a partnership with his father, with whom he was associated until 1916, when he opened an office in Elmira. In the intervening period he has built up a large practice as a specialist in urological diagnosis and surgery and is attending physician and assistant surgeon at the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital, while he is also a member of the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

On October 16, 1906 Dr. Bush was united in marriage to Miss Maude Mattison, who was born, reared and educated in Winsted, Connecticut, and they have four children: Robert P., (II), Pauline J., Elliot T., Jr., and Stewart Wymans. Mrs. Bush is affiliated with the First Presbyterian church and consistently follows its teachings. The doctor is a Royal Arch Mason and belongs to the Rotary Club, the Elmira Golf & Country Club and the City Club. He is a member of the National Society of Urologists; the New York State Association of Industrial Physicians & Surgeons; the Elmira Academy of Medicine and the Chemung County Medical Society, which have called him to the office of president; the New York State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association.

HOMER C. WYANT.

Among the enterprising business men whose constructive labors have been a vital force in Rochester's upbuilding and advancement is numbered Homer C. Wyant, one of the progressive realtors of the city. He was born in Hastings, New York, July 27, 1882, and his parents, George E. and Clemence (Besancon) Wyant, were also natives of the Empire state. In the paternal line he comes of Colonial stock and one of his maternal ancestors was the founder of the city of Besancon, France, while another member of that family migrated to the United States at an early period in the settlement of this country. George E. Wyant engaged in general merchandising in Hastings for many years but is now deceased. He is survived by the mother, who resides in Rochester. Four children were born to them: John E., Homer C. of this review, and Mrs. Ethel Sable, all of whom are living in Rochester; and Mrs. Eva D. Herrick, whose home is at Central Square, in Oswego county, this state.

Homer C. Wyant completed his education in the Central Square high school and then entered the service of the New York Central Railroad Company, becoming a telegrapher. Subsequently he was assigned other duties and for a number of years remained in the employ of that corporation. In 1911, when a young man of twenty-nine years, he entered the real estate field in Rochester and is now president of the Wyant-Simpson Company, which has developed several attractive subdivisions. The business has been incorporated and has steadily increased in volume under the able guidance of its founder, who is also a director of the Corporation for Discount, a banking house of Boston, Massachusetts.

During the World war Mr. Wyant went to France as a secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association and was assigned a position of heavy responsibility, directing the activities of about twenty secretaries and more than two hundred other employees. He had charge of the transportation of supplies by rail to the Y. M. C. A.,

Knights of Columbus, Red Cross and Jewish welfare societies, carefully supervising the delivery of each consignment, and his work was accomplished in a most thorough and efficient manner.

On May 7, 1905, Mr. Wyant was married to Miss Cassie Millis, a daughter of Howard L. Millis and a member of one of the pioneer families of Orleans county, New York. Mr. Wyant is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to the lodge, chapter and council, and is also a member of the Rochester Real Estate Board and the Automobile and Ad Clubs. With a mind commercially comprehensive, quick to perceive and act, Mr. Wyant has utilized to the full the opportunities afforded him for advancement and in so doing has achieved success, at the same time contributing to the development and prosperity of his city. He has never deviated from the path of honor and rectitude and the respect which is uniformly accorded him is well deserved. His residence is at No. 1415 Monroe avenue.

FRANK JOHN FOX.

Frank John Fox, president of the Flexible Shoe Company, has been identified with the shoe manufacturing industry in this city for forty years, and in this connection he has contributed largely toward Rochester's position of prominence in that industry. He was born in this city on the 17th of April, 1873, his parents being Jacob and Elizabeth (Sprau) Fox, both of whom were born in Europe. The father was born in Germany in 1840 and came to the United States soon after his marriage, settling in Rochester. To him and his wife were born eight children, seven of whom are living, namely: Jacob, of Rochester; John, a commercial traveler living in Chicago; Frank John, of this review; Rose, the wife of Frank Marks of Rochester; Catherine, the wife of Adam Dousbach of this city; and Harry and William.

Reared in Rochester and educated in the parochial schools, when twelve years of age Frank John Fox began working in the shoe factory of Goodyear & Naylor. Three years later the firm dissolved and he continued in the employ of J. W. Naylor for a time, while later he was with W. H. Goodyear, his services in this direction covering a period of twelve years. Gradually he worked his way upward, being advanced from one position to another until he had finally mastered the business in principle and detail, becoming an expert workman and learning much concerning the executive department of the business. In 1900 he embarked in the same line on his own account, and in partnership with H. H. Freeland, under the firm style of Freeland & Fox, began the manufacture of shoes on a small scale at Mill and Andrew streets. After eighteen months the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Fox then engaged in business for himself and has so continued. He is one of the most extensive manufacturers of children's shoes in the country, and is probably as well known in that line as any other manufacturer in the country.

In 1898 Mr. Fox was united in marriage to Miss Anna Kuebel of Rochester, daughter of John Kuebel. Mr. and Mrs. Fox have one child: Leona, who was born in Rochester in 1902 and was educated in the Nazareth Academy. Mr. and Mrs. Fox are communicants of SS. Peter and Paul Catholic church, and in politics Mr. Fox is independent. He also has membership connection with the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and with the Automobile Club of Rochester. A lifelong resident of this city, he enjoys an enviable reputation in business circles and his success has come solely from his own efforts. Mr. Fox's residence is at No. 480 Arnett boulevard.

THE FAULKNER FAMILY.

The history of the Faulkner family is so closely interwoven with that of Dansville that it is impossible to write the one without, in some degree, recording the other. The ancestral line is traced to three brothers, Daniel P., Samuel and James Faulkner, who settled here toward the close of the eighteenth century. Daniel P. was the first to arrive and brought with him the sum of ten thousand dollars, the proceeds of the sale of a tract of land in Pennsylvania. In 1795 he entered with zest upon the work of building up the village, but failed in business in 1798, owing to unwise investments, and returned to the Keystone state. Subsequently he again established his home in Dansville and here passed away in 1802. James was the next to come. He was a graduate of Rush College and was one of the pioneer physicians of the village.

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He was followed in 1797 by Samuel Faulkner, who bought several lots from his brother Daniel and built the first two-story frame house in Dansville. In this he conducted a tavern, but the building was destroyed by fire in 1798. Samuel Faulkner was the father of two children, Jonathan Dorr and James. The former served in the commissary department during the War of 1812, holding the rank of captain, and died in 1815 from the effects of exposure in that conflict.

His brother, Dr. James Faulkner, was born in Cambridge, Washington county, New York, January 21, 1790, and was six years old when his parents came to Dansville. His father died in 1805 and he was immediately adopted by his uncle, Dr. James Faulkner, who sent him to the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York city. He was graduated from that institution in 1812 and began his professional career in Dansville. In 1815 he purchased a large tract of land in Livingston county and also bought a large paper mill in Dansville. He operated the mill until 1839, when it was converted into a tannery, and he also built a large flour mill. He was a democrat in politics and was chosen to fill many public offices of trust and responsibility. He never violated a trust and his record as a public official was an unblemished one. He acted as town supervisor of Sparta. In 1824 he represented Livingston county in the state senate and was returned to the office in 1825. In 1835 he assumed the duties of judge of the court of common pleas of Livingston county and in 1842 resigned his seat upon the bench, having been elected state senator. He was one of the foremost men of the Genesee country. His life was brought to close in 1884, when he had reached the venerable age of ninety-four years. In 1812 he had married Minerva Hammond of Dansville, and they became the parents of four sons: Endress, the oldest, was born in 1819 and was graduated from the law department of Yale University. He was admitted to the bar and death terminated his career at the early age of thirty-three; Samuel D. was born November 14, 1835, and also chose the practice of law as his lifework, likewise receiving his training in Yale University. He became one of the distinguished representatives of the New York state bar and was the possessor of marked oratorical powers. He served in the state assembly and was elected county judge of Livingston county, passing away before the expiration of his second term; James, Jr., the next in order of birth, was also a Yale graduate and was elected to the state assembly in 1874. It is a notable fact that he entered upon the duties of the office on the 4th of January, 1875, just fifty years to a day from the time his father had become a member of that legislative body, and each was assigned to the same seat—No. 99—a remarkable coincidence; the fourth son, Lester B., was an alumnus of Yale University and served with distinction in the Civil war, becoming a lieutenant colonel in the Union army.

James Faulkner, Jr., married Margaret H. Neyle and their son, James Faulkner, attended the public schools, afterward spending three years as a student at Poughkeepsie, New York, two years at Bridgeport, Connecticut, and one year in the Sheffield Scientific School at New Haven, that state. He fitted himself for the profession of a civil engineer and for four years was in the service of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, during which period he was engaged in the construction of the Croton aqueduct. After severing his connection with that road he embarked in the lumber business in the city of Philadelphia and later went to Tennessee. For twenty years he was prominently connected with the lumber industry of that state and since that time has been identified with the Dansville plant of the Power Specialty Company. This is one of the largest industries in the east and maintains its headquarters in New York city. The firm manufactures Foster superheaters, economizers and oil heaters and its trade extends from coast to coast, while it also has established an office in London, England, and an industrial plant at Egham, in that country. From December, 1917, until February, 1920, Mr. Faulkner was in the service of his country. He was assigned by the war department to the lumber and piling section of the construction division, of which he was made executive head, with the rating of major, and was stationed in Jacksonville, Florida.

On the 7th of November, 1900, Mr. Faulkner was united in marriage to Miss Belle Bunnell, a daughter of M. J. Bunnell of Dansville. Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner have one son, James, who is also connected with the Power Specialty Company. Mr. Faulkner is a Mason and has crossed the hot sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also an Odd Fellow and an Elk and his political support is given to the candidates of the republican party, while in religious faith he is an Episcopalian. His life has been passed in harmony with the standards set by an honored ancestry and in person, in talents and in achievements Mr. Faulkner is a worthy scion of his race.

His brother, Samuel D. Faulkner, was born May 24, 1874, and received a public

school education. He spent eighteen years in the state of Tennessee, devoting his attention to the lumber business, and has since been a resident of Dansville. He is a vestryman of the Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the principles of the republican party, while fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order. In 1906 he married Miss May Foster of Dansville, and in the social life of the community they take an active part.

NEIL STEWART CALDWELL.

Enterprising, resourceful and decisive, Neil S. Caldwell is contributing his quota toward commercial activity in York through the capable management of the Ford agency and worthily sustains the traditions of a name that has long been an honored one in this community. He was born in the village on the 13th of May, 1876, a son of Edward C. and Helen (Stewart) Caldwell, both of whom are deceased. They were the parents of four children: Neil S. of this review; Edward C. of York; Helen, who is the wife of Don Craig of Nunda, Livingston county; and Arthur B. of Batavia, New York.

Neil Stewart Caldwell received a good education, attending the public schools, the Genesee Normal School and the Rochester Business Institute. He was first employed by Belden & Company, produce merchants of Avon, with whom he remained for a year, and then returned to York to assist his father in the conduct of the general mercantile business which the latter had established. After the father's death Neil S. and Edward C. Caldwell assumed the management of the business, which is still continued. In 1909 Neil S. Caldwell entered the automobile business, with which he has been connected for fifteen years, and he is owner of the Ford agency at York, in connection with which he maintains a service station and modern garage. He is well informed on everything relating to the trade and is numbered among the most successful dealers in Livingston county. Mr. Caldwell also has other important business interests, being secretary-treasurer and a director of the Genesee Stone Products Corporation of Batavia, New York. His brother, Arthur B. Caldwell, is president of the corporation, which manufactures crushed stone for road ballast and highway purposes and is capitalized at three hundred thousand dollars.

On August 14, 1913, Mr. Caldwell was united in marriage to Mrs. Ila (Godfrey) Harrison and theirs is one of the attractive and hospitable homes of the village. Mr. Caldwell is a staunch adherent of the republican party and takes a keen interest in politics. He served on the county committee for seventeen years and his opinion carries considerable weight in the councils of the party. He is loyal, patriotic and public-spirited in all matters of citizenship and during the World war acted as chairman of the committee which had charge of the local Liberty Loan drives. He is a consistent member of the United Presbyterian church and belongs to the Elks Lodge at Batavia. Mr. Caldwell is a man of broad views and progressive ideas, who enjoys the esteem of many friends, and time has proven his worth.

J. LEE KINNER, M. D.

Dr. J. Lee Kinner, who has practiced surgery in Elmira for fourteen years, was born in Bradford county, Pennsylvania, in 1885 and is a son of Wilson D. and Annabel (Hanlon) Kinner, the former a native of Cameron, New York, and the latter of Pennsylvania. They reside in Elmira and the father is a conductor in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. They were married in Pennsylvania and four children were born to them, one of whom is deceased; the subject of this sketch was the second in the family. The grandfather, Allen H. Kinner, was a native of New York state and a veteran of the Civil war. The great-great-grandfather, Jonathan Kinner, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, in which he served for nine years, having been a member of the Sullivan expedition.

J. Lee Kinner attended the Elmira Free Academy and prepared for his profession in George Washington University, Washington, D. C., which in 1910 awarded him the M. D. degree. In the following year he opened an office in Elmira and continued in practice until 1918, when he enlisted for service in the World war, joining the United States Medical Corps. He was commissioned first lieutenant and during the

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latter part of his service was attached to the general hospital at Atlanta, Georgia. He was released from military duty in 1919 and returned to Elmira to resume his practice.

On April 15, 1915, Dr. Kinner was married to Miss Mary Ellen Wilder, who was born in Illinois. She passed away in 1918. On June 27, 1922, Dr. Kinner was united in marriage to Miss Margaret E. Knapp, a native of North Tonawanda, New York, and they have a daughter: Mary Elizabeth.

Dr. Kinner is a member of the Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a Knight Templar Mason, a Shriner and an Elk, and belongs to the Rotary Club and the Elmira Golf & Country Club.

WILLIAM F. LYNN.

William F. Lynn of the Rochester bar, has had broad experience in his profession, which he has followed continuously for nearly thirty years. He was born in Mendon, Monroe county, New York, on the 21st of October, 1872, a son of Maurice and Jane (Groves) Lynn. The mother, who passed away in Rochester on November 2, 1923, at the venerable age of ninety-two, was born in County Kerry, Ireland, on the 29th of July, 1831. As a girl she came to Rochester with her mother and made this city her home until her marriage on November 1, 1852, soon afterward removing to Michigan with her husband. Maurice Lynn was also a native of Ireland and had come to the United States in early life. The young couple remained in Michigan only a short time, then returned to New York, locating in East Bloomfield and later in Mendon, where they resided until the death of Maurice Lynn in 1892, when seventy-three years of age. There were ten children in their family, six of whom are living: Mrs. John Grimm, Emma M. Lynn, John D., William F. of this review, and Edward B., all of Rochester; and Thomas M. Lynn of Gates.

William F. Lynn attended the district schools of Mendon, afterward becoming a student in the Wesleyan Seminary. He read law in the office and under the direction of his brother, Judge John D. Lynn, a prominent attorney of this city, and was admitted to the bar in 1895, when twenty-three years of age. He formed a partnership with his brother, with whom he has since been associated, under the name of Lynn Brothers.

On December 26, 1901, Mr. Lynn was married to Miss Hester V. Cronin, of Seneca Falls, New York. She died in September, 1909, leaving a daughter, Jane, who was born in Rochester in 1906. On July 20, 1912, Mr. Lynn was married to Miss Josephine H. Cronin, a sister of his first wife. He is connected with the Rochester Bar Association and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and in religious faith is a Roman Catholic.

NEWTON S. BARKER.

After a lifetime of ceaseless activity, during most of which he was a large operator in lumber and did much for the development of the Genesee country, Newton S. Barker of Nunda, Livingston county, New York, has retired from active business and is living the life of leisure his years of industry have fairly earned. During all the years when Mr. Barker had large interests demanding his constant attention, he always maintained an interest in and close contact with local affairs as a good citizen and one with obligations to the community in which he lived. A republican in his political views, he has been village trustee; president of the village; was president of the school board in 1924, when the new high school was erected, and supervisor. He was born on a farm near the town of Nunda on July 5, 1852, the son of Jesse and Jane (Bradley) Barker, and is the only one of their six children living.

Newton S. Barker's education was limited to boyhood attendance at the district schools, after which he began to work on the farm and continued to be thus occupied until he was twenty-five years old, when he abandoned the plough for the business world and engaged in the work of cutting timber and making lumber, in which industry he was active until his retirement in 1923. He prospered almost from the very start, steadily expanded his business, operated several sawmills, and for fifteen years had a large retail lumber trade in addition to his wholesale business.

On November 30, 1874, Mr. Barker was married to Mary J. Clute, who died on

January 11, 1899. They became the parents of the following children: Asa J., now of Linton, Indiana; Mary E. Taylor of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Arthur, who passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Barker adopted and reared as their own child, Mary L. Barker, daughter of their son Asa J. She is now the wife of Daniel Smith of Rotterdam Junction, New York. Mr. Barker was married on December 22, 1904, to Mrs. Jennie Phillips who died March 3, 1917. Mr. Barker is a Chapter Mason, and in religion an adherent of the Baptist faith.

GEORGE L. MULFORD.

George L. Mulford is a newspaper man of the Southern Tier. He located in Horseheads, Chemung county, in 1893, when he became the owner of the Chemung Valley Reporter. In 1911 he formed a company and admitted some of the employees to share in the profits of the publishing business. He is the president and treasurer of the Chemung Valley Reporter Company.

George L. Mulford was born July 6, 1868, in Mount Hope, Orange county, New York, the child of Thomas J. and Ellen Jane (Langdon) Mulford. His Mulford ancestors were English, and they came from Devonshire, England, in 1643, and settled on Long Island. He is of the ninth generation. The Mulfords throughout the country are said to have been the descendants of these two men who came from England.

George L. Mulford obtained his education in the Goshen high school and lived on a farm until he was seventeen years of age, when he entered the office of the Goshen Democrat and learned the printer's trade. Before coming to Horseheads he worked at the trade in Brooklyn, Newburgh and New York city.

On July 6, 1891, Mr. Mulford was united in marriage to Miss Jennie S. Quick, who taught school in Newburgh prior to her marriage. Mr. Mulford is a member of many organizations, including the Methodist Episcopal church, being a trustee of the local church; the Masons, being a trustee of the local lodge, and having taken all the degrees in the great fraternity, including the thirty-second degree; the Odd Fellows, being a past grand of the Horseheads Lodge; the Grange and the Rotary Club. He counts just two dozen organizations to which he belongs and is rated as a "jiner".

Mr. Mulford has been among the progressive men of the community and was instrumental in organizing the Horseheads Savings & Loan Association and the Horseheads Civic & Commercial Club, and is president of the latter organization. In politics he is a republican and frequently takes an active part in party affairs.

DONATUS L. LUNGHINO.

Donatus L. Lunghino, member of the firm of S. Lunghino & Sons, is a forceful personality in banking circles of Rochester and the possessor of business acumen and enterprise—essential elements in the attainment of success. He was born in Buffalo, New York, July 11, 1885, and is a son of Sebastian and Frances (Spera) Lunghino, natives of Italy. In 1881 they came to the United States, establishing their home in Buffalo, where the father secured a position as a laborer and later opened a grocery store in the Italian colony of that city. In 1888 he founded a private bank in Buffalo and subsequently expanded the scope of his operations, organizing the firm of S. Lunghino & Sons. He remained at the head of the business for many years and was very successful in his financial operations, owing to the confidence reposed in his ability and integrity. He retired from business about one year before his death, which occurred in May, 1924, at the age of seventy-nine. The mother died in 1920. Seven children were born of their union.

Parochial and public schools of Buffalo afforded Donatus L. Lunghino his educational opportunities and under the direction of his father he received thorough training in the banking business. When about seventy-eight years of age Sebastian Lunghino retired from the firm and turned over his interests to his three sons, Donatus L., Anthony S. and Joseph J. Lunghino, the last named a prominent attorney of Buffalo. They have proven capable financiers and through harmonious cooperation and concentrated effort have succeeded in enlarging the business, which is one of extensive proportions. In 1910 Donatus L. Lunghino came to Rochester to open a branch bank, of which he has since been manager, and he also has charge of a steamship office here.

In New York city, on November 16, 1910, Mr. Lunghino was married to Miss Maria Giovanna, a daughter of Sebastian and Margherita (De Vito) Giovanna, and they have become the parents of two children: Beatrice, born in 1919; and Donatus Sebastian, born March 16, 1921, both natives of Rochester. Mr. Lunghino is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and has membership in the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. He belongs to the local Automobile Club, and his genuine personal worth has won for him many friends in Rochester, as well as in his native city.

MURRAY L. GAMBLE.

Murray L. Gamble, an able financier, is president of the Groveland State Bank, one of the leading moneyed institutions of Livingston county, and has also achieved success in other walks of life. He is a member of one of the honored pioneer families of the town, of which he is a native son, and was born in the old Gamble homestead on the 30th of June, 1865. His grandfather, David Gamble, was a native of Ireland and migrated to the United States, settling in Pennsylvania in 1810. A few years later he cast in his lot with the pioneers of Groveland and became owner of a farm of two hundred and twenty-eight acres. When he arrived in the Genesee country the work of development and civilization had scarcely been begun, and by arduous labor he cleared his land, eventually transforming it into a productive and well improved property. In public affairs he took a keen interest and served for a number of years as justice of the peace, while he was also a member of the board of supervisors. His son, Robert Gamble, was born June 9, 1828, and died February 24, 1904, at the age of seventy-six years. He married Rose Mary White, whose demise occurred on the 5th of June, 1898. They had a family of four children: Iva, who is the wife of D. E. Gray of Groveland; Murray L., of this review; Ora M., who was married to Dr. F. V. Foster of Caledonia, and died September 6, 1897; and a son who died in infancy.

Murray L. Gamble attended the public schools of Livingston county and completed his education in Lima Seminary. He first followed the occupation of farming and is still identified with agricultural pursuits, owning four hundred and fifty acres of valuable land in Livingston county. He displays keen sagacity in guiding the destiny of the Groveland State Bank, tempering progressiveness with conservatism, and has so directed his efforts as to win and retain the confidence and support of the public. He is also senior member of the firm of Gamble & Vincent, engaged in the automobile business in Genesee, and has made a success of everything that he has undertaken, for his plans are well matured and his broad grasp of affairs enables him readily to discriminate between the essential and unimportant elements of a business situation.

In 1888 Mr. Gamble was married to Miss Fannie E. Ewart, a daughter of George S. Ewart of Groveland. She was born December 31, 1867, and died October 4, 1898, leaving three children: Roxy, born October 5, 1888; Mary Louise, who was born January 5, 1890, and married Charles Roda of Potsdam, New York; and Helen Ewart, who was born March 26, 1894, and is the wife of Clifford Staudinger of Long Island. Mr. Gamble's second union was with Miss Luella Harrison, to whom he was married on June 22, 1904. She was born November 9, 1875, and her father was James B. Harrison, a well known citizen of Groveland.

Mr. Gamble is a Presbyterian in religious faith and an elder in his church. He is allied with the democratic party and filled the office of supervisor for a number of terms. He is a member of Groveland Grange and has attained the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, also belonging to the Shrine. In considering the welfare of his community he gives to it the earnest and thoughtful consideration that he habitually bestows upon personal matters and his worth as a man and citizen is uniformly acknowledged.

WILLIAM M. KILLIGREW.

Shouldering a man's responsibilities at the age of fourteen gave William M. Killigrew, who came of good old Irish stock, his start along the road to business success and sympathy for boys. As the proprietor of one of the largest flour and feed concerns in southern New York state, he has not only made a fine financial success but has stood out in public affairs and demonstrated that he is an American of the best type—the type which advanced this nation so greatly during the last fifty years. He

was born in Caton, Steuben county, New York, September 25, 1870, the son of Michael and Mary (Kenna) Killigrew and was educated in the district school and Elmira grammar school. His parents were both natives of the Emerald isle, his father coming to the United States in 1837. Michael Killigrew was married in Goshen in 1837 and at first worked in a sawmill, but when he had saved enough money he purchased the farm at Caton where William Killigrew was born. Michael Killigrew died in 1884.

After four years of farming William Killigrew, now a man grown, went to Corning, where he worked in a coal yard and office. When he reached his majority he started a flour and feed business of his own. This concern has grown and flourished until (in 1924) Mr. Killigrew has three large warehouses in Corning, and is one of the pioneer business men in point of service in Corning.

William M. Killigrew is not interested in business alone. He has kept himself an active figure in the affairs touching Corning's general welfare and has given greatly of his funds and time to good causes. He is a director of the Boy Scouts, both of the county committee and the camp committee and works hard for their welfare. He belongs to the Rotary and Corning Country Clubs, served on the board of public works, as a director of the hospital board, a director of the Corning Trust Company, and a director of the Riverside Builders Supply Company. During the World war he was vice president of the Corning War Chest and was energetic in everything to "help win the war". He sold many Liberty bonds and set a good example by buying many himself. Corning rates Mr. Killigrew as one of its most popular men. In politics he is a democrat but has never sought office. Mr. Killigrew is a member of the Roman Catholic church, a trustee of St. Patrick's church and is active in the Knights of Columbus, and Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Killigrew was married to Miss Alice McCarty on April 27, 1904, in Corning, New York, and they have five children: Esther, Bernard, Catherine, Alice and John. In his home life as well as his business life Mr. Killigrew has found happiness and as the years go on he establishes himself more and more as an essential figure in the life of Corning.

JOHN WALTER TRACY.

The name of John Walter Tracy, who was formerly vice president and general manager of the North East Service, Incorporated, a subsidiary of the North East Electric Company of Rochester, adorns history's pages as that of a hero, for he sacrificed his life in an attempt to save others. He was in the forty-ninth year of his age when on the 30th of May, 1924, he was drowned in the annual Memorial Day cruise of the Rochester Yacht Club to Sodus, being swept to death in the waters of Lake Ontario off Pultneyville. The body of Mr. Tracy was not recovered until July 25th, following his tragic death, when it was washed ashore near Putneyville, New York.

John Walter Tracy was born in Lockport, Niagara county, New York, on the 10th of October, 1875, his parents being John Herbert and Josephine (Hillebrandt) Tracy, the former a manufacturer of whips and leather goods. When he was four years of age the family home was established on the Ridge road in Parma, a suburb of Rochester, where John Walter attended the grade schools in the acquirement of his early education. He later became a high school student in Spencerport and subsequently pursued a course in the State Normal and Training School in Brockport, Monroe county, New York. He devoted two years to the profession of teaching as an instructor at Henrietta and next pursued a course in engineering and also a university extension course. Mr. Tracy then went to Port Chester, New York, where he assumed the responsible position of foundry manager at a remarkably early age, receiving much favorable comment from the press as a young man of unusual business ability and sagacity. Failing health caused his return to Rochester, but after a year's recuperation he went to Buffalo, where he became associated with the Taylor Signal Company. When this concern combined with the Pneumatic Signal Company, forming the General Railway Signal Company, Mr. Tracy came back to Rochester as representative of the latter, being connected with the electrical installation division in the offices at Lincoln Park. The following is an excerpt from a review of his career which appeared in the North East News of July, 1924:

"He entered the automotive field in 1912, when he became associated with the North East Electric Company on October 16th of that year. A pioneer in automotive electrical service, he developed and built up a service organization for North



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East equipment along original lines, the effectiveness of which has proved the remarkable soundness of his judgment and insight. * * * When the North East Service organization was incorporated as a separate concern in 1921 he naturally became the active head of North East Service, Incorporated, and continued in this capacity until his death." The following tribute was printed in the same publication: "To sell a new product to a discriminating public such as the automotive industry against keen competition, is a hard task; but it is harder still to keep that product sold and perhaps the most important thing that keeps a product sold is judicious servicing of the product after it gets into actual service. Starting October 16, 1912, with a nucleus of exactly four men, Mr. Tracy built up a service organization of over two hundred men and women directly connected with the North East Service, Incorporated. Ten branches in this country and abroad are operated by the company who in turn supervise the activities of over six hundred authorized North East Service stations, this service covering the globe wherever North East products are used. This is a real job requiring exceptional capabilities."

After the tragic death of Mr. Tracy the following memorial was mailed to the North East Service stations throughout the world: "It is with profound sorrow that we have to advise you of the death of our vice president and general manager, J. W. Tracy, who was drowned on Friday, the 30th of May, 1924. Mr. Tracy sacrificed his life to save others. He had been actively connected with this company and the North East Electric Company for twelve years and assisted prominently in the building up of our service organization. He was a courteous, considerate and kindly gentleman, a faithful and loyal associate and a steadfast and splendid friend. The world has too few such men and can ill spare them. His loss is personal to each of us who have been privileged to associate with him."

In 1918, during the World war, Mr. Tracy entered the government service in civilian capacity in the Motor Transport Corps, and spent several months in France assisting in the working out of the Motor Transport service situation. He held a commission as captain for special service at one dollar a year under Brigadier-General C. B. Drake, who was chief of the Motor Transport Corps overseas.

Mr. Tracy met his death as a guest aboard the yacht Leone in an heroic endeavor to save his wife and Mrs. Elmer G. Knapp, who had been tossed overboard as the Leone was making its way through the heavy seas which lashed the lake and a sudden gust keeled the craft over on its side. Mr. Tracy plunged in to rescue the struggling women. Hanging to a line tossed from the small vessel, the three struggled against the angry seas, whipped into foaming breakers by the strong northeast gale. Witnessing the exertions of the two women and man on the single line of safety, Herbert E. Meier, owner of the yacht Leone, threw off his coat and plunged over the rail to the aid of the three in the rough waters of the lake. With four persons in the water and the small vessel pitching in the gale, more ropes were thrown overboard. At this point, Mrs. Knapp and John W. Tracy, exhausted from battling the waves and benumbed by the almost ice cold water, let go their hold on the first line thrown out and went to their death below the surface. Mrs. Tracy and Herbert E. Meier, grasping the extra ropes tossed by their friends frantically trying to aid them from the rails of the vessel, were pulled to the side of the yacht and rescued. The North East News said: "This heroic sacrifice typifies the kind of a man that he was. Always ready to give assistance and to shield others from injury or unpleasantness, he never let consideration for himself stand in the way of what he could do for others. He had a rare faculty for friendship, and his irresistible kindness and sympathetic understanding endeared him to all with whom he was associated, and transformed the most commonplace business contact into an experience of real pleasure and inspiration. Of the many who knew him his friends in the automotive world will feel his loss perhaps the most keenly. His constructive leadership in building ideals and solving problems in the electrical service field won for him the goodwill and admiration of all who came within his influence."

On the 9th of April, 1919, Mr. Tracy was united in marriage to Miss Josie Alma McCray. He was a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Genesee Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and he likewise held membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the National Geographical Society, the Automotive Electrical Association, the Automotive Electrical Service, the Rochester Automobile Club and the Rochester Yacht Club.

The following resolutions and expressions are from the many similar ones received by Mrs. Tracy:

"Resolutions adopted by the board of directors of North East Service, Incorporated. The appalling suddenness of the death of our friend and associate, J. Walter

Tracy, has shocked us beyond expression. His was a rare spirit. He always seemed to move in an atmosphere of kindness. In his presence the manifold trials and vexations of the ordinary day seemed petty, and soon melted away. His sense of justice was very strong and this, together with these other attributes, made him peculiarly adapted for the position which he filled with such marked success. He came with the North East Electric Company in 1912, very early in its history, and by energy and ability made rapid and substantial progress until he became manager of the service department. When it was deemed wise to make a separate company of this department he still retained his position as manager with the title of vice president. The word service was no misnomer with him and his loyalty to the interests that he represented never warped his sense of justice. He has gone out from among us in the full vigor of his manhood and we shall always think of him as a 'good soldier'. He died as he lived—helping others. Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to his companion in life, to whom has come the greater loss and the deeper sorrow. We are sure that her greatest comfort will be the splendid heritage of the memory of that life which was lived so well and has left the world better because of his part in it.

"C. Walter Coapman, secretary, June 9th, 1924."

"Mrs. John Walter Tracy,

"Rochester, New York,

"My Dear Mrs. Tracy:

"It is with the greatest reluctance that I send these words of sympathy to you. With reluctance, as they bring to me the full realization that John Walter Tracy is no longer in the land of the living. The reaction, when I received the telegram conveying the sad news that Mr. Tracy had been drowned, was that I had lost one nearer to me than a superior. Such a relationship must have been mutual, as he has told me plans and discussed events that indicated a deeper confidence than ordinarily exists between managers and subordinates, and his confidence was never violated. Mr. Tracy was loved, honored and respected wherever he was known. No one could bear enmity toward him. He combined those qualities of manhood that made it a great pleasure to work with him or to count him as a friend. Fair dealing with those under his direction and with those with whom he transacted business, accorded him a universal welcome. His sincerity created the utmost confidence among his business and personal friends. Subterfuges were no part of his nature. A wonderful personality cemented the bonds of acquaintanceship and thus built up enduring friendships. But a noble character was the real foundation underlying his tower of friendships. The entire New York Branch organization join me in this expression of deepest sympathy. Your loss is our loss and we share your sorrow. Memories of Mr. Tracy and of his heroic deed will remain with us throughout the rest of our lives.

"Sincerely and sorrowfully yours,

"Dale Pierce Cartwright.

"East Orange, New Jersey,

"June 7th, 1924."

CARL M. FIERO, M. D.

Extensive hospital experience, part of which was acquired in United States army service, preceded the location of Dr. Carl M. Fiero at Geneseo, Livingston county, New York, where he enjoys a large general practice which his hospital experience proves of especial value in handling. He was born at Peoria, Wyoming county, New York, on April 6, 1878, and is the son of John M. and Marian (Rudgers) Fiero, both now living at Leicester, New York. Mr. Fiero is a Civil war veteran. They were the parents of two children, Carl M., of this review, and Guy M. (twins), the latter a dentist at Buffalo, New York. On the paternal side the Doctor's grandparents were John C. and Isabel (Gay) Fiero, of Flint Creek. The grandfather was born in 1800 and his death occurred in 1874. Isabel Gay (or De Guy, Maryland Huguenot ancestry), was born in 1801 and died in 1867. His great grandfather was Peter Fiero of Westcamp-on-the-Hudson, whose ancestors came from Holland and located in New York at an early period in its history. Isabel Gay's parents were William and Rebecca (Maxwell) Gay, born in 1771 and 1780, respectively. On the maternal side the Doctor's grandparents were Daniel and Charlotte (Denton) Rudgers. The grandfather was born in 1807 and died in 1888, while the grandmother was born in 1811.



DR. CARL M. FIERO

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and died in 1882. The grandfather was the son of Daniel and Nancy (Purdy) Rudgers, and the grandmother the daughter of Stephen and Eunice (Hudson) Denton.

Carl M. Fiero's early education was acquired in the grade and district schools, at the Genesee Normal School and at Middlebury Academy, after which he entered the University of Buffalo, at Buffalo, New York, from which he received his degree of M. D. and was graduated in the class of 1905. For about a year Dr. Fiero devoted himself to hospital work at Rochester, New York, and then located at Leicester, New York, where he followed general practice for twelve years. When the United States entered the World war he offered his services and was stationed at Embarkation Hospital, No. 1, at Hoboken, New Jersey, with the rank of captain. After his war duties were ended, in 1919, Dr. Fiero moved to Genesee, where he has been engaged in general practice ever since. He is a member of the county and state medical associations, and of the Livingston County Historical Society. In his political views Dr. Fiero is a republican, and has been county physician four years. He is a Mason, and in his religious convictions belongs to the Presbyterian church, and is a member of G. Livingston Wadsworth Post, No. 271, American Legion.

Dr. Fiero was married on February 6, 1907, to Louella Morrow of Pavilion, New York, and three children have been born to them: John, Donald and Austin. Mrs. Fiero is the daughter of David and Margaret (Cromwell) Morrow, the former of whom was born in 1839 and died in 1908, while Margaret Morrow was born in 1842 and died in 1921. David Morrow was the son of David and Agnes (Ross) Morrow, who were born in 1800 and 1804, respectively. Margaret Cromwell was the daughter of Jacob and Janet (McVean) Cromwell. Jacob Cromwell was born in 1815 and died in 1887. Janet (McVean) Cromwell was born in 1818 and died in 1908.

LAURENCE MEULENDYKE.

In the production of canned fruits and vegetables Rochester ranks with the leading cities of the world and among those enterprising business men who are responsible for its prestige in connection with this industry is numbered Laurence Meulendyke, secretary, treasurer and general manager of the W. N. Clark Company. He was born in Rochester, on the 31st of January, 1881, and his parents, Abraham and Mina (Zeeveld) Meulendyke, were also natives of the same city. The father was well known in industrial circles here as a manufacturer of upholstered furniture and for many years his attention was devoted to that business.

Laurence Meulendyke supplemented his public school education by a course in the Rochester Business Institute and after his graduation in 1899 he became an employe of W. H. Wood & Company, with whom he remained for about eighteen months. Subsequently he spent a similar period in the employ of the Taylor Instrument Company. In 1903 he entered the service of W. N. Clark Company, canners and preservers, and his ability soon became apparent to his employers, who rewarded his faithfulness and zeal by successive promotions. He now acts as general manager of the company, of which he is also secretary and treasurer, and his untiring efforts and managerial ability have been no small factors in the growth and development of the business.

On September 12, 1920, Mr. Meulendyke was married to Miss Katherine Morrison, a daughter of Walter W. and Katherine (Woodruff) Morrison of this city. Mr. Meulendyke is also a factor in the moral progress of his community and serves as a trustee of the Brick Presbyterian church of Rochester, of which he is an earnest, helpful member. His public spirit is denoted by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and he also belongs to the Rotary and Rochester Clubs. He is a Knights Templar Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He supports the platform and candidates of the republican party but has never been an aspirant for political honors, being content to perform his duty as a private citizen.

JOHN G. CARPENTER.

For nearly a quarter of a century engaged in the practice of law, John G. Carpenter of Avon, Livingston county, has always found the time to take an active part in the civic affairs of the community in which he lives and has been honored by many years in public office. He has a large legal practice which extends to many of the surrounding counties and all parts of western New York. He was born in West-

port, Essex county, New York, on September 15, 1874, the son of Albert and Mary (Sheldon) Carpenter, both natives of New York and both now deceased. The father was a farmer and sheep raiser. His family numbered five children, four sons and one daughter.

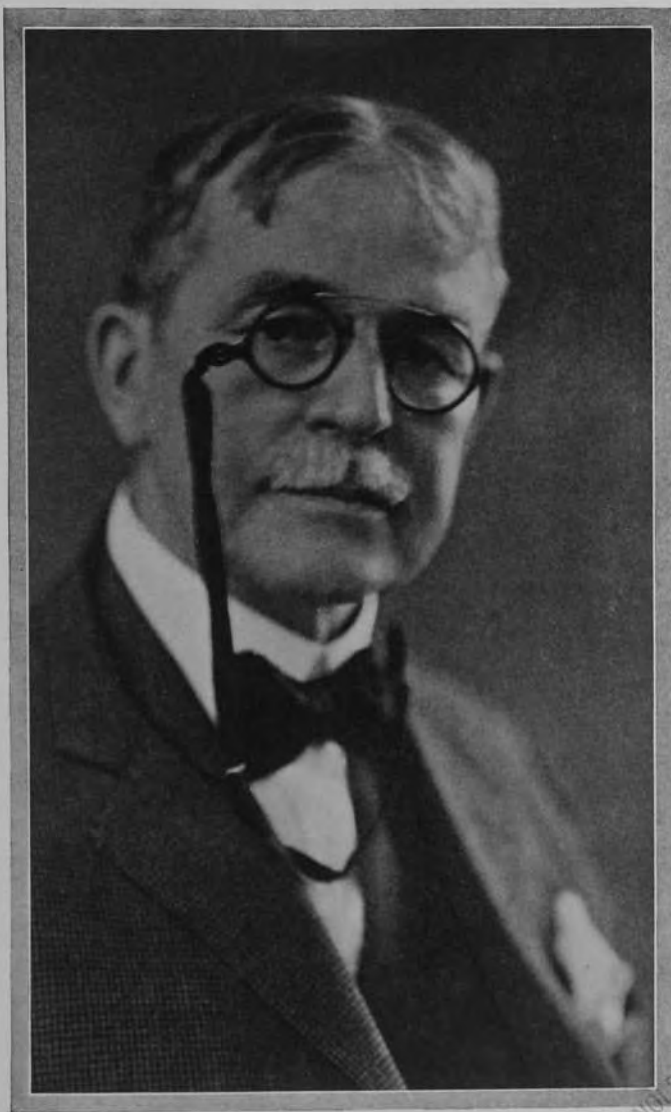
John G. Carpenter attended the grade and high schools at Westport and did post-graduate work in the latter. He then entered Colgate University at Hamilton, New York, from which he received his Ph. B. degree and was graduated in 1898. For his legal studies Mr. Carpenter entered the law department of the University of Buffalo at Buffalo, New York, from which he received the degree of LL. B. and graduated in 1900. Mr. Carpenter began the practice of law in Buffalo, but a few months afterward, on August 20, 1900, moved to Avon and has since been engaged in the general practice of law there. He has also maintained an office in Rochester since 1921. He served as police justice for ten years and was village attorney from 1904 to 1916. Some years ago Mr. Carpenter acquired the Fisk property of fourteen acres in Avon, which he laid out in an allotment of forty choice building lots through which run two thoroughfares—Fisk place and its extension, South avenue. This enterprise was a distinct contribution to the needs and growth of the village.

Mr. Carpenter was married on May 28, 1901, to Mary J. Risley, and two children have been born to them: John Colby and Rose Mary. Fraternally Mr. Carpenter is affiliated with the Masonic order. In religion he is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, while his political views are in accord with the principles of the republican party. He is now serving as president of the Avon Community Club, and president of the Avon Rod and Gun Club. He is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. Along strictly professional lines he is identified with the Livingston County Bar Association, and he is likewise a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon, the Theta Nu Epsilon and Beta Delta Beta college fraternities and the Delta Chi legal fraternity at Buffalo. During the World war Mr. Carpenter was on the Farmers' Loan committee, the Committee for the Promotion of the Raising of Food Crops, and was the head of the American Protective League for the northern half of Livingston county.

AMOS PECK MACK.

Any calling, be what it may, is ennobled or debased by the men who follow it. For more than a half century the name of Mack was synonymous with high-minded enterprise and absolute honesty in industrial circles of Rochester, and Amos Peck Mack steadfastly adhered to the high standards of commercial honor by which the business men of this city have always been distinguished. He was born in Oswego, New York, October 22, 1857, a son of William Warren Mack, who was one of the pioneer manufacturers of Rochester and a self-made man who fought life's battles unaided. He was born October 14, 1821, in Ira, Cayuga county, New York, and when a boy of fifteen left home to earn his own livelihood. As a young man he went to Syracuse, New York, and engaged in the dry goods business, afterward removing to Oswego, where he entered the same line of activity in partnership with his brother, Royal Mack. William W. Mack remained in that city for several years and then started for the west in search of a climate which would restore his health. He reached Davenport, Iowa, in 1860, and after recuperating returned to the east, arriving in Rochester in 1864. He formed a partnership with D. R. Barton, who had begun the manufacture of edged tools in this city in 1832, and they were joined by C. C. Merri-man. The business was first conducted under the name of D. R. Barton & Company and in 1874 William W. Mack and his brother purchased the interest of Mr. Barton. Subsequently the two sons of W. W. Mack entered the firm, which then became known as Mack & Company. The factory was situated on Brown's Race and Mr. Mack was the pioneer business man of that district, in which connection he became widely and favorably known. On September 10, 1845, he was married to Miss Laura Jane Peck, who was born May 28, 1820. He was a man of high principles and fine character and death terminated his labors on the 19th of July, 1901, when he was seventy-nine years of age.

Amos P. Mack was seven years of age when his parents came to Rochester and here he was reared and educated, attending the public schools and the old Sutterfee Institute, a preparatory school. On completing his studies he entered his father's plant, and having mastered the mechanical processes of the business, he was admitted to a partnership in the firm of Mack & Company. After his father's death Amos P.



AMOS P. MACK

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Mack and his brother, William Royal, assumed control of the business. Upon Wm. Royal Mack's death, some years later, Amos P. Mack became the head of the business, being the last of the family to continue the industry, which is the oldest in the city. He proved worthy of the trust and in its management displayed executive ability of a high order, greatly enlarging the scope of the enterprise and maintaining a notable degree of efficiency in its operation.

At Port Byron, New York, on May 27, 1885, Mr. Mack was married to Miss Alice Monroe Smith and they became the parents of two children: The elder, Warren T. Mack, was married to Martha H. Hunter and they have two daughters: Alice Monroe and Ernestine Elizabeth. Ernestine Mack became the wife of John Vrabeck of New York city, and they are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Barbara Vrabeck, born June 15, 1921, in Rochester.

Early in life Mr. Mack joined the Baptist church and to its teachings he faithfully adhered and served as trustee of the church. He was a member of the Genesee Valley Club and his political support was given to the republican party. He passed away at his home at No. 10 Granger place, on Tuesday, November 6, 1923, when sixty-six years of age, and in his death Rochester lost one of its valuable citizens, his associates a loyal friend, and his family a devoted husband and father. He was a manly man who met life's obligations with the confidence and courage that result from conscious personal ability, a right conception of things, and an habitual regard for what is best in the exercise of human activities.

EARL L. GREENE.

Earl L. Greene, president of the Earl L. Greene Knitting Corporation of Bath, Steuben county, is a prosperous young business man who has the reputation of being one of the most expert cloth weavers in America. He was born in Little Falls, Herkimer county, New York, on the 5th of April, 1891, his parents being William C. and Leora (Leaditt) Greene and his paternal grandfather was William C. Greene, Sr., of Herkimer county. The family is one of the oldest in the historic Mohawk valley. Earl L. Greene has a clock which has been in possession of the family for three centuries. During pioneer days in the Empire state his great-great-grandmother lived in a stockade and rode a horse. His father was a successful agriculturist, residing in the town of Little Falls.

Earl L. Greene was reared and educated in Johnstown, Fulton county, New York. After putting aside his textbooks he began learning the knitting business, which he has thoroughly mastered in every detail and in connection with which he has worked his way upward from a minor position to one of responsibility and importance. He was manager of the mills at Whitestown, New York, for Robert Evellett & Company, prior to his arrival in Bath in 1919. Here he represented the gasoline corporation as resident manager until 1923, when he organized the Earl L. Greene Knitting Corporation, with the following officers: Earl L. Greene, president; E. Kendall Derrick, vice president, and H. J. Donnelly, secretary. In the factory, which was erected in 1923, employment is furnished to from fifty to sixty people. The output of the mill is shipped to all parts of the United States in order to meet the large demand for knitted cloth, as well as for the entire garments here produced.

On the 19th of June, 1917, Mr. Greene was united in marriage to Miss Mae Kalmus, and they are the parents of four sons: John Earl, William G., Robert K. and Earl L., Jr. Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Greene has supported the men and measures of the republican party, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Methodist church. He is also a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Bath Lodge, No. 112, F. & A. M., and is likewise a member of the Rotary Club. He holds a secure place in the esteem of his fellow citizens, for his is an admirable character, worthy of all praise.

NELSON ELWOOD SPENCER.

Nelson Elwood Spencer, who has been an active representative of the legal profession in Rochester for nearly three decades, is also identified with business interests as president of the W. N. Clark Company, preservers and packers of canned goods. His birth occurred in Spencerport, Monroe county, New York, on the 30th of Octo-

ber, 1869. His parents were Riley A. and Lucretia (Palmer) Spencer, both of whom were descended from old New England families, the father's family coming to New York from Massachusetts, while his mother's came from Connecticut. The grandfather, Austin Spencer, was one of the pioneers of Monroe county and surveyed a great portion of its lands. In addition he followed the occupation of farming and was closely associated with the early development and improvement of this portion of the state, aiding in its reclamation for the uses of the white race. He served as justice of the peace and was a very prominent and influential citizen of western New York in his day. His son, Riley A. Spencer, was also a farmer and followed various other occupations as well.

Nelson Elwood Spencer was reared under the parental roof and after acquiring a public school education he became a student in the Wilmington Conference Academy at Dover, Delaware. Later he matriculated in the University of Rochester and was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy in the class of 1893. He became a member of the Alpha Delta Phi and also of the Phi Beta Kappa, two college fraternities. He was admitted to the bar on the 26th of December, 1895, and began practice the same day, since which time he has been an active member of the legal fraternity in Rochester. He engages in the general practice of law and his broad understanding of the principles of civil and common law well qualify him for the conduct of the litigated interests entrusted to his care. In addition to his professional activity he is engaged in business as president of the W. N. Clark Company, preservers of fruits and vegetables at No. 333 Hollenbeck street in Rochester. His associate officers are Fern L. Shannon, vice president and Lawrence Meulendyke, who is the secretary and treasurer.

On the 1st of December, 1897, Mr. Spencer was married to Miss Helen Louise Clark of Rochester, and they became parents of four children: Clark Palmer, Howard Clark, Elwood Clark and Nelson Palmer. Clark Palmer and Elwood Clark have passed away. Nelson Palmer who was born in Rochester in 1912, is attending school. Mr. Spencer belongs to the University Club of Rochester and to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, while along strictly professional lines he is identified with the American Bar Association. His residence is at No. 115 Strong street, Rochester, New York.

ANTONINO M. D'APRILE.

Habits of thrift, the will to progress, and financial acumen are inborn traits of the Italian race. Lack of education is a bar to the advancement of many, but those who have been educated quickly better their condition in life through the assistance of natural traits. They will work and save for years, and eventually will be found in a little private venture of their own which grows steadily under their watchful care into a business of large proportions and money-making powers. That has been practically the career of Antonino M. D'Aprile, owner of a prosperous private banking, real estate and steamship agency business at Rochester, New York. He was born at Valle d'Olmo, Italy, on June 23, 1870, the son of Giacomo and Fortunata D'Aprile.

Antonino M. D'Aprile received his early education in Italy, but could see no field there in which he could employ his abilities to advantage, and resolved to try his fortunes in the United States. In 1889 Mr. D'Aprile left his own country and arrived in America on June 23, when he was in his nineteenth year. His parents followed him in 1892. The first employment Mr. D'Aprile found after his arrival in the United States was at Buffalo, New York. He had worked at the plumbing and tinsmith trade in his own country, and there was a demand for men familiar with that work in Buffalo. He did fairly well at Buffalo for a couple of years and then moved to Geneseo, where he soon found work in a bean canning factory. For the next ten years Mr. D'Aprile worked in the bean canning factory, where for a part of the years he had been promoted to the position of a foreman. In 1895, and while still working in the factory, he had opened a general merchandise store in Geneseo, and this store he successfully conducted for about twenty years. About 1905 Mr. D'Aprile embarked in the real estate, private banking and steamship agency business in Rochester, being located at No. 228 State street. In 1913 Mr. D'Aprile purchased of Hon. James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, the fine residence at No. 26 Main street, Geneseo, which was the homestead of Judge B. F. Angel, at one time minister to Norway and Sweden, and grandfather of Mr. Gerard. Mr. D'Aprile resided there until 1924, when, because of a desire to be nearer his business, he purchased his present beautiful home at No. 1239 Lake avenue, corner of Seneca Parkway, Rochester.



ANTONINO M. D'APRILE

Mr. D'Aprile was married on June 7, 1888, to Catharine Miceli, and the five children born to them are: James, Fortunata, Joseph, Jerome and Carmina. Politically Mr. D'Aprile is a republican, and in religion a member of the Roman Catholic church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

RICHARD T. FORD.

A model hotel in its intricate operations is a mammoth undertaking when successfully directed. No one can question the executive ability of Richard T. Ford, owner and manager of the Richford and Ford Hotels, which he conducts without noise or friction, embodying the most progressive ideas and modern methods of hotel management. He has a wide acquaintance among the traveling public and his name figures conspicuously in business circles of Buffalo and Rochester. Mr. Ford was born in the latter city, January 23, 1874, a son of Thomas W. and Elizabeth M. (Kinsella) Ford, the latter a native of Ireland. She was a child when her parents came to the United States, settling in New York, where she received her education, and in Corning, this state, she married Thomas W. Ford. He was a lifelong resident of the Empire state and for many years engaged in the plumbing and heating business in Rochester, contributing his share toward the city's upbuilding and progress. His life was brought to a close in 1917 but the mother is still a resident of the city.

Richard T. Ford obtained his early education in the parochial school maintained by the Church of the Immaculate Conception and completed his studies in the Rochester Free Academy. He learned the plumbing and heating trades in his father's establishment and afterward engaged in business as a building contractor. In 1916 he purchased the property at the corner of Elm and Chestnut streets and on this site erected Hotel Richford, a modern, fireproof structure, of which he is sole owner. The elegance and refined taste reflected in its appointments, the genteel appearance and courtesy of its staff, are among the visible evidences of its excellence, and unfailing service, smoothly rendered, makes the guest pleasantly conscious of its efficiency. In 1923 Mr. Ford opened a similar hotel in Buffalo. He is a popular host, studying closely the wishes of his patrons and putting forth every effort to promote their comfort and well-being.

In Rochester, on February 9, 1898, Mr. Ford was married to Miss Lillian Barnes, a daughter of Charles R. and Mary E. Barnes of this city. In religious faith Mr. Ford is a Roman Catholic and he is also identified with the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Genesee Valley, Athletic and Rochester Clubs and is also a member of the Buffalo Club and the Athletic Club of that city. By ability, temperament and social qualities Mr. Ford is thoroughly adapted to the hotel business, of which he has made a pronounced success, and at the same time he has brought additional prestige to the cities in which his operations are conducted.

JACOB B. COYKENDALL.

One of the foremost insurance men of Elmira is Jacob B. Coykendall, who was born in Montague, New Jersey, November 1, 1864, a son of Andrew J. and Sallie J. (Bonnell) Coykendall, both of whom were natives of Sussex county, that state. The father came to Elmira in 1875 and demonstrated his faith in the city's future by purchasing a large amount of realty here. He was an agriculturist and also conducted a store for a number of years. He was an astute, farsighted business man and met with well deserved success in his undertakings. He was an adherent of the democratic party and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Its teachings guided him in the varied relations of life and he was nearly ninety years of age at the time of his demise. He was a son of Moses Coykendall, who was born in New Jersey and subsequently removed to Elmira, where he spent his remaining years. The maternal grandfather, Isaac Bonnell, was also a native of New Jersey and passed away at the venerable age of ninety-seven years. He was a remarkable man in many respects and but three days before his death delivered a speech on the subject of politics. He was a leader in the councils of the republican party and also took a prominent part in public affairs, representing his district in both the upper and lower houses of the state legislature of New Jersey. He was a dynamic force in business affairs and built

one hundred and ten mills in New Jersey, leaving the impress of his individuality upon the annals of that state, which numbered him among its foremost citizens.

Jacob B. Coykendall attended the grammar schools of New Jersey and continued his studies in the Elmira Free Academy. He was very proficient in drawing and his pen and ink sketches indicated the possession of much talent. He became an expert public accountant and resigned a position with a salary of two hundred dollars per month to accept a four-dollar-a-week job in an insurance office, realizing the possibilities for advancement in the business. Within two years he was making more money in this field and in 1891 took over an insurance agency that had been established in 1863, changing the name to that of J. B. Coykendall & Son. He sells fifty-one varieties of insurance, making a specialty of fire insurance, and the firm has the general agency for the Ocean Company of London, England, the Insurance Indemnity Company of North America, and represents the oldest and most reliable corporations engaged in this line of business. Mr. Coykendall writes policies in many parts of the west, as well as the east, and also does a large business in Canada. He has given many talks on salesmanship and physical training—topics on which he is exceptionally well informed—and is a director of the Elmira Savings & Loan Association.

In 1889 Mr. Coykendall married Miss Mary Alma Wallis, one of Elmira's native daughters, and they have a son: William Wallis, who attended Union College, also pursuing a course in Yale University, and is now associated with his father in business. He went to France with the first American contingent during the World war, and remained at the front for eighteen months, serving as a private with the Tenth and Twentieth Engineers.

Mr. Coykendall is keenly interested in athletic sports. He has lectured on physical culture, of which he has made a thorough study, and has trained many men in the art of boxing. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and gives his political support to the republican party. He belongs to the Masonic lodge and club, also to the Century Club, and is likewise a Rotarian.

CHARLES F. ABBOTT, M. D.

Among Elmira's native sons who have turned to the medical profession as a vocation is Dr. Charles F. Abbott, who is known as a specialist in electro-therapy. He was born September 1, 1875, and his parents, James M. and Sarah E. (Butler) Abbott, were natives of Pennsylvania. They were married in the Keystone state and removed to Chemung county, New York, in 1872. They had four children, of whom Charles F. was the second in order of birth. The father became a passenger conductor for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and was connected with that corporation from 1872 until his death in 1911. His wife passed away in 1921. He was a charter member of the South Side Baptist church and served as its first treasurer. He joined the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Roaring Branch, Pennsylvania, and his political views were in accord with the principles of the republican party.

Charles F. Abbott attended School No. 17, at Southport and in 1891 completed a course in School No. 3, receiving instruction from Perley Coburn. His academic training was finished in 1895 and four years later he entered the College of Physicians & Surgeons at Baltimore, Maryland, from which he was graduated in 1903. From July, 1903, until January, 1904, he was connected with one of the dispensaries of that city and then located in Elmira. Three months later he was appointed assistant medical examiner for the Pennsylvania System and filled that position until October, 1906, most of the time at Camden, New Jersey. He next went to Brooklyn, New York, and remained in that city until August, 1908, when he returned to Elmira. He devotes much time to study and has taken a course in the New York Post Graduate School & Hospital. He has just completed a course in electro-therapy in Chicago. Since 1910 he has been local surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

On the 1st of June, 1904, Dr. Abbott was married to Miss Lydia Ruth Wienand who was born in South Bend, Indiana, and attended Hood College and also Peabody Institute at Baltimore. She is a talented musician and has become well known as a pianist and vocalist. She is one of Elmira's most popular singers and for ten years has been soloist at the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church. Her father, the Rev. Paul Wienand, is a minister of the Reformed church and a writer of ability. Dr. and Mrs. Abbott have two children: Paul James and Dorothea Andrea, students at the Elmira Free Academy. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, to which their mother also belongs, and the Doctor is a Baptist in religious faith. He

has been treasurer of the Elmira Academy of Medicine for the past two years and has also held office in the Chemung County Medical Society. He is likewise connected with the American Medical Association, the Association of Pennsylvania Railroad Surgeons and the Volunteer Medical Service Corporation. He belongs to the Cooley Lodge of Masons, to the Grotto, and is also identified with the National Protective Association, the Knights of The Maccabees, the Automobile Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. While devoted to his profession, Dr. Abbott never neglects the duties of citizenship and conforms his conduct to high standards in every relation of life.

SAMUEL E. DURAND.

There are no citizens more deserving of the respect and admiration of their fellowmen than those who labor earnestly to build up the commercial and industrial interests of the country. In this classification belongs Samuel E. Durand, vice president of The Rochester Industries, Incorporated, and the owner of much valuable real estate in the city. He is a splendid type of the enterprising American business man, quick to perceive and utilize an opportunity for advancement, and has made notable progress for one of his years, for he has not yet reached the thirtieth milestone on life's journey. He is a member of one of Rochester's old and prominent families and was born in this city April 24, 1896. His grandfather, Frederick L. Durand, was a native of Connecticut and a descendant of Samuel Durand. The ancestry of the family in New England is traced back for two and a half centuries. The year 1845 witnessed the arrival of Frederick L. Durand in Rochester and his legal learning earned for him recognition as one of its foremost lawyers. He had a large practice and was called to public office, serving as city attorney. He was a consistent member of the First Presbyterian church, and died in 1903, respected and honored by all who knew him. He married Lydia W. Powers, a native of Vermont and a member of one of the oldest families of the Green Mountain state. Four children were born of their union, one of whom was John Ewing Durand.

John Ewing Durand was born in Rochester, February 5, 1856, and attended the Wilson grammar school and the Satterlee Collegiate Institute. He was graduated from Yale in 1876 and during his college days joined the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He studied law in his father's office and after his admission to the bar they formed a partnership, which was continued until 1903. Since his father's death John E. Durand has practiced alone and much of his time is given to the management of estates, as well as to the supervision of his personal holdings and investments. He is an able exponent of his profession and has gained high standing at the Rochester bar. He is an active worker for the good of his community and a leader in all projects for civic growth and betterment. As a member of the board of park commissioners he did much to improve and beautify the city, securing for it a park system which is one of Rochester's most valuable assets. He is a strong champion of educational progress and has served as school commissioner, also as a trustee of the State Industrial School in Rochester, and his wife became a member of the board of lady commissioners of the same institution. They are active in work of a charitable and philanthropic nature, quick to respond to the appeal of the needy, and the joy of generous giving is theirs. Mr. Durand is a member of the Brick Presbyterian church and belongs to the Kent Club, which is composed of prominent attorneys of the city. He is a charter member of the Genesee Valley Club of Rochester and is also a Mason, being connected with Frank R. Lawrence Lodge No. 797, F. and A. M., and Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M. In 1894 he was married to Miss Lillie McConnell, a daughter of Robert Y. McConnell of Rochester. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Durand is Samuel E. Durand, the subject of this sketch.

Samuel E. Durand received his early training in the public schools and under private instructors, afterward attending the Hill preparatory school at Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Subsequently he enrolled as a student at Yale University and was graduated with the class of 1919. During the progress of the World war he enlisted in the air service, receiving his preliminary training at Cornell College, after which he was ordered to France. He remained overseas for two years, winning the commission of first lieutenant, and after his return to the United States he completed his course at Yale University, which awarded him the A. B. degree. He then read law under the direction of his father, but decided that the legal profession was not his real vocation in life and turned to business pursuits, forming a company with Morton H. Anderson. They purchased the business of two typewriter companies and

are now working on an improved typewriter and other inventions. Their business is conducted under the name of The Rochester Industries, Incorporated, and Mr. Anderson is filling the office of president, while Mr. Durand serves as vice president. Their affairs are in a very prosperous condition, for both are astute, energetic business men, capable of managing large interests. Mr. Durand is also interested in real estate, demonstrating his faith in the city's future by large investments in downtown property. He is the owner of the Cutler building, which he recently purchased from Frederick T. Brown, a prominent realtor of New York city, for a consideration of approximately one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The building is six stories in height, with a three-story tower, and has a frontage of one hundred and fifteen feet in East avenue, ninety and two-thirds feet in Main street, East, and one hundred and thirty-four feet in Stillson street, in all one of the choicest pieces of downtown business property, wherein the fee was included, that has changed hands in Rochester for a number of years. In its remodeled condition this property yields an annual revenue of about one hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

On April 17, 1920, Mr. Durand was married to Miss Virginia A. Ranlet, a daughter of Robert and Netta (Potts) Ranlet of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Durand have a son and daughter: Virginia Ranlet, born April 11, 1921, and John Ewing Durand (II), born March 23, 1923. Mr. Durand is a member of the Yale Club of New York city, the Rochester Country Club, the Rochester Automobile Club and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He is a young man of keen business discernment, imbued with the progressive spirit of the age, and his business career would reflect great credit upon one many years his senior.

DAVID T. LAWLESS.

David T. Lawless, one of the pioneer paper manufacturers of western New York, has made this business his life work and has built and operated more mills in this section of the state than any other single individual. Rochester numbers him among her most valuable and highly esteemed citizens and although he has reached the ripe age of seventy-eight years, he is still a power to be reckoned with in the business arena, directing his affairs with characteristic sagacity and executive force. He was born in County Wexford, Ireland, on the 30th of August, 1846, and was quite young when his parents, David and Elizabeth (Kinsella) Lawless, migrated to the United States. They settled in Onondaga county, New York, where the father engaged in farming, and there both passed away.

In the winter months David T. Lawless attended the district schools of Onondaga county and during the summer season he assisted his father in the cultivation and development of the farm. In 1872 he took a contract to supply straw for a paper mill at Baldwinsville, New York, and for the following eight years he was actively engaged in that line of work. During this period he bought straw throughout twelve counties in New York and four counties in Ontario, Canada. In 1880 he felt that his experience was sufficient to enable him to direct a business of his own and his first paper mill was built in Penfield. The plant has been in operation for forty-four years and during this period Mr. Lawless has also operated mills in Fayetteville and Shortsville, New York. He has built up a large business, of which he is sole owner, and his long experience enables him to speak with authority on matters relating to the manufacture of paper. In addition to his interests in the paper business Mr. Lawless is a successful agriculturist and is the owner of two fine farms in the town of Penfield, where he has a beautiful home. Each day he comes into the city to transact his business.

On Christmas day of 1869 Mr. Lawless was married to Miss Mary Ann O'Brien, a daughter of Michael O'Brien, one of the early settlers of Onondaga county, New York. Thirteen children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawless, of whom nine are living, as follows: Elizabeth and Julia, unmarried; Mamie, the wife of Dr. H. L. St. John of Rochester and the mother of two daughters, Clarissa and Margaret; Agnes, who married Robert Groh of Rochester and has two sons, David and Robert; David, who lives in Rochester and has four children, Mary, Elizabeth, John and David (III); Mathew, a bachelor; Laura, who resides in Buenos Aires, Argentina. South America, and is the wife of H. Earl Braisted and the mother of four sons, H. Earl, Jr., Mathew, Richard and David; Michael, who lives in Rochester and has two children, Vincent and Ann; and Eleanor, a resident of Penfield.

Mr. Lawless has always endeavored to follow the Golden Rule and has won

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success by constructive methods and honorable, straightforward dealing. He has a wide acquaintanceship in business circles, where he has been active for over fifty-two years. He takes much pleasure and enjoyment in life, for his is a genial, optimistic nature, and notwithstanding his advanced age, he is remarkably well preserved. His life has been a busy and strenuous one and his success is fully deserved. On Christmas day of 1924, he and his wife had lived together fifty-five years, reared a family that would be a great credit to any parentage, and both as vigorous and active as most couples many years their junior.

WALTER C. BUCK, D. V. M.

Dr. Walter C. Buck, veterinarian, while one of the recent additions to the ranks of Dansville's citizens, has already demonstrated his usefulness to the community, and enjoys the distinction of being the leading representative of his profession in Livingston county. He was born in Livonia, this county, February 24, 1888, a son of Charles E. and Frances Elizabeth (Meachum) Buck, the latter of whom is deceased. After his graduation from the Livonia high school Dr. Buck became a student at the New York State Veterinary College at Ithaca, operated in connection with Cornell University, and won the degree of D. V. M. in 1912. He began his professional career at Livonia, where he practiced for five years. On June 4, 1917, he enlisted for service in the World war. He was stationed at Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, from June 20 to August 3, 1918, and was then sent to Camp Funston, Fort Riley, Kansas, becoming a member of the Twenty-ninth Field Artillery, Tenth Division. He remained at Camp Funston until February 5, 1919, when he was discharged with the rank of first lieutenant. He returned to Livonia and about a year later came to Dansville, opening an office in the village in March, 1920. He has a thorough knowledge of the scientific principles underlying his profession and has well equipped buildings for his work. His choice of this vocation was inspired by his great love for animals and owing to his expert skill his professional services are in constant demand.

On the 8th of September, 1922, Dr. Buck was united in marriage to Grace Green Butts, and both are popular in social circles of the community. The Doctor is a Rotarian and a council Mason and his religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Methodist church. He belongs to the American Legion and is chairman for Livingston county of the Citizens Military Training Camps Association. He is a young man of serious purpose, deeply absorbed in his profession, to which he gives undivided allegiance, and his exemplary traits of character have established him high in public regard. Dr. Buck's residence at No. 84 Main street, was erected by him in 1922.

FRANK H. MCCHESENEY.

Among the native sons of Rochester who hold a strong position in the esteem of its residents is numbered Frank H. McChesney, a capable young business man and a member of the oldest insurance firm in the city. He was born March 19, 1887, and his father, Charles H. McChesney, is a native of Niagara county, New York. He came to Rochester in 1880 and entered the insurance business, in which he has since been engaged, covering a period of forty-four years. He is the pioneer in this field and a business man of proven integrity and worth. The mother was born in Wilson, Niagara county, New York, and came to Rochester after her marriage, which occurred in 1886. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. McChesney: Donald R., a resident of Rochester; Mrs. Arthur Rathjen, whose husband is one of Rochester's leading attorneys; and Frank H., of this review.

Frank H. McChesney was graduated from East high school of this city and then matriculated in the University of Rochester, which he attended for two years. In 1907 he entered the engineering department of the University of Michigan but a year later returned to Rochester and took up the study of insurance under his father, with whom he has since been associated. Theirs is the leading insurance firm of the city and the name of McChesney is synonymous with integrity, enterprise and reliability in business circles of Rochester. In 1924 he was appointed advertising manager of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, in addition to his duties as general agent at Rochester.

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On August 20, 1913, Mr. McChesney was married to Miss Ethel Sibley Camp, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher Camp, formerly residents of Rochester, now in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. McChesney have a son: Robert Camp, who was born in Rochester, on September 27, 1915, and is a public school pupil. Mr. McChesney belongs to the Seneca Lodge of Masons and to the Delta Upsilon fraternity; also Delta Upsilon Club of New York city. He is connected with the Young Men's Christian Association of Rochester, the Life Underwriters Association of this city being a former director, and the Chamber of Commerce and he is vice president and director of the Livingston Lake Land & Improvement Company. He is a former director of the Rochester Ad Club and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his membership in the Tennis and Automobile Clubs and the Monroe Golf Club. Mr. McChesney enjoys outdoor sports and his appearance testifies to the fact. He is a loyal and enthusiastic supporter of his city, deeply interested in every project tending to promote its growth, and is highly esteemed by a large circle of friends.

HOMER GRANT WHITMORE.

The exactness of modern business methods has made the study of success a science. A man of progressive spirit, broad vision and with an intuitive knowledge of the best course to pursue in the expansion of his business, Homer Grant Whitmore made substantial contribution toward the industrial development of Rochester, and his death on the 17th of October, 1923, was a distinct loss to the city, for he measured up to high standards in every relation of life.

Homer Grant Whitmore was born in Rochester, on August 17, 1880, a son of Valentine and Eunice (Haight) Whitmore, and attended the public schools of Rochester, afterward becoming a student in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, from which he was graduated in 1904 on the completion of a course in civil engineering. Subsequently he became a member of the firm of Whitmore, Rauber & Vicinus and had charge of their brick-making plant. He was a director of the firm and also served as vice president of the Rochester Clay, Brick & Tile Company, both of which profited by his enterprise, initiative and administrative ability. He worked untiringly and effectively to broaden the scope of these two organizations and his business associates deferred to his judgment in matters of importance.

In Rochester, on January 9, 1906, Mr. Whitmore was married to Miss Mildred Cook, a daughter of John C. and Jeannette (Plass) Cook, the former of whom was in the service of R. G. Dun for thirty-seven years and during seventeen years of that period was manager of the local agency. Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore became the parents of two sons: Homer Grant, Jr., born December 12, 1906; and John Howard, born January 25, 1910.

Mr. Whitmore was a conscientious member of the Brick Presbyterian church of Rochester, in which he served as vice president of the men's class. His political support was given to the candidates of the republican party. He was a member of the Rochester Engineering Society and an able exponent of his profession. He was a Rotarian and also belonged to the Chamber of Commerce and the Rochester Club. In the Masonic order he had attained the thirty-second degree and was also a member of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. With him there was no compromise with anything that he did not consider right. He had surrounded himself with a large circle of friends, whose admiration for his ability was surpassed only by their respect for his sterling qualities and many lovable traits of character.

W. S. COBB, M. D.

Dr. W. S. Cobb, who enjoys a position of well-merited distinction as one of the ablest members of the medical profession in western New York, has been continuously engaged in practice at Corning for more than a third of a century. He was born in Berkshire county, West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, on the 23d of September, 1863, his parents being George H. and Emily (Spencer) Cobb. After the completion of a high school course he began the study of pharmacy, at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in Boston, and when he had mastered a thorough course in drugs he entered the Albany Medical College, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1890. He at once opened an office in Corning, where he has remained

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through the intervening period of thirty-four years and has built up a practice of large and lucrative proportions that fully attests his ability in the field of his chosen calling. His standing among his professional brethren is of the highest. He has been president of both the Corning Academy of Medicine and the Steuben County Medical Society and has served for three years as secretary of the sixth district branch of the New York State Medical Society.

Dr. Cobb saw considerable service in the American army during the period of the World war. He was the first physician in Steuben county who passed the examination and was accepted for service in the Medical Reserve Corps. Commissioned captain, he was assigned to Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and thence transferred to the camp at American University, Washington, D. C., five miles outside of the city, where he was made sanitary inspector of the camp. He was subsequently assigned to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, and given a company of ninety-one men, all conscientious objectors, whom it was his duty to keep in good health and of whom at the same time he was endeavoring to make loyal American citizens.

In 1890 Dr. Cobb was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Baldwin, and they are the parents of four children: John P., who was a corporal in the war supplies department with the American army in France; Agnew B.; Esther, the wife of Rupert Abbott of Syracuse, New York; and Ruth, who is the wife of H. H. Allison of Corning.

As a progressive and enterprising citizen of his adopted town, Dr. Cobb has taken an active part in public affairs in Corning. He made an excellent record as health officer and register of vital statistics for six years and is now ably discharging the duties of coroner for Steuben county. His pronounced skill and admirable character have won for him the unqualified esteem of his professional associates and also of the general public.

HARRY M. ROLISON.

Editor of one of the influential papers of the county, the columns of which are consistently devoted to furthering the best interests and progress of the community, Harry M. Rolison of Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York, occupies and fills most acceptably an important place in Livingston county affairs. He was born at Nunda, Livingston county, New York, on February 19, 1884, and his whole life has been passed in the county and in newspaper work. He began work while still a boy, in 1899, on the Nunda News, and was with the paper for three years, moving to Mount Morris in 1902 and going to work on the Picket Line Post. Nine years afterward, in 1911, Mr. Rolison took charge of the paper as editor, and has served in that capacity ever since. The paper is a member of the New York State Newspaper Association.

Mr. Rolison was married on June 6, 1906, to Edith M. Heliker. Two children have been born to them: Harry Bruce and Carol Virginia. The Picket Line Post was first issued on June 16, 1899, by Fred VanDorn. He died in 1907, and his estate operated the plant, with John VanDorn in charge, until February, 1911, when Mr. Rolison assumed the proprietorship. The paper is issued Fridays, is republican, and has a circulation close to twenty-five hundred copies. In 1918 the paper took over the Mount Morris Union, the first established paper in Livingston county, which had been published by John C. Dickey, and is now published under the title of The Picket Line Post and the Mount Morris Union.

SAMUEL HUDES.

Samuel Hudes, one of Rochester's leading furriers, has made a life study of the business in which he is engaged and owes his success to that unconquerable spirit which spurs the individual ever onward and upward, enabling him to rise superior to adversity and keep ever in view the goal fixed by his ambition. A native of Austria, he was born November 17, 1881, and his parents, David and Rose (Michaels) Hudes, were also born in that country. The father engaged in the lumber business until his demise. The mother is still living. They had a family of six children: Joseph, of New York city; Samuel, of Rochester; and Max, Mrs. Mary Shulman, Mrs. Sarah Lobell and Mrs. Rose Fox, all of whom reside in Austria.

When a boy of nine Samuel Hudes came with friends to the United States and for three years lived with a relative in New York city, during which period he attended

night school. He then obtained a position in the establishment of M. Friendlich, a well-known furrier and garment designer of that city, and later worked for a Mr. Chambers, engaged in the same line of business. After leaving his employ Mr. Hudes decided to study business conditions in other cities and followed his chosen vocation in Buffalo, New York, Chicago, Illinois, San Francisco and Los Angeles, California, also working for the Hudson's Bay Fur Company in Seattle, Washington. Believing that the east afforded greater opportunities for advancement, he returned to New York and in 1902 came to Rochester with the McCurdy Company, but later accepted a position in New York city. In 1911 he organized the Hudes Fur Company, opening a store at No. 51 Clinton avenue, South, Rochester, and remained at that location for twelve years. At the end of that time he removed to the corner of East avenue and Chestnut street and afterward met with business reverses, owing to bad management on the part of others. He now has a well appointed store at No. 11 Gibbs street and is sole proprietor of the business, which he is rapidly rebuilding. He is an expert judge of fur and his work represents the highest degree of skill in his line. His business methods are reliable and straightforward, commending him to the confidence and support of the public, and he has a very desirable class of patrons.

In Rochester, January 15, 1915, Mr. Hudes was married to Miss Sarah Shapiro, a native of Green Bay, Wisconsin, and they have two children: Rosamond Dorothy and David Wolfert, both natives of Rochester. The former was born November 17, 1917, and the latter on April 27, 1924. Mr. Hudes is a member of the Reformed church, the Jewish Young Men's Association and the Young Men's Christian Association. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is likewise identified with the Orientals, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Rochester Athletic Club. Mr. Hudes is a self-made man, deserving of all the praise which the term implies, and by those with whom business or social relations have brought him into contact he is held in high regard.

ALBERT E. MALONEY.

Albert E. Maloney is a member of one of the old and prominent families of Dansville and ranks with its leading business men and public-spirited citizens. He is well and favorably known in the village, in which his life has been passed, and was born March 26, 1884, a son of Thomas and Mary (O'Hara) Maloney, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Dansville. The father was one of the pioneer nurserymen of the city and stood high in the esteem of his fellow citizens. He passed away in 1917 and the mother's demise occurred in 1905.

Albert E. Maloney attended a parochial school of Dansville and the Caton Business College, after which he became associated with his father in the nursery business. In 1908 he formed a partnership with his brother, William J., and they have since been associated in business, operating under the name of the Maloney Brothers Nursery Company. They have established an enviable reputation for enterprise and reliability and their business has become one of large and profitable proportions.

One June 16, 1913, Mr. Maloney was united in marriage to Miss Bessie M. Greene, also a native of Dansville, and they have many friends in the village. Mr. Maloney is an adherent of the republican party and has membership relations with St. Patrick's church and the Knights of Columbus. He takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs and brings to his various duties in life a broad mind and a keen intelligence, which are the basis of his success.

VIVIAN RANDALL BRUCE.

Vivian Randall Bruce is well known in industrial circles of Elmira and for the past twelve years has had charge of the plant of the Hilliard Clutch & Machinery Company, of which he is also a director. He was born in Asheville, North Carolina, in 1884, a son of William and Mary Lou (Jones) Bruce, the former a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, and the latter of Columbus, Georgia. They were married in that state and became the parents of eleven children, seven of whom survive, the subject of this sketch being the fourth in order of birth. The father was an accountant and worked for a textile company of Columbus, Georgia. The maternal grandfather was



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a member of one of the old and prominent families of Georgia and represented his district in congress.

Vivian Randall Bruce obtained a public school education and was first employed by the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company, working for two years in their shops at Portsmouth, Virginia. Then for two years he was with The H. J. Heinz Company at Portsmouth. He next secured a position in the First National Bank of Wellsville, New York, and for six years was connected with financial affairs. On the expiration of that period he became credit manager of a wholesale concern and afterward spent some time on a ranch in Idaho. He came to Elmira in 1912 as manager of the plant of the Hilliard Clutch & Machinery Company, and has since filled that office. This is one of the reliable industries in the city and the present status of the firm is largely attributable to Mr. Bruce's well-directed efforts and efficient service.

On June 26, 1906, Mr. Bruce was married to Miss Mary Rockwell, who was born in Hornell, New York, and received her education in Wellsville. They have four children: Mary Louisa, a graduate of the Elmira high school; Robert Rockwell, a high school student; and Helen Catharine and Vivian R., Jr. The parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and Mr. Bruce is an adherent of the republican party. He is scoutmaster of the Elmira Troop of the Boy Scouts of America and an influential worker for the organization, with which he has long been identified. He is a Rotarian and is also connected with the Taylor Society and the Industrial Relations Association.

CLARK VERNON FAIRBANKS, M. D.

Dr. Clark Vernon Fairbanks, a well-known physician of Dansville, has had broad experience as a medical practitioner and his deep interest in and love for his profession has led to the acquirement of a constantly increasing store of knowledge and pronounced ability. He was born in Hermon, New York, September 16, 1872, a son of Jay and Harriet (Eggleston) Fairbanks. He obtained his public school education in his native town, and after his graduation from high school became a student at St. Lawrence University and later entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo, from which he received the M. D. degree in 1896. He opened an office in Canaseraga, New York, remaining there for about eight years, and since 1905 has been a resident of Dansville. He has ever made his professional duties his first consideration, being most thorough and conscientious in the performance of the work that devolves upon him in this connection.

Dr. Fairbanks' military experience covers nineteen months of service in the United States Medical Corps during the World war. He offered his services in September, 1917, and was called in January, 1918; was commissioned a first lieutenant and was stationed at Camp Merritt, New Jersey. He is now a captain in the medical department of the Officers' Reserve Corps, assigned to the Ninety-eighth Division, and belongs to the American Legion. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity and gives his political support to the republican party. He is a member of the Livingston County and New York State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association.

WILLIAM C. COMERY.

Rochester, growing steadily and substantially, has drawn to itself enterprises of almost every character that figure in the trade and industrial relations of the world. One of the city's newer industries is that of the Empire Sprinkler Company, which owes its origin to the initiative spirit of William C. Comery, under whose able direction the business is rapidly developing. He was born in Ansonia, Connecticut, March 8, 1889, and is a son of William and Lulu (Dunnell) Comery, also natives of that state. The father is a hosiery manufacturer in Connecticut and actively connected with business affairs.

William C. Comery attended grammar schools of Ansonia and Derby, Connecticut, and was graduated from high school in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. His higher education was received in Brown University, in which he took a course in mechanical engineering, and after leaving that institution he became connected with the Grinnell Company, manufacturers of a sprinkler system. In 1916 Mr. Comery established the Rochester branch of that corporation and continued to represent the firm in this city until 1923, when he founded the Empire Sprinkler Company, of which he is treasurer

and manager. He brings to the discharge of his duties in this connection a comprehensive knowledge of the business, progressive ideas and executive ability that have been no small factors in establishing the industry upon a prosperous basis, while his energy and business capacity guarantee its continuous growth.

In Pawtucket, Rhode Island, on April 15, 1908, Mr. Comery was married to Miss Rose Lamb, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lamb, well known residents of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Comery have two sons: William, who was born in Pawtucket on January 29, 1912, and is a student at Nazareth Hall; and Donald, who was born in Rochester, March 16, 1916. Mr. Comery is a York Rite Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the Rochester Automobile Club. Mr. Comery is regarded as an authority on his product. His entire business career has been spent in connection with the automatic sprinkler industry and includes valuable experience in its manufacturing, sales and executive departments. He is accorded a most creditable position among the city's younger captains of industry and enterprising business men. Mr. Comery's residence is at No. 188 Alameda street.

FLOYD E. WOODHOUSE, M. D.

Dr. Floyd E. Woodhouse has had broad experience as a medical practitioner and is one of the most successful physicians of Elmira, which for thirty-three years has numbered him among its useful and highly esteemed citizens. He was born in North Chemung, New York, March 5, 1868, a son of Calvin and Mary (Johnson) Woodhouse, the former a native of Rutland, Vermont, and the latter of Newark, New Jersey. They came to this section of the state in early life and were married in Chemung. They had a family of five children, four of whom survive, and the subject of this sketch was the fourth in order of birth. The father was an agriculturist and also engaged in the lumber business, with which he was connected for many years. He was identified with the Masonic fraternity and his political support in later life was given to the republican party. He took a keen interest in public affairs and served as town supervisor, also holding other local offices. He was a son of Orange Woodhouse, the second of the name, who migrated from England to the United States. The maternal grandfather, John Johnson, was of Holland descent and followed the millwright's trade.

Floyd E. Woodhouse resided with his sister during his student days and after his graduation from the Hornell high school matriculated in the medical department of the University of Buffalo. He attended classes at that institution for two years and completed his training in the University of Wooster at Cleveland, Ohio, which in 1891 conferred upon him the M. D. degree. He chose Elmira as the scene of his activities as a general practitioner. He has attended several clinics and is a member of the medical staff of St. Joseph's Hospital of Elmira.

On June 30, 1900, Dr. Woodhouse was united in marriage to Miss Cora M. Brown, formerly a schoolmate and also a native of North Chemung. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and active workers in its behalf. The Doctor is a York Rite Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is a republican in politics and his professional relations are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

FRANCIS H. THOMAS.

Francis H. Thomas, a business man of broad experience and unquestioned ability, is one of the desirable citizens whom England has contributed to the United States, and efficiently discharges the duties of general manager of the Home Investment Trust, which ranks with the substantial financial institutions of Rochester. He was born in the city of Sheffield, August 28, 1883, a son of Frank and Thirza (Gillard) Thomas, the former also a native of Sheffield and the latter of Wales. Throughout his life the father was connected with the printing business. His demise occurred in 1896, while the mother passed away in 1889.

Francis H. Thomas obtained his education in the public schools of St. John's, Somersetshire, England, and afterward obtained employment in a shoe manufactory, where he gained a practical knowledge of the trade. He was in the service of the Royal Lives Society until 1912 and then responded to the lure of the New World, first locating at Binghamton, New York. Six months later he arrived in Rochester



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and obtained work in the plant of Utz & Dunn, shoe manufacturers. He remained with them until 1916 and then went to Brooklyn, New York, where he engaged in the brokerage business until 1917. In August of that year he returned to Rochester as general agent for the Niagara Life Insurance Company, which he represented until December, 1918, when he was made district manager for the Union Home Builders, Inc. In January, 1921, he severed his relations with that firm and has since been general manager for the Home Investment Trust, to whose interests he is devoted, rendering to the corporation conscientious and valuable service. He is also vice president of the Florida First Mortgage Corporation, operating at Orlando, that state, and a prosperous and growing institution.

At Wells, England, December 21, 1907, Mr. Thomas was married to Miss Rhoda Fisher, a daughter of Edward Fisher. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have a family of four children: Molly V., who was born at Street, England, in 1908 and is now a student at the West high school of Rochester; Arthur R., who was born at Street in 1911; Edward F., whose birth occurred in Brooklyn, New York, in July, 1916; and Stella F., who was born in Rochester in 1918.

In 1915 Mr. Thomas was a member of the British Relief Society. His interest in the welfare and progress of the city has prompted him to join the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis and Lions Clubs, valuable civic organizations. He is a charter member of the Rochester Society of Poets and his religious faith is indicated by his affiliation with the First Presbyterian church. He has taken cognizance of his opportunities, utilizing them to the best advantage, and his success is well deserved, for it has been worthily won.

ROBERT C. TURNBULL.

One of the Genesee country's most distinguished bankers and public-spirited citizens is Robert C. Turnbull, president of the Bath National Bank, Bath, New York. Besides following the banking profession since school days, Mr. Turnbull has found time to devote to public affairs and has served for three terms as supervisor for the town of Campbell and has been an active member of the Steuben County Republican committee for thirty years. His banking ability has also placed him in many positions of trust and responsibility as treasurer of organizations and he is owner of a poster advertising business which covers twenty-four cities—twelve of them in New York and twelve in Pennsylvania.

Robert C. Turnbull is a native of Campbell, born July 27, 1871, and received his early education in the Campbell schools and then attended the Haverling Academy at Bath. As soon as his school days were over he entered the business which was to be his life work. He was first associated with George R. Sutherland in Campbell, but later went to New York city, where he continued in the banking business, learning all departments of this most complicated branch of modern commerce. When Mr. Turnbull returned to Campbell he again became connected with Mr. Sutherland's bank, and upon the death of the latter, in 1912, formed the copartnership of Sutherland, Turnbull & Company and continued as manager of the banking house. In 1917 the Bath National Bank acquired Mr. Turnbull as its new president, which was a stroke of luck for this institution, as Mr. Turnbull, in his new capacity, took such active interest that in seven years the deposits in this bank more than doubled. In 1924 the Campbell bank was absorbed by the Bath National and all the business transferred to the latter, making it one of the strongest institutions in the state. Mr. Turnbull holds a number of other responsible charges besides those already mentioned. He is treasurer and a member of the executive committee of the New York State Private Bankers' Association; treasurer and trustee of the Hope Seminary Association; treasurer and trustee of the Presbyterian church at Campbell, and trustee and executor of an unusual number of large estates. In every case he gives careful attention to the interests of the organization concerned and takes a personal as well as professional pride in serving them.

Mr. Turnbull was married to Miss Francis Longwall on September 9, 1891, and they have a son, William Vibert Turnbull, now a member of the firm of Heminway & Turnbull, attorneys, in Corning. William Vibert Turnbull attended Cascadilla Preparatory School, Hamilton College, the Albany Law School, and the University of Michigan Law School. He was admitted to the bar of New York state in 1919, passing the examination in code practice with a record never equalled in the state. He saw service in France, at first with the Ambulance Corps, French army, and

later was raised from a private to a lieutenant, being assigned to the paymaster's division and stationed in Paris. He received his honorable discharge in June, 1919.

R. C. Turnbull's reputation and ability are well known in Steuben county and William Vibert is a worthy son of his father in every way. In a section of the country where honesty and skill are particularly credited, the Turnbull family can always be classed among the leaders.

PERCIVAL DEWITT OVIATT.

Percival DeWitt Oviatt, one of the well known members of the Rochester bar, who has attained a position of prominence in his profession was born in this city on the 30th of April, 1876, a son of Wilson D., Jr., and Carrie (Hankey) Oviatt, and represents one of its pioneer families. His grandfather, Wilson D. Oviatt, was one of the early settlers of Rochester. He was the owner of the first flour mills here and for some time also manufactured flour barrels. He was foremost in various public projects and his name is inseparably associated with the early history of the city's growth and advancement. He was a strong champion of law, order and progress and rendered valuable service to his city in the office of chief of police, which he filled for some time. His son, Wilson D. Oviatt, Jr., was born in this city and for a number of years was connected with Vick's seed house. He afterward established a business of his own and became one of the leading florists of Rochester. He married Miss Carrie Hankey, a native of Canada. He passed away in 1911, while her death occurred in 1892.

Percival DeWitt Oviatt attended the public schools and the Free Academy, continuing his studies in the University of Rochester, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898. He read law in the office of Sol Wile and was admitted to the bar in 1900, two years prior to his graduation from the Law School of Columbia University of New York city. He began his professional career in Rochester in 1901 and has ever since been actively engaged in practice. He has been for years a member of the firm of Wile, Oviatt & Gilman, one of the strongest law firms in Rochester, and although the senior partner has retired, the original style of the firm is still retained. Mr. Oviatt possesses a comprehensive knowledge of the law and has figured in some of the most important litigation before the courts of this part of the state. He is accorded high rank among the able and successful lawyers of Rochester.

On June 1, 1904, Mr. Oviatt was married to Miss Helen Louise Moody, a daughter of Charles Moody of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Oviatt have three children: Helen Jean, who was born in March, 1906; "Bud" who was born in April, 1917, and Betty Louise, born in 1919. All are natives of this city. Mr. Oviatt is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Monroe Golf Club, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club of Rochester. Along the line of his profession he belongs to the Rochester City, New York State and American Bar Associations and he is also a member of Delta Psi fraternity. Mr. Oviatt has great respect for the dignity and responsibility of his calling and conforms his conduct to high standards in every relation of life. His residence is at No. 236 Barrington street.

FRANCIS VERNON FOSTER, M. D.

Medical skill and ability in practice are the natural endowments of Dr. Francis Vernon Foster of Caledonia, Livingston county, New York, inheriting both from his father, who for more than forty years was one of the most noted medical practitioners of the county. Francis Vernon Foster was born at Scottsburg, Livingston county, on June 11, 1869, son of Dr. David H. and Mary (Hazen) Foster, both natives of Pennsylvania. The father, who had a most extensive practice, maintained an office in Scottsburg from 1869 until 1914. He began practice at Oil City, Pennsylvania, in 1864, moved from there to Belmont, New York, and then to Scottsburg.

Francis Vernon Foster, who was one of five children in the family, gained his early education in the public schools of Scottsburg, after which he entered the New York Electric College, in New York city, from which he received the degree of M. D. and graduated in the class of 1892. He first practiced at Scottsburg, where he remained for four and one-half years, then was at Springwater, Livingston county,

for nine years, and then moved to Caledonia, where for eighteen years he has been in continuous practice. Dr. Foster is a member of the Livingston County and New York State Allopathic Medical Societies and the New York State and the National Electric Societies. During the World war he served on the county medical advisory board, and is a member of the Volunteer Medical Service Corps.

Dr. Foster was married in 1895, to Ora M. Gamble of Groveland, Livingston county, who died in 1898. They had one son, Hazen, who is now traffic manager for the Kalman Steel Company, at Chicago, Illinois, and was formerly with the New York Central Railroad Company. During the World war Hazen Foster was an ensign at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and a senior code officer at Washington, D. C. Dr. Foster was married in 1900, to Nellie A. Snyder of Springwater, New York. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order being a member of Eunice Lodge, No. 830, F. & A. M.

ARTHUR C. SMITH, M. D.

Dr. Arthur C. Smith, one of the foremost members of the medical profession in Elmira, was born in Cohocton, New York, February 15, 1888, and is a son of Albert and Jennie (Conderman) Smith, the former also a native of that place and the latter of Steuben county, this state. They reside in Elmira and the father is a well known artist of the city. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity and belongs to the Grotto. He gives his political support to the candidates of the republican party and his religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Baptist church. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, two of whom survive: Bertha, the wife of Clarence Hoagland of Elmira; and Arthur C., of this review.

Arthur C. Smith completed a course in the Free Academy of Elmira and afterward became a student in George Washington University at Washington, D. C., which in 1911 awarded him the M. D. degree. He was an interne at the Garfield Memorial Hospital for a year and afterward opened an office in Rosebud, South Dakota, where he remained for two years. Dr. Smith has had two years' internship in the Akron (Ohio) Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital and has also attended clinics and done postgraduate work in the Chicago Polyclinic, the eye and ear department of Bellevue Hospital of New York city and the New York City Eye, Ear and Nose Hospital. Since 1913 he has confined his attention to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in the treatment of which he has been very successful. He returned to Elmira in 1916 and laid aside his practice on December 25, 1917, to enter the service of his country in the World war. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, with which he went to France, and spent a year at the front. He was assigned to duty at General Evacuation Hospital No. 19 and in August, 1919, completed his term of service in the World war. After receiving his discharge he returned to Elmira and is ranked with the leading specialists of the city.

On November 4, 1919, Dr. Smith was married to Miss Louise Mathew, a native of Richmond, Virginia, and they have two children: Constance and Arthur C., Jr. The Doctor is a Rotarian and also belongs to the City Club and the Elmira Golf & Country Club. He is a Baptist in religious faith and his professional connections are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County and New York State Medical Societies, and the American Medical Association. He keeps in close touch with all new developments in the field of medical research, is loyal and public-spirited in matters of citizenship, and his personal qualities are such as make for strong and enduring friendship.

J. SANKEY MULLAN.

During the past two decades J. Sankey Mullan has figured actively in educational circles in Rochester as secretary of the department of public instruction. He was born in the town of Covington, Wyoming county, New York, May 20, 1869, a son of James and Margaret (McNeary) Mullan, both of whom were natives of County Antrim, Ireland. The mother crossed the Atlantic to the United States in 1847 and two years later the father emigrated to this country, taking up his abode in Rochester. Having learned the trade of flour milling on the Emerald isle, he secured a position at the Clinton mill in this city but later became proprietor of a feed store on Lye'l avenue, which he conducted until 1865. In that year he removed to

Wyoming county, New York, where he purchased a farm and successfully carried on general agricultural pursuits until 1882, when he opened a store at Peoria, this state. There he carried on business for fifteen years, on the expiration of which period he disposed of his interests and came to Rochester to reside with his son, John Boyd Mullan, for his wife had passed away in 1887 and he had not become reconciled to living alone. Mrs. Margaret Mullan was a faithful, loving wife whose children declared that a better mother never lived. James Mullan was an ardent follower of Izaak Walton and one of the most successful fishermen of his day, knowing better than anyone else in the vicinity the haunts of the bass in the Genesee. As an antidote for business worries he would sally forth with his rod, and he never returned without a string of fine fish. It afforded him keen pleasure to instruct his sons in the art of landing a five-pound specimen of the finny tribe. He had been a resident of the Genesee country for six decades when called to his final rest in 1909, and the community mourned the loss of one of its substantial and highly esteemed citizens. To him and his wife were born three children that lived to adult ages: John Boyd, who is postmaster of the city of Rochester; Anna B.; and J. Sankey, of this review.

As a boy J. Sankey Mullan attended country school in his native county and subsequently pursued a course of study in the New York State Normal School at Geneseo, after which he entered the Rochester Business Institute. Following his graduation from the last named institution he secured a position as messenger with the Blue Line Railway. He next became connected with the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh line and after several years devoted to railroad service was associated for nine months with Frank Newell in the latter's moulding works. On the expiration of that period he entered the insurance business in the employ of Charles McChesney, while afterward he obtained a clerical position under Samuel Williams, city treasurer, with whom he continued after the latter was made city comptroller. On the 1st of June, 1904, Mr. Mullan was appointed secretary of the department of public instruction, in which capacity he has remained to the present time, discharging the important duties devolving upon him in this connection with the utmost efficiency and faithfulness.

On the 1st of October, 1895, in Rochester, Mr. Mullan was married to Miss Harriet May Patterson, a daughter of Robert Patterson and a representative of a prominent family of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Mullan have one child: James Robert, who was born in Rochester, October 4, 1912, and is attending school. Mr. Mullan belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club of Rochester and is also a consistent member of the United Presbyterian church. A man of domestic taste, he spends his leisure time at home with his family and has made a chum of his son. The material prosperity which he enjoys has been acquired through industry, determination and ability, and his high standing in his community is the result of an honorable and well spent life. His residence is at No. 337 Lake View park.

BERNHARD LIESCHING.

Bernhard Liesching, vice president of the Ellwanger & Barry Realty Company, is one of the representative business men and citizens of Rochester whose other financial interests include important corporate enterprises of the city. He was born in Stuttgart, Germany on the 24th of April, 1868, where his family has resided since about the year 1500. His grandfather was the founder of the publishing house of S. G. Liesching, well known for its many works on education and theology. He was an art connoisseur and was considered in his day the first authority on art in Stuttgart, and was appointed to buy the paintings for the Royal State Museum of Fine Arts in that city. Mr. Liesching's father, Theodor Liesching, became the successor of S. G. Liesching in the publishing firm, and he likewise did a great deal for art, having received from his government the Gold Medal for Art and Science. And so possibly Bernhard Liesching inherited his taste for art and literature, in which he always has taken great interest. His mother was Caecilie Regenbrecht, daughter of Dr. Eduard Regenbrecht, Doctor of Jurisprudence and professor of law at the University of Breslau.

Bernhard Liesching is the only surviving child of his parents. He attended the Humanistic Gymnasium in Stuttgart and then began his business career in a private banking house in that city. In 1888 he came to America, locating in Rochester, where he secured a clerical position in the Ellwanger & Barry nursery. He remained in that connection for some time and subsequently was identified for many years

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Bernhard Liesching

with the old Flour City National Bank, after which he became officially connected with the Ellwanger & Barry Realty Company.

On the 28th of April, 1892, Mr. Liesching was married to Miss Harriet E. Barry, a member of one of Rochester's most prominent families, she being the youngest daughter of Patrick and Harriet (Huestis) Barry. Extended mention of Patrick Barry may be found on another page of this work. Mr. and Mrs. Liesching reside on Mount Hope avenue, in the old Patrick Barry homestead, one of the most beautiful home places in the city. Mr. Liesching has been a resident of Rochester for over thirty-seven years and for thirty-two years has been an American citizen, and has long since been accorded a most creditable position among the best citizenship. His career has been fully identified with the history of Rochester and the Genesee country.

JAMES A. KELLY.

Throughout his life James A. Kelly has been actuated by the spirit of progress, regarding no position as final but rather as a point from which he could rise to a higher level, and the success of his undertakings denotes the quality of his mind and the strength of his character. He is one of the owners of the Kelly Brothers Nurseries and ranks with the foremost business men of Dansville. He was born at Niagara Falls, New York, on October 2, 1865, a son of James and Catherine (Healy) Kelly, both of whom are deceased.

James A. Kelly received a public school education and obtained his initial experience in the nursery business under G. C. Stone, after which he accepted a position offered him by S. P. Williams, who was engaged in the same line of business. From 1880 until 1882 he was employed as a laborer by the Deleware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company and afterward worked for a year in the Woodruff Paper Mills. He next entered the employ of Edward Bacon, a nurseryman, with whom he remained for twelve years, and upon the expiration of that period he became foreman at the J. B. Morey & Sons nursery, filling that position for seven years. Meanwhile, in 1885, he had begun planting for himself on a small scale and in 1892 joined his brother, William F. Kelly, in the nursery business, in which they have continued as partners, the efforts of the one ably supplementing the labors of the other. They specialize in fruit trees, ornamental trees and shrubs and draw their trade from a wide area, occupying a position of leadership in their chosen line of business.

On November 25, 1889, Mr. Kelly was married to Miss Julia Welch, who died January 31, 1917, leaving a family of three children: Richard, who married Miss Edna Welch; Clara, a graduate of the New York State Normal School at Genesee, now engaged in teaching at Mount Vernon, New York; and Clement, who married Miss Caroline Leach. The sons are associated with their father in the nursery business and both are veterans of the World war, the younger brother enlisting in the navy. Mr. Kelly's second wife was Miss Mary McCovick of Dansville, a daughter of John and Mary (King) McCovick.

Mr. Kelly is a Catholic in religious faith and for thirty years has been a trustee of St. Patrick's church. He is a Knight of Columbus and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. He has been honored with the vice presidency of the New York State Nurserymen's Association and is now filling that office. He is one of the strong personalities of Livingston county, and a life of rightly directed endeavor has earned for him the unqualified esteem of his fellowmen.

JAMES LONERGAN.

The horizon of every man's achievements is fixed by his own capabilities, and James Lonergan, who possessed the requisite ability and the equally necessary quality of industry, firmly established his position in public regard as one of Elmira's leading citizens. Both he and his wife, Katherine (Lonergan) Lonergan, were natives of County Tipperary, Ireland. They were reared, educated and married in Susquehanna county, Pennsylvania, where James Lonergan came at the age of five years and his wife at the age of four.

James Lonergan had few advantages to aid him during his youth, but his early struggles for advancement developed his latent powers, bringing him at length to a field of broad usefulness and influence. He started in life's work as a water boy for

the Lackawanna Railroad Company at Scranton, Pennsylvania, and afterwards served an apprenticeship in the company's machine shops at that city. At the suggestion of Messrs. Watts and James Cook, then in charge of the mechanical department of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, Mr. Lonerger learned the coppersmith's trade while in their employ and he also served as fireman and engineer. He was an expert mechanic and aided in overhauling an engine while holding the latter position. He was next made gang foreman in the Scranton shops and when the Cook Locomotive Company of Paterson, New Jersey, secured the contract to supply the motive power to a government railroad in Peru, South America, it sent Mr. Lonerger to that country to take charge of the mechanical portion of the work. He remained in South America for only a few months and on his return to the United States was made foreman of the roundhouse at Binghamton, New York, where he was stationed until the road was extended to Buffalo. He was then appointed general foreman of the roundhouse and motive power at Elmira, where he was employed until retired and pensioned at the close of forty-seven years of faithful and efficient service. He was a man of much intelligence and a reader of more than ordinary ability. He was a democrat in politics, but not a strong partisan; he was a faithful communicant of the Roman Catholic church, of which his wife was also a consistent member. They were the parents of ten children, six of whom reached mature age: Richard T. was preparing to enter the legal profession and died while a law student at Cornell University; Joanna chose a career as an educator and taught in the Elmira public schools until her death. The surviving children are: James E., who is a locomotive engineer in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and resides in Elmira; Mrs. Katherine A. O'Brien, the wife of Maurice O'Brien, who is engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Montrose, Pennsylvania; Philip Edward, mentioned at length below; and John R., who is in charge of the Black Rock interchange office of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and resides in Buffalo, New York. The death of James Lonerger occurred December 18, 1915. His wife passed away December 30, 1914.

RAYMOND S. COGSWELL.

That true commercialism rests upon the foundation of integrity is demonstrated by the success of the Brighton Place Dairy Company, which for over forty years has been in continuous operation in Rochester, and steady progress decade after decade establishes the value of its functions and the quality of service rendered to the public. The control of this important business is now intrusted to Raymond S. Cogswell, a young man of enterprise, good judgment and executive force, whose work sustains the high reputation which has ever been borne by the family in this community.

He was born in Rochester, May 15, 1884, and is a son of Pierce J. and Maria (Pratt) Cogswell, both natives of Mount Vernon, Kennebec county, Maine. The father came to Rochester as a young man and was first engaged in the fertilizer business, acting as eastern representative of the American Agricultural Chemical Company, of which he was also an officer. In 1883 he turned his attention to dairying, founding the business of which his son is now the head, and was one of the pioneers in this field of activity. The prosperous industry of today mirrors his progressive spirit, his powers of organization and administration and his high standard of commercial ethics. He is connected with other business corporations but his attention is chiefly given to dairying. He has a scientific knowledge of the subject and his stock farm in Monroe county is one of the finest in the state. He specializes in the raising of Jersey cattle, which furnish most of the milk and butter distributed by the Brighton Place Dairy, and his herd was the foundation of several noted Jersey herds in the United States. Mr. Cogswell is one of Rochester's most valuable citizens and fills an important place in the life of his community.

Raymond S. Cogswell, his only son, completed his education in the Bradstreet school and then became associated with his father, from whom he received thorough instruction in the dairy business. He entered the firm at the age of twenty years and has practically grown up with the business, of which he has been the president since 1919. He brings to his duties in this connection keen zest for the work as well as an expert knowledge of the business, and that its future rests in capable hands is evident by the stimulus which the industry has received during the past five years. The equipment of the Brighton Place Dairy at first consisted of one horse and wagon and at the present writing fifty-two wagons and fourteen trucks are required to meet the demands of over fifteen thousand families, while the firm also supplies large



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hotels and restaurants. A new plant has been built in Plover street to take care of the north and west sections of the city and the output of the dairy is of the highest quality, prepared under the most sanitary conditions. The trade mark of the company is a picture of Exile Bell, who forty years ago held the world's butter fat record. She is honored by an oil painting which hangs in the office of the president of the company. Pierce J. Cogswell, owner of this famous cow, imported pure Jersey stock with royal pedigrees from the Isle of Jersey. Most of the employees of the firm are stockholders and for that reason are personally interested in the success of this model institution, to whose expansion they are giving their best efforts, taking much pride in its prestige and growth. Mr. Cogswell's advice and co-operation are also sought in connection with the management of other local enterprises, which he serves in the capacity of director.

In Boston, Massachusetts, December 25, 1906, Mr. Cogswell was married to Miss Anna E. Smith, a daughter of Thomas J. M. Smith, a prominent resident of that city. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell are: Raymond Stuart Cogswell, Jr., who was born in Rochester in 1907 and is a student in the East high school; and Charlotte Cogswell, who was born in this city in 1911 and is attending Wallcourt School at Aurora, New York.

Mr. Cogswell reserves a portion of his time for social activities and is a member of the Colonial Club of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the Boston Club, the Fairport and Lotus Clubs of New York city, the Rochester Automobile Club, and the Rotary, Yacht and Rally Clubs. He is also a civic worker and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce numbers him among its most progressive members. Mr. Cogswell is a broad-minded man, of resolute purpose and marked strength of character, and his individual qualities are such as have gained for him warm and enduring regard.

ISAAC ALANSON MELANCHTHON DIKE, M. D.

For forty-eight years Dr. Isaac Alanson Melanchthon Dike faithfully and efficiently ministered to the physical ills of the residents of York and the surrounding district, and as one of the pioneer physicians of Livingston county he was widely known and highly respected. He was born near Belmont, in Allegany county, New York, August 29, 1852, and his parents were Isaac and Sally (Hyde) Dike. He attended the public schools and Friendship Academy and worked on a farm until he reached the age of twenty. For a year he studied medicine under the direction of Dr. Thaddeus Baker of Andover, New York, and then entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated in 1876. On April 7 of that year he opened an office in York and years of experience and constant study broadened his knowledge and enhanced his skill, bringing to his work that sureness and precision which result from concentrated effort.

In 1879 Dr. Dike was married to Miss Frances A. Long, who died September 26, 1920, as the result of an accident, being fatally burned while discharging her household duties. They had a family of six children: Albert G. of Buffalo, New York; Lua A., deceased; Mabel, wife of Frank Leary of Oxford, New York; Harrison, who saw active service in the World war as a member of the United States Medical Corps, and is now a physician, residing at Owen, Wisconsin; Frank, who has passed away; and Josephine F., at home.

Dr. Dike was an adherent of the republican party and served for one term in the office of coroner. He was a member of the Livingston County Medical Society and his religious faith was indicated by his affiliation with the Baptist church. His professional activities brought him into close relations with many households and he was highly regarded by all who sought his services. Although Dr. Dike reached the age of seventy-two years, he was still engaged in practice up to the time of his death, which occurred in 1924, and his is the record of a life of intense activity and usefulness.

HENRY PARRY PROJANSKY.

Rochester is a splendid field for youth and enterprise, and among the citizens of foreign birth who have profited by its opportunities for advancement is numbered Henry P. Projansky, who enjoys an enviable degree of prestige as a ladies' tailor, while his name also figures prominently in real estate circles of the city. He is a

native of Russia, and was born in Kiev, April 7, 1889. His parents, Gregorio and Shirley Frances Projansky, were prominent residents of that city, where the father was engaged in the lumber business. Both Mr. and Mrs. Projansky were killed during the progress of the World war. Of their family of children six survive: Leah, who married H. Kadish and resides in Brooklyn, New York; Morris, whose home is in New York city; Henry P., of this review, and David, Ben and Ceilia, who are still living in Kiev.

Henry Parry Projansky obtained his education in his native city. He was graduated from the Gymnasium at the age of seventeen and for a year was a student in the Kiev Theological Seminary. Going to Paris, he took up designing under Paquin, for many years one of the arbiters of the world of fashion, and for two years had the benefit of instruction in his famous establishment. He then sailed for the United States and for three and a half years was employed as a designer by the John Wanamaker Company of New York city. In 1914 he decided to embark in business on his own account and selected Rochester as the field for his activities—a choice which he has never had occasion to regret. He formed a partnership with his brother Morris, who was associated with him for some time in the ladies' tailoring business but is now conducting a similar undertaking in New York city. Henry Projansky has continued the business independently and ranks foremost among those who have set the standards of trade in Rochester, drawing his clientele from the best families of the city. He possesses the spirit of initiative, combined with that inventive genius and skill so essential to the successful sartorial artist, and his establishment would be a credit to a city of metropolitan proportions. He is an astute, farsighted business man and has invested heavily in East avenue real estate, realizing the fact that this section of the city is destined to become one of its important business centers. Mr. Projansky is also president and treasurer of the Olive Bays Real Estate Company, Incorporated, of which he was one of the founders.

On the 12th of November, 1914, Mr. Projansky was married to Miss Bessie R. Bassoff, a native of Kiev, and a daughter of A. B. Basoff, of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Projansky have one child: Shirley Frances, who was born in this city on December 12, 1923. Mr. Projansky is a Christian Scientist in religious faith and in Masonry he has taken the thirty-second degree, while he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Humane Society. He is one of Rochester's useful and valuable citizens and well deserves the prosperity which he enjoys, for it has been won by industry, ability and integrity, which constitute the basis of all noteworthy success.

CLARENCE M. ALVORD.

Clarence M. Alvord, for nearly forty-six years editor and proprietor of the *Livonia Gazette*, published at Livonia, Livingston county, was well known in newspaper circles in the Empire state. His birth occurred in Rochester, New York, on the 22d of July, 1853, his parents being Johnson and Elizabeth (Sherwood) Alvord. He received only a common school education and was still a boy when he began learning the trade of printer in the office of the *Orleans American* at Albion, New York, which he there followed until July 6, 1877. At that time he purchased the *Livonia Gazette*, which had issued its first number on October 1, 1875, under the proprietorship of Lewis E. Chapin, and which was still but a struggling journal. With very limited capital and in the face of many handicaps Mr. Alvord began its steady upbuilding, continuing his work with conscientious and dedicated labor, with unabated zeal and enthusiasm until it became one of the best known, most reliable and substantial newspapers of the county. He was not only an able editor but a very capable business man, and developed a valuable property. In 1917 he erected a building for his plant—one of the most complete and up-to-date of any small-town newspaper enterprise in the state and splendidly equipped also for commercial printing, of which Mr. Alvord did a considerable amount. He was one of the oldest members of the New York Press Association and was also a member of the Western New York Newspaper Publishers Association.

On June 8, 1887, Mr. Alvord was married to Ella F. Hopkins of Livonia, daughter of John R. and Mary (Gilbert) Hopkins. Mrs. Alvord passed away on the 27th of March, 1916, leaving two children: Thomas Hopkins, present editor of the *Livonia Gazette*, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work; and Mary Gilbert, also of Livonia.

Clarence M. Alvord was called to his final rest on the 8th of January, 1923.



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He held membership in the Methodist church, was a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity and was a consistent republican who for years had been one of the active leaders of the party in Livingston county. For some time he held the postmastership at Livonia.

The following tribute to Mr. Alvord appeared in a contemporary newspaper: "In the conduct of his paper he allowed his delightful personality to beam through his news items and editorial comment to an extent which is too often lacking in later-day journalism. From time to time during recent years he indulged in editorial reminiscences which were without exception a delight to those who read them, especially to his contemporaries. His death is a distinct loss to the newspaper fraternity."

Another writer said: "C. M. Alvord was one of the pioneers in the country newspaper profession, one of the old school, a man who solemnly recognized his responsibility, who joyfully appreciated his privilege, who chose and loved his calling for its own sake. He was one of that unique group that is, alas, so quietly yet rapidly passing over the bar. Though he always had an abundance of warm words for others, he closed the columns of his paper to all praise for himself. It seems as if his was an ideal character, and his death carries lasting sadness to more than one home. He was a quiet man, unassuming, of liberal mind, of extended sympathies, whose love for his home, for his family, for his neighbor, was of the most beautiful type—a man who spoke no ill of anyone and whose charity of thought and multitude of kind acts, secretly done, won him the general and genuine affection which his well-filled years so richly deserved. A life so abounding in charm and radiancy must surely not have been in vain."

EDWARD C. HAWLEY.

Three states profited by the educational abilities of Edward C. Hawley, and in each state he garnered a harvest of experience that he now uses to advantage as district superintendent of schools of the First District of Cattaraugus county, with headquarters at Franklinville. Mr. Hawley is not a faddist in educational matters. He has a clear conception of what the essentials of an education are, and permits of no deviation from the standard that time and experience have proved to be the best. He was born at Geneseo, Livingston county, New York, on September 26, 1869, the son of Edward and Sarah A. (Mather) Hawley.

Edward C. Hawley received his education in the grade and high schools and the Geneseo Normal School. He first engaged in teaching in the grade schools and had been in educational work in the states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York before he became principal of the Nunda high school in 1917, where he continued until June, 1924, when he resigned to accept his present position.

On August 14, 1901, Mr. Hawley was married to Carrie E. Greene. The two children born to them are: Kathryn H. and Harnett G. Hawley. Mr. Hawley takes the interest of a conscientious citizen in political matters and follows the lead of the republican party on election days. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and fraternally is affiliated with the Masonic order.

E. D. BOSTWICK.

The creed of "hard work well done" has made E. D. Bostwick, business man of Corning, a success despite all early handicaps. He had to shift for himself at an early age and by persistent endeavor brought himself to the place in a community occupied by the self-made man who works hard and deals honestly with his customers.

E. D. Bostwick was born in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, April 20, 1865, and had a very limited schooling. He first started selling apples around the Fall Brook Railroad as a youngster and then sold newspapers on trains, as did Thomas A. Edison. He came back to his home and entered the store of C. S. Mather as a clerk. When he was twenty-two years of age Mr. Mather loaned him the money to buy a half interest in the store, which he and a Mr. Wing bought. They conducted the business in Lawrenceville until 1902, when they moved it to Corning. In 1904 the Wing & Bostwick Company was incorporated and they built the excellent store building at the corner of Pultney and Bridge streets, having prospered in Corning. This is still

the store's headquarters, and there is a branch store in Addison, New York. Mr. Wing died on December 29, 1919, and Mr. Bostwick became sole proprietor. He is president of the corporation which retains the old firm name and his son, D. J., is vice president, while another son, Charles, is treasurer.

Mr. E. D. Bostwick was married on October 20, 1884, to Etta May Rhodimer, and they have six children: Luella, Dewitt J., Charles Edward, Leah, Gladys and Esther. Leah is now Mrs. Ernest C. Dates of Corning and Gladys is Mrs. Alfred Novack of Corning. Dewitt J. Bostwick married Mary Marland of Corning and Charles E. married Ada Frank of the same place. Mr. Bostwick's parents were William A. and Rebecca (Henderson) Bostwick. They were farmers, in straitened circumstances, and unable to help their son very much in getting a start in life but he made his own way and succeeded. He belongs to the Rotary Club, the Corning Chamber of Commerce and the Gospel Tabernacle. He has a fine cottage on Keuka Lake and spends his vacations at this beautiful spot, within the happy circle of his family.

WILLIAM HENRY EMERY.

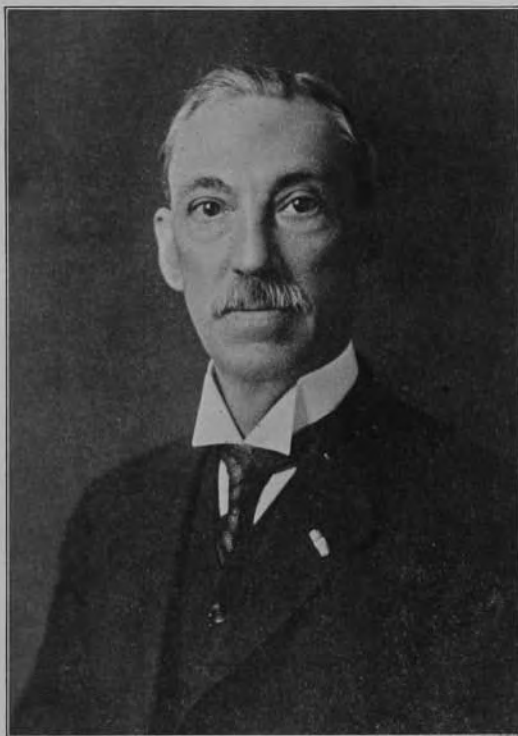
William Henry Emery, dean of Rochester realtors and organizer and first president of the Rochester Real Estate Board, played an important part in the real estate business in this city from the time of his arrival in 1897 until his demise in January, 1924. He was born in Liverpool, England, April 21, 1855, and obtained his education in his native country, where he also learned the trade of upholstering. It was in 1874, when a youth of nineteen, that he crossed the Atlantic to the United States, locating first in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Three years later he made his way to Syracuse, New York, where he was employed as an upholsterer by Milton S. Price for three years, while subsequently he became manager of the furniture store conducted by the firm of Walworth & Gurvin. Later he became associated with his former employer, Milton S. Price, in the capacity of manager. In 1890, with other citizens, he organized the Eastern Building & Loan Association. This organization was one of the few of its type that weathered the panic of 1905 and 1906, paying one hundred cents on the dollar to those of the stockholders who had retained their stock.

It was in May, 1897, that Mr. Emery came to Rochester in the interests of the organization, locating in the German Insurance building, now the Union Trust building, under the name of the Emery Real Estate Agency. Twenty-two years later, in 1919, he moved to the Powers building, where until his death he headed the firm of Emery & Son. He believed in organization and was one of three men who organized in Syracuse what is now known as the New York State Association of Real Estate Boards. He was treasurer of this organization for two years, and played an important part in committee work. In July, 1910, he personally sent out a call to the leading real estate men of Rochester with a view to organizing a local real estate board. This effort resulted in the formation of the present Real Estate Board. He was president its first year and was reelected the second year. In later years he again served in that office for two years. At the annual meeting of the Rochester board in December, 1923, he was unanimously elected to life membership, and an executive committee member. In 1922 he was appointed dean of Real Estate Brokers, an honor never before conferred upon any man in the organization. The following resolutions were adopted at a special meeting of the Real Estate Board of Rochester:

"Whereas we are again reminded that our days are numbered, that God in His divine wisdom knows what is best, and although the always present 'Why?' Nevertheless we bow before his judgment. We sorrow in the death of our beloved fellow realtor, William H. Emery. His wise counsel in public affairs, his genial and friendly disposition and his ready willingness to extend a friendly hand, to help the Board advance its interests and the interests of Rochester, will always be remembered. Our sympathy goes out in full measure to his family, whose sense of personal loss is shared by this body to the fullest extent.

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the permanent records of the Board and that a copy be forwarded to the family and to the press."

On the 27th of October, 1881, in Syracuse, New York, Mr. Emery was united in marriage to Miss Ida Bishop, daughter of James Stewart and Nancy (Dagett) Bishop. One of her ancestors, Lemuel Stewart, served under George Washington with the rank of Captain. To Mr. and Mrs. Emery were born four children: Vida Alice



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is now the wife of Charles E. Lathrop, an architect of Rochester, and they have two children, Albert Willis and Norman Charles; Myra Belle is the wife of George R. Ogilvie of Batavia, New York, and they have five children, George Emery, Leon Russell, Bruce Crosson, Marjorie Belle and Louise Stewart; Henry Albert, who was associated with his father as a member of the firm of Emery & Son, is now carrying on the business. He was married to Miss Ruth Colton and they have two children, Betty and Robert; and Leon William Emery died in the year 1912.

Politically Mr. Emery was a staunch republican, supporting the men and measures of that party at the polls. He held membership in the Rochester Ad Club, and served as a member of the board of managers of the Industrial Exposition. While a resident of Syracuse he joined the Knights of Pythias fraternity. Exemplifying the spirit of the Golden Rule in his daily life, he gained many friends in both social and business circles. Always interested in church work, he acted as chairman of the building committee of the Delaware Street Baptist church in Syracuse, of which he was a trustee, while for twenty-three years he served the Lake Avenue Baptist church of Rochester as trustee and treasurer. The following tribute was paid by the Montgomery class of men, of which he had been a member since his arrival in Rochester: "To have lived close to his allotted threescore years and ten; to have filled those years full of love and devotion to his fellowmen; to have won every battle when respect and admiration was the issue—such was the achievement of William H. Emery. And now he has moved along into that realm which means eternal rest and peace and happiness for such as carve out their destiny as did he. His passing has left a vacant chair in the Montgomery class. No written word can pay homage to the inspiration his life meant to all of us. Association with him meant a contact of real and true fraternalism, as well as an example of Christian character. And so we spread upon these minutes the grief that is ours and the loss which this class has sustained. Though time may heal the wound of his death, there will ever remain with us his many years of devotion and sacrifice to the love and the interest and the loyalty of this organization."

The following letter was addressed to Mrs. William Emery and family: "At the recent meeting of the board of trustees of the church, when the treasurer's report was presented by the assistant treasurer, and before it was considered, the following resolution in memory of the one we missed so much at the dinner and the meeting was read and unanimously adopted: The passing of William H. Emery deprives the church of a singularly efficient and conscientious treasurer of long experience, the board of trustees of a wise counselor of sound judgment but unusually tolerant of the opinions of others, and leaves a vacancy in this official board of the church. While these places will be filled in the usual course, there is more than that, for outside these official positions there is in the heart of each individual member of this board, and at the table in each home where we gathered, a place that speaks again and again of the genial and noble character and lovable and loving personality of our friend. Untiring in his devotion to Christian service, unswerving in his fidelity to a Christian conscience and noble ideals, the example and inspiration of his character as exemplified in his daily life and work is a heritage to all who knew him. And so on the minutes of the proceedings of this board there is placed this tribute to one whose star of service will shine brightly while memory is with us, and to his sorrowing family there goes from this body the deepest and most heartfelt sympathy."

ARTHUR M. ROOD.

With energy, ambition and determination as dominant qualities, Arthur M. Rood has steadily progressed along lines leading to success and his powers of organization and administration have found expression in the development of the Rochester Fur Dressing Company, of which he is the president. He is one of the city's native sons and was born June 28, 1886, of the marriage of Charles and Elizabeth (Donovan) Rood, the former a native of Oswego county and the latter of Buffalo, New York. The father has always engaged in agricultural pursuits, operating farms in Monroe and Wayne counties, New York. The mother died in 1911. Eight children were born to them, seven of whom are living: Charles Elmer, Irving, Chester, Mrs. Edith Ward, Mrs. Curtis Davis, Mrs. Glenn Nichols and Arthur M.

Arthur M. Rood began his studies in School No. 33 and completed his education in the Ontario high school. He obtained work in the establishment of the Crosby-Frisian Fur Company of Rochester and remained with them for thirteen years, dur-

ing which period he acquired a detailed knowledge of the business. While the World war was in progress he enlisted in the United States army, becoming a private in a machine gun company which was attached to the Ninety-fifth Division, and received his honorable discharge in December, 1918. He re-entered the service of his former employers, for whom he worked until 1920, and in April of that year established a business of his own, forming the Rochester Fur Dressing Company, of which he has since been the executive head. They are manufacturers and dressers of raw furs and under Mr. Rood's expert guidance the business has developed rapidly, becoming one of large and profitable proportions.

On July 16, 1912, Mr. Rood was married to Miss Nellie Corbett, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Corbett of Rochester. She died June 25, 1915. Mr. Rood was married to Miss Grace Blanchard on March 4, 1919, a daughter of Edward Blanchard. Mr. Rood has three sons by this marriage, all of whom are natives of this city: Arthur Edward, whose birth occurred in February, 1920; Charles Louis, who was born in August, 1921; and Richard Harry, born in December, 1923.

Mr. Rood is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is a valued member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and also belongs to the local Rotary and Automobile Clubs. He is a young man of sterling integrity and serious purpose who has "made good." His heart is in his work and he brings to the discharge of his business duties an enthusiasm for and belief in their importance that make it possible for him to keep up with the spirit of the age with all of its complexities.

CLINTON ROYAL LYDDON.

Clinton Royal Lyddon, president of the Lyddon & Hanford Advertising Company, of Rochester, New York, was born in that city on the 18th of July, 1876, the son of William H. and Temperance E. (Hubbard) Lyddon, who have recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding. His father, now retired from active life, was for years news foreman in the Democrat and Chronicle plant. Starting at the age of thirteen as a newsboy on the streets of Auburn, New York, he continued in the newspaper field, becoming a printer's apprentice, journeyman and finally a first-class printer. He came to this city in 1871 to take the position as foreman for the Democrat and Chronicle and previous to this had worked on papers in Milwaukee, Chicago and Cleveland. One of the old school of printers, who learned his trade in the days when the typesetter was form-maker and editor as well, Mr. Lyddon recalls the old-fashioned tramp printer who made his grand tour of the country by stopping here and there long enough to earn a few days' wages and often finding his night's lodging in a composing room. Since then many marvelous inventions have entirely revolutionized the printing industry, greatly speeding up the processes, but at the same time robbing the printer of some of his craftsmanship. On February 8, 1864, Mr. Lyddon and Miss Temperance E. Hubbard of Auburn, who was born in Michigan, were united in marriage, and almost immediately the young bridegroom enlisted for service in Battery A, Third New York Light Artillery, of the Union army. He saw ten months of active service before the war came to an end, and is now affiliated with the Myron Adams Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Clinton Royal Lyddon is the third of three sons, his brothers being William S. and Frederick B. Lyddon. He was educated in this city in the public schools, the Rochester Free Academy and the University of Rochester, from which he graduated in 1900, with the Bachelor of Arts degree. His first business position was with the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, which he represented as general manager for the fifteen counties of western New York, meeting with encouraging success in this line of work, which he pursued for three and a half years. Subsequently he was connected with a large publishing house and made a success as a book salesman. After five years of experience in the employ of others the young man determined to embark in business for himself and accordingly in 1905 he founded the advertising agency of which he is now the president under the name of the C. R. Lyddon Advertising Agency. A year later the firm was reorganized as the Lyddon & Hanford Company, its present form. This firm does one of the largest businesses of any general advertising agency in western New York and has earned a reputation that brings it clients from far and near. Nearly twenty years ago when Mr. Lyddon first conceived the idea of starting an advertising agency, this line of business was barely beginning to foreshadow the enormous growth that has



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made "advertising" today both a science and a profession. His business has kept pace with the general progress, chiefly because Mr. Lyddon and his associates have been constant and enthusiastic students of their profession. No national sales campaign has been too large for them to map out a program and carry it through to a successful conclusion; no local firm has been too small to enlist their interest in its peculiar sales problems. They know the whole business from start to finish, as it can only be known by those who have made a thorough study of advertising in all its phases and acquired the skill and efficiency that is born of long experience.

In addition to his own firm Mr. Lyddon is president and director of the James Street Building, Incorporated. He was president of the Advertising Club of Rochester 1923-'24, and a valuable member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. During his college days he was initiated into the brotherhood of Delta Kappa Epsilon and since then he has been made a member of the Masonic order. He maintains membership in the Rochester Auto Club, the University Club, and the New York Advertising Club, and is identified, religiously, with Calvary Baptist church.

On the 12th of July, 1910, Mr. Lyddon was united in marriage to Miss Florence L. Potter, daughter of Allison J. and Florence (Whipple) Potter of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lyddon have one child, Florence Elizabeth, born in Rochester, October 14, 1914. Mr. Lyddon's residence is at No. 64 Southern Parkway, Home Acres, Brighton, New York.

DONALD J. TILLOU, M. D.

Among the young men of professional importance in Elmira is Dr. Donald J. Tillou. He was born in Buffalo, New York, in 1894, and is a son of Daniel and Flora (Baker) Tillou, both natives of Elma, New York. They were educated in Buffalo and for many years the father engaged in merchandising in that city, but his attention is now given to agricultural pursuits. He is a republican in politics and his fraternal connections are with the Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church and Mrs. Tillou has taken a leading part in its activities.

Donald J. Tillou was the fifth in order of birth in a family of seven children. He attended the public schools of Buffalo and East Aurora and completed his education in the University of Buffalo, which awarded him the M. D. degree. He filled the position of interne at the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital in Elmira and on June 15, 1918, entered the service of his country. He was first sent to Camp Greenleaf and then to Camp Johnston, Florida. He was commissioned first lieutenant and received his honorable discharge on the 1st of February, 1919. He at once returned to Elmira and is now discharging the duties of superintendent of the Chemung County Tuberculosis Sanatorium. He also acts as school physician of Elmira and is a member of the medical staff of the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital.

On July 28, 1918, Dr. Tillou was married to Miss Ada Woodward, who was born in Elma, New York, and attended the public schools of East Aurora, New York. She was graduated from the high school at East Lansing, Michigan, also studied in Chicago, Illinois, and pursued a two-year course in the State Agricultural College at Lansing, Michigan. Dr. and Mrs. Tillou have a daughter: Jeanne. Dr. Tillou's professional connections are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is identified with the Masonic order, the Omega Epsilon Phi fraternity, and the City and Country Clubs.

ARTHUR JAMES STRAUB.

Stepping from the high school into the banking business, in which he has been engaged ever since his boyhood and in which he has steadily risen to positions of high responsibility, Arthur James Straub, cashier of the Livonia State Bank of Livonia, Livingston county, New York, always finds time for matters that are designed to help and improve the community. Fond of outdoor life and fishing, he is especially interested in the work of the Boy Scouts and furthers it by every means in his power, as of incalculable value to the youth of the nation. The Livonia State Bank is one of the most important financial institutions of Livonia and has prospered steadily under the conservative management of its able cashier. He was born on September 25, 1890, at Gowanda, New York, the son of Charles J. and Agnes (Quigley) Straub. His

father was in the business of carriage manufacturing and spent most of his life in the section where Arthur J. was born. The name is indicative of German origin, Joseph Straub, paternal grandfather of Arthur J. and the first of the family to settle in New York state, being a native of Baden, Germany, from which he came about 1850 and located at Gowanda, where he remained until his death in 1901.

Arthur James Straub acquired his education in the grade and high schools of Gowanda and in the high school of Hamburg, New York, graduating from the latter school in 1909. His first position was in the Bank of Hamburg, where he started work as a clerk, and where in the course of time he filled various other positions up to that of bookkeeper. Mr. Straub left this bank on November 1, 1915, to take the position of assistant cashier of the Peoples Bank of Hamburg, with more responsibility and a higher salary, and remained in this position with the bank for a trifle over three years. On January 1, 1919, Mr. Straub took another upward step on the ladder, and became cashier of the Livonia State Bank, which had just been founded, and he has been with this bank ever since. The institution has had a prosperous career under his able guidance. It began business with a capital and surplus of thirty thousand dollars which, in five years after the start, stands at Forty-five thousand dollars, has average deposits of over six hundred thousand dollars, and about two thousand accounts from depositors all over Livingston county.

Mr. Straub was married on October 11, 1916, to Hilda Marie Smith, daughter of Henry C. and Rose Smith of Hamburg, New York. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Straub: Maurice Arthur was born on January 23, 1918; and Robert James was born on December 11, 1921. Mr. Straub is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and he and his wife attend St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Livonia. He is a republican in politics, but not actively interested in political affairs, aside from doing his duty as a citizen.

WILLIAM J. MALONEY.

For forty years the name of Maloney has figured conspicuously in commercial circles of Dansville in connection with the nursery business, and the work begun by the father is being ably carried forward by his two sons, William J. and Albert E. Maloney, who have inherited his progressive spirit and administrative powers, as well as his admirable traits of character. The elder son, William J. Maloney, was born in Dansville, August 3, 1879, his parents being Thomas and Mary (O'Hara) Maloney, the latter also a native of this village. The father immigrated from Ireland to the United States, settling in Dansville, and in 1884 embarked in the nursery business, subsequently admitting his three sons, Edward H., William J. and Albert E., to a partnership. He was very successful in his undertaking and built up a large trade through enterprising methods and honest dealing. He retired from business in 1905 and spent the remainder of his life in the enjoyment of the fruits of his former labor, passing away in 1917. His wife was called to her final rest in 1905.

William J. Maloney obtained his early education in a parochial school of Dansville and afterward became a student in the Rochester Business Institute. After completing his course he returned to the village and entered the government service, working for three years as a mail carrier. In 1908 he was joined by his brother Albert in organizing the Maloney Brothers Nursery Company and today the firm is numbered among the largest growers in western New York. The company handles nursery stock of all kinds and does an extensive business, being a recognized leader in this line, and issues an attractive and comprehensive catalog, through which most of its sales are made.

On the 11th of June, 1906, Mr. Maloney was united in marriage to Miss Fannie Kerschner of Dansville, and they have two sons: Howard and William. Mr. Maloney is a republican in politics and during the World war devoted much of his time to patriotic work, doing all in his power to promote the success of the various Liberty Loan Campaigns. Mr. Maloney is a director of the Livingston County Trust Company of Geneseo, New York. He is a man of broad humanitarianism and is always found in the vanguard of every movement looking toward the accomplishment of real and practical good. He is a director of the Dansville General Hospital, a municipal institution, of which Joseph Stiegler is the president, and he was chairman of the committee which secured by subscription a fund of one hundred thousand dollars for its equipment and remodeling. He is vice president of the Child Welfare board of Livingston county and serves the Dansville Board of Trade in a similar capacity. He



WILLIAM J. MALONEY

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is a faithful communicant of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and the local Rotary Club. Mr. Maloney's activities have touched the general interests of society to their betterment, and a life of great usefulness has won for him the unqualified esteem of his fellowmen.

PHILIP EDWARD LONERGAN.

One of the well known younger members of the Elmira bar, and a member of the law firm of Stanchfield, Collin, Lovell & Sayles, is Philip Edward Lonerger, son of James and Katherine (Lonerger) Lonerger. He was born in Binghamton, New York, April 16, 1877, but received his early education in grammar school No. 4 in Elmira, also in the Free Academy of this city. He received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Cornell University in 1900 and was also a student in the law department of his Alma Mater. After a rest of two years he secured a position in the law office of Reynolds, Stanchfield & Collin and in 1904 was admitted to the bar. He is now a member of the firm of Stanchfield, Collin, Lovell & Sayles, the outgrowth of the other firm. This firm is recognized as one of the leading law firms of western New York and has been retained as counsel by the New York Central, the Erie and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroads, the Elmira Water, Light and Railroad Company, the Chemung Canal Trust Company and other large corporations.

Philip E. Lonerger is a member of the City Club of Elmira and the Golf & Country Club. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic. He is a Rotarian and his professional standing is indicated by the fact that he has been honored with the presidency of the Chemung County Bar Association, which office he is now holding. His interest in the welfare of his home city is deep and sincere and at one time he served as a member of the Elmira Planning Commission. He has conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession and has exemplified all the qualities of a useful and desirable citizen.

HAROLD GLEASON.

Harold Gleason, head of the organ department of the Eastman School of Music and well known in musical circles of the east, was born in Jefferson, Ohio, April 26, 1892. He was the son of C. M. and Cora (Gillis) Gleason, also natives of Ohio and residents there until the family moved to the Pacific coast in 1900. In Pasadena, California, Mr. Gleason's father was made secretary and treasurer of the Model Grocery Company, of which he was an executive until his death in 1907. Besides his wife and son, Harold, he was survived by another son, Raymond, who is now deceased.

Harold Gleason received his early education in the grammar and high schools of Pasadena. Later he became a student at the California Institute of Technology, which he left in 1912 to begin a concentrated study of the organ, piano and theory under M. F. Mason, Ernest Douglas and Homer Grunn. Mr. Gleason came east to Boston, Massachusetts, in 1917, and studied with Lynnwood Farnam. Music in connection with settlement work has always interested Mr. Gleason, and in Boston he became director of the Boston Music School Settlement. Before coming to Rochester, Mr. Gleason lived for a year in New York city, where he was organist of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, one of New York's most important posts. He also spent some time abroad studying with Joseph Bonnet, the noted French organist. In 1920 Mr. Eastman engaged him to come to Rochester as his private organist. He has since been made the head of the organ department of the Eastman School of Music, and is director of the Hochstein School of Music. His interest in social welfare work has led to his appointment as one of the executive committee of the National Federation of Settlements. He ranks with the foremost concert organists in this country, and has been engaged by the Aeolian Company to make records of his playing. He has been very successful as an instructor and has a large class of pupils at the Eastman school. Mr. Gleason has a wide reputation as a designer of organs and was engaged to design all of the seventeen organs in the Eastman School of Music and Theatre.

Mr. Gleason was married to Miss Marian Norris, in Pasadena, California, on October 12, 1916. Of their three children, Allen H. was born in Riverside, California, on February 4, 1918; Charles Norris and David were born in Rochester, the

one on June 20, 1920, and the other on November 5, 1923. Mr. Gleason is a member of the Corner Club of Rochester, the Organists' Guild, and the National Association of Organists, and has been honored with the vice presidency of the last named organization.

JAMES FRANCIS CROWLEY.

James Francis Crowley is a successful young attorney of Batavia who is actively engaged in the general practice of law as a member of the firm of Burroughs & Crowley. He was born in Batavia, Genesee county, New York, on the 27th of May, 1892, his parents being Frank J. and Louisa B. (Smith) Crowley. The father, who has been a lifelong resident of Batavia and was formerly engaged in business as a concrete contractor, is now living retired in the enjoyment of well earned ease. The first representative of the family in western New York was James Crowley, the paternal grandfather of Mr. Crowley of this review, who emigrated to Canada from Ireland and became an officer in the Canadian army. It was about the year 1830 that he settled in Le Roy, Genesee county, this state, where he spent the remainder of his life, becoming well known and highly esteemed throughout the community.

In the acquirement of an education James Francis Crowley pursued a high school course in Batavia, where he also attended St. Joseph's Academic School, while subsequently he spent one year as a student in the medical department of the University of Buffalo. Having determined to prepare for law practice, however, he then entered the law department of the University of Buffalo, from which institution he received the degree of LL. B. upon his graduation in 1917. Following his admission to the bar in 1919 he entered upon the active work of his chosen profession in Batavia, in association with William E. Webster, with whom he continued in practice until the latter's death on the 11th of April, 1922. Thereafter he practiced independently until December, 1922, when he formed a partnership with Bradford J. Burroughs, under the firm name of Burroughs & Crowley, which has been maintained to the present time. A sketch of B. J. Burroughs may be found on another page of this publication. The partners are accorded an extensive clientage of a general character, but Mr. Crowley is principally interested in criminal law and in surrogate work, in which field of professional activity he has already won an enviable reputation. He is a member of the Genesee County Bar Association.

Mr. Crowley is a republican in politics and an active worker in the local ranks of the party, being a member of the county committee. In 1922 he was the candidate of his party for the office of city attorney. Because of physical disability he was rejected for active military service at the time of the World war, but his strenuous efforts in local war work impaired his health to such an extent that he was confined in a hospital for more than six weeks. Mr. Crowley is a member of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and is inquisitor of Rochester Legion No. 61, L. O. O. M. He also belongs to the Sons of Veterans, to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, and in the Loyal Order of Moose, is past dictator. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. His leisure hours are devoted to music as a member of the Genesee Male Quartet, and he is also fond of outdoor sports.

ROBERT H. CARROLL.

Robert H. Carroll, who as president of the R. H. Carroll Corporation occupies a prominent position in Rochester's realty and business circles, was born in Toronto, Canada, February 21, 1882. His father, James Carroll, was a native of Ireland who emigrated to Canada early in life and there married Mary J. Crawford, who was a Canadian by birth. James Carroll died when his son Robert was but a youngster and his widow later married Daniel Kerr, the family all removing to Rochester about 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr continued to reside in this city until both passed away in 1922.

Robert H. Carroll was reared in Toronto, Canada, attended the public schools of that city and entered on his business career as an employe of Eaton's store in that city. Soon after coming to Rochester he entered the insurance field as a salesman and was thus identified for seven years. His success in that line of business afforded him means with which he went into business on his own account. He chose the real estate business as his chief field of activity, however, continuing his insur-



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ance writing as more of a subordinate interest. After two years he took a partner into the firm, which became the Towner-Carroll Company. After a couple of years of successful operations, Mr. Carroll withdrew from the Towner-Carroll Company and organized the R. H. Carroll Corporation, with himself as president. This firm operates extensively in the general real estate and insurance business and has negotiated many important transactions, about fifty per cent of the business being done in the valuable property of the down town section. The R. H. Carroll Corporation has acquired an extensive and high-class clientele through its clean business methods and occupies a prominent place among the foremost firms of Rochester in its line. Mr. Carroll is a member of the Rochester Real Estate Board, of which he is now the treasurer, and also belongs to the National Real Estate Association.

Mr. Carroll is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a leader in the men's work of the Trinity Lutheran church, where he has taught a Men's Bible class for the past twelve years. His clubs are the Washington, Rochester Automobile and Rochester Ad Clubs, while he also belongs to the Rochester Historical Society and the New York Archaeological Society.

In Rochester, on the 17th of August, 1910, Mr. Carroll was united in marriage to Miss Theresa L. Kosbab, a daughter of August and Amelia Kosbab of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll have a daughter, Ruth Esther, who was born on October 21, 1911, and in addition to her studies in the Rochester public schools she is taking musical training at the Eastman School of Music. For nearly twenty-four years Mr. Carroll has been identified with the business interests of Rochester, and while his activities have brought him substantial success, they have also contributed to the city's growth and development. His residence is at No. 230 Bryan street.

E. PAYSON CLARK.

Rochester is a monument to the aggregate efforts of many business men of vision, initiative and executive force, and with the history of its commercial development the Clark family is closely associated. The progressive spirit of the family has been inherited by E. Payson Clark, who is ably managing the coal business which owes its existence to his father. Mr. Clark was born August 21, 1890. His great-grandparents were Peter and Roxy (Bouker) Clark, the latter a native of Auburn, New York. Their son, Edward Payson Clark, the grandfather of the present bearer of the name, was born on the family homestead at Conesus, Livingston county, where he followed the occupation of farming. Later he moved to Rochester and engaged in the life insurance business, with which he was connected until his death in 1914. He was married to Miss Aurelia Durbon, who was born in Elmira, New York. They were the parents of Edward H. Clark, who was born in Conesus, August 30, 1869, and who spent the greater part of his life in Rochester. He was an organizer as well as treasurer of the Richardson Corporation and was also interested in several other businesses of the city, including the C. M. Walker Corporation. He founded the E. H. Clark Coal Company, one of the oldest and most reliable firms of this character in the city. In Rochester he was married to Miss Adah May Goodwin, who was born in Henderson, Kentucky, June 18, 1869, and they became the parents of two sons: William H. and E. Payson, of this review. Mr. Clark died November 3, 1922, at the age of fifty-three, and is survived by the mother, who is still a resident of Rochester.

E. Payson Clark supplemented his public school training by study in the University of Rochester and then entered the employ of the J. Hungerford Smith Company, manufacturers of syrups for soda fountains. He remained with that corporation for five years, acting as assistant sales manager, and on the expiration of that period embarked in the real estate business. Later he withdrew from that field and became associated with his father in the fuel business, of which he has been general manager since the latter's death, and the mother is also a member of the firm. The company has ever enjoyed an unassailable reputation for integrity and straightforward dealing and in directing the business Mr. Clark displays keen sagacity and administrative power. He is also secretary of the Walker Corporation, of which he is likewise a director.

On the 20th of June, 1913, Mr. Clark was united in marriage to Miss Marie Adelaide Whitbeck, of Rochester, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Whitbeck, the former of whom is conducting a large insurance business in this city. Mr. Clark is a member of the Brick church of Rochester and the nature of his recreation is indicated

by his connection with the Oak Hill Country Club and the Rochester Automobile Club. He is one of the progressive, energetic members of the Chamber of Commerce and loyally supports every project destined to prove of benefit to Rochester and its citizens.

HERVEY C. FINCH.

From an early age the life of Hervey C. Finch has been one of unabating industry, and in thoroughness and the mastery of every detail of the duties that have devolved upon him lies the secret of the success which has brought him from a minor position in railroading to the vice presidency of the Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Company. He was born in Washington, D. C., July 15, 1866, a son of Hervey C. and Mary (Dorman) Finch, and when a boy of twelve he became a wage earner. He was employed in a general store at Flemington, New Jersey, until he reached the age of eighteen and then entered the service of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Mr. Finch remained with that company for eleven years, being steadily advanced as his services became of greater value, and in 1895 he became vice president and general manager of the Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Company, which offices he has since filled, with headquarters in Retsof, Livingston county. He has been identified with the road throughout practically the entire period of its existence and his name is inseparably associated with its history. He readily solves the many problems which are constantly arising in connection with the management of the business and superior executive ability has enabled him to secure a high degree of efficiency in the operation of the system. The line extends to Caledonia and the company has twenty-seven miles of trackage, serving the Retsof and Sterling salt mines.

On the 7th of October, 1891, Mr. Finch was married to Miss Christiana Capner and they have become the parents of two children: Frank and Grace. The son is a veteran of the World war. He was commissioned a second lieutenant and served overseas with the Coast Artillery. Fraternally Mr. Finch is a Mason and his political support is given to the republican party, while his religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Presbyterian church. He enjoys the esteem of many friends and fully deserves the honor that is accorded the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life.

ROSCOE ARTHUR HAGEN.

One of the well known younger business men of Rochester is Roscoe Arthur Hagen, president of the Star Palace Laundry, which was established by his father more than fifty years ago. He was born July 22, 1880, in Rochester, the only child of his parents, Arthur T. and Emma (Chapman) Hagen. His father is mentioned at length elsewhere in this work.

In his youthful days Roscoe Arthur Hagen attended Schools Nos. 11 and 14 in this city, later was a student in Bradstreet's preparatory school and then entered the University of Rochester as a special student. A business rather than a professional life appealed to him, so he gave up his university work before graduation to enter the commercial world as an apprentice in the J. S. Graham Machine Shop, where he remained for two years. Mr. Hagen then entered his father's employ to learn the laundry business in the Star Palace Laundry, as in the ordinary course of events the son would succeed his father in the business. The young man began at the bottom. His first work was in the washroom. He studied carefully each successive step of the laundering processes, and by actual performance of the work mastered most of the essential details of the mechanical end of the business. His experience with the J. S. Graham Machine Shop, in which he familiarized himself with laundry machinery, has proven very valuable to him in his later career in the laundry business. Subsequently, of course, he took up the question of business management, so at the time of his father's death in January, 1917, he was well equipped by actual experience to assume the duties of president of the company, which position he has since filled. The Star Palace Laundry employs about one hundred and twenty-five people, is one of the most up-to-date and completely equipped plants of its kind in the state and has long since been the foremost industry in its line in Rochester. Mr. Hagen has continued the high standards of quality and service



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that were established by his father, as well as following the same straightforward business methods that marked the very successful career of that parent.

On August 6, 1918, Mr. Hagen was married to Miss Louise D. Joyce, a daughter of Mrs. Maurice J. Joyce of this city, and they have two daughters: Joyce and Jean. By a former marriage Mr. Hagen has three daughters: Emabel, Anita and Suzanne.

In his fraternal connections Mr. Hagen is a Mason, belonging to Valley Lodge, Hamilton Chapter, and Monroe Commandery, K. T., and has also crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. During his college days he was made a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. Mr. Hagen is well known in club circles, belonging to the Rochester Club, Rochester Athletic Club, the Ad Club, the Rochester Yacht Club, Delta Kappa Epsilon Club of New York, and the Thousand Island Yacht Club. In connection with his business interests he is a member of the National Laundry Owners Association.

J. RAYMOND SHOEMAKER.

Prominent in the commercial and manufacturing circles of Elmira is J. Raymond Shoemaker, vice president and general manager of the Hygeia Refrigerating Company, and vice president of the Hygeia Ice Cream Company and also associated with other important industries. He is one of Elmira's native sons, born August 2, 1882. His parents, J. Monroe and Delia (Benedict) Shoemaker, are mentioned more particularly in the sketch of Guy W. Shoemaker in this volume.

J. Raymond Shoemaker attended the public schools of Elmira and also completed a course in the Fairfield Military Academy of Fairfield, Herkimer county, New York. He worked for the Standard Oil Company for five years and since 1906 has been connected with the Hygeia Refrigerating Company. He assumed the duties of vice president and general manager in 1920 and the success which has attended the activities of the firm during the intervening period is eloquent of his capacity for such service. He is president of the New York State Cold Storage Association and a director of the American Warehouse-Men's Association, the Merchants National Bank of Elmira and the Southern Tier Motor Company of this city.

On the 3d of October, 1903, Mr. Shoemaker was married to Miss Mabelle F. Perry, a native of Dundee and a daughter of Darius R. Perry. The latter one of the pioneers of Yates county and an honored veteran of the Civil war. He was associated with J. Monroe Shoemaker in the manufacture of wagons and afterward entered the milling business, to which he devoted his attention until his death. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker have five children: Perry Monroe, Garth A., Richard, David R. and Donald W. The parents are members of Park church and in politics Mr. Shoemaker is a republican. He belongs to the Elmira Golf & Country Club and is also a Rotarian.

CHARLES LOUIS DAVIS, M. D.

Dr. Charles Louis Davis is a physician of Batavia who is accorded a large general practice in recognition of his marked skill and ability in the work of his chosen profession. He was born in Fowlerville, Livingston county, New York, on the 1st of January, 1883, his parents being James P. and Anna (Hull) Davis. The father, born in England, was but three years of age when brought to this country by his mother, who took up her abode in Livingston county, this state. There James P. Davis continued to reside to the time of his death and devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits throughout his active business career.

Charles Louis Davis began his education as a district school pupil of Fowlerville and continued his studies in the high school at Avon. His professional training was acquired in the University of Buffalo, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1907, after which he spent one year in the Buffalo General Hospital. He first located for practice in South Dayton, Cattaraugus county, New York, where he continued for about a decade. On the expiration of that period, in 1919, he opened an office in Batavia, which city has since remained the scene of his professional labors. Dr. Davis has served as president of the staff of Batavia Hospital and is greatly interested in hospital work, to which he devotes considerable time. He has been physician to the Children's Home of Batavia and has given par-

ticular attention, to pediatrics. His high standing among his professional colleagues and contemporaries is indicated in the fact that he has been president of the Genesee County Medical Society, while his name is also on the membership rolls of the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

On the 8th of August, 1911, in Brampton, Ontario, Canada, Dr. Davis was married to Irene Fleming, daughter of Peter Fleming of that city. Dr. and Mrs. Davis have three children: Richard F., who was born in November, 1912; Donald J., born in December, 1914; and Christine, born in December, 1916. Dr. Davis gives his political support to the republican party and has membership in the Batavia Kiwanis Club, as well as the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Batavia, in the work of which he is deeply and helpfully interested, serving as a member of its board of trustees. Dr. Davis has an extensive acquaintance throughout the city and everywhere is spoken of in terms of the highest regard.

ARTHUR SAMUEL HAMILTON.

Arthur Samuel Hamilton, secretary and manager of the Mutual Underwriters Company, is one of those ambitious, energetic and capable young business men whose enterprise and public spirit insure Rochester's continued progress, and a worthy representative of one of its old families. He was born October 7, 1885, in the Flower city, and his parents, Arthur S. and Harriet (Paine) Hamilton, were also natives of Rochester. The father was one of the founders of Hamilton and Matthews, hardware merchants, devoting many years to the upbuilding of that business, which is now conducted under the firm style of Matthews & Boucher and ranks with the largest concerns of the kind in western New York. Mr. Hamilton was called to his final rest in November, 1918, and is survived by the mother, who is still a resident of Rochester.

Arthur Samuel Hamilton's public school training was supplemented by a course in the University of Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1908, and then secured a clerical position with the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company. Subsequently he entered the employ of the Security Trust Company, with which he remained until 1910, and then entered the service of the Mutual Underwriter Company, in the capacity of correspondent. Since 1915 Mr. Hamilton has been its secretary and manager and the duties devolving upon him in this connection are discharged with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency. The purpose of the company is to furnish reports of the commercial standing of all insurance firms doing business in the United States, and it is to insurance corporations what Bradstreet and Dun are to the banker and business man.

On October 7, 1909, Mr. Hamilton was married to Miss Elizabeth Van Buskirk, a daughter of M. F. Van Buskirk, a prominent resident of Rochester. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton: Elizabeth Harriet and Henrietta Ann, both natives of this city. Mr. Hamilton is a member of the Independent Trades Journal Association, the Rochester Country and Automobile Clubs and contributes his quota toward civic development through his activities in connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He is deeply engrossed in his work and time has proven his worth. His residence is at No. 141 Plymouth avenue, South.

CARL CORNELIUS KOESTER, M. D.

Dr. Carl Cornelius Koester is a young Batavia physician who has already gained an enviable reputation as a specialist in ophthalmology, otology, rhinology and laryngology. He was born in Lyons, Wayne county, New York, on the 16th of August, 1896, his parents being George William and Elizabeth (Haitz) Koester. His paternal grandfather, Cornelius Koester, emigrated to the United States from Europe and spent the remainder of his life in the Genesee country. He participated in the Civil war as a soldier of the Union army. George William Koester, the father of Dr. Koester of this review, completed a course in Tufts College of Massachusetts and was a graduate chemist and pharmacist, who conducted a chain of drug stores in western New York.

Carl Cornelius Koester received his early education in the grade and high schools

of Batavia and continued his studies in Canisius College of Buffalo, New York. Having determined to enter the ranks of the medical profession, he next matriculated in the medical department of the University of Buffalo, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1920. He spent the succeeding year as house surgeon in the Buffalo City Hospital and thereafter engaged in medical practice in Buffalo for a short period. Late in 1921, however, he located in Batavia, where he has remained continuously to the present time, specializing in the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which field of professional labor he has proved particularly competent. In addition to his private practice he is serving as a member of the staffs of Batavia Hospital and St. Jerome's Hospital, is attending surgeon at the Buffalo City Hospital, the Buffalo Dispensary and the Buffalo Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Infirmary, and has charge of the eye, ear, nose and throat work which is carried on among the school children of Batavia. Dr. Koester has membership in the Buffalo Academy of Medicine, the Genesee County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Koester was married on September 20, 1924, to Miss Marie J. Knoll of Batavia, and they reside at No. 19 Lewis avenue, a residence recently erected by Dr. Koester. The Doctor gives his political support to the democratic party and is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, while fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus. He has further membership connections with the Batavia Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and is deservedly popular in social as well as professional circles of the city of his adoption.

EDWIN GARFIELD FOSTER.

Many of Rochester's native sons have won success and prominence in the professions and in this classification belongs Edwin Garfield Foster, valuation engineer for the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company. He was born July 24, 1881, and his parents, John and Lydia Margaret (Albright) Foster, were natives of Savannah, Wayne county, New York. In the paternal line he traces his lineage to William Randall, who made the voyage from England to America in 1635 and became one of the earliest pioneers of Marshfield, Massachusetts. The Albrights are descendants of the Duke of Albrecht and the immigrant ancestor of the family was a native of Austria. He came to the New World about 1745 and settled in the vicinity of Albany, New York. The Foster family was founded in this country by Henry Foster, who left his home in the north of Ireland about 1790 and came to the United States. From the Revolutionary war period to the present time members of the Foster and Albright families have been noted for their valor and devotion to country, and the spirit of patriotism was also manifest in the career of John Foster, who offered his aid to the Union during the Civil war. He enlisted in Company A, Ninth Regiment of New York Heavy Artillery, and served from 1863 until 1865. He was captured by Confederate troops in an engagement near Washington, D. C., and after nine months' imprisonment was exchanged. He afterward became an advertising specialist and engaged in work of that character in Akron, Ohio, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and other cities. About 1885 he established his permanent home in Rochester and was employed as advertising manager by A. T. Soule, H. H. Warner, the well known patent medicine manufacturer, and also by the Post-Express. He severed his relations with that paper to enter the agricultural implement business and was equally successful in that field, in which he continued until his death. He passed away December 18, 1913, and is survived by the mother, who still resides in Rochester. They had two children: Edwin G.; and Charles H., who is living in Sioux Falls, Iowa.

Edwin Garfield Foster was graduated from the Rochester Free Academy with the class of 1900 and for two years thereafter was identified with building operations in the city. On January 11, 1902, he entered the service of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroad Company in the engineering department, and is now the valuation engineer of that corporation.

In Rochester, on August 26, 1903, Mr. Foster was married to Miss Ruby Macdonald, a daughter of C. W. and Edith A. Macdonald of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Foster have two children: Helen Mar, who was born June 1, 1916; and David James, born December 10, 1922. Both are natives of the city. Mr. Foster is deputy commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America and an influential worker in behalf of that organization. He is a prominent Mason and an exemplary representative of the craft, being a past master of Genesee Falls Lodge, No. 507, F. & A. M.; has taken the Knights Templar

degree in the commandery; the thirty-second degree in the consistory; is serving as president of the Masonic Temple Association, of which he is also a director; and is also district deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. He is treasurer of Morgan Chapter of the New York State Archaeological Society and is also a member of the Rochester Historical Society, the Automobile Club, the National Geographic Society, and the Rochester Engineering Society. He is affiliated with the Baptist church and faithfully follows its teachings. The nature and extent of Mr. Foster's interests indicate the breadth of his mind, as well as the spirit which animates him in the varied relations of life, and the sterling traits of his character have established him high in public regard. His residence is at No. 36 Arvine park.

FRANK MIFFLIN HARTMAN.

Every successful business enterprise adds to the growth and consequent prosperity of the community in which it is established and Frank M. Hartman has contributed his quota toward Dansville's development by the able conduct of a large nursery business, while his name also figures prominently in connection with land development projects. The Hartman family has had a continuous identification with Dansville for considerably more than a century. The first of the name to locate here was Harmon Hartman, the great-grandfather of Frank M. Hartman of this review. Harmon Hartman, a native of Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, settled north of what is now Dansville in 1807. His son, John Hartman, eldest of a family of thirteen children, was a farmer and also kept tavern in the house built by his father, this property in later years being occupied by Orville T. Hartman. John Hartman was a large landholder. His estate, when divided in 1848, contained five hundred and seventy-nine acres. George Hartman, son of John and father of Frank M., was a farmer and occupied a part of the home farm. Later he engaged in the nursery business. He married Caroline Elizabeth Hamsher. Both passed away at the advanced age of eighty-seven years. Their son, Frank M., was born in Dansville on the 24th of November, 1859.

Frank M. Hartman received his education in the Dansville Seminary and afterward completed a course in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York. On his return to Dansville he became associated with his father in the nursery business and since 1885 has continued in this field of activity, with which he has now been connected for nearly forty years. He combines an expert knowledge of the business with administrative ability and now utilizes about fifty acres for the growing of fine fruit trees for the wholesale trade. He is also serving as president of the Livingston Land Company of Buffalo, New York, and his business interests are extensive and important. He is a member of the New York State Nurserymen's Association and of the American Association of Nurserymen.

On the 1st of October, 1903, Mr. Hartman was united in marriage to Miss Hortense Pauline Armstrong of New York city, a daughter of Colonel Frederick Wolcott and Harriet (Bedlow) Armstrong. Mr. Hartman is a member of the Episcopal church, of which he has been vestryman for twenty years, and his political support is given to the democratic party. He was a member of Union Hose Company, No. 1, for a number of years and served as trustee, vice president and president of the organization. He is broad-minded, progressive and public-spirited and measures up to the highest standards in every relation of life.

ANDREW LOGAN GILMAN.

Andrew Logan Gilman, a well known and successful lawyer of Rochester, is a native of Scottsburg, Livingston county, New York, born April 28, 1886, and represents one of the old families of the Genesee country. He is a son of John and Adeline (Logan) Gilman, both of whom were born in western New York. The mother's parents came to this region about 1820, and her father, Andrew Logan, was a farmer. Philip Gilman, a direct ancestor, served in the Continental army during the Revolutionary war and after its close settled in western New York. He was a successful farmer, which occupation many of his descendants followed, and the family has aided materially in developing the rich agricultural resources of this favored section.



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FRANK M. HARTMAN

Andrew Logan Gilman received his early education in Scottsburg and in 1905 completed a course in the Geneseo Normal School. He then entered Cornell University, from which he received the A. B. degree in 1908, and two years later Union University, Albany Law School, conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. In entering upon the active practice of law Mr. Gilman was first associated with Sol Wile and Percival D. Oviatt, two well known attorneys of this city, and in 1915 became a member of the firm of Wile, Oviatt & Gilman, which is still conducted under that style, although the senior partner has retired. This firm has been intrusted with some of the most important litigation heard in the courts of this district and is accorded a prominent position among Rochester's representative legal firms.

In Dansville, New York, on October 27, 1917, Mr. Gilman was married to Miss Georgiana K. Sandford and they have three children: John Sandford and Elizabeth Logan, twins, born November 30, 1918; and Philip Frank, who was born August 12, 1922. On September 6, 1918, Mr. Gilman enlisted for service in the World war and was sent to the Officers Training School at Camp Taylor, receiving his honorable discharge on November 27 of that year. Mr. Gilman is a member of the Rochester Bar Association and the Delta Chi fraternity. He is a Mason and also belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the University Club, the American Legion, and the Monroe Golf Club. He is a consistent member of the Third Presbyterian church and throughout his career has conformed his practice to the highest standards of professional ethics. Mr. Gilman's residence is at No. 115 Crosman terrace.

GEORGE H. DAY.

George H. Day, who has been engaged in general law practice in Batavia during the past two decades, has gained merited recognition among the able and successful attorneys of the city and county. He is a native son of Batavia, and was born on the 29th of October, 1876, his parents being W. Harris and Fanny E. (Taggart) Day. The paternal grandfather, Thomas Day, a sea captain, was the first representative of the family in western New York, emigrating from England to the United States prior to the birth of his son, W. Harris Day. It was about 1835 that he took up his abode in Stafford, Genesee county, New York, where he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits throughout the remainder of his life. W. Harris Day, the father of Mr. Day of this review, practiced law in Batavia for more than sixty years and became widely recognized as one of the leading representatives of the profession in Genesee county.

In the acquirement of an education George H. Day attended the grade and high schools of Batavia, while his professional training was received in New York University of New York city, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1901. He practiced for one year in the eastern metropolis, for a similar period in Rochester and for two years in Buffalo before establishing himself permanently in Batavia in 1905. The zeal with which he has devoted his energies to his profession, the careful regard evinced for the interests of his clients, and an assiduous and unrelaxing attention to all the details of his cases, have brought him a large business and made him very successful in its conduct. He is a member of the Genesee County Bar Association.

On the 4th of February, 1908, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Mr. Day was united in marriage to Anna Applegate, daughter of Mrs. Sybil Applegate of that place. Mr. Day takes an active interest in politics as an adherent of the republican party, but has never sought nor desired office. He has membership in the Batavia Club, the Holland Club and the Stafford Country Club, and fraternally is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has formed an extensive acquaintance in his native city, and his honorable professional career as well as his general reputation for sterling integrity and ability, have made him respected wherever he is known.

WILLIAM J. BRIDLE.

One of the younger realtors of Rochester who is making his mark in his chosen line of work is William J. Bridle, the recently elected president of the Rochester Kiwanis Club. His official position in the business world is that of treasurer of the Slade & Bridle Company, Incorporated, real estate dealers, which he helped establish

five years ago. He is a native of Devonshire, England, and was born on the 14th of April, 1884, the son of Isaac and Susan (Hutchings) Bridle, both of whom are deceased. His parents were of English birth and parentage and always lived in their native land. Isaac Bridle, a baker by trade, held a prominent position among the tradesmen of Torquay, England, where he conducted a large bakery business for forty years. He died in Torquay, in 1923, a year after his wife passed away. Five of the nine children born to Isaac Bridle and his wife are living, but William J. is the only one who has come to the New World. A brother, Joseph, and a sister, Mrs. James Page, live in London; while two sisters, Mrs. Harriet Perring and Mrs. Joseph Hawkins still live in Torquay, the old family home.

After obtaining an education in the elementary and secondary schools of Torquay, William J. Bridle went to work in his father's bakery, where he learned the trade and continued there for six years. He decided to celebrate his twenty-first birthday by setting out to try his luck in America and accordingly embarked for the United States with his young wife. Shortly after reaching this country he located in Rochester and here earned a livelihood by following his trade. He opened a bakery here and later another in Canandaigua, conducting the two with great success until 1916, when he sold out to enter the real estate business.

In this field of endeavor Mr. Bridle found a larger outlet for his abilities than his previous business had afforded him. For the first three years he was identified with the Neil & Parmelee Company, a connection that gave him valuable experience and at the same time enabled him to build up a wide business acquaintance. Five years ago Mr. Bridle went into business for himself as a member and treasurer of the firm of Slade & Bridle, Incorporated, his partner being Lester P. Slade. This firm does a general real estate and brokerage business that has placed them on the list of the leading organizations of this nature in the city. The high position that Mr. Bridle enjoys in the esteem of his business associates and contemporaries is indicated in the fact that he was recently honored by unanimous election to the office of president of the Kiwanis Club, an organization which is very representative of the best business ability and professional talent of Rochester. He is a valued member of the Real Estate Board and socially is identified with the Rochester Automobile Club.

In 1903, before he left his native land for America, Mr. Bridle was married to Miss Annie Moore of Paignton, England, who died in this city in 1914. Mrs. Bridle was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Moore of Paignton, England. She is survived by one child, a daughter, Miss Lillian, born in Rochester in 1906 and educated here. In Niagara Falls, New York, in 1917, Mr. Bridle was married to Miss Anna May Ogden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ogden of this city.

HOWARD HEERMANS FIELD.

An enterprising and successful representative of industrial interests in Rochester is Howard Heermans Field, the president of the Rochester Cabinet Company, which was organized in 1888, and of which he has been the chief executive officer for the past six years. His birth occurred in Corning, New York, on the 28th of May, 1882, his parents being Lovasso and Alice B. V. (Heermans) Field, the former a native of New Jersey and the latter of West Virginia. Lovasso Field came to the state of New York about 1881 and later turned his attention to the cabinet-making industry, which claimed his time and energies in Rochester for a period of thirty-five years. In his demise, which occurred in 1918, the city lost one of its substantial business men and highly esteemed citizens. To him and his wife, who still survives, were born five children: Frank H., Howard H., Harold L., Dorothy L., and Kenneth H.

In the acquirement of an education Howard Heermans Field attended the grade schools of Rochester, the Rochester Free Academy and the University of Rochester, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the last named institution in 1904. He then became identified with financial interests as an employe of the Security Trust Company of Rochester, with which he continued in a clerical capacity for three years, after which he spent a similar period with the Duffy-McInnerney Company in charge of its office. It was in 1910 that he embarked in business on his own account, with the Rochester Cabinet Company, of which he acted as treasurer until 1918, when he was elected to the presidency of the concern and has remained at its head. His associate officers are Howard M. Tuety and Kenneth H. Field, who occupy the position of vice president and treasurer, respectively. The Rochester Cabinet

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HOWARD H. FIELD

Company furnishes employment to twenty people and has developed a business of extensive and profitable proportions, the growing success of the industry being attributable in large measure to the capable control and wise management of its head.

Mr. Field is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity and also has membership connection with the Central Presbyterian church, the University Club, the Rochester Auto Club and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. A lifelong resident of this city, he is widely known here and enjoys well deserved popularity in both business and social circles. The prosperity which has come to him is indeed well merited, as it is the result of his own wisely directed efforts.

BRADFORD J. BURROUGHS.

Bradford J. Burroughs, a representative and able young attorney of Batavia, is the senior member of the firm of Burroughs & Crowley, which maintains offices at No. 12 Main street. He was born in Geneseo, Livingston county, New York, on the 20th of June, 1889, his parents being Frederick C. and Catherine (Purcell) Burroughs of that place. His paternal grandfather, David Burroughs, who was the first representative of the family in western New York, left Connecticut about the year 1860 to settle in Livingston county, this state, where he resided for upwards of a third of a century, later moving to Le Roy, Genesee county, where he died. Frederick C. Burroughs, the father of Mr. Burroughs of this review, who has devoted his attention to building operations throughout his active business career, has spent the greater part of his life in Geneseo and in Batavia. He makes his home in the latter place at the present time and enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance in the community.

Bradford J. Burroughs received his early education in the grammar and high schools of Batavia and acquired his professional training in the University of Buffalo, which in 1917 conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. Following his graduation he engaged in law practice in association with W. H. Coon, a well known attorney of Batavia, until the 1st of January, 1923, when he formed a partnership with James F. Crowley. The firm of Burroughs & Crowley opened offices in Batavia, where they have since built up a clientage of large and gratifying proportions. Mr. Burroughs specializes in trial cases and has advanced ideas on crime and criminals. He believes that a man who makes a misstep is not potentially without honor, and therefore has had many so-called criminals from among the clients of other lawyers, as well as his own, placed on probation. He has had the satisfaction of seeing a number of these men restored to the ranks of good citizens.

In Rochester, New York, on the 24th of January, 1921, Mr. Burroughs was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth M. Kendall, daughter of Walter E. and Margaret E. Kendall, who were formerly residents of Le Roy, New York, but now make their home in Batavia. Mr. Burroughs takes an active interest in politics as an adherent of the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the local organization of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and along strictly professional lines he has membership connection with the Genesee County Bar Association. He finds needed recreation in hunting, fishing and other outdoor sports and indulges his fondness therefor when leisure permits. Mr. Burroughs is sincerely devoted to his profession and greater success in years to come is predicted by his many friends.

MARTIN BROWN.

Martin Brown, who has been a representative of the legal profession in Batavia during the past forty-four years, enjoys the distinction of being the oldest active attorney in Genesee county. He may still be found in the fast thinning ranks of Civil war veterans, for he had scarcely entered his 'teens when he went to the front in defense of the Union. He was born in Amsterdam, Montgomery county, New York, on the 18th of March, 1850, his parents being James and Anna Brown. The father, who was a contractor, left the Empire state to establish his home in Huron county, Ohio, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Martin Brown began his education in the public schools of New York and continued his studies at Norwalk, Ohio, following the removal of his father to the latter state. He put aside his textbooks to join Company B of the Twenty-fifth Ohio Vol-

unter Infantry and spent about two and one-half years in military service. After the cessation of hostilities between the north and the south he returned to the state of New York. Determining to prepare himself for a professional career, he entered the Albany Law School, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1881. The same year he opened an office in Batavia, where he has continued in practice to the present time and with the passing years has been accorded a clientage of growing volume and importance. He was associated with James A. Le Seur for a period of five years and with W. E. Webster for six years, but he has practiced independently during the greater part of his professional career and has long enjoyed merited recognition among the most able and successful members of the Batavia bar.

On the 21st of June, 1882, in St. Louis, Missouri, Mr. Brown was united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Mattison of that city. They have two living children: Elmer, who is a medical student at Georgetown University, Georgetown, D. C.; and Russell, who is connected with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington, D. C., as an attorney. The latter is married and makes his home in the nation's capital.

Mr. Brown gives his political allegiance to the republican party, which was the defense of the Union during the dark days of the Civil war, and he proudly wears the little bronze button which proclaims him a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He made an excellent record as justice of the peace, in which capacity he served for ten years. His religious faith is that of the Baptist church, while along strictly professional lines he is identified with the Genesee County Bar Association. Mr. Brown has practiced as well as preached the gospel of work and has ever manifested an active interest in the cause of civic betterment, and his fellow citizens unite in bearing testimony as to his many substantial traits of character.

AUGUSTUS SCHAEFER MERTZ.

Augustus Schaefer Mertz, a keen, alert and aggressive young business man, has made efficiency his watchword, and closely adhering to this standard, has advanced far beyond the ranks of mediocrity until he now stands among the successful few. He has concentrated his attention upon the dairy industry, in which he has attained a position of leadership, and Rochester numbers him among its most valuable citizens. He was born March 30, 1887, in the town of Manchester, Ontario county, New York, a son of Andrew and Charlotte (Schaefer) Mertz, both of whom are natives of Germany. They resided for many years in Ontario county, New York, where the father engaged in farming, and success rewarded his well-directed labors. He passed away in Palmyra, on May 16, 1924, having reached the venerable age of seventy-nine years. The mother survives. Four children were born of their union, namely: Lucius A., president of the Consolidated Milk Company of Rochester; Elizabeth R., executive secretary of the Big Sister Social Welfare Society of Rochester and formerly a successful teacher; Harold, general agent at Palmyra for the Prudential Life Insurance Company; and Augustus Schaefer of this review.

Augustus Schaefer Mertz attended the Armington school in Ontario county, New York, and completed his education in the Palmyra high school. He then came to Rochester and entered the employ of Sibley Converse, milk dealer, becoming driver of one of the delivery wagons. He filled that position for seven months, gaining a practical knowledge of the business, and at the age of seventeen purchased a half interest in the business, his brother, Lucius A. Mertz, purchasing the remainder of the stock. The partnership was continued for four years, when Augustus S. sold his interest in the concern to his brother and in 1908 organized the Mertz Milk Company, which was incorporated in 1916. He is president and manager of the company, which conducts a large wholesale business, and the rapid growth of its trade is proof of his capacity for such service. He has a comprehensive grasp of the business, of which he has made a life study, and has been honored with the presidency of the Rochester Milk Dealers Association, which office he is now filling.

On September 16, 1908, Mr. Mertz was married to Miss Ida May Emsley, a daughter of Amos and Sarah Jane Emsley, prominent residents of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Mertz have the following children: Wesley Andrew, who was born October 5, 1909, and is a student in Madison Junior high school; Loretta Elizabeth, who was born October 11, 1912; and Robert Augustus, born March 21, 1917.

Mr. Mertz is an active worker for the good of his community and acts as vice chairman of the membership committee of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He



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is equally interested in the moral progress of his city and teaches the Brotherhood Bible Class of Corn Hill Methodist Episcopal church, also serving as vice president of the Methodist Episcopal Union. He belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association and is a member of the Rochester Automobile Club. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and is connected with Damascus Shrine and Lalla Rookh Grotto. His activities are well balanced, touching the general interests of society, and his genuine personal worth has established him high in public regard. His residence is at No. 419 Hawley street.

CLAYTON CORRALL HALL.

Clayton C. Hall, vice president of the Garfield Real Estate Company, occupies a foremost position among Rochester realtors. Mr. Hall has been connected with the real estate business in this city for over seventeen years and during that period has built up a clientele that fully attests the high standing he is accorded by both patrons and contemporaries. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, September 7, 1875, a son of Linus and Hannah (Crooks) Hall, both of whom are natives of the Buckeye state, in which they have always resided, and are now living retired near Cortland, Ohio.

Clayton Corral Hall attended the public schools of Cortland, Ohio, and after entering the business world he became traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery house of Cleveland, Ohio. He represented that firm for four years and then entered the service of one of the large real estate companies of that city. In 1908 he came to Rochester to accept a position as salesman with the Garfield Real Estate Company, with which he has remained, being elected vice president of the company in 1921. The Garfield Real Estate Company has long been one of the outstanding real estate firms in the city, enjoying an exceptionally high-class and extensive clientele. Mr. Hall is a capable executive, conversant with every detail of the business, and bears an enviable reputation for integrity and clean business methods.

In Cleveland, Ohio, on April 18, 1893, Mr. Hall was married to Miss Bessie W. Woerz, a member of one of the well known families of that city. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith and his political support is given to the republican party. While he has never sought public office, he has rendered valuable service to his city through his operations in the real estate field, and his success is well deserved, for it has been worthily won. Mr. Hall's residence is at No. 209 Rugby avenue.

PETER VERWEY, JR.

A well organized, ably conducted and rapidly growing printing business is the visible expression of the initiative and enterprise of its founder, Peter Verwey, Jr., one of Rochester's native sons. He was born October 2, 1885, of the marriage of Peter Verwey and Catherine Vanderhoof, both natives of Holland. They came to the United States in their youth, establishing their home in Brighton, New York, and the father entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad. They are now residing in Rochester and Mr. Verwey is spending the evening of life in the enjoyment of a well earned rest. Seven children were born to them. Harry E., general manager of the Rochester branch of the National Casket Company; Peter, Jr., of this review; Elizabeth, now the wife of Wilbur Fridley of Rochester; Rev. Daniel G., a minister of the Dutch Reformed church in New York city; William, of Brooklyn, New York; Frances, now Mrs. E. P. Wondergen of Spencerport, New York; and Anna, the wife of Fred Marsh of Irondequoit, New York.

Peter Verwey, Jr., received a public school education and was about fourteen years old when he started to learn the printer's trade as an apprentice in the establishment of Lewis & Leahy. He remained with that firm for a few years, when it was succeeded by William Leahy, in whose employ Mr. Verwey continued until 1911. In October of that year Mr. Verwey went into business for himself, continuing as an individual until 1914, when the business was incorporated as the Verwey Printing Company. Mr. Verwey has been an official in the corporation ever since, being treasurer at the present time. The well equipped plant of this company enables it to turn out the highest grade of work and under Mr. Verwey's expert supervision the business

is operated with a high degree of efficiency and ranks with the best managed printing plants in the city.

On March 21, 1924, Mr. Verwey was married to Miss Norine Negus, a daughter of Dr. Merritt Negus of this city. Mr. Verwey belongs to the National Typothetae Association, to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and to the Automobile Club of this city. He is prominent in local fraternal circles and has membership relations with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Foresters, the Woodmen of the World, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and blue lodge of Masons. Mr. Verwey has concentrated his attention upon the printing business, of which he has acquired a highly specialized knowledge, and his energy and ability have carried him forward to a position where he is regarded as one of the highly capable men in his line of work. He has a wide acquaintance in Rochester's business circles and few men in the printing trade are as well known.

WILLIAM CRAIG.

Not so many years ago the Grand Army Posts in the Genesee country could show a goodly roster of active members. Today this membership has been sorely depleted by death, and the veterans of the Civil war, surviving, command greater homage and affection from the American people because of their rapidly dwindling number. One of these Grand Army of the Republic veterans is William Craig of Nunda, Livingston county, New York, now living retired and in the eighty-sixth year of his age. He was born in the town of East Sparta, on a farm two and a half miles south of Scottsburg, on August 31, 1838, the son of James Taylor and Betsy (Carney) Craig. There were twelve children in the family, of whom seven sons are living. The children were: William, James, John, Edward, Victor, Robert, Albert, Samuel, Mary, Elizabeth, Jane and Alfred. Those who have passed away are: James, Robert, Mary, Elizabeth and Jane. William Craig was the oldest child. In 1850 the family moved to a farm near Nunda, where the father died at the age of forty-four. William Craig then took entire charge of the farm, including the milling operations which had been carried on by his father.

William Craig gained some education in the district schools, and took a full course at Eastman's Business College in Rochester, New York. Naturally, with the care of the farm and the large family on his hands, he was unable to devote much time to study. For a couple of years he conducted the milling business in Nunda, established by his father, and then engaged in the mercantile business, which he continued for forty years at Nunda, with marked success. Later he was connected with the seed firm of Belden & Company as auditor for a number of years, until he retired from active business. Mr. Craig's Grand Army of the Republic membership was gained by service during the closing days of the Civil war, in the Sixty-fifth New York Infantry commissariat.

Mr. Craig was married on December 31, 1867, to Emily J. Grover, of Nunda, who died on April 2, 1905. Three children were born to this union: Frederick W., who died in 1917, in his forty-sixth year; Mabel, wife of Albert J. Stone, a resident of New York city; and Don G., of Nunda. Mr. Craig was married on December 26, 1906, to Frances W. Wood of Rochester, New York. He is a republican in his political views and has been trustee of the village of Nunda. In his religious convictions he is a member of the Presbyterian church, active in its affairs, and has been one of the trustees. Fraternally Mr. Craig is affiliated with the Masonic order and was treasurer of the three Masonic organizations in Nunda for twenty years.

WILLIAM J. MALONEY.

William J. Maloney, attorney at law, with offices in the Union Trust building, Rochester, has gained success in his profession. He was born in Rush, New York, February 27, 1877, and is a son of Timothy and Mary (Lyden) Maloney, natives of Ireland. They were married in Rush, New York, and always resided in that locality, where the father was a well known and successful farmer. He passed away on June 26, 1924.

William J. Maloney obtained his early education in the district where he was born and afterward became a student in the Genesee Normal School, from which



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he was graduated in June, 1900. He paid the expenses of his course in that institution by teaching school, devoting three years to educational work. He read law in the office of Elbridge L. Adams, then a well known attorney of Rochester, now of New York city, and in November, 1903, was admitted to the bar. He joined Hon. Walter S. Hubbell, with whom he was associated for three years, and since 1906 has practiced alone. He gives his undivided attention to his profession and enjoys an extensive and high-class clientele.

In 1907 Mr. Maloney was married to Miss Ethel Porter, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Porter of Rochester, and who passed away in October, 1910. She had become the mother of two children: Charles Porter, who is attending high school; and Laurice, who has passed away. In September, 1918, Mr. Maloney was married to Miss Irene Lucey, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lucey of Rochester. Mrs. Maloney possesses histrionic talent and for a number of years was a member of the vaudeville team of McDewitt, Kelly and Lucey, which traveled the Keith circuit, presenting a sketch entitled "The Piano Movers and the Actress". She was one of the most active workers in behalf of the National Vaudeville Artists' benefit performance, given in the Eastman theatre on April 22, 1924, and was largely responsible for its success.

Mr. Maloney is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Rochester Bar Association and his interest in the welfare of his city is indicated by his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. He has ever conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession and ranks with Rochester's leading attorneys, while a large circle of loyal friends attests his personal popularity.

ERNEST CONGER WHITBECK.

Ernest Conger Whitbeck, one of the leading lawyers of Rochester, has successfully followed his profession in this city for more than a quarter of a century. He was born in Sodus, New York, on the 6th of October, 1872, the eldest son of J. Du Fay and Jean (McNair) Whitbeck.

J. Du Fay Whitbeck was for nearly forty years a resident and prominent business man of this city. He was born in Sodus, New York, in 1850, and in 1871 was married to Miss Jean McNair of Oswego. He moved to Rochester in 1886, and shortly afterward engaged in the laundry business, acquiring an interest in the Palace Laundry, then in Stone street. In 1890 the Palace Laundry was consolidated with the Star Laundry, then owned by A. T. Hagen and D. M. Cooper. Mr. Whitbeck from that time on took an active part in the management and development of what is now the Star Palace Laundry. In 1905 he disposed of his interest in the Star Palace Laundry and since that time had not been actively engaged in business in Rochester.

In 1891 he had established the Central Star Laundry in Buffalo and subsequently became its president, retaining that connection to the time of his death. He was a life member of Genesee Falls Lodge of Masons, Hamilton Chapter and Monroe Commandery, was a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of Damascus Temple. During all his residence in Rochester he was an active member of Asbury Methodist church. For more than fifteen years it had been Mr. Whitbeck's custom to spend the winter seasons in California or Florida, returning to Rochester for the summer. It was during his winter sojourn that his death occurred in Los Angeles, California, on January 13, 1925. He was survived by his widow and three sons: Ernest C., of this review; Arthur S., of the engineering department of the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation; and William T., of Buffalo, vice president and treasurer of the Central Star Laundry.

Ernest Conger Whitbeck received his education in the Rochester Free Academy, and the Albany Law School, the latter institution conferring his LL. B. degree as a member of the class of 1899. After his admission to the bar Mr. Whitbeck opened an office in this city, where he has since engaged in practice. He is also a director of the Genesee Valley Trust Company.

In Nunda, New York, on June 27, 1901, Mr. Whitbeck was married to Miss Louise M. Peck, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Peck. Mr. and Mrs. Whitbeck have three sons: John McNair, who was born January 11, 1903, and who is a student at Dartmouth, class of 1925; Ernest C., Jr., who was born September 19,

1905, is a student at the University of Rochester, class of 1928; and Philip F., who was born November 11, 1909, and is a pupil in the Culver Military Academy.

Mr. Whitbeck belongs to the Genesee Valley Club and the Oak Hill Country Club and is a Royal Arch Mason. He is a member of the Rochester and New York State Bar Associations and gives his political support to the men and measures of the republican party. Mr. Whitbeck's residence is at No. 9 Portsmouth terrace.

LEWIS A. KAMMAN.

In proportion to its size and population Rochester has a larger number of enterprising and progressive business men than almost any other city in the United States. They appear to take the initiative in all fields of endeavor and it seems to be a foregone conclusion that they will make a success of what they undertake. Prominent among the young men of this class is Lewis A. Kamman, secretary and manager of the Indian Splint Company and an influential factor in the industrial life of the city. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, July 4, 1885, and is a son of Abraham and Frances (Lowenthal) Kamman, both of whom came to this country in their youth. The father won success as a clothing manufacturer and is now living retired in Rochester, while the mother also survives. Seven children were born to them: M. J., a resident of Toronto, Canada; Julius, of Rochester; Ira, whose home is in Coburg, in the province of Ontario, Canada; and Daniel, Lewis A., Mrs. M. Lavin and Mrs. H. Burricks, all of whom reside in this city.

In the acquirement of an education Lewis A. Kamman attended school No. 26 and the East high school, after which he completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute. After his graduation he entered the service of the Langslow-Fowler Company, furniture manufacturers. He was quick, industrious and dependable and his employers soon recognized these traits. He advanced rapidly and was filling the position of sales manager when the Indian Splint Company sought his services. Mr. Kamman now acts as secretary and manager of the corporation, which manufactures furniture and upholstery, and furnishes employment to one hundred and fifty persons. His familiarity with every detail of the industry is supplemented by executive power and mature judgment, hence his labors have been beneficially resultant and the business has prospered under his able management.

In Rochester, on April 20, 1910, Mr. Kamman was married to Miss Sarah Schwartzschild, a daughter of Solomon Schwartzschild, a prominent resident of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Kamman have one child: Ruth, who was born in Rochester, in 1912, and is attending the Junior high school. Mr. Kamman is an exemplary representative of the Masonic order and has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory, while he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Rochester Automobile Club and his public spirit finds expression in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce. In thoroughness and the mastery of every detail of the duties that have devolved upon him lie the secret of Mr. Kamman's success, and he possesses many admirable traits of character, as his fellow citizens attest.

ALBERT W. WOOD.

Albert W. Wood, vice president of the Big Elm Dairy Company of Rochester, occupies a prominent place among those men whose constructive efforts have had much to do with the building up and development of this well known and successful enterprise. Mr. Wood's entire business career has been connected with the dairy business—in fact, it can be said that he grew up in that industry. He was born in Rochester, October 25, 1876, a son of William and Emma (Low) Wood, both of whom were natives of Nottingham, England, and came to the United States in the latter '50s, later locating in Rochester, where both passed away. William Wood was a well known milk distributor in Rochester forty years ago and was conducting a successful business in that line at the time of his demise. There were four children in his family: Mrs. Daniel Hatch of Canandaigua; Arthur E., who is president of the Big Elm Dairy Company and is mentioned elsewhere in this work; Mrs. Hattie Berner, now deceased; and Albert W. of this review.

Albert W. Wood attended the public schools of Ontario county, New York, in early life, but after the family moved to Rochester he started out to make his



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own way in the world, delivering milk on a route owned by one of the dairymen of this city. Subsequently he purchased the route and the equipment of a horse and wagon and operated the business under his own name. At first the work was hard and the hours were long, while the compensation was far from being large. But the young man put all of his energies into making a success of his venture, saved his small profits and kept going ahead until 1907, when he joined the Big Elm Dairy Company, as vice president, in which capacity he has ever since served.

The Big Elm dairy plant is generally conceded to be one of the most modern and scientifically equipped in all of western New York. The fireproof structure that houses the business was erected in 1915 and represents the last word in dairy construction. Too great credit cannot be given to the Wood brothers for their share in building up and maintaining this large and essential industry, for they started at the very bottom and have risen solely as the result of their own consistent and well directed efforts. The officials of the company are: Arthur E. Wood, president; Albert W. Wood, vice president; and Oscar B. Spieler, secretary and treasurer. Among his other business connections he is a director and treasurer of the Monarch Mortgage Company.

Mr. Wood has taken a very active part in the work of the Masonic order in this city and has held various offices in that fraternity. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and endeavors in every relation of life to display the beneficent spirit of his craft. He is also a member of the Rochester Lodge of Elks and the Automobile Club of Rochester and the Rochester Club. Politically he ranks as an independent, reserving the right to vote for the man he considers best fitted for office, regardless of party considerations. The Rotary Club, in which he represents the dairy industry, considers Mr. Wood one of its valuable and progressive members.

THE ROGERS FAMILY.

Among the men of solid worth whose names will ever be recalled with pride and affection in Lockport, New York, was the late Colonel Edward Wilkinson Rogers, influential business man, Civil war hero, former mayor and public-spirited citizen. Throughout a long and particularly active life, he demonstrated the sterling characteristics that mark the true American, and in passing away left behind him a record of worthy achievements that ennoble his name and arouse a spirit of emulation in those who realize that life means more than mere existence. It may truly be said of this honored and beloved son of Lockport, that in every way his life exemplified true nobility of purpose.

Edward Wilkinson Rogers was born in Lockport, New York, November 5, 1839, a direct descendant of John Rogers, who came to the American colonies from England, in 1635. His father was Nathan B. Rogers, who was one of the earliest settlers of Lockport, where he lived for many years respected and esteemed. Nathan B. Rogers came to Lockport from Cumberland, Rhode Island, in 1816, before there was any settlement, and it is said that he cleared away the woods from what is now Main street. He took a leading and active part in establishing the community and in its development and life, up to the time of his death in 1879. Throughout life the late Colonel Rogers took pride in the fact that his grandfather, John Rogers, Jr., served as first lieutenant and adjutant of the First Rhode Island Regiment in the Continental army during the Revolutionary war, and was for some time on the staff of General George Washington, serving with gallantry and distinction during the entire war, including the campaigns of Valley Forge, Fort Montgomery, Fort Mifflin, siege of Newport, battle of Rhode Island, the expedition from Fort Herkimer, New York, to Fort Oswego, the siege of Yorktown, where he was wounded, and the capitulation of Lieutenant General Cornwallis in 1781.

It may be that the grandson inherited a strain of valiant courage and willing self-sacrifice, together with patriotic enthusiasm that led him also into military life in young manhood. In 1862, when the issues involved in the Civil war for the preservation of the Union, that gift of his forefathers, became endangered, Edward W. Rogers went to the front with the Nineteenth New York Independent Light Artillery as first lieutenant, and became its captain very shortly thereafter. In 1863 his command was stationed in the city of Washington when the Capitol was dedicated, and it was his battery that was selected to fire the National salute. In 1864, with his battery, he joined the general movement south under General Grant, afterward seeing continuous service until the close of the war, taking part in the

battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and many others. He was twice breveted for conspicuous gallantry in action, first as major at Spottsylvania, and again at Petersburg, as colonel, in after years taking a natural pride in the official documents vouching his conduct. He was touchingly proud of his battery, declaring it the finest body of men in the service, this sentiment being mutual and so expressed in 1912, when together they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their mustering into the service. Colonel Rogers was a member of the Rhode Island branch of the Society of the Cincinnati, which was formed by officers of the Revolutionary war; also of the New York Commandery of the Loyal Legion, formed by officers of the Civil war; and a member of Sprout Post No. 76, Grand Army of the Republic, of which he was a past commander.

Colonel Rogers was an ardent republican in politics and in full sympathy with other public men of his day who believed and worked for the ideals of American life. He was appointed one of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home, at Bath, New York, by President Theodore Roosevelt. In civic affairs he took the deepest interest, throughout his life his devotion to the best interests of Lockport being notable. In addition to serving frequently on various municipal boards and commissions, he was long a member of the board of education, was a careful and efficient alderman and a wise and progressive mayor. In 1870 he founded the Lockport Cotton Batting Company, which has steadily expanded until now it is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the country. He continued at the head of this business enterprise up to the time of his death on the 10th of May, 1913, and until then was actively concerned in its affairs.

For some years before his death, Colonel Rogers enjoyed the benefits of travel, making trips to Europe, South America, Panama and the West Indies, and in 1910 completed a tour of the world. He also knew his own country well and as late as April 25, 1913, returned to Lockport after an extended visit in California. His acquaintance was wide for he was democratic in associating with men, and they invariably found him genial, sympathetic, considerate and courteous. His rugged physique belied his age and he was companionable with both old and young. He was a regular attendant upon the services of the First Presbyterian church of Lockport. The date of his burial was on the anniversary of his brevet as major, for gallantry at Spottsylvania, which engagement he deemed the most eventful in his military career. His death was universally deplored in Lockport, for here he was deeply respected and beloved. As indicative of the feeling for him by those who had known him longest and best, an editorial from the Lockport Journal under date of May 10, 1913, is presented, entitled: "Of whom all may say, this was a man." "In the passing of Colonel Edward W. Rogers, this community loses a striking figure from among the fast thinning ranks of the survivors of the heroic conflict of a half century ago, a man who was prominent in its business and social life and one whose well-rounded career was marked by many achievements of note in times of peace fully up to the high standards of his gallant conduct during the stormy years of the War of the Rebellion. A good soldier, the deceased was the better citizen and the record of his life is such that all who read may say, 'This was a Man.' A native of Lockport, it was as first lieutenant that Colonel Rogers enlisted in the Nineteenth New York Battery, Light Artillery, with which he served through the stormiest period of the war with conspicuous gallantry. The young officer earned promotion to a captaincy and that characteristic bravery in action later brought him recognition at the hands of President Lincoln, who made him a major for meritorious service on the field at Spottsylvania, and breveted him lieutenant colonel at the close of his military service. Colonel Rogers' ability in other fields than army life was amply demonstrated by the successful manufacturing establishment which he founded more than twoscore years ago and which is still a prominent factor in local industrial life. In public service, he served with credit in the office of mayor. Every duty in public and private life was regarded as sacred by Colonel Rogers, and was discharged with the singular fidelity that characterized all his activities. The social side of the man was another revelation of a many-sided personality that was always companionable, delightful in hospitality and possessing a fund of anecdote and humor which made his society sought and his presence an inspiration to good feeling. His death at this time will be generally deplored and a circle of friends not bounded by this continent will join in the deep feeling of regret at the news of the passing of this gallant and well beloved gentleman and soldier."

In 1866 Colonel Rogers was married to Jennie L. Gott, who died in 1899. They had four children: Charles G.; Carrie R., the wife of Milton B. Loy of Los Angeles,

California; Fred A.; and Edward Albert. All survive except Fred A., who died in youth.

Charles Gott Rogers, the eldest in the family of Colonel and Mrs. Rogers, was born December 23, 1866, in Spencerport, New York, and received his education in the public schools of Lockport. As a young man he became identified with the Lockport Cotton Batting Company, an enterprise founded by his father. He has proven an energetic business man and his thorough knowledge of his special line and his sound judgment commercially have in no small measure contributed to Lockport's prestige as a manufacturing center. During the World war Mr. Rogers served as major commanding Lockport Battalion, Home Defense Reserves, and was most useful in the various movements and activities made necessary by the war's demands. In political matters he is a republican, but has not sought public office. He holds membership in the Society of the Cincinnati, in the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary Club, and to the Tuscarora and the Town and Country Clubs. On June 27, 1921, Charles G. Rogers was married to Allie Rose of Lockport, New York. There is no citizen of Lockport who is held in higher regard.

Edward Albert Rogers, secretary of the Lockport Cotton Batting Company, was born in Lockport, New York, September 19, 1874, son of the late Colonel Edward W. and Jennie (Gott) Rogers. He was graduated from the Lockport high school in 1892, and from Hamilton College in 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, following which he studied law with the late John E. Pound, was admitted to the bar, but has never been engaged in practice, preferring to devote his time and abilities to those duties pertaining to his connection with the large industrial enterprise founded by his father, of which his brother is president. As was his father, Mr. Rogers is firm in his support of republican principles and candidates, but like his brother has never cared to enter the public arena. He belongs to the Delta Kappa Epsilon college fraternity, the University Club of Buffalo, the Tuscarora Club, the Lockport Town and Country Club, the Transit Valley Country Club, and the Rotary Club. A man of strong religious sentiments and convictions, he has long been a member of the First Presbyterian church of Lockport, which he is now serving as an elder and where he does efficient work as superintendent of the Sunday school. On January 11, 1916, Edward A. Rogers was married in Lockport, to Ruth Elizabeth Parker, daughter of Charles H. and Mary (Shaw) Parker.

WARD BEECHER MANCHESTER, M. D.

Dr. Ward Beecher Manchester has been an active representative of the medical profession in Batavia during the past seventeen years, save for the period of his service overseas at the time of the World war. His reputation for skill in surgery, in which he specializes, has extended far beyond the confines of his adopted city. He was born in Clarendon, Orleans county, New York, on the 12th of June, 1883, his parents being Hiram B. and Mary (Hill) Manchester. The Manchesters settled in the state of Massachusetts about 1632, and members of the family fought in the Revolutionary war. Hiram B. Manchester, the father of Dr. Manchester of this review, has been a practicing physician of Batavia for more than thirty-five years and is widely recognized as one of the able and successful representatives of the profession here.

In the acquirement of an education, Ward Beecher Manchester attended the grammar and high schools of Batavia. Carrying out his determination to follow in the professional footsteps of his father, he matriculated in the University of Buffalo, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1907. The same year he took what is known as Richard Cabot's Summer Course, in Harvard University. He served as an interne in the German Deaconess Hospital of Buffalo during 1907 and 1908 and in the latter year located in Batavia, where he engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery until his enlistment in the Medical Corps of the United States army in 1917. Commissioned first lieutenant and sent overseas, Dr. Manchester remained with the British forces in England until March, 1918, and thereafter served in France with the British, until December 10, 1918. He then became connected with the American forces and so continued until his honorable discharge from military duty on the 26th of February, 1919, when he resumed his professional work in Batavia. As above stated, he specializes in surgery and in this field of practice manifests pronounced proficiency and skill for he possesses

comprehensive knowledge of anatomy and the component parts of the human body. Dr. Manchester is a member of the staffs of St. Jerome's Hospital and Batavia Hospital and is also surgeon for the Massey-Harris Harvester Company. Throughout his professional career he has been a close student of the principles and science of medicine and of surgery, doing everything in his power to promote his knowledge and advance his skill in checking the ravages of disease. He keeps in touch with the trend of professional progress also through his membership in the Genesee County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American College of Surgeons.

On the 28th of September, 1910, in Ithaca, New York, Dr. Manchester was married to Miss Jennie A. George, daughter of William and Jennie (Pickert) George of that city. They have become the parents of three children, as follows: Ward Beecher, Jr., who was born on August 3, 1911; John Alan, whose natal day was February 10, 1917; and Barbara Jane, who was born the 17th of October, 1921.

Politically Dr. Manchester is a staunch republican. He was appointed coroner in 1920 and is still the capable incumbent of the office, having been twice reelected thereto. He belongs to the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and to the Holland Club, while fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, being a member of Damas-cus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester. His religious faith is that of the Episcopal church. Outdoor sports afford him needed recreation and he is particularly fond of tennis. His entire career is actuated by a commendable ambition and a laudable purpose that have found expression in valuable service for his fellowmen.

STANLEY ROBERT HARE, M. D.

Dr. Stanley Robert Hare, one of the successful medical practitioners among the younger representatives of the profession in Batavia, was born in Fulton, Oswego county, New York, on the 1st of August, 1896, his parents being Elmer E. and Ella M. (Harrington) Hare. The father has made his home in that city for many years.

Following the completion of his grammar and high school course in Fulton, Stanley Robert Hare entered Syracuse University, in which he spent two years in the study of arts and then did four years' work in the medical department, receiving the degree of M. D. in 1920. He next served as an interne in the Hospital of the Good Shepherd in Syracuse for a period of sixteen months, and in 1921 opened an office in Batavia, where he has already built up a large general practice. Dr. Hare is a member of the staff of Batavia Hospital and also of St. Jerome's Hospital in Batavia. He belongs to the Genesee County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and in this way he keeps in touch with the progress that is continually being made in the medical profession. Since January 1, 1925, he has become associated with Drs. D. D. Johnson and H. H. Le Seur of Batavia.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Dr. Hare has given his political support to the men and measures of the republican party. He served in the Student Army Training Corps during the period of the World war but had not yet received his commission when the armistice was signed. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, also belongs to the Knights of Columbus and has membership in the Holland Club and in the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. Outdoor sports afford him needed recreation when leisure permits.

EDWARD PHILIP ADAMS.

Edward Philip Adams, president of the Abner Adams Company, manufacturers of hardwood floors, is one of the best known men in his line of business in Rochester. He was born in this city, on the 28th of May, 1881, a son of Abner and Minerva E. (French) Adams, the father a native of East Bloomfield, Ontario county, New York, while the mother was born in West Bloomfield, the same county. Abner Adams was the founder of the business from which the present Abner Adams Company has been developed. He was the pioneer in the plan of hardwood floor work that has been the recognized standard for many years. It was in 1888 that he entered that industry, and through conscientious effort, progressive methods and straightforward dealings he established the high business standing which has been maintained and enjoyed by



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the company ever since. Abner Adams remained the head of the company until his death in 1908. In 1909 the business was incorporated as the Abner Adams Company, with Edward P. Adams, who has remained its executive head, as president. He had entered the business after finishing his work in the grade schools and the Rochester Free Academy. Beginning in a minor capacity, he familiarized himself, through actual experience, with every branch of the business, so that he was well equipped to assume the responsibilities of president. The growth and development of the company has been steady and of a substantial character, branch offices now being maintained in Syracuse and Montreal, Canada. The same successful policies established by its founder, under which the concern laid the foundation of its subsequent success, have been continued by his son, although from time to time they have been modified, of course, to meet the changing conditions in the commercial world.

On June 6, 1904, Mr. Adams was married to Miss Maie Roades, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Roades of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Adams have three sons, all born in Rochester: Philip Roades, born in 1906; Frederick Robert, born in 1907; and David French, born in 1912. As a Rotarian Mr. Adams gives his support to the work of the local Rotary Club, of which he was a charter member, and he is also a member of the Rochester Club, the Rochester Ad Club and the Chamber of Commerce. In his political connections he has always been a republican. While he has ever been a business man, he has never shirked the duties of a public-spirited citizen in the way of supporting those measures and projects of benefit to the city. Mr. Adams has spent his life in Rochester and many of his best friends are those who have known him longest. His residence is at No. 281 Woodbine avenue.

WILLIAM J. RICHTER.

William J. Richter, a well known lawyer of Rochester, was born in this city, May 2, 1880, a son of Francis and Flora (Kimmel) Richter, natives of Germany, who came to the United States during their childhood. The father became a merchant tailor and passed away in 1889, when fifty years of age. The mother is still living. They were the parents of seven children, six of whom survive: William J., Mrs. Elizabeth Oberlies, Mrs. Flora Hosenfeld, Mrs. John Miller, Mary and Katherine.

William J. Richter obtained his early education in the St. Boniface parochial school and graduated from the Rochester Free Academy in 1899. He next entered the University of Rochester, from which he was graduated with the class of 1904, and afterward read law in the office of Eugene J. Dwyer, being admitted to the bar in 1905. For a time he acted as secretary to Mayor Cutler, following which he was clerk of the city court. Subsequently he was appointed an assistant in the district attorney's office and later became associated with Judge Selden Brown of the surrogate court. This relationship was maintained for eight years, and since 1919 Mr. Richter has engaged in the independent practice of his profession. He has handled much important litigation, enjoys a high-class practice and is numbered among the able and successful lawyers of the Rochester bar. Among his interests aside from his profession, he is attorney and a director of the Pinnacle Savings & Loan Association.

Mr. Richter was married on April 26, 1924, to Miss Marion Barlow Germaine of Brockport, New York, a daughter of Charles T. and Nellie (Doty) Germaine. Mr. Richter is identified with the Rochester and New York State Bar Associations and is also a member of Theta Delta Chi, and Pi Phi high school fraternity. He resides at No. 653 Averill avenue.

ROY CHAPPELL SEAMANS, M. D.

Dr. Roy Chappell Seamans is a well-known physician of Batavia, whose pronounced professional ability is attested in the extensive practice accorded him. Born in East Pembroke, Genesee county, New York, on the 3d of March, 1883, he is a son of Asa J. and Cordelia (Chappell) Seamans and is descended from Revolutionary ancestry in both the paternal and maternal lines. The family has been represented in the Genesee country through a century and a quarter, for it was about the year 1800 that the great-grandfather of Dr. Seamans settled in this part of the state, here spending the remainder of his life. Asa J. Seamans, the father of Roy C. Seamans,

devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits throughout his active business career and resided for many years in Lima, Livingston county, New York. He now makes his home in East Pembroke.

Roy Chappell Seamans attended the grade and high schools of Lima and continued his studies in the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, while his professional training was received in Syracuse University, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1911. After spending sixteen months in the Rochester General Hospital he opened an office at South Byron, New York, where he continued in practice for six years. On the expiration of that period, in 1918, he removed to Batavia, where he has remained in the general practice of medicine and surgery to the present time. His diagnosis of his cases is characterized by great care and precision, while with notable accuracy he applies the principles of medical science to specific needs. Dr. Seamans is a member of the staff of St. Jerome's Hospital and of Batavia Hospital. He belongs to the Genesee County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, thus keeping informed concerning the latest investigations and researches of the profession and the valuable truths thereby brought to light.

On the 2d of October, 1913, in Rochester, New York, Dr. Seamans was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Blanche Spear, a daughter of William Spear of Byron, this state, who also has Revolutionary ancestry. Dr. and Mrs. Seamans have become the parents of two children: Elizabeth, who died in October, 1923, at the age of five years; and Audrey Lou, who was born July 28, 1924.

Dr. Seamans is a staunch republican in politics and belongs to the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Baptist church, in which he is serving as deacon, while fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. When leisure permits he indulges his love for fishing and other outdoor sports. His professional work has constantly broadened in scope and importance as his powers have developed through study and the exercise of effort, and his ability has again and again been demonstrated in the splendid results that have followed his labors.

BERNARD HAMSHER OBERDORF.

Success in business is held by many to be incompatible with a strict adherence to a high code of honor, but in many cases this theory has been proven fallacious, a conspicuous instance being afforded by the career of Bernard Hamsher Oberdorf, for absolute truthfulness in word and deed was the underlying principle of his business life, and his death on June 8, 1921, removed from Dansville a citizen of worth. He took a deep and helpful interest in all matters relating to municipal welfare and his life reached out along lines of usefulness to his fellowmen.

Bernard Hamsher Oberdorf was born in Sparta, New York, February 3, 1855, and his parents, Peter John and Susannah B. (Hamsher) Oberdorf, were also natives of the Empire state. The mother was a daughter of Bernard Hamsher, who was one of the pioneer settlers of Sparta. Peter J. Oberdorf was an honored veteran of the Civil war and gallantly defended the Union cause on the battle fields of the south. For many years he held a position of leadership in musical circles of Dansville and Rochester and in the latter city organized the Fifty-fourth Regiment Band, of which he became the director, while he also served as president of the Rochester Musical Protective Association.

Bernard H. Oberdorf was a boy of six when the family came to Dansville and here he obtained his education, attending a select school and also taking a course of study in the Dansville Seminary. At the age of thirteen he entered the office of the Dansville Advertiser and remained in the employ of that paper for thirteen years, being obliged to abandon that line of work, owing to ill health. He next secured a clerical position with a contracting firm engaged in the construction of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and afterward entered the service of Our Home Granula Company, manufacturers of a health food originated by James C. Jackson. Subsequently he turned his attention to insurance and continued in that field of activity until his death, building up a good business by close application, earnest, systematic effort, careful management and straightforward dealing.

On the 20th of January, 1886, Mr. Oberdorf was married to Miss Helen Gansvoort Grant, a daughter of Colonel Timothy B. and Caroline (Smith) Grant. He is survived by Mrs. Oberdorf, who resides in Dansville. For thirty-five years they had journeyed through life together and theirs was a congenial and happy union.



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Mr. Oberdorf was an earnest and sincere member of the Presbyterian church and his political allegiance was given to the republican party. His name figured prominently in civic affairs, he was clerk of Livingston county for two terms and as trustee of the village, as a member of the library board, the board of education and the Union Hose Company he rendered valuable service to his community. He was identified with the Genesee Club of Rochester and his fraternal relations were with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Masons. He was a man of many friends and his life in its thoughtfulness and consideration for others was the outpouring of a kindly, generous and noble spirit.

WRAY WILLIAM WARNER.

Wray William Warner, vice president and treasurer of the L. P. Warner Company, is at the head of a business that was established by his father, L. P. Warner, nearly forty years ago and has been in continuous operation ever since. It was in 1886 that L. P. Warner began in the textile business, organizing the company that bears his name. He was its practical head during the remainder of his life, and through his straightforward business methods as well as in maintaining a very high standard of his product, he established and upheld a most excellent reputation for commercial integrity. Death terminated his career in 1922, while his wife, whose maiden name was Rose A. Tierney, died the year previous. Their family consisted of two sons and three daughters: Clayton Lewis Warner, who enlisted for service in the World war, and as a member of the Three Hundred and Tenth New York Infantry, sacrificed his life on October 20, 1918, in the memorable battle of the Argonne forest; Wray William; Mrs. Delos Wray of Meadowwood, New York; and Mrs. Arthur Dugan and Miss Marian E. Warner of Rochester.

Wray William Warner was born in Rochester on the 20th of August, 1891, and after leaving high school in 1910, completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute the following year. He began his business career in his father's factory and in connection with that business he has ever since remained. Although but a young man Mr. Warner is regarded as an authority on his product, which has not only been held to the high standard established by his father, but has kept abreast of the times in the matter of improved methods of manufacture. He is fully equal to the heavy responsibilities which devolve upon him and is watchful of every detail of the business, knowing that in this age of competition each point is to be safeguarded.

In July, 1916, Mr. Warner was married to Miss Ruth E. Whitney of Sodus, New York, and their three children are: Wray Clayton, who was born September 29, 1921, and died in infancy; Elizabeth Rose, who was born September 29, 1922; and Ruth Irene, born February 7, 1924. Mr. Warner is a member of the Central Presbyterian church and is regarded as an excellent type of the city's capable and progressive business men. His life has been passed in Rochester and many of his best friends are those who have known him from boyhood.

CHARLES E. MCCOY.

Charles E. McCoy is an active representative of industrial interests in Wyoming county as general manager of the Kaustine Company, Incorporated, at Perry, of which he has been the superintendent since its organization in 1915. He was born in Blossburg, Pennsylvania, on the 21st of May, 1871, his parents being Benjamin N. and Alice (Gaylord) McCoy. The father, who has been a lifelong resident of the Keystone state, was formerly engaged in the manufacture of window glass. The McCoy family have long been represented in Pennsylvania.

Charles E. McCoy, whose name introduces this review, was the first of the family to settle in this section. He obtained his early education in the grammar and high schools of his native town and continued his studies in Cazenovia Seminary of Cazenovia, New York. He then secured the position of paymaster with a window glass concern in Kane, Pennsylvania, where he thus remained until 1904. During the succeeding seven years he served in the dual capacity of treasurer and manager of the McCoy Window Glass Company at Mount Jewett, Pennsylvania, while from 1911 until 1913 he was engaged in the lumber business in Wisconsin. In the latter year he

became superintendent of the Sanitary Chemical Closet Company at Bradford, Pennsylvania, which he there represented until January, 1915, when the concern was reorganized under the name of the Kaustine Company, Incorporated, and the plant was moved to Perry, New York. Here Mr. McCoy has continued as superintendent through the intervening period of nearly a decade and is also one of the directors of the company, which has developed an extensive and profitable industry in the manufacture of chemical closets. A man of excellent business ability and sound judgment, his efforts have been a valuable element in the steady growth and success of the enterprise.

On the 12th of September, 1894, in Newark, New York, Mr. McCoy was united in marriage to Miss Ida Van Dusen, daughter of John Van Dusen of that place. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy are the parents of two children: Herbert B., who was born December 5, 1895, and is an electrician residing in Mount Jewett, Pennsylvania; and Gladys, whose natal day was August 1, 1897, and who lives with her parents in Perry.

Mr. McCoy gives his political support to the republican party and is a public-spirited citizen whose influence is ever exerted in behalf of progress and improvement. He has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Perry, also belongs to the Perry Club and is a popular member of the Silver Lake Country Club. For recreation he turns to motoring, outdoor life and social activities. He is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity and a consistent member of the Methodist church, and has ever manifested those sterling traits of character which win confidence and esteem in every land and clime.

REV. GLENN BLACKMER EWELL.

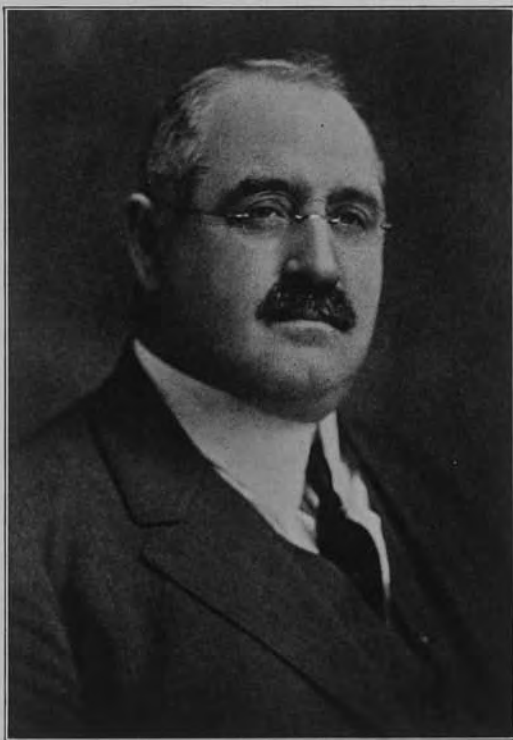
Rev. Glenn Blackmer Ewell is registrar and librarian of the Rochester Theological Seminary and is also a member of the faculty of the institution. He was born in Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, on the 26th of February, 1880, son of Rev. Jirah B. and Mary Florine (Mallory) Ewell. His more advanced intellectual training was received in Colgate University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1903. Eight years later he received a diploma from the Rochester Theological Seminary, which institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1912. He was ordained to the Baptist ministry in 1911 and during that and the succeeding year was a student of library methods preparatory to accepting the position of assistant librarian in the Rochester Theological Seminary, which he filled in 1912 and 1913. Since that time he has served as librarian and is now also discharging the duties of registrar of the seminary. Mr. Ewell acts as recording secretary of the New York Baptist Union for Ministerial Education, its board of trustees, and its executive committee.

On the 17th of April, 1906, Mr. Ewell was united in marriage to Miss Ada Delamater of Fort Plain, New York. They have four children: Paul Brownell, Jean Helen, Marjorie Adelaide, and Roger A. B. Ewell. Mr. Ewell's home is at No. 10 Brighton street, in Rochester.

In his political views Mr. Ewell is a republican. He holds membership in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Automobile Club of Rochester, the University Club and two Greek letter fraternities—Phi Beta Kappa and Delta Upsilon. He likewise belongs to the American Library Association, to the Society of Mayflower Descendants and to the Sons of the American Revolution. In the varied relations of life he is always the same honorable and honored gentleman, whose worth well merits the high regard which is uniformly given him.

JAMES P. CUNNINGHAM.

The business interests of Rochester are important and varied, offering splendid opportunities for advancement to the man of ambition and enterprise. Competition in the different lines, however is exceedingly keen and only those possessed of more than ordinary ability have won the full measure of success. To this class belongs James P. Cunningham, whose interest centers in the lumber industry, in which he has become a dominant force, and all that he possesses has been won through the medium of his own efforts. He was born in St. Lawrence county, New York, September 23, 1869, and his parents, John T. and Sarah Ann (Kane) Cunningham, were



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also natives of the Empire state. The father was a government employe, filling a position of responsibility in the customs department, and also served his country in the Civil war. He enlisted at Chicago in 1861, joining the Tenth United States Cavalry, and participated in many memorable battles. He was sergeant of his company and received his honorable discharge in 1865. He passed away in Kenmore, Erie County, New York. The mother's death occurred in Buffalo in 1922.

James P. Cunningham received his education in the public schools of Ogdensburg, New York, and his first knowledge of the lumber business was gained in St. Lawrence county. He started at the bottom of the ladder and was employed by lumber firms of Saginaw and Detroit, Michigan; Duluth, Minnesota, and Tonawanda, New York, constantly adding to his store of knowledge until he mastered every phase of the business. In 1909 he established a business of his own, choosing Rochester as the scene of his labors. From a modest beginning he has developed a business of extensive proportions, conducted under the name of the J. P. Cunningham Lumber Company, a close corporation, of which he is secretary and treasurer, and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating.

In Tonawanda, New York, March 28, 1889, Mr. Cunningham was married to Miss Margaret Schnitzer, a daughter of Emil Schnitzer of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham have four children, all of whom are natives of Tonawanda and reside in Rochester, namely: Mrs. Harry Jepson, who has a son, James A.; Mrs. Robert Coner; Mrs. Stanley Mountford; and Walter J., who enlisted for service in the World war, becoming a private in a New York company of cavalry, which was attached to the Twenty-seventh Division. He married Katherine Salter and they have two daughters, Janet and Ann.

Mr. Cunningham is an Elk, a Knight Templar Mason, and a Shriner, while in the consistory he has taken the thirty-second degree. He also belongs to the United Commercial Travelers, the Empire State Association of Wholesale Lumber and Sash and Door Salesmen, the Northeastern Retail Lumber Dealers Association, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club. His residence is at No. 105 Selye terrace.

FRED BARBER KING.

Fred Barber King, president and treasurer of the Mandeville & King Company, one of the largest and best known individual flower seed houses in the United States, has had a continuous identification with that firm for more than a third of a century. He was born October 1, 1862, in Lockport, Niagara county, New York, a son of James Otis and Mary A. (Barber) King, both of whom were lifelong residents of Lockport. The father was a well-known and successful business man, following mercantile pursuits during the entire period of his business career.

Fred Barber King obtained his education in the public schools of Lockport and was there reared, attending later the Rochester Business Institute. He began his career in the mercantile business in Lockport, where he continued for three years, and on the expiration of that period he came to Rochester, in 1891, and became connected with the seed house of which he is now the head. It was in 1876 that Wilber J. Mandeville bought out the seed business of John Boardman, and in 1879 he took his brother-in-law, Herbert S. King, in as a partner, under the firm style of Mandeville & King. This relation was maintained until the death of Herbert S. King in 1890, when Mr. Mandeville associated himself with Fred Barber King, retaining the same firm name. A few months prior to the death of W. J. Mandeville in 1902, the business was incorporated under the name of the Mandeville & King Company, which still continues. Upon the death of Mr. Mandeville the responsibility of management fell upon the shoulders of Mr. King. In the beginning the company had less than five hundred regular dealers who handled its flower seeds. Some idea of the growth of the business may be gained from the fact that there are now approximately seventy-five thousand dealers who sell flower seeds of the Mandeville & King Company, the bulk of which are grown in California, although many varieties come from Holland, England, and France. The business of the company has extended into every state in the Union. The Mandeville & King Company is exclusively a flower seed house, specializing in about seventy-five different varieties of garden seed flowers, and has built up a reputation for commercial integrity, such as is enjoyed by few firms in any line of business. For almost twenty-five years Fred B. King has been the executive and managing head of the company, and its record during that period reflects his enterprise, vision and clean business methods.

Mr. King has been twice married. On the 19th of September, 1887, he wedded Miss L. Belle Phillips of Lockport, New York, whose death occurred in November, 1911. The present Mrs. King was, previous to her marriage, Miss Elizabeth Reineck, a daughter of John and Catherine Reineck of this city. In Masonry Mr. King belongs to Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, F. and A. M.; Monroe Commandery, K. T.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. When a young man he joined the First Presbyterian church in Lockport, but after coming to Rochester he became a member of the Church of the Reformation.

Mr. King is what can be termed a busy, active man of well balanced capacities, whose sound judgment and even-paced energy have carried him steadily forward to a position of prominence in his field of activity. The thoroughness of his knowledge of a subject in which he takes an interest is one of his outstanding characteristics and he has made his life count as a strong force for good. He is highly regarded as a business man and a citizen, for he has made the "square deal" a principle of his life, and is loyal to all those interests which make for honorable manhood and progressive citizenship. Mr. King's residence for the past ten years has been at No. 24 Calumet street.

JOHN L. HICKS.

Back in 1906, when John L. Hicks became identified with the automobile business, it was considered a hazardous undertaking and had he sought and heeded the advice of shrewd successful business men at that time, he probably never would have gone into it. In those days the automobile was generally regarded as a fad, which was certain to die out as had the 'bicycle' craze, a few years before. An automobile dealer was far from being considered a safe business man, banks were not very desirous of his business and his existence, at the best, seemed to be short lived. Whether it was vision, foresight or simply native optimism that caused John L. Hicks to cast in his fortunes with the automobile business, need not be argued pro or con; it is at least suggestive to state that at that time he was but twenty-three years of age and was well established in a staple line of business, so that he must have detected at least some of the possibilities offered by the automobile trade. How good was his judgment is best reflected in his subsequent success, and his position as one of the most substantial and prominent men in the automobile trade in western New York.

John L. Hicks was born October 7, 1883, in Bath, New York, a son of Eugene and Marie (Messerschmidt) Hicks. The parents are both living and are natives and lifelong residents of the Empire state. The father now actively engaged in business at Elmira, New York, held positions of public trust under Governor Roswell P. Flower.

John L. Hicks was reared in Bath, New York, and left school at the age of sixteen to enter on a business career. After a short time he secured a position as salesman for a New York furniture house and continued in that trade with several wholesale houses until 1906, when he became identified with the automobile trade.

He established the first regular automobile agency and garage, in both Elmira and Binghamton. These he operated as the Blackstone Motor Company for a few years, after which he organized the LaFrance Motor Company that subsequently developed into an extensive corporation, operating six branches in various cities of the state. Mr. Hicks was the executive head of the company and its guiding spirit. In 1918 he came to Rochester to organize the Chal Max Motor Corporation, distributing the Maxwell and Chalmers cars. Later the corporation added the Chrysler line of automobiles, which it also distributes. This undertaking has proven highly successful; the territory covered includes five and a half counties in the prosperous Genesee country and the business, already large, is rapidly increasing.

Mr. Hicks has conducted his affairs on a strictly sound business basis, maintaining the highest commercial integrity and utilizing those methods that have given the business a high standing. Realizing that what benefits one, benefits all, he has taken a keen interest in the work of trade organizations. He is president of the Rochester Automobile Dealers Association and is a member of the National Automobile Dealers Association. He is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and in his fraternal relations is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Politically he has always been a republican, and socially is a member of the Rochester Club.

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Mr. Hicks' start in life was nothing more than his native energy and ability. That he possesses a keen business insight and vision has been reflected in his real estate operations in Rochester. He is the owner of considerable East Avenue frontage, that was advantageously purchased and is rapidly increasing in value. His judgment of realty values is considered excellent and has resulted in some very profitable transactions since his coming to this city. He has the courage to stand back of his judgment and vision. He is a self-made man in the fullest meaning of that term, and at middle age, with his best business years ahead of him he has accomplished what falls to very few in the full span of life. Mr. Hicks has a daughter, Helen.

LELAND CLARK BROWN.

The nursery business has been one of the greatest factors in Rochester's upbuilding and prosperity, carrying the name of the city to all sections of the country, and in the development of this industry the Brown family has played a leading part. Leland Clark Brown, one of its younger representatives, is imbued with the progressive spirit which characterizes the city's native sons and worthily bears an honored name. He was born May 1, 1895, and his parents, Charles J. and Dora (Clark) Brown, are also natives of Rochester, in which city they have always resided. The father is one of its pioneer nurserymen and was one of the founders of the Brown Brothers Company, of which he is now serving as president. He is a recognized leader in his chosen field of endeavor and a man of the highest integrity and ability. He has also been called to public office, and as treasurer of Monroe county made a very creditable record.

After completing his grammar school course Leland Clark Brown entered high school, which he attended for three years, and then became associated with his father in the nursery business, of which he has made a most thorough study. He is a recognized authority on floriculture and horticulture and ably discharges the duties of vice president and manager of the Brown Brothers Company, contributing his quota in the management of the great business built up by his father's constructive genius and initiative powers. The firm is noted for the high grade of its nursery stock, as well as for its honorable dealing, and ranks with that select company of enterprising business men to whom Rochester owes its title of "the Flower city".

In September, 1918, Mr. Brown was married to Miss Lillian Roy of Rochester, and they have become the parents of two children: Patricia D., born in 1922; and Leland Charles, who was born December 9, 1923. Mr. Brown is a Mason and demonstrates his civic spirit by his activities in the Chamber of Commerce, and he is also a member of the Rochester Athletic Club. He is a young man of serious purpose, whose rapidly maturing powers have carried him into important business relations and a prominent position among the city's younger managers of representative business interests. Mr. Brown's residence is at No. 65 Windemere road.

LLOYD BENTON BALL.

Lloyd Benton Ball, head of the Lloyd B. Ball Real Estate Company of Rochester and past president of the Real Estate Board of Rochester, is one of the best known realtors in this city. Mr. Ball comes from one of the old families of this state and was born at Bluff Point Lake, Keuka, Yates county, New York, June 16, 1883, a son of Harrison C. and Ella (Horton) Ball, both of whom also were born in this state. The late Harrison C. Ball many years ago removed from Yates county to Rochester, where he became one of the well known building contractors.

Lloyd Benton Ball was but a child when his parents removed to Rochester, where he received his education in the public schools, the Rochester Business Institute and the Mechanics Institute. As a young man he became connected with the Garfield Real Estate Company as a salesman, a line of activity which he has ever since followed. In 1909 Mr. Ball became engaged in the realty business on his own account as a member of the Corris-Ball Company and continued in that connection until in the spring of 1918. At the time of this country's participation in the World war he closed this business and enlisted for service with the overseas section of the Young Men's Christian Association. From March of that year until his discharge in February, 1919, Mr. Ball rendered service in that behalf in France. Upon the completion of his

war service he returned to Rochester and again entered the real estate business, organizing the Lloyd B. Ball Real Estate Company, with offices at No. 422 Powers building. This company makes a specialty of Rochester real estate and has high rank among the leading realtors of western New York.

On October 23, 1905, Mr. Ball was united in marriage to Miss Lois Howard, daughter of William L. Howard of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Ball have a son and a daughter: Margaret, born March 27, 1907; and Harry Ball, born March 18, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Ball are members of the Lake Avenue Baptist church. Mr. Ball is a Knights Templar Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, is a member of the local branch of the Young Men's Christian Association and of the Rochester Historical Society, and is also affiliated with the local Rotary Club, the Ad Club, the Rochester Club, the Athletic Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester, and the Oak Hill Country Club. Mr. Ball has a wide acquaintanceship throughout the city and many of his best friends have known him since boyhood. His residence is at No. 93 Beverly street.

JOHN BLUM.

With the sturdy qualities and dauntless spirit of the pioneer, John Blum overcame seemingly insurmountable obstacles and out of the struggle with adversity came at length into a field of broad influence and usefulness. He wrought along constructive lines and left as a splendid monument to his enterprise and ability a large productive industry which has been one of the chief factors in Dansville's upbuilding and development. He was a man of strong character and his integrity in business affairs, his loyalty and public spirit in matters of citizenship, his devotion to the ties of home and family, were qualities which won for him the high and enduring regard of all with whom he was associated. He was born in Stuttgart, Germany, September 1, 1822, and his parents, John and Mary (Seybold) Blum, were lifelong residents of that country. They had a family of nine children and Melchoir, Catherine, John, Joseph and Frank reached years of maturity, but the subject of this sketch was the only one who migrated to the New World. The father was with Napoleon's army in 1813 and made shoes for the soldiers during the Russian campaign. He died in 1838 and the mother passed away at the age of seventy-five.

John Blum obtained a public school education and learned the shoemaker's trade under the direction of his father, becoming an expert workman. He followed that occupation in Switzerland and Austria for a time and owing to the political situation in Germany, decided to establish his home in America. He arrived in New York city in 1851 and obtained a situation at No. 648 Broadway, where he was employed for six months, but his employer refused to pay him his wages. Having no funds, he made the journey to Albany, New York, on foot, going from there to Utica and thence to Rochester, where he worked for Painscott, Sage & Morse, who operated a shoe factory in the city. He worked hard to gain a start and when he had accumulated a sufficient sum sent for his wife and family, who had remained in Germany. For five years he was foreman of a shoe factory in Nunda and in 1859 moved to Dansville, where he spent the remainder of his life.

In 1888 Mr. Blum began the manufacture of wool lined footwarmers, in a small room on the second floor of the Brown building, all work being performed entirely by hand labor. The venture proved a success from the beginning and in 1900 these quarters became too small for the rapidly growing business, and he therefore moved to the third floor of the Shepard block. In 1895 removal was made to a three-story building erected by Stephen C. Allen in 1873, on the corner of Milton and Spruce streets, the present site of the business. The building was constructed for use as a hotel and several additions have since been made, converting it into a modern and well-equipped plant. The business was incorporated in 1898 and has since been conducted under the name of the Blum Shoe Manufacturing Company. John Blum was its first president and continued at the head of the company until his death in 1907, building up an industry of substantial proportions by unremitting application and judicious management. He was succeeded in the office of president by his son, Frank J. Blum, who guided the destiny of the business until his death on January 2, 1925, and Daniel Blum was vice president and Philip E. Blum secretary and treasurer. The business was reorganized in 1916 and the capital stock of the company was increased to eight hundred thousand dollars. The firm has discontinued the manufacture of leather shoes and its product is now limited to felt slippers, over one hundred different styles being made. Its slippers are known as the "Kreep-A-Wa" brand



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and its trade extends throughout the United States and also to Canada. The company is a recognized leader in this industry and utilizes two hundred and fifty thousand square feet of floor space, while its employes now number three hundred and fifty. The present officers of the company are: Daniel Blum, president; John R. Blum, vice president; Philip E. Blum, treasurer; and James J. Blum, secretary.

The energetic spirit of John Blum took him to Europe in the year 1872 and again in 1901. His travels led him to the leading manufacturing centers, where he had the privilege of meeting shoe manufacturers and those identified with the shoe trade. It offered him an excellent opportunity to study foreign methods, as compared with the operations in this country and use those most suitable and efficient in his own enterprise.

Mr. Blum was twice married. His first union was with Miss Euphrosine Buhler, who died in 1865. They were the parents of eight children: John B., Joseph C., Anthony, Barbara, Daniel, Frank J., Philip E., and Elizabeth. All have passed away with the exception of Philip and Daniel. For his second wife Mr. Blum married Mrs. Gertrude Von Alten, a native of Germany, and to them was born a daughter, Catherine.

GEORGE MACDONALD.

George MacDonald, who is making an excellent record as county clerk of Genesee county, is a capable and trustworthy public official who has manifested special fitness for the position which he fills. He was born in Brockport, Monroe county, New York, on the 8th of September, 1860, his parents being John and Sarah (MacQuade) MacDonald. His paternal grandfather, Alexander MacDonald, was the first representative of the family to settle in this part of the state and here he made his home until called to his final rest. John MacDonald, the father of George MacDonald, was a lifelong resident of Monroe county and was employed by the Johnston Harvester Company as foreman.

George MacDonald supplemented his public school education by a course of study in the State Normal and Training School at Brockport. Thereafter he engaged in business as proprietor of a market in Brockport for a period of ten years, at the end of which time he disposed of the enterprise and took up his permanent abode in Batavia, here becoming associated with the Johnston Harvester Company. On severing his connection with that concern he assumed the duties of clerk of the surrogate court, which claimed his attention during the ensuing twenty-two years. On the expiration of that period he resigned the position to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E. B. Perry, whom he succeeded in the capacity of county clerk, to which office he was later elected and in which he has continued. The utmost efficiency and fidelity have characterized him in the conduct of the duties devolving upon him in this connection.

In Brockport, New York, Mr. MacDonald was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Rowley, daughter of Hiram Rowley of Batavia. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald have a daughter: Jetta A., who is the wife of Ray Moulthrop, an architect of Cleveland, Ohio. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moulthrop are graduates of Syracuse University.

A staunch republican in politics, Mr. MacDonald has always been an active worker in the local ranks of the party. He has membership in the Kiwanis Club and the Batavia Chamber of Commerce, while fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a consistent member of the First Presbyterian church and formerly took an active part in its work. Mr. MacDonald turns to outdoor sports for recreation and is an ornithologist, as well as a lover of flowers. In the city of Batavia, where he makes his home, the circle of his friends is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintances.

WALTER FREEMAN WEBB.

A large part of the Genesee country is situated in what is widely known as the "Fruit Belt". The development of the fruit growing industry naturally led to the establishment of nurseries. One of those who in recent years has been engaged in this business is Walter F. Webb, head of the Guaranty Nursery Company of Rochester, New York. He was born in Lockport, New York, May 28, 1869, and is one of five children born to Andrew and Annie (Miller) Webb, both natives of New York state.

The children are: Homer, Fred, Mrs. Clara Haight, Florence and Walter Freeman of this review.

Andrew Webb was born in 1846 and upon reaching manhood became a successful farmer in Niagara county, New York. For many years he held the office of justice of the peace. He also served as assistant county judge and occupied other positions of public trust. His death occurred in 1903. His wife was born in 1842 and died in 1901.

In his early boyhood Walter Freeman Webb attended the district schools, where he laid the foundation of his education, which was completed in the Lockport high school. Upon leaving school he began his business career as a nurseryman. For several years he was associated with the well known Brown Brothers nursery at Browncroft, where he learned all the various phases of the business. This experience became one of his greatest assets when in 1916 he purchased sixteen acres of ground on Gould street, in the town of Brighton, and established the Guaranty Nursery Company. By a careful selection of stock and square dealing with his customers, Mr. Webb has built up one of the largest nurseries in the region about the Flower city. Since he bought his land, in 1916, the city of Rochester has grown in that direction until his homestead is becoming too valuable for nursery purposes. He therefore is contemplating its division into residence lots, which will necessitate the removal of his business to another location.

Mr. Webb has one of the largest and best assorted private libraries in Monroe county. His books are not in fine bindings, "merely to look at", but are intended for use. In the collection are works on horticulture, conchology and other natural science, by many different authors, and a large number of rare books, some of them three or four hundred years old. He is a member of the Museum of Natural History of New York, holds membership in the Conchological Society of Great Britain, the American Geographical Society, the National Geological Society, the New York State Horticultural Society, the Rochester Historical Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Webb has never been much of a club man, having devoted most of his spare time to a private collection of land, fresh water and marine shells of the world. This collection at the present time fills fifteen large cabinets, and covers over twenty thousand species, approximately five hundred thousand specimens. All are scientifically classified, and include about twenty-eight hundred genera. The collection of Philippine Island fauna is one of the most complete in existence. Duplicates have been distributed to most of the large museums of the world.

On New Year's day, in 1890, Miss C. May Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Johnson of Gainesville, Wyoming county, became the wife of Mr. Webb. To this union was born one daughter, now Mrs. Ruth Webb Lee of Pittsford, New York. She has two sons, Everett, born in 1914, and Robert, born in 1918. It would be a somewhat difficult matter to determine whether Mr. Webb is proudest of his nursery, his library or his grandchildren.

CHARLES W. VREDENBURG.

Unqualified commendation is deserved by the man who by his own honest efforts rises from an impecunious position to one of comparative affluence. Of this type of citizen is Charles W. Vredenburg, who became a wage earner at the early age of twelve years, and in his business career he has made each day count for the utmost, improving the opportunities of the hour and thus advancing steadily. He has now reached a field of broad influence and usefulness and as president of the United Litho & Printing Companies has developed one of the largest and best known enterprises of the kind in this country. He was born in New Paltz, Ulster county, New York, on the 2d of April, 1855, a son of Willett and Catherine (Lockwood) Vredenburg, who were lifelong residents of the Empire state. The mother was a native of Clintondale and the father was born in Newburgh. He was a skilled artisan and became well known as a building contractor, conducting a business of substantial proportions. He passed away in Middletown, New York, and his wife's death occurred in Clintondale.

Charles W. Vredenburg attended the public schools of Dutchess and Ulster counties and afterward secured a position in a newspaper and job printing office in Fishkill Landing, New York, where he learned the printer's trade. Subsequently he went to New York city, where he followed that occupation until 1880, and then came to Rochester, becoming foreman of the printing room of the Evening Express.

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He was thus employed for two years, gaining valuable experience, and then established a business of his own, becoming a partner in the firm of Goble & Vredenburg, which was subsequently merged with the Rochester Lithograph Company and incorporated under the style of the Rochester Lithographing & Printing Company, of which Mr. Vredenburg was president. Later he disposed of his stock in the company to W. Martin Jones. In association with William Karle, he purchased the assets of the Gelhaar, Fleming & Fuller Company and continued the business under the name of Vredenburg & Karle. Two years later he purchased the interest of his partner, conducting the business under the style of Vredenburg & Company. He next took over the business of the Spinning, Davis & Steel Company and that of the Central Printing & Engraving Company, consolidating the three enterprises, and in 1910 the business was incorporated under the name of the United Litho & Printing Companies, of which Mr. Vredenburg is the president and general manager. Each stage in the development of the business has resulted from his expert knowledge of the industry, in which he had been engaged since 1867, having entered upon his printing career at the age of twelve. The output of his plants represents the highest degree of skill in lithographers' and printers' arts and in his chosen field of activity Mr. Vredenburg is a recognized leader. For a number of years Mr. Vredenburg has specialized in printing for nurserymen, seedsmen and florists and has acquired an international reputation in this line of work. Mr. Vredenburg's activities, aside from his connection with the printing industry, have contributed to the city's upbuilding. He erected the building at Nos. 228 to 236 South avenue, while he also built one of the most attractive homes on the lake front, where he developed from a primitive condition the beautiful grounds and water front of "Glen Fern", at Rock Beach, on Lake Ontario. This was Mr. Vredenburg's residence for fifteen years. For over a decade Mr. and Mrs. Vredenburg have been spending their winters in Florida, maintaining a residence in Arcadia, that state.

In Brooklyn, New York, on the 23d of July, 1884, Mr. Vredenburg was married to Miss Mima M. Balmain, a native of Philadelphia and a daughter of George and Eleanor (Halyburton) Balmain, the former of whom was born in Edinburg, Scotland, and the latter in London, England. Mrs. Vredenburg has for many years been actively associated with the conduct of the United Litho & Printing Companies and at the present time occupies the dual position of secretary and treasurer. Her business ability is recognized far beyond the confines of the state of New York and to her keen foresight much of the success of the enterprise is due. Mr. Vredenburg is also president and his wife treasurer of the South Florida Homes Company, a Florida corporation. They have several thousand acres in South Florida which are being developed. Mr. Vredenburg has planned to establish a home for aged people in one of the healthiest and most beautiful sections of South Florida that shall be national in its scope and one that shall embrace every comfort and convenience. This will be a philanthropy and not for profit, and everything which Mr. and Mrs. Vredenburg have will be devoted to it. Mr. Vredenburg has aided in pushing forward the wheels of progress in Rochester and his fidelity to principle, his industry, enterprise and ability are amply illustrated in his career. He is a remarkably well preserved man, especially for one whose life has been marked by unflagging industry and ceaseless activity. He is keenly interested in every project for civic betterment and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

GEORGE WENDLING STAFFORD.

The automobile business has been practically the life work of George Wendling Stafford, and during the past eleven years the scene of his operations has been Rochester, where he occupies a foremost position among the leaders in the automobile trade. He was born in Buffalo, New York, June 7, 1887, a son of James B. and Harriet E. (Holloway) Stafford, the former a native of North Dublin, Ireland, and the latter of Buffalo.

George Wendling Stafford attended the public schools of Buffalo, and began his business career with the E. R. Thomas Motor Company, then one of the leading manufacturers in the industry. He remained in that connection until 1914, when he located in Rochester. Here he organized the George W. Stafford Motor Company, Incorporated, and was its treasurer until 1923, since when he has been president of the corporation.

Mr. Stafford's experience with high-grade motor cars dates back to the early days

of the luxurious type of automobile, and his connection with the trade has been characterized by clean, straightforward business methods, which have won for him the confidence of those who constitute the buying public for the better class of automobiles.

The George W. Stafford Motor Company, Incorporated, has been for some time local distributors for the Cunningham automobile, and in 1924 became distributors in Rochester for the well-known Jordan line of automobiles, whose success and popularity has been one of the outstanding sensations in automobile circles of recent years. Mr. Stafford is well informed on everything pertaining to the automobile trade, and his identification with it in this city has given him a wide and favorable acquaintanceship as well as high standing as a business man.

In Rochester, on the 2d of October, 1912, Mr. Stafford was married to Miss Marion E. Smith, and they have a daughter, Catherine Content. Mr. Stafford is a member of the Rochester Automobile Dealers' Association, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Club, the Monroe Golf Club, the Ad Club and the Rochester Yacht Club. His residence is at No. 967 Harvard street.

GEORGE LEE MINER.

George Lee Miner, founder of The George L. Miner Company, laid the foundation for his business success in the strenuous work of the farm and was trained in that practical school which develops strong, self-reliant manhood. He first came to Rochester nearly forty-five years ago and was employed as a clerk for several years. It was in 1894 that he located here permanently, founding a business from which has been developed one of the foremost of its kind in the United States as a result of his efforts and which stands as a monument to his industry, initiative, enterprise and ability. He was born in Genoa, New York, September 1, 1856, and his parents, William O. and Harriet (Avery) Miner, were also natives of that town. The father followed the occupation of farming in Cayuga county until his death. The mother has also passed away. The paternal grandfather was a native of Connecticut and became one of the pioneer agriculturists of Cayuga county. In both paternal and maternal lines of descent Mr. Miner comes from old New England families. The Miner family was among the early settlers of Stonington, Connecticut, while the Avery family is among the most prominent in Connecticut's colonial history. George L. Miner is a descendant of the American progenitor in the ninth generation. William O. and Harriet (Avery) Miner became parents of two children: George Lee of this review; and Ida A., who became the wife of Henry D. Ross and died in Cortland, New York.

George Lee Miner attended the common schools of his native county until he reached the age of twelve, when he laid aside his textbooks, as his assistance was needed on the home farm. He was thus occupied until he reached the age of sixteen and then became a clerk in a country store. In 1881 he came to Rochester to accept a position offered him by A. S. Mann & Company, with whom he remained about eleven months. During 1882, 1883 and 1884 he was employed as a clerk by the firm of Burke, Fitzsimons, Hone & Company, receiving a salary of nine dollars per week. He then returned to his home and aided in operating the farm for three years, going at the end of that time to St. Louis, Missouri, with the intention of going into business with a cousin who was a resident of that city. This project never materialized, however, owing to the financial panic of 1893. Mr. Miner returned to New York state and in 1894 located in Rochester, becoming a dealer in bicycles. He first handled what was known as the Aluminum bicycle, which was made in St. Louis and with which he first became familiar while in that city. Subsequently from time to time he handled various other makes of bicycles and passed through the trying times that befell that industry in the early part of the present century, when manufacturers and dealers all over the country were compelled to abandon it. Mr. Miner did not quit but held on, and at one time was the only regular bicycle dealer in the city. With the coming of the motorcycle he took on that line and is today the second oldest distributor of Indian motorcycles in the United States. In more recent years, with the development and great popularity of children's vehicles, he added the standard makes of these to his line of merchandise, as well as a complete line of tires and accessories. That he has found a congenial field of labor is indicated by the growth of his business, which now enjoys the reputation of being the largest and most complete of the kind in the country and of which he is sole owner. The George L. Miner

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Company is one of the most efficient business organizations in Rochester, maintaining an up-to-date repair and service department, wherein the small child's vehicle receives the same careful attention as the most expensive type of motorcycles. Mr. Miner combines a detailed knowledge of the business with executive force and the highest standards of commercial ethics have influenced him in his dealings with the public. Mr. Miner's familiarity with the bicycle dates back over forty years, in the days of the old high wheel. He was an enthusiastic rider of this type long before improved roads had been thought of. In the summer of 1883 he pedaled his high wheel from Rochester to Genoa, a distance of ninety-three miles, in one day and that, too, after he had severely sprained his wrist early on the trip.

In Ithaca, New York, on the 15th of December, 1887, Mr. Miner was married to Miss Minnie C. Root, a daughter of Horace L. Root. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Miner. The only one living is a daughter, Margaret R., who graduated from Columbia Preparatory School and later from the Mechanics Institute. She subsequently pursued a special course at Columbia University of New York city and is now a teacher in the Charlotte high school.

Mr. Miner casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to Yonnonodio Lodge No. 163, F. & A. M., and to Lalla Rookh Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R. He is also a member of the National League of Masonic Clubs, the Automobile Club, the Rochester Real Estate Dealers Association and the Chamber of Commerce. He is an effective exponent of all that makes for loyal and progressive citizenship and a life of rightly directed industry has earned for him the respect, confidence and goodwill of his fellowmen. Since 1911, Mr. Miner has resided at No. 161 Crosman terrace.

WILLIAM C. EMBURY.

William C. Embury is a leading representative of industrial interests in Wyoming county as president and treasurer of the Embury Manufacturing Company, which he organized for the making of lanterns, in Rochester, in 1908. Three years later he moved his plant to Warsaw, where he has continued in business to the present time and has developed the second largest concern of its kind in the United States. He was born in Napanee, Ontario, Canada, on the 17th of December, 1873, his parents being Philip and Anne E. (Dunham) Embury. The father, who was active in the real estate and insurance field in Ontario during his entire business career, passed away in 1907. One of his ancestors, Philip Embury, a native of England, was the first Methodist preacher to come to New York, where he remained from 1760 until the outbreak of the Revolutionary war and then made his way across the border into Canada, for he did not desire to engage in conflict with his mother country.

William C. Embury was the first of the family to settle in the Genesee country. He attended the grammar and high schools of Napanee, Ontario, in the acquirement of an education and afterward entered the service of the Rathbun Company, ship-builders, flour merchants and lumber manufacturers, with which concern he remained for three years. Subsequently he spent five years with the Kemp Manufacturing Company of Toronto, Ontario, and then in 1901 organized the Defiance Lantern Company, with which he was officially identified as secretary and general manager for eight years. On the expiration of that period he organized the Embury Manufacturing Company in Rochester, New York, but three years later moved his plant to Warsaw, where he has conducted the business to the present time. He has been at the head of the enterprise in the dual capacity of president and treasurer since its inception and has proved himself an executive of exceptional ability, keen sagacity and foresight. The Embury Manufacturing Company makes a standard line of lanterns, under the Supreme brand. Some idea of the volume of its business may be gained from the fact that its production for the year 1923 was over seventy-five thousand dozen, one-third of which output was exported. Employment is furnished to about one hundred and seventy-five people.

On the 16th of October, 1901, in Toronto, Canada, Mr. Embury was united in marriage to Miss Edna E. Walker, daughter of W. T. and Hannah Walker of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Embury have five children: Philip, who was born June 30, 1902, was graduated from Hamilton College in 1924; Frederick B., whose natal day was February 29, 1904, is attending Cornell University, a member of the class of 1926; Ruth, who was born October 21, 1905; Grace, who was born on the 11th of February,

1908; and William J., born on April 13, 1903. The three last named are pupils in the Warsaw high school.

Mr. Embury is a staunch republican in politics and has membership with the Warsaw Board of Trade. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Congregational church of Warsaw, while fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order. He also belongs to the Silver Lake Country Club and the Stafford Country Club and finds needed recreation in golf and motoring and other outdoor pleasures. His career has been marked by that steady advancement which results from intelligently directed effort and well formulated plans and in the conduct of his business he never stops short of the attainment of his objective.

W. CARYL WITT.

Farming on a large scale, extensive dairy interests and a business as a retail dealer in coal, fully occupy the time of W. Caryl Witt, one of the substantial and progressive citizens of Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York. He was born at Nunda, Livingston county, on November 25, 1875, the son of John C. and Helen (Baylor) Witt. John C. Witt was born at Schenevus, Otsego county, New York, on February 28, 1835, and died on July 1, 1923, at Mount Morris. Isaac Witt, his grandfather, and the great-grandfather of W. Caryl Witt, moved from New Hampshire to Maryland, Otsego county, where he made a home for the family. His son, Samuel C., father of John C. and grandfather of W. Caryl Witt, after his marriage moved to the town of Worcester, Otsego county, where he bought a hotel and managed it until his death. His wife, Susan Caryl, was a native of Vermont and daughter of Isaac Caryl, a pioneer of Schoharie county, New York. John C. Witt began his career as clerk in a general store, and later was in the mercantile business for himself in Otsego and Schoharie counties until 1863, when he moved to Livingston county and for a number of years was successfully engaged in a number of enterprises in Nunda and Dansville. In 1878 he became the owner of a large farm in Mount Morris township, and at the same time bought a boot and shoe store which he sold soon afterward; and he was also engaged in stock raising. A staunch democrat, he took deep interest in party affairs. He served as supervisor for five terms from 1894. He married Catharine Moak, who died in 1872. In 1874 he was married to Helen Baylor of Mount Morris, and they had one son, W. Caryl Witt of this review.

W. Caryl Witt acquired his education in the county grade and high schools and in a business college. His first occupation was as clerk of the Powers Hotel in Rochester, New York, since which time he has engaged in farming at Mount Morris and Nunda, the latter farm being devoted to dairying. Mr. Witt purchased the coal business in Mount Morris which he now conducts, on October 1, 1911, from Edward Seymour, who had owned it for twenty years.

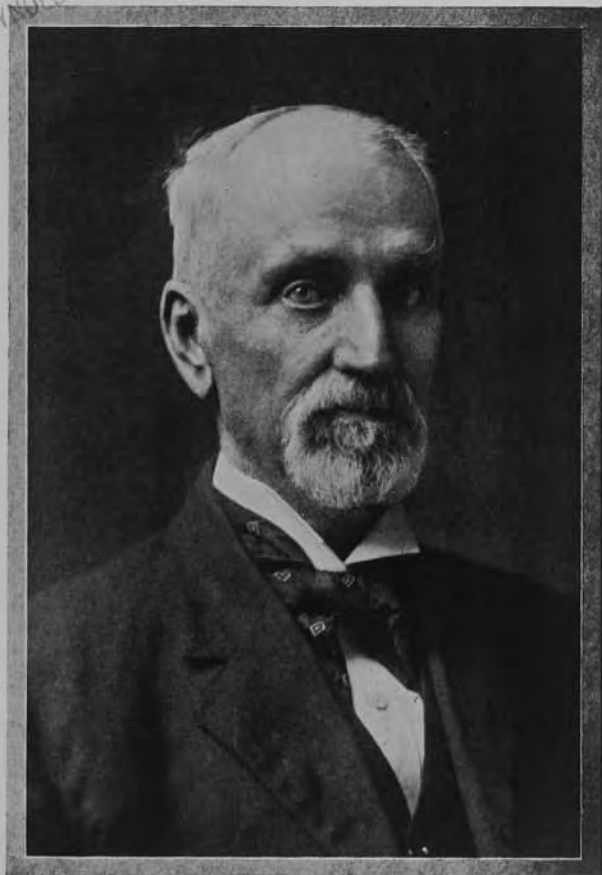
Mr. Witt was married on May 3, 1913, to Edith MacCready of Mount Morris. Politically Mr. Witt gives his support to the democratic party.

ROY M. MASON.

Roy M. Mason, sales and advertising manager of F. E. Mason & Sons of Batavia, manufacturers of embossed seals and labels, is thus active in the control of one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world, as well as one of the pioneer enterprises in the industry, for the business was founded in 1908. He was born in Fulton, Oswego county, New York, on the 15th of March, 1886, his parents being Frank E. and Elizabeth (Wilson) Mason. It was about the year 1890 that the father removed with his family from Fulton to Batavia, New York, where he has remained to the present time and where he has gained an extensive and favorable acquaintance. As the founder of the business of F. E. Mason & Sons he has become a prominent figure in manufacturing circles of the city, and he is still active in the management of this important and prosperous concern.

As a youth Roy M. Mason attended the grammar and high schools of Batavia and then devoted five years to the study of art. Removing to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, he there spent two years as a commercial artist in the employ of the Ketterlinus Lithographic Manufacturing Company, after which he engaged in business as a member of the firm of Mason & Mason for eight years. Upon the expiration of that

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period he disposed of his interest therein and returned to Batavia, where he became a member of the firm of F. E. Mason & Sons, to the continued success of which he is now contributing in the capacity of sales and advertising manager. This concern, one of the pioneers in the manufacture of embossed seals and labels, now does a gross business of over two hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually and furnishes employment to more than fifty people. Branch establishments are maintained in New York city and Chicago, with representative managers in Boston, Pittsburgh, New Orleans, San Francisco, Seattle, Los Angeles, Sydney, Australia, Canada, North America and Central America. The firm makes all of the gold paper which it utilizes and does ninety per cent of its voluminous business direct by mail.

On the 16th of June, 1913, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Mr. Mason was united in marriage to Lena Seitz, daughter of John Seitz of Batavia, New York. Politically Mr. Mason may be termed an independent republican. He is a member of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce, the Batavia Club and the Stafford Country Club, and enjoys deserved popularity in social as well as business circles of the city. He has manifested marked talent as a landscape painter, exhibiting his work in the cities of New York and Philadelphia.

HERBERT JOSEPH STULL.

No history of the Genesee country would be complete without extended mention of the Stull family, whose members have contributed their quota toward its upbuilding for more than a century, and the name has long been an honored one in business and professional circles of Monroe county. The first of the family to settle in western New York was Jacob Stull, who established his residence in Rush in 1801, and in 1814 he erected the first house in that section of Monroe county. The building is still standing and is one of the historic landmarks of the state. Jacob Stull was one of the earliest pioneers of Rush and there spent the remainder of his life, taking a leading part in all public enterprises. He was the father of twelve children, one of whom was John P. Stull, the father of Joseph A. Stull, who was born in Rush in 1828, and chose the practice of law as his life work. He rose to a position of prominence in his profession and served as district attorney of Monroe county from 1859 to 1862. In Henrietta, New York, he was married to Miss Ophelia Sibley, who passed away in Rochester in 1890, at the age of fifty-eight, and his death occurred in this city in 1903, when he was seventy-four years of age. They were the parents of six children: Otho, who died in 1916; Mrs. Agnes Seidel, who passed away in 1894; John M., a prominent attorney of Rochester; Claribel and Horace, both of whom are deceased; and Herbert Joseph of this review.

Herbert Joseph Stull attended the public schools, the Rochester Free Academy and Hale's Preparatory School, afterward matriculating in the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the class of 1888. He then entered the office of the firm of Stull, Foote & Taylor, of which his father was the senior member, and there read law for two years. He was admitted to the bar in 1890 and has since practiced in Rochester, in association with John M. Stull. The firm of Stull Brothers ranks with the leading legal organizations of the city and has been retained as counsel in many important cases. In addition to his professional activities Herbert J. Stull is serving as president of the Rochester Fire Works Company.

Mr. Stull was married in Rochester on the 4th of June, 1895, to Miss Olive Griffith, a daughter of Jacob P. Griffith. Mr. and Mrs. Stull have a family of three children: Marian, who attended the University of Rochester and is the wife of G. Raymond Bicknell; Olive, a student at Smith College; and Joseph Sibley, born July 2, 1911, in Rochester, who is attending the Monroe junior high school. Mr. Stull is a member of the Rochester Bar Association and Delta Kappa Epsilon, a college fraternity.

MARY ANNA (BUCK) EVANS.

Mary Anna (Buck) Evans, one of Lockport's talented daughters and a prominent figure in literary and social circles of the city, was born January 27, 1857, of the marriage of John Hildreth Buck and Harriet Maria Fletcher, the former of Welsh lineage. The Fletcher family is of French origin and the name was first known as Fléchier. Subsequently representatives of the family migrated to England and thence

to the United States. The father was born in Northfield, Vermont, November 22, 1827, and the mother was born in Bridport, that state, April 21, 1833.

Mary Anna Buck was educated in public and private schools of this country and also had the benefit of study in foreign lands. She has traveled extensively, and being a keen and discriminating observer, her mental horizon has been greatly broadened. Her life has been largely devoted to literary pursuits, and the products of her pen have earned for her much favorable notice. She is the author of the following books of verse, published by G. P. Putnam's Sons of New York City: "In Various Moods"; "Nymphs, Nixes and Naiads"; "The Moonlight Sonata"; "The Caliph's Secret"; and "The Cry of Vashti". She has also written a tale in verse entitled: "A Christmas Episode at the Old Eagle Tavern." Her books have had a wide sale and it is a dull mind that does not respond to the touch of her thought and the play of her fancy.

On August 20, 1879, Mary Anna Buck was united in marriage to Spalding Evans, also a native of Lockport, and they became the parents of a daughter, Mary Hale Evans, born September 5, 1880. She was married to Richard Evans Norton on June 23, 1904, and they have two daughters: Nancy Evans Norton and Caroline Harper Norton. They reside in Rosemont, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Philadelphia. Mr. Evans was a devoted husband and father, and his death, which occurred in Lockport, on March 11, 1923, was deeply mourned by his family, as well as by an extensive circle of friends.

Mrs. Evans is well informed on matters of public moment and has always been an advocate of the democratic party, believing that its platform contains the best elements of government for the majority. She has resided both in Buffalo and in Lockport, and in the latter city is president of the Book Club, president and founder of the Saturday Club, and president of the Hospital Aid Association. She also belongs to the Lockport Historical Society, the Country Club and the Woman's Club. Mrs. Evans is first vice regent of the Buffalo chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and has filled that office for several years. She has recently been elected to membership in the Poetry Society of America, and she has been honored with the presidency of the Buffalo branch of the League of American Pen Women, is a member of the Twentieth Century, New England Women's and Scribblers' Clubs of Buffalo, and is very active in organizations of this character, belonging to twenty in all. She is a consistent follower of the teachings of the Episcopal church, being a member of Grace Episcopal church of Lockport, and has been very active in some of its auxiliary organizations, and her life has been one of great usefulness and activity, crowned with noteworthy achievement.

JUDGE JOHN WARRANT CASTLEMAN.

Few men have occupied a warmer position in the hearts of their fellow citizens than did Judge John Warrant Castleman, and a life of great usefulness and far-reaching influence was ended when he was called to his final rest on January 1, 1920, at the age of fifty-two. For nearly thirty years he was a member of the Rochester bar and exemplified in his conduct the lofty ideals of an ancient and noble calling, honoring his profession by his adherence to the solid virtues and enlightened principles underlying the law. His life was fragrant with good deeds and his thoughts were ever fixed upon problems for the betterment of his community and humanity in general. He always allied himself with those who were handicapped in the struggle for existence and his unselfish service in behalf of the children of Rochester made him eminently fitted to preside over the juvenile court. His outstanding achievement in the field of public service was along educational lines and his career was an inspiring example of good citizenship.

John Warrant Castleman was a son of Jacob Frank and Cora Josephine (Warrant) Castleman, and was born July 19, 1868, on a farm that is now a part of Genesee Valley Park. As a boy he attended school No. 13 and the Rochester Free Academy, in which he prepared for college. He was graduated from the University of Rochester in the class of 1899 and studied law in the office of Oscar Craig, who was at that time president of the state board of charities. He acted as private secretary to Mr. Craig and during that period became interested in social service work and the problems of life which later claimed so large a share of his attention. He was admitted to the New York state bar in 1891 and remained in Mr. Craig's office until 1893, when he formed a partnership with George Herbert Smith. From 1893 until 1898 he was a member of the firm of Smith & Castleman and in 1902 he became a partner in the



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firm of Smith, De Graff & Castleman, which was continued under that style until 1907, when it became Smith, De Graff, Castleman & Mosher. This relationship was maintained until 1914 and in February, 1919, the firm of Castleman, Servis & Staudenmaier was formed.

In October, 1907, Judge Castleman was nominated for school commissioner on the republican, democratic and independent tickets and in November he was elected for a term of four years, assuming the duties of that office on January 1, 1908. He was reelected in November, 1911, and on January 5, 1914, was made president of the Rochester Board of Education, holding that position until 1919. Of his public service in that connection Superintendent Weet said:

"For eleven years J. Warrant Castleman was a member of the Board of Education. During the last four years of this time he was president of the board. It was a kind of public service that strongly appealed to him and he performed it with rare devotion and intelligence. His interest in the public schools grew with his years of service and nothing gave him greater satisfaction than to do those things which are of help to teachers and pupils alike. The schools were constantly in his thoughts and affections, and even after he left the board he continued to think and plan for their welfare. He always regarded the establishment of the junior high school as the greatest contribution to the cause of public education in this city. He saw in this type of school organization an equal chance adapted to the abilities of every boy and girl, and above all an opportunity for instilling American ideals. He followed its extension with the deepest interest. Less than a week before his death he inquired anxiously about the Madison and Monroe Junior high schools and expressed the hope that nothing would prevent their erection. He worked with no less zeal for the physical health and well-being of the children. With the regular instruction along these lines in the schools he sought to have the health clubs and the boys' and girls' recreational clubs encouraged to use the health knowledge gained. He named the 'Live a Little Longer' health courses for women and urged their extension because of his conviction that only as the home through such means came to know how to care for the health of children could the best results be obtained. He strongly favored the child study department of the public schools and helped in every way to further its development. He had a special sympathy for the handicapped child and believed that such children could not be intelligently dealt with except as they were made a special study through such a department. Later, when he took charge of the children's court, he turned to this department and used its information on every possible occasion. In these and many other ways he advanced the cause of public education in this city. Rochester schools have never had a better or more devoted friend than J. Warrant Castleman."

In 1919 Mr. Castleman was appointed special county judge of Monroe county by Governor Charles S. Whitman to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Willis K. Gillette, who had been elected county judge, and in the fall of that year was elected special county judge for a full term by a very large vote. The children's court was to him the chief attraction in the office and in this branch of the work he made several notable innovations. He organized a clinic at the Shelter and all the children who came before him were given the benefit of a scientific mental and physical examination, which extended into their antecedents in the hope of discovering the cause of their misfortune. During the time the children were on probation Judge Castleman made suitable provisions for their environment and well-being and they came to regard him as a friend and sympathizer, rather than as the stern conservator of justice. In 1905 he was made a director of the Children's Playground League of Rochester, his first public activity, and strongly advocated the introduction of the one-story schoolhouse in the city.

Judge Castleman's work as a member of the legal profession was characterized by direct methods and an appreciation of permanent results rather than temporary advantages. He had gathered about him a clientele for whom he became the confidential adviser in matters of large importance, and it is significant that those who came to him first in his professional career always remained his clients. His power of clear analysis, his common sense, his knowledge of the law and of the rights to be enjoyed and the liabilities to be feared in business life made his counsel highly prized by those who sought his advice. His natural bent was not that of the advocate, delighting in the controversies of the forum. His greatest opportunity for usefulness as a lawyer dealing with his clients was in consultation with them as a guide, counselor and friend.

Judge Castleman was preeminently loyal to his country, his city, his state, his friends, his clients and his family and his character was a happy combination of

strength and gentleness. He was the organizer of the War Service Corps, with a membership of several thousand, and was made its colonel. He was a director of the Rochester Patriotic & Community Fund and an active member of the Home Defense League. He regularly attended the drills and did guard duty at the reservoir several nights during the early part of the war. He was also active in all the campaigns for the sale of Liberty bonds and Thrift stamps. He was a director of the Genesee Valley Trust Company and a trustee of the Rochester Public Library. He belonged to the Rochester Bar Association, the Rochester Historical Society, the Chamber of Commerce, the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Yacht Club, the City Club and the Rochester Club. He was also a member of the Delta Psi fraternity and during 1917-18 was president of the Alumni Association of the University of Rochester. During the campaign to raise an endowment fund of one million dollars for that institution he rendered valuable service to his Alma Mater in the capacity of chairman of the finance committee. He was also a member of the Rochester Tuberculosis committee and a director of the Children's Playground League of Rochester and the Rochester Public Health Association.

On February 26, 1892, Judge Castleman was married to Miss Blanche S. Wagoner of Rochester, who passed away on August 2, 1897. On October 25, 1899, Judge Castleman was married to Miss N. Augusta Wagoner, who survives him. They became the parents of two daughters: Blanche and Nancy.

Judge Castleman passed away after a brief illness, when at the height of his usefulness; and his demise was the occasion of deep and widespread regret, for he was a man of high ideals and lofty purposes, who left the world better than he found it. The term friendship was to him no mere idle word, but a recognition of the good in others and a genuine delight in their companionship because of his unfeigned interest in them. On Christmas day, only a few days before his death, Judge Castleman received a set of engraved resolutions from the Rochester Teachers Association congratulating him on his election and telling him of their admiration and affection. This appreciation of his work by such a great body of teachers touched the heart of the judge and gave him inexpressible joy on Christmas day. The following is a copy of the resolutions:

"The teachers, principals, supervisors and superintendents of the school system of the city of Rochester, at a general meeting of the Association, held at Convention Hall, Thursday afternoon, November 20th, passed a resolution directing the Executive committee to write to you and to express some of the feelings which have long been in our hearts. Your recent election to the office of special county judge by one of the largest pluralities ever known in this county has awakened us again to a deep sense of all you have meant to us and also to the knowledge that we have lost you as an official counselor in all of the ever-increasing and perplexing problems of our large and rapidly growing school system.

"You have served the schools of our city so long, first as a member of the Board of Education and then as president of the Board, that we had come to think of you as one of our own force, and now although you have left us to serve the people of the county in a very important office, nevertheless we shall continue to think of you as one of us, a loyal, big-hearted friend, a wise, farseeing and ever available counselor, a firm believer in the necessity of providing our boys and girls with the best teachers to be obtained, and with buildings having the finest possible equipment, so that they may receive the benefits of the richest and fullest education, founded upon the highest ideals.

"You have been all this to us and more. We shall ever honor and love you for what you have done. You have stood for the best and we know in your new office you will ever be found serving all the people with a firm but kindly justice, every act being tempered with that great big heart of yours, which takes in all mankind."

A fitting tribute was paid Judge Castleman by the members of the Rochester Bar Association, and at the funeral President Rhees of the University of Rochester delivered the following eulogy: "Our memory is rich in the knowledge of the public service of one who devoted himself first and foremost to the noble work of education. During long years of service he showed a keen understanding of the needs in which the community could and should benefit generations to come. He gave his time and thought and enthusiasm to the realization of the ideals that he cherished in his heart for the schools of our city. He seemed to be entirely absorbed in the work of the community. I often wondered what time he could find to give attention to the private practice of his own profession. He has been taken from us at the threshold of the greater public service of his life and the loss to our community is one which will not be easily repaired. Our hearts are full of grateful recognition of his sterling integrity

of character, his unselfish rectitude and his clear recognition of spiritual ideals as the supreme realities in human life. His loss is a challenge to us to take from his fallen hands the standard of integrity and public service which we do not doubt, if he had been spared, he would have carried forward for many years, and in his stead to carry it on with equal integrity and courageous persistence, with faith in the triumph of truth and with love for our fellows and for our God."

On January 5, 1920, the Rochester Board of Education adopted the following resolutions: "On the evening of New Year's Day occurred the death of Special County Judge J. Warrant Castleman, who for eleven years was a member of this Board. During the last four of those eleven years he served as president of the Board. This long term of service ended on January 1, 1919, when he began his work as special county judge.

"During practically his entire life, since early manhood, Mr. Castleman had taken a deep and wholesome interest in public affairs. In all truth it can be said by those who knew him best, that it was his public service rather than his private vocation that most interested him and that challenged the greatest use of his active and vigorous mind. He was ever ready to give unstintingly of his time and strength to any movement that advanced the public welfare. This characteristic, of such deep significance to the form of government under which we live, has always merited our greatest admiration and respect.

"Of all the lines of public service in which he engaged, he clearly manifested by word and by deed that he regarded the cause of public education as the most valuable. To those who knew the man this fact was easily explained. He believed in American democracy; and in the public schools he saw that one indispensable means of providing the mental, moral and physical manhood and womanhood upon which the welfare of such a government must inevitably rest. He loved children and he had that ever present desire to enable them through education to meet a little more helpfully and cheerfully the problems of life. Upon this belief in American democracy and in this love of children was built a life of rare usefulness and friendship. Out of such a spirit he made, to the public schools in this city, those real contributions which have been so justly recognized. Under his responsibilities as president of the Board of Education and as special county judge in charge of the Children's court, his unusual powers of mind and of heart grew to the point where his leadership won public recognition in many ways.

"In view of those high qualities of citizenship and of personal worth which expressed themselves in a life of unusual public service, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be instructed to prepare a biographical sketch of the life and public service of J. Warrant Castleman, for distribution and use among the public schools of the city, and, be it further

"Resolved, That the members of this Board hereby record their deep sense of loss in the death of Mr. Castleman, and express their most heartfelt sympathy to those members of his immediate family from whom he has been so suddenly taken."

HENRY CHASE PECK.

Among the well known, successful and progressive Rochesterians who are especially deserving of mention in this volume is Henry Chase Peck, president of Knowles & Peck Company, Incorporated, roofing and sheet metal contractors, which was established in 1878. A worthy native son of Rochester, he was born on the 15th of April, 1872, his parents being Henry J. and Amelia S. (Hart) Peck, both of whom were natives of Monroe county, New York. The father, at present residing at No. 1555 East avenue, in Rochester, was born on Elmwood avenue in 1839, and is the son of Hiram Peck, one of the early pioneers of the town who came here in 1812 and settled on Elmwood avenue, in the place which afterward came into possession of his son, Henry J. Peck. When Hiram Peck came to the Genesee country he was obliged to make the trip on horseback from Stockbridge, Massachusetts, his native home. He became a prominent agriculturist and in politics was a supporter of the whigs. His wife was Martha Donnelly, who was born in Rome, New York, and by her he had five children, only one of whom survives, Henry J. Peck. This family occupied a prominent position in business, society and church.

Henry J. Peck received his preliminary education in private schools, supplementing it by a course at Clover Street Seminary. He early became associated with his father and assisted him in making all the improvements on the farm. As a reward

for his labors he is now the owner of one hundred and sixty acres on Elmwood avenue and Winton road, in Brighton, and owns one hundred acres of splendid orchard. In 1854 he entered the nursery business. His office is with the Chase Brothers Company, one of the largest horticultural establishments in the world, of which he is vice president. Mr. Peck has always been a prominent and honored citizen here and when Brighton was but a village he served as its president. At the time the village was annexed by the city he was elected alderman of the twenty-first ward for several terms. His political affiliations have been with the republican party and he has always taken an active part in promoting its interests. He is a member of the Masonic lodge, of the Rochester Whist Club and of the Genesee Whist Club. He is a member of the Brighton Presbyterian church, having served as trustee for ten years, and is also president of the Brighton Cemetery Association.

In 1868 Henry J. Peck was united in marriage, in Brighton, to Amelia S. Hart, who was born in Brighton and was a daughter of Samuel Hart, who came to Monroe county, New York, with his father in 1820. Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Peck became the parents of four children: George H., who is deceased; Henry Chase, of this review; Robert P., a fruit grower residing at No. 1555 East avenue, in Rochester; and S. Ernest, who has passed away.

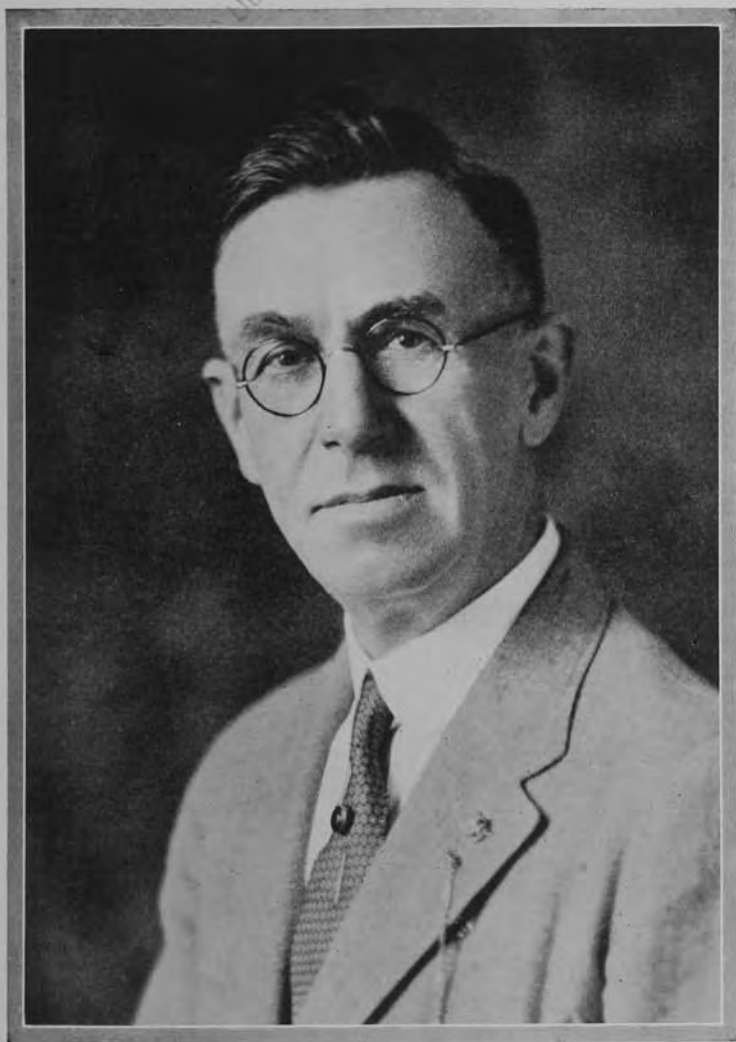
Henry Chase Peck obtained his education as a public school pupil in Rochester and later as a student in the Rochester Free Academy. After putting aside his textbooks he turned his attention to fruit growing and horticulture. He was subsequently connected with the department of agriculture, with headquarters in Albany, in which capacity he continued for seven years, becoming widely recognized as an expert in matters pertaining to the science of horticulture. It was in the year 1906 that Mr. Peck resigned this position and embarked in the roofing and sheet metal business as a member of the Knowles & Peck Company, Incorporated, of which he is now the president.

On the 18th of April, 1900, Mr. Peck was married to Miss Mildred Knowles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Knowles and a representative of a prominent Rochester family. Her father is a member of the Knowles & Peck Company, Incorporated. Mr. and Mrs. Peck are the parents of two children, both born in Rochester, namely: Jane, whose natal year was 1911, and who is attending school; and Virginia, who was born in 1915. Mr. Peck gives his political support to the republican party and has membership in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. Strong in his honor and his good name, strong in his ability to plan and to perform, he is a native son of Rochester whose record reflects credit upon the city.

FRED H. RAPP.

Fred H. Rapp, who has been successfully engaged in business as a building contractor of Rochester for more than a third of a century, is also capably discharging the duties devolving upon him in the capacity of city assessor. His birth occurred in Rochester, Monroe county, New York, on the 28th of March, 1859, his parents being Frederick and Augusta (Beutler) Rapp, who were natives of Baden and Prussia, respectively. They crossed the Atlantic to the United States when about twenty years of age and took up their abode among the pioneer settlers of Rochester. In the year 1865 the family home was established at Rush, Monroe county. The father, who had learned the trade of blacksmithing in his native land, followed that occupation in Rush and in Rochester and gained a creditable degree of prosperity. He passed away in 1902, while his wife departed this life in 1905, and thus Monroe county sustained the loss of two of its esteemed and representative residents.

Fred H. Rapp, who was a lad of six years when he was taken by his parents to Rush, obtained a district school education in that town and after putting aside his textbooks turned his attention to the work of the fields. In the spring of 1878 he removed to Ellsworth, Kansas, and was for two years identified with the interests of that rapidly growing community. After returning to Rochester in 1881 he followed the carpenter's trade in the employ of others for a number of years, while since 1890 he has been doing contract and construction work on his own account. He began business for himself as a member of the firm of Rapp & Hill, which connection was continued for six years, subsequent to which time Mr. Rapp was alone in business until 1904, when he admitted J. H. Schoenheit to a partnership under the firm name of F. H. Rapp & Company. He again conducted his interests independently until



FRED H. RAPP

January, 1924, when his son-in-law, F. G. Kinney, was admitted as a partner in the F. H. Rapp Company. Mr. Rapp has long enjoyed an enviable reputation as one of the prominent general contractors of Rochester, where many of the best buildings stand as monuments to his ability.

On the 18th of October, 1882, in Rochester, New York, Mr. Rapp was united in marriage to Miss Nina Bernice Hurlbut, daughter of Samuel D. and Catherine (Eckert) Hurlbut. To Mr. and Mrs. Rapp were born three children: Clara Marguerite, whose birth occurred in Rochester in 1889 and who is now the wife of Frank J. Kinney of Rochester and the mother of one son, Richard Wayne Kinney; Elizabeth Marion, who was born in Rochester in 1904 and is attending school; and Florence Juliette, who died in infancy.

Mr. Rapp is a republican in politics and since 1913 has served as a member of the board of supervisors, of which he was chairman in 1918, 1919 and 1920. He is also making a splendid record as city assessor, to which position he was appointed on the 15th of May, 1921, and elected in the following November. During the period of the World war he did valuable service as a lieutenant in the War Chest drives. He belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church and to the Young Men's Christian Association, while fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to Yonnondio Lodge No. 163, F. & A. M.; Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.; Doric Council, R. & S. M.; Monroe Commandery, No. 12, K. T., of which he is past commander; Rochester Consistory, A. & A. S. R.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise a member of Rochester Tent No. 80 of the Knights of the Maccabees and of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Rapp is also connected with the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Builders' Exchange and the Monroe County Pioneers Association and is a popular member of the Rochester Ad Club, the Washington Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is a self-made man who has fought and won in the great battle of life, focusing his energies in directions where fruition is certain. Mr. Rapp erected his home at No. 456 Plymouth avenue, and has resided there for nearly twenty-five years.

ISAAC GRIDLEY SCRANTOM.

Isaac Gridley Scrantom was born in Rochester, on the 14th of March, 1850, the son of Elbert Scrantom, a pioneer of Rochester in 1812. Mr. I. G. Scrantom is a well known business man of this city, has been associated for many years with The Hayden Company, and until recently was vice president of this corporation. On account of his capability and ability as an organizer, he was selected for the important task of establishing The Hayden Company in New York city in 1887. He resided in New York city and afterward Mt. Vernon, New York, for some eighteen years, and successfully developed the enterprise. He returned to Rochester in 1904, and assumed the general management of the manufacturing and sales.

On June 3, 1874, Mr. Scrantom was married to Kate Gardner Quinby, a daughter of General Isaac F. Quinby, a graduate of West Point and a brevet general of the Civil war, and later a professor of mathematics at the University of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Scrantom had three children: The eldest is Isaac Elbert; a second child, Carolyn, died in her infancy; and the third child, DeHart Gridley, graduated from the University of Rochester and is now connected with the Western Electric Company.

The family has always been associated with Chr'st church in Rochester, Mr. Scrantom having until recently been one of the vestry of the church. His residence is at No. 27 Strathallen park.

ISAAC ELBERT SCRANTOM.

Isaac Elbert Scrantom, eldest son of Isaac Gridley Scrantom, was born in Rochester, October 4, 1875. At the age of ten he went with his family to New York, early associating himself with The Hayden Company, with which he has been connected ever since. His knowledge of manufacturing brought him back to his native city of Rochester in January, 1910. In 1920, upon the reorganization of the company, he was elected president of The Hayden Company, which office he now holds.

On April 9, 1901, Mr. Scrantom was married to Mattie May Archer, daughter of William Archer, a prominent builder of New York city, who in later life served on many important commissions in Westchester county, including that of treasurer of

the county, from which office he retired. Mr. and Mrs. Scrantom have two children: The eldest is William Gridley, who has lately associated himself with The Hayden Company, as the third generation to carry on this business; and a younger son, Elbert Lippiatt. Mr. Scrantom is a member of the Genesee Valley Club and the Rochester Country Club. He and his family reside at No. 32 Portsmouth terrace.

FREDERICK ROBERT DRIESBACH, M. D.

Dr. Frederick Robert Driesbach, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Dansville, has won a well-merited reputation as an able and conscientious physician and surgeon, and by continuous study is constantly enlarging his field of usefulness. He was born in South Dansville, May 31, 1865, a son of Henry and Eunice (Faulkner) Driesbach, the former a man of sterling reputation and highly esteemed in his section of Steuben county, New York. The mother was a near relative of Daniel Faulkner, in whose honor Dansville was named, and also of Captain William Perine, one of the first settlers of the village.

Frederick Robert Driesbach attended the public schools and the Dansville Seminary, afterward becoming a student at the Genesee Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1886. This was followed by a course in the medical department of Columbia University, which in 1889 awarded him the M. D. degree. For four years he was associated in practice with Dr. James Crisfield but since 1893 has remained alone, maintaining an office at No. 100 Main street, in Dansville. He is a general practitioner and his professional services are in constant demand, for he is thoroughly familiar with the scientific basis upon which his work rests and correctly applies his knowledge to the needs of his patients. For some time he acted as manager of the Dansville Medical and Surgical Institute and has served as president of the local board of pension examiners, under appointment of President McKinley, while he has also been coroner of Livingston county for thirty-four years, making a highly creditable record in every office that he has held.

In 1890 Dr. Driesbach was married to Miss Laura Bastian, who died in 1918. In 1920 he was married to Miss Irene Leahy of Cohocton, New York. Although his professional duties occupy the foremost place in his life, Dr. Driesbach has always manifested a deep interest in civic affairs and served as a trustee of the village. He is a republican in politics and his religious belief is in accord with the doctrines of the Presbyterian church. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, while his professional connections are with the Livingston County and New York State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. His professional activities have brought him a wide acquaintance and his life work is one of broad usefulness.

MAX W. MASON.

The remarkable success of F. E. Mason & Sons, embossed seal and label manufacturers of Batavia, is due in no small part to Max W. Mason, general manager of the concern and one of the "sons" of the firm name. He was born in Fulton, Oswego county, New York, in 1889, his parents being Frank E. and Elizabeth (Wilson) Mason. It was about the year 1890 that the father removed with his family from Fulton to Batavia, New York, where he has resided throughout the intervening period of thirty-five years and where he has become widely and favorably known. As the founder of the business of F. E. Mason & Sons in 1908 he has become a prominent figure in manufacturing circles of the city, and he is still active in the management of this important and prosperous concern.

Max W. Mason received his education in the grade and high schools of Batavia and after putting aside his textbooks became associated with his father in the manufacture of embossed seals and labels. He has thoroughly familiarized himself with the business in every particular and in his present position of general manager his labors constitute an element of value in the successful conduct of the enterprise. The firm of F. E. Mason & Sons is one of the largest of its kind in the world, an annual business of over two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and fifty regular employees testifying to the extent of its operations. Branches are maintained in New York city and Chicago, and representative managers are stationed in Sydney, Australia, in Canada, North America and Central America, and in the cities of San Francisco, Los



DR. FREDERICK R. DRIESBACH

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Angeles, Seattle, New Orleans, Boston and Pittsburgh. Ninety per cent of all business is done direct by mail, and the firm makes all of the gold paper used in the manufacture of its product.

In Chicago, Illinois, in 1912, Mr. Mason wedded Alice Reese, and they have become the parents of two children: Constance and Max, Jr. In politics Mr. Mason maintains an independent attitude, supporting men and measures rather than party. He has membership in the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and in the Stafford Country Club. His favorite diversions are trapshooting, golf and fishing, and he is well liked as a young man of genial disposition and genuine personal worth.

THE LIKLY FAMILY.

The life record of the first Henry Likly was one of continuous activity, the evidence of which is still found in one of the leading manufacturing and commercial enterprises of Rochester. The example which he left behind is one well worthy of emulation, for in all that he did Henry Likly was actuated by worthy motives and high principles. Men who knew him trusted him, and whether as employe, employer or in his attitude of merchant to the trade, he was respected by all with whom he had business association.

A native of Canada, Henry Likly was born in Perth, on the 18th of January, 1836, and shortly after his father's death he accompanied his mother to Rochester in the spring of 1848. His education was here continued in the public schools, and when he had put aside his textbooks he entered business life as an employe of A. R. Pritchard, a manufacturer of trunks and traveling bags, who had established himself in that business in Rochester in 1844. Mr. Likly completed a full apprenticeship, becoming an expert workman in his line, and his mastery of the trade, combined with the many good qualities which he had displayed, led to his admission to a partnership in the firm, which had hitherto been composed of A. R. and T. H. Pritchard. His admission to the business led to the adoption of the firm name of A. R. & T. H. Pritchard & Company, on the 1st of January, 1868. Three years later it was again changed, becoming A. R. Pritchard & Likly, and when Mr. Likly and his brother-in-law, W. D. Callister, became sole proprietors, the business was carried on under the firm style of Henry Likly & Company. They developed what has become one of the largest concerns of the kind in the country, consuming annually more than a million and a half feet of lumber in the manufacture of over thirty thousand trunks and thousands of traveling bags. On its pay roll are over two hundred men. The firm manufactures all kinds and grades of trunks and traveling bags and the product is sent to every part of the Union, for the house sustains an unassailable reputation for the quality of its goods and for commercial integrity. Mr. Likly continued in business up to the time of his death, which occurred on the 17th of December, 1897, when he was almost sixty-two years of age.

Mr. Likly cast his ballot in support of the men and measures of the republican party and had a citizen's deep interest in the political issues and questions of the day, but was without political aspiration. In fact, his fellow townsmen frequently urged him to become a candidate for office, but he always declined, feeling that he could best serve his city in a private capacity. His influence was always on the side of improvement and upbuilding, and he gave substantial aid to many measures for the general good. He belonged to the Masonic and Odd Fellow fraternities, being a charter member of Corinthian Lodge No. 805, A. F. and A. M. In the Odd Fellows organization he became a past grand. His life exemplified many strong and commendable qualities. He never allowed business so to occupy his time that it dwarfed the other sides of his nature or crushed out his finer sensibilities. He was cognizant of his duties as well as his privileges of citizenship, placed a true value upon the worth of character, and at all times, whether in business, public or social relations, was the same honorable and honored gentleman.

Mr. Likly was married in 1861, the lady of his choice being Miss Helen E. Callister, and they became the parents of two sons: William C., born March 31, 1867; and Henry, born March 12, 1870. Their education was acquired in Rochester's public schools and following graduation each became identified with their father's business. William C. Likly, who died in 1915, became senior member of the firm and treasurer of the company and superintended the factory at No. 340 Lyell avenue, while Henry, who died in 1922, assumed the management of the firm's large retail store on East Main street, which is one of the most elaborate and finely equipped stores in Rochester.

and later took his brother's place at the factory. While the brothers were still active factors in the world's work, a contemporary biographer said: "The brothers are men of excellent business ability, carefully conducting the business which had its beginning as early as 1844, but which was largely developed to its present proportions through the enterprise and energy of their honored father. The sons, too, have wrought along modern business lines, keeping in touch with the trend of general progress and placing upon the market goods which show the most advanced styles in trunks and traveling bags. The name of Likly has ever been a synonym for energy, advancement and reliability in the business circles of Rochester and wherever the house is known."

H. Kenneth Likly, son of William C. Likly, is now vice president of the firm of Henry Likly & Company. He obtained his early education in public and private schools and continued his studies in the Hill School of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, while subsequently he entered Cornell University. At the time of his father's death he left college and went into the factory of Henry Likly & Company, with which corporation he became officially identified as vice president in 1919. During the period of the World war he was commissioned a lieutenant in the air service. Following his honorable discharge on the 20th of December, 1918, he resumed his work with the firm of Henry Likly & Company, in the successful control of which his efforts have since constituted an important element. He is also an officer of the Rochester Trunk and Bag Corporation.

H. Kenneth Likly has membership in the American Legion, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Country Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester, the Cornell Club of Rochester and the Greek letter fraternity, Alpha Delta Phi. He is well known in Rochester and enjoys an enviable reputation in both business and social circles of the city.

WILLIAM V. GRAESER.

One of the many enterprises to which the city of Rochester points with pride is the great fur house of the William V. Graeser Company, importers, exporters, manufacturers and dealers in furs, and the business has reached such a volume and is of such a high grade that the establishment would be a credit to any city on the continent. Mr. Graeser, the president and treasurer of the company, is acknowledged to be an expert in the fur trade, having been connected with all of the leading houses of this kind in the Old World. A native of Denmark, he was born at Copenhagen, April 29, 1865, his parents being John and Hannah Graeser, also of Copenhagen.

William V. Graeser's education was acquired in private schools of his native city, and after receiving a liberal education he traveled in many lands, visiting nearly every country in the world, especially all of the fur-producing countries. Throughout his business life he has been connected with the fur trade and has been associated at different times with the largest fur houses of the leading cities of the world. He has thus thoroughly acquainted himself with the business, until he is regarded as one of the best informed men in the fur trade, not only in America, but in foreign lands as well. He has made a close study of this until his knowledge is equal, if not superior, to that of the best-known fur men in the world.

Mr. Graeser came to the United States in 1884, landing at New York, where he remained for some time as an employe of Revellon Freres of New York city—the great fur house of the world. He continued in that house for seven years. In 1891 he came to Rochester and through the succeeding years was with the fur house of R. S. Kenyon & Company. He then established business on his own account in this line in the Beckley building on South Clinton street, where he was located for fourteen years, gradually building up a very important trade among the best people of the city. He then removed to his present quarters at Nos. 38 and 40 Clinton street, North, where he has beautiful showrooms and factory. He carries the most rare and costly furs of every description known to the fur trade and has connections with all of the great foreign and domestic fur markets. His patronage has constantly increased until he now has the business support of the most prominent residents in Rochester, a fact which indicates that his enterprise has been a source of gratifying profit.

In 1891 Mr. Graeser was married to Miss Katherine McCafferty, a daughter of John McCafferty of New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Graeser have a daughter, Hannah, who is married to Leslie Erhart, associated in business with Mr. Graeser. Mr. Graeser is connected with the Chamber of Commerce and is deeply interested in all that pertains to the material advancement and the progress of Rochester along various other



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lines. He is both a York and Scottish Rite Mason, belonging to Genesee Falls Lodge, F. & A. M., Monroe Commandery, Knights Templar, Damascus Temple and Lalla Rookh Grotto. He may well be proud of what he has accomplished in the business world, for he has long since left the ranks of the many and has attained a position of leadership among the chosen few in commercial activity. Mr. Graeser's residence is at No. 345 Maplewood avenue.

JOHN G. KERSHAW.

A prominent representative of financial interests in Wyoming county is John G. Kershaw, who has been at the head of the Silver Springs National Bank since 1917, prior to which time he served for fifteen years as cashier of the institution. He has also been an active factor in the public life of the community as village clerk since 1904 and as supervisor of Silver Springs since 1916. He was born in Castile, Wyoming county, New York, in May, 1872, his parents being Robert and Caroline (Montgomery) Kershaw. The family has been represented in the Genesee country through more than a century, for it was about 1820 that John Kershaw, the paternal grandfather of John G. Kershaw of this review, took up his abode among the pioneer settlers of LeRoy, New York. He later removed to Perry and subsequently to Castile, where he spent the remainder of his life. Robert Kershaw, the father of John G. Kershaw, was successfully engaged in the jewelry business in Perry throughout his active career. The latter passed away in the year 1913.

John G. Kershaw received his education in the grade and high schools of Perry and as a young man entered the First National Bank of that place, remaining in the service of the institution for five years. Subsequently he was employed in the post office at Perry until 1902, when he again became connected with financial interests as cashier of the Silver Springs National Bank in Silver Springs, continuing in that capacity until 1917. In the latter year he was made president of the institution and as its directing head has since been a dominant factor in its growing success. His long experience in the banking business has made him thoroughly familiar with every phase thereof and he is widely recognized as a financier of high standing. Since 1910 Mr. Kershaw has filled the position of secretary of the Spring Brook Cooperative Butter & Cheese Company of Silver Springs, in which capacity he has also proved himself an astute and enterprising business man.

On the 24th of June, 1896, in Perry, New York, Mr. Kershaw was united in marriage to Miss Mary Boynton of that place. They are the parents of two children: Charlotte, who is a school teacher in Warsaw, New York; and James R., who graduated from the Silver Springs high school in 1923, Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York, in 1924, and is now attending the Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. Kershaw is an active worker in the local ranks of the republican party and his fellow townsmen, recognizing his worth and ability, have chosen him for positions of public trust. He has capably discharged the duties of village clerk during the past two decades and since 1916 has served as town supervisor, making a most commendable record in the latter connection. Mr. Kershaw belongs to the Industrial Bureau of Silver Springs and fraternally is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Methodist church, of which he has been a trustee for fifteen years. He is fond of outdoor life and is greatly interested in the raising of chickens. Throughout his business career Mr. Kershaw has adhered closely to the rules which govern strict integrity and unabating industry, and the respect that is accorded him is well deserved.

RAY HERBERT MANSON.

Ray Herbert Manson, an electrical engineer of broad experience and proven ability, is well known in professional circles of Rochester and fills an important place in the industrial life of the city, in which he has made his home for the past eight years. He was born in Bath, Maine, August 25, 1877, and his parents, Rev. Edwin E. and Abbie (Stone) Manson, were also natives of the Pine Tree state. The father devoted his life to the ministry of the Baptist church and his labors were effective and resultant forces in promoting the spiritual welfare of those who came under his guidance. The mother still resides in her native state.

THE GENESEE COUNTRY

Ray Herbert Manson received his elementary instruction in the public schools of Gardiner, Maine, and continued his studies in the University of Maine, from which he was graduated in 1898, upon the completion of a course in electrical engineering. His first position was with the Western Electric Company of Chicago, with which he remained for two years, assisting them in the manufacture of telephones. On the expiration of that period Mr. Manson entered the employ of the Kellogg Switchboard & Supply Company of that city and for several years was with that firm. He next became connected with the Dean Electric Company of Elyria, Ohio, and in 1916 severed his relations with that house, having accepted the position of chief engineer with the Stromberg-Carlson Company, telephone manufacturers. He has since acted in that capacity, discharging his duties with marked efficiency, and his services have been of great value to the corporation, which controls an industry of extensive proportions.

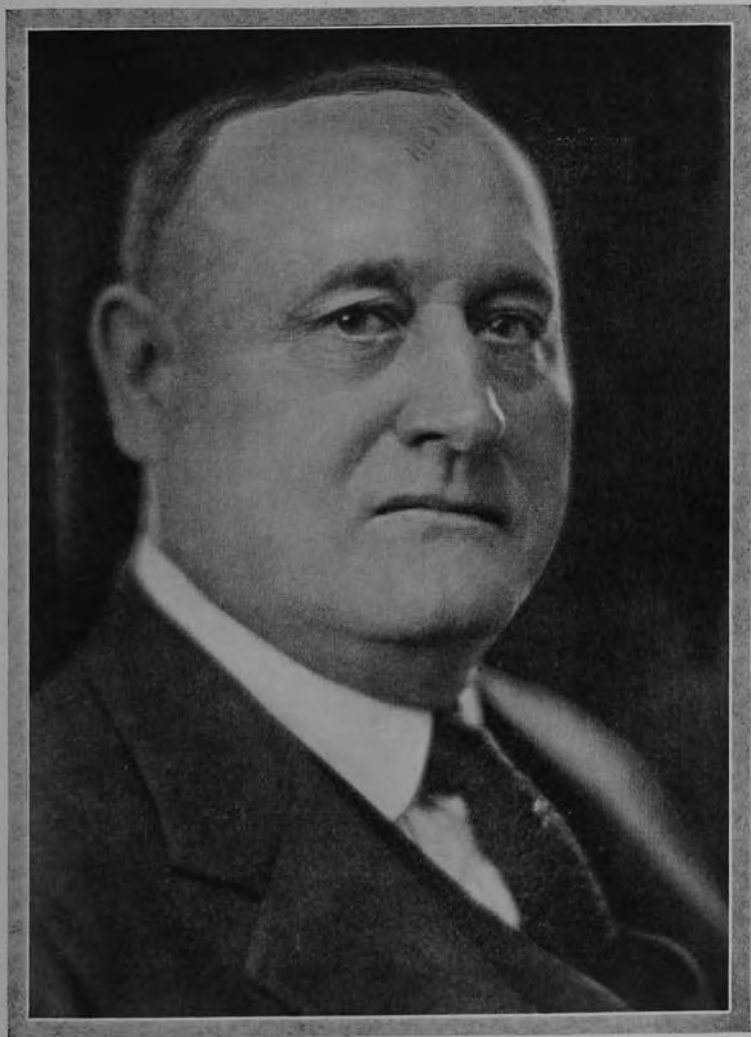
On August 3, 1903, Mr. Manson was married to Miss Amy Arthur of Toronto, Canada, and they have become the parents of two children, a son and a daughter: Stanley H. was born December 5, 1904, in Elyria, Ohio, and after his graduation from the East high school of Rochester entered Dartmouth College, where he is a member of the class of 1927; Amy M. was born in Elyria, July 23, 1909, and is attending high school.

Mr. Manson belongs to the University Club of Rochester and to the local Automobile Club. He is connected with the Rochester Engineering Society, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Society of Automotive Engineers and the Institute of Radio Engineers. He is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is in complete sympathy with the aims of the organization and with all movements destined to prove of benefit to his community. He has never lost the attitude of a student toward his profession, in which he has made continuous progress, and measured by the standard of usefulness, his life has been a very successful one. His residence is at No. 185 Beresford road.

 WILLIAM HENRY CRAIG.

An exceptional record of long, faithful and efficient service stands to the credit of William Henry Craig, who for sixteen years has been superintendent of the Monroe County Penitentiary, to which he has given unreservedly of his powers, and his name also figures conspicuously in business circles of Rochester. He was born in Cobourg, Canada, July 18, 1859, a son of Charles and Mary (Mulhearn) Craig, who were natives of Ireland and followed the tide of immigration to the New World, settling in the province of Ontario. In 1860 they crossed the United States border and for a half century the father was identified with the hotel business, becoming widely known in this country and in the Dominion of Canada. His operations were conducted principally at Rochester and Charlotte, New York, and he built and managed the American House, the Spencer Hotel and other well known hostleries. Later he became a large stockholder in the W. W. Warner Medicine Company, manufacturers of "Warner's Safe Cure", and was uniformly successful in his business ventures. His demise occurred in Rochester, in 1900. The mother passed away in this city ten years later.

William Henry Craig attended a parochial school of Rochester and the public schools of Charlotte, and following in the footsteps of his father, he also entered the hotel business in the latter place. Later he constructed the amusement park at Charlotte, conducting it for some time, and his next venture was in the livery business. He became a well-known turfman and at one time owned some of the best race horses in the country, winning many purses in the New York circuit. He engaged in the livery business for sixteen years and during that period was elected alderman for the fourth ward of Rochester, acting in that capacity from 1901 until 1905. The fine record which he made in that connection led to his selection for the office of sheriff of Monroe county, which he filled from 1906 until 1908. The first public position to which Mr. Craig was called was that of assistant sergeant-at-arms of the New York state capitol and these duties he discharged from 1897 until 1900. Since 1908 he has been superintendent of the Monroe County Penitentiary, which under his administration has become one of the best managed institutions of the kind in the country, setting a standard which other state officials have followed with marked benefit. A keen student of human nature, he takes a personal interest in the inmates of the institution and bases his official service upon the belief that there is good in every individual. He has therefore adopted a policy of charity and helpfulness,



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emanating from a true Christian spirit, in consequence of which many of the men under his charge have responded to his humane treatment and are leading better lives.

Mr. Craig is a business man of more than average ability and is serving as president of the Willite Corporation, the Consolidated Materials Corporation and the Dewey Avenue Gas & Oil Company of Rochester, all of which he has placed upon a secure financial foundation. He is also aiding in developing the rich agricultural resources of this section of the state and is the owner of one of the most productive farms in Monroe county. He has two hundred and fifty acres of valuable land, on which he raises a diversity of crops, and also keeps a herd of high-grade cattle for dairy purposes. The farm is supplied with all modern improvements and is scientifically managed by Mr. Craig's son, who completed a course in agriculture at Cornell University.

On October 24, 1890, Mr. Craig was married, in Rochester, to Miss Nellie J. Hogan, who died November 11, 1918, leaving one child: Charles Emmett, who was born in 1893. For his second wife Mr. Craig married Miss Margaret Herveon, on June 14, 1919. Mr. Craig is a Catholic in religious faith and has taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and was appointed a member of the committee for the reception of the city's World war veterans on their return from overseas service. He is a life member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is also connected with the Liederkrantz society, and the Rochester, Athletic and Yacht Clubs. By nature he is genial and companionable and his friends are legion. A man of broad views and humanitarian instincts, his life has been one of great usefulness, characterized by the accomplishment of much good, and the worth of his work is widely acknowledged.

MARTIN MULNER.

Martin Mulner is the popular proprietor and efficient manager of the Hamilton Hotel of Batavia, which is known far and wide as a first-class hostelry in every particular. He was born in Hungary, on the 11th of November, 1871, his parents being Alois and Elizabeth Mulner. The family has been represented in Hungary since about the year 1600, when those of the name removed thither from Wurtemberg, Germany. Alois Mulner, the father of Martin Mulner, was a tailor by trade and a lifelong resident of Hungary, where he passed away in 1910.

In the acquirement of an education Martin Mulner attended the common schools of his native country and after putting aside his textbooks became connected with the hotel business, working along that line in Vienna, Budapest and various other European cities. He was a young man of about thirty-one when in 1902 he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and obtained employment in the Planters Hotel of St. Louis, Missouri, where he remained for one year. He next made his way to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he was connected with the Majestic Hotel, while subsequently he spent a period of sixteen years at the Iroquois Hotel in Buffalo, New York. On the 15th of May, 1919, feeling that his capital and experience qualified him for the conduct of a hostelry of his own, he leased the Lafayette Hotel of Batavia. At the end of a year, however, he disposed of this and bought the Continental Hotel, which he remodeled completely and the name of which he changed to Hamilton, continuing as its manager to the present time. The Hamilton Hotel is situated at No. 24 Main street in Batavia, opposite the park which adorns the center of the city. It contains thirty-seven rooms with either bath or running water and is also equipped with shower baths. The excellence of its cuisine have made the grill and dining rooms liberally patronized eating places. A commodious garage adds to the conveniences of the Hamilton Hotel, which is the official hostelry of the American Automobile Association, also a "Blue Book Hotel" and "New York State Hotel". As proprietor and manager Mr. Mulner has neglected no detail that may enhance the comfort and well-being of his guests. He has membership in the New York State Hotel Association, of which he has been vice president for Genesee county since 1922.

On the 17th of January, 1905, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Mr. Mulner was united in marriage to Miss Anna Wilhelm of that city. Their children are four in number, namely: Mary Regina, Agnes, Mildred Margaret and Martin, Jr. Mr. Mulner gives his political allegiance to the republican party and has membership in the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church and fraternally is identified with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He devotes his leisure hours to the study of bird and animal

life, of flowers and trees, and is a lover of nature who finds his keenest pleasure in the great outdoors. Coming to the New World in early manhood, he here found the opportunities which he sought and in their wise utilization has won prosperity, so that he is now numbered among the leading hotel proprietors as well as representative and esteemed citizens of western New York.

AARON BARBER.

After a long period (until 1920), as a farmer, and a remarkably successful one, Aaron Barber of Avon, Livingston county, New York, also entered the banking field and was one of the organizers of the State Bank of Avon. He became the bank's president and has retained the position ever since—more than thirty years. Mr. Barber is now eighty-eight years old, and though he has relinquished many of the active duties of the bank to his associates, he is still the responsible and directing head of the institution, one of the largest and most prosperous in Livingston county. He was born at Rush, Monroe county, New York, on July 6, 1836, the son of Aaron and Lois (Stevens) Barber. His paternal grandfather, also named Aaron, was a native of Connecticut, by trade a blacksmith and a skilled mechanic, who died in middle life, leaving a widow and a family of small children. The eldest of the children was Aaron, father of the Avon bank president. The family moved from Connecticut and for a time lived in Onondaga county, New York, afterward moving to Livingston county, and for years lived in Lima. There the eldest son obtained employment and provided for the family's support. He was engaged in the butcher business for three years, and then moved to Ogden, Monroe county, where he had bought a timbered tract of one hundred and sixty acres, and remained there two years with his wife, whom he had married in Lima. Mr. Barber then bought a small farm in Rush, on which he lived five years, and then moved to Avon, where he purchased one hundred and sixty acres of improved land two miles north of the village, and a log cabin upon it served for nine years as a home. He then built a handsome residence in Avon and lived there until his death in 1868, at the age of sixty-four. Mr. Barber's wife, Lois Stevens, was the daughter of Phineas and Mary Stevens. She died September 18, 1903. Three children were born to them: Mary L., who married Dr. James E. Jenks of Avon; Aaron of this review; and Amanda, who married Holliday Williams of Prattsburg, Steuben county, New York.

Aaron Barber, the present banker, was educated in the district public schools, at Lima Seminary and Rochester Academy. He began life as a farmer and followed that occupation until 1920, when he retired. Mr. Barber was widely known as a fancier and breeder of pure-bred shorthorn cattle, his herd being noted as one of the best in the country, and winning many prizes at the leading cattle shows in competition with some of the best stock in the United States. In 1891 Mr. Barber, W. J. Weed, William Markham and Professor Wallace, organized the State Bank of Avon, with a capital stock of twenty-five thousand dollars, Mr. Barber being elected president—the only president in the bank's history. The present capital of the bank is fifty thousand dollars, surplus and undivided profits seventy-five thousand dollars, and deposits over one and a quarter million dollars.

Mr. Barber was married on December 22, 1862, to Caroline B. Hall, who died April 18, 1915. In politics Mr. Barber is a democrat and cast his first vote for Stephen A. Douglas in 1860. His religious connection is with the Presbyterian church.

FRANCIS SELDEN MACOMBER.

Francis Selden Macomber, one of the well known members of the Rochester bar, has been for more than a third of a century actively engaged in the practice of his profession in this city. His father, Judge Francis A. Macomber, was born in Alabama, Genesee county, New York, April 5, 1837, and graduated from the University of Rochester in 1859. He began the study of law in the office of Judge Henry R. Selden of Rochester. Judge Macomber was elected to the supreme court of New York in 1878, and in 1892 was reelected without opposition, having received a nomination from the democrats as well as the republicans. In 1888 he was appointed to what was then known as the General Term of the Fifth department, and continued a member of that court until his death, which occurred on October 13, 1893. His first wife, Mary Selden,



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died in 1878. Her father, Judge Henry R. Selden, was elected lieutenant governor of New York, in 1856, as the first republican to fill that office, while in 1862 he was appointed to the bench of the court of appeals.

Francis Selden Macomber was born in Rochester, September 29, 1867, a son of Judge Francis S. and Mary (Selden) Macomber. He attended the grade and high schools of this city, and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Rochester, with the class of 1889. He began the study of law in the office of William F. Cogswell, and was admitted to the bar in 1892. Mr. Macomber has been connected with some of the most important litigation before the courts of western New York, and for years has enjoyed a high-class clientele, being accorded a prominent position among the able lawyers of the Rochester bar. Among his interests outside of his profession he is a director of the Merchants Bank of Rochester.

On April 18, 1895, Mr. Francis S. Macomber was married to Miss Laura P. W. Ward, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi F. Ward of this city. Mr. Macomber is a Presbyterian in religious faith and his professional connections are with the Rochester Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. He is also a member of the Alpha Delta fraternity, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Athletic Club, the Country Club of Rochester, the Genesee Valley Club and the Rochester Yacht Club. Mr. Macomber's residence is at No. 28 Portsmouth terrace.

RAYMOND ALLEN MAYO.

Raymond Allen Mayo, vice president, treasurer and general manager of Glen Brothers, Incorporated, nurserymen and landscape architects, is one of the well known Rochester men connected with the nursery business. He was born August 24, 1880, in Waldoboro, Maine, a son of Emerson S. and Grace (Allen) Mayo. Emerson S. Mayo is the president of Glen Brothers, Incorporated, and for over forty years has been identified with the nursery business in this city. In his family were five children, four of whom are living: Mrs. J. Gilbert Belden of Rochester; Mrs. G. Ellsworth Harris of Montclair, New Jersey; Raymond Allen, and John Glen, president of the Mayo Nurseries, Incorporated.

Raymond Allen Mayo was but a child when his parents moved to Rochester and in this city he received his education. He attended School No. 31, under Herbert S. Weet, now superintendent of schools in Rochester, and later entered the Mechanics Institute. After leaving school Mr. Mayo was for two years engaged in the grocery business and in 1902 became connected with the Glen Brothers organization. His first position was a minor one and from that beginning he has advanced to the important place which he now occupies. Glen Brothers, Incorporated, was founded in 1866 and is one of the oldest and best known nursery firms in the United States. Its agricultural holdings are very large but center in Rochester, the home of the main plant and the chief distributing point for its products. Mr. Mayo is secretary and treasurer of Mayo-Belden Company, Incorporated, dealers in garden supplies; is a member of the New York State Nurserymen's Association, the American Horticultural Society, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of Ancient Craft Lodge, No. 943, F. & A. M.; has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, and is a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

In Fairport, New York, in August, 1902, Mr. Mayo was married to Miss Grace Corrigan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Corrigan. Mr. and Mrs. Mayo have six children: George Emerson, born in February, 1905; R. A., Jr., born in July, 1912; Elizabeth Craig, born in 1915; John Allen and Thomas Baxter, twins, born in 1918; and Susan Van Dyne, born in 1920. Mr. Mayo's residence is at No. 28 Darwin street.

MURRAY BARTLETT, D. D.

Dr. Murray Bartlett is a prominent factor in educational circles of western New York as president of Hobart and William Smith Colleges of Geneva, of which institutions he has been at the head since 1919. He was born in Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county, New York, on the 29th of March, 1871, his parents being Stanley and Lida Carolina (Simpson) Bartlett. His more advanced intellectual training was acquired in Harvard University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in

1892 and that of Master of Arts in the following year. In 1896 he was graduated from the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal church in New York city. The degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by the University of Rochester in 1908 and that of LL. D. by Trinity College in 1922.

Dr. Bartlett acted as curate of Grace church in New York city during the years 1896 and 1897 and then became rector of St. Paul's church in Rochester, thus serving until 1908. In the latter year he went to Manila as dean of the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John and three years later, in 1911, organized the University of the Philippines, of which he served as president until 1915, when he resigned on account of ill health. During his administration the enrollment at the university increased from two hundred to twelve hundred students in eight schools, among them the Graduate School of Tropical Medicine and Public Health. Upon his resignation in 1915 he was elected president emeritus. Since returning from military service overseas during the period of the World war he has occupied the presidency of Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York.

In 1917 Dr. Bartlett was appointed representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church War Commission at Camp Kearney, California, and the same year went overseas as secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was appointed acting chaplain of the Eighteenth Infantry in 1918 and thus served until March, 1919. He sustained wounds in the Marne-Aisne offensive on the 22d of July, 1918. On November 28, 1922, he was made a major in the chaplain's section of the Officers' Reserve Corps. Dr. Bartlett was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross of the United States and was decorated with the Croix de Guerre by the French, who also made him a chevalier of the Legion of Honor. He is a life member of the Society of the First Division of the American Expeditionary Forces.

On the 15th of April, 1903, Dr. Bartlett was united in marriage to Miss Blanchard Howard of Buffalo, New York. He gives his political support to the democratic party and fraternally is identified with the Masons, being a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He also belongs to Phi Beta Kappa, is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and has membership in the Harvard Club of New York city, the Genesee Valley Club of Rochester and the Rotary, University and Country Clubs of Geneva. His contributions to the field of literature include a work entitled "A University for the Filipino", which was published in 1911. His labors have constituted a potent element in the moral and intellectual development of the communities in which he has lived and worked, and his name is widely known and honored.

ARTHUR L. WILDER.

Arthur L. Wilder, one of the prominent members of the Rochester bar, was born in Webster Crossing, Livingston county, New York, on the 13th of September, 1880, a son of Wesley I. and Sarah J. (Henderson) Wilder, the latter a native of Canada. The father was born in Chautauqua county, New York. A carpenter by trade, he was for years in the maintenance department of the Erie Railroad. He died on October 19, 1913, at the age of sixty-two, and is survived by the mother. They had a family of two children: Arthur L. and Burley H., the latter a resident of Buffalo, New York.

Arthur L. Wilder attended the public schools of Webster Crossing and continued his studies in the Livonia high school, from which he was graduated in 1899. His more advanced education was acquired in Cornell University, from which institution he received his LL. B. degree in 1906. Coming to Rochester, he accepted an editorial position with the Lawyers Cooperative Publishing Company, with which he remained until January 15, 1914, when he began the practice of law in this city. Mr. Wilder has steadily progressed in his profession and is accorded a creditable position among the able and successful lawyers of Rochester. He is associated in practice with Claude S. Smith and Edward H. Lamb, as the firm of Wilder, Smith & Lamb, which is one of the well-known legal firms of Rochester.

Mr. Wilder was married on October 6, 1913, to Miss Irene B. Sullivan, a daughter of Jeremiah and Nellie E. Sullivan of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder have a son: William Henderson Wilder, who was born in this city on the 19th of July, 1914. Mr. Wilder attends the Westminster Presbyterian church and takes an active part in the work of its Sunday school. In addition to his professional work, he is a director of a number of business organizations and has membership in the Rochester Chamber



ARTHUR L. WILDER

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of Commerce. He belongs to the Rochester Bar Association, the Sphinx Head Senior Society, and the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He is fitted by natural ability and by thorough training for the legal profession, and his success is well deserved. His residence is at No. 1381 Genesee street, Rochester.

HARVEY G. KNUTH.

A rapidly growing business, well organized and wisely directed, has made Harvey G. Knuth well known in automotive circles of Rochester, and his success has come as the result of untiring energy and the ability to perceive and utilize opportunities. He was born in Buffalo, New York, July 10, 1891, and is a son of Rev. Louis C. and Dorothea (Lindau) Knuth. The mother is a native of Denmark and was three years of age when her parents immigrated to the United States. The father attended the University of Rochester, afterward completing a course in the Rochester Theological Seminary. He devoted many years to the ministry, his efforts proving fruitful of much good to the cause of Christianity, and he is now living retired in Boston, Massachusetts. The mother is also living. Three children were born to them: Reuben; a daughter, who is deceased; and Harvey G., of this review.

Harvey G. Knuth received his early instruction in the public schools of Newark, New Jersey, and completed his education in Columbia University, from which he received the A. B. degree in 1914. After his graduation he became associated with the automobile industry, acting as salesman for a New York city firm, and soon demonstrated his aptitude for this line of work. In 1920 he came to Rochester and established a business of his own, organizing the Harvey G. Knuth Company, which has been incorporated. He is president of the firm, which erected a two-story building at No. 136 North street, and the present quarters have already become inadequate, owing to the rapid increase in the volume of its trade. Mr. Knuth is planning to add several stories to the building and displays keen sagacity in the management of the business, of which he has a highly specialized knowledge. He has the local agency for the Peerless cars and maintains a service station in connection with his garage. He is courteous, obliging, always dependable, and is one of the most popular automobile dealers in the city. He is a member of the University Club.

In New York city, on June 18, 1916, Mr. Knuth was married to Miss Lourdes Nugent, a daughter of John C. Nugent of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Knuth have a son: Harvey G. Knuth, Jr., who was born in Rochester, in 1920. Mr. Knuth's career has been marked by continuous progress and his well developed powers have enabled him to gain and maintain an influential position in business circles of Rochester, while his sterling traits of character have established him high in public regard. His residence is at No. 4 Eastland avenue, Brighton.

FRANK ARTHUR CORTI.

Frank Arthur Corti is one of the most successful among the promising young attorneys of Batavia, where he has followed his profession continuously since 1916, save for the months when he was engaged in military service at the time of the World war. He was born in Barre, Vermont, on the 30th of January, 1894, his parents being Alexander and Barbara (Lanz) Corti. The father, a granite cutter, emigrated to the United States from Switzerland and lived in Vermont until 1908, when he removed to Batavia, New York, where he made his home until called to his final rest in 1917.

Frank Arthur Corti began his education in the public schools of his native city and continued his studies as a high school pupil of Batavia, while his professional training was received in the University of Buffalo, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1916. He then began the practice of law in Batavia with Russell L. Kinsey, and thus remained active in the profession until June, 1918, when he entered the army as second lieutenant of infantry in the Thirty-fifth Division. The armistice was signed, however, before he was given an opportunity to go overseas, and following his honorable discharge from military service in January, 1919, he returned to Batavia and resumed the work of his chosen calling. He has practiced independently since that time and has built up a gratifying clientage as he has demonstrated his ability in the work of the courts. His name is on the member-

ship rolls of the Genesee County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association.

On the 1st of November, 1918, in Batavia, New York, Mr. Corti was united in marriage to Miss Estelle Wakeman, daughter of Charles Wakeman of Alexander, New York. A staunch republican, Mr. Corti takes an active and helpful interest in local political affairs and he has membership in the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Holland Club, and fraternally is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in St. James Episcopal church. He finds pleasurable recreation in outdoor sports and is particularly fond of baseball. Mr. Corti has accomplished much for one of his years, and his ability, enterprise and integrity have gained him the esteem of his professional colleagues and the respect of the general public.

HENRY W. WEDEL.

Henry W. Wedel has been a resident of Rochester for forty-five years and during that time has had a continuous identification with the city's business interests. A native of Germany, Mr. Wedel was born on the 23d of November, 1864, and his parents were Valentine and Marie M. (Stump) Wedel. They always resided in that country, where the father was a mason contractor.

Henry W. Wedel was reared and educated in his native country and in 1880, when a youth of sixteen, responded to the call of adventure, taking passage on a vessel bound for the United States. Having an uncle in Rochester, he at once came to this city and for three years worked in the clothing store conducted by the former. Mr. Wedel next secured a position with the firm of Adler Brothers, clothing manufacturers, and remained with them for three years, during which period he gained a practical understanding of the various phases of that industry. Having confidence in his ability to direct a business of that nature, he organized the Wedel Manufacturing Company, whose destiny he successfully guided for thirty-eight years, or until he disposed of the enterprise in 1923. Meanwhile, in 1916, he had entered the general insurance business in association with Louis W. Wehn, as the firm of Wehn & Wedel, and this partnership has since been maintained with mutual advantage. In 1908 Mr. Wedel was elected vice president of the Rochester & Manitoa Railway Company and since 1912 has been president of the corporation. He is endowed with the qualities of leadership and his labors have been resultant factors in every field of endeavor to which he has turned his attention.

On the 28th of November, 1883, Mr. Wedel was married to Miss Margaret B. Ziegler, a daughter of Christopher Ziegler, a prominent citizen of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Wedel have become parents of three children, all of whom are residents of this city: Arthur H. Wedel was married to Miss Estelle Springer of Rochester, and they have four children: Chester G., who is identified with the merchant tailoring trade, was married to Miss Hilda Raab of Rochester, and they have two children; Mildred was married to Frank Chatterton of Providence, Rhode Island, and they have one child.

Mr. Wedel is one of the most prominent Masons in western New York and has been honored with the thirty-third degree. He is also connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. The Rochester Chamber of Commerce numbers him among its enthusiastic members and he likewise belongs to the Automobile Club of Rochester. He derives much enjoyment from travel and his winters are generally spent in Florida. Like the majority of Rochester's leading business men, Mr. Wedel has risen to the top through hard work, perseverance and the ability to meet and master situations. He views life from a broad standpoint and is admired and respected for those qualities which have made possible his success.

FRANK X. CULLINAN.

Frank X. Cullinan, vice president and general manager of the Judson Governor Company of Rochester, maintains that hard work and strict attention to business are indispensable elements of success, and his prosperity has been built upon this foundation. He is a native son of the city and represents one of its old and highly respected



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families. He was born May 17, 1876, and his parents were John Francis and Mary (Gavin) Cullinan. They always resided in the Flower city and the father followed the profession of a mechanical engineer. He passed away in 1896 and the mother's death occurred in 1912. Nine children were born to them, four of whom are living: Mortimer J., engaged in the merchandise brokerage business in Rochester; Frank X.; Charles, who is identified with the Odenbach Company, and Raymond, a resident of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Frank X. Cullinan received his early instruction in St. Bridget's parochial school and afterward attended the public schools and the Rochester Free Academy. On entering the business world he obtained a clerical position in the office of the Judson Governor Company, to which he has given thirty-five years of faithful, conscientious and efficient service, advancing steadily as he proved his worth and ability. For ten years he was general manager of the Detroit branch of the business and he now fills the offices of vice president, treasurer and general manager. His labors have become an integral part of the business, which represents his lifework, and the prestige which the firm enjoys today is mainly attributable to his well-directed efforts. His accomplishments have resulted in large measure from hard thinking and his well matured plans are promptly executed. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Judson Power Company and the Judson Pin Company, subsidiaries of the Judson Governor Company—an industry of extensive proportions.

On the 28th of June, 1905, Mr. Cullinan was married to Miss Mary Brick, a daughter of Anthony and Mary (Corcoran) Brick, of Buffalo, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Cullinan have two sons: Francis X. Cullinan, Jr., who was born November 27, 1906, and was graduated from high school in 1924; and William Brick Cullinan, who was born May 19, 1910, and is a high school student. Business affairs engross Mr. Cullinan's attention and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks is the only organization of a social or fraternal nature with which he is affiliated. Thoroughness and devotion to duty are his outstanding characteristics and a life of rightly directed endeavor has won him success, honor and hosts of friends.

FRANK E. WRIGHT.

Frank E. Wright, a well known and influential citizen of Oakfield, is the president of The Exchange Bank, which he established as a private banking institution in association with Arthur H. Green, in 1883. He was born in West Barre, Orleans county, New York, on the 31st of January, 1852, his parents being J. Selim and Celia M. (Olmsted) Wright. His paternal grandfather, Elisha Wright, who was the first representative of the family in the Genesee country, took up his permanent abode in West Barre about the year 1812. Much of the furniture which Elisha Wright used in his home is still in possession of the grandson and is giving excellent service. J. Selim Wright, the father of Frank E. Wright, was an agriculturist by occupation who spent the greater part of his life in western New York, removing from West Barre to Lima, this state.

Frank E. Wright acquired his early education at the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, later attending Genesee College. After putting aside his textbooks he went to Kansas and in that state was employed in the Bank of Blue Rapids City for two years. On the expiration of that period he returned to New York and purchased a drug store in Batavia, which he managed successfully for five years. In was in 1883, in partnership with Arthur H. Green, that he opened a private bank in Oakfield known as The Exchange Bank. Five years later, in 1888, he purchased the interest of Mr. Green and thereafter conducted the institution alone until 1917, when it was organized as a state bank. The officers of The Exchange Bank of Oakfield are: F. E. Wright, president; G. S. Haxton, vice president; F. H. Daniels, cashier; C. F. Safford, assistant cashier; and F. E. Wright, G. S. Haxton, F. H. Daniels, L. L. Reed, L. E. Gillmore and R. C. Searls, directors. The Exchange Bank of Oakfield has membership in both state and national banking associations.

On the 18th of September, 1872, in Batavia, Mr. Wright was married to Miss Etta Moulton, daughter of Nathaniel Moulton of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Wright have a son: Arthur M., who cultivates a large fruit farm in Spencerport, New York, where he resides. Mr. Wright supports the republican party where national questions and issues are involved but casts an independent ballot at local elections. He has served as high school treasurer since 1892, or for one-third of a century. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church, which he has served

as president of the board of trustees and as treasurer for the past forty-two years. His efforts have been effectively exerted in behalf of the farmers of this section, as well as along the line of civic improvement, and he has long been numbered among the most valued citizens and leading bankers of Genesee county.

ALBERT C. WISCHMEYER.

Albert C. Wischmeyer, president of the Nunn Brass Works, represents the third generation of the family in Rochester and ably directs the destiny of the business which he represents, bringing additional distinction to an honored name. He was born June 8, 1885, and is a son of Edward and Katherine (Hahling) Wischmeyer, also natives of the Flower city, in which they were reared, educated and married. The father is now associated with his son, Albert C., in the Nunn Brass Works. The paternal grandparents, Bernard and Frances Wischmeyer, settled in Rochester during the formative period in its history, making the journey by water, and were passengers on the first canal-boat to land here. Edward Wischmeyer is now active in business in Rochester and has long survived his wife, who passed away in October, 1907. Six children were born to them, three of whom are deceased. Those now living are: Frank, Katherine and Albert C. of this review.

Albert C. Wischmeyer received his education in the parochial school maintained by the Church of SS. Peter and Paul and after reaching the eighth grade laid aside his textbooks to enter the machinist's trade, at which he worked until 1910 when he became owner of the Nunn Brass Works, purchasing the property from the estate. He has made a success of the undertaking and acts as president and treasurer of the firm, which is a close corporation. Mr. Wischmeyer manufactures special fittings, and in fact, everything made of brass is within the scope of the firm, which bears an enviable reputation for high-class work and thorough reliability. He also serves as treasurer of the Barthelmes Manufacturing Company of Rochester, which was founded in 1915 by Kurt Barthelmes and has become one of the large industries of the city. The company manufactures high grade aluminum ware and Mr. Wischmeyer's executive ability and business acumen have also been valuable assets in the expansion and development of the business.

On the 6th of June, 1911, Mr. Wischmeyer was married to Miss Rose Russer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Russer, prominent residents of Rochester. The children of this union are: Albert E., who was born in 1913; Arthur John, born in 1915; Richard Max, who was born in October, 1917; Irving John Wischmeyer, born July 29, 1921, and Clovis F., born January 17, 1925. In religious faith Mr. Wischmeyer is a Roman Catholic, and along social lines he is connected with the Rochester Automobile and Liederkrantz Clubs. He is a deservedly popular, highly esteemed and influential citizen of Rochester and his labors have been a vital element in the progress of his community. His residence is at No. 238 Wilder street, in the house where he was born.

DR. LEWIS KELLOGG ALDRIDGE.

Dr. Lewis Kellogg Aldridge is a skilled young optometrist of Batavia who has here engaged in practice since June, 1921. He was born in Cortland, Cortland county, New York, on the 21st of April, 1895, his parents being Le Roy Weller and Grace (Kellogg) Aldridge. The father, who has spent the majority of his life in this part of the state, now makes his home in Buffalo, where he enjoys an enviable reputation as an optometrist.

In the acquirement of an education Lewis Kellogg Aldridge attended the grade and high schools of Buffalo and then entered the Rochester School of Optometry, which institution he left in 1917 to enlist for service in the World war. He was retained at Camp Upton as a member of the Domestic Service Corps until the signing of the armistice and thereafter returned to Rochester, where he completed his course in optometry and was graduated in June, 1921. He then opened an office in Batavia, where he has continued in his chosen work to the present time, with gratifying results.

It was in Buffalo that Dr. Aldridge was united in marriage to Miss Matilda Edna Eiss, daughter of George Eiss of that city. Dr. and Mrs. Aldridge are the parents of two children: Robert James and Doris Mae, both of whom are attending school in

Batavia. Dr. Aldridge maintains an independent attitude in politics, supporting men and measures rather than party. He is making an excellent record as secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Batavia, the activities of which organization, together with child welfare work, are of particular interest to him. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and he is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to the blue lodge and chapter in Batavia. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Methodist Episcopal church, in the work of which he takes a helpful interest.

MEAD BEAM RAPPLEYE.

As far back as 1797 two families named Rappleye and Covert came to Seneca county and settled where the village of Interlaken now stands. Here Charles Rappleye and Jeannette Covert was born, attended school together, became sweethearts and in time were married. Charles Rappleye followed farming all his life. His widow is still living in Rochester. Their son, Mead Beam, is the subject of this review.

Mead Beam Rappleye was born near Interlaken (then Farmer Village), December 13, 1880. As a boy he attended the public schools of his native village and later the Ithaca high school, where he completed his education. Upon leaving school he entered the law office of George Raines, one of Rochester's leading attorneys, where he studied for about two years and studied also under private tutors for two years. He then decided to enter another vocation and became a traveling salesman. For fourteen years he remained "on the road," covering a territory that extended from New York state to Texas. During the greater part of this time he regarded Rochester as his residence.

In 1917 Mr. Rappleye was nominated and elected alderman from the eighteenth ward and at the close of his first term was reelected. Upon the expiration of his second term in December, 1920, he was elected secretary of the Builders' Exchange, which position he still holds. In the meantime he had become interested in Rochester real estate operations. He is president and director of the Rochester Standard Housing Corporation, and secretary and director of the Genesee Housing Corporation, builders of homes.

On June 4, 1913, Mr. Rappleye was united in marriage to Miss Martha Lum of Lyndonville, Orleans county, New York. Mr. Rappleye is a well known figure in fraternal circles and the club life of Rochester. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, a Knight of Pythias and an Elk; belongs to the Rochester Automobile Club, the Chamber of Commerce, Morgan Chapter of the New York Archaeological Society, the Rochester Engineering Society and the Rochester Historical Society.

LA VERGNE A. WALKER.

La Vergne A. Walker, one of the foremost members of the legal profession in the Genesee country, has been practicing his profession in Perry, Wyoming county, since the beginning of this century, coming here from Nunda, his birthplace and boyhood home. The son of John C. and Emma (Spohn) Walker, he was born May 13, 1873. His father served in the Union army during the Civil war and received injuries while in the service, but he was able to take up the occupation of a farmer after his return to civilian life and has been engaged in that line of work most of the time ever since. He still makes his home in Nunda. The Walker family was established in this section of the country about 1810 by Mr. Walker's grandfather, a Methodist circuit-rider, who settled here with his family.

La Vergne A. Walker was educated in the public and high schools of Nunda, after which he took up the study of law in the office of George D. Daggett, where he remained until he was admitted to the bar of New York state in 1895. As soon as he was admitted to the bar Mr. Walker started to practice for himself in Nunda and gained the first years of his experience as a full-fledged lawyer in his own home city. In 1900 he came to Perry, where he has been ever since. At first he was associated with Mr. Olmsted and later with Charles W. Johnston; then he practiced alone until 1921, when he formed a partnership with John C. Ryan, under the firm name of Walker & Ryan, which continued until January, 1924, since which time Mr. Walker has been alone. He is generally conceded to be one of the most capable attorneys in

this part of the state. He is counsel for the First National Bank of Perry and attorney for the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroad. In recent years he has specialized in trial practice and criminal cases, in which branch of his profession he has won new laurels. Both in assembling his evidence and in presenting his case in court, Mr. Walker has displayed thoroughgoing ability for organization and unusual brilliance of mind. His remarkable powers as a criminal lawyer made Mr. Walker an excellent district attorney, an office which he held from 1915 to 1921, relinquishing this post only to accept an appointment as deputy attorney general, under Hon. Charles D. Newton. In the latter capacity he was assigned to duty in New York city and remained there until April, 1923, when he resigned his office as deputy to return to Perry and resume his private practice.

Mr. Walker was married on January 15, 1896, in Dalton, New York, to Miss Grace Hunt, daughter of William W. and Ella (Tuthill) Hunt of that place. Mr. Hunt was a merchant and a member of the firm of Hunt & Moses of Dalton. Mr. Walker has one son: Ralph H. Walker, born October 29, 1896, who is a graduate of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, Ohio, and is now a chemist in Rochester.

In connection with his professional activities Mr. L. A. Walker is affiliated with the New York State Bar Association and is president of the Wyoming County Association. He has long been intimately connected with the work of the republican party in this county, has been committeeman from this district many times, and is a member of the National Republican Club of New York city. In Perry he lends his support to those things that make for community betterment, while in religious circles he is known as a member of the Universalist church. Mr. Walker is also an Elk and a Mason, in the latter order having attained the thirty-second degree and he is a Noble of Damascus Temple, of the Mystic Shrine. While this busy lawyer has always been interested in all the popular outdoor sports, it is for golf that he has the most enthusiasm. During the season he spends many enjoyable hours playing at the Silver Lake Country Club of Perry. His other social affiliations in this city are with the Perry Club.

STANLEY J. BROWN, M. D.

Practically the entire professional career of Dr. Stanley J. Brown has been passed at Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York, where he has built up a substantial practice that has grown steadily each year since he first opened his offices. He was born at Tuscarora, New York, on July 19, 1886, the son of Dr. John T. and Nettie A. (Barclay) Brown, both of whom have passed away.

The early education of Stanley J. Brown was received in the public schools, after which he pursued his professional studies at the University of Buffalo, in Buffalo, New York, from which he received the degree of M. D. and was graduated in the class of 1910. For a year after his graduation Dr. Brown was engaged in hospital work at Rochester, New York. In 1911 he located in Mount Morris, and became federal pension examiner for the district. He is local surgeon for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and a director of the Genesee River National Bank.

Dr. Brown was married on October 22, 1913, to Ada L. Allen of Mount Morris. The Doctor is a member of the Livingston County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, and politically he finds his place in the democratic party.

DANIEL WEBB TOMLINSON.

Following the passing at his home in Batavia, in the summer of 1917, of the lamented Daniel Webb Tomlinson who for so many years had occupied a foremost position in the general affairs of that city and of Genesee county, the Batavia Times said editorially: "A most remarkable man lived among us and has gone out from us. And we mourn. But his life will be an abiding heritage and his influence will live. Peace to his ashes. And eternal honor to his name. He has built a monument in our hearts and some day we will see him standing in bronze as the perfect type of civic possibility in a republic. We need D. W. forever, and we will keep him."

In further attestation of the high value of the life and services of the deceased



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this fine editorial appreciation remarked that "there is a world of meaning in Tennyson's phrase—'the grand old name of gentleman'. But it was all embodied in the personality of D. W. Tomlinson. In his death this community suffers a great affliction. Never was a man more fully entitled to the appellation of leading citizen. He had the vision of the leader and the instinct of service. He was in the service of this city every hour in thought and in action. He made a success of his business. But he never built up his business on the troubles and misfortunes of others. For the troubles of others he always had profound sympathy, and he had the enlightenment to know that the success of others was success for him. To help another and to help his town he always regarded as an investment."

In the same fine appreciative strain in this connection the Batavia Daily News editorially observed that "in the death of Daniel Webb Tomlinson, Batavia loses a citizen whose place in the community and in the affections of its people will be hard to fill. Mr. Tomlinson was popular with everyone. He was generously endowed with the faculty of making friends of all with whom he came in contact and, during his many years of active business life, he was consulted by those in prosperity and adversity with equal confidence that his advice would be the honest expression of his excellent judgment.

"In his personality Mr. Tomlinson had that rare faculty of combining dignity with entire freedom from austerity, and his manner, always cordial, was entirely free from fulsomeness. Though his popularity was great and his wide acquaintance made him frequently solicited to enter public life he never sought elective office, though in minor positions where he could be of service to the community he gladly gave his best efforts in behalf of the public. * * * Few men fill so large a place in any community as Mr. Tomlinson did in Batavia, and his death will be sincerely mourned by all who had enjoyed his friendship, which extended among men and women in all walks of life."

Daniel Webb Tomlinson, for thirty-five years prior to his death president of the Bank of Batavia and one of western New York's foremost men, was born in Batavia, January 1, 1849, and died there on June 19, 1917, then being in his sixty-ninth year. Mr. Tomlinson was of sterling Yankee stock, his father, Daniel W. Tomlinson, having been born in Vergennes, in the valley of the Otter, near the foot of Lake Champlain, in Addison county, Vermont, a member of one of the old families of that section. At the age of eighteen years the senior Daniel W. Tomlinson went south and in time became identified with the cotton trade at Mobile, Alabama, where he accumulated what in those days was regarded as a fortune. In 1845 he returned north and established his home on a tract of land he had bought in the immediate vicinity of Alexander, in Genesee county, New York. At the same time he bought a controlling interest in the Exchange Bank at Alexander and presently moved to Batavia, the county seat, where he established his home and which place ever afterward proved the center of his activities. In 1850 the Exchange Bank of Alexander was moved to Batavia and was thereafter carried on by Mr. Tomlinson until its final liquidation, following the enactment of the national bank law. It often has been said that the old Tomlinson Exchange Bank was the only bank in the state of New York that did not refuse specie payment during the time of the War of the Rebellion. In addition to his large financial interests the senior D. W. Tomlinson ever held himself ready for general community service. For some time he served as president of the village, he helped to organize the Batavia Gas Company, of which he long was the president, and was prominently identified with various other important public and private enterprises in Batavia—a useful, dependable citizen. His death occurred in 1870.

Daniel Webb Tomlinson was reared in Batavia amid the most favorable social environment and was accurately trained in business forms. He was married when twenty-two years of age and established his home in Batavia. When, on July 11, 1876, the Bank of Batavia, which now has resources in excess of four millions of dollars, was organized, Mr. Tomlinson was elected to the directorate of that institution and for some time prior to his death had been the sole survivor of that original board. On February 20, 1882, he was elected president of the bank and in that executive position he continued to serve the financial interests of the community the remainder of his life. Mr. Tomlinson became a member of the board of directors of the Wiard Plow Company when that concern located in Batavia in 1876 and was retained on that board as long as he lived. He also rendered service for a number of years as a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Batavia, was widely known in general financial circles throughout the state, and was one of the organizers of the New York State Bankers Association.

Mr. Tomlinson also was one of the prime factors in the cultivation of the general civic, commercial, social and cultural activities of his home town. He was a staunch democrat and was a member of the New York State Democratic Central committee during the campaign of 1882, which resulted in the election of Grover Cleveland as governor. He also was a member of the state committee during the memorable campaign terminating in the election of Mr. Cleveland to the presidency, and was a personal friend and firm adherent of the president. For some time Mr. Tomlinson served as village president and he also had rendered valuable service as a member of the board of village trustees. One of the leaders of the congregation of St. James Episcopal church, he was for many years a member of the vestry of that parish. A Knight Templar (York Rite) and Royal Arch Mason, Mr. Tomlinson had served as eminent commander of the Batavia Commandery and was also much interested in capitolary Masonry, having served as high priest of Western Star Chapter No. 35, R. A. M. His blue lodge affiliation was through Batavia Lodge No. 475, F. & A. M. For twelve years Mr. Tomlinson had served as president of the local board of education and in that capacity had rendered a very real service in the matter of the extension of the school interests of the village. Before its eventual merger with the Union school library he had served as a member of the board of trustees of the old Batavia Library Association, and was in other ways ever active in the promotion of movements having to do with the extension of the community's cultural interests. In 1894, during the time of the Holland Purchase celebration, he was a director of the historical society which had that ceremony in hand and had much to do with the success of that notable celebration.

At the time of the organization of the locally influential Batavia Club in 1882, Mr. Tomlinson was elected president of that body and was ever after one of the strong supporters of its activities. As a member of many years standing of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce, his influence also was widely exercised in that body. He was a member of the New York State Chamber of Commerce and was affiliated with the automobile clubs of the cities of Rochester and Buffalo. He gave unsparingly of his time and administrative talents to the welfare of the State School for the Blind and for several terms was the president of the board of managers of that institution. As a promoter of Batavia's municipal progress he ever was active, was appointed commissioner to direct the construction of Batavia's sanitary sewer system and was also a member of the pure water commission of the city, it thus being apparent that his contributions to the general life of the community were manifold, both as regards public service and financial support.

On December 6, 1871, in Batavia, Daniel Webb Tomlinson was united in marriage to Miss Una Redfield, daughter of Heman J. Redfield of that city. Mrs. Tomlinson survives her husband and is still making her home in Batavia. She has three sons: Daniel Webb Tomlinson, president of the Batavia Metal Products Company; Everett Redfield Tomlinson, cashier of the Bank of Batavia; and Redfield Tomlinson, president of the Rochester Refrigerating Company.

CHARLES EDWARD LE ROY.

Charles Edward Le Roy has devoted his life to the mastery of the engraver's art and has attained a position of prominence and skill that ranks him with the foremost men in his line in this section of the country. As senior member of the firm of Le Roy & Hirsch he has been no small factor in securing for that firm the leading position it occupies among Rochester's high-class engravers. He was born in Hornell, New York, on the 30th of June, 1875, a son of Earl D. and Mary E. Le Roy, who have always lived in this state, the former being a native of Oswego and the latter of Cuba. They reside in Hornell, where the father has been for many years in the service of the Erie Railroad Company.

Charles Edward Le Roy attended the schools of his native city and when entering on his business career he drifted into that for which he was naturally fitted. He possessed an exceptional natural talent as an engraver and early in his career did work for Scrantom, Wetmore & Company. He subsequently did work for various engraving firms and in 1922 concluded to establish a business of his own, going into partnership with Charles G. Hirsch as the firm of Le Roy & Hirsch at No. 404 Cornwell building. The business has grown rapidly and its product of social and business stationery, monograms, heraldic designs, etc., has attracted an extensive and high-class clientele that wants something "just a little better".



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Mr. Le Roy has been twice married. His first wife, who died in 1909, was in her maidenhood Miss Louie Burroughs. On the 12th of May, 1912, he was married to Miss Mary Ella Hatch, of a prominent Rochester family.

Mr. Le Roy is a well known Mason and takes a keen interest in the work of that order, belonging to Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943, F. & A. M.; Hamilton Chapter No. 62, R. A. M.; Doric Council No. 19, R. & S. M.; Monroe Commandery No. 12, K. T.; Rochester Consistory S. P. R. S.; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and Lalla Rookh Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is also a member of the Kiwanis Club, while his religious faith is that of the Episcopal church. Mr. Le Roy is a man of determined purpose and stability of character, possessing and appreciating the respect of his fellow citizens, and his success is the logical result of concentrated effort, straightforward business methods and an unswerving fidelity to duty. Since 1919 Mr. Le Roy has resided on Rock Beach Road, where his residence, "Applewood", is one of the well kept and attractive homes in that suburb.

FRANK H. BIEL.

Frank H. Biel has steadily progressed since entering the business world and is well known in business circles of Rochester as secretary and treasurer of the Manhattan-Rome Company. He is one of the city's native sons and was born August 12, 1879. His parents, Anthony and Lucia (Blum) Biel, immigrated from Germany to the United States, settling in Rochester, where the father for many years was engaged in the retail grocery business. He passed away in 1884 but the mother is still a resident of the city.

Frank H. Biel received his early instruction in St. Joseph's parochial school and afterward completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute. He then entered the employ of Charles P. Lampert & Company of Grand Rapids, Michigan, furniture manufacturers, and for several years was a traveling salesman for that house. In 1908 he became the Rochester representative of the Manhattan-Rome Company, manufacturers of metal beds and also of bedding. His identification with this firm covers a period of seventeen years and his activities have played no small part in its progress and development. Mr. Biel has a highly specialized knowledge of the furniture business, to which his entire business career has been devoted, and his acquaintance in trade circles is very extensive.

On the 18th of June, 1902, Mr. Biel was married to Miss Rose Wiesner, a daughter of Joseph Wiesner, long and prominently identified with the baking industry in Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Biel have four children: Eugene George, who was born in 1903 and is now a student at the University of Rochester; Claudia Lucille, who was born in 1904 and is a graduate of St. Joseph's Carmelite School in Rochester; Frank A., Jr., born in 1905 and a graduate of the Rochester Business Institute; and Vera Anna, who was born in 1909, completed a course of study in St. Joseph's School and is now a student at Sacred Heart Academy.

Mr. Biel is connected with the United Commercial Travelers and exercises his right of franchise in support of the candidates of the republican party. He is a faithful communicant of the Roman Catholic church and has taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Elks, the Chamber of Commerce, is a prominent member of the Knights of St. John and was very active in their international convention, held in Rochester in 1924. It extended from July 12th until July 17th and was attended by ten thousand Knights, assembled from all sections of the country. Mr. Biel has a wide acquaintance in Rochester and many of his warmest friends have known him since boyhood. His residence is at No. 287 Andrews street.

GEORGE ALBERT SCOVILLE.

George Albert Scoville, an electrical engineer of broad experience, is well known in business circles of Rochester as vice president and sales manager of the Stromberg Carlson Telephone Company and stands high in the esteem of his fellow citizens. He was born in Ironton, Missouri, December 2, 1876, a son of Frank and Katherine (Shepherd) Scoville, the former a native of Ansonia, Connecticut, and the latter of Hamilton, Ohio. They resided in Missouri for a short period and then moved to

Chicago, spending six years in that city. At the end of that time they went to the Pacific coast, settling in Corona, where the father engaged in the growing of fruit, becoming a successful horticulturist. He resided in the Golden state until his demise. The mother has also passed away.

George Albert Scoville was a pupil in the public schools of Corona and received his higher education in Leland Stanford University, which he attended for four years, completing a course in electrical engineering. He began his business career with the Western Electric Company of Chicago, with which he was connected for three years, and then went to Elyria, Ohio. For ten years he was in the employ of the Dean Electric Company of that city and on July 1, 1916, came to Rochester as sales manager for the Stromberg Carlson Telephone Company. He has filled this important office for the past eight years, and in connection with his other official capacity is discharging his duties with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency, and his services have been of much value to the corporation which he represents. He is also president of the Stromberg Carlson Telephone Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Canada.

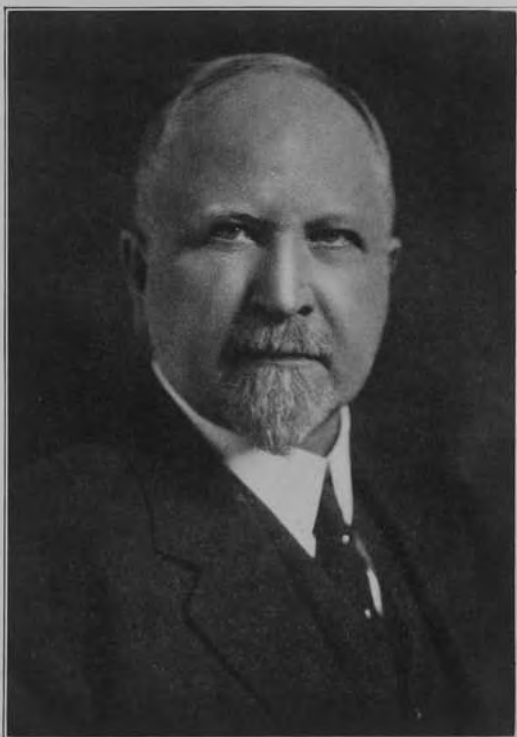
In Riverside, California, on May 10, 1905, Mr. Scoville was married to Miss Mary Josephine Dyer, a daughter of O. T. and Mary Dyer, the former a prominent fruit grower of that locality. Mr. Scoville belongs to the Frank R. Lawrence Lodge of Masons, to Rochester Consistory, and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Rochester Engineering Society, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Society of Automotive Engineers; of the Genesee Valley Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, and the Rochester Automobile and Ad Clubs. His religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Episcopal church and his civic spirit finds expression in his affiliation with the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Scoville's career has been rounded with success and marked by appreciation of men whose good opinion is worth having. His residence is at No. 166 Yarmouth road.

GEORGE J. MICHELSEN.

At the foundation of the prosperity of every city lies the work of the manufacturer, who directs commerce to his community and provides many of its residents with employment. To this useful class of citizens belongs George J. Michelsen, a furniture manufacturer, whose business was founded in Rochester sixty-four years ago and is numbered among the pioneer industries of the Genesee country. Mr. Michelsen has always resided in the city and was born July 28, 1866, a son of Paul and Magdalena (Oster) Michelsen, who came to the United States in 1850, and established their home in Rochester. When the country became involved in internecine warfare, prompted by the spirit of patriotism, Paul Michelsen offered his aid to the Union, joining the One Hundred and Fortieth Regiment of New York Volunteers. He served for three years, gallantly defending the northern cause, and after the close of the Civil war returned to Rochester. In 1868, he began operations as a furniture manufacturer, establishing the business from which has grown the Michelsen Furniture Company. His business kept pace with the growth and development of the city, for it was built upon the enduring foundation of honorable dealing. For many years he remained at the head of the industry, displaying notable administrative power in its conduct. In 1914 he was called to his final rest. His wife passed away in 1920. As pioneer residents of the city they became widely known and their admirable traits of character won for them the esteem of many friends.

George J. Michelsen supplemented his public school training by a course in the Rochester Business Institute and was the first student to enroll in the Mechanics Institute, from which he was graduated in 1886, at the age of twenty. When a boy of fourteen he started to learn his father's business and gradually progressed through the various departments, mastering every detail of the industry. He is now serving as president of the Michelsen Furniture Company, which has one of the most modern and best equipped plants of this character in the state and furnishes employment to about one hundred persons. The firm manufactures high-grade bedroom furniture and ships its output to many parts of the country. The executive ability, keen sagacity and inflexible will which enabled the father to lay the foundation of the business and foster its early growth are qualities inherited in full measure by the son, who is continuing the undertaking along the most progressive lines and has greatly enlarged its scope.

On September 19, 1886, Mr. Michelsen was married to Miss Wilhelmina K. Koepke, a daughter of Christopher Koepke. Mr. and Mrs. Michelsen have two



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sons, Ray J. and Walter F. Michelsen, both natives of Rochester. The former was born September 9, 1887, and after his graduation from high school completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute. Since his twenty-first year he has been associated in business with his father and is now vice president of the firm. He was married to Miss Julia Winters and in the social life of the city they take an active part. The younger son was born March 10, 1890, and is serving as treasurer of the Michelsen Furniture Company. He was married to Miss Emma Freezon and they have two children: Ralph and Ruth. His second wife was Miss Lucille Bayer of Rochester.

Mr. Michelsen is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken a very active part in the conclaves of the commandery. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the consistory and is a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Rochester Credit Men's Association, to the local Automobile Club and the Rochester Club. He is also connected with the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoos and contributes his share toward civic progress as an enthusiastic member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is progressive, broad-minded and public-spirited and worthily bears an honored family name. Mr. Michelsen's residence is on Summerville boulevard.

EDWARD THEODORE WILLIAMS.

Edward Theodore Williams, the city treasurer of Niagara Falls, which position he assumed January 2, 1924, was born in the town of Somerset, Niagara county, New York, on the 30th of April, 1868, a son of Abram C. and E. Augusta Williams. Both parents were likewise born in Niagara county, his mother in the town of Somerset, and his father in the town of Pendleton. His mother's parents were Mr. and Mrs. George K. Hood, who came from Otsego county to Somerset in 1837, and his father's parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, who came from Seneca county in the early part of the last century to Royalton, thence to Pendleton, and about the middle of the century to Somerset. Both the maternal and paternal grandfathers were prominent farmers. Mr. Hood was for four terms supervisor of the town of Somerset, and for fifty years was an elder of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Williams established the first general merchandise store in the village of Barker, town of Somerset, in 1875. Both parents and grandparents have passed to "that bourne from which no traveler returns."

Edward Theodore Williams worked as a boy on his father's farm and on the farm of John Williams, his grandfather, which was adjoining property. He was born in a log cabin and acquired his education in the public schools of the town of Somerset, the Wilson Union school and Cornell University. Before going to the university he taught a district school in the town of Somerset. While attending the Somerset and Wilson schools he wrote what is commonly known as country correspondence for the Lockport Daily Union, the Buffalo Commercial and the Buffalo News. Before becoming a college student he was the traveling correspondent of the Lockport Daily Union throughout Niagara county. After leaving Cornell University he went at once to the staff of the Buffalo Courier. Later he spent a year in the state of Iowa, where he was foreman in the printing office of the Weekly Democrat, in Estherville, and in April, 1891, he came to Niagara Falls, New York, to accept a position on the Journal. A few months later he was appointed Niagara Falls correspondent of the Buffalo Courier, in addition to his duties on the Journal, and continued to serve as such until May, 1897, when the Courier was sold out, and Mr. Williams purchased the Journal of the owner, Hon. S. S. Pomroy. He continued it as a weekly for two years, upon the expiration of which period, in association with George H. Courter, he formed the Journal Publishing Company, and started the Daily Journal in July, 1899.

In April, 1900, the Journal was consolidated with the Daily Cataract, and the name of the company changed to the Cataract Journal Company. Mr. Williams was president of both companies and editor both before and after consolidation. In March, 1909, the daily and weekly Cataract Journal were sold to Congressman Charles B. Smith of Buffalo, former managing editor of the Buffalo Courier. A few days later Mr. Williams was appointed appraiser on real estate in the matter of the taking of property in the Catskill Mountains for the Ashokan reservoir, in connection with the water supply of the city of New York, with headquarters in the city of Kingston. He served under Mayor George B. McClellan, and the work required about one year. Following his return to Niagara Falls he resumed work on the Buffalo Courier until January, 1911, when he was appointed industrial agent of the city of Niagara Falls,

New York, under the administration of Mayor Philip J. Keller, and he was annually appointed to that position five times. He had previously served four years as a member of the board of education of the city of Niagara Falls under the two administrations of Mayor Anthony C. Douglass. In 1916 Mr. Williams again became editor of the Journal, whose name had been changed back to the original and sold by Congressman Smith to Congressman Robert H. Gittins of Niagara Falls. Later he also assumed the position of business manager, and continued as editor-manager until June 1, 1918, when the Journal was sold to and consolidated with the Niagara Falls Gazette. Mr. Williams then became proprietor of the Power City Press, doing a general printing business at No. 830 Main street, where the Journal was published, which business he still carries on. On January 21, 1920, Mr. Williams was designated as acting postmaster in place of Robert H. Gittins, resigned, and served until December 9, 1921, nearly ten months after the late President Harding came into office.

Mr. Williams has always taken a deep interest in the history of the famous region in which he lives. He is one of the founders, was for several years secretary, and for a dozen years has been president of the Niagara Frontier Historical Society. He was for three terms secretary, for half a dozen years chairman of the executive committee, and for three terms president of the Niagara County Pioneer Association, which for more than four decades has held annually at Olcott Beach the largest outdoor gathering in western New York. He is a member of the Niagara Frontier Landmarks Association, which has suitably marked historic spots along the Niagara frontier from Buffalo to Fort Niagara. In 1916 Mr. Williams wrote and published a book of about two hundred and fifty pages containing over fifty fine engravings, the book being entitled: "Niagara—Queen of Wonders". In 1920 he wrote the two-volume history of Niagara county. In 1925 he published "Williams' Scenic and Historic Niagara", a rare collection of about one hundred and fifty pictures of the Niagara region, both scenic and historic, with brief descriptions of each.

Mr. Williams was married on the 21st of June, 1893, to Minnie F. Wilcox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wilcox of Somerset. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have one daughter, Marjorie F. Williams.

In politics Mr. Williams is a democrat. He has been his party's nominee for member of assembly and state senator in strong republican districts; a delegate to numerous state conventions; a delegate to the democratic national convention at Baltimore in 1912 which nominated Woodrow Wilson for president; chairman of the democratic county committee for two terms; chairman of the democratic congressional committee for eight years, and chairman of every kind of democratic convention held in Niagara—city, assembly district, county, senatorial district and congressional district. Mr. Williams is a member of Niagara Frontier Lodge No. 132, F. and A. M.; the First Presbyterian church, the Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce, having been the secretary and a director of its predecessor, the Niagara Falls Board of Trade, and he is a member of the Ongiara Club.

EDWARD HENRY MALONEY.

Edward Henry Maloney, the efficient and popular postmaster of Dansville, has filled other public offices of trust and responsibility and is also a successful business man. He has a wide acquaintance in the village in which his life has been spent, and was born April 15, 1875, a son of Thomas and Mary (O'Hara) Maloney, the latter also a native of Dansville. The father was born in Ireland and passed away in 1917, while the mother's demise occurred in 1905.

Edward Henry Maloney received a public school education and studied penmanship in night school. His father was one of the prominent nurserymen of Dansville and organized the firm of Thomas Maloney & Sons, his partners in the undertaking being Edward H., William J., and Albert E. Maloney. He retired from business in 1905 but the sons are still active in that line of work and Edward Henry now conducts his operations independently. He also deals in real estate and has prospered in both enterprises, for he is a capable business man whose plans are carefully formulated and promptly executed. He is the owner of the old Goundry homestead farm of more than two hundred acres, on the outskirts of Dansville, where he has made many improvements. On the 8th of May, 1922, he became postmaster of Dansville through appointment of President Harding, and the duties of this position are discharged with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency.

On the 28th of June, 1904, Mr. Maloney was married to Miss Clara Oliver of



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Dansville, and they have a son: Arthur Daniel. Mrs. Maloney is a Daughter of the American Revolution and also belongs to the Eastern Star and the Order of Amaranth. In all matters of citizenship Mr. Maloney is loyal, patriotic and public-spirited and during the World war he was made chairman of the committee which had charge of the War Savings Stamps drive for Dansville, when the sum of ninety thousand dollars was raised. He is chairman of the grounds committee of the King's Daughters' Home and for seven years was a member of the village board of trustees. He served on the Dansville board of education for five years and his public service has been inspired by an unselfish spirit of devotion to the general good. He is a director of the Dansville Board of Trade and a member of the Union Hose Company, the Business Men's Building Association, the local Rotary Club, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Dansville Grange, the Livingston County Farm Bureau, Power Club Inn, and the Nurserymen's Association. He is a Catholic in religious faith, having membership in St. Patrick's church of Dansville; and is also identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Improved Order of Red Men. Mr. Maloney is an enthusiastic motorist, fond of touring and one of his delights is in visiting places of interest in his native state and surrounding country. Mr. Maloney is a broad-gauged man who correctly understands life's values and purposes, and his career has been conspicuously useful.

STEPHEN BOND STORY.

Stephen Bond Story, an engineer, is director of the Rochester Bureau of Municipal Research, of which he has been the incumbent for a period of three years. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, January 26, 1890, and is a son of George H. and Lucy (Ackerly) Story, also natives of that city. The father engaged in the insurance business and is now a resident of Freeport, Long Island.

Stephen Bond Story attended the public schools of Freeport and received his higher education in Union College, in which he completed a course in engineering in 1914, while in 1917 the M. C. E. degree was conferred upon him by that institution. He began the practice of his profession in New York city and in April, 1917, entered the World war, with the First Battalion of the New York Naval Militia, and was first assigned to duty on the U. S. S. Ohio. He later became an ensign in the United States navy and was subsequently placed in charge of the steam engineering school at Pelham Bay, New York, and remained in the service until June 6, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge. He came to Rochester and was appointed assistant engineer of the Bureau of Municipal Research, and was appointed director in 1921.

At Ballston Lake, New York, on June 31, 1919, Mr. Story was married to Miss Mabel Tuper, a daughter of William Tuper. Mr. and Mrs. Story have a daughter: Barbara Ellen, who was born in Schenectady, New York, on November 16, 1920. Mr. Story is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Athletic and Automobile Clubs, the Monroe Golf Club, the University Club, and the Social Workers Club. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith. He is now president of the Rochester Engineering Society. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Pelham Lodge, F. & A. M.

THE TATLOCK BROTHERS.

Imbued with the spirit of progress which characterizes Rochester's business men, the Tatlock Brothers have gained a well-merited reputation for enterprise, integrity and reliability, and their combined efforts have resulted in the development of one of the most modern and up-to-date family laundries in the city.

Harry A. Tatlock, treasurer of the firm, was born in Fort Plain, Montgomery county, New York, November 6, 1874, a son of Thomas B. and Martha (Gage) Tatlock, the latter of whom was also born in the Empire state. The father was a native of Scotland and during his boyhood came to the United States, first residing in New York city. He afterward removed to the Mohawk valley. He was a papermaker by trade. During the Civil war he joined Company I, Tenth Regiment of New York Cavalry, organized in Fonda, Fulton county, August 28, 1862, and received his honorable discharge at Elmira, New York, October 30, 1862. He passed away in 1905 and the mother's death occurred April 20, 1914. Five sons were born to them: George A., William J., Charles B., Harry A. and Frank H. Tatlock.

Harry A. Tatlock received his education in the public schools of Fort Plain and afterward filled various positions in his native town. Meanwhile, his brothers, Charles B. and William J., had come to Rochester and were then operating the Mechanics Laundry. In 1906 he joined them and the firm of Tatlock Brothers was formed. In the intervening period the business has grown steadily, owing to the keen sagacity and harmonious cooperation of the men at its head, and the firm now has one of the largest and best equipped laundries in western New York, furnishing employment to about seventy-five persons. Harry A. Tatlock acts as secretary and treasurer, and Charles B. Tatlock is filling the office of president, while William J. Tatlock is serving as vice president. H. A. Tatlock is also president of the Mechanics Laundry of Rochester and a director of the Home Family Laundry of Buffalo, and his executive force and wise counsel have likewise been vital elements in the growth of these business institutions.

In Buffalo, on January 5, 1898, Mr. Tatlock was married to Miss Josephine Baker, a daughter of John Baker, a well known resident of that city. Mrs. Tatlock died in Rochester, May 29, 1918, leaving two sons, Carleton and Russell, both natives of Buffalo and associated with their father in the laundry business. The former was born in 1899 and married Miss Leona Ashdown of Rochester. The latter was born in 1903 and is a bachelor. Mr. Tatlock was married to Miss May A. Brice, a daughter of Arthur Brice of Rochester, on April 11, 1922, and they have a son, Donald B., who was born in this city in 1923. Mr. Tatlock is a Mason and belongs to the State and National Laundrymen's Associations, the Kiwanis Club and the Rochester Laundry Club.

Charles B. Tatlock, president of the Tatlock Brothers Laundry, was born in Berryville, New York, June 23, 1870, and attended the public schools of Fort Plain. He came to Rochester in 1893 and for eight years was employed as a traveling salesman, representing L. P. Ross and C. P. Ford, well-known shoe manufacturers of this city. On the expiration of that period he established a business of his own, when he started the Mechanics Laundry in 1899. Six months later his brother, William J., joined him and the two brothers were thus associated until 1906. In that year the firm of Tatlock Brothers was organized and Harry A. Tatlock became a member of the firm. Mr. C. B. Tatlock has instituted many well devised plans for the expansion of the business and maintains a high degree of efficiency in its operation.

On September 8, 1904, Mr. Tatlock was married to Miss Harriet E. Foster of Rochester, and they have a large circle of friends in the city. He is a Mason and also belongs to the Rochester Automobile Club and the De Monville Boat Club.

William J. Tatlock was born January 27, 1868, in Broadalbin, Fulton county, New York, and the public schools of Fort Plain afforded him his educational opportunities. He learned the trade of cigar-making, which he followed for eighteen years, and then entered the advertising department of the New York Yeast Company, which he represented in the capacity of traveling salesman for two years. At the end of that time he came to Rochester and joined his brother in the overall business, subsequently assisting him in starting the Mechanics Laundry. He is an astute business man, well qualified for the duties of vice president of the firm, and his labors ably supplement the efforts of his brothers. They have a model laundry and owe their success to concentrated effort and high ideals of service.

On June 25, 1903, Mr. Tatlock was married to Miss Emma M. Hamlink, a daughter of Josiah Hamlink of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Tatlock have become the parents of a son: Bruce F., who was born in 1904, in this city, attended a preparatory school at Hightstown, New Jersey, and is now a student at Hamilton College, class of 1928. Mr. Tatlock is a Mason, belonging to Genesee Falls Lodge, F. and A. M., and to Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M. He is also a member of the Grotto and his life is governed by the teachings of the Baptist church.

MARY DOROTHY LEWIS.

An elastic phrase is "the sphere of woman". It is measured only by prejudices and mental limitations of the user. In the actual life of the world, women's activities have ranged everywhere and their accomplishments suffer nothing by comparison with the work performed by the ablest of men. Miss Mary D. Lewis, president of the recently organized Hairdressers Association of Rochester, is a successful business woman who leads a busy and useful life, and her present status has been gained by

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MARY D. LEWIS

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unalterable purpose and the strength of character which results from battling with difficulties.

Mary Dorothy Lewis is a native of Port Byron, New York, and obtained her education in the district schools of that locality. She has been a resident of Rochester since 1901 and began her business career with the E. Kirstein & Sons Company, makers of optical goods. Handicapped by lack of an education, she sought advancement in another direction and studied the Gillman method of beauty culture under Elizabeth Otto, and was also tutored privately by various experts in New York city and Chicago. After completing her training she opened a beauty parlor in her own apartment at No. 27 Savannah street, where she conducted business for five years. On April 1, 1919 she opened Dorothy's Vanity Shop at No. 154 East avenue, her present location. Her capital was quite limited at that time, but gradually adding to her equipment and furnishings, in three years she had paid for the entire investment, representing an outlay of no small proportions. Miss Lewis' expert skill is attested by a large and high class clientele. She has made a scientific study of beauty culture and teaches her own system to those desiring to enter the business.

Miss Lewis is a member of the Ladies Hairdressers Association of New York, also of the Master Hairdressers Association of New York and is chiefly responsible for the organization of the Rochester Association of Hairdressers. She sent out one hundred letters, out of which she received seventy-five requests for membership, and at the first regular meeting, held October 22, 1923, she was elected president, her tenure of office to continue until January 1, 1925. The object of the association is to obtain the classification of hairdressing as a profession, to stabilize prices, to establish sanitary and hygienic shops, to elevate the standards of the profession, and promote the interests of its members through organized effort. Miss Lewis also belongs to the national organization of Ladies Hairdressers and is likewise a member of the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery Association, the City Club and the Catholic Ladies Club. In 1921 she joined the Zonta Club and has been appointed chairman of its good fellowship committee. She is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Business and Professional Woman's Club. She enjoys horseback riding and other outdoor sports, maintaining that even balance so essential for mental and physical development. She is an excellent business woman and a recognized artist in her line of work. She possesses a winning personality and has gained many loyal friends during the period of her residence in the city.

EVERETT REDFIELD TOMLINSON.

Everett Redfield Tomlinson, the well known cashier of the Bank of Batavia, one of the solid financial institutions of the Genesee country, has been continuously connected with this institution since he first became identified therewith in the capacity of messenger twenty-four years ago, working his way upward through successive stages of advancement to his present position of executive control. He is a native son of Batavia and represents an honored pioneer family of Genesee county, his paternal grandfather having journeyed to this part of the state in the early days. Everett R. Tomlinson was born on the 30th of March, 1881, and is a son of Daniel Webb and Una (Redfield) Tomlinson, also natives of Batavia, New York. The father, who was president of the Bank of Batavia and who served as mayor as well as in other public offices of trust and responsibility, was long numbered among the city's most prominent residents. Daniel W. Tomlinson departed this life in 1917, but is still survived by his wife, who yet makes her home in Batavia.

In the acquirement of an education Everett Redfield Tomlinson attended the grammar and high schools of Batavia and continued his studies in private schools of New York city. He was a young man of twenty years when in August, 1901, he became a messenger in the Bank of Batavia, with which institution he has remained to the present time, winning steady promotion as he demonstrated his fitness for positions of increased responsibility and importance. In the year 1921 he was made cashier and a director of the bank, in which capacities his efforts are constituting a valuable element in its continued expansion and success, for his experience has been such as to make him thoroughly familiar with every phase of the banking business. He is also the secretary and a director of the Rochester Refrigerating Company of Rochester, of which his brother, Redfield Tomlinson, is the president.

In June, 1909, in Batavia, Mr. Tomlinson was united in marriage to Miss Olive

Barton, daughter of Major and Mrs. I. R. Barton of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson have a son, Barton, who was born in June, 1919. Mr. Tomlinson is a republican in his political views and has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and the Batavia Rotary Club. He also belongs to the Batavia Club, the Holland Club and the Stafford Country Club and is fond of motoring and other forms of outdoor life. In religious faith he is an Episcopalian and for a long period has served as treasurer of his church. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Batavia Lodge No. 475, F. and A. M., of which he is past master; Western Star Chapter No. 35, R. A. M.; and Batavia Commandery, K. T., of which he is past eminent commander. A lifelong resident of Batavia, Mr. Tomlinson has gained an extensive acquaintance in both business and social circles of the city and his course has ever been such as to commend him to the confidence and esteem of all with whom he has come into contact.

WILLIAM G. KAELEBER.

William G. Kaelber, of the firm of Gordon & Kaelber, is one of the well known architects of Rochester. He was born in this city, September 25, 1886, and Rochester has always been his home. His parents were Charles and Magdalena (Mayer) Kaelber, the former a native of Germany, while the latter was a native of Rochester. Charles Kaelber came to Rochester with his parents, when he was but seven years of age, and thereafter was a resident of this city until his death, which occurred in 1896. He was engaged in the manufacturing business. His widow is still residing in the city. They had a family of three sons: George J., who is secretary and treasurer of the Browncroft Realty Corporation; Edwin C., secretary and treasurer of Rhodes-Hochriem Manufacturing Company of Chicago; and William G.

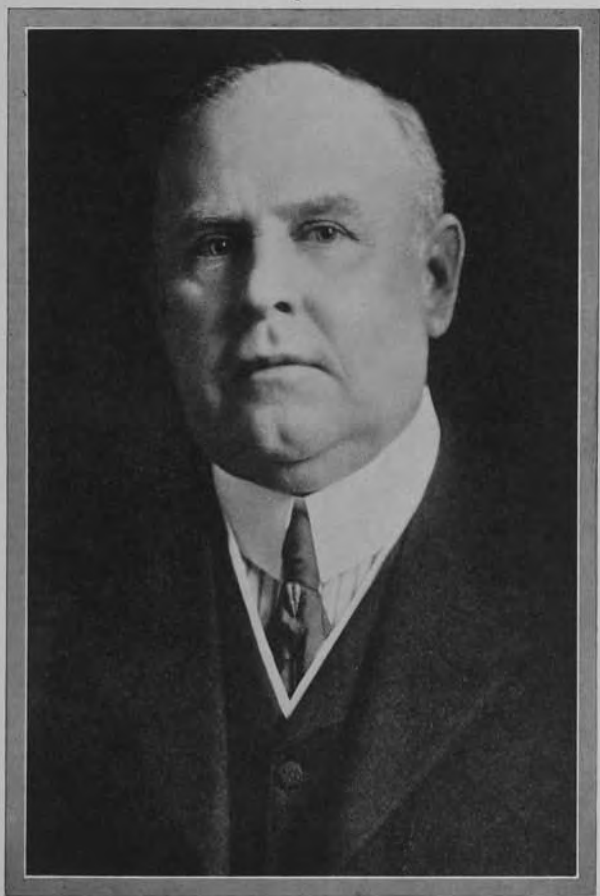
After completing a course in the public school William G. Kaelber attended the Mechanics Institute, studying, drawing and designing. He subsequently accepted a position as draftsman in the office of William Walker, an architect of this city. Later he became connected with the firm of Gordon & Madden, architects, and in 1911 was made a member of the firm. The business is now conducted under the name of Gordon & Kaelber and the firm has long occupied a foremost position among the leading architects in this part of the state.

On April 9, 1912, Mr. Kaelber was married to Miss Elsa Walbridge, a daughter of Edward N. Walbridge, a well known realtor of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Kaelber have a daughter and a son: Helen Walbridge, born in 1914; and William Walbridge, born in 1923. The family residence is at No. 43 Dorchester road. Mr. Kaelber is affiliated with the Salem Evangelical church, while fraternally he is a member of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, F. and A. M.; Rochester Consistory and Damacus Temple. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is president of the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, secretary of the New York State Association of Architects and has attained a position of distinction in his profession.

JOHN KAVANAGH.

There are some men who take possession of the public heart and hold it after they are gone, not by flashes of genius nor brilliant service, but by unflinching good conduct in all situations and under all the trials of life. They are in sympathy with all that is useful and beneficial in the community in which they reside, and the community on its part cheerfully responds by extending to them respect, admiration and sincere affection. Such a man was John Kavanagh, who was long a prominent figure in the business and social life of Rochester, and his demise on the 18th of May, 1923, was the occasion of deep and widespread regret.

John Kavanagh was a native of Canada, born in the city of Toronto, January 6, 1859, a son of Francis J. and Maria L. Kavanagh, the former a well known business man of that section of Ontario. His parents removed to Rochester when he was but a boy and it was here that he grew to manhood and resided until his death. He was especially fitted for the insurance business and was made general agent at Rochester for the Standard, Colonial, Hartford and other well known insurance companies being very successful in the undertaking, and building up a large business by earnest, systematic effort and good management.



JOHN KAVANAGH

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On October 3, 1888, Mr. Kavanagh was married to Miss Kathrine Waydell Smith, a daughter of Henry Lester and Sarah A. (Barry) Smith of Rochester and Brockport, New York. Henry Lester Smith was a wholesale grocer and for many years was numbered among the leading business men of Rochester. Mr. Kavanagh was a staunch republican and an earnest worker for the success of the party but never sought political office as a recompense for his services. He was one of the progressive, energetic members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and an enthusiastic supporter of every project for the growth and improvement of his city. He belonged to the Oak Hill Country Club, St. Andrew's Society and the Yonnondio Lodge of Masons. He was a member of the League of the Iroquois, which he aided in organizing, and at one time filled the office of chief sachem. The following memorial was adopted at the annual assembly of the League on June 8, 1923, at Oak Hill: "In loving memory of John Kavanagh, one of the founders of the League of the Iroquois, the annual assembly of the League places upon its permanent records this tribute to our departed brother. Those who come after us will never know how large a part he played in establishing and perpetuating this goodly Fellowship of Golfers; nor how high a place he filled in the business activities of his city, and in the social circle which was privileged to know him. His noble presence distinguished him in every assembly. We shall cherish the memory of his gift of anecdote, his power of speech, and the light of his smiling face. God grant peace to him beyond the stars!

'Green be the turf above thee,
Friend of a former day!
None knew thee but to love thee,
None named thee but to praise.'

The memorial was framed and placed in the four club houses of the League, in which his portrait was also hung. Mr. Kavanagh thoroughly enjoyed the social amenities of life and was one of the most genial and companionable of men. His was a magnetic personality that captivated both young and old and on New Year's eve of 1923 his friends, who were legion, drank a standing toast to his memory.

G. FRED LAUBE.

In 1907 G. Fred Laube established the Laube Electrical Construction Company of Rochester and as its president has developed one of the largest concerns of the kind in the city. He was born in Germany, on the 6th of June, 1883, his parents being John and Katharine (Walter) Laube, who emigrated to the United States in 1888 and established their home in Buffalo, New York. The father is still living in that city, but the mother has passed away. Their family numbered nine children, namely: William, Charles, Chris, G. Fred of this review, Mrs. Rose Maunz, Mrs. Katherine Muth, Mrs. Louise Trudell, Wilhelmina, and Mrs. Frederica Haynes.

G. Fred Laube obtained a public school education in Buffalo, New York, and after putting aside his textbooks became an electrical apprentice there, spending twelve years with a well-known electric company of that city. He then came to Rochester to open a branch for the J. C. Sterns Company of Buffalo, which he managed for two years. It was in 1907 that he embarked in business on his own account on a small scale and since that time he has built up one of the most extensive enterprises in the city in the field of electrical contracting and domestic appliances. The business, which is carried on under the name of the Laube Electrical Corporation, was incorporated in 1924. Mr. Laube is likewise the vice president of the Brighton Realty Company of Rochester and has long been numbered among the enterprising, progressive and representative business men of the city. He served as president of the local branch of the National Electrical Contractors and Dealers Association in 1914, holds membership in the National Electrical Contractors and Dealers Association, and is a director in the Light and Fixture Dealers Association, a director in the Society for Electrical Development, and occupied the presidency of the Builders' Exchange in 1921 and 1922.

On the 6th of June, 1905, in Buffalo, New York, Mr. Laube was united in marriage to Miss Ruth M. Nagel, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Nagel. Mr. and Mrs. Laube are the parents of two children: Grace Alice, who was born in Rochester, May 13, 1906, and is a student in the Eastman School of Music and the University of Rochester; and John Henry, who was born in Rochester, October 28, 1907, and attends the East high school.

In civic affairs Mr. Laube has taken a very active and helpful interest. It was

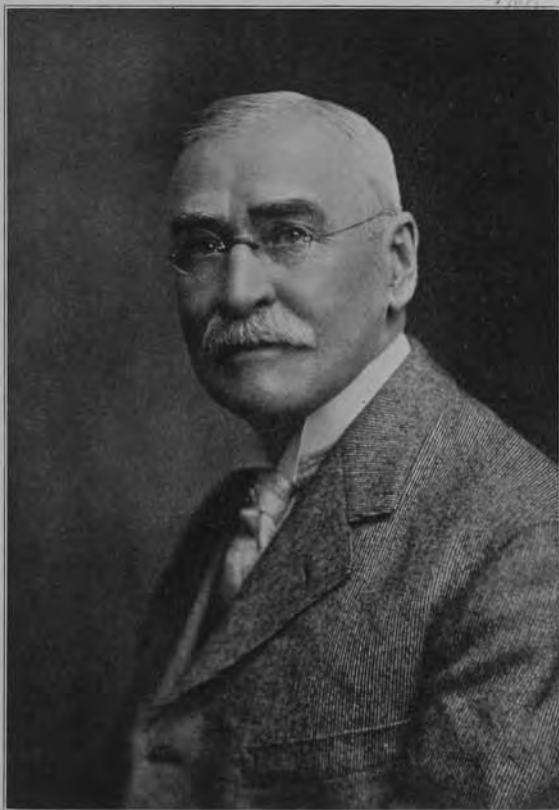
largely through the personal activity of Mr. Laube that the Browncroft Christmas illumination was inaugurated by the Laube Electrical Company in 1920. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and has served on several of its committees, including the industrial development committee. During the period of the World war he did valuable service as captain of teams on all Chamber of Commerce drives. Mr. Laube is a member of the Rotary Club and is also a member of the Rochester Club, the Ad Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. A worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, he belongs to Ionic Chapter No. 210, R. A. M.; Monroe Commandery, K. T.; Rochester Consistory, A. and A. S. R.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is ex-chairman of the board of trustees and a member of the music committee of the Lake Avenue Baptist church and the vice president of the Baptist Old Folks Home of Monroe county. Mr. Laube is accorded the respect that is justly due the self-made man who proves his ability to fight and win in the great battle of life, and through the efficient control of one of Rochester's successful business enterprises is contributing his quota to the world's work. His residence is at No. 40 Corwin road, Browncroft.

CHARLES ALBERT GREEN.

Charles Albert Green, a prominent citizen of Rochester who was widely known as nurseryman, art collector, clubman and editor, passed away in this city in February, 1924, when in the eighty-first year of his age. He was president and treasurer of Green's Nursery Company, Incorporated, and became well known to growers and orchardists throughout the United States as editor of "Green's Fruit Grower," which he published for forty-five years. His birth occurred on a farm near Rush, Monroe county, New York, on the 1st of August, 1843, his parents being Abner and Nancy (Ketchum) Green. The father, an agriculturist by occupation, was characterized as a prominent citizen of his community, a liberal supporter of his church and of educational institutions, and a most unusually intellectual man of forward vision and wide sympathies.

Charles A. Green began his education in the district schools at Rush, finishing at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, Lima, Livingston county, New York. After putting aside his textbooks he went to Cuba, Allegany county, New York, where he was employed in his brother's bank until the outbreak of the Civil war, when he went to Washington, D. C., as a commissary clerk. Following the cessation of hostilities between the north and the south he came to Rochester and in association with his brother, Mortimer Green, opened the Green Bank on the present site of the East Side Savings Bank. This they conducted until the panic of 1873, when they were obliged to suspend operations. Charles A. Green paid eighty-seven cents on the dollar, sacrificed all his earthly possessions and began life anew, this time going back to the soil. He took an old farm at Clifton, Monroe county, New York, which was mortgaged for more than it was worth, and began what proved to be in later years the largest mail order nursery business in the world. Specializing in small fruits at first he began by sellings the fruits. Later another branch of the business developed, when he induced his customers to buy the plants and raise their own fruits. It became necessary to write many letters of instruction for the care and development of the plants. These personal instructions soon gave place to general instructions in the form of a monthly paper, "Green's Fruit Grower", devoted to the growing of fruits, shrubs and hardy out-of-door plants. This publication Mr. Green edited for forty-five years, during which period it was the largest of its type in the country. For several years it was printed on the presses of the Rochester Printing Company, publishers of the Democrat and Chronicle.

For three years Mr. Green was secretary of the American Association of Nurserymen and during his administration the association was placed on a paying business basis. He had a very attractive literary style, clear and unaffected, and wrote numerous articles for the newspapers, on birds, flowers and nature. Striking responsive chords in the breasts of his readers, he formed many strong and lasting friendships through his writings. He was the author of a volume entitled, "How I Made the Old Farm Pay," which is a history of his personal experiences and an inspirational example to others who seek success in the field of horticulture. He was responsible for introducing Bird Day in the schools of the city. Constantly seeking new grades of fruit which would thrive and develop in this climate, Mr. Green was instrumental in the introduction of the Corsican strawberry and the Syracuse raspberry, a berry of



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unusual size and flavor. At the time of the World war, when so many restrictions were placed upon nonessential industries, he disposed of "Green's Fruit Grower". Many of the large fruit orchards throughout every state in the Union are of Mr. Green's propagation. Satisfied patrons were his best advertisement. He filled the dual position of president and treasurer of Green's Nursery Company, Incorporated, and was also a trustee of the East Side Savings Bank.

Mr. Green's activities, however, extended even beyond the field of business and of literary work. He was always a great lover of the beautiful in art as it is portrayed in paintings. As a young man he acquired two very fine canvases: "Lake Windermere," by Wilson; and "The Magdalene of the Skull"—a Correggio. The latter painting, which had been stolen from its setting in a gallery in Italy, was purchased by Mr. Green in a Main street store, where it was unrecognized and unappreciated. His was the most comprehensive private collection in Rochester, including paintings by Sorrellio, Beaugereau, Redfield, Homer, Jonas Lie, Richards, Waugh, Chase and Lillian Genth. To house his collection Mr. Green added a gallery to an already spacious home and opening it with a reception, it remained a mecca to lovers of modern art. Later he received many artists at a private display of his pictures. He was an enthusiastic member of the Rochester Art Club and one of the charter members and substantial supporters of the Memorial Art Gallery.

On the 5th of September, 1873, Mr. Green was united in marriage to Miss Jennie C. Hale of Rochester. To them were born two daughters and a son, as follows: Mildred E., the wife of Robert E. Burleigh and the mother of four children, Onnolee M., Kenneth E., Robert Green and Rosalie Mildred; Marian E., who is the wife of John William Taylor; and Marvin H., who wedded Frances Helen Halstrick and has one son, Lawrence H.

Mr. Green was a member of the Rochester Whist Club and one of the founders of the Oak Hill Country Club. He was an exceptionally accurate and enthusiastic golfer. As president of the board of trustees of the Ashbury Methodist Episcopal church he took an active and helpful part in its work. At his demise the following resolutions were adopted: "The official board of Ashbury Methodist Episcopal church records its sense of genuine loss in the death of Charles A. Green, who for many years has faithfully served as president of the board of trustees. It is not, however, because of this official position that his departure will be most keenly felt, for he sustained other intimate and longer-to-be-remembered relations to the activities of the church. He was loyal to all its interests, constant in attendance upon its public services, and liberal in its support. He was friendly in spirit, generous in his judgments, eager to find the right, and a cheerful doer of it when discovered. His intense love of nature, the keenness of his observations, and the originality of his thought were always revealed in his written and spoken word. The simplicity of his Christian faith was happily blended with virile force. The fullest measure of sympathy is extended to the members of his family in their deep bereavement."

ELMER E. CHARLES.

Clients are never lacking in the offices of Elmer E. Charles, attorney, one of the leading lawyers of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, as well as one of the most successful from a professional viewpoint. His abilities have been recognized by the community in which he lives, and he has filled many offices of high responsibility, in all of which he has acquitted himself to the perfect satisfaction of the citizens of the town and of the county. Mr. Charles has a notable ancestral record to incite his pride and ambition if it were necessary. His paternal grandfather, Timothy Charles, was the first of the family to settle in Wyoming county, to which he moved from Massachusetts about 1815, while his maternal grandfather, David Witherell, settled in the county about 1814. On both sides of the family the ancestors of Mr. Charles fought in the Revolutionary war, and his great-great-grandfather, Samuel Langdon, was president of Harvard University during the Revolutionary war period. Elmer E. Charles was born on January 3, 1862, in Wethersfield, New York, the son of William Henry and Lurana (Witherell) Charles. His father was a farmer and spent all his life in that section.

Elmer E. Charles received his early education in the district schools of the county and in the Warsaw high school, after which he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1884. For the first year after his admission he practiced law in Arcade, New York, after which, in 1885, Mr. Charles moved to Warsaw and

formed a partnership with I. Samuel Johnson, which continued from 1886 to 1906. the latter year the partnership was terminated, and Charles practiced alone in Warsaw until January 1, 1924, when he formed a partnership with his son, Glenn E. Charles, under the firm name of E. E. & G. E. Charles. He was district attorney of Wyoming county from January, 1895, to January 1, 1904, and during 1904 and 1905 was member of the assembly from Wyoming county. Mr. Charles was a member of the Warsaw school board from 1904 to 1913, and was president of the board for most that time.

Mr. Charles was married on June 1, 1892, to Sadie G. Baird, daughter of John and Emma (Green) Baird of Narrowsburg, New York. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles: Glenn E., who graduated from Rutgers College in 1919 and is now practicing law with his father; Delphine K., who was graduated from Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, in 1920, and lives with her father; and Barbara B., who was graduated from Cornell University in 1925. Mr. Charles devotes all his time to the practice of law. He is a member of the Wyoming County and New York State Bar Associations, and of the American Bar Association. Fraternally Mr. Charles is affiliated with Warsaw Lodge No. 549, F. and A. M.; Wyoming Chapter 1181, R. A. M.; and has been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows since about thirty years. In his political views he is a republican and formerly took an active interest in the party's work. In his religious associations Mr. Charles is a member of the First Congregational church of Warsaw.

HERBERT JAMES MENZIE.

For thirty-four years Herbert James Menzie has engaged in the practice of law at Rochester and the nature and importance of the legal interests entrusted to him care establish him as one of the leading attorneys of the city. He was born in the town of Riga, Monroe county, New York, June 19, 1862, and his parents, Peter J. and Christina (McPherson) Menzie, were also natives of the Empire state. The father was born in Riga and devoted his life to the occupation of farming, passing away November 6, 1903. The mother was born in the town of Le Roy and died April 1890.

Following his graduation from the State Normal and Training School of Broomeport, New York, in 1881, Herbert James Menzie became a student in the University of Rochester, from which institution he was graduated with the class of 1886, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He was awarded the Stoddard medal (prize in mathematics), also won the Senior X as one of the first ten men of the class and was likewise awarded the Phi Beta Kappa key. He taught school in Macedon, New York, from 1883 to 1884 and in 1886 went to Bay View, a suburb of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as principal of the high school. In 1887 it was made a part of the school system of Milwaukee and Mr. Menzie then became principal of the Seventeenth Ward school of that city. He was awarded a senior life teacher's certificate in Wisconsin and in 1888 resigned his position to enter the Yale Law School, which he attended for one year. He then came to Rochester and began reading law in the offices of McNaughton & Taylor. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1890, and has since practiced continuously in this city. He is a strong and able lawyer, clear and concise in the presentation of a case, logical in his deductions and sound in his reasoning. He has a large clientele and is also a director of the State Bank of Churchville, New York.

On September 17, 1889, Mr. Menzie was married to Miss Carrie Maria Judson of New Haven, Connecticut, who died May 26, 1891, leaving a daughter, Alpha C., who was born June 17, 1890, in Rochester. In the acquirement of her education she attended and was graduated from the West high school, attended and was graduated from Virginia College in 1911 and later entered the Mechanics Institute, from which she was graduated with the class of 1913. She is now the wife of Lawrence Bohack and they reside in Rochester at No. 75 Leander road. They have two daughters, Anne Alpha and Mary Jean Bohacket. Mr. Menzie was married to Miss Harriet Chappell, a daughter of Newton and Harriet (Backus) Chappell of Rochester, formerly of Auburn, New York, on April 14, 1903, and they have two children, Katherine and Stuart McPherson Menzie. The former was born July 29, 1904, and attended School No. 7 and the West high school. She is a member of the class of 1926 of Wellesley College. The son was born January 16, 1906, and was graduated from

honors from the West high school. He is a member of the class of 1927 in the University of Rochester, and belongs to the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Newton Chappell was married in Auburn, New York, in 1852, and the following year met with an accident that rendered him totally blind for life. He was a member of a military company and while firing the sunset salute the cannon exploded, destroying the sight of both eyes. Taking up the study of music, he made that his life's work. He became instructor of vocal and piano music at Auburn and filled that position for years. He removed to Rochester in 1899 and here resided until his death, which occurred on the 5th of January, 1918. His wife died in 1907. He was the father of five children, whom, of course, he never saw, three sons and two daughters. One of the latter is Mary Chappell Fisher (Mrs. Frank J.), a noted musician and a founder of the American Guild of Organists, who resides at "Hillcrest", Niagara Falls. Newton Chappell was a remarkable man. Notwithstanding his great misfortune he was always optimistic and cheerful and his life full of sunshine. He was a great Bible student and possessed a fund of general information that hardly seemed possible for a sightless person.

Mr. Menzie is connected with the Rochester City and New York State Bar Associations and the Alpha Delta Phi, Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Phi fraternities. He is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the University Club. He respects the unwritten ethics of the profession and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen. His residence is at No. 167 Seneca parkway.

HOWARD FULLER BARNES.

Howard Fuller Barnes, a well known lawyer of Rochester, where he has successfully practiced for eighteen years, is a native of Bradford county, Pennsylvania, and was born on the 29th of March, 1883, his parents being Rev. Newton W. and Lois (Fuller) Barnes, both of whom were natives of the Keystone state. The father was a well-known minister of the Methodist church and his death occurred in Binghamton, New York, while the mother passed away in Apalachin, this state.

Howard Fuller Barnes was educated at Cazenovia Seminary and the Albany Law School, receiving his LL. B. degree from the latter institution in 1907. The same year he came to Rochester and associated himself with the firm of Lewis & McKay, prominent attorneys of the city, with whom he remained for three years. On the expiration of that period, in 1910, he established an office for the independent practice of his profession and has since built up an extensive and representative clientage. Mr. Barnes has been connected with some of the most important litigation before the courts of western New York, and his professional ability has long since placed him among the able lawyers of the Rochester bar. He has membership in the Monroe County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association.

On the 29th of June, 1912, in Rochester, Mr. Barnes was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Conway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Conway of Clearfield, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have one son, Donald F., who was born in Rochester in 1913. Fraternally Mr. Barnes is identified with the Masons and the Elks, while his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. Upright and honorable in every relation of life, he is accorded the esteem and confidence of all who know him. Mr. Barnes' residence is at No. 445 Flower City park.

EVEREST AMASA JUDD.

Everest Amasa Judd, who has been an active member of the legal fraternity in Batavia for the past twenty-one years, belongs to a family that has been represented in Genesee county for more than a century. He was born in Bethany, this country, in 1880, his parents being Franklin I. and Sarah (Waldo) Judd. The following interesting facts concerning his ancestors are given in his own words:

"In 1815 or 1816 Liberty Judd, my great-grandfather, started with an ox team from Vermont, where he lived, and journeyed through New York state on the usual trail. When he arrived in Canadaigua, he found that a rough road with logs partially across it confronted him. As his ox cart was a little wider than the ordinary ox cart, from that point on he had to get out and saw off the end of the logs so as to let his ox cart through. This continued until he arrived at the end of his journey, which was Bethany, Genesee county, New York, at a farm which is situated on both sides of

the Bethany Center road, just about a mile north of Bethany Center. Here he built his log cabin about one hundred yards south of the present Judd Homestead. While he was building this house he was alone and a mourning dove over his head in a tree continued to call, until finally Liberty Judd regarded this call as a premonition of trouble. He had left his wife back home, so he left his cabin, which was nearly completed, and started on his long journey back to Vermont with the ox cart. When he arrived there he found his wife had been dead for six weeks, leaving a little baby child. This was a serious quandary, so after three or four weeks he married a maiden lady living in that neighborhood, who climbed into the ox cart and carried the little baby in her lap back to Bethany, where they took up their residence. This woman was my great-grandmother. On this trip back from Vermont my great-grandfather, Liberty Judd, carried a leather purse and in this leather purse were five coins, all of them five-franc pieces, with a picture of King George XVI on them. I have in my possession a coin which bears the fleur-de-lis of France in the year 1783 with this inscription: SIT NOMEN DOMINI A BENEDICTUM 1783. On the other side is the inscription: LUD XVI D G FR ET NAV REX. My grandfather, Israel Judd, occupied the Bethany farm after Liberty Judd; in turn my father, Franklin I. Judd, occupied this farm down to 1897. The farm is now owned by my mother, Sarah (Waldo) Judd, my brother, F. Howard Judd, having occupied the place until 1922. The property has therefore been in the possession of four generations of Judds—from 1815 down to the present time."

Everest Amasa Judd prepared for a professional career as a student in Cornell University, from which institution he was graduated in 1903. The same year he began the practice of law in association with Judge Safford E. North in Batavia, where he has remained an active member of the bar through the intervening period of more than two decades and has been accorded a representative and gratifying clientage. He served as city attorney of Batavia for two years and as attorney for the State Comptroller in Genesee county during a period covering five years. He has a high conception of the dignity and responsibility of his profession and his record as a public official and as a private citizen is an unblemished one. He is a director of the Bank of Genesee; secretary of the Genesee Country Abstract Company, and vice president of the Stafford Country Club.

In 1908 Mr. Judd was united in marriage to Miss Alice G. Francis and of their three children, Eleanor, the eldest died in 1924, at the age of twenty. The others are: Lawrence and Barbara. During the period of the world conflict Mr. Judd took an active part in the work of all war committees, acted as chairman of the Four-Minute men of Genesee county and was also chairman of the civilian relief committee of the Red Cross. His religious faith is that of the Baptist church, while fraternally he is identified with the Masons and the Odd Fellows. He has a wide acquaintance in Batavia and throughout Genesee county and his sterling qualities of manhood have established him high in public regard.

ARTHUR LEWIS STERN.

There are some men who take possession of the public heart and hold it after they are gone, not by flashes of genius or brilliant service, but by unflinching good conduct in all situations and under all the trials of life. They are in sympathy with all that is useful and elevating in the city in which they reside and the community on its part cheerfully responds by extending to them respect, admiration and sincere affection. Such a man was Arthur Lewis Stern, a lifelong resident of Rochester, who died at the family home at No. 1430 East avenue on the 15th of March, 1923, at the age of forty-three years. A member of the nationally-known clothing firm of Michaels, Stern & Company, he combined marked executive force and notable business sagacity with modesty, kindness, geniality and gentleness—a most rare combination, found only in the largest and finest natures.

Arthur Lewis Stern was born in Rochester, May 5, 1879, a son of Morley A. and Amy (Michaels) Stern, and a representative of one of the old and prominent families of this city. He attended the public schools and the old Free Academy, after which he became a student at Cornell University, and was graduated with the class of 1900. A business rather than a professional career appealed to him and shortly afterward he entered the clothing firm of Michaels, Stern & Company, of which his father was a member, and became a factor in the development of one of the great clothing industries of the United States.



ARTHUR L. STERN.

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In New York city, on the 11th of November, 1908, Mr. Stern was married to Miss Irma Loveman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman P. Loveman. Mrs. Stern's father is a prominent cotton broker of New York, and her mother previous to her marriage was Miss Louise Black, a native of Detroit, Michigan, but was reared in Cleveland. Louise Black was a daughter of Joseph Black, prominently identified with the business, civic and public life of Cleveland. A son and a daughter were born to Mr. and Mrs. Stern: Arthur Lewis Stern, Jr., born April 11, 1911, in Rochester; and Louise Morley Stern.

Mr. Stern was active in promoting the sale of the various Liberty bonds, was chairman of the local War Savings Stamp committee, also working indefatigably in behalf of the Red Cross, and over-exertion in patriotic service precipitated his death, removing him from his sphere of usefulness before he had reached the meridian of life. He entered with heart and soul into everything that engaged his attention, never undertaking a task unless he considered it worthy of his best efforts, and wrought himself firmly into the texture of our social and civic economy. He was a director in the Rochester General Hospital, also of the Infants Summer Hospital, and was noted for his deeds of charity, scattering sunshine wherever he went. He was thoroughly conversant with the details connected with the handling of campaigns for philanthropic, civic and patriotic projects and his advice was continually sought in matters of this character. He was identified with several trade organizations and many clubs, greatly enjoying the social amenities of life. He was a member of the Criterion Club of New York city, the Cornell Club, the Rochester Club, the Country and Idlers Clubs, and was an ex-president of the Rotary Club. He was numbered among the energetic workers in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and was foremost in every civic enterprise. Mr. Stern had an irresistible smile and a lovable personality that endeared him to all with whom he was brought into contact. By adopting a policy of justice, kindness and consideration in his relations with those who served him, he was able correctly to solve the labor problem, and a feeling of the utmost confidence, cordiality and goodwill existed between Mr. Stern and his employes, whose affection for him was deep and sincere. He loved children and his good deeds were the outpouring of a generous spirit and a heart that reached out to all humanity. In 1916, Mr. Stern completed his residence at No. 1430 East avenue, where he afterward resided.

FREDERICK WILLIAM MOORE.

Frederick William Moore, of the well known firm of undertakers and funeral directors, Moore & Fiske, of Rochester, is a native New Yorker and has lived in this state all his life, a resident of Rochester since the days of his childhood. He was born in the town of Palmyra, January 7, 1877, and is a son of Daniel and Alice (Lockley) Moore, natives of England, who came to this country following their marriage and were for a time located in Palmyra, this state. Daniel Moore, his father, died there in 1888. His widow survived him but two years, her death occurring in 1890. They were the parents of three children, Mr. Moore having two sisters, Mrs. Carl Beelman of Minneapolis, and Mrs. John Singleton of Rochester.

Thus doubly bereaved, losing his father when he was eleven years of age and his mother two years later, Frederick William Moore attended the schools of Rochester until he was twelve years of age, when he became employed during vacation periods as a messenger in the undertaking establishment of Ingmire & Thompson on Court street and thus early acquired an acquaintance with the details of the undertaking business. His education was not neglected and he went on through the local schools and into the Rochester Business College to acquaint himself with business forms. He acquired a liking for the undertaking business and became a thorough funeral director while in the employ of Ingmire & Thompson, a connection he retained for twelve years, or until 1904, when he and Edward W. Fiske decided to enter the field as funeral directors on their own account. That was twenty years ago. Upon completing their plans in this behalf they opened an establishment at No. 262 Court street, and it was not long until they were coming to be recognized as among the leading funeral directors of the city, both having had excellent experience. In 1922, pressed by the need of larger quarters for their establishment, they purchased the property at No. 31 Lake avenue and there carried on their business until 1924, when they realized the need of a further enlargement of their capacity and found it necessary to make another move. It was then that they purchased the handsome old-time residence

property of James Booth at No. 105 Lake avenue, and by extensive remodeling and the building of additional rooms, converted it into what is regarded as one of the handsomest and best equipped funeral homes in the Genesee country. Their original ground plot there was one hundred and forty-two feet front, but they presently sold forty-two feet of this, a side lot, for oil station purposes and have thus a frontage of one hundred feet, a situation which lends itself admirably to the purposes for which it is now used. The old residence has been remodeled and redecorated in admirable taste, the grounds attractively parked and everything done by the proprietors to bring their establishment up to the highest requirements of their exacting calling. The old walnut stairway in this ancient mansion is an especially attractive feature of the entrance, which latter has been reconstructed in a particularly dignified fashion, and the driveway to the right is most effective. The furnishings and decorations of the large double parlors create an atmosphere of dignity and refinement most fitting to the solemnity of the occasions which bring them into use and the private office of the proprietors is in full harmony with the general decorative scheme. Ample garages are provided in the rear and the general equipment of the establishment is in accordance with the best requirements of modern usage and standards.

On December 30, 1901, in Rochester, Mr. Moore was united in marriage to Miss S. Louise Crouch, daughter of George W. and Mary E. Crouch, members of old families of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have two sons: Hamilton Moore, born August 30, 1903, who is now (1924) connected with the Times Union advertising department, and Howard Moore, born January 15, 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are members of Mount Hor church and Mr. Moore is a member of the board of trustees of that institution. He is a member of the National Funeral Directors Association and of the Rochester Funeral Directors Association and has long taken an interested part in the deliberations and activities of these organizations. He is a Mason and a member of Cyrene Commandery, and is affiliated with the Rochester Kiwanis Club. Mr. Moore resides at No. 67 Culver road.

JUDGE JAMES A. LE SEUR.

Judge James A. Le Seur, judge of the city court at Batavia, is numbered among the foremost and best known representatives of the legal profession in that city, where he has made his home during the past forty-five years. He was born in Brattleboro, Vermont, on the 18th of November, 1859, a son of John and Ann (Wait) Le Seur. John Le Seur, father of Judge Le Seur, was a native of Manchester, Massachusetts, a graduate of Hanover College and was a minister in the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in Batavia on March 11, 1897, at the ripe age of ninety-five years.

James A. Le Seur was educated at Claverick Institute and was graduated in 1879 with the rank of captain. He then entered the University of Rochester. In 1883 he went to Boston, where he remained until 1887, when he returned to Batavia. The professional career of James A. Le Seur has been one of steady advancement and progress. He was chosen clerk of the surrogate court in 1889 and served in that capacity until 1893. During his service in the surrogate's court he studied law with Judge Safford E. North and was admitted to the bar in 1891. He formed a partnership with David D. Lent, under the name of Le Seur & Lent, which continued for a number of years. In 1893 he was elected district attorney, in which capacity he served for six years, making a splendid record through the efficient and faithful discharge of his duties. In 1919 he was elected city attorney of Batavia, his name being on both the republican and democratic tickets, and in 1922, also as the nominee of both parties, was elected to the city bench, on which he now is serving. It has been observed that the legal profession demands not only a high order of ability but a rare combination of talent, learning, tact, patience and industry. The successful lawyer and the competent judge must be a man of well balanced intellect, thoroughly familiar with both law and practice, of comprehensive general information, possessed of an analytical mind and a measure of self-control that will enable him to lose his individuality, his personal feelings, his prejudices and his peculiarities of disposition in the dignity, impartiality and equity of the office to which life, property, right and liberty must look for protection. That Judge Le Seur possesses these qualities is a uniformly acknowledged fact. The Judge stands high in the esteem of his professional confreres and since 1918 has been serving as president of the Genesee County Bar Association.

In 1883 Judge Le Seur was married to Carrie, daughter of John Eckler of Mendon,



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Monroe county, New York. Two children were born to them, a son and a daughter: John E., who died in 1904, at the age of thirteen years; and Muriel C., wife of Arthur W. Keyel of Rochester, New York. They have two sons: Donald W., born October 8, 1921; and Earl James, born February 23, 1924.

Judge Le Seur is a republican in his political alignment and has for years been recognized as one of the leaders in that party in his home county. He stands high in fraternal circles and is one of the best-known members of the fraternity of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in the state of New York. For thirty-five years Judge Le Seur has been a member of this order and for twenty-nine years has been a representative in the State Grand Lodge, during twenty-eight years of that period serving also as a representative in the Grand Encampment, an attendant at all sessions save one when he was prevented by illness. During the term 1912-13 he served as grand patriarch of the State Grand Lodge and since 1918 has been one of the four representatives from the state of New York sitting in the sovereign grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Since 1916 Judge Le Seur also has been serving as judge advocate general on the staff of the department commander of the state, it thus being apparent that there are few Odd Fellows in the state who have a wider acquaintance in that order than he. The Judge also is widely known in the fraternity of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and has rendered service to that order as exalted ruler of the lodge at Batavia. He is a past president of the Western New York State Firemen's Association and is now serving as chairman of the legislative committee of that historic body. The Judge is a member of the locally influential Kiwanis Club of Batavia, the slogan of which club is "We Build", and has long been recognized as one of the real "community builders" there.

HERBERT WOODWARD BRIGHAM.

Herbert Woodward Brigham, secretary and treasurer and chief owner of the Teall Catering Company of Rochester, president of the Rochester Mutual Benefit Association, past counselor of the Flower City lodge of the United Commercial Travelers, a member of the exposition committee of the Rochester Industrial Exposition, an active and influential member of the Chamber of Commerce of that city and in other ways prominently identified with the commercial and industrial activities of the community, is a native son of Rochester and has lived here the greater part of his life, though his activities at one time and another have taken him into other fields and, considering his years, he has had a varied and interesting experience in life. He was born in the city of Rochester, November 8, 1891, and is a son of Herbert W. and Nellie (Woodward) Brigham, the latter of whom, a daughter of Judge Homer Woodward, also was born in Rochester and is still living.

The late senior Herbert W. Brigham was born in Newmarket, in the province of Ontario, Canada, and early in his business career became a resident of Rochester, where, in association with Charles M. Everest, he was identified with the Vacuum Oil Company, manufacturers of oil products, which became one of the important industries of Rochester and which in time and in the course of the working out of that company's expansion program was taken over by the Standard Oil Company of New York. Following this merger Mr. Brigham was transferred to New York city and thence to Newark, New Jersey, where he occupied an official position in connection with the operations of this subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company until his death, in New York city, in 1909. His widow survives him and is now making her home at Rochester. They had six children, the subject of this biographical review (the youngest) having a sister, Miss Marguerite Brigham, and four brothers, Robert H., Joseph F., Charles D. and John William Brigham.

Due to the several changes in residence made by his father, the junior Herbert W. Brigham's education was received in the schools of New York city, Newark and Rochester and he was graduated from the high school in the latter city in the spring of 1909, then being seventeen years of age. Meanwhile, he had been laying the foundation for a successful business career, having begun his commercial enterprises at the age of eleven years, as a dealer in newspapers and stationery in Newark, where he had five other boys in his employ. He carried on this business for three years and finds it interesting to recall that he made a success of it. The venture at least provided an exceedingly valuable training in self-reliance and in commercial forms. Following the death of his father he returned to Rochester with his mother and upon completing the course in the high school there became employed in newspaper

work, rendering service with the Democrat, and Chronicle and then with the Daily Record, his experiences on these several papers covering almost every phase of newspaper activity from printer's devil to general reporting. It was then that Mr. Brigham and one of his venturesome associates took a "flyer" in the publication of a biographical work, staging their operations in the city of Detroit, Michigan, where they got out a highly creditable publication and made some money out of it.

Not caring longer to continue in the publication field Mr. Brigham returned to Rochester from Detroit and became employed as a traveling salesman for a wholesale candy firm, a form of activity in which he continued engaged for a year, at the end of which time, on December 1, 1910, he entered upon a long period of employment in the office of the Rochester Ice Cream Company, a concern with which he remained connected until 1917, when he and Walter F. Chamberlain became engaged in business along similar lines on their own account, establishing the Flower City Ice Cream Company. A few months later, in October of that same year, Mr. Brigham consolidated the Flower City Ice Cream Company with the Rochester Ice Cream Company, becoming sales and advertising manager, while Mr. Chamberlain became superintendent of the Rochester Ice Cream Company. In 1923 Mr. Brigham resigned that position to purchase an interest in the Teall Catering Company, one of the old and firmly established concerns of this kind in western New York, and he since has given his attention to the affairs of that widely known concern, now being the secretary-treasurer of the company and the principal stockholder. The Teall Catering Company has a well equipped establishment at No. 263 East avenue, Rochester, and its products are distributed over a wide area throughout this section of New York, the excellence of these products having long ago created for them a wide market.

On April 5, 1915, in Baltimore, Maryland, Mr. Brigham was united in marriage to Miss Pauline A. Reynolds, daughter of Professor A. Reynolds of Rochester, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Brigham have one child: A daughter, Pauline Eleanor Brigham, born in Rochester February 15, 1916. They are members of the Central Presbyterian church and take a proper interest in church affairs, as well as in the general social activities of the city. Mr. Brigham is an active member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is recognized as one of the real "boosters" among the younger business men of the city. As a member of the executive committee of the Rochester Industrial Exposition he has rendered valuable service and in other ways has done his part in promoting movements having to do with the extension of the city's general interests. Mr. Brigham is a past counselor of the local post of the United Commercial Travelers and his friends point with pride to the record he established during his term of service in that behalf, pointing out that during that period the membership of this organization was increased from two hundred to two thousand, a record that carries with it its own commentary. Mr. Brigham is widely known in trade circles in his own particular line and is an active and influential member of the National Ice Cream Manufacturers Association and of the New York State Ice Cream Manufacturers Association. He is the president of the Rochester Mutual Benefit Association, an organization whose affairs he has done much to promote, and also is actively identified with the activities of the local branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Brigham is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and in the affairs of this ancient order has long taken an earnest interest.

ALPHA REEVE BEAL.

The death of Alpha Reeve Beal, which occurred July 5, 1913, when he was sixty-six years of age, deprived Rochester of one of those desirable citizens whose lives of quiet devotion to duty constitute the foundation of much of the material prosperity of the communities in which they reside, and he left as a monument to his enterprise and business ability a prosperous and growing industry. He was born in East Palmyra, Wayne county, New York, October 25, 1846, a son of Jeremiah and Maria (Corwin) Beal, well-to-do farming people.

Alpha Reeve Beal attended the public schools, Lima Seminary, also Lima College. Then for two years he taught school at Northville, Michigan, after which he returned to New York and entered Syracuse University, where he completed a classical course. After his graduation he became superintendent of schools at Watertown, New York, in which capacity he served for two years. On the expiration of that period Mr. Beal went to Boston, Massachusetts, as manager for the New England School Furniture Company and filled that office for five years. He next went to East Bloomfield, New



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York, and accepted a traveling position with the Dayton Computing Scales Company, with which he remained for several years, during which he was manager of its Pittsburgh office for five years. Coming to Rochester, Mr. Beal purchased the patent rights to the Fearless Dishwasher, to which he added several improvements, and after perfecting the invention organized the Fearless Dishwasher Company, which was incorporated shortly before his death. His business was established at No. 175 Colvin street and at first he had the machines made, subsequently building a factory for this purpose. Through judicious advertising, and manufacturing a strictly high-grade product, he succeeded in popularizing the machine, which is now sold all over the United States and is conceded to be one of the best articles of the kind on the market. This company, in addition to manufacturing Fearless Dishwashing Equipment, also builds work tables, sinks, water coolers and scrap blocks. The business is being continued by members of the family and fifty employees are now utilized in operating the plant. The present officers are: Albert N. Beal, president; Elizabeth M. Beal, vice president; and Mrs. Elizabeth J. Beal, secretary and treasurer.

In April, 1869, at Fairport, New York, Mr. Beal was married to Miss Elizabeth J. Norton, a daughter of Albert and Julia (Van Norman) Norton, and Mr. and Mrs. Beal became the parents of two children: Albert N., who married Miss Inez Searl; and Elizabeth M. Mr. Beal was a Methodist in religious faith, being affiliated with the West Avenue church of that denomination, and his political support was given to the candidates of the republican party. He was identified with the Zeta Psi fraternity and was numbered among the energetic members of the Chamber of Commerce. He was a man of high character, whose success was won by hard work, honest methods, and the ability to meet and master situations. He had the welfare of his community deeply at heart and enjoyed to the fullest extent the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens.

BAYARD J. STEDMAN.

Bayard J. Stedman, a leader of the Genesee county bar, is the senior member of the well known law firm of Stedman & Waterman in Batavia, where he has been an active and successful representative of the legal profession during the past twenty-seven years. He was born in Oakfield, Genesee county, New York, on the 21st of August, 1875, his parents being Irving J. and Laura E. (Smiley) Stedman. He attended the Cary Collegiate Seminary of his native town and read law in the office of Sullivan, Morris & Jerome in Rochester, where he remained for about three years. It was in June, 1898, that he was admitted to the bar at Batavia, where he has practiced his profession continuously and where he has built up a distinctive clientage of large proportions. He was elected to the position of district attorney on the republican ticket in 1902, holding that office until 1908, and making a most commendable record therein. Mr. Stedman has ever conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession and is accorded the respect and confidence of his colleagues and associates and also of the general public.

In early manhood Mr. Stedman was united in marriage to Miss Mary H. Persons of East Aurora, New York, and they are the parents of two children: Jane and Susan. A lifelong resident of Genesee county, Mr. Stedman enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance throughout the community and is widely recognized as an attorney of marked ability and high standing. He is a republican in politics, and fraternally is a Mason and an Elk. He is a member of the Batavia Club, the Genesee County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association.

BERNARD LEO MCINTEE.

Bernard Leo McIntee, proprietor of the old undertaking establishment of Ryan & McIntee, funeral directors in Rochester, now doing business as B. Leo McIntee, is one of the best known and most proficient undertakers and funeral directors in this section of New York. He is a native son of the Empire state and has lived in this state all his life, a resident of Rochester since the days of his boyhood. He was born in the village of Avon, Livingston county, New York, June 4, 1883, and is a son of John and Katherine (Lee) McIntee, both of whom also were born in Avon, members of old families there, and the latter of whom is still living.

It was while Bernard Leo McIntee was a child that his parents moved to Rochester and his education was completed in the parish school of the church of the Immaculate Conception in that city. He early became interested in the undertaking line and upon leaving school was employed in the office of a firm of local undertakers and funeral directors, where he became familiar with the details of that business and also learned the art and mystery of embalming. In 1906 Mr. McIntee went into business along this line on his own account, in association with the late A. J. Ryan, establishing the undertaking firm of Ryan & McIntee, funeral directors, at No. 207 Chestnut street, Rochester, and has ever since been thus engaged in that city. Following the death of Mr. Ryan in 1920, Mr. McIntee acquired the interest of his late partner and has since been carrying on the business alone, under the name of B. Leo McIntee, he being the sole proprietor. Mr. McIntee has a well equipped and admirably appointed establishment and has long been regarded as one of the leading undertakers, not only in Rochester but throughout this section of the state. His establishment is equipped in accordance with the best standards of modern service in his line and he is constantly alert to keep abreast of late developments in his exacting calling. He is a member of the National Undertakers Association and of the board of directors of the Rochester Undertakers Association.

On September 3, 1913, in Rochester, Mr. McIntee was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Staud. Mr. and Mrs. McIntee have two sons: Jerome McIntee, born in 1914; and Bernard Leo, Jr., born January 24, 1924. The McIntees are members of the Roman Catholic church and reside at No. 303 Dartmouth street. Mr. McIntee is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus, No. 178, and has long taken an earnest interest in the affairs of that society. He is a member of the directorate of the Rochester Humane Society, is a life member of the local lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is affiliated with the Rochester Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Washington Club and the Auto Club. Mr. McIntee's friends point with interest to the fact that he is essentially a "self-made man", for he has worked his way to his present position in the business circles of the city of Rochester by dint of his own efforts and by close application since the days of his boyhood to the details of a business in which he now is reckoned as one of the leaders in his trade area.

BARTHOLOMEW EDWARD BROPHEL.

Bartholomew Edward Brophel, a successful business man of Leicester and one of the largest land owners of Livingston county, has made his life count as a valuable asset in civic affairs, and his name is prominent among those whose enterprise and initiative typify the spirit of progress in western New York. He was born on the old Brophel homestead, situated west of Leicester, February 29, 1868, and his parents, James and Mary (Gallagan) Brophel, were natives of Ireland, the former being an agriculturist. There were six children in the family, but only two are living.

Bartholomew Edward Brophel attended the district schools of Livingston county and completed his education in the Geneseo Normal School. He assisted in the operation of the home farm until he reached the age of twenty-one and then entered the lumber business in association with his brother, Thomas F. Brophel, who died two years later. For a time B. E. Brophel continued the business alone and was then joined by another brother, J. W. Brophel, who passed away in 1921. In 1916 Mr. Brophel of this review disposed of the lumber yard to B. P. Reynolds and in the meantime he had embarked in the hardware business, in which he continued until 1920. He has since engaged in the coal business in Leicester, building up a good trade, and also has financial interests, being a director of the Livingston County Trust Company of Geneseo and vice president of the Bingham State Bank at Mount Morris, New York. He is also the owner of about sixteen hundred acres of valuable farm lands in Livingston county and has advanced with the scientific progress of agriculture, keeping abreast of the times in every way. Mr. Brophel is a shrewd, practical business man, quick to perceive and utilize an opportunity, and his investments have been advantageously placed, bringing him substantial returns.

On October 9, 1895, Mr. Brophel was united in marriage to Miss Anna May and they have two daughters: Leona, a graduate of Smith College, who is now connected with the child study department of the Rochester public schools; and Ermine, who is attending the College of the Sacred Heart, in New York city. Since its establishment Mr. Brophel has been a trustee of St. Thomas Roman Catholic church of Leicester and in politics he is a democrat. Every effort to raise the intellectual, moral or



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material standards of his community receives his hearty indorsement and for fifteen years he was chairman of the Leicester School Board, while for a like period he served on the town board. It was owing to Mr. Brophel's efforts that the imposing monument which now decorates the public park was secured for Leicester. He started the movement in 1908, raised the necessary funds, and the monument was completed in 1910, being dedicated on September 12 of that year. It is of granite, surmounted by a bronze figure of a Union soldier, and the work is finely executed. During the World war Mr. Brophel was chairman of all the local Liberty Loan, War Savings Stamps, Red Cross, Knights of Columbus and Young Men's Christian Association drives and Mrs. Brophel was also active in Red Cross work. Mr. Brophel is a high-minded, clean-cut man of exemplary character and has been one of the strongest individual forces in the development of his community. He deserves much credit for what he has accomplished and his example is one well worthy of emulation, showing that in the individual and not in his environment is found the opportunity for advancement.

HENRY MICHAELS STERN.

Henry Michaels Stern, a native son of Rochester, is thoroughly en rapport with the progressive spirit which characterizes its citizens and worthily bears an honored family name. For nearly a quarter of a century he has been identified with the clothing industry, contributing his share toward the successful operation of one of the leading manufacturing concerns of Rochester, where his position in industrial and business circles is one of prominence. Mr. Stern is a scion of one of the old and prominent families of the city and was born June 11, 1878. His parents, Morley A. and Amy (Michaels) Stern, are also natives of Rochester and for many years the father has been classed with the industrial leaders of the Genesee country.

After completing his public school training Henry Michaels Stern matriculated in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, from which he won the B. S. degree in 1900. He then became associated in business with his father, who aided in organizing the firm of Michaels, Stern & Company, manufacturers of men's clothing, and later was admitted to a partnership in the enterprise, whose development has been stimulated by his systematically directed efforts and enthusiastic cooperation. Throughout the period of its existence the firm has adhered to the highest standards in the quality of its output and has ever been just and considerate in the treatment of its employees, without whose cooperation no business fabric can endure. Hence the business has increased steadily in volume, giving Michaels, Stern & Company a foremost position among the leading manufacturers of the country in its line.

Mr. Stern was married on December 21, 1905, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Miss Hazel Amberg, a daughter of David Amberg. Mr. and Mrs. Stern have a family of three children: Henry M., Jr., who was born April 9, 1908; Edward A., who was born July 20, 1910; and Harriet Amy, who was born on April 26, 1915. Mr. Stern is a member of the Idlers Club, the Irondequoit Club, the Rochester Athletic Club, the Cornell Club of this city, and also belongs to the Criterion Club of New York city. The growth and progress of his city is a matter in which Mr. Stern takes much personal pride. He is accorded a high position among Rochester's strong, able business men and representative citizens. Mr. Stern's residence is No. 1501 East avenue.

GUY C. LUCAS.

Industrial interests of Wyoming county find a worthy and successful young representative in Guy C. Lucas, treasurer and general manager of the Lucas Rule Company, Incorporated, of Silver Springs, which is engaged in the manufacture of wood advertising novelties. He was born in Gainesville, Wyoming county, New York, on the 9th of September, 1900, his parents being E. K. and Edith C. Lucas. The family has been represented in the Genesee country for nearly a century and a half, for it was about 1780 that Alexander Hamilton Lucas, the great-great-grandfather of Guy C. Lucas, settled in this part of the state. E. K. Lucas was engaged in business as a produce dealer until 1915, when he became identified with industrial pursuits as president of the Lucas Rule Company, of which he is still the nominal head, but the active management he now leaves largely to his son.

In the acquirement of an education Guy C. Lucas attended the grammar and high

schools of his native town and subsequently became a student in Alfred University of Alfred, New York. After completing his work in the latter institution in 1918 he pursued a course in the Rochester Business Institute. It was in 1919 that he began his business career in connection with the Lucas Rule Company, which he has represented continuously to the present time, gaining steady advancement as his knowledge of the work increased, until he is now in a position of administrative direction and executive control, serving in the dual capacity of treasurer and general manager. The company manufactures rulers, yardsticks and gas measuring sticks, of which it produces more than eight million annually, and the business is national in scope. In the capable conduct of this enterprise Mr. Lucas has contributed materially to its expansion and success.

In 1920, in Perry, Wyoming county, New York, Mr. Lucas was united in marriage to Miss Frances Kellogg, daughter of the late Jacob Kellogg of Castile, Wyoming county. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas are the parents of two children: Edith Jane and Edwin Kellogg, who were born in the years 1921 and 1923, respectively.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Lucas has supported the men and measures of the republican party, the principles of which he believes are most conducive to good government. He is a member of the Industrial Bureau of Silver Springs and fraternally is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to the blue lodge and the chapter. He is fond of social activities, finds keen delight in outdoor sports and is a well known and popular young citizen of Silver Springs and Wyoming county. The position which he has already attained in the business world augurs well for the future.

WILLIAM ARTHUR REQUA.

Life is a training school where humanity is prepared to "carry on" the world's work, and valuable rewards await him who registers achievement. Fortune has not always bestowed her favors upon W. A. ReQua and through battling with obstacles and difficulties he has developed a dauntless spirit, poise, self-confidence and strength of will which have carried him slowly but surely toward the goal set by his ambition. A large electrical supply business, situated at Nos. 95-97 St. Paul street in Rochester, is the visible result of his labors, indicating that he has "arrived".

William Arthur ReQua was born in Ulster, New York, December 31, 1854, and his parents, Smith and Sarah A. (Wood) ReQua, were also natives of that section of the state. The father engaged in the blue-stone business at Albany and subsequently transferred the scene of his operations to Middleburg, New York, where he spent the remainder of his life, and the mother also passed away in that place. They had a family of twelve children, nine of whom are deceased. Those living are: Alice, who is unmarried and resides in Yonkers, New York; Albert M., whose home is in Middleburg; and W. A., of this review.

In the acquirement of an education William Arthur ReQua attended a grammar school of Albany, the Boys Free Academy and the high school at Middleburg, afterward spending a year as a student in the Collegiate Institute at Fort Edward. For four years he was associated with his father in the blue-stone business and then started out for himself. He engaged in merchandising at Middleburg for five years, at the end of which time he resigned the position and became a clerk in a hardware store at Albany, where he was employed for five years. In 1890 he entered the service of the Hamilton & Matthews Hardware Company of Rochester but three years later returned to Middleburg and became associated with his former employer, J. H. Cornell, in the hardware business. This relationship was continued for six years, when they met with business reverses and Mr. ReQua was forced to start life anew in 1899, being at that time forty-five years of age. In order to reach Rochester he was obliged to borrow car-fare and after his arrival secured a clerical position with a small electrical contracting concern, which withdrew from the business arena several years ago. The pay was small, the hours were long and often the work was humiliating to one who had been owner of a business and in contact with men of affairs. Mr. ReQua remained with the firm for five years, mastering every detail of the business, and was then offered a position as salesman by Edward W. Rockafellow, at that time sales manager in the New York territory for the Western Electric Company. For six years Mr. ReQua was in the service of that corporation, traveling throughout the state and gaining valuable experience. He next spent two years in the employ of the Wheeler-Green Electric Company and after a month's vacation



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embarked in business in Rochester in February, 1915, starting with a three-thousand-dollar stock of electrical supplies. The business was at first conducted in the cellar of his home and he did all of the work himself. On the 15th of April of the same year he moved to a little store thirty by sixty feet in dimensions and hired a boy to assist him. These quarters soon proved inadequate and in February, 1917, he removed to his present location on St. Paul street, now utilizing the basement and first floor of a building sixty by one hundred and ten feet in dimensions, in addition to a warehouse which is situated in the center of the city and affords him twenty-four hundred square feet of floor space. He is president of the business, which is conducted under the name of the ReQua Electrical Supply Company and ranks with the largest wholesale organizations of the kind in this section of the state. Since its inception the business has grown rapidly and the firm now has a force of fourteen employees. The gross sales in 1915 were twenty-eight thousand, three hundred and three dollars and in 1920 they amounted to three hundred and forty-seven thousand, seven hundred and eighty-six dollars. That Mr. ReQua is a man of superior executive ability and marked enterprise is evident from the results obtained and his business transactions have always balanced up with the principles of truth and honor.

On the 25th of October, 1881, Mr. ReQua was married to Miss Anna E. Bouck, a daughter of Thomas Bouck of Middleburg, New York. Mr. and Mrs. ReQua have two daughters: Mrs. S. R. Vick, who was born in Middleburg in 1884; and Mrs. D. R. Cole, who was born in Albany in 1887 and has two children, Norman and Virginia Cole. All are residents of Rochester. Mr. ReQua is an earnest, conscientious member of Grace Methodist Episcopal church and serves as one of its trustees. He is one of the energetic workers in the Chamber of Commerce and also belongs to the local Kiwanis and Automobile Clubs. He is a Knights Templar Mason, belonging to Damascus Commandery, and exemplifies in his life the beneficent teachings of the craft. Mr. ReQua has fought life's battles unaided and has earned the right to the respect and esteem of his fellowmen. His residence is at No. 478 Arnett boulevard.

CARL GRANT CLARKE.

As editor of the Perry Record, Carl Grant Clarke ranks as one of the most influential men in Wyoming county, where his paper is widely circulated. There is no man in the community who has greater opportunity to make his impress upon the civic life and shape public opinion than the editor of a successful newspaper, nor has Mr. Clarke been neglectful of the peculiar privileges and responsibilities that have been his. Possessing a fine sense of civic virtue and the will to make his city and county better places for his having lived there, he has ever lent his influence and the support of his paper to the best that there is in political, civic, social and moral life.

The first of Mr. Clarke's family, on the paternal side of the house, to settle in this region was his grandfather, who came here from Springfield, New Jersey, about the year 1790. Prior to this, the masculine members of the family had been active in the war for independence against England. The son of the late Ephraim and Sophie (Tybell) Clarke, Carl Grant Clarke, was born in Brooklyn, New York, July 2, 1864. The father was a tailor connected with the firm of Brady & Sproul, who furnished many of the uniforms for the troops of the Union side during the Civil war. After the war, in 1870, he settled in Livonia, New York, where he engaged in business until 1880, when he removed to Perry and established himself in business, which he continued until his health failed. He died there in 1893, on the 14th of December. Mr. Clarke's mother will be remembered by many as a well known singer. She was born in Sweden and came to this country when she was a child. For many years she sang in the leading churches of this part of the country, as well as appeared on the concert stage. Her death occurred in Perry, in July, 1920.

Carl Grant Clarke's boyhood and youth were spent in Livonia and Perry, where he obtained his education in the public and high schools. He began his long career as a printer and newspaper man by entering the office of the Wyoming County Herald as printer's "devil" at the enormous wage of a dollar and a half a week. He remained with this paper until 1882, when he went to Buffalo as a compositor on the Buffalo Courier, where he learned the ways of large city newspapers. At the time of the strike of 1883, Mr. Clarke went to Rochester from Buffalo and became a compositor on the Democrat-Chronicle of that city. The year 1886 found him back in Perry to assist John F. Gates in establishing a newspaper known as the Perry Weekly News.

Three years later he resigned from this paper to go to Akron, New York, with his father-in-law, Edwin M. Read, who had purchased the Akron Breeze, under the firm name of Read & Clarke. On January 24, 1894, he returned to his former home and issued the first number of the Perry Record, with which Mr. Clarke has been so intimately identified ever since. The thirty-three years that this paper has been published have been successful ones for its editor, who has had the pleasure of seeing its influence and circulation grow year by year until it has become a force to be reckoned with in this community. In 1920 a change in the management of the paper occurred when Mr. Clarke admitted into partnership with him his eldest son, Carl Read Clarke.

In Perry, on the 24th of January, 1888, Mr. Clarke was married to Miss Carrie D. Read, daughter of Edwin M. and Mary S. Read of Perry. Mr. Read was for many years a member of the firm of Read & Andrus and was prominent in the Masonic circles of this part of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke have become the parents of eight children: Josephine, now Mrs. W. R. Roth; Carl Read Clarke, who is associated with his father in the Perry Record; Mary T., the wife of H. C. Smith of Perry; Harriet Louise, who is the wife of I. M. Hawley, an official of the State Agricultural School in Utah, located at Logan; Janet, who died at the age of twelve; Theodore, who died when a year old; Edwin M.; and Donald.

For years Mr. Clarke has been one of the foremost figures in the civic life of Perry and a force for community betterment. Not only does he entertain the highest ideals of patriotism, citizenship and personal honor, but he is always to be found aggressively in favor of those movements he believes will promote the moral integrity of the individual and the public consciousness. In this age of restlessness, discontent, frivolity and even of lawlessness, following a world-wide upheaval of social, political and moral forces, Mr. Clarke stands out as one who would progress through the observance of existing laws and respecting of institutions already created for the benefit of mankind. He feels keenly and rightly that there is already in existence in this great nation of ours machinery for the making right of any condition that may be wrong, and that by defying the law or carelessly disregarding it men and women are merely cultivating a general defiance of constituted authority that will make it impossible to enforce the best of laws in time. In a democracy, all depends upon the earnest effort and will of the average citizen to uphold the government and lend his support to the best proposed measures as he sees them. When the ordinary man and woman refuse to accept responsibility for the safety of the state and even endanger it by breaking its laws, the doom of any democratic government is sealed. That Mr. Clarke is no "reactionary" with nineteenth century ideas, is amply proven by the fact that he always favored the more progressive and independent wing of his party and in 1912 was a delegate to the famous convention held on August 5th, to nominate Theodore Roosevelt for President. In his home community he has given freely of his services to things that make for civic uplift. He was president of the Perry school board for five years; president of the local Chamber of Commerce for a period of six years, and for nine years belonged to the Perry fire department. In the First Universalist church he has held the office of chairman of the board of trustees for twenty years. Fraternally Mr. Clarke is a Mason. During the World war he was called upon to assist in all of the more important of the war activities, but was especially prominent as chairman of the Four-Minute men.

GEORGE S. BARTOLD.

George S. Bartold, identified with industrial interests of Rochester for more than two decades, has worked his way steadily upward in the service of the Lorscheider-Schang Company until he is now general manager and director of the corporation, which is extensively engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes and cases. He is a native son of Rochester, born in October, 1883, and is a representative of well known old families of the city, for his parents, George and Louise (Salzer) Bartold, were also born here. The father, a prominent merchant of this city for many years, passed away in 1919. The mother is still living in Rochester. Their family numbered eight children, as follows: George S., of this review; E. C., O. F., Arthur C., Mrs. Cora Robinson, Mrs. Mabel Darling, Mrs. Blanche Consler and Mrs. Florence Howell.

George S. Bartold obtained a public school education in Rochester and was a young man of twenty years when in 1903 he entered the industrial field as an employee of the Lorscheider-Schang Company, manufacturers of paper boxes. Demonstrating



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his capability and trustworthiness in the faithful discharge of the duties assigned him, he was promoted from one position to another of increased responsibility and importance and as he worked his way through the various departments of the business he became thoroughly familiar therewith both in principle and detail. For a time he represented the company as a salesman and is now its general manager and one of its directors, his efforts contributing in substantial measure to its successful control. The Lorscheider-Schang Company, Incorporated, manufactures only the highest-grade of paper boxes for toilet articles, candies, etc., and its employes are all workmen of skill and experience.

In October, 1913, Mr. Bartold was united in marriage to Miss Florence F. Fox, daughter of Frederick and Pauline Fox. Mr. and Mrs. Bartold have one child: George Robert, who was born in Rochester in 1915 and is attending school. Mr. Bartold for the past decade has been treasurer of the Rochester lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Craftsman Lodge, No. 96, F. & A. M. He is likewise a member of the Rochester Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester and has gained an extensive circle of warm friends in the city which has always been his home.

PAUL BRUCE AEX.

Paul Bruce Aex, secretary of the Central Trust Company of Rochester, New York, was born in Mount Morris, New York, April 12, 1886, a son of Paul and Anna (Baker) Aex. His education was acquired in the schools of Rochester, the Rochester Academy and the Rochester Business Institute. Upon leaving school he entered the law office of George A. Gillette, where he remained for about five years. He was then with the Rochester Top-Lift Company for about two years, when he entered the employ of the Central Trust Company as bookkeeper. In due time he was made teller and in 1915 was promoted to assistant cashier. In 1921 he was elevated to the position of cashier and secretary. The next year (1922) he was made a member of the board of directors.

On October 12, 1912, Mr. Aex was united in marriage to Miss Emma E. Steiner, daughter of Otto and Elizabeth Steiner of Batavia, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Aex have one son: Paul S., who was born March 9, 1915. Mr. Steiner's residence is at No. 255 Woodbine avenue.

Mr. Aex is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Rochester Club, the Rotary Club of Rochester, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Brook-Lea Country Club. His church affiliations are with St. Stephen's Episcopal church, in which he is one of the vestrymen and holds the office of treasurer. While he takes an interest in public questions, he has never been active in political work. He finds his recreation in outdoor life and sports, though he never neglects his business affairs to indulge in pastimes.

WILLIAM J. MEYER.

William J. Meyer, president of the William J. Meyer Company, is one of the best known men in the sheet metal and roofing business in western New York. A native son of Rochester, he was born on the 10th of October, 1885, his parents being John George and Elizabeth (Gisel) Meyer, both of whom were natives of Switzerland, whence they emigrated to the United States in early life and became residents of Rochester, New York. The father, who was successfully engaged in the clay manufacturing industry throughout his active business career, died in Rochester in August, 1924. The mother's death was some years previous. They had two children: Mrs. Minnie Gischniger, a resident of Rochester; and William J., of this review.

William J. Meyer obtained his education in the public schools of Rochester, and in starting on his business career entered the employ of the firm of Cunningham Brothers, carriage manufacturers, with whom he learned the sheet metal trade. Later he went to Buffalo, where he secured a position with the Machwirth Brothers Company, in the roofing and sheet metal business and in whose service he continued until his return to Rochester in 1910. It was on the 10th of August of that year that he established the William J. Meyer Company, beginning operations in a modest way. Through the intervening period of fifteen years the enterprise has grown and prospered under his able management until it now ranks with the most important sheet

metal and roofing concerns in this part of the state. Mr. Meyer is the sole owner of the business and is a self-made man whose success has come as the result of his enterprise, energy and clean business methods.

On the 10th of February, 1920, Mr. Meyer was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Young and representative of a highly respected Rochester family. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer have one son: William J., Jr., who was born in Rochester on July 30, 1923. Mr. Meyer belongs to Yonnondio Lodge No. 163, F. & A. M., and is a York Rite Mason who has also attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. His name is likewise on the membership rolls of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Builders Exchange of Rochester. In winning advancement in the business world he has at the same time gained the unqualified esteem and respect of those with whom he has been associated, as is attested by his high standing as both a business man and a citizen. His residence is at No. 68 McKinster street.

EDWARD A. WASHBURN.

Edward A. Washburn, who has been an active representative of the legal profession in Batavia since his admission to the bar in 1889, covering a period of thirty-five years, served on the bench as county judge and surrogate of Genesee county from 1901 until 1918. He was born in Randolph, Vermont, on the 21st of January, 1868, his parents being Julian J. and Martha (Bigelow) Washburn. The family comes of New England ancestry, dating back to the landing of the Mayflower in 1620. In the year 1877 Mr. and Mrs. Julian J. Washburn established their home in Batavia, New York.

Edward A. Washburn, who was a lad of nine years when he came with his parents to Genesee county, attended the public schools in the acquirement of an education and at the age of seventeen years entered the law office of George Bowen as a student. By the time he attained his majority he had qualified for law practice, being admitted to the bar in 1889. Through the intervening years he has gained a position of well-merited distinction as an attorney of Batavia and has been accorded a clientage of increasing volume and importance. Judicial honors came to him when he was elevated to the county bench in 1901, and his record as county judge and surrogate of Genesee county through the succeeding eighteen years is one of which he may well be proud. His opinions while on the bench showed great research, industry and care and challenged the approval of and commended themselves to the bench and the bar. Since his retirement from his judicial position his practice has been limited to corporate work and the management of estates and similar matters, and he rarely appears in court. Judge Washburn is a factor in financial circles as vice president of the First National Bank of Batavia and a director of the Bank of Elba, at Elba, Genesee county.

On the 6th of May, 1896, Judge Washburn was united in marriage to Miss Frances Virginia Marsh, daughter of James P. and Frances (Davis) Marsh of Chicago, Illinois. Judge and Mrs. Washburn have one daughter: Rowena Marsh Washburn.

ALBERT C. OLP.

Active in state and local politics, a lawyer with large practice who has been honored with state appointments, descendant of one of the oldest families of Livingston county, Albert C. Olp of Mount Morris handles a most extensive and important law practice. He was born at Mount Morris, on August 31, 1876, the son of John and Elizabeth (McKelvey) Olp. In 1831 Daniel Olp moved with his family to Livingston county from Mansfield, Warren county, New Jersey, and settled on land which he had previously purchased in the town of Mount Morris. The long journey was made by team, and Daniel Olp's first home in his new location was a log cabin. His only son, John, succeeded to the property and became a very successful farmer. John Olp was married on November 26, 1845, to Eliza Rockfellow, who died August 28, 1859, leaving two sons and two daughters. He was married in 1865, to Elizabeth McKelvey, by whom he had two sons: Frank J. and Albert C. of this review. Their mother passed away on June 7, 1894. Frank J. Olp was drowned in the Genesee river on July 11, 1889.

Albert C. Olp was educated in the public schools of Mount Morris and graduated

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from the high school in 1895, after which he entered the law office of the late J. M. Hastings, where he studied law until February, 1899, when he was admitted to the bar. Mr. Olp remained with Mr. Hastings as managing clerk until April 1, 1900, when he opened an office for himself in Mount Morris. On January 1, 1907, he began two years of service as deputy in the office of the attorney-general at Albany and on the conclusion of this service opened an office in Rochester. Mr. Olp is engaged the greater part of the time in Rochester but maintains as well his practice and clientele at Mount Morris.

Mr. Olp is one of the organizers of the Livingston County Bar Association and is a member of the Monroe County Bar Association. He was a candidate for the assembly against James W. Wadsworth, present United States senator, in 1909, but was defeated. Mr. Olp was chairman of the Livingston county democratic committee for ten years and for six years was a member of the New York State Democratic committee. In 1924 he was a delegate to the Democratic National convention and was very active in the support of the candidacy of Governor Alfred E. Smith for president. He served as a member of the Hudson-Fulton Commission from 1907 to 1909. Mr. Olp is a past master of Mount Morris Lodge No. 122, F. & A. M.; a past high priest of Mount Morris Chapter No. 137, R. A. M.; and a member of Cyrene Commandery No. 39, K. T. In religion he is a member of the Presbyterian church.

On April 14, 1914, Mr. Olp was married to Mabel Watson of Albany, New York, and their only child is Mary Frances Olp.

CHARLES A. VAN ARSDALE.

Charles A. Van Arsdale is at the head of one of the sound financial institutions of the Genesee country as president of the Bank of Castile, with which he has been continuously identified during the past quarter of a century and of which he has been the chief executive officer since 1917. The town of Castile numbers him among her leading and representative native sons, for it was here that he was born on the 24th of November, 1878, his parents being James H. and Clara A. R. (Davis) Van Arsdale. For more than three decades James H. Van Arsdale was successfully engaged in the furniture and undertaking business in Castile, where he passed away on the 11th of November, 1921, the community thus sustaining the loss of one of its highly esteemed and substantial citizens.

In the acquirement of an education Charles A. Van Arsdale attended the grammar and high schools in the place of his nativity, and in 1899, upon attaining his majority, he entered the service of the Bank of Castile in the capacity of bookkeeper. As he demonstrated his ability and trustworthiness in the faithful discharge of the duties assigned him, he was advanced from one position to another of increased responsibility and importance until in 1917 he assumed the presidency of the institution and has remained at its head to the present time. The Bank of Castile had its inception in 1868 as a branch of the Bank of Avon. The following year it became the property of George F. Pierce and Giles A. Davis, who purchased it for their sons, Henry A. Pierce and Edward Davis. These gentlemen conducted the institution as a private bank until the death of Edward Davis in 1871, after which Giles A. Davis was an associate of Henry A. Pierce until his own demise in 1897. Davis E. Van Arsdale, who succeeded Giles A. Davis in the latter year, remained active in the conduct of the bank until he disposed of his interests therein in 1902. J. Harry Van Arsdale, who became connected with the institution following his graduation from Lafayette College, has been continuously identified therewith to the present time as the successor of Henry A. Pierce, who filled the position of cashier from 1869 until his death in 1917. It was in 1917 that the Bank of Castile became a state institution, with the following officers: Charles A. Van Arsdale, president; Mrs. James H. Van Arsdale and Robert Holmes, vice presidents; J. Harry Van Arsdale, cashier; and Roy P. Kellogg, assistant cashier. The above named have remained in office to the present time. The Bank of Castile, which has a capital of thirty-five thousand dollars, with surplus of seven thousand dollars and undivided profits of eleven thousand dollars, serves more than two thousand people in this section.

On the 28th of December, 1905, in Castile, New York, Charles A. Van Arsdale was united in marriage to Miss Alice E. Phillips, daughter of William D. and Augusta (Paige) Phillips of Castile. Mr. and Mrs. Van Arsdale have one child: Vera A., who was born on the 17th of February, 1908, and is attending school in Castile.

Mr. Van Arsdale supports the democratic party where national questions and issues are involved but at local elections casts an independent ballot. He is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a trustee, and he also belongs to the Perry Club, to the Firemen's Club of Castile and to the Silver Lake Country Club. He is a member of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society and is executive secretary of the Letchworth Park committee of that organization. He is fond of outdoor sports, particularly golf and shooting, which afford him pleasurable recreation and bring renewed zest for the duties of the banking business. He enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance throughout the community in which his life has been spent.

HORACE I. KENDALL.

For more than a quarter of a century the name of Horace I. Kendall has figured prominently in commercial circles of Rochester in connection with the insurance business and also in the real estate field. He was born in Titusville, Pennsylvania, on the 6th of May, 1876, a son of Christopher A. and Julia (Cross) Kendall, the former a native of Massachusetts and the latter of New Hampshire. The father removed to Pennsylvania in the early '60s and became superintendent of a machine shop in Titusville, where his death occurred, but the mother passed away in Rochester.

Horace I. Kendall obtained his education in the grammar and high schools of his native town and in 1898, when a young man of twenty-two, he entered the general insurance business in Rochester. He has since been engaged in that line of business and is numbered among the representative insurance men of the city. Mr. Kendall's real estate activities have been resultant factors in the city's development. He is president of the Rochester Rebuilders Realty Company, the Kenwell Realty Company and the New Street Realty Company, while he is also treasurer of the Rochester Motor Terminal Company. He is regarded as an able business man, capable of grasping the possibilities of a situation, and conducts his affairs in a manner that has acquired a large and highly desirable clientele.

On the 5th of April, 1905, Mr. Kendall was married to Miss Nellie A. Vayo, a daughter of Charles A. and Adele E. Vayo of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall have four sons: Charles H., John C., Don V. and Paul C. Mr. Kendall is a trustee of the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary and a trustee of the Blocher Homes for the Aged in Williamsville, New York. He is a York and Scottish Rite Mason and is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and also the Washington Club. His long connection with the business and civic life of Rochester has brought him a wide acquaintanceship throughout the city and many of his best friends are those who have known him the longest. Mr. Kendall's residence is on Thomas avenue, Irondequoit.

THEODORE W. FINCH.

Theodore W. Finch, who until recently was operating in Rochester as head of the Finch Motor Car Company, manufacturers of special bodies for a popular motor car, and who is now engaged in the real estate business in that city, was born on a farm in Tompkins county, New York, June 28, 1885, and is a son of Frank A. and Ada (Slaght) Finch, the latter of whom, born in that same county, died in Trumansburg, New York, in 1898. Frank A. Finch, who now is engaged as a building contractor in Seneca county, also is a native of New York state, born in the city of Elmira. He formerly was engaged in farming in Tompkins county but for years past has been living in Seneca county. He has three children: Theodore W., of this review; Mrs. Catherine Adams, of Auburn, New York; and Harlan S. Finch, of Seneca Castle, New York.

Theodore W. Finch was but thirteen years of age when his mother died. His father later moved with his family to Seneca county and Theodore W. completed his education by two years work in high school in the latter county. As a young man he became engaged as a traveling salesman for a Cincinnati (Ohio) cigar company but found that an unprofitable connection and presently gave it up. In 1906, the year in which he attained his majority, he returned to Rochester with one dollar and twenty-five cents as his net capital and began working in the collar manufacturing



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plant of Cluett, Peabody & Company in that city. For two years Mr. Finch continued this connection and then transferred his services to the retail store of the New England Furniture Company in Rochester and for ten years thereafter was connected with that concern as a salesman.

In 1917 Mr. Finch became western New York distributor of special bodies for the Ford automobile and started in a modest way to carry out this plan with a small service station in Rochester. The enterprise proved successful and in 1919 he expanded the business by organizing the Finch Motor Car Company and in his extended plant at No. 208 Court street he developed quite a business along this line, displaying no fewer than eight different styles of bodies for Fords and creating a wide market for his products. In May, 1924, Mr. Finch took over the local distribution of a special spring (the Hyde) for automobiles and began to create a market for that commodity hereabout. He also for some time had been giving his incidental attention to the development of what gave promise of being a profitable real estate connection in Rochester, and in July, 1924, he sold his interest in the special body business he had built up and which as the Finch Motor Car Company has come to be a well established concern in Rochester, and has since been giving his whole attention to his rapidly developing real estate business and to the local distribution of the Hyde spring, with well appointed offices and salesroom at No. 523 Court street. Mr. Finch is a member of the United Commercial Travelers and has a wide acquaintance in trade circles throughout western New York.

FREDERICK E. McCARTY, M. D.

Dr. Frederick E. McCarty is engaged in the practice of surgery in Wellsville, and although one of the younger members of the medical fraternity of Allegany county, he has already attained a secure place in popular confidence and esteem, for he is thorough, conscientious and efficient in the discharge of his professional duties, being actuated by the desire to make his services of the greatest value to his community. He was born in Hilton, Monroe county, New York, April 20, 1893, and represents one of the pioneer families of the Genesee country. His grandparents, Eugene and Catherine (Sherette) McCarty, migrated from Canada to the United States, casting in their lot with the early settlers of Monroe county. Their son, E. J. McCarty, was born in 1866 in the town of Irondequoit, New York, near the city of Rochester, and passed away June 11, 1916, at the age of fifty. He followed horticultural pursuits, owning a valuable fruit farm in Monroe county, and was also a locomotive engineer in the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company. He married Miss Lois Baxter and they were the parents of Frederick E. McCarty of this review.

Frederick E. McCarty was graduated from the high school in Hilton, New York, in 1911, and then matriculated in the University of Buffalo, which in 1915 awarded him the M. D. degree. He spent a year and a half as interne at the Buffalo General Hospital and began his independent professional career in Wellsville in 1916. In 1917 he enlisted in the United States army, becoming a member of the Medical Corps, and was commissioned a first lieutenant. He was ordered overseas and served in France with the National Guard of Wisconsin and Michigan, a part of the Thirty-second Division. He was wounded in action on August 28, 1918, at the Vesle river, and received hospital treatment. After recovering from his injuries he returned to the front, participating in the Meuse-Argonne offensive with the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Infantry, which was attached to the Thirty-second Division. He went to Germany with the Army of Occupation and was discharged in June, 1919, as a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps. Returning to Wellsville, Dr. McCarty resumed his professional activities, and is now a member of the surgical staff of the Jones Memorial Hospital. He specializes in surgery and his skill is attested by the large practice accorded him.

On the 23d of August, 1916, Dr. McCarty was married to Miss Cornelia Margaret Hoefner of Buffalo, a daughter of Andrew and Mary (Roth) Hoefner. Dr. and Mrs. McCarty have two children: Frederick E., Jr., who was born September 9, 1918; and Mary Lois, born May 11, 1920. In politics Dr. McCarty is a democrat with independent views. He is a communicant of the Catholic church and belongs to the local council of the Knights of Columbus and to the Elks Lodge, No. 1495, at Wellsville, New York. His professional relations are with the Allegany County and New York State Medical Societies and he is also connected with Omega

Epsilon Phi, a college fraternity. He is a member of the Rotary, Brookland and Country Clubs of Wellsville, and for recreation turns to hunting, fishing and golf. His knowledge is comprehensive and his skill is of a high order, for he keeps in close touch with the scientific developments of the profession, and his sound and discriminating judgment directs the utilization of these in practice.

HERBERT S. PRESTON.

From a teacher in the rural schools to the responsible post of superintendent of schools of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, is the record of Herbert S. Preston, head of the Warsaw school system. Mr. Preston's rise is a just tribute to his rigorous study of educational methods and to the thorough grounding he acquired before entering upon his lifework. He was born in Barker, New York, February 22, 1883, the son of William and Louisa (Gathergood) Preston, the father being a farmer who has passed nearly all his life in that section of New York and is still living there. William Preston came to the United States in 1850 from England, with his parents and a grandfather, William, when he was five years of age.

Herbert S. Preston was educated in the district schools of the county and at the Lyndonville, New York, high school, from which he was graduated in 1902, after which he took one year of postgraduate work. From 1903 to 1907 Mr. Preston taught in rural schools of the district, and in 1908 entered Syracuse University at Syracuse, New York, graduating in 1911 with the degrees of Ph. B. and Pd. B. During the year 1918 he took postgraduate work at Columbia University, New York, from which he received his A. M. degree. From 1911 to 1914 Mr. Preston was principal of schools at Highland Falls, New York, and in the latter year became supervising principal of schools at Sidney, New York, a position which he held until 1918. He then went to Fort Plain, New York, in a similar capacity, remained there two years, and in 1920 was appointed to his present position as head of the Warsaw school system.

Mr. Preston was married on June 29, 1918, in Linden, Michigan, to Grace Pailthorp, daughter of Robert and Mary Pailthorp of Flint, Michigan. Mr. Preston has an active interest in all outdoor sports, and is especially interested in the promotion of clean high school sports, to which he devotes much of his spare time. When at Syracuse University he was a member of the football team and won his Block S in football there in the fall of 1910. He is a member of the National Education Association, the New York State Teachers Association and the Association of Academic Principals. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity of Syracuse University. Politically he is a republican, and in religion attends the Presbyterian church.

CLARA (PALMER) OLIVER.

Clara (Palmer) Oliver, a fine type of the modern business woman, is a manufacturer and retailer of hair goods and an acknowledged expert in matters pertaining to beauty culture. She has a large clientele in Rochester and the greater part of her life has been spent in the Flower city. She was born in Mendon, Monroe county, and represents old families of New York state. Her parents were William L. and Harriet (Smith) Palmer, the former a son of Jeremiah Palmer, Jr., and a grandson of Jeremiah Palmer, Sr., whose property was purchased from the Phelps-Gorham land grant. Her maternal grandparents, Thomas and Emeline J. Smith, lived in Wheatland, New York, and for several generations members of the Smith family have been residents of the Empire state, to which they migrated from Connecticut.

Clara Palmer obtained her education in Rochester and after completing her studies entered the employ of Charlotte Wilbur Griffin, a pioneer in the hair goods business. In this establishment she mastered every detail of the trade and in 1906 purchased the business, which she has greatly enlarged. It was founded in 1853 and for seventy-one years has been in continuous operation. Mrs. Oliver has made a scientific study of the lines in which she specializes and her assistants have been carefully trained, each being highly proficient in her work. She is very progressive in her ideas and her establishment is a model of its kind. While attending a convention in New York, Mrs. Oliver called on Dr. Emilie Storée, whose method of beauty



CLARA (PALMER) OLIVER

culture she became convinced was superior to all others, and made arrangements with the Doctor to come to Rochester and instruct her employes. Accordingly Dr. Storée spent each Monday in her establishment until the course was completed, carefully instructing each of the twenty-five operators in order that all might become experts in the work. The entire day was devoted to demonstration, the store being closed to the public, and Mrs. Oliver established a precedent for advanced business methods in Rochester. Hers is the only establishment in western New York in which patrons have the privilege of this remarkable treatment of lifting and hardening the muscles of the face and neck. She displays initiative, tact, foresight and a high order of executive ability in the supervision of the business, which is a large and growing one and represents a very high-class clientele. Business appealed to Mrs. Oliver in her early years more strongly than did the usual pastimes of children. She has acquired an expert knowledge of health and breath culture as a result of intensive study, close observation and the most learned instruction obtainable. She has taken courses under some of the most renowned specialists in this country, among them being Dr. Hanish of Los Angeles, California.

In 1899 Clara Palmer was united in marriage to George Austin Oliver. While an exceptionally successful business woman, Mrs. Oliver has also found time for cultural development and belongs to the Zonta Club, the Woman's City Club and the Rochester Business and Professional Women's Club. She is deserving of much credit for what she has accomplished, for her achievements have resulted from hard work and a correct utilization of her time, talents and opportunities. She is the possessor of a pleasing personality, much charm of manner, and those traits of character which inspire admiration, esteem and friendship.

LEONARD TREMAN.

The business career of Leonard Treman is a record of continuous progress that has brought him from a minor position to the important office of northern sales agent for the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company, with headquarters in Rochester, and his identification with this corporation covers a period of thirty-one years. He was born in Trumansburg, Tompkins county, New York, April 5, 1852, a son of Erastus R. and Mary (Buck) Treman, who were lifelong residents of the Empire state. The father was born in Trumansburg and there followed the occupation of farming until death terminated his labors. The mother was a native of Cortland county and passed away in Rochester at the age of eighty-one years. Mr. Treman's paternal grandfather, Abner Treman, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, with an active service of over five years in the New York Line, and took part in the Sullivan expedition into the Genesee country. He was the pioneer settler at Trumansburg and the village was named in his honor. Through a mistake in making out the commission of the first postmaster, the name of the place became Trumansburg, although previously known as Tremansburg.

Leonard Treman received his education in the public schools of Trumansburg and came to Rochester in 1880 as a clerk in the freight department of the New York Central Railroad Company, becoming chief clerk in the coal traffic department in 1882. When the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company established its northern agency in 1893, Mr. Treman was offered and accepted the position of chief clerk, in which capacity he served until 1912, when he was appointed general northern sales agent, his territory comprising New York state west of the Hudson river, and the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario in Canada.

In Cortland county, New York, on February 18, 1890, Mr. Treman was married to Miss Minnie B. Carr, a daughter of D. W. Carr. Mr. and Mrs. Treman have become the parents of four children, all of whom are natives of Rochester: Leonard C., the oldest, was born in 1892 and in 1914, when twenty-two years of age, was graduated from Cornell University. He enlisted for service in the World war and for two and one half years was a member of the Ambulance Corps of the French army. He received his honorable discharge in 1919 and is now engaged in the coal business in Rochester. In Paris, France, he was married to Miss Marguerite du Jardine, and they have two children: Leonard, (III), and Jeanne; Amy L. Treman is a graduate of the University of Rochester and resides in Yonkers, New York. She is the wife of Thomas E. Milliman and they have a family of two children, Leonard Treman and Mary Louise Milliman; Mildred B., now Mrs. C. Dana Swingley completed a course in the Mechanics Institute of Rochester and resides in this

city; Adelaide, the youngest of the children, is a student at the University of Rochester.

Mr. Treman is one of the Sons of the American Revolution, being eligible to membership in this society in both the paternal and maternal lines, and is also identified with the Knights of Pythias. He is an energetic member of the Chamber of Commerce, in thorough accord with the aims and purposes of that organization, and faithfully follows the teachings of the Brighton Presbyterian church, with which he is affiliated. Although he has reached an age when most men rest from their labors, Mr. Treman is still an active factor in the world's work, deriving pleasure from the discharge of his daily tasks. His mental and physical powers are well preserved, for his life has been rightly lived, and the respect accorded him is well deserved. Mr. Treman's residence is at No. 36 Corwin road.

JOHN WEINMANN, JR., M. D.

Dr. John Weinmann, an able exponent of the homeopathic school of medicine, is engaged in practice at Leicester and is also the possessor of histrionic ability. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, March 10, 1891, a son of John and Lina (Himmel) Weinmann, the former of whom is still living in that city. After his graduation from the Eastern District high school of Brooklyn, Dr. Weinmann attended the Long Island Business College and the New York Preparatory School, subsequently entering the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, from which he received the degree of Ph. G. in 1911. In 1917 he was awarded the M. D. degree by the New York Homeopathic Medical College and afterward spent nine months as an interne in the Highland Hospital of Rochester. In April, 1918, during the progress of the World war, Dr. Weinmann became a medical lieutenant at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, and was there stationed for eighteen months. He practiced in Rochester, New York, for five months and for a like period was connected with the medical staff of Highland Hospital of that city. In November, 1920, he opened an office in Leicester and in the intervening period his practice has grown steadily as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his skill in coping with disease.

Dr. Weinmann is a member of the Livingston County and New York State Medical Societies and the American Institute of Homeopathy. Has been health officer of Leicester since 1921. He is a republican in his political convictions and along fraternal lines is connected with the Masonic order. He is the possessor of much dramatic talent and has furnished the residents of the county with many enjoyable entertainments. He is popular socially and his ability and conscientious effort are bringing him rapidly to the front in his profession.

EGBERT DEXTER CORSON.

Egbert Dexter Corson, a successful publisher and manufacturer, has been a resident of Lockport for thirty years and has earned the right to classification with its most useful and influential citizens. He was born November 3, 1884, in Wappingers Falls, Dutchess county, New York, and comes of colonial stock. His parents, Frederick W. and Alice H. (Carr) Corson, were both of English lineage. The father was born in Augusta, Maine, in 1847, and the mother in Fort Plain, New York, in 1849.

Robert Dexter Corson supplemented his public school training by study in the University of Pennsylvania, which he left in 1907, at the close of his junior year, owing to the death of his father. He has lived in Lockport since 1894 and is widely and favorably known in Niagara county, in which practically his entire life has been passed. He has a finely equipped printing plant, and everything that indicates progress in the "art preservative" is found in his establishment. He is president of the Union Sun & Journal, issued in Lockport, and of La Hacienda, an export magazine, published in Buffalo in two editions, Spanish and Portuguese. He is also guiding the destiny of the American Garage & Auto Dealer, an automotive magazine printed in Buffalo, and is likewise the executive head of the Corson Manufacturing Company, makers of paper boxes. Mr. Corson is an exceptionally capable business man and has prospered in his various undertakings, for his plans are carefully formulated and in their execution he is prompt and decisive.



DR. JOHN WEINMANN, JR.

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In Lockport, on January 6, 1916, Mr. Corson was married to Miss Katharine Cady Weaver, who was born in this city, October 18, 1886, a daughter of Francis Phelps and Catherine Antoinette (Cady) Weaver, both of whom are deceased. The Cady family was among the earliest to settle in New England and members of the Weaver family were pioneers in the development of western New York. Mr. and Mrs. Corson have three children: Catharine Alice, Peter and Antoinette Cady.

Mr. Corson is a vestryman of Grace Episcopal church of Lockport and gives his political allegiance to the democratic party. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Red Jacket Lodge, F. & A. M.; Ames Chapter, R. A. M.; to Buffalo Consistory of the Scottish Rite, in which he has taken the thirty-second degree; and Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo. He is a member of the Tuscarora and Country Clubs of Lockport, the Buffalo Athletic Club of Buffalo, the Niagara Club of Niagara Falls, and the Pennsylvania Club of New York city. He is also connected with the Lockport Board of Commerce and was formerly one of its directors.

LEROY J. SKINNER.

An attorney of more than a quarter of a century of experience in Medina, New York, and a patriotic citizen who has served his country well in time of peace and war, is LeRoy J. Skinner. Just when he was starting in his law practice the Spanish-American war broke out and he left his home to become a military officer. He is also a veteran of the World war and is now on the Reserve Corps, holding the rank of captain. He was born in Medina, Orleans county, New York, on the 25th of August, 1871, his parents being William G. and Frances (Janes) Skinner. The father, who was born in Whittlesea, Cambridgeshire, England, in 1828, was a lad of eight summers when in 1836 he accompanied his parents on their emigration to the United States, the voyage being made in one of the old-time sailing and packet boats. The family home was established in Medina, New York. William G. Skinner became a journeyman cobbler and went from house to house making and repairing shoes until at length he opened a retail boot and shoe store in Medina. When he passed away, in 1908, the community mourned the loss of one of its substantial and highly esteemed citizens. In early manhood he wedded Miss Frances Janes, a native of Connecticut, where her father was a pioneer in the cutlery business. She came to the Empire state with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Janes, who took up their abode in Livingston county.

In the acquirement of an education LeRoy J. Skinner attended and graduated from the high school in Medina, while his professional training was received in the law department of Cornell University, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1895. He was admitted to the bar in 1896 and during the succeeding two years was a clerk in the law offices of John J. Ryan and S. E. Filkins. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American war Mr. Skinner immediately enlisted for military service and was commissioned a lieutenant of the Third Regiment. Subsequently he was promoted to the rank of captain and was attached to the staff of General George B. Davis, commanding the Second Division, Second Army Corps. During the period of the World war he was a captain in the Reserve, organized companies for home defense and served as drill instructor. He also did secret service work and had gone to an army training camp when the signing of the armistice ended the international strife. He had been made a captain in the Seventy-fourth Infantry and later in the One Hundred and Eighth Infantry. He did commendable work as summary court officer of this section and also as a Four-Minute man. He was a captain in the National Guard and has organized three companies of troops, and it was largely due to his efforts that the Armory was built in Medina.

Following the close of the Spanish-American war Mr. Skinner began law practice in Medina, in association with John J. Ryan as junior member of the firm of Ryan & Skinner. Since the death of his partner in 1921, Mr. Skinner has followed his profession independently, practicing in both state and national courts and being accorded a clientele of large and lucrative proportions that eloquently attests his ability. He has membership in the Orleans County Bar Association and in the New York State Bar Association. Mr. Skinner was one of the organizers and is a director of the Central Bank of Medina and is identified with a number of other corporations and business interests here. He enjoys an enviable reputation as one of the successful attorneys and representative citizens of his native county. He is an active worker

in any movement for community welfare and is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity. He is an independent democrat in politics.

In 1902 Mr. Skinner was united in marriage to Miss Jessie K. Lee of Albion, daughter of Jerome Lee and representative of one of the oldest and best known families in Orleans county. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner are the parents of two children: Lee J., who is a member of the class of 1926 at Cornell University; and Gertrude L., now in the Medina high school.

WILLIAM R. VAN CAMPEN.

Since his admission to the bar only a small fraction of the time of William R. Van Campen of Belmont, Allegany county, New York, has been devoted to what is called general practice. Nearly all of Mr. Van Campen's legal knowledge has been exercised in the service of corporations or in behalf of bodies created by the government for specific purposes, and which require legal counsel to govern and guide them in their proper functions. Mr. Van Campen is a recognized authority on railroad valuations, and his time is almost entirely occupied in this work. He has a local practice which is only circumscribed in its extent by the time he sees fit to apply to its care. He was born February 24, 1885, in Belmont, the son of Frank and Betty (Richardson) Van Campen. Both parents are living, and William R. is the second of their three children, and the last male, excepting his son, William R., Junior, to carry on the name, there being six generations who have lived in Belmont.

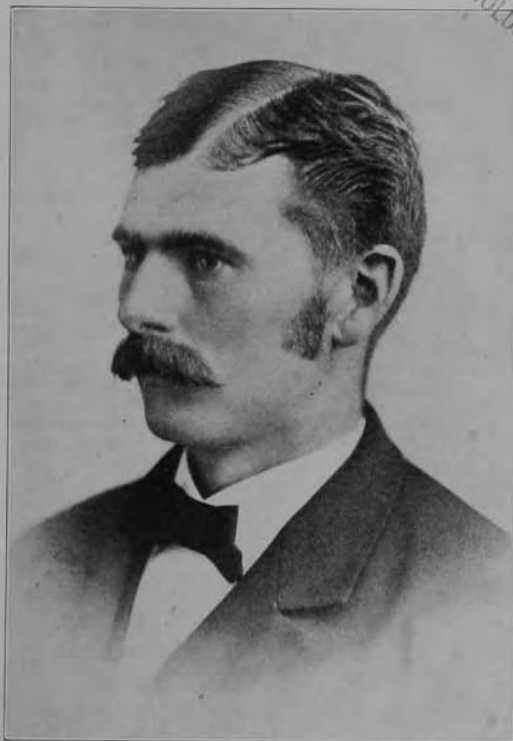
William R. Van Campen was educated in the grade and high schools of Belmont, graduating from the latter in 1903, after which he entered the Albany Law School at Albany, New York, was graduated in 1908, and was admitted to the bar in the same year. Until 1910 Mr. Van Campen practiced law in Wellsville, New York, and then accepted an appointment as attorney in the land and tax department of the Erie Railroad Company, occupying this position until 1915. He then became assistant valuation attorney of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the eastern district, remaining in this position until 1917, when he accepted the appointment of land attorney for the eastern group, Railway Presidents Conference Committee on Federal Valuation of Railroads, a position he has held continuously since, in addition to special retainers as counsel for the Erie Railroad, the Buffalo and Susquehanna and Wheeling and Lake Erie.

On August 23, 1911, Mr. Van Campen was married to Florence Meyer of Buffalo, and their three children are: Dorothy, William R., Jr., and Helen. Mr. Van Campen is a member of the Allegany County Bar Association, is president of the Belmont Club, and is a member of Delta Chi, an active law fraternity. He is affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and other fraternities. He is a Presbyterian, and his political ideals find their expression in the republican party, in which he has become active both in local and state work and has held many delegation and committee assignments. Mr. Van Campen frankly admits his fondness for fishing and hunting, and in this work he has done more to stock and replenish the fields and streams of Allegany county than any one man in the county.

GEORGE HUBERT CAYFORD.

George Hubert Cayford, widely known through his activities in the garage and livery business, in which he was the pioneer in Rochester, was removed from his sphere of usefulness on the 20th of June, 1920, at the age of seventy years, and his death was deeply mourned by a large circle of loyal friends as well as by the members of his immediate family, for he was a good citizen and a man of exemplary character. He was born in Bath, England, April 17, 1850, and received his education in his native land. He came to the New World in search of broader opportunities and when a young man of twenty-two years arrived in Rochester. He secured a position as driver with the Freeman Clarke family and when he had accumulated sufficient capital embarked in the livery business, establishing a small stable in the city. The venture proved a success from its inception and from time to time he enlarged the business in order to meet the demands of the trade. Mr. Cayford kept thoroughly abreast of the times, replacing his horses and carriages with high-powered automo-

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biles and installing the best and most modern equipment. He was exceptionally well informed on everything pertaining to his chosen line of activity and acquired an unassailable reputation for business integrity and ability; maintaining at all times a position of leadership in his line. The business is situated at Nos. 32-36 North Union street and is now operated by Mr. Cayford's sons—young men of enterprise and ability. They built, in 1924, a large garage, the most up-to-date structure of the kind in the city, and under their progressive management the continuous growth of the business is assured.

In 1878, in Mount Morris, New York, Mr. Cayford was married to Miss Frances Cornelia Falls, a daughter of John and Mary (McGuire) Falls. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Cayford: Mary Elizabeth, George H., John and Raymond. The last named married Rhea Stoup and they have a son, Raymond Cayford, Jr. Mr. Cayford was a republican in his political convictions and along fraternal lines was identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He attended Christ Episcopal church and contributed liberally toward its support. He enjoyed travel and made six trips abroad, visiting many parts of the world. He was a keen observer and his mind was greatly enriched by his experiences in foreign lands. Mr. Cayford was loyal to the country of his adoption and the welfare and progress of his city was a matter in which he took much personal pride. His life was one of quiet devotion to duty, crowned with successful achievement, and the sterling traits in his character established him high in public regard.

CHARLES SUMNER SWETT.

Charles Sumner Swett, vice president of the A. L. Swett Iron Works, is the eldest son of the late Albert L. Swett, extended mention of whom is made elsewhere in this publication. After leaving school Charles Sumner Swett was for a number of years identified with the A. L. Swett Iron Works and then assumed the duties of manager of the Western New York Utilities Company, Incorporated.

On the 27th of February, 1906, Mr. Swett was married to Anna V. Brooks, daughter of Joseph and Hartley (Welch) Brooks of Medina. Mr. and Mrs. Swett have one daughter, Alice Brooks.

CHARLES G. JAMES.

Charles G. James of Hornell, New York, combines the rare gifts of ability to be a successful business man and an author. Not only has he developed his florist business to the point where it is the largest in his section of the state, but he has contributed to magazines of national reputation and has found time to aid in public affairs, especially in school matters. He is of English birth, born in Wells, England, near the city of Bath, June 9, 1866, and his family were large landholders in England.

Charles G. James attended the English schools until thirteen years old and then came to America, but returned to the Mother country in a short time. When he was seventeen he came back to this country to spend the rest of his life. Soon after arriving in the States he went to Kansas City, where he worked in the Union Pacific Shops for two years, and he lived in Chicago for a year and later in Buffalo, there being employed by the Wagner Sleeping Car Company. He came to Hornell in 1893, and started a dyeing and cleaning business. He made a great study of this art, including chemistry, and he wrote the first article ever published on the subject of dry cleaning, and is a contributor to National Cleaner and Dyer. Twenty years later he launched the florist enterprise and now has a plant in Wellsville, as well as in Hornell. In both cities he has greenhouses and stores and he employs thirteen people.

Although Mr. James had little opportunity for an early education he has been a great reader and student all his life and takes a special interest in the school system of this country. He has become a writer of note, and has had stories accepted by Good Housekeeping, the Delineator, the Woman's Home Companion and other magazines. He wrote "Galilee" and several other excellent poems. He is broad-minded, a liberal thinker and an idealist and yet a good business man. This combination is extremely rare but in Mr. James' case has worked to perfection. All of his writings are strong, clear and concise and his poetry has high merit.

Mr. James was married to Annie J. Smith on April 16, 1890, in Tioga county, Pennsylvania, and they have three sons: Harold, who has charge of the Wellsville plant; Howard, manager of the Hornell store; and Gordon who is in the greenhouses with his father. Mr. James is a member of the official board of his church and has been for years.

In speaking of Mr. James as a candidate for school trustee, the issue of the Hornell Evening Times for July 12, 1924, has this to say—a fitting tribute:

"It is a source of much satisfaction that the citizens of Hornell have been able to persuade Charles G. James to become a candidate for the position of school trustee. When men of the calibre of Mr. James are willing to sacrifice their time and attention to school welfare it speaks well for the future of the school system. Mr. James is himself a scholar, as well as a sound and level-headed business man. It would be hard to find a better equipped man than Mr. James for this position.

"When such high-minded and capable men as Charles G. James are willing to devote their time to public problems the community can do no more than to make the selection unanimous."

FRANK FREY.

Frank Frey is a prominent young architect of Rochester and his skill has been utilized for the benefit of his native city, while his well-directed efforts have also resulted in the attainment of individual prosperity. He was born May 13, 1889, a son of Henry and Josephine (Gropp) Frey, who migrated from the Old World to the New. The father was a well known manufacturer of Rochester and passed away in 1922. The mother is still a resident of the city. They were the parents of two sons, Henry and Frank, both of whom are living in Rochester.

Frank Frey attended St. Joseph's parochial school and afterward became a student in the Mechanics Institute of Rochester, in which he completed a course in architecture. After his graduation he entered the office of Claude Bragdon, widely known as a designer of theatres and other public structures, and remained in his training for seven years, during which period he gained valuable experience. Mr. Frey has since practiced his profession independently and examples of his handiwork are seen in many of the finest public buildings in the city. He specializes on ecclesiastical architecture. He drew the plans for St. George's, St. Andrew's, St. Ambrose's and St. Thomas' Catholic churches and also designed the Sacred Heart school building, the Corpus Christi school building, St. Bernard's Seminary ambulatory, the First Evangelical church, and the Elks Club. His work is an ornament to the city and a most important feature in its substantial improvement. During the World war Mr. Frey enlisted in the United States navy and was assistant naval constructor at the Great Lakes training station in 1918-19.

In Rochester, on September 16, 1914, Mr. Frey was united in marriage to Miss Minna Stevens, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stevens of Utica, New York. Mr. Frey is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church and has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Elks, the Chamber of Commerce, the Archaeological Society, the American Legion, and the Automobile and Ad Clubs of Rochester, while his professional connections are with the National Engineering Society and the American Architectural Society. His many friends in the city have watched his career with much interest, rejoicing in his success, and the nature of the projects with which he has been identified indicates most clearly his high professional standing. His residence is at No. 45 Randolph street.

ARTHUR M. SEE.

Arthur M. See, secretary-manager of the Eastman School of Music, is well qualified by experience, training and talent for this responsible office, and although young in years, he has already become a personality in musical circles of Rochester and western New York. He was born in Hudson Falls, this state, November 6, 1889, a son of De Witt Clinton and Adelaide Frances (Bebeer) See, who were also natives of New York. The father was a prosperous merchant in Hudson Falls and later in Rochester. He passed away in 1922, but the mother's death occurred in 1909. Two children were born to them: Arthur M.; and Clarence D., whose home is in Minneapolis, Minnesota.



FRANK FREY

Arthur M. See completed a course in the East high school of this city and then matriculated in the University of Rochester, which in 1912 awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Science. He next became a piano student in the Rochester Institute of Musical Art and was graduated with the class of 1916. This was followed by a two-year course in Boston, Massachusetts, and in 1918 he returned to this city, becoming secretary and a member of the faculty of the Institute of Musical Art, which institution was purchased by George Eastman and formed the basis of the Eastman School of Music. Mr. See became the secretary-manager of this latter institution. Previous to the foundation of the Eastman School Mr. See conducted several series of concerts in the former Genesee Valley Club and Convention Hall. The Eastman School of Music ranks with the leading conservatories of the country, and Mr. See's services have proven of great value to the school, to whose interests he is devoted. At a banquet recently given by the New York Federation of Music Clubs at the Ten Eyck Hotel in Albany, Mr. See was invited to speak on the musical activities of the Eastman School of Music and his address was both interesting and instructive.

In Rochester, on August 11, 1919, Mr. See was married to Miss Genevieve Kraemer, a daughter of Charles Kraemer. She is a native of Bordeaux, France, and a graduate of the university of that city. Mr. See belongs to the Delta Epsilon fraternity and to the Corner and Automobile Clubs. He works for the industrial growth of his city as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and influences its cultural development through his connection with the Eastman School of Music and the Rochester Art Gallery. His musical talent has brought him prominently before the public and his earnestness of purpose, sincerity of manner and stability of character have established him high in public regard. His residence is at No. 66 Macbeth street.

FRANK EBENEZER RICHART.

Frank Ebenezer Richart, who has won success in the oil fields of the Wellsville district of Allegany county, is a typical business man of the present age, quick to perceive an emergency and equally quick in devising a plan to meet it; keenly alive to the possibilities of any proposition and actuated at all times by an accurate sense of business exigency. He was born in Dushore, Sullivan county, Pennsylvania, August 23, 1873, a son of Oscar G. and Jennie Cornelia (Vaughan) Richart, who were married in 1864. The mother was a daughter of Daniel and Martha (Ross) Vaughan and a member of one of the oldest families of Vermont. Her parents migrated from that state to Sullivan county, Pennsylvania, and her father fought in the War of 1812, while her grandfather was one of Ethan Allan's Green Mountain Boys. Oscar G. Richart was born near Williamsport, Pennsylvania, in 1837 and first followed the trade of a wheelwright, later conducting an undertaking establishment. Toward the close of the year 1863 he enlisted in the Union army and went with General Sherman's army on the historic march from Atlanta to the sea.

Frank Ebenezer Richart attended the high school in Monroeton, Pennsylvania, and afterward took up the study of pharmacy, becoming a registered pharmacist. He was identified with the drug business in Towanda, Pennsylvania, from 1895 until 1900 and has since been a resident of Wellsville. In that year he purchased the H. B. Sutphen drug store, which he successfully conducted for many years. He sold the business in 1918, having decided to devote his entire attention to the oil industry, with which he had become identified in 1902 as a partner of M. D. Haskins and L. H. Richardson. In 1916, together with H. P. Jack of Hornell and E. C. Brown of Wellsville, they bought the Riley Allen properties at Allentown, New York, and organized the Ebenezer Oil Company, of which Mr. Richart is secretary, treasurer and manager. They have been very successful in their operations and Mr. Richart is largely responsible for the prestige which the firm enjoys today. He is well informed on all matters pertaining to the business and his keen powers of discernment are supplemented by administrative ability. He also has financial interests and is a member of the board of directors of the First Trust Company of Wellsville.

On the 2d of December, 1896, Mr. Richart was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Christine Dallas of Towanda, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Alfred and Euphemia (Reid) Dallas. Mr. Richart lends political support to the republican party. He served as master of the Wellsville Lodge of Masons in 1909-10 and is a Noble of Ismailia Shrine at Buffalo. He also belongs to the Rotary Club, and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Wellsville Country Club and

the Brookland Rod and Gun Club. He enjoys outdoor sports and his appearance testifies to the fact. Mr. Richart is appreciative of the social amenities of life and his personal qualities are such as make for strong and enduring friendship.

WILLIAM F. KELLY.

From an early age the life of William F. Kelly has been one of unabating industry and he is now reaping the reward of his labors, which have found expression in the development of a large nursery business. He is one of Dansville's native sons and loyal citizens and was born August 9, 1873, of the union of James Kelly and Katherine Healy, the former of whom is deceased.

William F. Kelly has been identified with the nursery business ever since, when a boy of ten, he entered the employ of George A. Sweet, one of the pioneers in this field of activity, and he remained in Mr. Sweet's service for a decade. His first planting was done in 1892 and in that year he formed a partnership with his brother, James A. Kelly, with whom he has since been associated. They are growers of fruit trees, ornamental shrubs and trees, and a few choice varieties of roses. Since its inception the business has grown rapidly and the Kelly Brothers Nurseries are known throughout the east and middle west, owing to their extensive catalogue advertising and the high quality of their stock. They are enterprising, sagacious business men, well informed on all modern developments in their line of activity, and their success has been founded on hard work and honest dealing.

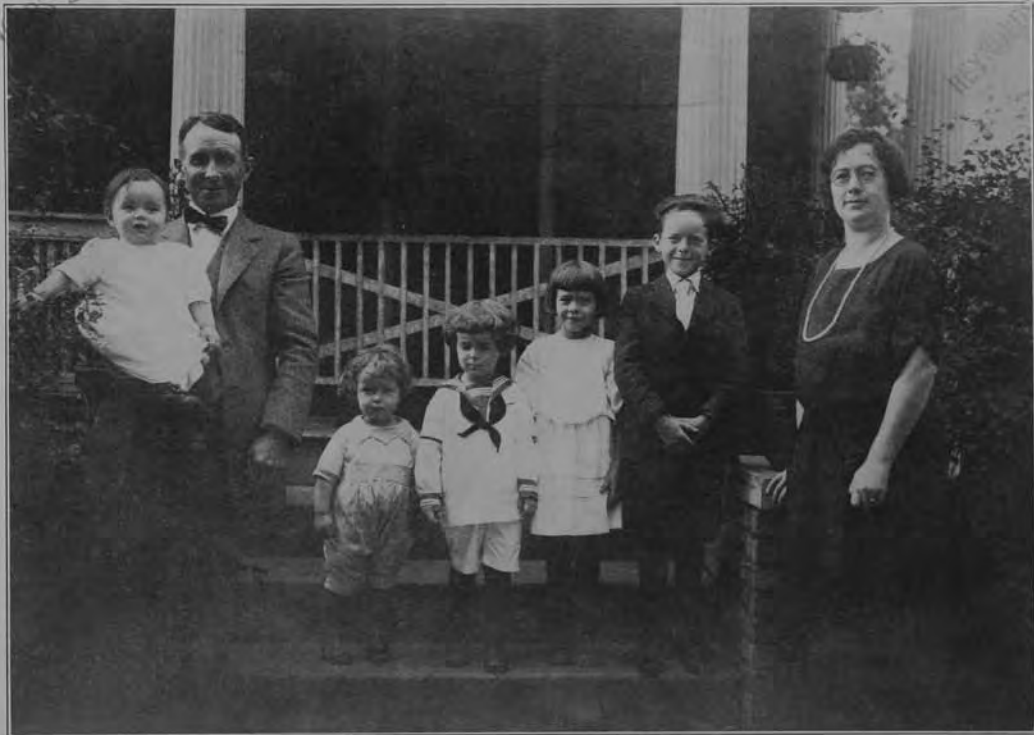
On June 30, 1913, William F. Kelly was married to Miss Agnes B. Coultury of Mount Morris, New York, and they have five children: John W., Mary A., Edward T., William F., Jr., and Eloise L. Mr. Kelly is a member of St. Patrick's church and is a past grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, while his political support is given to the republican party. He is broad in his views, progressive in his ideas and high in his ideals—a fine type of the modern business man—and the respect which is uniformly accorded him is well merited.

MARTYN SUMMERBELL, LL. D.

Dr. Martyn Summerbell was a representative of the Christian ministry for more than two decades before entering upon educational work as president of Starkey Seminary at Lakemont, of which he has thus remained at the head for the past twenty-seven years. He was born in Naples, Ontario county, New York, on the 20th of December, 1847, the son of a minister of the gospel. He attended the Union Christian College in his youth and was a young man of about twenty-four years when he was graduated from the College of the City of New York with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, as a member of the class of 1871. Three years later the latter institution conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, while as a member of the class of 1889 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from New York University.

It was in 1867 that Martyn Summerbell was ordained a minister of the Christian church. The previous year he had accepted the pastorate of the Church of the Evangel in Brooklyn, New York, and he filled that pulpit for fourteen years, while from 1880 until 1886 he preached in Fall River, Massachusetts. During the succeeding two years he was pastor of the St. Paul Evangelical church in New York city and then in 1888 became pastor of the Main Street Free Baptist church in Lewiston, Maine, where he thus continued until assuming the presidency of Starkey Seminary at Lakemont, New York, in 1898. He has remained at its head through the intervening years and his efforts have constituted a potent force in maintaining the high standards of this splendid educational institution. Dr. Summerbell also is vice president of Defiance College at Defiance, Ohio. He has the distinction of being the oldest member of the New York East Conference of the Christian church, which he joined in 1866. Nor in the field of literature is his name unknown, for he is the author of several religious works and has made frequent contributions to religious magazines, while on the lecture platform he has gained deserved popularity.

In 1872 Dr. Summerbell was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Corwith of Brooklyn, New York. They have become the parents of seven children: Ray, the eldest, attended Bates College of Lewiston, Maine, and engaged in the profession of



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teaching for several years prior to her marriage. She is now the wife of Frederick J. Chase, proprietor of the business conducted under the name of the Kansas City Overall Company in Kansas City, Missouri, where Mr. Chase is also engaged in law practice; Flora Summerbell, pursued the high school course in Lewiston, Maine, and continued her studies for a time in Bates College of that city. She is now doing creditable work in the educational field as registrar and dean of women of Starkey Seminary; Grace is the wife of Carl S. Coffin, a practicing dentist of Pittsfield, Maine, and is the mother of two children, Elizabeth and William. Both she and her husband graduated from Bates College of Lewiston, Maine, as members of the class of 1900; Ferris Summerbell was graduated from Bates College in 1900, also attended medical school in Kansas City for one year and after completing the medical course in the Maryland General Hospital of Baltimore, received the degree of M. D. Later he spent two years as an interne in this hospital. He is now physician and surgeon for a lumber company at Nahma, Michigan. To him and his wife, who bore the maiden name of Josephine King and who was formerly a teacher of Nahma, have been born five children, Martyn King, Richard, Jean and Patricia and Margaret, twins; Laura, the fifth child of Dr. Martyn Summerbell, also was graduated from Bates College and taught in the English department of Starkey Seminary for six years. She pursued an advanced course in Columbia University and subsequently became a teacher of French in Birmingham, Alabama. She was married to Robert Spence, and lived with him happily for two years, when she died from tuberculosis; Edith attended Starkey Seminary of Lakemont, New York, and Mount Holyoke College of South Hadley, Massachusetts, prior to entering Oberlin College at Oberlin, Ohio, of which institution she is a graduate. She pursued a course in physical education and was engaged as an instructor for one year in Oberlin, Ohio, and for two years in Washington, D. C. By her marriage to Richard H. Long, who is engaged in the fire insurance business in New York city, she has two children, Betty and Mary; Sidney Summerbell, who was invalidated by paralysis in youth and has never been able to walk since that time, is under the parental roof.

Dr. Summerbell is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity and belongs to the Phi Beta Kappa Greek letter society. He is one of the vice presidents of the Burbank Society. His work has been a valuable contributing factor to the moral and intellectual advancement of the communities in which he has lived and labored.

STANLEY F. BOOTH.

Stanley F. Booth, who has long been closely identified with Wellsville's growth and development, has won success in the oil and lumber industries, as well as in the field of finance, and like most of the men who figure prominently in business circles of this district, he has risen to the top through hard work and the ability to perceive and grasp opportunities. He was born January 23, 1853, in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, a son of Charles S. and Jane F. (Foster) Booth, who were married October 5, 1844. Charles S. Booth was born in 1821 and about 1835 went to the Dansville district of Livingston county, New York, with his father, Prosper A. Booth, but after his marriage he removed to Crawford county, Pennsylvania. Like his father, he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits and his death occurred in 1893, when he was seventy-two years of age.

The district schools of his native county afforded Stanley F. Booth his educational advantages and when eighteen years of age he obtained work in a sawmill, in which he was employed for three years. After his father's death he took charge of the home farm in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, and for six years his time was given to its cultivation and improvement. In the fall of 1881 he arrived in Richburg, Allegany county, reaching that district soon after the oil fields were opened. He entered the service of the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, with which he remained for fourteen years, and during this period invested his savings in oil lands. From 1896 until 1917 Mr. Booth operated as an independent producer but in the latter year sold the bulk of his oil properties, realizing a good profit from his investments. He was interested financially in the organization of the Moore Turbine Company in Wellsville in 1916, and has since been vice president and treasurer of the firm, while Maynard D. Church is serving as its president. They are manufacturers of steam turbines, centrifugal pumps and reduction gears and Mr. Booth's business acumen and ripe experience have been essential elements in the upbuilding of the industry, which is now in a

prosperous condition. He is regarded as an authority on financial matters and for the past two years has been chairman of the board of directors of the First Trust Company, to whose success he has materially contributed.

Mr. Booth was married on October 5, 1875, to Miss Clara B. McCray of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, and they have become the parents of two children: Georgiana was born November 17, 1887, and became the wife of Lemuel M. Rockwell, now a salesman for a life insurance firm. They reside in Elmira, New York, and have two children, Claribel and Hobart H.; Lina B. Booth was born January 27, 1891, and was married to James Caleb Smith, who is engaged in the manufacture of hosiery. They live in Seneca Falls, New York, and have a son, Booth Smith.

Mr. Booth has always been a strong advocate of prohibition and his political support is given to the republican party, while his religious faith is indicated by his affiliation with the Methodist Episcopal church. He has discharged every duty and obligation of life to the best of his ability and is recognized as a man of substantial worth, honor and integrity being the keynote of his character.

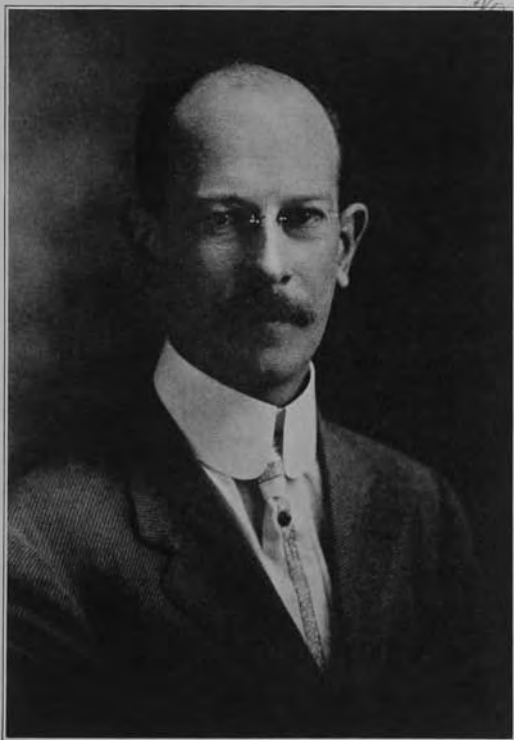
HENDRIK VAN INGEN.

The romance of creating and building takes strong hold of men's imagination and many willingly devote a lifetime to their chosen vocation with no thought of wealth or profit beyond that which naturally follows worthy achievement. Of this high type of manhood was Hendrik van Ingen, who for twenty-one years was head of the department of architecture of the Mechanics Institute and left as a heritage to Rochester and its citizens many beautiful and enduring monuments to his professional skill and ability. His life's labors were ended on the 1st of December, 1923, and his death was a distinct loss to the city with whose upbuilding and improvement he had long been closely and prominently associated.

Hendrik van Ingen was born January 22, 1871, in the old Vassar homestead in Poughkeepsie, New York, the second son of Henry and Josephine (Koelman) van Ingen, both of whom were natives of The Netherlands. The father was born in the palace at The Hague, in which the family were living at that time, and there in later years he established a studio. King William of Holland was much interested in the young artist and purchased at least one of his paintings. In later life Henry van Ingen migrated to the United States, having a studio in New York city and in the Arcade building of Rochester. Settling in Poughkeepsie, he became widely known in art circles of the east. He served as the first director of the art school at Vassar College and was the first lecturer on the theory of art in this country. He was a talented artist and a man of high intellectual attainments.

Hendrik van Ingen attended private schools of Poughkeepsie and the Pratt Institute at Brooklyn. He received much of his art education in his father's studio but had no desire to become an artist, his bent being toward architecture. In order to obtain first-hand experience and knowledge of the problems involved in construction he went to Tampa, Florida, with an architect and laid brick and did other actual work of construction on the Tampa Bay Hotel. After his return to the north he enrolled as a student in Pratt Institute and at the age of twenty-one became a member of its faculty. He was connected with the Institute for about six years and then entered the office of William J. Beardsley at Poughkeepsie as a designer and renderer of water colors. While thus employed Mr. van Ingen made the original designs of a number of private and public buildings in Poughkeepsie, including those for the Dutchess county courthouse. His first drawings were for a Dutch colonial which fitted in admirably with the atmosphere of the old Dutch town, but the commissioners would not appropriate sufficient money to carry them out. He then altered the design and afterward, when it was too late, the commissioners appropriated as much money as would have been required to construct the beautiful building he had originally planned.

Mr. van Ingen was named as a possible candidate for a position at Mechanics Institute. The third time this position was offered to him, he met Captain Henry Lomb and Eugene Colby in New York city and accepted the position with the privilege of practicing architecture. When Mr. van Ingen became a member of the faculty of the Mechanics Institute in September, 1902, there was no art school and no day classes in architecture. He worked out the drawings for the courses of study for a separate art school, and made the preliminary sketches and was the consulting architect for the Bevier Memorial building, which was erected in 1912. Early in his



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career at the Institute he initiated a series of lectures on house construction and the history of architecture that remained popular throughout the years. At the time of his death he held the record for giving the greatest number of teaching hours and for spending more time at the school than any other faculty member connected with the Institute. He had a hobby for wood carving and often worked designs drawn and carved by himself into his plans. Sometimes it was a keystone, sometimes a lantern, but always it was something that gave an individual touch, and examples of his art are seen in many of the finest residences of Rochester and vicinity as well as on the organ of a Poughkeepsie church and on Hudson river yachts. His designs for memorial tablets were always remarkably fine and one which deserves particular mention is the nurses' memorial tablet at the Rochester General Hospital. He displayed unusual ability in water colors and pencil sketches and during the World war was awarded third prize in a nation-wide water color contest. With the assistance of Clifford M. Ulp he designed a float for the Chamber of Commerce in the Centennial parade, which was held September 16, 1912. The float was drawn by six white horses, caparisoned in blankets embossed with the Rochester coat of arms and led by six youths dressed after the manner of the English pages of fiction and history. On the float were four figures on a raised dais. Seated on the throne was a woman intended to represent the civic pride of Rochester, and at her left stood a man bearing in his arms the model of a locomotive, symbolical of commerce. At her right was stationed a man holding a miniature factory building and typifying labor. In the rear of the throne, looking backward, was an Indian, representing Rochester's past. Over the forward and rear ends of the float were displayed the figures 1912 and 1812. The color designs were in white, blue and gold, the Rochester colors. This float was awarded first prize. In his younger days Mr. van Ingen designed the beautiful wrought iron gates at the entrance to Vassar Hospital in Poughkeepsie, winning first prize in competition with New York's leading architects. He was also the author of an interesting brochure entitled: "The Architectonics of the Home," from which we quote the following excerpt: "Architecture is the most useful of the fine arts and the noblest of the useful arts. It is the art, as distinguished from the science, of structural design. Its essential qualities are permanence, utility, beauty. Architecture includes planning, composition, constructive design, decoration. Its object is to produce effects pleasing to the eye and mind, as well as to satisfy the requirements of convenience and stability. Architecture, arising out of the humblest necessities of man, may minister to his highest aesthetic emotions, and rank as a fine art with painting and sculpture."

On August 28, 1902, at Castleton-on-Hudson, Mr. van Ingen was married to Miss Ethel Mae Bell, a daughter of Edwin and Luanna (Newton) Bell. Wilhelmina, the only child of this union, is now an art student at Vassar College. While taking a normal course in art at Pratt Institute, Mrs. van Ingen formed the acquaintance of her husband. She was supervisor of art in the public schools of South Omaha, Nebraska, and later while in Schenectady, New York, she became identified with the regent's department of education of the state of New York. Mrs. van Ingen twice assisted in revising the state syllabus in the art educational section and later became identified with one of the large educational concerns of New York. As their special representative she visited the large cities of the east and middle west in the interests of art education in the public schools and filled that position until her marriage. She was an inspiration to her husband in his work and theirs was an ideal union. She is a member of the republican committee of Monroe county. In 1900 Mrs. van Ingen published "Supplemental Drawing Helps", for use in public schools.

Mr. van Ingen passed away at his residence, No. 74 Avondale Park, the home in which he had spent all of his married life, and besides his widow and daughter is survived by three brothers and a sister, namely: Gilbert van Ingen, a well-known geologist, who is president of the academy board of United States military aeronautics at Princeton University; Philip van Ingen, who resides in Albany, New York; Daniel van Ingen of Chadron, Nebraska; and Josephine van Ingen, who is taking a course of study at the Art Students League of New York city.

Mr. van Ingen was affiliated with the Third Presbyterian church of Rochester, where his funeral service was conducted by the pastor and long-time friend, the Rev. Dr. Paul Moore Strayer, assisted by the Rev. Phillip Swartz. Mr. van Ingen was a charter member of the Rotary Club, also of the Citizens Rifle and Revolver Club and the City Club. He was a member of the Dutchess County Society in the city of New York. He also belonged to the Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Architects Association and the New York Association of the American Institute of Architects. He took much pleasure in his work, in which he was deeply absorbed, and evinced a keen

interest in everything that tended to raise the standards of his profession or promote the efficiency of its representatives. He never compromised with what he considered beneath his dignity as a professional man or his honor as a Christian gentleman. His designs were characterized by a degree of taste and consistency that indicated the true artistic touch and he also showed a marked degree of originality in his work. In October, 1909, Mr. van Ingen assisted in celebrating Old Home Week at Poughkeepsie, during the Fulton-Hudson celebration. He spent some time on the vessel Half Moon and was one of twelve guests at a private luncheon for Captain Lam, commander of the Half Moon, and his aide, Lieutenant de Bruyne. He possessed a keen sense of humor, a generous, sympathetic nature, and none ever sought his aid in vain. In any gathering or assemblage he was a distinguished figure, for he was very tall, and his keen, intellectual face was an open index to his comradeship and his kind heart. A cultured, refined gentleman, he reached out into the broader realms of thought and of beauty, and his life was a conspicuously useful and honorable one.

JOHN THOMAS CALEY.

John Thomas Caley was long a prominent figure in industrial circles of Rochester as senior member of the firm of Caley & Nash, with which his five sons are still identified, conducting an extensive business in automobile painting and trimming, in the building of automobile bodies and in the manufacture of fine carriages, sleighs and delivery wagons. He was a lifelong resident of Monroe county and was in the sixty-sixth year of his age when called to his final rest on the 3d of May, 1916. He was born on Andrews street, in Rochester, on the 20th of June, 1850, his parents being John and Katherine Caley, the former a stone-mason by trade. They emigrated to the United States from the Isle of Man.

In the acquirement of an education John Thomas Caley attended the public schools of his native city and also pursued a course of study in the Williams Rochester Commercial Institute. He mastered photography under the direction of J. E. Hale, but subsequently acquired by purchase the business interests of his uncle, Thomas Caley, a successful carriage and wagon manufacturer in the village of Brighton, where he also operated a large smithy. John T. Caley conducted this shop throughout the remainder of his life and was succeeded by his sons, who continue the enterprise under the name of Caley & Nash, Incorporated. He had the distinction of building the famous Twentieth Century tallyho in 1896 and built many wagons for the Sibley and McCurdy department stores, as well as trucks for such large concerns as the Rochester Packing Company and the Eastman Kodak Company. He was likewise accorded an extensive patronage as a builder of automobile bodies and gained an enviable reputation for superior workmanship in his chosen field of activity.

In 1875, in Brighton, Mr. Caley was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth A. Morrill and they became the parents of seven children, five sons and two daughters, as follows: Morrill John, who married Miss Arrathea Reddick, is the president and general manager of Caley & Nash, Incorporated; Frank Thomas, who has charge of the blacksmithing and horseshoeing department of this industrial concern, married Miss Eliza Jewett and has two sons and a daughter, John T., Frank W. and Arrathea E.; Arthur E., who is the manager of the paint show of Caley & Nash, married Miss Bertha J. Zorsch and has a daughter and a son, Mona Birdie and Arthur D.; Elizabeth A., the wife of Thomas H. Copson, a contractor and builder of Rochester; William H., assistant manager of the woodworking department of Caley & Nash, married Miss Anna L. Binder, and has two daughters, Caroline Louise and Elizabeth Ann; Ruth, who married Arthur Whitcraft and has two children, Roberta Elizabeth and Arthur Edgar; and George A., who participated in the World war as a mechanic in the aeroplane service and who is a trimmer with Caley & Nash, married Georgina Creighton.

Mr. Caley supported the republican party and took a prominent part in local politics as committeeman of the twenty-first ward. He was a leading factor in public affairs of Brighton and as president of the village promoted its advancement along various lines. In the early '80s he built the residence at No. 17 Winton road, North, where has been the family home ever since and where his widow now resides. He held membership in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and was a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, being a life member of Valley Lodge, No. 109, F. & A. M., and also belonging to Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.:



JOHN T. CALEY

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Monroe Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He attended the services of the Brighton Presbyterian church.

At the funeral services of John T. Caley the pastor made the following address: "He will be greatly missed—this man. He was born in Rochester and most of his life of sixty-five years has been spent here. For thirty-five or forty years—for two generations—he has been a part of this community. Here he built his home, here he reared his family, here he engaged in business and here he has done his life-work. Some men, like some buildings, are landmarks in a city, and he was one of the best known men in this community. I like to gather into two or three words the outstanding characteristics of a life. First he was an independent man. The world demands that a man stand on his own two feet, hew out his own career, do his own task. He did. He was an industrious man, active and energetic, always going at full speed. There was not a lazy hair in his head. Perhaps he worked too hard, perhaps he worked too long, perhaps he did not realize soon enough that these bodies of ours are not built of steel. I always envied the man his splendid physique and wished I had as fine a body. His spirit of activity was contagious. He was a master workman. * * * It is not what we do—it is the way we do it. Here was a man who gave his best to his task, who dignified hard work. He did it so well that men wanted it, and he built up a large and successful business. He was a good workman who needed not to be ashamed of his work or the way he did it. He was a family man. He and his wife had forty-one years of married life together—happy, good years. He reared a large family and he kept them about him and made home a place they wanted to be in. He would rather be in his home with his family than anywhere else, but he was no provincial. He was intimately connected with many fraternal organizations—good ones—and a life member of some. He took an active part in matters of citizenship. He was interested in all community betterment. He believed in church, attended it and supported it, and, coming after a time to see the necessity of and the priceless worth of a personal religion, within the last few weeks reading through a copy of the New Testament. He took Christ for his Savior and went into the valley of the shadow of death unafraid. * * * No man truly lives unless he lives every day as though it were his last day, and no true man truly lives but as one who knows he will never cease to live."

VERY REV. PATRICK J. ENRIGHT, V. F.

Very Rev. Patrick J. Enright, one of the best known priests in the Buffalo diocese, was elevated to the deanery of the Erie district by Bishop Turner of Buffalo, on the 11th of August, 1921. On the 9th of January of the previous year he had been appointed pastor of St. Peter's Roman Catholic church in Le Roy, which he thus served to the time of his death on the 12th of February, 1925, when he was in the forty-ninth year of his age. He was born in Allegany, Cattaraugus county, New York, on the 6th of July, 1876, his parents being Michael J. and Jane (Enright) Enright. The father, a native of Ireland, emigrated to the United States upon attaining his majority and took up his abode in western New York about the year 1860. He assisted in the erection of the first buildings of St. Bonaventure's College in Allegany and lived with the Franciscan fathers while thus engaged. Michael J. Enright departed this life on the 1st of October, 1889. Three of his children still survive, namely: Professor Michael Enright of St. Bonaventure's College; Mary; and Julia, of Allegany.

Patrick J. Enright attended the parochial school at Allegany and completed his classical and theological courses at St. Bonaventure's Seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood at St. Patrick's church in Buffalo on May 2, 1897, being at once assigned to St. Joseph's old cathedral in that city, under Msgr. John D. Biden. In June, 1899, he was transferred to St. Joseph's church at Batavia as assistant to the late Very Rev. Thomas P. Brougham and became pastor of St. Joseph's church in Gowanda in July, 1901. After remaining in Gowanda for nineteen years Father Enright was appointed pastor of St. Peter's church in Le Roy on January 9, 1920, succeeding the Rev. Thomas B. Milde, who died while acting as administrator of the parish, prior to the death of the Very Rev. Lambert W. Vanderpool, who was pastor of St. Peter's for nearly fifty years. Following the demise of Father Vanderpool, which occurred on the 1st of June, 1921, Father Enright was appointed dean of the Genesee county district of the Roman Catholic church.

Dean Enright served in the Buffalo diocese under five bishops. He received his

first orders of the church under Bishop Stephen Vincent Ryan and was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Quigley. Thereafter he served successively under Bishops Colton, Dougherty and Turner. On May 2, 1922, he celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, the event consisting of a celebration of solemn high mass, a dinner and a reception. He was presented a purse of one thousand dollars. In addition to being an able church leader, Dean Enright possessed a fine tenor voice and musical talent. For several years he was a member of a double quartet composed entirely of priests in the diocese. During his pastorate St. Peter's church enjoyed a development in all departments. Of pleasing personality and very affable, Dean Enright endeared himself to his people, as well as winning a large circle of friends outside of his denomination. He maintained an independent attitude in politics, held membership in the Stafford Country Club and fraternally was identified with the Knights of Columbus, belonging to Allegany Council No. 1220.

Since it was founded in 1869, St. Peter's church has been enlarged many times, being now a handsome stone structure with a seating capacity of more than twelve hundred people. The rectory, school and convent of the parish are also of stone construction. There are accommodations for more than three hundred pupils in the school, under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy. St. Peter's parish, numbering more than eighteen hundred souls, is one of the most flourishing in this part of the state. The present pastor is Rev. John E. Mullett, who came to St. Peter's on March 9, 1925, from St. Joseph's church, Fredonia, New York.

SAMUEL K. WOLCOTT.

One of the pioneer automobile dealers in New York state is Samuel K. Wolcott, the president of the Wolcott Motor Company. He started his garage and sales agency way back in 1903, when the business was a decided venture but his vision was justified and he now heads the largest automobile dealer company in Corning, New York. He was born in Caton, Steuben county, New York, May 11, 1884, the son of Lewis and Mary (Gorton) Wolcott.

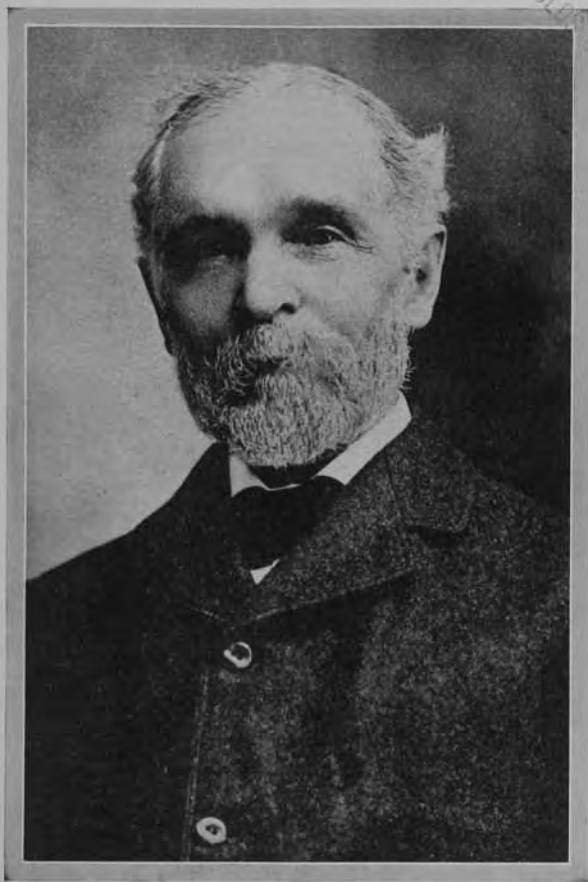
After attending the schools of Caton and Corning Samuel K. Wolcott went to work for his brother, George Wolcott, in the bicycle business and in 1903 started in the automobile game. Thus he is a salesman of long experience and is also rated high among business men. In 1906 he incorporated the Wolcott Motor Company and was elected president and treasurer. It is now a close corporation. Mr. Wolcott has handled the Pierce-Arrow since 1907 and the Reo since 1910. His garage and service station have gained fame for their prompt and efficient service and the personal interest taken in all customers and patrons. The Wolcott Motor Company has the largest floor space in Corning.

The Wolcott family are among the earliest citizens of this country and Henry Wolcott came over in the Mayflower. Other notable families have intermarried with the Wolcotts, among them the Gortons and Wadsworths, and one of the Gortons was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Samuel Wolcott's grandfather on the paternal side was a '49er. He crossed the continent to the state of the "Golden Bear," returned east for a time and then yielded to the lure of California again, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Mr. Wolcott was married on August 8, 1907, to Fannie Stanton of Buffalo, New York, and they have two sons: Lewis Jerome and Samuel K., Jr. Mr. Wolcott is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Elks and the Corning Country Club and is also very active in the Corning Automobile Club.

D. C. HOWARD PRENTICE.

D. C. Howard Prentice, president of The Bank of Le Roy, was born in Le Roy, New York, on the 2d of February, 1872, the son of Charles F. and Rosepha (Cole) Prentice, and he is a member of one of the old families of Genesee county. His grandfather, Daniel Prentice, was a native of Massachusetts and came with his parents to Genesee county, New York, about 1815, locating at what is now Stafford, where he engaged in farming. Charles F. Prentice, son of Daniel, was born in Stafford, Genesee county, on September 5, 1833, and was reared as a farmer boy of the period and attended district schools. He successfully followed farming until 1865, when he



CHARLES F. PRENTICE

located in Le Roy and purchased the mill property built by Jacob Le Roy in 1822, in which connection he developed an extensive business. In 1896 the enterprise was incorporated as the Le Roy Power & Milling Company, with Charles F. Prentice as president and D. C. Howard Prentice as secretary and treasurer. This concern was successfully conducted by father and son until it was merged with the Le Roy Hydraulic Electric Company. In the year 1896 Charles F. and D. C. Howard Prentice organized the Hydraulic Electric Company of Le Roy, of which the former became president. In 1884 he helped organize the Le Roy Salt Company, of which he was president for many years. He succeeded William F. Huyck as president of The Bank of Le Roy in 1911, and served as head of the institution until 1917, when he departed this life. Mr. Prentice was a citizen of high repute. In many ways he exerted a large influence upon the welfare of the village and town. He was married in 1863 to Rosepha Cole, a native of Michigan, and they became parents of two daughters and a son, the latter being the subject of this review.

D. C. Howard Prentice attended the public and high schools of Le Roy and the famous Hill School of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, as well as Lawrenceville School of Lawrenceville, New Jersey. In 1891 he became identified with his father's business enterprises and in 1896 was made secretary and treasurer of the Le Roy Power & Milling Company and secretary of the Hydraulic Electric Company, which was organized the same year. In 1917 he became president of The Bank of Le Roy, which is recognized as one of the strong financial institutions of the county, with assets of more than one million dollars.

On the 23d of March, 1911, Mr. Prentice was married to Mrs. Virginia (White) Graham of Batavia, New York. Mr. Prentice is a trustee of the Presbyterian church.

ELTON C. HARDER.

The door of opportunity is ever open to the alert and the ratio of progress of each individual is in direct proportion to his ability and enterprise. A man of indefatigable energy and determined purpose, Elton C. Harder has "made good", and his name now figures prominently in business circles of Wellsville and throughout Allegany county in connection with oil production. He was born March 12, 1876, in Cedar Springs, Michigan, and is a son of Emmet L. and Cynthia (Whitney) Harder and a grandson of Robert E. and Liza M. (Shumway) Harder. Emmet L. Harder is a native of Addison, Steuben county, New York, and since 1889 has been identified with the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, Limited, of Wellsville. He has reached the age of seventy-five but the mother passed away March 5, 1914, leaving five children: Lula, the wife of Charles Stebbins of Andover, New York; Elton C.; Florence, the widow of Ernest Glauche and the mother of one child, Ernestine; Le Roy, who married Cecil Holder, is an electrical engineer of Detroit, Michigan; and Guy, an oil producer residing in Andover, New York. After the death of his first wife Emmet L. Harder was married to Mrs. F. Eugenia (Richardson) Judd, a daughter of DeWitt Clinton and Frances Chapin (Forsythe) Richardson. Mr. Harder is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and gives his political support to the republican party.

Elton C. Harder completed his education in the Wellsville high school and afterward held a clerical position in the dry goods store of J. F. Fisher, a well known merchant of Wellsville. In April, 1896, he entered the employ of the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, Limited, in the capacity of pumper and discharged those duties for twenty-eight months. He is now superintendent of all field work and for twenty-eight years has been in the service of the company, ranking with its most efficient and trustworthy representatives. Mr. Harder is an independent producer, having valuable oil lands in the Allentown, Andover and Bolivar fields. He also conducts a large business as a drilling contractor, owning eight sets of tools, and is likewise a director of the Scio Oil & Gas Company. He is an exceedingly busy man who makes each moment count for the utmost, and his best efforts are given to every task that he undertakes. He is a recognized expert on matters pertaining to oil production and has been largely instrumental in promoting the development of this district.

In January, 1896, Mr. Harder was married to Miss Lotta Lee, a daughter of Eugene and Lotta (White) Lee, the former a well known carriage painter of Wellsville. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Harder: Lee, who completed his education in a school in Takoma, a suburb of Washington, D. C., specializing in the study of electricity, and was afterward married to Miss Ruth Park of Oswego, New

York, who had attended Wells College of Syracuse; Helen, who is at home; Reba, who was graduated from the Wellsville high school and is now a student at Cedar Crest College at Allentown, Pennsylvania; Vera, a pupil in the Wellsville high school; and Virginia and Hobart, who are attending grammar school.

Mr. Harder is a Mason, belonging to the lodge and chapter at Wellsville; to the commandery at Hornell; the consistory at Corning; and Ismailia Shrine at Buffalo. He is also a member of the Wellsville Country Club and his political views are in accord with the platform and principles of the republican party. Believing that the public schools are the bulwark of the nation, Mr. Harder exerts his influence in their behalf and is an influential member of the Wellsville Board of Education. The teachings of the Methodist Episcopal church guide him in the daily relations of life and his worth as a man and citizen is uniformly conceded.

RALPH D. SANFORD.

One of Steuben county's most active men of affairs is Ralph D. Sanford, postmaster at Hammondsport, New York. He has served in a number of public offices, always to the satisfaction of the people of the vicinity. He was deputy sheriff for six years and was a member of the picked guard which served as a bodyguard for President Roosevelt. He was police magistrate for the town of Urbana from 1915 to 1919, inclusive, was supervisor for four years and has been chairman of the highway department for Steuben county for three years. He was appointed postmaster at Hammondsport, on May 5, 1924, by President Coolidge.

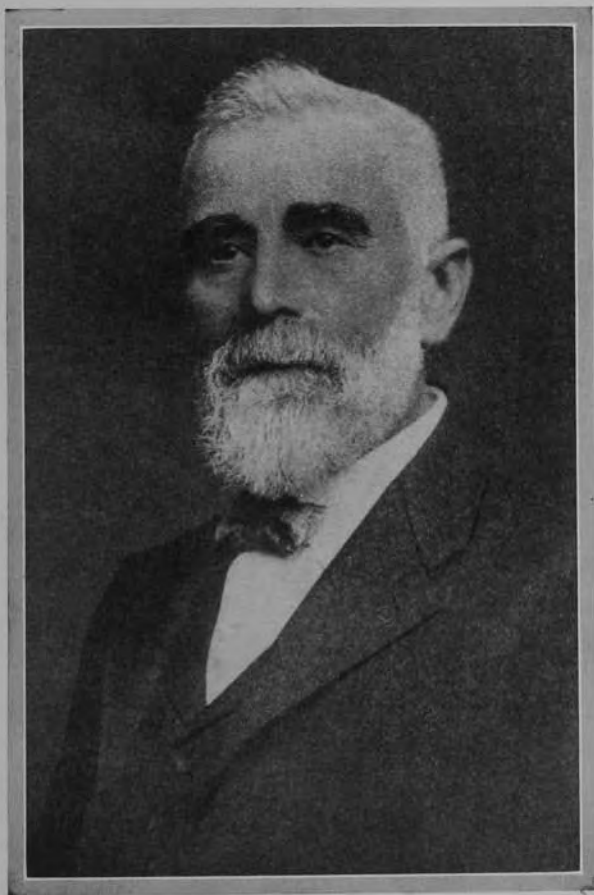
Ralph D. Sanford was born in Cameron, New York, May 4, 1873, the son of Daniel T. and Emma (Selleck) Sanford. He attended the district schools until fourteen years of age and then spent three years in the Addison high school. After his school days were over he was employed in the Old Plow Factory at Addison for a year and then went to work for Park, Winton & True, who conducted a sash, door and blind factory. Soon, however, he started a barber shop and also a horse sales business, and continued thus for fifteen years. Mr. Sanford is a director of the Finger Lakes Association.

On July 23, 1893, Mr. Sanford was united in marriage to Leah Burdick, and they have two sons: Lloyd L. and Ralph A., Jr.; and a daughter, Marion, now Mrs. Elmer Morse of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Ralph D. Sanford is a Mason, belonging to Bath Chapter and the De Molay Commandery, Knights Templars at Hornell. He also belongs to the Glenwood Club of Hammondsport.

Mr. Sanford's father, Daniel T. Sanford served with Company C, Eighty-ninth New York Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war, in the Army of the Potomac and under all the generals that army had in its campaigns. Daniel T. Sanford is a grandson of Thomas Sanford, who served with Ethan Allen in the War of the Revolution, with what are commonly called Ethan Allen's Green Mountain Boys. After three years of hard service he was wounded but is still alive and quite active today. The Sanford family has a long and distinguished lineage both in this country and in England, tracing its ancestry here to the time of the Pilgrim Fathers. The progenitor of the family received the name of Sanford from William the Conqueror, for building a sand bridge or ford over a stream for the king's soldiers to cross.

HENRY P. STALLMAN.

For nearly a half century Henry P. Stallman contributed his skill as a building contractor toward Rochester's development and improvement, erecting many imposing monuments to his handiwork, and his death on the 31st of March, 1910, deprived the community of one of its most valuable and highly respected citizens. He was a native of Germany, born May 10, 1836, a son of Frederick P. and Marie Elizabeth (Weigand) Stallman, who left the fatherland and came to the United States, residing for a short time in Tarrytown. The father was employed on the construction of the Croton waterworks. He arrived in that city in 1839 and later removed with his family to Rochester, coming here on the Erie canal. He established his home on what was then called Clay street. Soon after reaching the city he purchased a lot at the corner of Adams and Ford streets and this property is still owned by members of the family, being very valuable at the present time.



HENRY P. STALLMAN

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Henry P. Stallman was a small boy when his parents came to Rochester, of which he was practically a lifelong resident, and his education was acquired in the public schools of the city. About 1865 he formed a partnership with Minard Garrison and this relationship was continued for a decade, during which period they did a large quantity of work as mason contractors. In 1876 Mr. Stallman was joined by his brother, Frederick P., and the high quality of their work secured for them many important contracts. The business is now conducted under the name of Henry P. Stallman's Sons and is one of the pioneer firms of the city, bearing an unassailable reputation for enterprise, integrity and superior workmanship. Its operations are directed on a large scale and among the most notable examples of its ability are the Michaels Stern building, the police station on Exchange street, the Likely building, the Monroe County Morgue, the Yawman & Erbe building, the Bausch and Lomb buildings and many others.

Mr. Stallman was twice married. His first wife, Catherine Porth, died in 1873, and was the mother of four children: Henry F., who married Mary Bruce and has three children, Edna M., Walter and Robert; Louise, who died at the age of eighteen; Anna, who was twenty-nine years of age at the time of her death; and Katharine, who is Mrs. Harry Couse of Jersey City, and the mother of three children, Mary, Henry and Anna. On April 28, 1874, Mr. Stallman was married in Rochester, to Miss Katherine Eckert of New York city, a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Merz) Eckert. Three children were born to this marriage: George W., who married Maud E. Tarry; Benjamin G., who married Louise Hommel and has two daughters, Anita and Mary Jane; Edward G., who married Helen Wightman, who at her death left a daughter, Helen. Edward G. Stallman's second wife was Jessie Wightman, a sister of his first wife, daughter of Delos Wightman, who was one of the first merchants in Rochester to handle ladies' ready-made apparel.

Mr. Stallman was allied with the republican party and served on several occasions as juryman. He adhered to the Evangelical faith and was first affiliated with the old Allen Street church of that denomination, afterward joining the Salem church. He was a charter member of the Builders Exchange and for many years was identified with the Humboldt Lodge of Odd Fellows. He was also a life member of Genesee Falls Lodge, No. 507, of the Masonic order, with which he became connected in 1874, and took an active part in its affairs until failing health compelled him to remain at home. Mr. Stallman was a devoted husband and father, a faithful friend, a loyal citizen, and measured up to the full stature of upright, honorable manhood, enjoying the unqualified respect and confidence of all with whom he was associated. He built the residence at what is now No. 994 St. Paul street and resided there for many years before his death. His widow is one of the most highly respected of the city's old time residents.

WILLIAM H. TEW.

William H. Tew, president of the Tew Motor Sales, Incorporated, has been successful in business but even more successful in that rarer phase of life, aid to others and devotion to the teachings of the Master. The Golden Rule being the rule by which Mr. Tew lives, his standing in the community of Corning, New York, is exceptionally high and his work in the Methodist church of that city will long endure. He was born on a farm and lived there until thirty-five years of age, and therefore knows what the struggle with Nature means and has discovered what many men miss—the purpose of life.

Mr. Tew's father, Henry B. Tew, was born in England, and came to this country when only nine years of age. His mother, Mary Wilcox Tew, was born and reared in Chenango county, New York.

William H. Tew first opened his eyes to the light of day in Troupsburg, Steuben county, New York, on January 14, 1872. He attended the district school and then worked on the farm for many years. Following that he was in a store for a period of ten years and spent the succeeding four years in Elmira. He then came to Corning, where in 1920 he became the president of the incorporated Tew Motors Sales Company. This concern handles the Lincoln and Ford cars, carries all kinds of accessories and is completely equipped to carry on the business in its line.

Mr. Tew is intensely interested in his church work, devoting all of his spare time to it. He is president of the Men's Brotherhood, serves on committees and takes an interest part in the activities of Recreation Hall. He is particularly zealous in

helping young men and devotes many hours to aiding the younger people of Corning, among whom he has hosts of friends.

On February 24, 1894, Mr. Tew was married to Miss Lizzie B. Hopper of Troupsburg, New York. They have three children: Robert H., Marion D., the wife of Floyd English, a farmer near Corning; and Miss Elois Tew, a student at Syracuse University. Mr. Tew is a member of Corning Lodge, F. & A. M., and of Corning Consistory, being a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He also belongs to the Rotary Club.

NEWELL KINGSBURY CONE.

Newell Kingsbury Cone, who has been an active representative of the legal profession in Batavia during the past two decades, was elevated to the bench in 1919 and has since made a most commendable record as county judge and surrogate. He was born in Batavia, Genesee county, New York, on the 17th of November, 1880, his parents being Hobart Brewer and Jennie (Bentley) Cone. Herbert Brewer Cone was a graduate of Hobart College and was admitted to the bar, successfully practicing his profession at Batavia for nearly forty years, until his death in 1910.

Newell Kingsbury Cone received his professional training in the law department of Columbia University in New York city, and following his graduation from that institution he took up the practice of law in 1904. Notwithstanding the fact that advancement at the bar is proverbially slow, he soon built up a clientage of creditable proportions as he demonstrated his ability in the work of the courts. He was made city attorney for the years 1912 and 1913 and served as tax attorney in 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918. Judicial honors came to him in 1919, when he was chosen county judge and surrogate. He is also judge of the newly created children's court of Genesee county. Devotedly attached to his profession, systematic and methodical in habit, sober and discreet in judgment, calm in temper, diligent in research, conscientious in the discharge of every duty, courteous and kind in demeanor and inflexibly just on all occasions, these qualities enable Judge Cone to take first rank among those who have held judicial office in the county, and make him the conservator of that justice wherein is the safeguard of individual liberty and happiness and the defense of our national institutions. The city of Batavia is proud to number this able jurist among her native sons.

In 1921 Judge Cone was married to Miss Belle Johnson of Batavia. Politically Judge Cone is a republican. Fraternally he is a Knights Templar Mason and a Shriner, and he served as master of Batavia Lodge, No. 475, F. & A. M., in 1914. He is also a member of the Batavia Club, the Holland Club, the Stafford Country Club, the Rotary Club and the Elks.

JOHN McEWEN.

The name of John McEwen is closely interwoven with many of the events which stand prominently forth upon the pages of Wellsville's history. Industrial and transportation interests profited by his progressive spirit, his broad grasp of affairs and his administrative powers and thus his life work became an integral chapter in the annals of the village. His labors were manifestly resultant and his death on December 1, 1900, was the occasion of deep and widespread regret, for he enjoyed to the fullest extent the confidence and high regard of his fellowmen. He was born in New York city, April 21, 1849, a son of Duncan and Susan (Ewing) McEwen, the former a native of Scotland. His father was born June 1, 1822, in Commerie, Perthshire, and was reared and educated in Scotland. In Glasgow he served an apprenticeship to the machinist's and millwright's trades, which he afterward followed in Belfast, Ireland, subsequently becoming foreman of shipyards in Liverpool, England. He arrived in New York city, April 21, 1849, and soon afterward located in Caladonia, Monroe county, this state, where he began the manufacture of threshing machines. On the 10th of May, 1854, he transferred the scene of his activities to Wellsville and started manufacturing on a very small scale. In 1859 he introduced the first wool-carding machine into the town and was also the proprietor of a machine shop. He was the possessor of much mechanical skill and ingenuity and his was the true spirit of the pioneer. His demise occurred on the 16th of February, 1864, when

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he was forty-one years of age. His wife carried on the wool-carding department for a number of years.

After his death the business was continued by his sons, John and William R. McEwen, who greatly enlarged the scope of the industry, placing it upon a substantial financial basis. John McEwen devoted the greater part of his time to the manufacturing business and was also one of the promoters and builders of the Wellsville Couderport & Pine Creek Railroad, which is now a part of the Buffalo & Susquehanna system. The road was built as an ordinary broad gauge line and when sold netted its stockholders a good profit. Mr. McEwen was an astute, farsighted business man, quick to perceive and utilize the opportunities of a business situation, and his associates deferred to his opinion in matters of importance, regarding his advice as sound and practical.

On the 30th of October, 1879, Mr. McEwen was married to Miss Emma Alger, a daughter of Harvey and Caroline (Torrey) Alger. Mr. and Mrs. McEwen became the parents of three children: Fannie Elvira, the eldest, is the wife of Alwin Shaller, who acts as shop superintendent for McEwen Brothers; William Robert was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston in 1915, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science, and is now president of the firm of McEwen Brothers. During the World war he served in the aviation department of the United States navy and held the rank of ensign. He is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to the blue lodge. On the 18th of September, 1920, he was married to Miss Helen Giere of South Orange, New Jersey, and they have a son, William Robert, Jr.; Harvey Alger McEwen supplemented his public school course by study in Dartmouth College from which he was graduated with the class of 1917, winning the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and is now office manager and treasurer of the firm of McEwen Brothers. He is a Mason, holding membership in the Shrine, and also served in the navy during the war with Germany.

John McEwen took a keen interest in politics and was one of the leaders of the republican party in this locality. He was a Knights Templar Mason and an earnest member of the Presbyterian church. He was true to the ties of home and friendship and possessed a strong sense of duty and honor, never swerving from the high standards in which he believed.

EDWARD T. MONTGOMERY.

Edward T. Montgomery, a well known, influential and highly respected citizen of Warsaw, has since 1920 occupied the vice presidency of the Trust Company of Wyoming county and is also interested in a thriving business enterprise as stockholder of the Oatka Engineering & Construction Company, Incorporated, of Warsaw. He was born in Wethersfield, Wyoming county, New York, on the 23d of May, 1864, his parents being John W. and Rose (Crawford) Montgomery, who emigrated to the United States from the north of Ireland about 1858 and settled in Warsaw, where they spent the remainder of their lives. The father opened the first shoe store in the town and was long numbered among its successful and enterprising merchants.

Edward T. Montgomery attended the grade and high schools of Warsaw in the acquirement of an education and subsequently made his way westward to Fargo, North Dakota, in which state he spent three years. Upon the expiration of that period he returned to Warsaw, New York, and in 1885 became associated with the Hawley Salt Company, with which he continued for three years. He next became one of the incorporators of the Variety Machine Company, afterward changed to the Warsaw Elevator Company, but disposed of his interests therein in 1892, in which year he was elected county treasurer. No higher testimonial to his efficiency and fidelity in the discharge of his public duties could be given than the fact that he was retained as treasurer of Wyoming county by popular vote for a period covering more than two decades, or until 1913. In the meantime he had embarked in the coal and feed business as a member of the firm of Montgomery Brothers in Buffalo but subsequently disposed of his interest therein to his brother, who now conducts this enterprise in Warsaw. Edward T. Montgomery afterward became associated with W. H. Richardson in the Warsaw Lumber Company and on succeeding his partner in 1916 changed the name of the concern to the Oatka Engineering & Construction Company, in which he is still interested. Since 1920 Mr. Montgomery has been a factor in financial circles as vice president of the Trust Company of Wyoming County. Sound judgment, unflinching integrity and keen discrimination have characterized all of

his undertakings and he well merits his reputation as one of the capable financiers and progressive business men of the community.

On the 17th of June, 1890, in Warsaw, New York, Mr. Montgomery was united in marriage to Miss Martha Gardner, daughter of Charles J. and Annette Gardner of Warsaw. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery are the parents of a son: Stuart, who was born on the 18th of February, 1898, and is now in the service of the Aetna Life Insurance Company of New York city.

Mr. Montgomery gives his political support to the republican party and for ten years has served as chairman of the republican county committee. He is a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Warsaw and fraternally is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Woodmen. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church. He finds rest and relaxation in outdoor diversions and has gained an extensive and favorable acquaintance in both social and business circles of the community in which practically his entire life has been spent.

VERY REV. JOHN A. WEISMANTEL, V. F.

Very Rev. John A. Weismantel is the rector of the parish of St. Francis of Assisium in Tonawanda and is thus at the head of a flourishing congregation of twenty-six hundred souls, which maintains a church, rectory and convent, as well as a large parochial school. He is the successor of the Rev. A. A. Bachman, who served from August 4, 1874, until his death on January 28, 1923, a remarkable record, covering nearly a half century in one parish. Father Weismantel assumed the pastorate of St. Francis church in April, 1923, and on the 15th of May, 1924, was also appointed dean of Erie county outside of Buffalo.

John A. Weismantel was born in Springville, New York, in 1879. He obtained his early education in the St. Aloysius parochial school in Springville, continued his studies in Griffith Institute of the same place and subsequently entered Canisius College of Buffalo. Following his preparation for holy orders in St. Bernard Seminary of Rochester he was ordained by Bishop McQuaid of Rochester, in 1905. He was then appointed assistant pastor of St. Patrick's church in Salamanca, New York, where he remained for five years, while from 1910 until 1923 he served as rector of St. Mary's church in Canaseraga, this state. During the past two years he has been at the head of the parish of St. Francis of Assisium in Tonawanda.

John Simpson of Tonawanda was instrumental in bringing about the celebration of the first Catholic mass in this vicinity at Northbush church, near Kenmore, Bishop Neuman coming from Williamsville to officiate. When Bishop Timon visited Tonawanda in 1849, he secured a lot for the erection of a house of worship, which was built three years later, in 1852, and was named the Church of the Sacred Heart. Rev. Serge de Schonlepinkoff, its first pastor, was succeeded in 1865 by Rev. F. S. Ulrich, the predecessor of Rev. C. Wagner, who here performed his priestly duties until April 16, 1866. The next pastor was the Rev. F. X. Kopler, who in July, 1866, was succeeded by Rev. L. Van de Pool, who after one year was followed by Rev. T. Voss. The latter was succeeded on the 4th of August, 1874, by Rev. A. A. Bachman, who, as already stated, remained at the head of St. Francis church and parish until he departed this life. Very Rev. John A. Weismantel is the present rector, with Rev. Eugene Loftus as assistant rector.

The present church edifice was built in 1862, and in 1871 the Sisters of St. Francis came to the parochial school as teachers. The present school building was erected in 1883, the rectory in 1891 and the new convent in 1914. A new parochial school is being constructed at a cost of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars for the accommodation of four hundred pupils under the instruction of eight teachers.

KATHARINE AGNES GRIFFIN.

Katharine Agnes Griffin is a prominent figure in business, social and club circles of Rochester and the center of a large circle of loyal, admiring friends, who thoroughly appreciate her nobility of character and self-sacrificing spirit. She is a "self-made woman" and her accomplishments suffer nothing by comparison with the work performed by the ablest men. She has carried more than her share of life's burdens, seeing the greater part of her family succumb to disease, and necessity forced her



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to increase her exertions. Yet she did not remain a mere plodder, but steadily and consistently advanced in efficiency and ability, never at any time neglecting that mental culture so essential to progress.

John P. and Catherine (Kinney) Griffin were the parents of Katharine Agnes Griffin. The mother was a native of Oneida county, New York, and a daughter of James Kinney, who was a surveyor. He laid out the city of Utica and later in life settled in Florence, New York, where he died at the age of seventy-two years. John P. Griffin was born in County Kerry, Ireland, and was one of a family of three children. When six months old he was brought to the United States by his mother, who settled in Baldwinsville, New York. As a young man Mr. Griffin came to Rochester and was employed by the Edged Tool Manufacturing Company.

Katharine Agnes Griffin attended the Cathedral school and was also a student at the West high school. There were several children in the family and in order to aid in its support she obtained employment in a local box factory when eleven years of age, running errands for the firm after school and on Saturdays. She was paid a dollar and a half per week for discharging these duties and later, in addition to her school work, clerked in a tea store, receiving three and a half dollars weekly for her services. While thus engaged she studied bookkeeping in a night school and on completing the course her salary was increased to seven dollars per week. She made the most of every opportunity that would add to her proficiency and next became a bookkeeper for W. E. Woodbury & Company, grocers, remaining with them for several years. Her life was a very busy and arduous one during that period, for at night she acted as supervisor at the Telephone Exchange and in addition cared for five brothers afflicted with tuberculosis, all of whom succumbed to the dread disease. After a long and exhausting day she would often minister to them until far into the night, for hers is a nature in which self is so completely subordinated to duty that devotion to others is a pleasure. Subsequently Miss Griffin entered the service of the Rochester Electrical Contracting Company, now conducted under the name of the Rochester Electrical Supply Company, jobbers, and first filled the position of bookkeeper. As the business developed the office force was increased and Miss Griffin was intrusted with greater responsibilities, winning promotion to the office of auditor. She was next appointed assistant treasurer, a position usually filled by a man, but her efficiency and accuracy make her an ideal executive, and the trust reposed in her by the firm has been amply justified.

Miss Griffin was the first member of the Zonta Club in Rochester and became its first treasurer. She is serving on the local board of directors and at the national convention, held in Buffalo in May, 1924, she was elected treasurer of the Confederation of Zonta Clubs, a high office, for which she is exceptionally well qualified. She is a Catholic in religious faith and attends the Rochester cathedral. Her life has been one of intense activity and usefulness, crowned with noteworthy achievement, and her career is an inspiration to all who aspire to the highest level of accomplishment.

LYMAN CLAIR BROUGHTON, M. D.

Dr. Lyman Clair Broughton, who has been actively engaged in the general practice of medicine in Castile for nearly a third of a century, makes a specialty of X-ray work and is widely recognized as the leading Roentgenologist of his section. He was born in Covington, Wyoming county, New York, on the 24th of August, 1869, his parents being Oscar L. and Mary (Barrett) Broughton. The family has been represented in the Genesee country through more than a century, for it was about 1820 that Lyman Broughton, the paternal grandfather of Dr. L. C. Broughton, came to western New York from Vermont and here took up his permanent abode. Oscar L. Broughton successfully followed the profession of dentistry in Buffalo, New York, until death terminated his labors in 1911.

Lyman Clair Broughton supplemented his grade and high school education by a course of study in Wilson Academy and then matriculated in the University of Buffalo for professional training, receiving the degree of M. D. in 1889. The same year he opened an office in Middleport, New York, where he remained for three years. In 1892 he came to Castile, where he has continued to the present time and has built up a practice of extensive and gratifying proportions. Though his practice is of a general nature, he makes a specialty of X-ray work and electro-therapeutics, in which field he has gained such renown that patients come to him from all parts of western New York. Dr. Broughton is in charge of X-ray work in the Wyoming County

Community Hospital at Warsaw. He is a constant student of his profession and through membership in the Wyoming County, the New York State and the American Medical Associations he keeps in touch with the latest discoveries of eminent representatives of the medical science throughout the country. He is also a member of the New York and New England Railroad Surgeons Association and has been surgeon for the Erie Railroad Company since 1899.

On the 22d of April, 1904, in Castile, New York, Dr. Broughton was united in marriage to Miss Grace E. Voorhees, daughter of John Voorhees of Castile. Dr. and Mrs. Broughton have three children: John Oscar, Lyman C. and William Barrett. Mrs. Broughton and her children are members of the Methodist church. The family maintains a summer home at Silver Lake, where the Doctor indulges his love of fishing and boating and other water sports.

Dr. Broughton is a republican in politics and has ably discharged the duties of Coroner for twenty-five years. Fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of the Maccabees, the Foresters and the Woodmen, while his name is likewise on the membership rolls of the Silver Lake Country Club and the Hornell Medical Club. He has ever held to the highest of professional ethics and the success he has achieved is the outcome of recognized and innate skill, and years of constant study and practical experience.

GEORGE GORDON WANZER, D. D. S.

The name of Wanzer was long a prominent and honored one in professional circles of Rochester in connection with the practice of dentistry. The skill of the father was transmitted to the son, George Gordon Wanzer, who worthily followed in the footsteps of his father, ably sustaining the traditions of the family, and he was also numbered among the gallant officers of the Civil war, in which he served with the rank of major, bravely defending the Union cause on the battlefields of the south. He was born in Auburn, New York, March 10, 1840, and was but two years of age when his parents, Huested and Ann (Chidsey) Wanzer, settled in Rochester. The father was one of the pioneer dentists of the city, rendering that quality of service which only the skilled practitioner is capable of giving to his community, and his professional activities brought him a wide acquaintance, while the substantial traits in his character established him high in public regard.

George Gordon Wanzer attended the public schools of Rochester and was also a pupil in a private school, then situated on Allen street. He continued his studies in the University of Toronto and after completing his course returned to Rochester. At the opening of the Civil war he offered his aid to the Federal government, enlisting for a period of three years, and became a member of the New York State Volunteers. He formed a company, which he took to Elmira, where it became a unit of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, under General Slocum, who was his commanding officer for three years. He was courageous, efficient and trustworthy in the discharge of his duties and rose rapidly, receiving a major's commission before the expiration of his first term. On its completion he reenlisted for another three-year period, joining the Twenty-fourth New York Cavalry, and at the battle of the Wilderness, on the 6th of May, 1864, he was captured by the Confederate forces. He was taken to Libby prison and was later sent to Macon, Georgia, but managed to escape from the building in which he was confined. He was recaptured, however, and was not released until peace was declared. He had to his credit a distinguished military record and during his service the following article appeared in one of the Rochester papers:

"Captain George G. Wanzer of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, who has been at home on recruiting service for a few weeks, is now about to return to his regiment in the field and to active service. His health, impaired by arduous service in the Peninsula during the memorable siege of Richmond, is nearly reestablished and he will join his gallant company with no diminution of zeal for the cause which he was one of the earliest to espouse. He has sent forward a considerable number of recruits and takes a squad with him. The Twenty-seventh has had the fortune to be in the thickest of the fray whenever the Army of the Potomac has been engaged and has always come out with flying colors."

His company had great confidence in his judgment. At the close of a fierce engagement his praise was in every man's mouth. He knew no fear and never faltered in the performance of his duty. The anniversary of the receipt of his commission was celebrated May 7, 1862, by his regiment with fitting ceremonies at West Point.



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One ball from the enemy's lines took off a shoulder ornament and another passed through a white zephyr hat which he was wearing. He was shot in the leg at the time he was captured by the Confederate troops and had many harrowing experiences during his imprisonment. After receiving his honorable discharge Major Wanzer returned to Rochester and formed an association with his father, becoming a member of the firm of H. C. Wanzer & Son. Their work represented the highest degree of skill in dental surgery and an extensive practice was indicative of the confidence reposed in their ability.

On October 1, 1867, Major Wanzer was married to Miss Frances Lewis, a daughter of La Fayette and Eleanora E. (Shapley) Lewis, the former a prominent merchant of Hamilton, New York. Major and Mrs. Wanzer had four children: Charles Husted Wanzer, the eldest, who is living retired in Rochester, married Mrs. Carolyn (Smith) Young and they have a daughter, Ruth Haviland; George Lewis Wanzer is a successful realtor and resides in Cleveland, Ohio. He married Miss Gertrude Fuller and they have three children, Frances Fuller, George Lewis, Jr., and Charles Husted Wanzer; William Haviland Wanzer is living in California; Mary Harriet, the youngest of the family, is deceased.

Major Wanzer was affiliated with the Third Presbyterian church, conscientiously following its teachings, and during his earlier years was identified with the Masonic order. He was an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic, belonging to George H. Thomas Post. He was widely known and universally esteemed. Patriotism and devotion to duty were outstanding traits in a character above reproach and his life was an inspiring example of good citizenship.

FELIX M. WOOLWORTH.

Banking is a vital force which is present in all business activity. It participates in the creation of raw products, in manufacture, in distribution and in practically every sale. The business of the Niagara Falls Trust Company is so conducted that there is readily available to its patrons a keen intelligence, reflecting contacts with world-wide conditions, and of this institution Felix M. Woolworth is vice president. He has practically grown up with the business, with which he has been connected throughout the period of its existence, covering thirty years, and manifests the forcefulness, keen sagacity and ready understanding of involved interests which make him one of the chief factors in the promotion of the financial interests of this city.

He was born in Oneida, New York, October 15, 1870, and represents an English family that was founded in America during the colonial epoch in its history. His father, William H. Woolworth, was a native of Massachusetts and when a young man located in Oneida. He was a successful business man and for many years was a member of the Oneida Community Silver Plating Company. In Wallingford, Connecticut, he was married to Caroline A. Macknet, a member of one of the pioneer families of New Jersey and of Scotch ancestry. Felix M. was the only son of the second marriage, and there is a daughter who was born of the first union.

Felix M. Woolworth attended the Graylock Institute at South Williamstown, Massachusetts, and as a young man came to Niagara Falls. He engaged in the coal business for about three years in association with a partner and at the age of twenty-one became a member of the firm of Kelly & Woolworth, silverware jobbers. This relationship was continued until 1894, when Mr. Woolworth sold his interest in the undertaking and joined the Electric City Bank at the time of its establishment. He has continued with the business, which was subsequently merged with the Niagara Trust Company, and by training, experience and ability he is well qualified for the office of vice president of the institution, which owes much of its success to his executive power and financial insight.

In Glens Falls, New York, in August, 1888, Mr. Woolworth was married to Miss Morelli Kingsley, a daughter of John Kingsley, a prominent resident of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Woolworth became the parents of four children: Their son, Richard M., died when a young man of twenty-four. He was graduated from Dartmouth College and went to France with the American Expeditionary Forces. He remained in the service for eighteen months, becoming first sergeant in the ordnance department, and after his discharge was appointed a second lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps; his brother, Wendell H., is a graduate of Dartmouth College, while he also completed a course in the Thayer School of Engineering, and is now connected with the firm of Johnson & Higgins, insurance agents, with offices in New York city. He went to

France with the First Division, the first to cross the ocean, and remained in the service of the government until 1922. He was commissioned a second lieutenant and rose to the rank of major. He was an aide to Major General Buck and participated in the notable engagements in the Soissons and Argonne sectors. He was wounded in action and was cited for bravery by General Pershing; Chester M., a graduate of Dartmouth College, also enlisted for service in the World war and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Forty-first Machine Gun Battalion, being stationed at Camp Custer, Michigan, until released from military duty. He is now acting as vice president and treasurer of the Animal Trap Company of America, with offices at Lititz, Pennsylvania; the other member of the family is a daughter, Carolyn A.

Mr. Woolworth contributed three sons to the service of his country and also "did his bit" as a member of committees which aided in raising war funds. He is a republican in politics but has never sought office as a reward for party fealty, preferring to discharge his public duties in the capacity of a private citizen. He is a Mason in high standing, belonging to the lodge, chapter, council and commandery at Niagara Falls and to the consistory and Shrine at Buffalo. By nature he is genial and sociable and has membership relations with the Niagara Club, the Buffalo Club and the Adirondack League Club. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and a life of industry, integrity and usefulness has won for him the confidence, esteem and goodwill of his fellowmen.

FAYETTE L. ROCKWELL.

Fayette L. Rockwell is one of the leaders of industrial activity in Wellsville and his success is largely due to concentrated effort, good management and close attention to detail. He was born in Hornell, New York, June 25, 1892, and is a son of J. Lester and Jennie (Case) Rockwell, the latter a native of Norwich, New York. The paternal grandparents, Lemuel and Mary (Van Scooter) Rockwell, were married March 4, 1850, and reared a family of eight children, five of whom are living. Lemuel Rockwell was born in Simsbury, Hartford county, Connecticut, October 9, 1817, and was eight years old when his parents removed to Elmira, New York. He had the misfortune to be born blind but notwithstanding this great handicap became widely known as a musician of more than ordinary ability, teaching both vocal and instrumental music and conducting singing schools throughout this section of the country. His second child, J. Lester Rockwell, became the pioneer silk manufacturer at Hornell and continued in this line until his death on January 29, 1925.

Fayette L. Rockwell attended the grammar and high schools of his native town and afterward became a cadet in the military academy at Montclair, New Jersey. He completed his studies at that institution in 1910 and four years later was graduated from Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, winning the degree of Civil Engineer. In 1914, when a young man of twenty-two, he located in Wellsville, forming a partnership with W. Earl Browning. In 1915 they incorporated the business, which has since been conducted under the name of the Victor Aluminum Manufacturing Company and is a close corporation. The first officers were: J. L. Rockwell, president; F. L. Rockwell, vice president and treasurer; and W. E. Browning, secretary. Mr. Browning died in 1918, at which time A. H. Cronauer became secretary, and F. L. Rockwell now acts as manager. In April, 1917, the plant was destroyed by fire but the company immediately prepared to rebuild, securing the most modern equipment for its new factory. The capital stock remains the same, but the volume of business transacted by the firm has increased six hundred per cent since its incorporation. This remarkable growth indicates the ability and enterprise of the men at its head and the company has established a precedent for industrial development in Allegany county and western New York. Mr. Rockwell is also engaged in oil development work in association with Otto Walchli and is likewise a stockholder in the First Trust Company of Wellsville, the Steuben Trust Company of Hornell, New York, and has been a director of the Citizens National Bank of Wellsville since 1924. His powers of organization are supplemented by executive force, and mature judgment is displayed in the management of his business affairs.

On the 3d of February, 1915, Mr. Rockwell was married to Miss Greta Higbie of Wellsville, a daughter of Horace A. and Ella (Duke) Higbie. Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell have two children: Betty Virginia and Maxine Eloise, the former of whom was born May 9, 1916, and the latter on March 5, 1919. Mr. Rockwell is master of the Wellsville Lodge of Masons, has taken the degrees of the York and Scottish Rites, is

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a Noble of Ismalia Shrine at Buffalo, and is president of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity of Cornell University of Ithaca, New York. He has been honored with the presidency of the Wellsville Country Club, which office he filled for five years, and is now serving as secretary-treasurer of the Brookland Rod & Gun Club. He belongs to the Rotary Club and is also connected with the Cornell Club of New York city. He enjoys outdoor life and golf and fishing are his favorite sports. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith, being a vestryman in St. John's Episcopal church of Wellsville. His political support is given to the republican party. He was village trustee in 1919-1921, and has been a member of the Village Water & Light Commission since 1922. Mr. Rockwell is practically at the beginning of his career, and judging by his past accomplishments, the future holds much in store for him. He is a young man of progressive ideas and enterprising spirit and possesses those traits of character which always elicit admiration and esteem.

AUGUSTUS GRANGER PORTER.

The name of Porter is one of long and close connection with the history of Niagara Falls and the record of Augustus Granger Porter sustains the high reputation which has always been borne by members of this distinguished family. Financial affairs occupy his attention and he is well known in business circles of the city as manager of A. J. Wright & Company, stock brokers, whom he has served in that capacity for more than two decades. He comes of English ancestry and represents one of the honored pioneer families of the Niagara district, mentioned elsewhere in this publication. He was born in Niagara Falls, on the 23d of June, 1876, the fifth child of Albert Augustus and Julia G. (Jeffrey) Porter.

Augustus Granger Porter attended De Veaux College of this city, was also a student at the King School of Stamford, Connecticut, and afterward completed a four-year scientific course in Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1900. He first became identified with the Ramapo Iron Works at Niagara Falls, filling the position of secretary, and in 1903 entered the service of A. J. Wright & Company, of which he has since been manager. He is one of the most able and successful representatives of this large financial corporation and as a result of his influence and business sagacity a large and desirable clientele has been secured for the house in this city. The firm deals in high-grade stocks and bonds and is a member of the New York Stock Exchange and the New York and Chicago Boards of Trade.

In Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, on October 21, 1903, Mr. Porter was married to Miss Gertrude Wright, a daughter of A. J. Wright, prominent in financial circles of Buffalo, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Porter have a family of three children: Gertrude Granger, Lovinia Jeffrey and Augustus Porter (VI).

In politics Mr. Porter is a republican with independent tendencies and conscientiously discharges the duties of citizenship. He served for two years on the board of police commissioners and during the World war devoted much of his time to Red Cross work. He is a Mason and belongs to the Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Phi fraternities. He is also a member of the Hasty Pudding Institute of 1770, the Niagara Club and the Niagara Falls Country Club, while his religious views are in accord with the tenets of the Episcopal church. In thoroughness and devotion to duty lies the secret of his success and his fellow citizens unite in bearing testimony as to his public spirit and genuine worth.

RAYMOND E. SLACK.

Raymond E. Slack, one of the most public-spirited and progressive young citizens of Attica, is the popular and efficient cashier of the Bank of Attica, with which institution he has been continuously identified during the past eighteen years, working his way up from a clerkship. He has also been active in the public life of the community as treasurer of Attica for the past decade. He was born in Eldred, Pennsylvania, on the 28th of June, 1887, his parents being Charles M. and Matilda (Moody) Slack. The father, a veteran of the Civil war and a lifelong resident of Pennsylvania, where he followed agricultural pursuits throughout his active career, passed away on the 1st of January, 1924.

In the acquirement of an education Raymond E. Slack attended the public schools of his native town, passing through consecutive grades to his graduation from the high school in 1902. Five years later he came to Attica, New York, where he secured a position as clerk in the Bank of Attica. Various promotions came to him as he demonstrated his capability and trustworthiness in the faithful discharge of the duties assigned him and he is now serving as cashier, in which important and responsible position his efforts are contributing materially to the steady growth and success of the institution. The Bank of Attica, which was founded in 1856, has a capital stock of forty thousand dollars, with about thirty-three hundred depositors in the Genesee country. Its officers are: C. B. Benedict, president; C. J. Danley, vice president; R. E. Slack, cashier; and John B. Ulmer and Fred J. Schreiber, assistant cashiers.

On the 31st of August, 1907, in Buffalo, New York, Mr. Slack was united in marriage to Miss Julia Guignette, daughter of Charles and Marie (Nicholas) Guignette. Her father was formerly president of the board of directors of the Eldred Window Glass Company of Eldred, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Slack have a son; Raymond E., Jr., who was born on the 14th of August, 1914.

Mr. Slack has taken an active and helpful interest in community affairs and is making an excellent record as treasurer of Attica, in which capacity he has served continuously since 1914. He is likewise the president of the Attica fire department and is ex-president and a member of the board of directors of the Attica Advertising Club. Fraternally he is identified with all of the Masonic bodies, is president of the board of directors of Attica Lodge, F. & A. M., and is also a trustee of the local organization of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has served in every official capacity. For recreation Mr. Slack turns to baseball, motoring, hunting and other outdoor sports. He is a man of genial and pleasing personality and all who know him are his friends.

TERRENCE JAMES HANLON.

The United States has no better citizens than those who come to her from the Emerald isle. Honest, industrious and full of civic pride, they strengthen the best interests of every community in which they are found. Of this type was Terrence James Hanlon, who came to America in his youth and rose to the top through conscientious application to duty and the strength of his mental endowments, becoming one of Rochester's substantial business men and progressive citizens. He was born in Ireland, on the 14th of August, 1860, and came to this city in 1878, when eighteen years of age. Being dependable, energetic and capable, he had no difficulty in securing employment, and rose rapidly as he demonstrated his worth and ability. He was identified with the iron business and for some time was in the service of the firm of Lancy & Barker, acting as foreman. He was also associated with Levi Hay and eventually established a business of his own, securing a location on State street. He organized the firm of T. J. Hanlon & Company and ably guided its destiny, placing the enterprise upon a solid financial basis. He had executive force and his success was also due to his tireless industry, to his close personal attention to detail, and to probity and courage, tempered with conservatism.

On November 4, 1889, in Rochester, Mr. Hanlon was married to Miss Alice Friday and they became the parents of four children, but lost their firstborn, Alice. The others are: Terrence George, who married Miss Gertrude Hall and they have two daughters, Mary Gertrude and Suzanne; Rose May, who is now Mrs. Leslie Ingerson of Newark, New York; Victor James, married Freda Lurch and they have a daughter, Beverly Jean. He is continuing his father's business, which is prospering under his able management. He joined the New York National Guard and was sent to the Mexican border with Company G, of Rochester, under command of Major Couchman. After its return to the city the company was ordered to France and became a part of the Twenty-seventh Division. Mr. Hanlon remained with the company for fourteen months and participated in many notable engagements. He was faithful and courageous in the performance of duty and served successively as corporal, sergeant and second lieutenant. Terrence G. is also a veteran of the World war, in which he served as a member of the Second H. M. O. R. S.

Mr. Hanlon was a faithful communicant of St. Mary's Catholic church and in politics was without party bias. He never aspired to public office but as a private citizen always did his full share in upholding the principles of civic cleanliness and progress by casting his ballot for those who were best able to further those ends.



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In every relation of life Mr. Hanlon acquitted himself with dignity, fidelity and honor, thus winning the approbation and esteem of his fellowmen, and his death on the 13th of July, 1923, was deeply mourned by a large circle of staunch friends, as well as by the members of his immediate family. Mr. Hanlon's residence, since July, 1917, had been at No. 353 Barrington street, where his widow now resides.

OTTO WALCHLI.

The horizon of every man's achievements is fixed by his own volition. Otto Walchli, who possesses the requisite ability and the equally necessary qualities of ambition and industry, has rapidly progressed since his initial effort was made in the business world and now exerts a strong influence in industrial affairs as vice president of the Wellsville Refining Company, Incorporated, with which he has been identified for the past twelve years. He was born in the village on the 16th of July, 1895, and is a son of Gottfried and Anna (Grief) Walchli, natives of Bern, Switzerland. They were married in that country and migrated to America in 1888, coming direct to Wellsville. Here they have since made their home and the father is now an engineer in the wax factory of the Wellsville Refining Company.

Otto Walchli is a graduate of the Wellsville high school, in which he completed a commercial course, and in 1912, when seventeen years of age, entered the employ of the Wellsville Refining Company, Incorporated. He first worked in the plant and in 1915 was given a clerical position in the office. That his services were of value to the company is proved by the fact that he was chosen for the responsible office of secretary in 1918, in which year he also became manager, and since May, 1920, he has served as vice president of the firm. He still acts as manager and during his administration a high degree of efficiency has been attained in the operation of the business. The refinery has a capacity of thirty thousand barrels a month and its products are gasoline, kerosene, fuel and lubricating oil, and wax. The company is doing a capacity business and ranks with the largest industries of the kind in this region. Mr. Walchli has an aptitude for business management and his cooperation has been sought by other large corporations. He is vice president of the Allegany Pipe Line Company, secretary of the Union Pipe Line Company and treasurer of the Fords Brook Pipe Line Company of Wellsville, all of which derive benefit from his connection therewith.

On September 8, 1920, Mr. Walchli was married to Miss Marion C. Judge, a daughter of Levi and Emma (Chamberlin) Judge of Wellsville. Mr. and Mrs. Walchli have a son: John W. Walchli, who was born June 26, 1921. Mr. Walchli is a Rotarian and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Wellsville Country Club and the Brookland Rod & Gun Club. He is a Mason in high standing and in 1922 was master of the blue lodge of Wellsville, becoming high priest of the chapter in the following year. He belongs to the commandery at Hornell, New York, to the consistory at Corning, and to Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo. Although but thirty years of age, Mr. Walchli's achievements would do credit to a man many years his senior, and in view of what he has already accomplished, much may be expected of him in the future. His personality is one that inspires respect and confidence and his many friends in the village have watched his career with interest, rejoicing in his success, for it has been worthily won.

HON. JOHN KNIGHT.

Hon. John Knight, lawyer and lawmaker, is a prominent representative of the legal fraternity in Wyoming county who has followed his profession at Arcade during the past twenty-eight years and has also long been active in public service. Since 1917 he has ably represented his district in the state senate. The town of Arcade is proud to number him among her native sons, for it was here that he was born on the 30th of April, 1871, his parents being Andrew J. and Althea E. (Angier) Knight. It was about the year 1810 that William Knight, the paternal grandfather of John Knight, removed from Massachusetts to the Genesee country and here spent the remainder of his life. Andrew J. Knight, the father of Mr. Knight of this review, devoted the greater part of his life to law practice in this portion of the state and was district attorney for Wyoming county. In his demise, which occurred in Febru-

ry, 1917, the community sustained the loss of one of its leading attorneys and highly respected citizens.

John Knight received his early educational training in the grade and high schools of his native town, continued his studies in the Central high school of Buffalo and then matriculated in the University of Rochester, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1893. In preparation for his chosen calling he subsequently became a student in the Buffalo Law School and afterward read law with his father until admitted to the bar in 1896. He then became an associate with his father under the firm style of Knight & Knight, which was maintained until 1914, when the firm name was changed to Knight, Knight & Bentley. Three years later, upon the death of the elder Mr. Knight, this assumed its present form of Knight & Bentley. Mr. Knight's success in a professional way affords the best evidence of his capabilities in this line. An excellent presence, an earnest manner, marked strength of character, a thorough grasp of the law and the ability accurately to apply its principles make him an effective advocate.

Politically Senator Knight is a staunch republican who has long been active and influential in the local ranks of the party. He filled the position of town clerk from 1891 until 1895, was referee in bankruptcy for Wyoming and Genesee counties from 1898 until 1903 and made a splendid record as district attorney for Wyoming county during the decade between 1903 and 1913. In the latter year he was elected to the state assembly, wherein he served for four years, giving earnest and thoughtful consideration to all the vital questions which came up for settlement. In 1917 he was chosen to represent the forty-fourth district in the state senate, in which body he has remained to the present time, so that he has been connected with many important legislative enactments. In 1925 he was elected president pro tem of the senate.

On the 27th of November, 1896, in Newport, New York, Mr. Knight was married to Miss Mary Elizabeth Fenner, a successful school teacher of that place. They have one daughter, Althea Jane. Mr. Knight is an attendant at the Baptist church and in fraternal circles is well known as a Mason and an Odd Fellow. He also belongs to the University Club of Buffalo, the Arcade Club and the Silver Lake Country Club, and derives his greatest pleasure from outdoor sports and activities. He has ever been a man of action rather than of theory and the subjective and objective forces in his life are well balanced, for he has never allowed personal interests so to monopolize his time as to exclude his active participation in those events wherein the public welfare is a matter of deep concern.

ANTHONY J. HEINZLE.

Anthony J. Heinzle, master plumber and steam-heating engineer, and a recognized authority on sanitary plumbing in Rochester, is a native son of that city and has lived there all his life, engaged in the business in which he has been recognized as a leader since the days of his young manhood. He was born May 27, 1867, and is a son of Joseph Anthony and Mary A. (Aman) Heinzle, natives of Germany, the latter of whom lived to be past eighty-one years of age, her death occurring in Rochester in 1912. Joseph Anthony Heinzle, who died in Rochester in 1868, was one of that sterling class of German immigrants known as "Forty-eighters", of whom in their generation New York had many representatives. Following the unsuccessful revolution in the Palatinate in 1848 he found political conditions in his native land unendurable to his freedom-loving soul, and in company with many of his restless compatriots he found political freedom and refuge in America. He had been well trained as a carpenter and builder and upon his arrival in this country became located in Rochester, where he became engaged as a building contractor and where he continued in that business until his death, one of the substantial citizens. He and his wife were earnest adherents of the Roman Catholic church and their children were reared in that faith.

Reared in Rochester, Anthony J. Heinzle received his education in St. Joseph's parochial school and as a boy became employed during school vacations in a local clothing store. When fifteen years of age he became apprenticed to the plumbing trade, his initial connection in that relation having been with the plumbing establishment of Gauhn & Bassett. While he was thus connected, the senior partner, John B. Gauhn, sold out to Henry B. Howe and the business was continued as the present Howe & Bassett Company. Not long afterward Mr. Heinzle transferred his services to the new establishment set up by Mr. Gauhn and later also was employed in the



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respective establishments of F. R. Walker and R. T. Ford, the latter of whom now is the proprietor of the Richford and Ford hotels.

For years Mr. Heinze continued working as a journeyman plumber, during that time becoming recognized as an expert in this line, and then in 1903 he became engaged in business on his own account and has since been thus engaged, one of the most efficient and successful contractors in that line in western New York. Upon opening a shop of his own Mr. Heinze took a small room at No. 702 University avenue, in a good residential district, with a view to catering especially to the immediate needs of the people of that section of the city, but he soon found that the demand for his services was not to be confined to locality and as this demand grew he found his quarters inadequate to his expanding business. In 1913 he moved into his present location at No. 666 University avenue, where he erected a substantial building, with special reference to the needs of his plant and has since been located there, with an establishment recognized as being second to none of its kind in the city. Mr. Heinze is recognized as an authority on sanitary plumbing and gas and steam-heating and the installations he has made include those in various public buildings hereabout, as well as in office buildings, business establishments and any number of the finer residences of the city. Mr. Heinze is a member of the local organization of master plumbers and has filled all the official chairs of that organization. He also is a member of the National Master Steam-Fitters Association.

Mr. Heinze has been twice married. On September 1, 1891, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma R. Sheller, daughter of Benedict Sheller of Rochester. Mrs. Emma R. Heinze died on February 11, 1921, leaving besides her husband two children—a daughter, Ruth J., and a son, Herbert J. Heinze, the latter of whom is now engaged in business with his father in the plumbing establishment on University avenue. He married Catherine Menges of Rochester and lives at No. 6 Gordon road. Miss Ruth J. Heinze became the wife of Walter J. Bayer, son of Charles M. Bayer, and has a daughter, Mary Agnes. On February 5, 1924, Anthony J. Heinze was married to Miss Adelia V. Leighton, daughter of George and Victoria Leighton of Freeport, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Heinze are members of the Roman Catholic church and are republicans. Mr. Heinze is a fourth degree member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and is also a member of the Knights of St. John, in which latter organization he has been through the chairs.

WALTER FRANKLIN ARTHURS.

Walter Franklin Arthurs is a resident of Arcade who has been an active factor in journalistic circles of the Genesee country during the past three decades as the editor and publisher of the Wyoming County Herald and of other enterprising newspapers in Erie and Cattaraugus counties. He was born in Milton, Ontario, Canada, on the 4th of November, 1871, his parents being James E. and Elizabeth (Brownridge) Arthurs. The father, a successful school teacher who subsequently turned his attention to merchandising, was a lifelong resident of Ontario, Canada, where the family has been represented for a number of generations.

Walter Franklin Arthurs received his education in the grade and high schools of his native province and after putting aside his textbooks became identified with journalistic interests in connection with the publication of the *Erin Advocate* at Erin, Ontario, where he thus remained for one year. Subsequently he spent two years as editor of *The Arthur Enterprise* at Arthur, Ontario, after which he was associated for a similar period with the firm of Geis & Company, conducting a printing establishment in Buffalo, New York. Later he was connected with *The Buffalo Times* and then with *The Buffalo News* until 1894, when he came to Arcade, New York, here purchasing the *Wyoming County Herald*, of which he has since been the editor and publisher. Mr. Arthurs is likewise editor and publisher of the *Holland Review* at Holland, New York, the *Cattaraugus Press* at Delevan, New York, and the *Sardinia Censor* at Sardinia, this state. The combined circulation of these papers is over thirty-two hundred. The value of the local newspapers in the upbuilding of the best interests of any community is universally conceded. The rule is that good papers are found in good towns, inferior journals in towns of stunted growth and uncertain future. It is not so much a matter of size as of excellence and of adaptability to the needs of its locality. These conditions given, in an appreciative and progressive community the size of the paper will take care of itself in a way mutually satisfactory to

publishers and patrons. The worth of Mr. Arthurs' work as a journalist is widely acknowledged in this part of the state.

On the 24th of December, 1893, in Hinsdale, New York, Mr. Arthurs was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Capron, daughter of George Capron of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Arthurs have become the parents of three sons, namely: Glen W., who received the degree of M. D. from the University of Buffalo in 1918, and is a practicing physician of Niagara Falls, New York; Ward H., a publisher of South Bend, Indiana; and W. Boyd, who is a student in the medical department of the University of Buffalo. Mr. Arthurs is an enthusiastic supporter of the republican party and a popular member of the Arcade Club and the Arcade Men's Club. Fraternally he is identified with the blue lodge and chapter of the Masonic order in Arcade and also with the local organization of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Outdoor life affords him needed recreation and he finds much pleasure in motoring, baseball and fishing.

RIGHT REV. MGR. RICHARD O'BRIEN, V. F.

Right Rev. Mgr. Richard O'Brien, pastor of the Immaculate Conception church of Wellsville during the past quarter of a century, has by papal decree been elevated to the dignified position of monsignor. He is a native of Albion, Orleans county, New York, and a son of James and Elizabeth (Kane) O'Brien. The father, who was born in Limerick, Ireland, about 1830, came to the United States in 1850 and lived to the age of eighty-three. The mother, who was born in Armagh, Ireland, was eighty-two years of age when called to the home beyond in 1917. Richard O'Brien has four brothers and one sister: John M., James, William P., Mary E., now wife of Charles A. Littlefield of Buffalo, and Martin R.

Richard O'Brien began his education in a parochial school of his native city and later spent one year as a high school student in Albion, while subsequently he attended St. Michael's College of Toronto, Canada. His college seminary course was pursued at Assumption Shrine of Sandwich, Ontario. On the 21st of December, 1895, he was ordained to the priesthood at Toronto, Ontario, by the bishop of London (the late Archbishop O'Connor), after which he served as assistant rector of St. Columbus church in Buffalo until June, 1899. He was afterward pastor pro tem at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament and Chapel Parish at the corner of Utica and Delaware avenues in Buffalo, from June 24, 1899, until January, 1900, since which time he has filled the pastorate of the Immaculate Conception church in Wellsville, New York. Father O'Brien was appointed dean by Bishop Carlton during the latter's administration as bishop of Buffalo. It was during the administration of Right Rev. William Turner that the dignity of domestic prelate was conferred upon him by the pope through the intercession of Bishop Turner, and since his ecclesiastical promotion he has borne the title of Right Rev. Monsignor O'Brien, V. F.

The new edifice of the Immaculate Conception church was completed in December, 1896. Its communicants number sixteen hundred, comprising three hundred and forty families. The modern three-story school building was finished in 1913, at a cost of eighty thousand dollars. This is a chartered institution embracing a two-year high school course and has an attendance of two hundred and five pupils under the supervision of seven teachers of the Sisters of Mercy. Every department of the church work has been successfully carried forward under the inspirational guidance of Monsignor O'Brien, who has not only won the love and cooperation of his parishioners but has made an enviable impression and many friends among people of non-Catholic sects. His title of honor came as a reward of merit and he donned the robe of his high office with a record of work well done. Monsignor O'Brien is chaplain of the Knights of Columbus at Wellsville.

LYNN S. BENTLEY.

Lynn S. Bentley is a successful young attorney of Arcade, where he has been engaged in practice during the past decade, being now junior member of the well known law firm of Knight & Bentley. He has filled the office of justice of the peace for the same length of time, while in 1921 he was president of Arcade village, which is his native town. He was born on the 21st of February, 1889, and is a son of Morris and Helen (Sherwood) Bentley. The father, who has been a lifelong resident



RT. REV. MGR. RICHARD O'BRIEN, V. F.

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of this part of the state, devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits throughout his active business career and is well known and highly esteemed in the community in which he makes his home. Gideon Bentley, the paternal grandfather of Lynn S. Bentley, was the first representative of the family to settle in the Genesee country. Sarah Meech, the great-great-grandmother of L. S. Bentley in the maternal line, was the first white child born in Arcade.

In the acquirement of an education Lynn S. Bentley attended the grammar and high schools of Arcade and then entered upon specific training for a professional career as a student in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1911. Admitted to the bar the same year, he became a member of the law firm of Falk, Phillips, Schlenker & Bentley in Buffalo, where he continued in practice until 1914, when he returned to Arcade and has here remained. He was formerly a member of the firm of Knight, Knight & Bentley, but since the death of the elder Mr. Knight the firm name has been Knight & Bentley. An extensive clientage is accorded the partners, who have been connected with considerable important litigation. Mr. Bentley enjoys a merited reputation as a capable attorney whose success has been gained through industry, careful preparations and devotion to the interests entrusted to him. He acts as counsel for the Citizens Bank of Arcade, the Odell & Eddy Company, the Arcade & Attica Railroad Corporation and other concerns.

On the 10th of August, 1915, in Java, New York, Mr. Bentley was united in marriage to Miss Sara Healy, daughter of Elmer C. Healy of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Bentley have a son, Robert O., who was born on the 17th of July, 1918. In community affairs Mr. Bentley has taken an active and helpful interest that has led to his choice for public office. He made a commendable record as president of the village of Arcade in 1921, and since 1914 has ably served in the capacity of justice of the peace. His religious faith is indicated by his attendance at the First Baptist church of Arcade.

Fraternally Mr. Bentley is identified with the Masonic order, to the work of which he devotes considerable time, belonging to Arcade Lodge No. 419, F. & A. M.; Arcade Chapter, R. A. M., of which he is a charter member and first high priest; to the Scottish Rite bodies at Olean and Buffalo; and Ismailia Temple, Mystic Shrine, at Buffalo. Mr. Bentley joined the Delta Chi fraternity while a college student and is a valued member of the Arcade Men's Club. Motoring is a source of great pleasure to him. Along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Wyoming County Bar Association, the Erie County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association, and his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession recognize in him a man who is always faithfully loyal to the highest standards and ethics of the calling.

GEORGE GIBSON SHEPARD.

There is no single element which has a greater effect in upholding the financial stability of a community than has a carefully organized and conservatively conducted bank, and of such an institution George Gibson Shepard is the head. For the past ten years he has successfully guided the destiny of the Niagara Falls Trust Company and he also has other business interests of importance, while he is likewise a leader in projects for civic betterment. He is one of the city's loyal sons and was born October 16, 1865, of English lineage. His father, William Shepard, was a native of Lockport, New York, and came to Niagara Falls as a boy. He was a building contractor and his constructive labors were vital elements in the development and improvement of the city. In Niagara Falls he was married to Miss Anabel Livingston, who was a native of Scotland, and during her childhood the family migrated to the United States. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Shepard, six sons and a daughter. George G., of this review, is the fourth in order of birth and the only one of the children now living.

George Gibson Shepard attended grammar school and afterward completed a course in the De Veaux College of Niagara Falls. His initial experience in financial affairs was gained as a clerk in the Cataract Bank of this city, which he entered at the age of eighteen, and for ten years he remained with that institution, gaining valuable training and experience. The business was discontinued in 1893, at which time Mr. Shepard was acting as assistant cashier, and in the following year he aided in organizing the Electric City Bank, of which he became cashier and a director. It was operated under that name for ten years and in 1904 a consolidation was affected.

It has since been known as the Niagara Falls Trust Company, of which Mr. Shepard became president in 1914, and under his able administration the institution has become recognized as one of the strongest financial organizations in the city. He is well versed in the details of modern finance and a keen student of human nature. Mr. Shepard also serves as vice president of the United Hotels Company of America and treasurer of the Niagara Searchlight Company, Incorporated, being a director of both, and his name likewise appears on the directorates of the Cataract Theatre Corporation, the Niagara Building Corporation, the United States Light & Heat Corporation and the Niagara Falls Hotel Corporation, all of this city, and the Seneca Hotel Corporation of Rochester, New York. He combines a capacity for detail with the ability to think in large terms and is actuated at all times by an accurate sense of business exigency.

The growth and progress of his city is a matter in which Mr. Shepard takes much personal pride and his talents are enlisted as readily for the public weal as for his own success. He was for many years a member of the board of education of Niagara Falls, of which he was president for seven years, and has been president of the library board for about fifteen years. He is a member of the grade crossing advisory board and is serving on various committees in charge of public improvements. He is responsible for the organization of the Chamber of Commerce and has been its president.

On October 15, 1890, Mr. Shepard was married to Miss Edith A. Pfeiffer, a daughter of Bernard and Emily (Pierce) Pfeiffer of Niagara Falls. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Shepard are: Marion S., the wife of Earl E. Butler of this city; and Helen S., who is studying music in New York city. Mr. Shepard was for twenty years a member of the Forty-second Separate Company of the New York National Guard. He received a captain's commission and subsequently was made a major. He commanded the Third Battalion, Third New York Infantry, and was retired in 1916 with the rank of brevet lieutenant colonel. During the World war he acted as fuel administrator for Niagara county and also served on various Liberty Loan committees, devoting much of his time to patriotic work. Mr. Shepard is affiliated with the Presbyterian church and gives his political support to the republican party. He is a member of Elks Lodge, No. 346, and is also a prominent Mason. He is a past master of Niagara Frontier Lodge, No. 132, F. & A. M.; a past high priest of Niagara Chapter, No. 250, R. A. M.; a member of Niagara Commandery, No. 64, K. T.; Niagara Lodge of Perfection, A. & A. S. R.; and Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Buffalo. Mr. Shepard is active in the social life of his city and belongs to the Niagara Club, the Fellowcraft Club and the Niagara Falls Country Club. The spirit of progress has actuated him throughout his life, manifesting itself in his business career as well as in his civic relations, and his labors have been a strong force for good. The scope and variety of his interests indicate the breadth of his mind and in him the elements are happily blended, resulting in a symmetrical and harmonious development.

FREDERICK CLIFTON BALLARD, M. D.

Care of his large practice and attention to the various civic duties which have been placed upon his shoulders, make Dr. Frederick Clifton Ballard, of Rushford, one of the busiest physicians in Allegany county, New York, where for a quarter of a century he has been engaged in the practice of his profession, and where his skill and abilities have won him an enviable success. He was born December 12, 1875, in Centerville, New York, the son of Miles P. and Fidelia E. (Bingham) Ballard, the father being a farmer and lumberman, who was born in 1828 and died on March 23, 1918. The Doctor's mother was born in 1836 and died in 1923. Levi Ballard, his paternal grandfather, moved from Vermont to Western New York about 1826. His wife's maiden name was Electa Powell.

Until he was fourteen years old the education of Frederick Clifton Ballard was that furnished by the district public school in Centerville. He then attended Pike Seminary, in Wyoming county, from which he graduated at the age of seventeen. For a year afterward he taught school, and then entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo, Buffalo, New York, where he received the degree of M. D. and graduated in the class of 1898. Dr. Ballard immediately located in Rushford, and has been in continuous practice there ever since. He has been coroner of Allegany county since 1918, county physician for the town of Rushford since 1898, and health officer for the town of Farmersville since 1917.



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Dr. Ballard was married on January 27, 1909, to Jennie Olthof of Rushford, daughter of Lincoln and Anna (Dunlap) Olthof. The Olthof family is of Holland descent and moved to the Genesee country from Vermont, settling near New Hudson. Mrs. Ballard attended the Warren Conservatory of Music at Warren, Pennsylvania, prior to her marriage. Two children have been born to Dr. and Mrs. Ballard: Anna Frederica, and Genevra Emelene.

Among the numerous organizations with which Dr. Ballard is connected as a member are: The Allegany County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the Alumni of the University of Buffalo and the Alpha Omega Delta fraternity. Fraternally he is a member of Joseph Enos Lodge, No. 318, F. & A. M., Rushford; the Chapter at Belfast, New York; DeMolay Commandery, Olean, New York; and Ishmailia Shrine, Buffalo, New York. In his political views Dr. Ballard is a republican, and his religious convictions enroll him as a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

CHARLES H. FOWLER.

Charles H. Fowler, superintendent of the Robeson-Rochester Company's plant in Perry, Wyoming county, came to Perry with the company when it located its plant here in 1898 and has lived here ever since. On the first of January, 1923, the Robeson Cutlery Company became the Robeson-Rochester Company, Incorporated, the change in name representing a change in organization, but not in the work of the concern. The firm specializes in the manufacture of spring knives, and produces over one hundred thousand dozen of these useful articles annually. In the year 1923 this single firm furnished to the retail trade of America over fifty per cent of the knives sold. In addition to the Perry plant there are two establishments in Rochester, New York, giving employment, in all, to about three hundred people all the year around. The company maintains its own selling force of about fifty people through which it puts its product on the market under the trade-mark of "Shur-Edge", without the intermediary services of so-called "middle men".

THE ACHESON GRAPHITE COMPANY.

The city of Niagara Falls with its great hydro-electric power has become an important center of manufacturing operations in the east and among the large industries that have contributed to the development and prosperity of this section of the Empire state is that of the Acheson Graphite Company, whose existence covers a period of a quarter of a century. They furnish employment to four hundred persons and their weekly pay roll amounts to twelve thousand dollars. They distribute their products all over the world and maintain their headquarters in Niagara Falls, while they have also established an office in London, England. Dr. Edward Goodrich Acheson is president of the company and the other officers are: William Acheson Smith, first vice president; Edward Goodrich Acheson, Jr., second vice president; and Frank N. Coe, secretary and treasurer.

This extensive industry, well organized in all of its departments and functioning perfectly as a unit, is the complete realization of the dream of its founder, Dr. Edward G. Acheson, and is an imposing monument to his creative powers, his progressive spirit and administrative ability. He was born in Washington, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1856, a son of William and Sarah Diana (Reysle) Acheson, and is of Irish lineage. He filled various positions and during 1880 and 1881 was employed in the Menlo Park laboratory of Thomas A. Edison. From 1881 until 1883 he was assistant engineer of the Edison enterprises in Europe and in 1884-85 was superintendent of the Consolidated Lamp Company of Brooklyn, New York. He became an electrician for the Standard Underground Cable Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1886, and remained with that corporation until 1889. Meanwhile, Mr. Acheson had been engaged in scientific research and through observation, analysis and experiments he discovered a form of carbon which had all the properties of graphite. In 1895 he secured a patent for producing graphite from amorphous carbon in the electric furnace. The graphite is made from anthracite coal and petroleum coke, all foreign matter being volatilized at a temperature of over seven thousand, five hundred degrees, Fahrenheit, the highest known temperature. This is the only man-made

graphite in the world and superior in quality to the natural product, which contains impurities. It is used chiefly in the manufacture of electrodes, lead pencils, and as a powder for dry batteries, paints, pigments and lubricants. In January, 1899, the Acheson Graphite Company was organized for the manufacture of graphites under his patents, with a capital stock of five hundred thousand dollars, and in the following year was merged with the International Acheson Graphite Company of Niagara Falls, a three million dollar corporation, of which Dr. Acheson is the executive head. His inventive genius is supplemented by business ability of a high order and his constantly expanding powers have made him one of the outstanding figures in American industry.

GEORGE HIRAM BRADLEY.

George Hiram Bradley, a successful oil producer of Bolivar, Allegany county, and an official in the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, Limited, may almost be said to have grown up in the oil business. His father, the late Justin Bassett Bradley, was in the oil industry in Pennsylvania as early as 1861 and from then on until his death in 1904 was principally occupied in this field of activity. Thus from early boyhood George Hiram Bradley was familiar with the eastern oil fields and the operation of gas and oil wells. He was born in Springboro, Crawford county, Pennsylvania, on the 9th of October, 1864. His mother bore the maiden name of Naomi Susan Cook. Justin B. Bradley was born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, December 28, 1826, and as a young man engaged in the oil business in his native county, being so occupied at the time the Civil war broke out. Later he went into the real estate business in Chicago and was in the young western city about 1874. Returning to his native state in the '70s he took up his residence in Bradford, where he remained until 1881, when he came to New York state, locating in Richburg, Allegany county. Here he was active in the oil and gas industry until his death.

After obtaining an education in the common schools George Hiram Bradley followed his father into the oil and gas business and began working in the local fields. Shortly he entered the employ of the firm of Kneelan Bros. & Bradley, who were engaged in the production of gas and oil. This firm later became the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, Limited, of which Mr. Bradley is now vice president and treasurer. He, with his associates, developed the July Oil Company, today a subsidiary of the Forest Oil Company, Incorporated, which operates in Bolivar and the vicinity. Mr. Bradley is a director in the Forest Oil Company, Inc., whose headquarters are in Bradford, Pennsylvania. All of his time and energy has not been devoted to this one industry, although that is the field in which he first rose to prominence. He is practically the sole owner of the Bolivar Water Company, a public service company, and is largely interested in other local companies and corporations. In banking circles he is known as a director and vice president of the State Bank of Bolivar and a director in the First Trust Company of Wellsville, New York.

Mr. Bradley attends the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a Mason, his affiliations being with Macedonia Lodge, No. 258, F. & A. M. of Bolivar; and Bolivar Chapter, No. 280, R. A. M. He likewise belongs to Bolivar Lodge, No. 515, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. While in the main he adheres to the principles of democracy as expounded by the party of Andrew Jackson and Woodrow Wilson, Mr. Bradley is somewhat independent in his political views, holding that the good of the country and the fitness of the candidates for office should be taken into consideration by every voter before the success of the particular party he might support. While years of well-directed effort have brought to Mr. Bradley a position of leadership in his industry and in the community, as well as the wealth that is always an evidence of business success, he is a man of simple tastes and unostentatious nature. His interests, aside from his business, are in his home and the social life he enjoys among his friends in this vicinity, many of whom have been his companions since early youth.

Mr. Bradley's marriage to Miss Sarah Care of Vossburg, New York, took place on the 9th of July, 1883. They have become the parents of six children, five of whom are living: The oldest child, Justin Booth Bradley, is treasurer and manager of the Hornell Gas Light Company and the Canisteo Gas Company of Hornell, New York. He married Miss Eva Clark of Belmont, New York; John Care Bradley resides in Bolivar, where he has charge of the local interests of the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, Limited. His wife was formerly Miss Edith Washburn of Poutney, New York, and they have two sons, George W. and John D. Isabel Elizabeth Bradley graduated



JUSTIN B. BRADLEY



GEORGE H. BRADLEY

from the University of Michigan in 1921. She is now the wife of Clarendon E. Streeter of Rixford, Pennsylvania, the manager of the Carter, Bradley & Streeter Oil Company of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Streeter have a son: Bradley Streeter. Miss Naomi Sanol Bradley is an alumna of the University of Michigan, class of 1922, and is at home. Edwin George Bradley, also a graduate of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, is engaged in the oil business at Wichita, Kansas. The youngest child, Marion, died in infancy.

CHARLES BRAINARD PRESCOTT.

Charles Brainard Prescott, who has been a member of the Attica bar during the past twenty-four years, is widely recognized as one of the able and successful representatives of the legal profession in Wyoming county. He is a native son of the town of Attica, where he was born on the 1st of November, 1870, his parents being James O. and Helen F. (Disbrow) Prescott. The father, who was an executive of the Erie Railroad Company, spent the greater part of his life in the Genesee country and here passed away in 1912.

Charles Brainard Prescott was a high school pupil in Batavia, New York, prior to beginning his professional training in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1897. The same year he entered upon the practice of law in association with the firm of Taber & Wilke in Buffalo, where he remained until 1900, when he came to Attica, which city has remained the scene of his professional labors. The zeal with which he has devoted his energies to his chosen calling, the careful regard evinced for the interests of his clients, and an assiduous and unrelaxing attention to all the details of his cases, have brought him a large business and made him very successful in its conduct. Mr. Prescott has served as justice of the peace for many years and is connected with the barge canal titles department in the office of the attorney-general. He is a member of the Wyoming County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

On the 21st of November, 1898, in Attica, Mr. Prescott was united in marriage to Miss Anna Walton, daughter of Henry and Delia Walton of this place. An earnest worker in the local ranks of the republican party, Mr. Prescott was chairman of the republican county committee for a period of two decades, covering the years between 1902 and 1922. His activities during the period of the World war included service as chairman of the military census of 1917, chairman of the Four-Minute men and member of the legal advisory board. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Presbyterian church, of which he is one of the trustees, and he also belongs to the Batavia Club and to the Attica Business Men's Club.

Fraternally Mr. Prescott is identified with the Foresters, the Odd Fellows and the Masons, belonging to Attica Lodge, F. & A. M.; Attica Chapter, R. A. M.; Batavia Commandery, K. T.; and Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Buffalo. Mr. Prescott is deeply interested in the work of the Boy Scout organization and in all movements instituted to aid young boys and girls. His interests and connections are thus wide and varied and he has given earnest and adequate support to all those forces which make for public progress and improvement, for social advancement, for the betterment of business conditions and for the organized efforts that are being put forth to advance the intellectual and moral welfare of the community.

NOAH FRANKLIN MADDEVER.

In every community there are men who, by the consensus of public opinion, are placed in the rank of its most useful and enterprising citizens, and to this distinction Noah Franklin Maddever has attained. His activities have largely been directed along those lines which have for their object public improvement and the advancement of the general welfare, and his life has been a strong force for good. He is well known in journalistic circles of western New York as vice president of the company which controls the Niagara Falls Gazette, with which he has been connected for more than a quarter of a century, and for two decades he has been a leader of educational progress in the city. He is a native of Canada, and was born January 31, 1874, in London, Ontario, a son of John Franklin and Eliza (Watson) Maddever, the former of English and French lineage and the latter of English extraction. The father was born in London, Ontario, March 29, 1849, and the mother in London, England, October 1, 1854. The family moved from London, Ontario, to the States, first locating in Lyndonville,

New York, and later in Lockport, this state. The parents next went to Akron, Ohio, and in 1884 established their home in Niagara Falls.

From the age of ten years Noah Franklin Maddever has been a resident of this city and here he received his education, graduating from high school with the class of 1893. He afterward spent two years in the United States postal service, and in 1896 entered the newspaper business as a cub reporter for the Niagara Falls Gazette. He found the work congenial and interesting, applying himself with zeal and enthusiasm to his tasks, and as his experience and value increased he was rewarded by promotion. He is now managing editor of the paper, of which he is part owner, and also acts as vice president of the company. His editorials are noted for their vigor and literary excellence and under his management the Gazette has become both the leader and the mirror of public opinion. It embodies the best elements of journalism and ranks with the leading dailies of western New York.

On December 10, 1902, Mr. Maddever was married to Miss Nellie M. Nolan and they have two children: John Franklin and Jane Louise. Mr. Maddever is a staunch republican and has never wavered in his allegiance to the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He regards the public schools as the bulwark of the nation and has exerted his influence to secure for the city an educational system of which its residents are justifiably proud. In 1904 Mayor John M. Hancock appointed Mr. Maddever a member of the board of education, on which he has served continuously to the present time, and since 1909 he has been its president, his long retention in the office being eloquent of his capacity for such service. He is a Mason in high standing, belonging to Niagara River Lodge, No. 785, F. & A. M., of which he was master in 1910; to Niagara Chapter, No. 200, R. A. M., of which he was high priest in 1914; and in 1922 he was elected commander of Niagara Commandery, No. 64, K. T. He was inducted into the order in 1900 and is a Noble of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, while he also belongs to the Niagara Club and the Niagara County Sportsmen's Association. Mr. Maddever has ever been actuated by a strong desire to serve his community and loses no opportunity to "boost" his city by the spoken and written word. He has never used his influence for an unworthy purpose and has always supported moral interests, fair dealing and the cause of good government. He has progressed through the medium of his own efforts and is esteemed for those qualities which have made possible his success.

JOHN BENEDICT MCGONEGAL.

(By Gerald J. Kent, East Orange, New Jersey)

The passing of John Benedict McGonegal of Rochester, New York, removed from the public life of Monroe county a man who had long been in the public eye as a county official, connected with the office of county superintendent of the poor for nearly forty years. He did not, however, introduce the name to that office—on the contrary he was introduced by his honored father who first appointed him. George E. McGonegal held the office of county superintendent of the poor for Monroe county for seven terms, ending with his death in 1885, therefore for more than half a century these two men, George E. and John B. McGonegal, father and son, were engaged in the blessed work of charity. John B. McGonegal was twenty-five years of age when first appointed deputy by his father, and for forty years he served most conscientiously and effectively, for his heart was in his work and his pride was in doing it well. How well he discharged his duty must be inferred from the fact that he served under five superintendents and each had the appointment of his own deputy. That he held the office until his sudden death places the stamp of approval upon his work and that verdict was just.

George E. McGonegal was the owner of a farm in Irondequoit, Monroe county, New York, and there resided until 1870. He was a son of John McGonegal, one of the first settlers of Irondequoit, and back in Indian days helped build the "Plank Road" and the floating bridge. In 1870 George E. McGonegal was elected superintendent of the poor for Monroe county, and later moved to Rochester, where he died in 1885. He married Louise Loder and they were the parents of John B. McGonegal, to whom this review is dedicated. George E. and Louise (Loder) McGonegal resided at the home in Vick Park "A", and there both died.

John Benedict McGonegal was born on the home farm in Irondequoit, Monroe county, New York, August 4, 1857, and died suddenly, December 28, 1922, while going from his office to his home. He is buried in Mount Hope cemetery, Rochester. He attended the Old "Cobble Stone" district school until the removal to Rochester in 1870,

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and there he attended the "Hickory School", going thence to the academy at Lima, New York. He left the academy before graduation on account of ill health, and later became a clerk in the drug store of Haskins & Smith of Rochester. From the drug store he entered the service of Monroe county in the office of superintendent of the poor, an office then held by his father (1882). He served for about fifteen years in varied positions, then was appointed deputy superintendent, an office he held for twenty-five years under five superintendents, Superintendent Lodge first making him his deputy. During this period he was also state transfer agent of the state board of charities for the Rochester district, and upon his passing the state board of charities at Albany passed a "minute" for their records, certifying to Mr. McGonegal's faithful, efficient service, that minute being appended, together with a letter from the superintendent of state and alien poor. A resolution from the Monroe County Association of Overseers of the Poor is also included in this record of a valuable, useful life.

Mr. McGonegal became one of the best known men of the county, and his friends were legion. He always was ready with the kindly, pleasant word of greeting, and no trouble was too great to take for a friend. He was a republican in politics, and a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with Genesee Valley Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Chapter, Royal Arch Masons Monroe Commandery, Knights Templars, and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

John B. McGonegal was married on May 22, 1894, in Rochester, to Frances B. Michelsen, born in Rochester, daughter of Paul and Magdalene (Oster) Michelsen, her parents born in Germany, but residents of the United States since childhood, her father a prosperous furniture dealer on Water, now High street, Rochester. The McGonegal family home was at No. 46 Vick Park "A", Rochester, New York.

STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES.

Albany, New York. January 9, 1923.

My Dear Mrs. McGonegal:

At the meeting of the State Board of Charities held in Albany, New York, January 9, 1923, the following Minute was adopted by unanimous vote of the board, and the secretary was directed to transmit a copy of the same to you.

MINUTE.

John B. McGonegal.

John B. McGonegal, who for nearly forty years was connected with the office of county superintendent of the poor in Monroe county, died suddenly in his sixty-fourth year, December 28, 1922, while going from his office to his home in Rochester, New York. For over twenty-five years he was deputy under the county superintendents of the poor, who during the past quarter of a century have served Monroe county.

It is worthy of record that John B. McGonegal was the son of George E. McGonegal, who served Monroe county for six terms as its county superintendent of the poor. Upon the death of the father in 1902, the son, then being in the county employ, was retained by the elder McGonegal's successors. His fidelity and efficiency were recognized by his associates, and his genial manner and sympathetic ways gave comfort to a multitude of unfortunates and sorrowing families who received relief at his hands. He was in direct charge of Monroe county outdoor poor relief and was regarded by the women and children, who received supplies of food, clothing and other necessities, as a true friend. He acted for this board when necessary as a removal agent of state poor persons from July, 1885, until his death, and thus since that date was in communication with the superintendent of state and alien poor.

For nearly sixty years of continuous service the name of McGonegal has stood for efficiency in the relief of the poor and unfortunate, a record of which the county of Monroe may well be proud.

With my personal sympathy, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
CHARLES H. JOHNSON.

From the Monroe County Associated Overseers of the Poor:

At this meeting we take the first opportunity to announce the death of Mr. John B. McGonegal, deputy superintendent of the poor, of Monroe county, which occurred in this city, December 28, 1922.

Mr. McGonegal held the office of deputy superintendent of the poor for forty years. He was first appointed to the office by his father, Mr. George E. McGonegal, and served under the supervision of five superintendents during his term of office. During the period he also served as state transfer agent of the State Board of Charities in this district.

Mr. McGonegal was a man of unusual ability, a conscientious worker, and performed his duties in a most considerate and thoughtful manner, and great credit was due him for the work he made his lifework. He was always congenial and made many friends among the associates who worked with him in connection with caring for the poor, and his presence will be sadly missed by them, by those he worked with in the office and by members of this association at their quarterly meetings. We wish to attest our respect to his memory, therefore, Be it

Resolved: That we, members of and representing the Monroe County Association of Overseers of the Poor, extend to Mrs. McGonegal our sincere sympathy in her sad bereavement, and that the above tribute to his memory be recorded upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy be sent to Mrs. McGonegal.

THOMAS A. CROUCH,
JOHN S. WRIGHT,
IRA E. FORD.

The following letter is self-explanatory:

STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES.

Albany, New York.

My Dear Mrs. McGonegal:

As an old friend of your husband, and with deep sympathy in your bereavement, I am sending to you a copy of the Minute adopted by the State Board of Charities of the State of New York at its meeting in Albany today.

For many years I have taken pleasure in meeting your husband, not only officially but as a personal friend, and when through Superintendent William E. Porter I learned over the telephone of John's sudden death I was greatly shocked, as only a short time ago I was at his office in the courthouse and we talked over many matters of common interest.

I am glad now that my recollection of this last interview with him is so pleasant, for we both enjoyed it and looked forward to other visits for a renewal of the pleasure. Now that he is gone I appreciate what a competent, faithful man we have lost, and shall always cherish his memory as that of a sincere friend and a pleasant associate.

Both to you and his sister I tender my sympathy, but know that both have the Christian consolation and look forward to a reunion in "The mansions not made by hands, eternal in the heavens."

Very sincerely yours,
ROBERT W. HILL,
Superintendent State and Alien Poor.

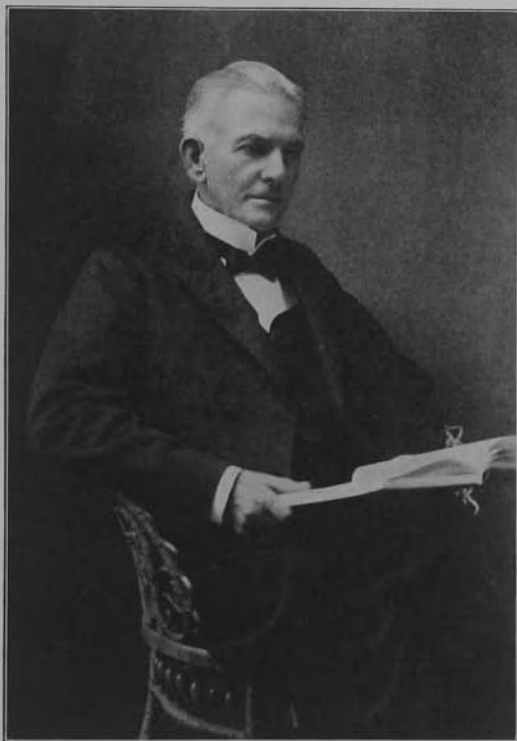
The above sketch was taken from the "Americana", published by The American Historical Society, Incorporated, New York.

Mrs. McGonegal was married on January 1, 1925, to George G. Muntz of Rochester, and their residence is at No. 44 Vick Park "B".

EDWIN BRADFORD HALL.

High on the honored roll of esteemed citizens of Allegany county stands the name of Edwin Bradford Hall of Wellsville, who for fifty-six years until his death was a druggist in that place. Mr. Hall represented a high type of citizenship, and his name is held in fond remembrance by a wide circle of acquaintances. He was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, in 1825, and was of Puritan ancestry, tracing his descent through the maternal line from the distinguished Governor William Bradford, second governor of the Plymouth colony.

Mr. Hall learned the drug business in his native place and in 1852 came to Wellsville and opened a drug store, which for a short time was located in a rented frame building on part of the present Babcock Theater site. However, he at once proceeded to erect a building of his own on the land now occupied by the Hall Drug Store, which with the exception of a brief period covering a few months, continued to be his business site. His first store was burned and Mr. Hall erected the present brick building. Fol-



EDWIN BRADFORD HALL

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lowing the death of Mr. Hall the business was continued by his son-in-law, J. Milton Carpenter, who had long been associated with Mr. Hall, and since the retirement of Mr. Carpenter in 1920, when he disposed of the business, the trade name of the store has remained unchanged—a tribute to the splendid name and reputation of the former owners.

On the 5th of June, 1860, Mr. Hall was married to Antoinette Farnum, daughter of Hon. E. J. Farnum of Wellsville. The only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hall—Fannie—is the wife of J. Milton Carpenter of Wellsville. Mrs. Hall passed away on June 29, 1917.

Mr. Hall was a republican in political faith, but his retiring and modest disposition preferred to help forward other good men, rather than to take a leading part in civic or national political affairs. He was well known in Masonic circles, becoming a member of the lodge and chapter in Bridgeport, and later transferred his membership to Wellsville Lodge, No. 230, F. & A. M., and Wellsville Chapter, No. 143, R. A. M. He became a member of the Episcopal church in early life, but when he came to Wellsville there being no church of that denomination there he attended the Congregational church, to the support of which he was a liberal contributor. His beautiful residence, "The Pink House", of unusual architecture, was erected by him at the corner of West State street and South Brooklyn avenue and is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Carpenter. This home with its landscaped grounds has long been one of the show places of Wellsville.

Mr. Hall as a business man achieved marked success, and in his relations he ever maintained his high reputation for honesty and upright dealings. A true gentleman of the old school, he had a kindness of manner and a true courtesy that made him not only beloved by all, but reflected his fine New England training and ancestry. He was a lover of the beautiful things of nature and found much pleasure and interest in the trees, shrubs, flowers and birds. His home life was ideal, and he was the ideal husband, father, neighbor and friend. Mr. Hall was of a scientific turn; his fame as a geologist was not confined to this country, and as a botanist he had more than a local reputation. The special story of his work as a scientist, observer and investigator in geological work is an interesting one that can be touched upon only briefly here. He was known and honored among geologists, and has a special name and place of honor in geological work in New York state. He was the finder of eighty new and distinct species of fossils of the order of Dictyospongidae (meaning netted or reticulated sponges), fossils of silicious sponges, paleozoic forms of an extinct group of organisms representing the glass sponges of the existing seas. These specimens were nearly all found in Allegany county and vicinity. His large and valuable collection is housed in a separate building adjoining "The Pink House" in Wellsville.

Mr. Hall continued his various activities with a marked vigor until he had passed the fourscore mark and retained his interest in his scientific work undiminished. He rendered valuable service to science in his particular field, and enjoyed as his reward the personal and delightful friendship and associations with men of the highest rank in the scientific world. The death of Mr. Hall occurred on September 11, 1908.

JOHN B. LAIDLAW.

John B. Laidlaw, who was superintendent of schools of Niagara Falls, until he resigned on January 1, 1925, has devoted his life to the acquirement and dissemination of knowledge and his ability as an educator has won for him more than local prominence. He was born October 31, 1874, in St. Lawrence county, New York, and his parents, Alexander and Priscilla (Mills) Laidlaw, were also natives of that county. The father was of Scotch lineage and was born in 1840, while the mother was of Scotch and English ancestry and was born in 1845.

John B. Laidlaw completed a course in the Richfield Springs high school in 1892 and his higher education was acquired in St. Lawrence University, from which he was graduated in 1901, winning the degree of Bachelor of Science. He began his career as an educator at the age of eighteen and from 1892 until 1897 was a teacher in the rural schools of St. Lawrence county. From 1901 until 1904 he was principal of the Hammond Union School and next spent two years as an instructor in the Franklin Academy in Malone. He was supervising principal of the high school in Gouverneur, New York, from 1906 until 1910 and in the latter year became principal of the Niagara Falls high school, acting in that capacity for five years. His excellent work in that connection led to his selection for the office of superin-

tendent of schools of Niagara Falls, which position he held until January 1, 1925, when he tendered his resignation. Studious by nature, he keeps in touch with the most advanced ideas in regard to the education of children and under his regime notable improvements were made in the school system of the city, which ranks with the best in the state. He was resourceful in meeting the various problems which constantly arose in connection with the performance of his duties and he secured the hearty cooperation of the board of education as well as the teaching body in his efforts to maintain the highest possible standard, not only as to scholarship, but also as to discipline in the training of students for good citizenship. The state department of education, after a survey of the school system of the city in 1921, published the following statement:

"Seldom has a city of the state adopted such a constructive and far-reaching educational program as has Niagara Falls when, through the active interest of civic groups and public-spirited citizens, a tax election carried by a large majority five separate proposals, representing a total bond issue of three million, five hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of putting the new school program into effect." The main responsibility for the conception, adoption and execution of this progressive educational program lies with Mr. Laidlaw. The department also states: "In all matters of administration, educational as well as financial, the superintendent is the executive representative of the board of education and these functions are exercised with tireless energy. It is gratifying to find in Niagara Falls the evidence of an intelligent and progressive scheme for the direction of the schools of the city. This supervision has concerned itself not only with the details of administration, the machinery for operating the school system, those elements of business administration which characterize a well ordered office system, but in a notable degree there has been evidenced here a careful direction and guidance of actual instruction. The selection of teachers, the introduction into the curriculum of modern features, the proper time allotment for divisions of a subject, the study of the problem of program making, the personal consideration of pupils' progress and promotion, are among the many indications that the superintendent knows personally the characteristics and the work of his teachers both in the grades and in the high school more intimately and directs their efforts more minutely when needed and more intelligently than is the case in most places."

In June, 1924, St. Lawrence University conferred upon Mr. Laidlaw the honorary degree of Doctor of Pedagogy, in recognition of the high character of his work, and in his profession he is recognized as an educator of rare executive ability. He advanced the standard of education in Niagara Falls and his work met with widespread approval. Dr. Laidlaw has a winning personality and every boy and girl who was a member of the high school when he was principal is still his staunch friend, adherent and admirer. He is a Mason in high standing, belonging to Gouverneur Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was master in 1910; to the chapter, council and commandery; and to the Lodge of Perfection in the Scottish Rite. He is a member of the Niagara Club and his religious views are in harmony with the teachings of the Presbyterian church.

GLENN WATSON SIMPSON.

Glenn Watson Simpson, president of the Simpson-Walther Lens Company, Incorporated, of Rochester, has had a long and valuable experience in that line of manufacturing. He was born in West Bloomfield, Ontario county, New York, on the 2d of May, 1887, his parents being William H. and Sarah (Albaugh) Simpson, the former a native of London, England, and the latter of Hemlock, Livingston county, New York. William H. Simpson was but six weeks old when his parents brought him to America, the family home being established in Hemlock, this state, where he was reared, educated and married. He devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits with excellent success throughout his active business career and after disposing of his farm he took up his abode in the city of Rochester, passing away in January, 1919. For a period of twelve years he had survived his wife, who died in Rochester in 1907. Their family numbered ten children, nine of whom are living: Chester, a farmer residing in Arcade, New York; Glenn Watson, of this review; Charles, living in Rochester; Leon, who also makes his home in Rochester; Herbert, a farmer of Franklin county, New York; Ralph, who is engaged in the trucking business in Rochester; Merle, a resident of Rochester; Ona, also of Rochester; and Belle Hibbard, who lives in Rochester.



GLENN W. SIMPSON

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Glenn Watson Simpson attended the public schools and after putting aside his textbooks served an apprenticeship as a mechanic, being employed in various plants of Rochester and elsewhere. He continued to work as a mechanic and toolmaker and was in the service of the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company prior to becoming foreman for the Buffalo Lens Company, while subsequently he assumed the duties of manager of the Bisight Optical Company in Baltimore, Maryland. He next became manager for the Tilton Optical Company of Tilton, New Hampshire. Up to this period in his business career Mr. Simpson had always worked for others, and being ambitious to engage in business for himself, he, in company with Joseph A. Walther, organized the Maryland Lens Corporation. This was in 1917, and they established their business in Baltimore for the manufacture of spectacle lenses. On March 1, 1918, the business was removed to Rochester and at the same time the firm name was changed to Simpson-Walther Lens Company, Incorporated. On January 1, 1919, a New York charter was secured, under which the company has since operated. By dint of hard work, excellent management and straightforward business practices, this company has been developed from a modest beginning into one of the well and favorably known enterprises of its kind in the country. Employment is furnished to one hundred and fifty people in the plants at Rochester, New York, and Southbridge, Massachusetts, which are devoted to the exclusive manufacture of high-grade lenses in the finished and unfinished state. The concern was originally incorporated for five thousand dollars, which amount was subsequently raised to twenty-five thousand dollars and afterward to one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, while at the present time the capital stock is four hundred thousand dollars. The steady expansion and growing success of the business is to no small extent attributable to the splendid management and tireless energy of its president, whose rise in the industrial world is regarded as a just reward for his business ability and enterprise.

On the 29th of December, 1908, Mr. Simpson was united in marriage to Miss Myrtie B. Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Baker of West Bloomfield. Mr. Simpson belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry, belonging to Rochester Lodge, No. 660, F. & A. M., and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the United Commercial Travelers Association and of the Brooklea Golf Club. His high standards are exemplified in his career, which has been one of activity and usefulness not only in business, where his progress has been continuous, but also in other lines of life. Mr. Simpson's residence is at No. 215 Thurston road.

NEWMAN LAWRENCE HAWKS.

Newman Lawrence Hawks is a very successful operator in the field of real estate and insurance in Batavia who has specialized in development and subdivision work and general insurance. He was born in Holland, Erie county, New York, on the 25th of February, 1878, his parents being Porter and Hattie D. (Blair) Hawks. His paternal grandfather, Rufus Hawks, came to the Genesee country from Deerfield, Massachusetts, in 1830. Porter Hawks, the father of Newman L. Hawks, was an agriculturist by occupation who also engaged in the produce and lumber business in Holland, New York, where he made his home until nine years prior to his death. The evening of his life was spent in Batavia, where he passed away on the 14th of September, 1923. His wife, who was a native of Auburn, Crawford county, Ohio, died in Batavia on the 8th of October, 1922.

Newman Lawrence Hawks began his education in the public schools of Holland and Arcade, Wyoming county, New York, and afterward attended high school in Arcade and East Aurora, Erie county. For a period of six years, from 1895 until 1901, he engaged in educational work as a teacher in the district schools of Holland, Sardinia and Yorkshire, New York, imparting clearly and readily to others the knowledge which he had acquired. Thereafter he spent a year in the service of the Buffalo Commercial Bank and afterward was connected for a similar period with the Marine National Bank of Buffalo. He next became a member of the casualty department of the Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, in its office in Buffalo, whence he was sent to Batavia as district agent. He represented the Aetna Life Insurance Company as general agent for Orleans, Livingston, Wyoming and Genesee counties through a period of six years, and then sold out the business of the outside territory to the Buffalo branch office of the company, to give more time to his fast increasing personal business, and he is now the regional agent for the

Batavia district. It was in May, 1904, that he established his present general insurance office in Batavia, which has grown to large proportions, comprising agencies for twenty leading fire insurance companies. In 1907 he became interested in local real estate operations, including development and subdivision work. He developed the Spofford and Hawks tract in Batavia and also the Hawks and Sanders tract. The splendid success which has attended his activities as a realtor is the result of close application, thoroughness and intelligence and he is deserving of his creditable position in the business circles of his adopted city.

On the 5th of August, 1903, in Arcade, New York, Mr. Hawks was married to Miss Alta Catherine Howlett, daughter of Oliver S. Howlett of Arcade and Freedom, this state. Mr. and Mrs. Hawks have become the parents of six children: Burdette Howlett, who was born September 1, 1904, and is a student at the University of Maryland; Doris Marie, who was born September 26, 1907; Newman Lawrence, Jr., born May 17, 1910; Paul Blair, who was born February 24, 1913; and Ruth Marion and Lucile Mildred, twins, who were born on the 26th of October, 1914.

Mr. Hawks exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the Republican party and takes a helpful part in local political affairs. He belongs to the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and the Batavia Kiwanis Club and has been district trustee of the latter organization for two years. He is also a member of the Real Estate Board, the Holland Club, the Stafford Country Club and the Seven Springs Country Club, and finds great pleasure in the various phases of outdoor life, being particularly fond of flowers and floriculture. He is a director of the Horseshoe Lake Amusement Company. Mr. Hawks has membership in the First Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is serving as steward, and is president of the Methodist Brotherhood. He also belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association and manifests a deep interest in the work of the Boy Scout organization. Fraternally he is a Knights Templar Mason and Shriner, and is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The popularity and high standing which he enjoys in the social, fraternal, business and civic life of his community is indeed well merited.

WILLIAM O. TAYLOR.

With the history of the development of the rich oil fields of Allegany county the name of Taylor is inseparably associated and the work instituted by the father in pioneer times is now being continued by the son, William O. Taylor, whose inherited traits of industry, enterprise and initiative have placed him with the foremost business men of Wellsville. He was born in Canaseraga, Allegany county, December 19, 1866, and his great-grandfather was the first white settler in Burns township, this county.

His father, Orville P. Taylor, was born in Leesville, Campbell county, Virginia, September 15, 1838, and completed his education in the Genesee Seminary, situated near Attica, New York, graduating with the class of 1858. In the same year a firm of railroad contractors sent him to South America to superintend the construction of Dom Pedro's Railway in Brazil and the boat on which he was a passenger was shipwrecked. For twenty-two days Mr. Taylor clung to the water-logged hull and was finally cast on the island of St. Thomas. He at length reached Brazil and completed the task assigned him, although his work was delayed by an attack of yellow fever. As soon as he was able to undertake the long sea voyage Mr. Taylor returned to the United States and fought for the Confederate cause during the Civil war. After the close of the conflict he returned to Canaseraga, New York, and in 1865 began the manufacture of cigars. In 1870 he established his home in Wellsville and increased the scope of his business. Being convinced that this district was rich in oil, he began prospecting in 1878 in the township of Alma, Allegany county, and although success seemed far away, he never lost faith in his theory. After months of hardship, poverty and failure his patience was at length rewarded and in June, 1879, his third venture completed the first commercial oil well in Allegany county and New York state, and at this writing, June, 1925, the well, known as Triangle No. 1, is still producing oil daily. Mr. Taylor was a man of unalterable purpose, broad vision and keen powers of discernment, and to him belongs the credit for the discovery and development of the oil fields of the Allegany county district. His fellow townsmen honored him with the presidency of the village of Wellsville and in 1881 he was nominated by the democratic party for the office of state assemblyman, running four hundred and seventy-nine votes ahead of his ticket. In January, 1861, he was married to Miss Cornelia



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Clark, a daughter of Chauncey F. and Harriet S. Clark, of Canaseraga. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor had three children: Charles O., William O. and Annie B. Orville P. Taylor died November 17, 1883.

In the acquirement of an education William O. Taylor attended the district schools and the Wellsville high school, also completing a course in the Rochester Business Institute. He was employed for a time as a bookkeeper and accountant and in 1890 purchased from his father's former partner a quarter interest in the Triangle Oil Company's oil leases, becoming an independent operator. He has made other investments from time to time and spent the period from 1906 until 1915 in Brazil, having purchased stock in gold mines in that republic. In 1895 he operated in the oil fields of Kentucky and Tennessee and he has also been engaged in development work in Hancock and Wood counties, Ohio. He has an expert understanding of the business, gained from years of close study and practical experience, and has been uniformly successful in his ventures.

In 1889 Mr. Taylor was married to Miss Minnie Applebee of Wellsville, a daughter of A. J. Applebee, who was one of the pioneer oil producers of Allegany county, to which he removed in 1883 from Bradford, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have become the parents of four children: Florence, the firstborn, became the wife of Harry J. Maddren, now deceased, who was a traffic officer, connected with the police force of New York city. Mrs. Maddren resides in Wellsville and has two sons, Harry and William; Jennie, the second in the family, is at home; Cornelia was married on October 3, 1917, to Ernest C. Hornberg, who is a well known attorney of Wellsville, and they have a son, James Paul; and Orville is attending the public schools.

Mr. Taylor was formerly identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, joining the organization while operating in the oil fields in Findlay, Ohio, 1898-1906. He is a member of the Episcopal church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party. He is a man of high personal standing, of marked business ability and enterprise, and the sterling worth of his character is attested by all with whom he has been associated.

FREDERICK N. C. JERAULD, M. D., F. A. C. S.

Intensive study, broad experience and a natural aptitude for his chosen vocation have brought Dr. Frederick N. C. Jerauld to a position of prominence in medical circles of Niagara Falls, his native city, and his services as a surgeon have been of great value to the community. He was born February 3, 1871, and his parents were Dexter Ray and Harriet Cornelia (Dunlap) Jerauld, the former a native of Bennington, Vermont, and the latter of Connecticut. They were married in Niagara Falls and three children were born to them, two daughters and a son, Frederick N. C. being the youngest member of the family. The father came to this city in 1838, when a young man, and embarked in the dry goods business, subsequently becoming manager of the Cataract House, which he operated in association with a partner.

In the acquirement of an education Frederick N. C. Jerauld attended the public schools of Niagara Falls and the De Vaux College of this city, afterward entering the University of New York, which in 1893 awarded him the M. D. degree. This was followed by postgraduate work in Vienna, Berlin and London and in 1895 he opened an office in New York city, in which he resided for three years. He spent the period from 1898 until 1903 in Alaska, traveling throughout that country, and in 1903 returned to Niagara Falls, where he has since made his home. He is the only specialist in industrial surgery in the city and his professional services are retained by the Niagara Falls Power Company and other large corporations operating in this district. Dr. Jerauld is a skillful surgeon and utilizes every opportunity to keep himself up to the highest standard of efficiency in practice. In April, 1917, when our country entered the World war, he joined the United States Medical Corps and in January, 1918, he was sent overseas, returning to America in February, 1919. He was commissioned a captain and rose to the rank of major. He was with the British troops from January, 1918, until August of that year and was then transferred to the United States forces in France. He was assigned to duty at the base hospitals at Chateau Reau and at Orleans, France, and after the armistice was signed he was sent to Savigny, in that country. After his return to the United States he was placed in charge of the orthopedic unit at Camp Lee, Virginia, and was there stationed until released from military duty.

In Buffalo, New York, on May 7, 1901, Dr. Jerauld was married to Miss May

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Huddleston, a native of St. Paul, Minnesota, and a daughter of Thomas Huddleston of Buffalo. She comes of English ancestry and the family is related to that of President Cleveland. They have become the parents of two children: May Ruth, the wife of Paul H. Taylor, who is connected with the Mason-Hamlin Piano Company and resides in Boston, Massachusetts; and Frederick N. C., Jr., who is a member of the senior class of the DeWitt Clinton School at Newton, Massachusetts.

Dr. Jerauld is identified with the Masonic order and conforms his life to the teachings of the Episcopal church. As health officer he worked effectively in behalf of his fellow citizens and for six years was the incumbent in that position, serving from 1905 until 1910, inclusive. He is a member of the Niagara County Medical Society and has been honored with a fellowship in the American College of Surgeons. He has attained high standing in his profession and his life is devoted to the good of humanity.

 LEMAR M. ANDREWS, M. D.

Leadership in the practice of medicine in Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, is rightfully accorded Dr. Lemar M. Andrews, not because of his large practice, or years of service in the community, but because he has made continuous progress as a representative of the medical fraternity, and is still closely in touch with that onward movement which is bringing the practice of medicine to higher standards. Dr. Andrews' fame is based upon his carefulness in the diagnosis of a case and his correctness in applying remedial agencies to the needs of his patients. He was born in Warsaw, May 7, 1871, the son of Albert A. and Delia H. (Keeney) Andrews. His father was a jewelry merchant, who passed most of his life in Warsaw and died there in November, 1916. Dr. Andrews' grandfather was the first of the family to locate in Warsaw, about 1835, and the Doctor is the only descendant of the family left. On the maternal side, Dr. Andrews is the descendant of Amos Keeney, who was the second settler in Warsaw in 1803.

During his boyhood the education of Lemar M. Andrews was gained in the grade and high schools of Warsaw, and his professional studies were pursued at the Cleveland University, which conferred upon him the degree of M. D. and from which he was graduated in the class of 1896. The same year he began the practice of medicine in Pike, New York, and remained there until 1902, when he moved to Warsaw, opened an office, and has here practiced continuously since until the present time, and has a large general practice. Dr. Andrews has had two years of postgraduate work, one in the University of Buffalo, at Buffalo, New York, and one in the Post graduate Hospital in New York city. He is a member of the Wyoming County, the New York State and the American Medical Associations. In addition to his private practice Dr. Andrews has been health officer for the towns of Warsaw and Middlebury for about twelve years.

Dr. Andrews was married on April 12, 1899, to Mary A. Lorish, daughter of Judge A. J. and Mary S. (Williams) Lorish of Warsaw, where the former was on the bench for a number of years. Two children have been born to Dr. and Mrs. Andrews: Donald L., born in November, 1900, is a student at Syracuse University, New York, member of the class of 1925; and Lois C., born in April, 1907, is a pupil in Geneseo Normal School. Dr. Andrews is a republican in his political views, fraternally is a member of the Masonic order, being a thirty-second degree Mason, and in his religious convictions he is a member of the First Congregational church of Warsaw. His three interests are motoring, outdoor life and his profession.

 HARRY THOMAS PERFIELD.

One of the best known and most highly regarded among the younger bankers of western New York is Harry Thomas Perfield, cashier and director of the Bank of Genesee in Batavia. He was born in Batavia, Genesee county, New York, on the 1st of October, 1887, his parents being Thomas J. and Mary J. (Boucher) Perfield. His paternal grandfather, Patrick J. Perfield, who was the first representative of the family in the Genesee country, came from Pennsylvania about the year 1840 and here spent the remainder of his life. Thomas J. Perfield, the father of Harry T. Perfield, was proprietor of a hotel in Batavia for more than thirty-five years and enjoyed an extensive acquaintance throughout the community, which mourned the

loss of a substantial and respected citizen when he passed away on the 6th of May, 1910.

Harry Thomas Perfield obtained his early education in the grade and high schools of his native city and acquired his more advanced intellectual training in Niagara University, while subsequently he pursued a course of study in the Rochester Business Institute. Following his graduation therefrom in 1908 he entered the employ of the Genesee County Loan Association, with which he continued as clerk for two years. On the expiration of that period he secured a clerical position in the Bank of Batavia, with which institution he remained for twelve years, winning promotion as he demonstrated his ability and fidelity in the discharge of the duties entrusted to him. It was in 1922 that Mr. Perfield assumed the cashiership of the Bank of Genesee, in which capacity he has remained, his efforts contributing in no small measure to the growth and success of this strong financial institution.

On the 24th of July, 1913, in Batavia, New York, Mr. Perfield was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Murphy, daughter of Martin and Ellen Murphy of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Perfield have one child, Rosemary C., who was born on the 10th of May, 1914, and is now attending St. Joseph's parochial school in Batavia.

Mr. Perfield gives his political support to the republican party and is actively interested in local affairs of a public nature. He has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and the Batavia Club, while fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus. He is also a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church and enjoys the friendship and high esteem of those with whom he has come into contact in the varied relations of life. Aside from his activities in the field of banking he is an enthusiastic participant in the work of civic improvement. Outdoor sports afford him pleasurable recreation when leisure permits.

MAX HENRY ELBE.

Among the influential and prosperous business men of Niagara Falls is numbered Max Henry Elbe, the proprietor of one of the oldest and best known jewelry stores in the city, and his name also figures prominently in connection with real estate operations. He was born September 17, 1871, and is one of the city's loyal and enterprising sons. His parents were Henry and Jennie (Goldsmith) Elbe, the latter of whom was born in Eisenstadt, Austria, January 14, 1849, and came of a family whose members were noted for their scholarly attainments, winning distinction as clergymen and as educators. The mother came to the United States about 1866 and was married on December 5, 1869, at her brother's home in New York city. The father was born in Hamburg, Germany, November 4, 1841, and the name is a corruption of Alva or Alba. The family is of Portuguese origin and according to the ancestral records one of its representatives was a sailor on the vessel on which Columbus made his voyage of discovery to America. A branch of the family emigrated to northern Germany about 1492, settling near the River Elbe, at which time the name was changed to its present form.

Henry Elbe migrated to England in 1854 and entered the service of the British Merchant Marine, with which he was connected for several years. He qualified as outer channel pilot and was with Livingston in Africa. At the outbreak of the Civil war he was owner and master of a ship out of New Orleans, Louisiana. He was impressed into the Confederate service and his vessel was sunk in an engagement with Federal gunboats. He rendered gallant service in the Confederate navy and was cited for bravery in extinguishing a fire in a magazine. He was severely wounded during the battle of Shiloh and captured by the Union forces. He was paroled from Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and there became a citizen of the United States. Coming to Niagara Falls, he purchased the jewelry store of Joseph B. Meyers, who had acquired the business in 1855. It was founded in 1845 by Thomas Brown, and in 1864 Mr. Elbe became owner of the establishment, which he conducted successfully for twenty-three years, acquiring an enviable reputation for honorable, straightforward dealing.

His son, Max Henry Elbe, received a public school education and was first employed in the clothing store of Elbe & Amberg, of which his father was one of the proprietors, his partner being the late Max Amberg. In 1887 he took over his father's jewelry store, which has since been conducted under the name of Max H. Elbe, and for sixty years the business has been operated by members of the family. He carries a large and well selected stock of domestic and imported goods, handling everything in the jewelry line that is novel, attractive and beautiful in color, design and work-

manship. He caters to a discriminating class of patrons and his thorough knowledge of the business enables him correctly to gauge their requirements. He is also secretary-treasurer of the Elbe Realty Company, a close corporation, owning, buying, selling and renting real estate. Bessie E. Owens of New York city is president, and Sigmund G. Elbe of Denver, Colorado, was vice president until his death on December 17, 1924. The former is a sister and the latter was a brother of Max Henry Elbe of this review. Mr. Elbe owns much valuable property and is recognized as an astute, far-sighted business man, of ripe experience and unerring judgment.

For twenty-six years Mr. Elbe has been a member of the New York National Guard, which he joined September 10, 1892, becoming a private in the Forty-second Separate Company, and a corporal on March 16, 1897. He was made a sergeant of Company E, Third New York Volunteer Infantry, May 1, 1898, and served in the Spanish-American war from May 17 until December 6 of that year. He became first sergeant of Company E, First Battalion, February 18, 1901; first lieutenant inspector, Small Arms Practice, First Battalion, Third Infantry, New York National Guard, March 27, 1902; first lieutenant adjutant on March 1, 1906; and captain adjutant of the Third Regiment, July 15, 1912. He received his full and honorable discharge March 17, 1913, and after the United States entered the World war he reenlisted, becoming first lieutenant of Company E, Seventy-fourth Infantry, New York National Guard, on November 7, 1917, and captain of that company on December 6 of that year. He served as captain of Company L, of the Seventy-fourth Infantry, in 1918, and since December 7, 1920, has been major of the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth Infantry, with headquarters at Niagara Falls. He rose from the ranks through merit and devotion to duty, and on May 28, 1923, was decorated in recognition of twenty-five years of faithful service. During the World war Major Elbe was chairman of the Home Service and Civilian Relief sections of the Red Cross for western New York. With the assistance of Eugene Girard, who was the originator of the plan, he formed the Associated War Relief committee, which established the first war chest in the country. He was chairman of the committee of ten, who collected and disbursed nearly a million dollars in two years during the progress of the war at an expense of less than three per cent and furnished every dollar of war relief for all agencies. During the existence of the committee no other appeals were made to the people of this city for any war relief purpose, and the work performed by its members was of great value and importance.

In Buffalo, New York, October 15, 1906, Mr. Elbe was married to Mrs. Bell Rosenberg Ullman, a daughter of George and Rose (Rothschild) Rosenberg, the latter of whom was born in Syracuse, this state, September 1, 1843. The father was born in Stuttgart, Germany, November 4, 1841, and became one of the founders of the Fashion Park Clothing Company of Rochester, New York. At the outbreak of the Civil war he offered his aid to the Union, joining the Thirteenth New York Volunteer Infantry, of which he was made a sergeant. He was captured by Confederate troops during the battle of Bull Run and was confined in Libby prison until paroled. The hardships and privations which he was forced to endure during that period destroyed his health and resulted in his death at the age of forty-nine years.

Mr. Elbe is vice president of Temple Beth El and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Army and Navy Clubs of New York and Buffalo and is also identified with several fraternal organizations. He is a patriotic, public-spirited citizen whose influence upon the life of his community has been of the highest order, and an exemplary character has won for him the unqualified esteem of his fellowmen.

FRED HOOKER GORDON.

Fred Hooker Gordon, vice president and treasurer of the Yates Coal Company of Rochester, occupies a prominent position in the wholesale and retail coal trade circles of western New York. He was born in Brockport, New York, April 9, 1881, a son of George C. and Ida May (Hooker) Gordon, and comes from a family that for considerably more than a century has been prominently identified with the development of this part of the state. Luther Gordon, the grandfather of Fred H. Gordon, was one of the outstanding figures in the lumber business, industrial and banking circles of Brockport and western New York, and his only son, George C., was equally prominent in the banking and business circles of Brockport, being at the time of his death on August 25, 1898, president of the First National Bank of Brockport, presi-



Fred N. Gordon

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dent of the Brockport Loan & Building Association and a trustee of the Fidelity Trust Company of Buffalo.

Fred Hooker Gordon was reared in Brockport and received his more advanced education at the State Normal School, of which he is a graduate, and at Phillips Academy of Andover, Massachusetts, where he completed a scientific course with the class of 1902. He began his business career in the First National Bank at Brockport and soon displayed natural aptitude as a banker. He was serving as vice president of that institution when he resigned in 1910 to become an official of the Yates Coal Company, one of the largest and most important companies in its line of business in western New York. In taking up his work with this company Mr. Gordon readily evinced a familiarity and ability that have carried him forward to a position of prominence in coal trade circles and at the same time been a contributing factor to the growth and prestige of the company.

On February 3, 1906, Mr. Gordon was married to Miss Florence De Moss Robinson, a daughter of Lucius W. and Ruth (De Moss) Robinson and a member of a prominent Rochester family. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon have two sons, both of whom were born in Brockport: Fred Hooker, Jr., born June 23, 1909; and Lucius Robinson, born July 25, 1912. Appreciative of the social amenities of life, Mr. Gordon is well known in club circles, being a member of the Rochester Club, the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Country Club, the Rochester Yacht Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, while his religious affiliations are with the Episcopal church. Mr. Gordon is regarded not only as one of Rochester's strong and able business men, but also an excellent type of her best citizenship.

WILLIAM S. GOUINLOCK.

William S. Gouinlock is an active and successful representative of industrial interests in Batavia as president of the Climax Corporation, manufacturers of structural steel, ensilage cutters and other implements. He was born in Seaforth, Ontario, Canada, on the 14th of November, 1881, a son of William C. and Margaret (Strachan) Gouinlock. The father practiced medicine in the city of New York for a time prior to his removal to Seaforth, Ontario, where he resided for a number of years and engaged in business as a salt manufacturer until 1882. In that year he made his way to Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, where he spent the remainder of his life and became an active and prominent figure in business affairs. He continued in the manufacture of salt until 1898, when he sold his interests to the National Salt Company, of which he became one of the officers. It was in 1901 that he organized the Warsaw-Wilkinson Company for the manufacture of ensilage cutters, in the conduct of which concern he continued active to the time of his death, and he was also officially identified with the Brown Knitting Company and the Warsaw Button Company. William C. Gouinlock was likewise the organizer of the Rock Glen Salt Company of Rock Glen, New York. In his demise, which occurred in 1914, the city of Warsaw sustained the loss of one of its foremost business men and highly respected citizens.

In the acquirement of an education William S. Gouinlock attended the grammar and high schools of Warsaw and subsequently continued his studies in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston, from which he was graduated in 1905. After putting aside his textbooks he became connected with the Warsaw-Wilkinson Company, in the service of which concern he filled various positions until 1920. In 1910, with his father, he organized the Batavia Machine Company, which Business, later operated by William S. and Harold Gouinlock, was merged in 1920 with the Warsaw-Wilkinson Company, under the name of the Climax Corporation, of which William S. Gouinlock has since remained at the head. The concern furnishes employment to more than one hundred men in the manufacture of ensilage cutters, and ships its product to every part of the United States.

On the 7th of November, 1910, in Warsaw, New York, Mr. Gouinlock was married to Inez A. Linzy, daughter of Albert J. Linzy of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Gouinlock have become the parents of two children: George, who was born on the 15th of September, 1913; and Margaret, whose natal day was July 29, 1919. Mr. Gouinlock is a staunch republican in politics and has membership in the Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Stafford Country Club and is very fond of golf and other outdoor diversions. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church and he is also a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes

of the Masonic fraternity, as an adherent of which he has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Gouinlock has used his time wisely and well since starting out in the business world and his enterprise and energy have brought him prominently to the front as a prosperous manufacturer of Batavia.

RILEY ALLEN.

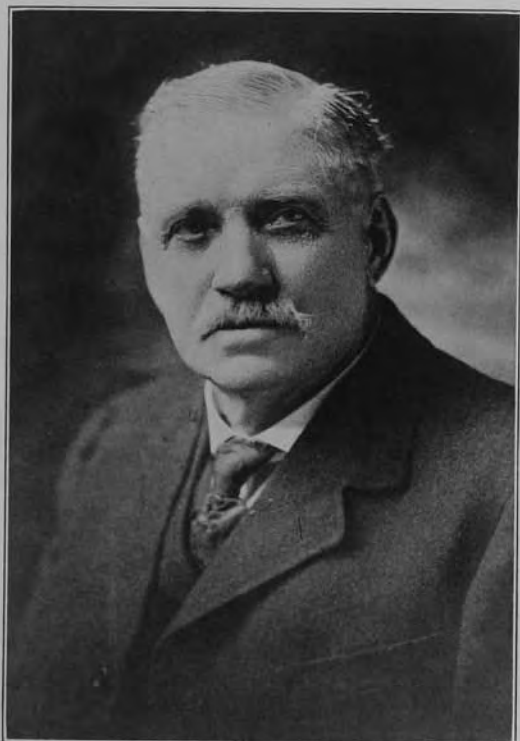
Riley Allen, a pioneer in the development of the oil fields of Allegany county, has been a leading operator for the past forty-three years and now has holdings in every oil field in the United States. He is also prominent as a dairyman and farmer of Allentown, a village which he laid out and plotted in 1881. He was born in the town of Wirt, Allegany county, New York, on the 18th of November, 1847, his parents being Clinton DeWitt and Susan (Russell) Allen, the former a native of Monroe county, this state.

Clinton DeWitt Allen came to Allegany county in the '40s and purchased from the Holland Land Company a tract of land in Wirt, later moving to Alma, where he died when Riley Allen was about fifteen years of age, and he was the eldest of his father's family of seven children, one son and six daughters. Young Riley was thus compelled very early to assume heavy responsibilities, and developed a strong reliance that has been a factor in his business success. He was denied the educational advantages he craved, his schooling being limited, but being a man of unusual native ability he has acquired a most valuable practical education, attaining through his efforts a most enviable success.

Riley Allen attended the district schools in the acquirement of an education and when still quite young engaged in lumbering in the town of Scio, Allegany county, and in the forests of Pennsylvania. He was among the first to undertake the work of oil development in his native county, being a partner of O. P. Taylor, who here discovered oil and drilled the first well. The firm of Allen & Taylor drilled its first well at Sawyer Station, which was later known as Allentown. Mr. Allen was also a member of the company that began drilling the first well in Richburg, on the 28th of April, 1881, and has been a leading operator through the intervening years to the present, now having holdings in nearly every oil field of the country. In 1897 his wells in Allegany county and others fully numbered over six hundred. In many states he has personally drilled for oil. In addition to his activity as an oil producer he conducts farming and dairying operations in Allentown, where he built and owns the cheese factory. He is also a director of the First Trust Company of Wellsville, New York, a stockholder in various local and outside concerns and serves as treasurer of the Wellsville Fair Association. Mr. Allen is an honorary member of the New York State Oil Producers Association. His interests are thus varied and of important character and his sound judgment and excellent business ability have constituted valuable elements in the successful control of various enterprises.

Mr. Allen enjoys the distinction of being one of the oldest Masons in Allegany county and became a Noble of Ismailia Shrine at Buffalo in 1888. Seven years later he attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Bradford, Pennsylvania. His political support is given to the republican party where national questions and issues are involved but at local elections he casts an independent ballot. Mr. Allen has always been much interested in and liberal toward all objects he deems deserving of his aid, and recalling his own lack of opportunity for education, he has ever taken a deep interest in the Allentown public schools, which have been benefited by his personal efforts and liberality, and for many years he served on the board of trustees. Allegany county has long numbered him among her most highly respected and prosperous native sons.

In early manhood Mr. Allen was united in marriage to Miss Melvina Prince of Pennsylvania, who died August 15, 1917, aged sixty-seven. They became the parents of eight children, all of whom have received liberal educations. May, the eldest, is widely known as an able business woman, is active as an oil producer in association with her father and her husband, Charles A. Boyd. They reside in Allentown, and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd have three children—Dorothy, who was graduated from Alfred University in 1924, and is now teacher of English in the Belmont high school; Hilda, who is also a graduate of Alfred University, class of 1925, is teacher of English in the Horseheads high school; and Virginia; Sarah Allen, the second daughter of Riley and Melvina (Prince) Allen, died May 31, 1911; Kate is the wife of A. E. Ewing, who is engaged in the retail hardware business in Olean, New York, where he is also one of



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the directors of the Exchange National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Ewing have four children—Margaret, a student at Randolph-Macon Women's College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Jack, attending Mercersburg Academy; Robert and Mary Katherine; Ida, the fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Allen is the wife of Walter C. Foss, who is engaged in the wholesale and retail grocery business in Olean, New York, as a member of the firm of Foss & Sons. Mr. and Mrs. Foss have two children, William Allen and Mary; Ada, twin sister of Mrs. Ida (Allen) Foss, is the wife of D. D. Conable, who represents the Miller Hardware Company of Olean as a salesman. Mr. and Mrs. Conable have one son, Frederick; Orville Allen, the sixth child of Riley Allen, is associated with his father in oil productions and also in general agricultural pursuits. He wedded Miss Hazel Lawrence of Olean, New York, and has a family of five children, namely: Riley, (II), Melvina, Sarah, Marjorie and Lawrence; Floyd R. Allen, the seventh in order of birth in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Allen, wedded Miss Bernice Starr of Vanlue, Ohio, and is an oil producer at that place; Claude E. Allen, the youngest child of Riley Allen, is a drilling contractor of Bolivar, Allegany county, New York. He married Miss Belle Thomas and has a daughter, Mildred.

JAMES FRANK CRAWFORD, M. D.

Since 1912 Dr. James Frank Crawford has been practicing medicine in Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, where his skill is evidenced in the large number of patients who call him their physician. He was born in Warsaw, September 17, 1883, the son of Samuel James and Mary S. (McConnell) Crawford, the father being a dealer in carriages at that time and now a dealer in automobiles. Samuel James Crawford was the first one of his family to settle in the Genesee country, coming from the north of Ireland, where his family had lived for many generations, although the family originally is of Scotch descent.

James Frank Crawford's education while a boy was acquired in the grade and high schools of Warsaw, and later at Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, where he was given the degree of A. B. and graduated in the class of 1906. His professional studies were pursued at the Buffalo Medical College, Buffalo, New York, from which he received his degree of M. D. and graduated in 1911. Dr. Crawford passed one year after graduating as an interne in a Buffalo hospital, and in 1912 he returned to Warsaw and opened an office, and has been practicing in the city ever since, with the exception of the time he was in the army. Dr. Crawford enlisted in the Medical Corps, for service in the World war in May, 1917, was sent overseas in August, 1917, was attached to the British Expeditionary Forces (B. E. F.), and remained until he was discharged in January, 1919. He was captured by the Germans in the Lille sector, in April, 1918, and held as a prisoner in Germany until December of that year. After receiving his discharge in 1919 Dr. Crawford returned to Warsaw and resumed the practice of his profession. He is a member of the Wyoming County, the New York State and the American Medical Associations.

On November 1, 1913, Dr. Crawford was married to Eliza S. Higgins, daughter of Floyd M. and Lillian Higgins of Warsaw. The Doctor has some interest in outdoor sports, but the demands of patients upon his time leave little opportunity for its gratification. Fraternally Dr. Crawford is affiliated with the Masonic order. Socially he is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Warsaw, and his religious connection is with the Presbyterian church. Dr. Crawford is a republican without taking any particular interest in party affairs, and is serving as a member of the Warsaw board of education.

EDWARD DEMBOWSKI.

Among the desirable citizens whom the European nations have furnished to the United States none has made better use of his opportunities than has Edward Dembowski, who came to this country with no assets save youth, ambition and ability, and is now classed with the successful business men of Rochester. Mr. Dembowski is a native of Poland. He was born November 2, 1886, a son of John and Valeria (Szumski) Dembowski, both of whom were born in that country. The father was an expert harnessmaker and devoted his life to that trade. He is survived by the mother, who resides in Konin, Poland. Five children were born to them, but one is deceased.

Those now living are Edward, Kazimir and Leo, all of Rochester; and Mrs. Mary Szatkoski, who resides in Poland.

Mr. Dembowski obtained his education in the schools of his native land, afterward learned the trades of harnessmaking and upholstering, which he followed in Poland until he reached the age of twenty-three years. In 1909 he responded to the call of the New World and first obtained work in Philadelphia, afterward going to Chicago. In 1910 he returned to the east, locating in Rochester, and for a time was employed in the plant of the Hayden Company, manufacturers of fine parlor furniture. Later he was associated with the firm of Summers, Abbot & Kief and with W. M. Powell. In 1922 he began the manufacture of overstuffed parlor suites, forming a partnership with Harry C. Summers, who became senior member of the firm of Harry C. Summers Company and in the intervening period their business has grown rapidly as a result of the enterprising methods and combined efforts of the men at its head. Mr. Dembowski is a master craftsman and the work done by the firm represents the height of artistic achievement in their line. Their output is sold to the large department stores and furniture dealers and the business will soon be incorporated.

On February 2, 1914, Mr. Dembowski married Miss Eugenia Firk of Rochester, and they now have three children: Amelia, whose birth occurred in 1915; Bertha, born in 1917; and Arthur, who was born in 1923. Mr. Dembowski's business makes heavy demands upon his time and his identification with the Polish People's Library constitutes his only outside connection. He is keenly interested in his work, deriving much satisfaction from the completion of a task well done, and enjoys in full measure the respect and admiration that the world accords to the fortunate individual who has fought and won in the great battle of life. Mr. Dembowski resides on Culver road, where he built his home in 1925.

J. MICHAEL KELLER.

For more than half a century the name of Keller has been intimately associated with the horticultural development of Rochester and the immediate vicinity, and influential in giving to that place the name of the "Flower City". J. Michael Keller, vice president of John B. Keller & Sons, Incorporated, one of the leading floral concerns of the city, was born in Babylon, Suffolk county, Long Island, New York, December 26, 1868. His parents, John B. and Susan (Brueck) Keller, natives of Germany, came to the United States as young people and became citizens of the Empire state. About 1873 John B. Keller purchased a tract of ground on South avenue, then outside the Rochester city limits, and began the business of cultivating flowers. There he continued until his death on April 10, 1922. His wife died on April 10, 1899. Mr. Keller lived long enough to see the city grow in his direction until where his first greenhouses stood is now one of the finest residential sections of Rochester. John B. and Susan Keller were the parents of six sons: E. E., now a resident of Detroit, Michigan; F. J., George J., J. Michael, John W. and William L., all residents of Rochester.

J. Michael Keller received his education in the public schools of Rochester. Upon leaving school he entered the employ of his father, where he began at the bottom of the ladder and worked his way through all the various departments of floriculture, finally reaching his present position of vice president of John B. Keller & Sons Company, which was incorporated in 1910. He is a member of the American Society of Florists and the American Nurserymen's Association; a thirty-second degree Mason and a Knight Templar; belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Club, the Automobile Club; and the Presbyterian church.

On June 23, 1890, Mr. Keller was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Henry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Henry of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Keller have five children: Clifford H., born in 1894, was educated in the public schools of Rochester and at Cornell University. He is now associated with the Rochester Stamping Company. He married Miss Elizabeth Howard and their children are, Margarette, Howard Michael and Taylor; Emil Harold, the second son of J. Michael Keller, was born in 1898, attended the Rochester public and high schools and the Mechanics Institute. During the World war he served in the United States Aviation department and won the rank of lieutenant. Since the war he has been associated with his father in business. He married Miss Marion Wilkinson of Rochester, and they have one son—John W. Keller; Jean M., the third of the family, born in 1901, received his



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education in the Rochester public and high schools, served in the Hospital Corps during the World war, and now occupies a responsible position with the Rochester Waterworks department. He married Miss Marion Smith of Rochester, and they have a son and daughter—William and Joan; Miss Iris C. Keller, the fourth child and only daughter, born in 1905, is now a student at Cedar College; Robert D., the youngest, born in 1907, is a graduate of West high school, class of 1925.

ALANSON CHASE DUEUL.

From boyhood Alanson Chase Dueul has given evidence of the possession of those qualities which in the long run spell success. In his business career he has made each day count for the utmost, improving the opportunities of the hour and thus advancing steadily. He has reached a field of broad usefulness and influence and as president and manager of the Niagara Falls Gazette he is a strong personality in journalistic circles of western New York. He was born in East Hamburg, New York, October 10, 1874, the third child in the family of Israel and Emeline (Chase) Dueul, the latter a native of Erie county, this state, and both parents are deceased. They were married in Hamburg, New York, and four children were born to them, three sons and a daughter. The father was also a native of the Empire state and followed the occupation of farming as a means of livelihood.

Alanson Chase Dueul attended the union school in Hamburg and at an early age was attracted to the newspaper business, entering the employ of the Hamburg Independent. He remained with that paper for about three years, acquiring proficiency in the printer's trade, and then secured a position in the typesetting department of the Courier Printing Company of Buffalo. In 1895 Mr. Dueul took charge of the printing department of the Niagara Falls Gazette and for twenty-nine years his labors have contributed to the development and success of the paper, of which he is now the executive head. He has a highly specialized knowledge of the newspaper business, which he has made his lifework, and his plant is thoroughly modern, equipped with the latest presses and machinery. The business is well organized in all of its departments and in its management he has secured maximum efficiency with a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material. Mr. Dueul purchased the Niagara Falls Journal and discontinued its publication on June 1, 1918. The Gazette is the only paper issued in the city and is housed in its own building. It now has a circulation of seventeen thousand five hundred in Niagara county and is the largest daily in the state west of Syracuse, with the exception of those in Rochester and Buffalo. The paper was founded as a weekly by the Hon. Peter A. Porter in 1854 and for seventy years has wielded a distinct and beneficial influence in shaping the destiny of this district.

In North Tonawanda, New York, on February 22, 1912, Mr. Dueul was married to Miss May Brock, a member of one of the well known families of that locality. Mr. Dueul is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is one of the energetic members of the Chamber of Commerce. He is serving on the board of governors of the Niagara Country Club and also belongs to the Niagara Club. His military experience covers service in the Spanish-American war as a private in Company E, Third New York Regiment. In politics he is a republican with independent views. His paper is an outspoken, fair-play exponent of the best elements of the party and through its columns he encourages every movement looking toward the upbuilding and prosperity of Niagara Falls and the surrounding district. Mr. Dueul's activities in the newspaper field have brought him a wide acquaintance and his progressive spirit and sterling qualities of manhood have established him high in public regard.

HARRY MILTON BROWN.

In making the practice of law his profession Harry Milton Brown, partner in the law firm of Woodworth & Brown, of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, follows in the footsteps of his father, who was for many years one of Warsaw's most distinguished and able legal practitioners. Mr. Brown's family is one of the oldest in the county, members of it having been residents of Wyoming county for over a century, the founder of the family in the county having been Mr. Brown's great-grandfather, who moved from Vermont and settled in Wyoming county in 1820. Harry

Milton Brown was born February 11, 1885, the son of Frank W. and Carrie (Cheeseman) Brown. His father was a lawyer and spent most of his life in Warsaw. He served as deputy attorney general of New York state from 1911 to 1915, and died shortly thereafter.

Harry Milton Brown acquired his early education in the grade and high schools of Warsaw, and then entered Rutgers College, at New Brunswick, New Jersey, from which he received the degree of A. B. and was graduated in the class of 1906. Immediately after his graduation Mr. Brown entered the law office of Brown & Coleman in Warsaw as a student, was admitted to the bar in March, 1911, and started in practice by taking over his father's business, the latter having been appointed deputy attorney general in 1911. Mr. Brown continued in practice by himself until 1918, when he formed a partnership with John L. Woodworth, which has existed ever since under the firm name of Woodworth & Brown, the firm's practice being of a general character.

Mr. Brown was married on February 1, 1913, to Emma L. Lewis, daughter of George A. and Frances C. Lewis of Warsaw. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have one child, Harry Lewis, born December 27, 1924. Mr. Brown is a democrat in his political views and takes an active interest in political affairs. He served as justice of the peace from 1912 to 1916, has been the democratic election commissioner of Wyoming county since 1917, was secretary of the democratic county committee for a number of years, and has been clerk of the board of education since 1916. Mr. Brown was secretary and treasurer of the Wyoming County Bar Association from 1913 to 1925, and is treasurer of the County Community Hospital. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order. He was worshipful master of Warsaw Lodge No. 549, F. and A. M., in 1920; was high priest of Wyoming Chapter No. 181, R. A. M., in 1923 and 1924; and is a member of Batavia Commandery No. 34, Knights Templar. In his religious associations Mr. Brown is a member of the First Congregational church of Warsaw, and one of its trustees.

FRANK WILLIAM GENT.

Wellsville owes much to the enterprising spirit of Frank William Gent, whose residence in the village covers a period of twenty-six years, and one of the most important productive industries of Allegany county is the visible result of his well-directed labors. He was born January 25, 1873, in Sharpsville, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, a son of Martin and Caroline (Casbohm) Gent, the former a native of Germany. The father was born in 1836 and came to the United States when a young man of twenty-seven, locating in Silver Creek, New York, in 1863. Later he removed to Sharpsville, Pennsylvania, where he spent three years, working as a day laborer. Subsequently he returned to Chautauqua county, New York, and there spent the remainder of his life, passing away in 1907, at the age of seventy-one years.

Frank William Gent obtained his education in the public schools of Silver Creek, New York, and after completing his studies worked for two years in local stores, next becoming an employe of the Silver Creek Upholstering Company. He gained a thorough knowledge of the trade, which he followed in St. Louis, Missouri, and in Jamestown, Glens Falls and Rochester, New York. He arrived in Wellsville in 1898 and opened a furniture repair shop, doing upholstering work for two years. He then formed a partnership with H. C. Behring and they purchased the Coates Brothers furniture store, which they conducted for one and a half years. On the expiration of that period they decided to broaden the scope of their activities and began the manufacture of bedroom furniture, forming the Coates Manufacturing Company in association with Charles Davis and James Benson. The Wellsville Upholstering Company was organized in 1903 and had its inception in the small repair shop established five years previously by Frank William Gent. The business was incorporated in 1910 and is capitalized at one hundred thousand dollars. Its first officers were: F. W. Gent, president; F. X. Barker, vice president; Morris O'Connor, secretary; and E. C. Brown, treasurer. Mr. Gent still acts as president, but A. L. Foster of Corry, Pennsylvania, is filling the office of vice president, while Henry Graham is secretary, and F. X. Barker retains the office of treasurer. The firm manufactures upholstered furniture for household use and under the expert guidance of its executive head an extensive business has been developed. Its output compares favorably with the best grades of upholstered furniture on the market and the firm has established an enviable reputation for enterprise and reliability.

On January 22, 1902, Mr. Gent was married to Miss Mary Link, who was a daughter of Christian Link of Wellsville. She passed away in 1907, leaving a family



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of three children: Mildred, who is attending the Nurses Training School of the Buffalo General Hospital; and Martin and Frank, who are engaged in factory work. Mr. Gent's second union was with Miss Frederica Kreuger, a daughter of Henry Kreuger of Wellsville, and the children of the second marriage are: Henry, who is a theological student in an educational institution of Bronxville, New York; and Edward, Alfred, Donald and Esther, all of whom are pupils in the public schools of Wellsville.

Mr. Gent is a faithful member of the Lutheran church and is serving as one of its trustees. He is liberal in his political views and casts his ballot for the man whom he considers best qualified to fill the office to which he aspires, regardless of party ties. He has a high conception of the duties and obligations of citizenship and is serving on the school board, while he has also been selected as a member of the Water and Light Commission. He is a Rotarian and also belongs to the Brookland and Wellsville Rod and Gun Clubs. Through the force of his character and the strength of his mental endowments Mr. Gent has become a useful and influential member of society and his life has been an exemplary one in all respects.

REV. JOHN FORD LEFFLER.

The Methodist Episcopal church of Le Roy was organized in September, 1828, although preaching service had been held here for several years, and a class had been organized as early as 1823. The Rev. Micah Seager was the first regular pastor of the society. For a year services were held every two weeks in the schoolhouse east of the village. In 1829 a small brick church was built at a cost of nine hundred and fifty dollars, and was dedicated by Bishop Roberts. In 1884 this church was ruined by fire, and plans for a new building were at once made. The corner stone of the handsome new edifice on Trigon Park, East Main street, was laid by the Rev. J. E. Bills, D. D., presiding elder of the Genesee district of the Genesee conference, and the structure was dedicated on September 14, 1886, by Chancellor Charles W. Sims, D. D., of Syracuse University. The building is of gray sandstone and cost twenty-six thousand dollars. The present parsonage was a gift from the late Orator F. Woodward of Le Roy.

Rev. John Ford Leffler is the present pastor of this church in Le Roy, and for twenty-eight years has been an earnest worker in a vocation which is recognized as the noblest occupation of man. He was born September 28, 1867, in Shelbyville, Indiana, a son of Philip and Olive D. (Parrish) Leffler, the former of whom was an attorney at law and also conducted a tannery. Later the father went to Florida, where he purchased an orange grove, and his death occurred in that state in 1881.

John Ford Leffler attended the public schools of Indiana and Florida, and also received private instruction from his stepfather, Judge Charles B. Bucknor, of Columbia University, class of 1842. John F. Leffler devoted five years to the study of theology and his first charge was in Allegany, New York, where he remained for two years. From 1898 until 1902 he was pastor of the North Ridge and Dickinsonville churches and was then transferred to St. James church in Niagara Falls, New York, spending four years in that city. In 1906 he was sent to Attica, New York, and in 1910 he was assigned to the church at Coudersport, Pennsylvania, where he was stationed for six years. From 1916 until 1920 he had charge of the Normal Park church in Buffalo, a year of which time he was on leave of absence and engaged in war work with the Y. M. C. A. in France. He has since 1920 been pastor of the First Society of the Methodist Episcopal church in the village of Le Roy. Under his guidance the influence of the church has been materially strengthened and it continues to be a potent force in the moral progress of the community. His style of delivery is simple and direct and his message never fails to reach the hearts of his congregation.

In Horseheads, New York, on February 1, 1898, Mr. Leffler was married to Miss Lena May Compton, a daughter of Norris M. and Mary (Brigham) Compton and a sister of William R. Compton, who for more than fourteen years was United States marshal at Elmira, New York. Two sons have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Leffler: Rev. John Compton Leffler, who is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in Fairport, New York; and Paul Ford Leffler, who resides with his parents in Le Roy.

Mrs. Leffler belongs to the Woman's Club, the History of Art Club and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mr. Leffler is a Son of the American Revolution and belongs to the Sons of Veterans of the Civil war. In politics he is a republican with independent views, and his civic spirit has been demonstrated by both word and deed. He is especially interested in child welfare work, serving as chairman of

the Le Roy playground commission during 1923-24, and is a member of the Oatka Hose Club. He is studious by nature, finding much enjoyment in the reading of good literature, and also derives pleasure from outdoor life. Mr. Leffler is a broad-gauged man of cultivated mind, and his is a sincere and devoted service in behalf of the cause of Christianity.

EMIL G. SCHAUMAN.

The undertaking establishment of L. Schauman's Sons Company, located at No. 609 Clinton avenue, North, Rochester, New York, was founded many years ago by Louis Schauman, who was one of the pioneer funeral directors of that city. He was born in Germany, but at the age of three years was brought to this country by his parents. Some years later Johanna Prestin, also a native of Germany, came to this country, at the age of seventeen. In Rochester she became the wife of Louis Schauman, who soon after his marriage began the business later incorporated as the L. Schauman's Sons Company, Funeral Directors. He is now living retired, having turned the business over to his sons. His wife is also living. They have four children: Frederick J., George J., Emil, and Mrs. T. Albert Garrett.

Emil G. Schauman was born in the city of Rochester, on June 29, 1890. As a boy he attended public school No. 20, after which he enrolled in the Mechanics Institute. He left that institution, however, before he completed the course, to accept a position in the drafting department of the Eastman Kodak Company. After several years with that company he entered the Eckles School of Embalming to qualify himself for the business of undertaker and funeral director. Having passed the examination and secured a license from the state board, he entered into business with his father. When his father retired he and his brother, George J., took over the business and they have ever since conducted it. The company keeps abreast with all the improvements in the undertaking business and is recognized as one of the progressive concerns of its kind in the Flower city.

On June 11, 1913, Mr. Schauman was married to Miss Minnie F. Zellweger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Zellweger of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Schauman have two children: Lois E., born December 28, 1915; and Robert W., born June 29, 1917. Mr. Schauman belongs to the Masonic fraternity, being a member of Seneca Lodge, No. 920, F. & A. M.; Hamilton Chapter, Monroe Commandery, Damascus Temple and the Masonic Club. He is also a member of the Rochester Automobile Club, the Masonic Club and the Salem Evangelical church.

DELMER E. BATCHELLER.

Delmer E. Batcheller has devoted his life to educational work and forty-three years of experience have well qualified him for the responsible position of superintendent of schools of North Tonawanda, New York, which have made notable progress under his able direction. He was born in Stockton, Chautauqua county, this state, February 27, 1862, a son of Joseph E. and Achsah (Munger) Batcheller, both natives of that county, in which the Munger family settled in 1810. The Batchellers migrated from Massachusetts to New York and became pioneers in the development of Chautauqua county. Joseph E. Batcheller followed the occupation of farming as a means of livelihood and was called to public office, serving as supervisor at Stockton, New York. There he was married to Miss Munger and three children were born to them, two sons and a daughter, Delmer E. being the youngest member of the family.

Delmer E. Batcheller acquired his early training in the public schools of Stockton and in 1881 he completed a course in the State Normal School. He also took post-graduate work in the University of Illinois, which in 1898 conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. His first experience as a teacher was gained at Gerry, New York, in 1881, and he afterward followed his profession in Perrysburg, Stockton, Ripley and Mayville. In 1886 he went to Buffalo as principal of one of the grammar schools of that city, and in 1902 was appointed superintendent of schools in Olean, this state. He tendered his resignation in 1907 and in 1908 accepted a similar position in Dunkirk, New York. In 1912 he returned to Olean and had charge of the schools there until 1919, when he came to North Tonawanda as superintendent of its public schools, which have an enrollment of two thousand seven hundred



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pupils. Eighty-five teachers are employed and the high school course covers four years. He has instituted improvements in the methods of instruction and exerts his influence to better school facilities and equipment. He thoroughly understands the needs of the pupils and has secured the harmonious cooperation of the instructors.

In Ripley, New York, in 1884, Mr. Batcheller was married to Miss Saville H. Rickenbrode, a daughter of Jacob Rickenbrode, whose home was formerly in Venango county, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Batcheller have become the parents of three children, two sons and a daughter. The oldest, Delmer Elliot, Jr., has chosen his father's vocation and is instructor in English at the East high school in Rochester. On November 26, 1917, he was married to Madeline Brooks of Silver Creek, New York, and they have a daughter. Mr. Batcheller enlisted in the United States Infantry during the progress of the World war and went overseas with the Three Hundred and Third Ammunition Train, which was attached to the seventy-eighth Division. He participated in the Argonne and St. Mihiel drives and spent twenty months in the service of his country. He was made a sergeant March 1, 1918, and received his honorable discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey; his sister, Margaret E., resides in Port Arthur, Texas; Carl Arthur, the younger son, was married to Miss Helen Gunn of Port Arthur, and is with the Standard Oil Company at Buffalo. He also is a veteran of the World war. In August, 1917, he enlisted in the aviation service, becoming a member of the Signal Corps, and on December 1, 1917, was made corporal. He was promoted to sergeant January 1, 1918, and on May 13, 1918, was commissioned second lieutenant. He went to France, June 17, 1918, and returned to the United States on December 21, 1919.

Mr. Batcheller contributed his share of patriotic service as a Four-Minute speaker and delivered many public addresses in Olean, New York. He is connected with the State Teachers' Association and the National Education Association and has served as vice president of the former society. He belongs to the Rotary Club of North Tonawanda and is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Batcheller keeps in touch with the most advanced thought of the day along educational lines and has placed the schools of this city upon a high plane.

GEORGE WILLIS BABCOCK.

George Willis Babcock, a successful representative of the legal profession in Batavia during the past quarter century, has also been an active factor in public life and has served as referee in bankruptcy for the counties of Genesee, Wyoming and Allegany since his appointment to that position in 1923. He was born in Elba, Genesee county, New York, on the 26th of September, 1874, his parents being Alva and Mary L. (Willis) Babcock. The first representative of the Babcock family in the Genesee country was Asa Babcock, who came to this part of the state from Connecticut in the eighteenth century and participated in the War of 1812 with the rank of captain. John Willis, maternal ancestor of George Willis Babcock of this review, also took up his abode in western New York in the eighteenth century and fought in the second war with England. Alva Babcock, the father of George W. Babcock, was a lifelong resident of this part of the Empire state and devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits with excellent results. He served on the county sessions with Judge Peck for one year. In 1918 he was called to his final rest, the community thus sustaining the loss of one of its respected and substantial citizens.

George Willis Babcock completed his studies in the grade and high schools of Batavia by graduation in 1893, and in the following year finished a course in the Rochester Business Institute. Having determined to prepare for law practice, he next entered the University of Buffalo, which institution conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in 1899. In October of that year he opened an office in Batavia, where he has since followed his chosen profession and has built up a large and lucrative general practice. He has membership in the Genesee County Bar Association.

Whatever else may be said of the legal fraternity, it cannot be denied that members of the bar have been more prominent actors in public affairs than any other class of the community. This is but the natural result of causes which are manifest and require no explanation. The ability and training which qualify one to practice law also qualify him in many respects for duties which lie outside the strict path of his profession and which touch the general interests of society. Mr. Babcock served as justice of the peace in Batavia for more than sixteen years and also made a splendid record as the first city judge of Batavia, continuing on the bench from 1914

until 1920, or for a period of six years. Since 1923 he has capably discharged the duties of referee in bankruptcy for Genesee, Wyoming and Allegany counties. This appointment, which is made by the United States Department of Justice and prohibits holding any other office, is generally for life.

On the 16th of July, 1902, in Batavia, New York, Mr. Babcock was married to Mary E. Foster, daughter of Henry S. and H. Eliza (Dean) Foster of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Babcock are the parents of one son: Sherman Foster Babcock, who was born on the 25th of December, 1911. Mr. Babcock is a man of domestic tastes who finds his greatest pleasure at home in the companionship of the members of his family.

An active worker in the local ranks of the republican party, Mr. Babcock has been for many years a member of the republican county committee, and at present is assistant secretary of that organization. He belongs to the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and is also a consistent member of the First Presbyterian church, while fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and is leading knight in the latter organization. He is a worthy descendant of honored pioneer families of the Genesee country and has long enjoyed an enviable reputation in its professional circles, while his personal characteristics are such as have gained for him many warm friends.

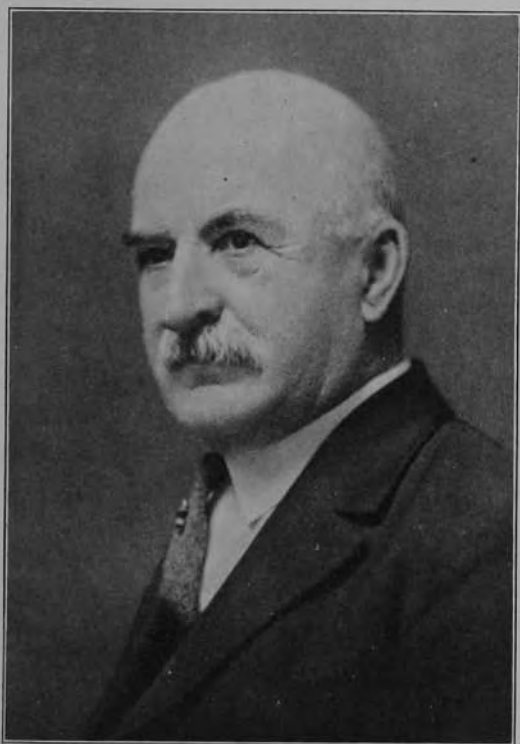
PETER A. PORTER, JR.

Peter A. Porter, Jr., represents the fourth generation of the family in Niagara county and his life has been passed in harmony with that of an honored ancestry. He was born in the city of Niagara Falls, November 16, 1877, and is one of the three sons in the family of Peter A. Porter, Sr. He attended De Veaux College in Niagara Falls, St. Paul's School at Concord, New Hampshire, and also had the benefit of study in the excellent educational institutions of Germany. In 1898, when a young man of twenty-one, he became secretary and treasurer of the Niagara reservation, serving in the dual capacity until 1903, and now acts as secretary of the Thompson estate, maintaining offices in Buffalo. His duties are discharged with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency and he is watchful of every opportunity that tends to promote the interests in his charge.

In 1907 Mr. Porter was married to Miss Geneva Thompson, whose father was one of the foremost business men of Buffalo, and thus united two of the oldest and most prominent families of Niagara county. During the progress of the World war Mr. Porter joined the Home Guard and also served on the Liberty Loan committees of North Tonawanda, likewise working for the success of the Red Cross and other drives. He belongs to the Buffalo Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and to the Society of Colonial Wars, and that he enjoys the social amenities of life is indicated by his membership in the Saturn, Park and Buffalo Clubs, the Buffalo Automobile and Athletic Clubs, the New York Club, the Niagara and Niagara Falls Country Clubs, the Lockport Country Club, and the New York City and Everglades Club of Palm Beach, Florida. He has been loyal to every trust reposed in him and a life of rightly directed endeavor has enabled him to win and retain the esteem of his fellowmen. His residence is in North Tonawanda and his summer home is at Narragansett Pier, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM J. RICHARDSON.

William J. Richardson figures prominently in financial circles of Allegany county as president of the Citizens National Bank of Wellsville, which he assisted in organizing in 1895 and of which he has been at the head for the past twenty-six years. He is likewise officially identified with a number of important business concerns of the state and has long been numbered among the influential and leading citizens of his native county. He was born in Richburg, Allegany county, New York, on the 31st of March, 1848, his parents being Alvin Richardson, Jr., and Rebecca (Gray) Richardson. The paternal grandfather, Alvin Richardson, Sr., left Otsego county, this state, in 1819 to take up his abode among the pioneer settlers of Allegany county. He erected a tavern and also built the first grist mill and sawmill on the present site of Richburg, which town was named in his honor. His son, Alvin Richardson, Jr., who was five years of age when brought to Allegany county by his parents,



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succeeded his father as proprietor of the inn and subsequently turned his attention to agricultural pursuits, being an extensive landowner. He had attained the age of seventy-nine years when called to his final rest in 1894.

William J. Richardson obtained his education in the Richburg Academy and the Genesee Valley Seminary and subsequently followed the profession of teaching for three years. He next engaged in farming in the vicinity of Richburg for six years and afterward spent a similar period, from 1881 until 1887, in the employ of the First National Bank of Richburg. It was in 1887 that he organized the State Bank of Belmont, where he remained for a decade, or until March, 1897. In the latter year he came to Wellsville to accept the cashiership of the Citizens National Bank, which he had assisted in organizing in 1895. In 1918 Mr. Richardson was made president of the institution, the continued growth and success of which is largely attributable to his wise control and to a sound financial policy which protects the interests of depositors and stockholders alike. His cooperation and counsel have also been factors in the successful management of a number of important corporations. He has been treasurer of the Wellsville Refining Company since its organization in 1902; is treasurer of the Pure Carbon Company of Wellsville; director of the Moore Steam Turbine Corporation of Wellsville; director and vice president of the Wellsville Wholesale Tobacco Company of Wellsville; director and treasurer of the Wellsville Development Company of Wellsville; director of the Guarantee Bond & Mortgage Company of Buffalo; and director of the Merchants Mutual Casualty Company of Buffalo.

In 1872 Mr. Richardson was united in marriage to Miss Helen Jordan of Richburg, New York. Their son, Fred B., who was born in 1874, departed this life in 1908. Mr. Richardson is a republican in his political views and a staunch supporter of prohibition. He has served as town supervisor for two years and as a member of the board of education for fourteen years, acting as its president during seven years of that period. He is highly esteemed as a worthy representative of a family which for more than a century has been identified with the growth and development of Allegany county along material, intellectual, political, social and moral lines.

WILLIAM JAMES SIMPSON.

William James Simpson, president of the Genesee Valley Trust Company, has been identified with the banking interests of Rochester for over thirty years and his present position, as executive head of one of the city's most progressive financial institutions, is directly the result of the capable manner in which he has filled the several positions previously occupied in banking circles. He was born in this city on the 13th of October, 1877, his parents being Joseph T. and Isabella (Tytler) Simpson, the former a native of Albion, New York, and the latter of Ontario, Canada. Joseph T. Simpson, like his father before him, was a stone contractor, building stone dwellings of the substantial type constructed for a century of service. He passed away in Rochester in 1883 and for more than three decades was survived by his wife, whose death occurred in 1915. Their family numbered seven children: Sophie E., of Rochester; Mrs. Isabella L. Buckland of Irondequoit; Alexander T., Joseph T., William James, Frederick M. and Charles A., all residents of Rochester.

William James Simpson acquired his education in the schools of Rochester but at an early age put aside his textbooks to enter the office of a Rochester attorney, with whom he remained for two years. A business rather than a professional career appealing to him, he gave up his work in the law office to accept the position of bank messenger with the Alliance Bank of Rochester, in March, 1896, with which institution and its successor, the Lincoln-Alliance Bank, he continued through the succeeding nearly twenty-seven years, advancing through the various intermediate positions to that of second vice president of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank. On the 1st of July, 1922, he severed his connection with the Lincoln-Alliance Bank to accept the proffered presidency of the Genesee Valley Trust Company, of which he has remained at the head. The growth of this institution under Mr. Simpson's management represents a magnificent tribute to his executive ability and is one of the outstanding achievements in Rochester bank development of recent years.

On the 7th of June, 1904, in Rochester, Mr. Simpson was united in marriage to Miss Helen E. Van Vechten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Van Vechten, representing a prominent family of Batavia, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson have three daughters: Margaret E., Helen F., and Jean I. Fraternally Mr. Simpson is identified with the Masons, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership

in the First Presbyterian church. His appreciation for the social amenities of life is manifest in his membership connection with the Genesee Valley Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Washington Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester.

M. G. BURCH, M. D.

A surgeon of high quality, a popular citizen, and a man with a distinguished war record is Dr. M. G. Burch of Hornell, New York, who has practiced in Hornell for fourteen years and has gained a fine reputation in the vicinity. He was born in Calais, Maine, February 1, 1888, the son of William M. and Lizzie A. (Decker) Burch, both natives of New England. Although his ancestors were English, his great-great-grandfather served with Washington during the Revolutionary war.

M. G. Burch attended the schools of North Adams, Massachusetts, and Albany Medical College, from which latter institution, he graduated in 1911 and then took a postgraduate course (intern work) in Arnot-Ogden Hospital of Elmira, New York.

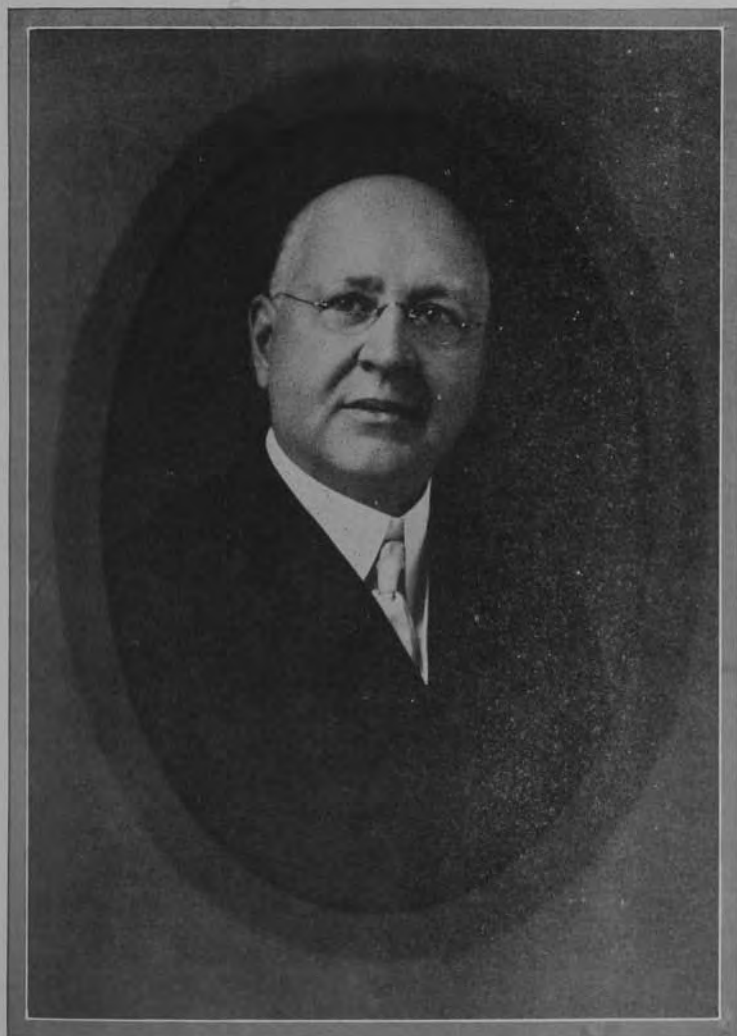
In June, 1917, Dr. Burch enlisted in the United States army for service in the World war, and was commissioned a captain in the Medical Corps. After some service in this country he was sent to France, where he served in the Oisne-Aisne and Meuse Argonne offensives and with the Army of Occupation. He was discharged August 19, 1919, after over two years of active service. In 1922 Dr. Burch, a republican, was elected county coroner, despite the fact that nearly all of the ticket elected were democrats. But his personal popularity broke down party lines.

Dr. Burch was united in marriage, to Margie E. Dunning, in Hornell, on January 1, 1918. They have one daughter, Marilyn Eleanor. Dr. Burch's father, William M. Burch, was secretary of the Federal Mutual Insurance Company of Boston and was republican "Boss" in Massachusetts for many years. Dr. Burch belongs to the American Legion, the Odd Fellows and the Elks. In the Masonic order he belongs to Hornell Lodge, No. 331, A. F. & A. M.; Hornell Chapter, R. A. M.; DeMolay Commandery and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Rochester, New York. He belongs to the city, county, state and American Medical Associations. Dr. Burch is a young physician who has already made a name for himself and may be expected to add new laurels as the years go by.

HARRY CLAY HERMANCIE.

In the business and professional worlds the men who rise to eminence are those who willingly devote a lifetime to their chosen vocation with no thought of wealth or profit beyond that which naturally follows worthy achievement, realizing the fact that true success is measured by the standard of usefulness. Judged by this standard, Harry Clay Hermance is one of Rochester's most successful business men for, inspired by the highest ideals in his work, he has rendered valuable service to the citizens of this community as an undertaker and embalmer. He is the pioneer in this business, which has claimed his undivided attention for fifty-three years, and during this period he has become widely and favorably known, enjoying in full measure the respect and esteem of all with whom he has been associated. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, December 14, 1852, a son of Charles Philer and Charlotte (Cook) Hermance, who were also natives of the Empire state. The former was born in Troy, Rensselaer county, and the latter in Bristol, Ontario county. The father was an inventor and a mechanical genius. He died in early manhood, when the Civil war was at its height, and the mother afterward went to the Pacific coast, becoming a resident of Spokane, Washington, where she passed away. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hermance, three sons and two daughters. Those now living are: Harry Clay and Mrs. Helena Murrell, both of Rochester.

Harry Clay Hermance received his education in Brooklyn and after leaving high school became traveling salesman for a firm dealing in funeral accessories. Rochester was included in his territory and among the morticians upon whom he called in this city was C. V. Jeffries. They became close friends and Mr. Hermance eventually resigned his position to enter the undertaking business with Mr. Jeffries, with whom he was associated until the latter's death. The son, L. A. Jeffries, succeeded the father in the business and when the Jeffries Undertaking & Embalming Company was formed



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Mr. Hermance became its president. He filled that office until 1914, when he severed his relations with the firm and established the Harry C. Hermance Undertaking Company, of which he is sole owner. Since 1920 Mr. Hermance has owned and occupied the property at No. 683 Main street, East, which is one of the finest properties in the city devoted to the undertaking business. He has an expert knowledge of the business and has long maintained a position of leadership in this field. His establishment is thoroughly modern in its appointments and equipment. Its service is adapted to every need and its personnel is capable and experienced. Mr. Hermance is the pioneer undertaker of western New York and although he has passed the Psalmist's allotted span of threescore years and ten he remains at the helm of his business, retaining much of his physical and mental vigor, for time has dealt kindly with him. He belongs to the National Funeral Directors Association and is one of the five members comprising the state board of embalming examiners.

In 1882 Mr. Hermance was married to Miss Mary A. Garvey, who was a daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth Garvey, a prominent Rochester family. Her death occurred on July 14, 1923. Mr. Hermance was married to Miss Anna F. Garvey of Rochester, a sister of his first wife, on February 18, 1925. Mr. Hermance is an Episcopalian in religious faith and attends Christ church, contributing liberally toward its support. He is a Royal Arch Mason and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce has long numbered him among its valued members. He has lived to see great changes in the city as the work of development and improvement has been carried forward and at all times has stood for those things which are of municipal benefit. He has ever recognized the duties and obligations of life, discharging the former promptly and efficiently and meeting the latter in the fullest degree, and his friends are legion.

WILLIAM BELL BOOTHBY.

William Bell Boothby, whom Rochester numbers among her well known, popular and successful young business men, is secretary of the William S. Riley Company, wholesale dealers in butter, eggs and cheese. His identification with this concern covers a period of twenty-three years, during which he has risen from the position of office boy to one of executive control. He was born in Augusta, Maine, on the 4th of July, 1885, his parents being Clinton L. and Mary Lucy (Whitehouse) Boothby, who are also natives of that state. It was in the year 1887 that they established their home in Rochester, New York, and here they have remained since, enjoying an extensive and favorable acquaintance throughout the community. The father was one of the pioneer nurserymen of the vicinity.

In the acquirement of an education William Bell Boothby attended School No. 15 in Rochester to the age of sixteen years, when he entered the employ of the William S. Riley Company in the capacity of office boy. Recognition of his ability and trustworthiness brought him promotion from time to time, and at length he became active in the management of the business when chosen to the position of secretary. The enterprise has been develope'd to extensive and profitable proportions and not a little of its success may be attributed to his efforts, for he is a young man of excellent business ability and keen discernment.

On the 27th of April, 1910, in Rochester, Mr. Boothby was united in marriage to Miss Marjorie S. Riley, daughter of William Spencer Riley. Mr. and Mrs. Boothby have two children: John David, born July 11, 1915, and Gloria Spencer, whose natal day was February 2, 1918. During the period of the World war Mr. Boothby acted as chairman of Local Draft Board No. 7. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and to the Rochester Lunch Club, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Central Presbyterian church, in which he is president of Class 42. Mr. Boothby is president of Rochester Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, a member of the board of managers of the Rochester Historical Society, and also a member of the board of directors of the Saratoga Battlefields Association. His record constitutes a splendid illustration of the force of industry, capability and perseverance in the attainment of prosperity, and in the city where practically his entire life has been spent he is held in high esteem by all who know him.

William S. Riley, the father-in-law of William B. Boothby, is the president of the William S. Riley Company and also a director of the National Bank of Commerce. He was born in Rochester, New York, October 2, 1858, a son of Phillip and Abigail A. Riley. Since April, 1902, he has filled the position of park commissioner in this city and has made a most commendable record in this connection. He is a consistent mem-

ber of the Central Presbyterian church and fraternally is identified with the Elks and with the Masons. In the latter order he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and belongs to Lalla Rookh Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R. He is likewise a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Young Men's Christian Association and in club circles is widely known, belonging to the Oak Hill Golf Club, the Rochester Ad Club, the Rochester Auto Club, of which he is a director, the Rochester Club, the Washington Club and the Rotary Club.

Mr. Riley has been twice married. On the 6th of May, 1880, he wedded Henrietta Gay Benedict and their children were four in number, namely: Abbie May, Edna Henrietta, Marjorie S. and William Pomeroy. On August 1, 1900, Mr. Riley was married to Carrie M. Leggett, and they have one child, Dorothy Olive.

CRAIG WHARTON WADSWORTH.

A career in the United States government service was the choice of Craig Wharton Wadsworth and the greater part of his life has been devoted to the diplomatic service. He has filled posts in many parts of the world and is a man of cosmopolitan experience, who looks at life from a broad standpoint, judging questions of importance in their international relations.

Craig Wharton Wadsworth was born in the city of Philadelphia, on January 12, 1872, a son of General Craig Wharton and Evelyn Willing (Peters) Wadsworth, and completed his education in Harvard University, which he attended during 1892 and 1893, also playing on the varsity football squad. He saw active service in the Spanish-American war as a member of the First New York Volunteer Cavalry, known as Roosevelt's Rough Riders, and in 1899 and 1900 was a member of the staff of the governor of New York. He was appointed third secretary of the American embassy at London, May 14, 1902, and on May 10, 1905, was promoted to the position of second secretary. He tendered his resignation in 1909 and in 1912 was made secretary of the legation and consul general at Teheran, Persia, where he was stationed for three years. His next assignment was at Bucharest, Roumania, where he acted as secretary of legation during 1915 and 1916. In 1916-17 he was secretary of the legation at Montevideo, Uruguay, and in August and September, 1916, he was chargé d'affaires at Buenos Aires, Argentina. He filled a similar office at Montevideo during 1917-18 and was sent to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, May 25, 1918. He was appointed counsellor of the embassy in that city on June 28, 1920, and on July 24 of the same year was assigned temporarily as chargé d'affaires to Buenos Aires, remaining there until November 4, 1920. As counsellor he accompanied Secretary of State Colby's party on a tour of Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina, starting on November 19, 1920, and completing the trip on January 2, 1921. He was assigned to the department of state at Washington, January 12, 1921, and went to Brussels, Belgium, as counsellor of the embassy on May 23, 1921. He has made a close study of governmental affairs and is familiar with every phase of diplomatic service.

Mr. Wadsworth is an Episcopalian in religious faith and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a member of the Metropolitan and Racquet Clubs of Washington; the Knickerbocker, Racquet and Tennis Clubs of New York city, and the Roehampton Club of London, England. He is a broad-minded, cultured gentleman, whose work has been of much value to his country, and his conversation is enriched with many interesting anecdotes of his experiences in foreign lands. Mr. Wadsworth's residence is in Genesee, Livingston county, New York.

THE SWETT FAMILY.

John Swett was admitted to the freedom of Massachusetts colony on May 18, 1642. He was one of the grantees of Newbury, Massachusetts, on December 7, 1642. It has been supposed that he was connected with the Swett family of Oxtou, Devonshire, England. (See New England Register, Volume VII, where the Swett coat of arms is shown.) The History of Barnstable County, Massachusetts (page 821), says that John Swett came to Newbury from the Isle of Guernsey and that some of his descendants settled in Wellfleet and Truro. There seems to be no connection between the Swetts of Cape Cod and those of Newbury. Sarah, wife of John Swett of Newbury, died on December 11, 1650. He may have had a second wife, Phoebe, who died

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a widow on May 6, 1665. He died in Newbury on January 13, 1651 or 1652. He lived on the first lot east of the old landing at Parker's river, near the end of the present electric road. His children were: John, who was born about 1603, married Mercy Rouse and (2) Jane ———, and lived in Charlestown, Massachusetts; Joseph, who wedded Elizabeth Taylor and (2) Mrs. Mary Buttolph and made his home in Boston, Massachusetts; Stephen, who was born about 1620, married Hannah Merrill and (2) Rebecca Smith and resided in Newbury, Massachusetts; and Benjamin, who was born about 1626 and married Hester Weare.

Captain Benjamin Swett, son of John Swett, was born in England as early as 1626. On November 1, 1647, he married Hester Weare, daughter of Hon. Nathaniel Weare. He lived for seven years on the Woodbridge farm in Newbury, just east of the upper green and about where the Woodbridge school now stands. He removed to Hampton, New Hampshire. He lived at what is now Hampton Falls, on the farm now owned by Miss Gove (1912), whose house stands near the place where once stood the Swett mansion. Miss Gove's house is the place where the poet Whittier died. It is on the line of the electric near the post office. Benjamin Swett was captain in the militia and commanded the expedition to Black Point, Scarborough, Maine, where he was killed in battle with the Indians on June 29, 1677. His widow married Ensign Stephen Greenleaf on March 31, 1679. She died in Hampton, New Hampshire, on the 16th of January, 1718, at the age of eighty-nine years. Benjamin Swett was one of the leading men of Hampton, serving as selectman and representative, and was also a brave military officer. (For sketch of him see Bodge's *Soldiers of King Philip's War*.) He had seven children recorded in Newbury and four in Hampton: Hester, who was born on June 17, 1648, and became the wife of Abraham Breen on September 5, 1668; Sarah, who was born November 7, 1650, and who wedded Morris Hobbs in 1678; Mary, who died young; Mary, the second of the name, who was born on May 2, 1654, and who became the wife of Richard Waterhouse on December 3, 1701; Joseph, who was born on January 21, 1658, and who married Hannah ——— and (2) Sarah Andrews; Moses, who was born on April 16, 1661, and who wedded Mary Hussey; Benjamin, whose natal day was May 20, 1664, and who wedded Theodate Hussey; Hannah, who was born on March 16, 1665, and who became the wife of John Rust on May 12, 1682; Elizabeth, who was born on the 2d of May, 1667; John, who was born on March 17, 1670, and who married Bethiah Page; and Stephen, who was born on July 13, 1672, and wedded Mary Kent.

Captain Joseph Swett, son of Captain Benjamin and Hester (Weare) Swett, was born in Newbury, Massachusetts, on January 21, 1658, and was first married to Hannah, who died on August 14, 1701. On the 20th of November of the same year he wedded Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Martha (Baker) Andrews of Boxford, Massachusetts. He was several times representative for Hampton and once led a company of militia to Saco, Maine. He lived in Hampton Falls, New Hampshire. His will, dated September 29, 1720, and probated in January, 1721, names his wife Sarah and her children, unnamed, son Joseph, and daughters, Esther Eaton, Margaret Sherburne and Abigail Swett. His widow married Charles Treadwell on January 1, 1723. Her will, dated December 13, 1743, and probated October 30, 1745, names children—Benjamin Swett, Jonathan Swett, Lydia, Hannah Swett and David Swett, to whom was given the house at Hampton Falls. The children were as follows: Hannah, who was born on September 13, 1682, and died young; Margaret, who was born on July 21, 1690, and who married (1) November 16, 1710, Thomas Sherburne of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and (2) August 13, 1729, Benjamin Rust, and who departed this life on March 27, 1761; Abigail, who was born on March 29, 1692, and became the wife of Benjamin Stone of York, Maine; Esther, who became the wife of John Eaton on November 18, 1709, and who died prior to 1720; Joseph, who wedded Hannah Sayward and resided in York, Maine. Captain Joseph and Sarah (Andrews) Swett had the following children: Lydia, who was born on March 22, 1704, and who became the wife of David Lee of Boston on April 3, 1729; Hannah, who was born on May 23, 1708, and who on February 2, 1728, became the wife of Moses Swett of Newbury, Massachusetts; Benjamin, whose birth occurred on November 17, 1710, who wedded Mrs. Elizabeth Jenness and lived at Hampton Falls; Jonathan, who was born on November 17, 1712, and who wedded (1) Deborah Tilton, (2) Jane Row and (3) Mary Stevens; David, who was born on December 13, 1716, and who wedded Dorothy Currier and lived in Hampton Falls.

Captain Jonathan Swett, son of Captain Joseph and Sarah (Andrews) Swett, was born at Hampton Falls, New Hampshire, on November 17, 1712, and was married (1) on July 19, 1733, to Deborah Tilton. On October 26, 1738, he wedded (2) Jane, daughter of Robert and Mehitabel (Leavitt) Rowe, or Row. The inscription on her

tombstone, in the oldest cemetery of Hampton Falls, which is about midway between the town hall and the post office, reads thus: "Here lies buried the Body of Mrs. Jean Swett, Late Wife of Capt. Jonathan Swett, who departed this life Jan. 5, 1751, in the 33rd. year of her age." Dow's History of Hampton says she was born on December 9, 1717. Near her grave is a long row of mounds without tombstones, where probably rest several generations of the Swett family. Robert Row's will, 1757, names grandchildren, children of his daughter Jane, viz: Joseph, Josiah, Jonathan, Mehitabel and Sarah Swett. Captain Jonathan Swett married (3) Mary Stevens. Her mother, Mary Stevens, in her will of 1765, names her daughter Mary, wife of Captain J. Swett. There is no record of his death and nothing in probate records to indicate it. He may have moved out of town and died elsewhere. The town records assign seven children to his second marriage and three to his third, but this is manifestly an error. Joseph, born on August 16, 1739, wedded Jemima ——— and probably settled in Waterboro, Maine; Josiah, whose birth occurred December 20, 1741, married Prudence Dodge on January 10, 1765, and died on the 26th of December, 1808; Mehitabel, who was born on February 6, 1744, became the wife of David Perkins of Newington, New Hampshire, on October 29, 1771; Sarah, whose natal day was February 3, 1746; Jonathan, who was born August 27, 1748, and who wedded Lydia Huntress of Newington on November 8, 1774, and settled in Campbells Gore, afterward called Windsor, New Hampshire. The following were the children of Captain Jonathan and Mary (Stevens) Swett: David, who was born April 8, 1753, who lived in Hampton Falls and who on October 30, 1786, wedded Sarah Batchelder and had two daughters and also a son who died unmarried; James, who was born April 8, 1755, and perhaps settled in Vermont; Lydia, whose natal day was September 5, 1757; Elizabeth, born on May 5, 1759; and Abigail, whose birth occurred on the 3d of August, 1760.

Josiah Swett, son of Captain Jonathan and Jane (Row) Swett, was born in Hampton Falls, New Hampshire, on December 20, 1741, and on January 10, 1765, wedded Prudence, daughter of Skipper and Sarah (Cogswell) Dodge of Wenham, Massachusetts. Mrs. Prudence (Dodge) Swett was born on September 28, 1747. Josiah Swett lived for some years in Wenham, Massachusetts, and thence moved to Campbell's Gore (Windsor), New Hampshire, while finally he settled in Claremont, New Hampshire, where he passed away on December 26, 1808. His wife departed this life on the 8th of August, 1831. (See published Claremont Cemetery Inscriptions.) All his children except James are recorded in Wenham, Massachusetts. Josiah Swett was a Revolutionary soldier from Wenham, Massachusetts. His children are here given: Prudence, who was born on October 2, 1766, wedded Joel Richards in 1783 and settled in Claremont, New Hampshire; (2) Josiah, who was born on October 2, 1768, died in Claremont on December 18, 1843. On the 18th of February, 1791, he wedded Hannah Healey of Washington, New Hampshire, who passed away on December 3, 1854. Their family numbered ten children; (3) Benjamin, whose birth occurred on January 22, 1771, was married (1) on March 17, 1790, to Polly Healey and (2) on October 12, 1813, to Marcia Dodge of Wenham, Massachusetts. He is said to have moved to Mount Morris, New York. (4) Sarah, who was born on May 28, 1773, passed away on the 26th of June, 1774. (5) Mehitabel, whose natal day was May 27, 1775, became the wife of Ichabod Dodge on May 23, 1794. (6) Jonathan, who was born on February 19, 1778, passed away on July 27, 1779. (7) Jonathan, the second of the name, who was baptized on July 2, 1780, according to the published records of Wenham, Massachusetts, was born on the 22nd or 23d of June, 1780, wedded Charissa Hitchcock on October 23, 1803. (8) James departed this life on the 23d of April, 1804, when twenty-two years of age. The above lineage was compiled by Rev. Everett S. Stackpole of Bradford, Massachusetts, in February, 1908. He has worked for several years over the Swett family lineage and has searched town and church and county records, military lists and cemeteries and every known source of information. He is responsible for the truth and accuracy of the above records.

Dr. Jonathan Swett, son of Josiah and Prudence (Dodge) Swett, was born in Wenham, Massachusetts, on June 22 or 23, 1780, and was baptized on July 2, 1780. On the 23d of October, 1803, in Deerfield, he married Charissa, daughter of Justin and Mercy (Hoyt) Hitchcock of Deerfield, Massachusetts. She was born January 13, 1781. He died in Sidney, Champaign county, Illinois, on September 14, 1865. His wife died in Ridgeway, New York, on the 1st of June, 1855. Dr. Jonathan Swett attended school in Deerfield, Massachusetts. He later studied medicine in Dartmouth College but did not graduate. He practiced his profession in Maine for some time; later removed to Elbridge, New York; then to Weedsport, New York, where he resided about four years, during which time he built two canal boats, with the help of an old ship's carpenter, and also built a house; from there he removed to Rochester,

New York, and then to a place near Brockport, New York, where he remained until he purchased a farm at Ridgeway, New York, from the Holland Land Company. The records of the Holland Land Company show that the east part of Lot 38 was article to Jonathan Swett in the year 1830; this land was deeded to him October 13, 1832. It was on the famous Ridge road which was then and has always been a highway from Rochester to Buffalo and Lewiston. On this land a tavern was situated and the only way Dr. Swett was able to secure possession was by entering the tavern as a guest and getting some of his baggage in. If this had not been done the man who occupied the tavern could not have been legally dispossessed.

While a resident of Ridgeway, Dr. Swett was known as one of the most famous pioneer surgeons of western New York. He used to prophesy that people would talk through the air and also that the air would some day be navigated. In 1856, after the death of his wife, Dr. Swett removed to Champaign county, Illinois, with his son, Joel Richards Swett, and family, and with his daughter Charissa, the latter remaining with him until his death on September 14, 1865, at Sidney, Illinois. His health was good and his strength unimpaired until shortly before his death. He was a democrat in politics but voted for Abraham Lincoln for his second term. His children were as follows: Camilla, who was born in Deerfield, Massachusetts, on September 1, 1805, and passed away on the 4th of September, 1805; James, who was born on December 10, 1806, left home while the family resided at Deerfield and was never heard from again; Barabarak, who died young; Joel Richards, who was born in Northfield, Massachusetts, on January 19, 1808, who wedded Minerva Bates of Ridgeway, New York, on October 2, 1836, and who passed away in Medina, New York, on September 28, 1890; Jonathan, who was born in Deerfield, on May 18, 1809, who married Miss Knickerbocker of Ridgeway, New York, and passed away in Medina, New York, about 1882; Charissa Hoyt Swett, whose birth occurred in Elbridge, New York, on April 7, 1814, and who departed this life in Medina, New York, on May 22, 1910, when ninety-six years of age, and Charles, who was born in Weedsport, New York, about 1822, but lived only nine months.

Joel Richards Swett, son of Dr. Jonathan and Charissa (Hitchcock) Swett, was born in Northfield, Massachusetts, on the 19th of January, 1808, and on the 2d of October, 1836, wedded Minerva Bates of Ridgeway, New York, who was born in Palmyra, this state, on November 22, 1818. Her parents were Bennet and Abigail (Conant) Bates, who formerly lived in Macedon, New York, to which place they had removed from New England. Joel Richards Swett was named for his uncle, Joel Richards of Claremont, New Hampshire, who married his aunt, Prudence Swett. While the family lived in Elbridge, New York, about 1814, his uncle, Joel Richards, and wife made them a visit and took Joel Richards Swett back to New Hampshire to live with him as his heir. He returned to his father's home, however, walking most of the way. He was given command of one of the early packet boats built by his father on the Erie canal at Weedsport and his brother James was given command of the other. He moved with his father to Ridgeway, New York, in 1830 and here met his future wife, Minerva Bates. After his marriage he again went on the Erie canal as master of a boat run by the New Clinton Line. Several transfer deeds of property are recorded in the clerk's office at Albion, New York, between him and his father, Dr. Jonathan Swett. In 1856 he moved to Rantoul, Champaign county, Illinois. He enlisted in the Eighth Indiana Battery at Terre Haute on February 27, 1862, and was in the Army of the Cumberland for thirteen months. He was ordered by Captain Cochran to ride back about four miles from the point where the battery was in camp, and he rode bareback to help in getting a commissary wagon out of the ditch. On this ride he was ruptured and was captured at Murfreesboro on December 31, 1862. While on the way to prison he spiked seven cannon in the rebel baggage train; this would have meant instant death had his act been detected. During the war he participated in the battle of Pittsburg Landing and doubtless others. He was incarcerated in Libby prison but was paroled at City Point, Virginia, on the 3d of February, 1863, and sent to parole camp at Annapolis, Maryland, where he was discharged on the 18th of March, 1863, for disability, after which he returned home. Immediately after the close of the Civil war he returned to Medina, New York, with his family and there made his home until his death. However, because of an accident in the plant of the Bignall Manufacturing Company, he was unable to do any heavy work. He died in Medina, New York, on September 28, 1890, and his wife passed away on the 20th of January, 1901. Joel Richards and Minerva (Bates) Swett were the parents of fourteen children, eight of whom died in early childhood. The surviving members of the family are named below: (1) Joel Bates Swett, who was born in Ridgeway, New York, on the 10th of July, 1841, married Sarah Jeanette Spaulding of that place.

She passed away in Manistee, Michigan, on the 8th of December, 1881. On the 1st of November, 1882, Joel Bates Swett wedded Mrs. Ella Maloria Graff Sanderson, a widow living in Manistee, Michigan. (2) Albert Louis, who was born in Ridgeway, New York, on April 27, 1850, was married in Medina, this state, on the 18th of September, 1872, to Lucinda Maria Fuller, whose birth occurred near Ballston Spa, New York, on December 29, 1849. (3) Cora, who was born in Ridgeway on the 20th of July, 1852, was married in Medina on the 3d of January, 1877, to Ephraim Loke of that place, whose birth occurred in Lincolnshire, England, on the 6th of September, 1841. Ephraim and Cora (Swett) Loke became the parents of four children, all of whom were born in Medina, New York, as follows: Louis E., whose natal day was August 14, 1878, and who wedded Harriet Newbegin of South Carolina on the 18th of October, 1906; Minerva, born September 18, 1883; C. Estelle, whose birth occurred on September 8, 1886, died; and Marshall S., born April 23, 1893. (4) Dr. Emily Frances Swett, who was born in Royalton, Niagara county, New York, on the 9th of September, 1854, was educated in Medina Academy and later pursued a medical course at the Hahnemann Medical College in Chicago. She has been engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery in Medina, New York, since 1885. (5) Lyman Richards Swett, whose birth occurred in Rantoul, Illinois, on the 19th of July, 1859, wedded Martha Almira Washington of Port Jervis, New York, on the 29th of July, 1891. She died June 27, 1894. Their son, Trevor W. H., who was born in Vineland, New Jersey, on the 22d of July, 1893, graduated from Harvard College in June, 1915. He served in France during the World war and won a captaincy. He has remained in the army and at present (1925) is a military attache stationed at Riga, Latvia, one of the Baltic states. Captain Swett was married on October 19, 1924, to Miss Marjorie Paret at Spring Lake, New Jersey. For his second wife Lyman Richards Swett married Elizabeth Wilson Horner of Brooklyn, New York, and they became the parents of a daughter, Lois Helene Swett, who was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on August 25, 1899.

WILLIAM MARTIN SMITH.

William Martin Smith, vice president and general manager, as well as one of the founders of the Seneca Shoe Company, is also one of Rochester's best-known men in the shoe industry and his activities have materially contributed toward the development of that industry here. He was born in Rochester, September 13, 1871, his parents being William R. and Katherine (Vogt) Smith, the latter of whom was also born in Rochester. William R. Smith was a native of England and was but a boy of eight years when his parents came to Rochester, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a blacksmith, and followed that trade for many years. He is survived by his widow, who is still a resident of this city.

William Martin Smith received his early education at the Holy Redeemer parochial school and completed his studies at the Rochester Free Academy. He first entered the employ of the Edgar P. Reed Shoe Company of this city and remained with them for five years, when he resigned his position to become foreman for Moloney Brothers. After about seven years with that firm he accepted the position of superintendent for the A. H. Oliver Company, which later became the Joroleman-Oliver Company, and Mr. Smith continued his connection with this firm until 1910. It was in the latter year, and largely through his instrumentality, that the Seneca Shoe Company was organized. From its inception Mr. Smith has been the practical and executive head of the business. His intimate knowledge of shoe manufacturing, acquired from years of experience and intensive study has been a large factor in the success of the Seneca Shoe Company, which is now the largest in western New York, specializing in the manufacture of children's shoes.

On the 5th of June, 1894, Mr. Smith was married to Miss Margaret A. Stark of this city, and they have two sons and a daughter, all of whom were born in this city: Alva M., the eldest, was educated at Nazareth Academy and is now the wife of John J. Harzmann; W. Earl attended Holy Rosary parochial school, East high school and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan, class of 1923. During the World war he entered the Officers Training Camp at Conisus College, Buffalo, and is now a member of the Officers Reserve Corps, being attached to the Coast Artillery. He is a capable young business man and is associated with his father in the Seneca Shoe Company; Austin W., the younger son, is a student at Aquinas Institute.

Mr. Smith is one of the prominent members of the Knights of Columbus, and



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has served on various important committees in connection with the work of that organization, which has conferred upon him the fourth degree. He was faithful navigator of Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly for five years, and at the present time is serving as admiral. He has held a number of important offices in the Loyal Order of Moose, being now deputy supreme regent and for many years has been chairman of the resolution committee of the Supreme convention of that order. Mr. Smith is treasurer of the Boot and Shoe Manufacturers Association, a member of the National Shoe Manufacturers Association, the National Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club of Rochester.

During the World war Mr. Smith served as chairman of numerous committees and took a most active part in all of the Liberty Loan drives, as well as in the various patriotic activities occasioned by that great conflict. He was chairman of the Knights of Columbus Soldiers and Sailors Welfare work for western New York, and was also a member of the National Welfare Council from this section. While his private activities have been of a nature to advance the prosperity of the city, he has also given liberally of his time and energies toward worthy and helpful projects, reflecting a public spirit and civic interest which bespeaks his value as a citizen. Mr. Smith's entire life has been passed in this city and few men outside of public life, have as wide an acquaintanceship. He is not only a successful business man, but a man of high ideals, and throughout his life he has stood for those things which have real value as constructive elements in the world's work.

ARTHUR H. LESTER.

Specializing in certain branches of the law in which he has acquired a reputation as an expert practitioner, Arthur H. Lester of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, is a prominent figure in the legal profession of the county and enjoys a large and lucrative practice. He was born February 20, 1877, in Sodus, New York, the son of Fred and Ella (Phillips) Lester, who had been residents of Warsaw nearly all their lives and had been located in Sodus only one year when their son was born. They returned to Warsaw when he was one year old.

Arthur H. Lester was educated in the grade and high schools of Warsaw and graduated from the high school in 1893, but had previously received much private instruction. He entered the law office of Johnson & Charles in 1895 to study law, and remained there until 1904, having been admitted to the bar the previous year. In 1905 Mr. Lester became a member of the law firm of Bartlett, Evans & Lester, and remained in the partnership until 1907, when he opened an office for himself and has practiced alone until the present time. He specializes in real property law and corporations, and is attorney for many of the corporations in Warsaw and the country adjacent. Mr. Lester was justice of the peace in Warsaw from 1898 to 1910. He is a member of the Masonic order and has gone as far as possible in both branches, Scottish and York Rites. Mr. Lester belongs to Warsaw Lodge; Wyoming Chapter at Warsaw; the council at Hornell; the commandery at Batavia and New York; and the consistory at Coudersport, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Lester was married on August 16, 1910, to Frances Tice, daughter of Albert and Emeline Tice of Pike, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Lester have a son: Morris T. Lester, who was born February 16, 1912. Mr. Lester is a republican in politics but not actively interested in political affairs. He is president of the Wyoming County Bar Association, also a member of the New York State Bar Association. He is not a member of any religious denomination, although he comes from Quaker stock which settled in Warsaw in 1835. He is greatly interested in music and the collecting of historical data on Wyoming county, of which he has obtained a large amount. Mr. Lester possesses the only map in existence of the village of Portageville, New York, and has many other rare views collected in the past twenty-five years.

HAROLD G. BISHOP.

Every successful commercial enterprise adds to the development and consequent prosperity of the community in which it is operated, and through the judicious management of a large and important mercantile undertaking Harold G. Bishop is contributing his quota toward the progress of Le Roy, his native village. He was born

January 15, 1892, and belongs to one of the old and highly respected families of this locality. His parents were Theron C. and Emily O. (Gillett) Bishop, who were prosperous farming people of the town and always resided here. The grandfather, Le Roy Bishop, formerly lived in Connecticut and was the founder of the family in Le Roy. He settled here about 1830 and subsequently went to the Pacific coast, establishing his home in Seattle, Washington, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Harold G. Bishop received a public school education and after completing his high school course he obtained a position in the editorial department of the *Le Roy News*, with which he was connected from 1911 until 1917. He then entered the service of the Bank of Le Roy, in which he was employed for seven years, becoming assistant cashier of that institution. In March, 1924, Mr. Bishop purchased the coal and ice business of James W. Peppard and employs a number of men. He keeps well informed on everything relating to the trade and displays executive force and mature judgment in the conduct of the business, which is enjoying a steady and prosperous growth.

On December 31, 1916, Mr. Bishop was married to Miss Caroline Etta Price, a daughter of the Rev. G. E. Price, who at that time was pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Le Roy, of which both are members. Mr. Bishop belongs to Olive Branch Lodge, F. and A. M., and Le Roy Chapter, R. A. M., and is also connected with the Oatka Hose Club and the Stafford Country Club. He is an adherent of the republican party and his favorite sports are golf, tennis, hunting and fishing. He is loyal and public-spirited in matters of citizenship and is recognized as a young man of enterprise, energy and ability, worthy of trust and confidence.

WINFIELD SCOTT OBERDORF.

Winfield Scott Oberdorf, a man of varied talents and divers interests, has become widely known through his connection with business, civic, political, fraternal and patriotic affairs and occupies a central place on the stage of activity in Dansville, his native city. He was born January 12, 1861, and is one of the five children in the family of Peter John and Susannah B. (Hamsher) Oberdorf, both of whom were natives of New York state. His maternal grandfather, Bernard Hamsher, was one of the early settlers of Sparta. Peter J. Oberdorf was an honored veteran of the Civil war and became prominent in musical circles of Dansville and Rochester. He was an incorporator and leader of the Fifty-fourth Regiment Band of Rochester and served as president of the Musical Protective Association of that city.

The early life of Winfield Scott Oberdorf was spent alternately between his grandfather's farm and the village of Dansville. At the age of fourteen he entered the office of the *Dansville Advertiser*, where he was employed for three and a half years, and during that period learned the printer's trade. In the latter part of his apprenticeship he prepared for entrance to the Genesee State Normal School, and the money saved from his wages was used to defray his school expenses. During the period from 1878 to 1882 he was absent from school for about twenty weeks for the purpose of teaching, but completed the four-year classical course with his class in the spring of 1882, and within a year after his graduation he repaid the money he had been obliged to borrow. Before his senior year had closed Mr. Oberdorf was offered the editorship of the *Livingston Republican*, a paper published at the county seat, and having at that time the largest circulation in the county. This was accepted and his editorial work began soon after the commencement exercises in June. Two years later he was offered a co-partnership interest in the *Dansville Advertiser* by A. O. Bunnell, in whose employ he had learned the printer's trade, and on March 1, 1884, *Dansville* again became his home. He was a journalist of the progressive school, productive of ideas, which he turned to the best account—a live editor of a live newspaper. In the spring of 1896 his health became impaired and in 1897 he decided to retire from the business, disposing of his interest in the *Advertiser* to his partner. On regaining his health he reentered the field of business, and, following the death of John Hyland, was appointed by E. T. Scovill, residuary legatee under the will of Mr. Hyland, as agent for the estate. This position he still holds, judiciously managing the interests under his charge, and has well justified the trust reposed in his ability and integrity. He is a farsighted, sagacious and resourceful business man who readily recognizes the possibilities, opportunities and difficulties of a business situation, and avoids the latter while improving the former to the fullest extent.

Mr. Oberdorf is a gifted orator, swerving opinion by the clarity of his logic and the flame of his eloquence, and enjoys an enviable reputation as a political and after-



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dinner speaker. He is a staunch republican and has worked untiringly to promote the interests of that party. He first appeared as a campaign speaker in 1888, when he went on the stump for Benjamin Harrison. In 1893 he was Memorial Day orator at Utica, New York, and in that year received no less than fifteen invitations to deliver memorial addresses. He is thoroughly in earnest in whatever he says and impresses his audiences by the irresistible logic of fact and argument rather than by the use of honeyed words or florid rhetorical phrases, and never tries in speech simply to entertain or amuse, but to interest, edify and inspire.

Mr. Oberdorf has been prominent in other walks of life. He served as stamp clerk for Livingston county under control of the State Underwriters Association and for many years has been a director of the Dansville Board of Trade. He joined the Union Hose Company of Dansville, one of the best organizations of the kind in the state, and was made its secretary, later foreman, and eventually became chief engineer of the entire fire department. He is a past grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has served for five consecutive terms as master of Phoenix Lodge of Masons, the lodge adding one hundred and nine new members during his administration, and is serving as a trustee of the lodge in accord with the benevolent orders law of the state. He belongs to the Sons of Veterans and in June, 1891, attended for the first time a state encampment of that order. In the summer of that year he went to Minneapolis, Minnesota, as one of five delegates representing this state at the national encampment and in the following June, at the state encampment at Amsterdam, was elected without opposition to the highest place in the gift of that body—commander of all the camps in the state. The state organization had a most successful career while he was in office, the membership reaching a point never before attained, and at the national encampment, of 1893, the gold cross of the order was conferred upon him for meritorious service.

On September 27, 1899, Mr. Oberdorf was united in marriage to Miss Katherine Angell Hall, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis G. Hall, of Dansville, and they have become the parents of two children: Susannah Hall and Nancy Angell. Mr. Oberdorf is a member of the Presbyterian church, is thoroughly conscientious in the discharge of the duties of any position he holds, whether the work be gratuitous or remunerative, and his example should serve as a source of encouragement and inspiration to others, demonstrating what may be accomplished through individual effort, rightly directed.

MILTON EVANDER GIBBS.

Milton Evander Gibbs, a well known attorney and counselor at law in the city of Rochester, late deputy attorney-general of the state of New York for this district, former chairman of the democratic county committee for Monroe county and a former member of the New York state democratic committee and for years an active factor in the civic and social life of his home town, has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Rochester for more than a quarter of a century. He is a native son of the Empire state, where he has lived all his life, a resident of Rochester since the days of his young manhood. He was born on a farm in the vicinity of the pleasant village of Springwater, Livingston county, December 28, 1870, and is a son of Norman and Eugenia L. (Holmes) Gibbs, both of whom were born in that same neighborhood, members of old families in that section of New York. Norman Gibbs, who was a substantial landowning farmer in East Springwater and a veteran of the Civil war, was born there February 3, 1839, and his wife was born February 13, 1842. Both were of English descent and both families early became represented in New York state through migration of representatives of the Gibbs and Holmes families (both of early Colonial stock) from Vermont and Connecticut.

Reared on the home farm in East Springwater, Milton Evander Gibbs received his early education in the village schools and when hardly more than a boy he began teaching school. He then pursued further studies in the State Normal School at Geneseo, following the normal classical course, and was graduated from that institution in 1892, president of his class. Meantime he had been working on the farm and clerking in a grocery store during vacation periods and also had been keeping up his teaching during the winters, going from the district school to the village school, and following his graduation he was made principal of the Union school in Wayland, a service he continued to render for two years, or until 1894, when he was made principal of the State School for the Blind at Batavia. In the meantime Mr. Gibbs had been carrying on preparatory studies in law and after a year of service in the state

school he gave up further service in the schoolroom and in 1895 entered the law office of the Hon. John D. Lynn in Rochester and gave himself over definitely to the study of law. These studies later were continued in the law office of Keeler & Marsh in Rochester and in August, 1898, in Rochester, he was admitted to practice in the courts of the state of New York. In October of the following year (1899) he was admitted to practice in the United States district court for the northern district of the state of New York. In December following his admission to the bar Mr. Gibbs was married and established his home in Rochester, where he ever since has been engaged in the practice of law, with present offices in room 607, No. 39 State street, where he is admirably situated. From January 1, 1923, to December 31, 1924, Mr. Gibbs rendered public service as deputy attorney-general of the state of New York.

For years Mr. Gibbs has been one of the potent personal factors in the deliberations and the activities of the democratic party in Monroe county and throughout this district. For some time he served as the chairman of the county committee of that party and also rendered service for two years as a member of the state central committee. In every campaign for the past twenty-five years and more he has taken an active part "on the stump," and as a public speaker in behalf of the principles of his party he has attained a wide reputation throughout the state. As a delegate on many occasions to county, district and state conventions Mr. Gibbs has acquired a wide acquaintance in political circles and has done well his part in advancing the interests of his party in this state. He is a member of the American Bar Association and of the New York State Bar Association and in the deliberations of these bodies has for years taken an earnest interest. In the ranks of the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War Mr. Gibbs also is widely known, for he is a past commander of the New York division or department of this patriotic organization, having served in that capacity for the term 1913-14. He long has been one of the active members of the Captain Henry Lamb Camp of the Sons of Veterans in Rochester. Mr. Gibbs is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, affiliated with Genesee Falls Lodge No. 507, F. & A. M.; Rochester Consistory, and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine, all of Rochester.

On December 28, 1898, in Rochester, Milton E. Gibbs was united in marriage to Miss Florence May Alt and they have one child: A daughter, Miss Lois Florence Gibbs, born in Rochester, February 23, 1903. The Gibbs family are members of the Brick Presbyterian church and have long taken an interested part in church work. They have a very pleasant home at No. 29 Macbeth street and have ever taken a proper and helpful part in the city's general social activities. Mrs. Gibbs is a poet of more than merely local distinction and also is widely known throughout the state as a lecturer on topics of particular interest to women's clubs. She is a member of the locally influential Woman's Club in Rochester and of the flourishing City Club and has long been recognized as one of the most helpful club women in the city. She was born in Bloomington, Illinois, but has been a resident of Rochester since the days of her girlhood. Her parents, Jacob G. and Mary (Baum) Alt, both now past seventy-five years of age, are still making their home in Rochester, where they have resided for many years and where Mrs. Alt was born, a member of one of the old families of German stock in that city. Jacob G. Alt is a native of Germany but has been a resident of this country since the days of his youth.

CORAL ALBERT MORGAN.

One of the best known of the city's younger business men is the president of the Fred D. Morgan Paper Company, located at No. 434 Exchange street. Fred D. Morgan, the founder of the business, was born in Galesburg, Illinois, but came to Rochester in early life and in November, 1904, established the wholesale paper business. From a modest beginning he developed the company which bears his name and with which he was actively connected until his death on September 3, 1922. After coming to Rochester he was married to Miss Florence Dannals, who with three children—Harvey S., Maybell and Coral A.—survives him.

Coral Albert Morgan was born in Rochester, March 7, 1891, and received his educational training in the public schools, graduating from the West high school in 1910. He began his business career in the wholesale paper business under his father's direction. Beginning at the bottom of the ladder, he worked his way up through all the different steps of the paper trade and mastered all its details. At the time of his



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father's death he took control of the business, which was soon afterward incorporated under the name of the Fred D. Morgan Paper Company and he was made president. The principal lines handled by the company are wrapping papers and twines, the trade extending over a large territory, chiefly in Western and Central New York and Northwestern Pennsylvania.

On March 1st, 1925, the business of Fred D. Morgan & Company was consolidated with the Cramer Force Company of Rochester, and C. A. Morgan is now connected with the Cramer Force Company, wholesale paper dealers.

Mr. Morgan is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the United Commercial Travelers, the Athletic, Automobile and Rotary Clubs, all of Rochester. He is a member of the Empire State Paper Association, of which he has been secretary and treasurer since January, 1923. In amateur athletic circles, "Pink" Morgan, as he is known by his hosts of friends, has been an outstanding figure since he was eighteen. While a student at West high school he was a member of the baseball, basket-ball and track teams, and an accident from a breaking staff during a pole vault fractured his left limb in such a manner that it was thought he would be crippled for life. It was after his recovery from this injury that he hung up records that have stood for years. His record of twenty feet, three inches, in the running broad jump, made in 1909, has stood ever since as the city high school record, while his twenty-one feet, eleven and one-fourth inches, for the same event, has stood since 1915 as the city and county record, and his twenty-two feet, four and one-half inches, has never been surpassed in the Niagara District Amateur Athletic Union. He has been a familiar figure at amateur athletic meets in western New York for more than a decade and although nearing the middle-age period of life, he retains much of the athlete's skill and agility.

On November 25, 1915, Mr. Morgan was married to Miss Beatrice Parr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden W. Parr of Gouverneur, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan have two sons: Elwood W., born October 19, 1916; and Frederick R., born December 21, 1919. Mr. Morgan belongs to the Lake Avenue Baptist church and takes a commendable interest in the good works of all the organizations in which he holds membership. Mr. Morgan's residence is at No. 452 Maplewood avenue.

FRANK CAULKINGS, M. D.

Frank Caulkings, M. D., who passed away January 4, 1921, in his home in Hornell, New York, was principally noted for his discovery of what is claimed to be a certain cure for pneumonia, the formula being a secret known only to his widow, who dispenses the medicine from No. 243 Main street, Hornell, continuing the large mail order business that Dr. Caulkings had established. It is positively stated that Dr. Caulkings cured every case of pneumonia he attended. He was born in Gainesville, New York, October 6, 1849.

Frank Caulkings was educated in the University of Niagara, at Buffalo, and the University of Chicago. He practiced for some time in Springville, Erie county, New York, and then settled in Hornell. He was greatly advanced in his profession and many of the things he advocated are today beginning to be used by the medical fraternity. In addition to the pneumonia cure he also put several proprietary medicines on the market. A good example of his vision into the future was the prediction made when he was a young man, that some day he would live to ride in a horseless carriage. The coming of the automobile brought this dream to a realization.

Dr. Caulkings was married June 25, 1902, to Alice Tefft of Springville, Erie county, New York. He was a Mason and an active republican and he gave his support to measures of the public welfare. He was untiring in his efforts for the alleviation of human suffering.

DANIEL MAGEE BEACH.

Daniel Magee Beach, an active and successful representative of the legal profession in Rochester during the past twenty-eight years, is a member of the well known law firm of Harris, Beach, Harris & Matson. He was born in Watkins, Schuyler county, New York, on the 24th of May, 1873, his parents being Daniel and Angelica C. (Magee) Beach. Daniel Beach was for many years general counsel for the Fall

Brook Railroad, or until it was absorbed by the New York Central system. He was formerly member of the state board of regents, and resided in Watkins, New York.

Daniel Magee Beach began his education in the public schools of his native town and continued his studies at the Fort Hill school in Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1889. Entering Hobart College he was graduated with the class of 1892 and in 1894 entered upon preparation for a professional career, as a student in the law department of Columbia University and in the New York Law School where he completed the regular course in 1896. He was admitted to the bar and entered upon the active practice of law in the fall of 1897, with the firm of Harris & Harris, in this city. In January, 1905, he became a member of that firm, which in March, 1907, was changed to Harris, Havens, Beach & Harris.

Mr. Beach has continued his connection with the firm, which with subsequent changes is now Harris, Beach, Harris & Matson and is regarded as one of the strongest legal combinations of this part of the state. He has been connected with some of the most important litigation before the courts of western New York.

On the 31st of October, 1901, Mr. Beach was married to Miss Marion H. Lindsay, of this city, and they have two sons and two daughters: Daniel M., Jr., Alexander, Lindsay and Marion. Mr. Beach is a member of the Rochester Bar Association, the Rochester Country Club and the Genesee Valley Club. His residence is at No. 50 Barrington street.

CHARLES W. KNAPPENBERG.

Active at the bar and in the care of his large practice, Charles W. Knappenberg of Dansville, Livingston county, New York, still finds the time to manifest his interest in local and county republican politics and is a forceful factor in the party's affairs. He was born at Nunda, Livingston county, on January 20, 1885, the son of John Adam and Sarah F. (Carpenter) Knappenberg, both of whom were natives of New York state. The mother is still living. There were four children in the family.

After beginning his education in the grade and high schools of Dansville, Charles W. Knappenberg matriculated in the University of Buffalo, at Buffalo, New York, from which he received the degree of LL.B. and was graduated in 1905. After his graduation Mr. Knappenberg remained in Buffalo for two years, passed six months in North Dakota, and then was a rancher in Oregon for a year and a half. His wanderings over, he located in Dansville in 1914 and opened an office for the practice of law. As a lawyer Mr. Knappenberg has been very successful, served as district attorney for Livingston county, 1921 to 1923, inclusive, and was police justice in Dansville from 1920 to 1924.

During the World war Mr. Knappenberg did service in the Student Army Training Corps. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and is also a member of Delta Chi, a legal fraternity, and of the American Legion, of the latter organization being the first county chairman and a delegate to the first convention at Minneapolis, Minnesota, in the fall of 1919. Mr. Knappenberg is a bachelor.

JESSE HOMAN PARDEE.

Jesse Homan Pardee, for many years prominent in business affairs in western New York and other sections, has been since 1904 closely identified with the founding, upbuilding and expansion of The Spirella Companies, a business enterprise of marvelous growth and of international importance.

The name Pardee is of French origin, the family being of record in Normandy for several centuries prior to 1562. The Huguenot branch of the family fled from France across the Channel into Great Britain at the time of the early persecutions of the Protestants. Today the figures of Eleanor Pardee and her husband, Louis Lambert, are portrayed side by side in a stained glass window, which can be seen in the Church of Saint Julian of Rouen, one of the oldest churches in France. George Pardee, who emigrated to this country, was the younger son of a churchman. His family had for some time been settled in Taunton, Somersetshire, England, where his father, the Rev. Anthony Pardee, was a clergyman in the Church of Saint Mary Magdalene. He occupied this position from the time he was ordained in March, 1627, until his death in 1646, and was buried in the churchyard there. George, born in

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1622, was baptized in Pitminster Church, near Taunton, February 19, 1623. He came to the American colonies in 1644, settling in New Haven, Connecticut. He was a scholarly man and had undoubtedly inherited the Latin instinct from his forebears. He learned that language from his father and in the Taunton grammar school, which was quite prominent in those days. It is learned from Atwater's "History of the New Haven Colony", that as the Colony school had been discontinued, the town of New Haven negotiated with George Pardee to give the children instruction in English, and, in the quaint language of the time "to carry them on in Latine soe far as he could, alsoe to learne them to write." The proposition was debated and some expressed the opinion that it was scarcely known in any place to have a free school for teaching English and writing, but yet showed themselves willing to have something allowed by the public and the rest by the parents and masters of such that went to school, and in the issue the sum of twenty pounds was voted out of the town treasury, the remainder to be paid by those who sent pupils to the school. George Pardee agreed to make a trial of one year. At the end of that time Connecticut absorbed the colony of New Haven and the system of colony schools was discontinued. According to an old catalog of the Hopkins Grammar school, George Pardee was elected its second rector, being chosen after the death of its first rector, Rev. Jeremiah Peck, as the only man in the New Haven colony who could read and teach Latin. He held this position until 1667, being succeeded by Rev. Samuel Street. In 1674 George Pardee was reengaged "to teach youth to read English, and the Accidence, and any Grammar rules as far as he could and to write; something also being spoken about his teaching arithmetic as very necessary in these parts; also to be careful to instruct the youth in point of manners, there being a great fault in that respect as some exprest. (N. H. Town Rec. MSS III)."

Hopkins grammar school was established under the will of Governor Edward Hopkins to the following end: "To fit youth (by learning) for the service of God in church and commonwealth." At the first meeting of the Hopkins grammar school committee on June 28, 1660, it was agreed that the master "should teach the schollers Lattine, Greek and Hebrew and fitt them for the Colledge." (New Haven Colony Records, Vol. II, p. 377.) To be able to speak good Latin and write it both in prose and verse, to be competently grounded in the Greek language, to be able to read Cicero or Virgil, Isocrates, or the minor Greek poets, and to have some knowledge of Hebrew, were no light requirements, measured even by the standards of the present day. There were two other grammar schools in the New England states at this time. Pupils in these schools who did not take Latin gave their attention mainly to reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic—or cyphering, as it was then called.

One of the rules of the Hopkins grammar school in 1684 read: "That noe Boyes be admitted into ye said schools for ye learning of English books but such as have been before taught to spell letters & begin to Read thereby to perfect theire Right Spelling & Reading, or to learn to write & Cypher for numeration & addition noe further, & yet all others that are too young and not instituted in letters & spelling & all Girles be excluded as Improper & inconsistent with such a Grammar School as ye law informs & is ye Designe of this Settlement. And yet noe Boyes be admitted from other townes for the learning of English without liberty and specialty license from ye Committee."

The main purpose of the grammar schools in these days was to select and fit the brightest boys for college. As the only college before 1700 was Harvard, the course of study for boys preparing for College was determined by the Harvard requirements which were given in the "Laws of Harvard College" issued in 1655. "When any Scholler is able to read and understand Tully, Virgil, or any such ordinary classically authors, and can readily make, speake, or write true Latine in prose, and hath skill in making verse, and is completely grounded in the greek language, so as to be able to construe and grammatically to resolve ordinary greek, as the greeke testament, Isocrates, and the Minor Poets, or such like, having withall meet testimony of his twoardness, he shall be capable of his admission Into Colledge."

In these early days the trustees of the grammar schools employed the rectors "to keep a schoole for ye space of one full yeare." The year contained fifty-two weeks of six working days each, no vacation. The school days of Hopkins were long. Rules required that school begin at six o'clock in the morning and end at five o'clock in the summer and four o'clock in the winter, with an intermission from eleven to one. This was the stern rule of the forefathers. The aim of education as they expressed it was, "the trayning up of the children of the Towne in religion, learning and Civilitie." The master of the school was required to "catechize" his pupils every Saturday afternoon; on Monday to admonish and correct those whom he found guilty of any mis-

demeanor on the Sabbath, and to examine the advanced pupils on the sermon of the preceding Sunday. According to colony records in 1665 and 1666 George Pardee was assigned the fourth place on the aisle in the Meeting House in the formal seating arrangement.

George Pardee was married, first, on October 20, 1650, to Martha, daughter of Richard Miles, who died early in 1662, their children being: John (1) born in 1652, died in 1653; John (2) born December 2, 1653; died on October 8, 1683; George, born January 15, 1655; married Mercy Ball, and second, Mary Denison, died November 22, 1723; Mary, born February 18, 1658, married Joshua Hotchkiss; Elizabeth, born June 10, 1660, married John Olmstead. On December 29, 1662, George Pardee married, second, Katherine Lane, their children being: Joseph, East Haven, Connecticut, born April 27, 1664; Rebecca, born April 11, 1665, married Samuel Mix; Sarah, born July 1, 1667; Hannah, born July 1, 1668, married Edward Vickers. (Copied from New Haven Town Record, George Pardee's will on the same record.)

Joseph Pardee, son of George the emigrant, born April 27, 1664, was married on July 31, 1689, to Elizabeth Yale, daughter of the first Thomas Yale. Their children were: Joseph, born August 9, 1693; Thomas, born October 26, 1695, died same year; John, born February 6, 1697, died July 13, 1766, of Sharon, Connecticut, married Betsey Horne; Mary, born in 1700. On December 23, 1703, Joseph Pardee married, second, Elizabeth Payne and they had children: Elizabeth, born in 1704; Daniel, born November 28, 1706 (Society of Southington, Connecticut); Rebecca, born 1708; Josiah, born September 14, 1711; Ebenezer, born November 4, 1714; Samuel, born August 3, 1718; Sarah, born in 1720. East Haven Register shows that George Pardee gave his son Joseph land in New Haven a few days before his first marriage.

Daniel Pardee, son of Joseph, born November 28, 1706, married Lydia Porter, daughter of Richard Porter, December 19, 1734. In name, list and age of inhabitants of "Society of Southington" Hartford Library, Volume No. 13, says that Daniel Pardee had pews in church second right and left of front door, and those of his son David, whose age was given as forty-five, were third pews right and left of pulpit on the left. The children of Daniel and Lydia Pardee were: Lydia, born October 27, 1736; Daniel, born December 30, 1738; David, born May 17, 1741; Jonathan, born May 8, 1744; Stephen, born July 4, 1747.

David Pardee, son of Daniel, born May 17, 1741, married Phebe Woodruff, January 1, 1761, and they had three children: Daniel, Lydia and Lois. Lydia married Solomon Wilcox and they removed to Stockbridge, Massachusetts, in 1799; Lois married William Lincoln of Upper Houses; David Pardee died May 31, 1821, aged eighty years, and his wife died November 30, 1822, aged eighty-two years. They are buried in Cromwell.

In military affairs David Pardee of Southington, Connecticut, served as sergeant under Captain Asa Bray, Colonel Hooker's regiment of Southington, April 3, 1777-May 15, 1779. "David Pardee was with Putnam when waylaid by French and Indians on their way from Fort Ann to Fort Edward. He held the rank of corporal." Page 210, 1760, in Connecticut Historical Society, Vol. 10: "David Pardee, 3rd Reg. 1st Co., Col. Wooster, April 1-Nov. 23. He served in both wars. State Librarian George S. Goddard of Connecticut, referring to photostats of rolls of French and Indian war says: "A set of photostats, five in number, show the various enlistments of David Pardee, then of Southington Society of Farmington." From the Connecticut Historical Society's records the following information is extracted. French-Indian Rolls, Vol. IX, page 253. Campaign of 1757. A Muster Role of Captain Amos Hitchcock Company, the third company that went out of the 2nd Regiment, Commanded by ye Honorable Roger Newton, Esq., Coll., under ye Special Command of Major John Hubbard, of Sd. Regiment in the Late Alarm for ye Defense of Fort William Henry and Parts adjacent, August, 1757. Daniel Pardee, Private, 10 Days Service. Page 216. Campaign of 1757. Roll of the Company under the Command of Captain Stephen White, Captain in the 9th Regiment in the Colony of Connecticut, under the Command of Colonel Jonathan Hait, who in the late alarm Marched for the Succor & Relief of fort William Henry & the parts Adjacent, the time they were in Service &c. in August A. Dom. 1757, David Pardee, Private, 17 days Service. Page 44, Vol. X. On Pay Roll of Captain Eldad Lewis' Company in ye 2nd Regiment of Connecticut forces Ad. 1758, David Pardee, Private, Enlisted April 9, Discharged Nov. 16, in the 7th Company. Page 210, in Campaign of 1760. A Muster Roll of Col. David Wooster's Company, with the Time of their enlistment, Dead, Deserted, Discharged, Weeks and Days in Service, David Pardee Enlisted April 1, Discharged Nov. 23. This Company contained four sergeants, three corporals and thirty-five privates who had served in some previous campaign: "Ye Historie of ye Town of

Greenwich" by S. P. Mead, Page 74: In the company of Capt. David Waterbury, 3rd (of Stamford) Campaign of 1756, 5th Company, 4th Regiment, David Pardee, Private. Page 75: In the Company of Capt. Stephen White; 9th Regiment, Campaign of 1757, David Pardee, Private.

The accuracy of the above records were authenticated as proven by the following document: Hartford, Conn., April 16, 1915. Personally appeared Dr. George L. Parmele, who made oath before me that the above are true copies from the authorities quoted. (Signed) Erle Rogers. (Seal of Notary.)

Daniel Pardee, son of David, died March 28, 1852, in Cromwell, having been born in Southington, Connecticut, October 19, 1762. He married Florinda Bray, daughter of Colonel Asa Bray, an officer in the Revolutionary war. Daniel Pardee was the father of eight children: Sally, born May 11, 1794, married Alanson Stowe, died March 9, 1867; Fanny, born June 26, 1797, married John Brainerd Smith, February 23, 1814, died March 21, 1873; Daniel, born February 9, 1787, died April 20, 1869; Jesse, born March 18, 1802, died January 9, 1888; John, born July 7, 1806, died March 25, 1884; Lydia, James and Bray.

The following correspondence explains itself:

Revolutionary War Records Section, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C., February 16, 1915. Mr. J. H. Pardee, Meadville, Pa. Sir: In reply to your request of the 8th inst., received 10th inst., for a statement of the military history of Daniel Pardee, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, you will find below the desired information as contained in his application for pension on file in this Bureau: Enlisted July 10, 1779, private, served six weeks under Capt. Asa Bray, Colonel Phelps; June 1, 1780, private, served seven months under Capt. Henry Ten Eyck, Col. Zebulon Butler, Col. Herman Swift; March, 1781, corporal, one year under Capt. Matthew Smith, Majors Shipman and Humphreys; April, 1782, served to end of war, Capt. Nathaniel Jones; engaged in service on Long Island Sound and aided in capturing 20 vessels. Battles engaged in, two at Frog's Point, N. Y. Residence of soldier at enlistment, Southington, Hartford, Conn. Date of application for pension, July 31, 1832. His claim was allowed. Residence at date of application, Southington, Conn. Age at date of application, born Oct. 19, 1762, Southington, Conn. (See Connecticut Men of the Revolution, 1889, issued by the State of Connecticut.)

Jesse Pardee, son of Daniel and Florinda (Bray) Pardee, was born in Southington, Hartford county, Connecticut, March 18, 1802, and died in Meadville, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1888. In the spring of 1820 he joined his elder brother Daniel in Meadville. The inborn thrift of the New Englander and his untiring industry soon made him one of the prominent men of his district. He took great interest in public affairs, serving as a school director, assessor, supervisor and tax collector, holding each office several times. He was often sought in counsel by his neighbors because of his clear judgment and known integrity. On February 7, 1822, he married Elizabeth Stainbrook, who died March 28, 1846, a daughter of Christian and Esther (Troutman) Stainbrook, and they had the following children: Sarah, born December 29, 1822, married Andrew Jackson Hunter, December 14, 1844; Susan, born August 15, 1824, married Joseph Johnson on March 20, 1845; James Christian, born September 14, 1826, married Charlotte Barton; Catherine, born October 29, 1828, married Emory Morse; Mary, born June 5, 1830, married Jesse McFadden; Esther, born March 9, 1832, married John Southwick; John Henry, born April 25, 1834; Emeline, born May 7, 1838, married Daniel Fowler, May 6, 1856; Florinda, born May 15, 1841, married Joseph B. Girard; Elizabeth, born March 28, 1846, married Joseph B. Girard, May 21, 1872.

John Henry Pardee, son of Jesse, was born in Mead township, Crawford county, Pennsylvania, April 25, 1834. During the early oil excitement he spent several years in the oil districts of northwestern Pennsylvania, being interested in some of the earliest productions. As he was successful in his operations there, he returned home and purchased land, part of which was the old homestead that his great-grandfather, Samuel Stainbrook, bought from the Holland Land Company in 1799. He took great pride in his home and surroundings. In politics he was a republican and served his community in a number of local offices. Mr. Pardee retired from active life some ten years before his death, which occurred March 20, 1909. On May 22, 1872, he had married Julia Ann Homan, who was born in 1843, in Cochran, Pennsylvania, and died January 24, 1925. She was the daughter of Samuel Mark and Susanne Homan, and they had three daughters and one son: Flora Luella, born August 11, 1873, married John Frederick Kitchen of Erie, Pennsylvania, on September 2, 1902; Fannie Elizabeth, born October 29, 1874, died June 14, 1886; Jesse Homan, born December 1, 1875; Margaret Edith, born April 3, 1880, married, first, December 26, 1900, Albert

Justin Dewey of Meadville, Pennsylvania, second, July 12, 1917, Dr. Clyde M. Crow of Duluth, Minnesota.

Jesse Homan Pardee, only son of John Henry and Julia (Homan) Pardee, is in the eighth generation of the Pardee family in America. He was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, December 1, 1875, and was educated in Allegheny College and attended Bryant & Stratton and Smith Business colleges. During the first few years of his business life he was associated with the Keystone View Company of New York and London, and on account of its broad field of activity, Mr. Pardee became interested in business from an international viewpoint. Early in 1904 he resigned his position as manager of one of the departments of that company and, associated with W. W. Kincaid and the late M. M. Beeman, founded and established the Spirella Company, and later with them organized and financed The Spirella Company of Canada, Limited, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada; The Spirella Company of Great Britain, Limited, Letchworth (Garden City), Herts, England; The Spirella Company, Incorporated, Niagara Falls, New York; The Spirella Gesellschaft Fur Deutschland, m. b. H., Dusseldorf, Oberassel, Germany; The Spirella Securities, Limited, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada; the Korsettfabriken Spirella Aktiebolaget, Malmo, Sweden, and the Aktieselskabet Spirella Korsetter, Copenhagen, Denmark. Mr. Pardee, with W. W. Kincaid and J. H. Moore, of Letchworth, England, form a Spirella board of administration established to direct a uniform policy in the various Spirella companies for the manufacture and sale of their product.

While living in Meadville, Pennsylvania, prior to 1913, Mr. Pardee served as vice president of the G. M. Yost Manufacturing Company, was one of the directors of the Merchants National Bank, and gave much time and assistance in organizing several of Meadville's successful industries. He is a trustee of the Pennsylvania College of Music. For two terms he served as president of the Meadville Chamber of Commerce, and in June, 1914, represented that organization in Paris at the International Conference of Chambers of Commerce of the world. He is identified with the Masonic fraternity, and is a member of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses; a Pilgrim Tercentenary member of the New England Historical Genealogical Society; a member of the Somersetshire Archaeological & Natural History Society; a member of the Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce, and belongs to the Niagara, Niagara Falls Country, Buffalo and the Buffalo Fine Arts Academy and Rotary Clubs. He is also a member of the Buffalo Saddle and Bridle Club, and is an enthusiast in riding to the hounds. In religion he is an Episcopalian and in politics a republican. On January 28, 1914, Mr. Pardee was married to Mary Imboden McClung of Richmond, Virginia, daughter of the Hon. Charles Henry McClung, who served as a member of the Virginia legislature for a number of years. Mr. Pardee's residence is at No. 66 Soldiers place, Buffalo.

WILLIAM F. DIESEL.

William F. Diesel, vice president and treasurer of the Sargent-Greenleaf Company, Incorporated, of Rochester, has been identified with this corporation throughout the period of his business career, covering thirty-four years, and proven ability has placed him in the responsible offices which he now fills. Mr. Diesel is one of those self-made men whose lives are object lessons to the youth of our land. Always ambitious and eager to improve every opportunity, he began at the bottom of the ladder and slowly but surely worked his way up to the top, placing his dependence on the substantial qualities of industry, perseverance and fidelity to duty. A native of Germany, he was born January 19, 1877, and his parents were Louis and Elizabeth (Schleyer) Diesel, the former of whom was connected with financial affairs and passed away in the fatherland. In 1889 the mother came with her little family to America, establishing her new home in Rochester, and her death occurred in this city in 1922. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Diesel, a son and a daughter. The latter is the wife of Charles Sampson and resides in Rochester.

William F. Diesel was a boy of twelve when his mother settled in this city and in order to aid her in the struggle for a livelihood he obtained work at odd jobs, at which he was employed during the day, while his evenings were devoted to study in a night school. He also had the benefit of instruction in the Mechanics Institute, which has started so many of Rochester's leading business men on the road to success, and was graduated with the class of 1892. Two years previous to this time he had secured a position as errand boy in the Sargent-Greenleaf lock and key factory and his diligence and adaptability soon attracted the attention of his employers, who



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showed their appreciation of his efforts by successive promotions as his experience and value increased. He became foreman, assistant superintendent, superintendent, factory manager, and in March, 1923, assumed the duties of vice president and treasurer, which he is now discharging with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency. Since 1921 he has been a director in the company. The industry is one of the most extensive of the kind in western New York and Mr. Diesel's labors have become an integral part of its history. His expert knowledge of the business is supplemented by marked foresight and executive force and his efforts have been beneficially resultant.

On September 28, 1899, Mr. Diesel was married to Miss Theresa Letteau, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Letteau of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Diesel have become the parents of four children: Mildred, who was born in 1901 and is a graduate of Nazareth Academy; Evelyn B., born in 1902 and also a graduate of that institution, became the wife of Luke P. Vail in 1924, and now resides in New York city; Norman, who was born in 1905, completed a course in the Aquinas Institute, and is now a student at Canisius College, Buffalo, taking a pre-medical course; and Richard, who was born in 1909 and is a high school student.

Mr. Diesel's religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic church, of which he is a zealous member, and he is also identified with the Knights of Columbus, in which he has taken the third degree. He belongs to the Rochester Automobile, Athletic and Rotary Clubs and works systematically and energetically for civic growth and progress as a member of the Chamber of Commerce. A man of strong character, forceful personality and high principles, Mr. Diesel holds a secure place in the esteem of his fellow citizens, who appreciate him at his true worth, finding him thoroughly dependable in every relation of life. Mr. Diesel's residence is at No. 609 Linden street.

WILLIAM J. GUCKER.

For more than a quarter of a century William J. Gucker has been active in Rochester business circles, where he is well and favorably known. In addition to his own general insurance business, in which he has been engaged for the past two years, he is prominently identified with a number of local firms as an officer or director. His assistance and advice are highly valued in all of these organizations as the best judgment of a man whose own business career stamps him as a person of exceptional ability. Born in this city, August 19, 1878, he is the son of the late Martin and Susanna (Eckhardt) Gucker. The father, for years a wholesale tobacco merchant of Rochester, was born in Europe and came to America during the Civil war, in 1864 or 1865. He at once located in this city, which was his home until his death in 1896. His wife, a native of New York city, survived him until 1914.

William J. Gucker has always lived in Rochester, where he was educated in the public schools and went to work as an employe of Walter B. Duffy. Subsequently he acquired the liquor business of E. M. Higgins & Company, which he conducted until the passage of the recent prohibition legislation, a period of about twenty-one years. On the 1st of February, 1922, Mr. Gucker opened an office for the conduct of a general insurance business. In a little over two years he has developed a small business into one of large proportions and stepped into a prominent place among the successful insurance men of the city. Meanwhile, Mr. Gucker has sought a widened outlet for his capital and abilities by investing in various Rochester enterprises that attracted his interest and support. Among these should be mentioned the Rochester Fruit Products Company, of which he is vice president, the F. B. Rae Oil Company, the Meier Furniture Company and the Rochester Boat Works, in all of which he is a director as well as a shareholder. Mr. Gucker for the past few years has been active in real estate circles, and his vision, as well as his judgment, has been reflected in a number of highly profitable deals he has made in downtown property.

Mr. Gucker was married on the 30th of October, 1900, to Miss Olga Meier of Rochester, daughter of B. C. Meier of the Meier Furniture Company. Mr. and Mrs. Gucker have five children: Willard J., born in 1902, a student in the Wharton School of Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania; A. Hildegard, born in 1907, who is now a student in the West high school; Wilma, born in 1916, and Elizabeth R. and Bernard M., twins, born in January, 1918. The three younger children are attending the public schools. Mr. Gucker has many friends in the city that has been his lifelong home and is prominently known in club circles, belonging to the Oak Hill Coun-

try, Rochester, Rochester Yacht and Rochester Automobile Clubs. He is a Mason and a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and is also affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

JARED PLUM DODGE.

Although more than a third of a century has come and gone since Jared Plum Dodge passed beyond the ken of those who knew him, his memory is revered because of his upright life, which measured to the highest standards in every relation. He was born in Amsterdam, New York, on August 25, 1800, only child of Josiah, Jr., and Ruth (Plum) Dodge. His mother died when he was three years old and he was reared in the home of his maternal grandfather at Geneva, New York. He was reared to farm work, but when about twenty years of age located at Geneseo, New York, where he engaged in the dry goods business. He was successful in this venture and later acquired a woolen mill and also operated a sawmilling business at Tuscarora, Livingston county, then an important business center, until 1868, when he disposed of his interests there and located in Nunda. Here he lived retired until his death, which occurred on August 23, 1890, when he had reached the ripe old age of ninety years. With the exception of an impairment of eyesight he retained his faculties to an unusual degree. He was a democrat in his political views and for fourteen years served as supervisor from Mount Morris, serving the last two years of that period after his removal to Nunda. He was a member of the Episcopal church and was a liberal contributor to the cause of religion, regardless of denomination. He demonstrated his public spirit by both word and deed. He was a man of unswerving integrity—open and above-board—and enjoyed to the fullest extent the confidence and high regard of his fellow townsmen.

On the 5th of February, 1827, at Tolland, Massachusetts, Mr. Dodge was united in marriage to Miss Julia Ann Twining, who was born October 8, 1807, in Tolland, Massachusetts, and died September 19, 1872, at Nunda, when sixty-five years of age. Their family of five children were as follows: Alfred C., a merchant, who was born in 1830 and died in 1903; Chauncey B., who was born in 1831 and died in the Union service in 1862; William Twining, who was born in 1834 and passed away in 1887; Jared P., Jr., who was born in 1838 and died in 1898; and Julia Louise, born in 1844. The last named was married at Tuscarora, New York, to Joseph Eastwood, who was a prominent lumberman of Bay City, Michigan, and died July 16, 1904. They were the parents of a daughter, Lucia Louise, who became the wife of John H. Holmes, and died in 1894. To them was born a daughter, Louise Eastwood Holmes, who married Francis Mills Dodge and is now the mother of two children. John Alfred and Julia Louise. Mrs. Julia L. (Dodge) Eastwood, the only surviving member of the family of Jared P. Dodge, has since 1919 been a resident of Nunda, her home, "Pleasant Place", being on Massachusetts street.

ST. MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Little is known of the Catholic history of Geneseo prior to 1854. Mass was said at irregular intervals by priests from the neighboring towns of Lima, Avon and Mount Morris. There was no settled meeting place and services were held in the concert hall, in the courthouse, in some of the homes, and even in the open air. The village was occasionally visited by the bishop of Buffalo, the Rt. Rev. John Timon, D. D., and in 1851 General James S. Wadsworth deeded to Bishop Timon the land for a church edifice. It is said that the General, driving by one day, saw the people holding service in a small dwelling, overflowing to the open, located on the east side of Main street, near North street, in the gully, then the residence of Michael Coleman. He asked the reason, and being told that they could not afford a church, offered to give them the land if they would erect the building thereon. Accordingly, the first church edifice was built in 1854, under the supervision of Father Maguire, who was then ministering to the parish. The site for the church was on North street and the structure, now Emerald Hall, is still standing. About 1880 the land on which the present church stands was purchased and in 1900 a tract of land adjoining on the east was bought.

There was no resident priest in Geneseo prior to 1882. Father Maguire was followed in succession by the Revs. John Ryan, Bernard McCool, John Vahey, Richard J.



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Story, Daniel Moore, Edward McGowan, David O'Brien, M. M. Meagher and John J. Donnelly, the majority of whom came from Mount Morris. In 1882 the Rev. Matthias D. Mussmaecher arrived in Geneseo, having been appointed the first resident priest. He remained here for nearly six years, living opposite the old church on land which afterward became the site of the new church, and at his departure in the spring of 1888 left about four thousand dollars in the treasury toward the construction of a new church. He died in St. Mary's Hospital at Rochester, on the 8th of September, 1890, and after him came the Rev. James A. Hickey, who immediately undertook the erection of a church. The corner stone was laid on the 21st of April, 1889, and the building was dedicated on the 1st of December of the same year. It was built at a cost of twenty thousand dollars and by April, 1898, the church was freed of all indebtedness. Father Hickey was transferred to the Church of the Holy Apostles at Rochester in 1900 and on the 8th of August of that year the Rev. Arthur A. Hughes was assigned to the Geneseo parish, remaining until the coming of the Rev. George T. Jones on February 24, 1914.

REV. GEORGE T. JONES.

Rev. George T. Jones was born at Seneca Falls, New York, July 16, 1875, a son of John and Mary (Carroll) Jones, both of whom are deceased. He attended St. Patrick's Parochial School at Seneca Falls and the Mynderse Academy at that place, afterward becoming a student at St. Andrew's Seminary of Rochester and St. Bernard's Seminary of that city. He was ordained to the priesthood at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Rochester, on the 10th of June, 1904, and for three years acted as assistant to Father James A. Hickey at the Church of the Holy Apostles in Rochester. For a similar length of time he was chaplain at the state institution at Sonfeya, Livingston county, and for four years filled a pastorate at Hammondsport, New York. In 1914 he assumed charge of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church at Geneseo and throughout the remainder of his life devoted every energy toward strengthening and developing the ecclesiastical interests under his control. He enjoyed in an enviable degree the respect and affection of his parishioners and by example as well as precept pointed out to others the best way in life.

During the World war Father Jones was a chaplain in the Twenty-seventh Division of the United States army, receiving his commission on September 26, 1918. He spent nine months in France, being assigned to duty at Hospitals 28 and 98, and was discharged at Camp Dix on the 2d of July, 1919. He afterward served as chaplain of G. Livingston Wadsworth Post No. 271 of the American Legion at Geneseo. Father Jones departed this life on October 1, 1924.

GEORGE WILLIAM ROOS, M. D.

Dr. George William Roos is engaged in the practice of medicine in Wellsville, and for a quarter of a century his knowledge and skill have been at the service of his fellow townsmen, who unite in bearing testimony as to his high character and professional ability. He was born in Buffalo, New York, May 25, 1867, and his grandfather, Jacob Roos, was a native of the province of Alsace, France. In 1830 he migrated to Canada, settling in Preston, Ontario, and four years later he became a resident of Buffalo, New York, where he engaged in the brewing business. He was married to Regina Bergtold and their son, George Roos, was born in Preston, Ontario, in 1833, and was but a year old when the family arrived in Buffalo. After his father's death he successfully conducted the brewery, also operating a stable for the sale and exchange of horses. He was married to Julia Theobald and they became the parents of George William of this review.

After attending Heathcote school George William Roos entered the University of Buffalo, which awarded him the M. D. degree in 1887. He began his professional career in his native city, where he maintained an office for twelve years, and since 1899 has been a resident of Wellsville. He is a general practitioner and his services are in constant demand, for he is a close student of human nature as well as the technicalities of his profession, correctly applying the knowledge which he has thus acquired to the needs of his patients. He is now serving as health officer of Wellsville and school physician, in which connection he is doing valuable work for his community, and is gradually lessening his practice.

In June, 1894, Dr. Roos was united in marriage to Miss Alpha May Hanson of Chicago, and they have two sons: George Herrington, who served during the World war with the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Field Artillery, Thirty-seventh Division, Ohio, is conducting the Willard storage battery shop in Wellsville; and Edward Hanson, who graduated from the Ohio State University in 1922, with the degree of Mechanical Engineer, is in the employ of the Wilson Snyder Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

In politics Dr. Roos is an independent republican and his religious views are in accord with the tenets of the Congregational church. He is a member of the local Rotary Club and his professional connections are with the New York State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association. He is also surgeon for the Erie Railroad. Fraternally he is a Mason and belongs to Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo. Courteous and kindly in manner, quiet and self-contained, Dr. Roos inspires confidence in those to whom he ministers and is welcomed wherever he goes, not only as a mitigator of bodily ills but also as a true friend and wise counselor.

LOREN OSWALD GRAVES.

Loren Oswald Graves, an important factor in industrial circles of Rochester, his native city, is president of the Graves Elevator Company, Incorporated, which was established on a small scale in 1860 by his grandfather, Lorenzo S. Graves. He was born on the 8th of December, 1882, his parents being Frederick B. and Frances (Oswald) Graves, the former born in Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1854. Lorenzo S. Graves, the paternal grandfather of Loren O. Graves, was a native of Massachusetts, born in Southboro, and in 1859 removed to Rochester, New York, where he began business as a shoe manufacturer. In 1860 he began the building and sale of elevators and sixteen years later was joined by his son, Frederick B. Graves, in the conduct of this enterprise. Lorenzo S. Graves continued an active factor in the business life of Rochester until his death, which occurred on the 4th of April, 1904. He was a most highly respected man, prominent in industrial and commercial circles.

Frederick B. Graves, reared in Rochester, passed through successive grades in the schools of the city until he was graduated from the Rochester high school. He was a young man of about twenty-two years when in 1876 he was admitted to a partnership by his father, and during the remainder of his active business career he engaged in the construction and sale of passenger and freight elevators. He lived retired for two years prior to his death, which occurred in 1919. Mr. Graves was a prominent representative of Masonry, belonging to Frank R. Lawrence Lodge No. 797, A. F. & A. M., while he also attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in the consistory. He belonged to the Mystic Shrine and to the Grotto, was a member of the Rochester Whist Club and a life member of the Masonic Club. He was likewise a charter member of the Rochester Yacht Club and his social qualities were such as won for him a large circle of warm friends. Mr. Graves, spending practically his entire life in Rochester, became well known in the city in business, fraternal and social circles. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in successfully controlling and enlarging this he manifested excellent business capacity and executive force and he did things with an ability and energy that proved him master of the situation.

In 1876 Frederick B. Graves was united in marriage to Miss Frances Oswald of Batavia, New York, and they were the parents of three children, namely: Loren Oswald; Mrs. Lulu G. Hardenbrook, a resident of Rochester; and Mrs. Baird De Mallie, living in Worcester, Massachusetts. The mother of the above named departed this life in 1920.

Loren Oswald Graves, whose name introduces this review, obtained his early education in the public schools of Rochester and continued his studies in the New York Military Academy at Cornwall, from which institution he was graduated in 1901. He then became associated with his father in business in a minor capacity and has since worked his way steadily upward through various intermediate positions until he now occupies the presidency of the Graves Elevator Company, which he reorganized on becoming its head in 1915. The following is an excerpt from an article which appeared in a local newspaper: "The Graves Elevator Company, located at No. 840 University avenue, are manufacturers of everything from the dumb waiter, to bring up groceries and milk, to the huge freight elevators at work in factories, and the attractively finished 'lifts' in apartment houses. The Graves Elevator Company

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has been successful, very successful, for a long period of years, because of several reasons. In the first place, as has been said, there are years of experience behind the workmen, employed; then, the best of materials are used, and greatest of all, the heads of the company give their individual attention and consideration to every elevator built and installed by the company. L. O. Graves, president of the company, comes to his business by inheritance. L. S. Graves, his grandfather, was head of the old Graves Elevator Company, which was sold to the Otis Elevator Company. It was in his grandfather's factory that the present Mr. Graves obtained his first training and knowledge of elevators and learned the secrets of the trade. The knowledge which he gathered in those early years, plus exhaustive and extensive experimentation, go to make him an authority in his line. In installing an elevator the Graves Company first considers the comfort and convenience of those who are to use the machine, next come compliance with the regulations of the New York state department of labor governing elevators in various types of buildings. Regarding these questions the company is constantly up-to-date and well versed. Some institutions and apartment houses using Graves elevators are as follows: The Ambassador apartments in Union street; the Wadsworth apartments in Plymouth avenue; the Colby apartments in Park avenue; Keuka College, Keuka; Elmira College; the Corning Hospital and the Oswego Hospital. * * * The Graves Elevator Company manufactures a V groove traction elevator machine with self-oiling bearings and S. K. F. ball-bearing thrusts, that is believed to be one of the most efficient elevator machines ever made. * * * The continued growth of the company is based on the fact that individual consideration is given every elevator manufactured."

On the 14th of October, 1902, Mr. Graves was married to Miss Gertrude McNerney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus G. McNerney of Rochester. Her father is one of the leading merchant tailors and large property owners in this city. In Masonry Mr. Graves has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has also crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, to the Oak Hill Country Club, the Rochester Rotary Club, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Rochester Engineering Society. His carefully devised plans of conducting his business are promptly executed and his enterprise and persistency of purpose have enabled him to overcome all obstacles and difficulties in his path and advance steadily toward the goal of success, while at the same time his intelligently directed labors have contributed to the industrial development and prosperity of his city, whose welfare and progress are to him matters of deep and vital import.

FRED F. PETERS.

Fred F. Peters, theatre proprietor of Hornell, New York, is a railroad man of long experience and an executive of ability. He was born in Montauk, New York (then Havana), February 4, 1869, the son of Lewis and Emma A. (Feros) Peters. The family moved to Binghamton, New York, in his early youth and he was educated in the schools of that city, including Crampton's Business College. Following school days Mr. Peters became a telegraph operator for the Erie Railroad at Binghamton and worked there for thirteen years in various positions, rising to manager. He then went to Corning, where he entered the yard service of the Erie and was soon promoted to night ticket agent. He served in this capacity for ten years and after that gained the important post of day agent in charge of all passenger business at Corning. He held this position three years and then, at the solicitation of Alanson Houghton, became storekeeper and purchasing agent of the Corning Glass Works, so serving for three years.

While he was day agent at Corning, Mr. Peters began to take a great deal of interest in the growing moving picture industry and determined to own a theater. So in 1912 he moved to Hornell and erected a theater building for moving pictures, which he still owns and conducts. It has a seating capacity of nine hundred people and Mr. Peters also shows the very best films. He formerly operated theaters in Corning, Owego and Waverly. While he takes a great deal of interest in his theatres, he lists traveling as his recreation and does a great deal of it whenever possible. He is a liberal, broad-minded man in every way and successful in his enterprises.

Fraternally Mr. Peters is a Mason, belonging to Hornell Lodge No. 331, A. F. & A. M.; Corning Consistory; the White Shrine, Rochester and Kalura Temple in

Binghamton. He is also a member of the Elks, the Odd Fellows and the Hornell Country Club.

Mr. Peters was married on March 23, 1887, to Grace A. Woolsey, daughter of George A. and Mary E. Woolsey of Binghamton. Mr. and Mrs. Peters have two children: Mrs. Robert E. O'Hern of Hornell, and Arthur F. Peters, who is with his father in the theater business. He was educated at the University of Buffalo and Mrs. O'Hern acquired her education at Martha Washington Seminary, Washington, D. C. She is a musician of great ability, both instrumental and vocal. Lewis Peters, father of Fred F. Peters was a miller by trade and operated grist mills in several places in the Genesee country. He was as widely known in his day as is Fred F. Peters in southern New York today. Fred F. Peters is an excellent example of consistent application to the work at hand and planning for the future. In carrying out his work he has always shown consideration for the rights of others and his success has made him only friends.

EARL BURT TAYLOR.

The superintendent of schools for Le Roy, New York, is Earl Burt Taylor. Born in Middletown, Orange county, New York, on the 22d of February, 1889, his parents are Alfred and Mary Alice (Earl) Taylor. Alfred Taylor, who is a native of Smyrna, Chenango county, New York, and who lived in this state for many years, is now connected with the French Carbon Company, an electrical supply concern of Dallas, Texas.

Earl Burt Taylor attended the grammar and high schools of Palmyra, New York, and afterward entered the University of Rochester, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912, while in the following year the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him. He remained at his Alma Mater as an instructor in history during the years 1913 and 1914. Mr. Taylor was associated with the Kiskiminetas Springs School of Saltsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1914 and 1915 and then became principal of the high school in Albion, New York, where he remained until June, 1917, when he came to Le Roy and assumed the duties of his present position. He gives his political support to the republican party and he is a member of the Oatka Hose Club of Le Roy.

On the 15th of July, 1915, Mr. Taylor was married to Miss Judith Ogden, daughter of Charles E. and Emily (Williams) Ogden of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are the parents of three children: Anne, born November 7, 1916; Alice Earl, born October 19, 1919; and Jane, whose natal day was January 30, 1923.

HENRY HARRISON.

For eighty years the name of Harrison has figured conspicuously in commercial circles of Brockport and western New York in connection with the grain trade, and the business established by the father is now being continued by the son, Henry Harrison, whose record sustains the high reputation which has always been borne by the family. His activities have not been limited to business affairs and in the field of public service he has done equally important work. He was born in Brockport, April 2, 1854, and his parents, Josiah and Adelia (Field) Harrison, were married in the village. The former was a native of New Jersey and came to the Empire state prior to the Civil war. He embarked in the grain and produce business and was very successful in his undertakings, becoming a recognized leader in his chosen field of activity. The mother was born in Monroe county, New York, and her father, Joshua Field, was one of the pioneers in the development of this district, to which he removed from Connecticut. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, three sons and three daughters, of whom Henry (the fourth in order of birth), and two daughters survive.

Henry Harrison was graduated from the Brockport Normal School in 1873 and completed his education in the University of Rochester, which in 1877 conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree. He returned to Brockport in 1881 and became connected with the firm of Belden & Harrison, of which he was the junior member. The father had founded the business in 1844 and it now ranks with the oldest and largest organizations of the kind in the state. His policy of honorable, straightforward dealing has been closely followed by Henry Harrison, who is conducting the business along modern, up-to-date lines. He has greatly increased its scope and the firm now



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owns about twenty grain elevators in western New York. The business was incorporated in 1897, under the name of the Henry Harrison Company, of which he has since been president, and he is also a director of the Brockport Cold Storage Company and the First National Bank, which have likewise profited by his keen powers of discernment and sound advice.

Mr. Harrison's life has never been a self-centered one and his ability is exerted as readily for the public weal as for his own aggrandizement. During the World war he was a member of draft board No. 3 and also served on various committees in charge of the Liberty Loan and other drives. He is president of the board of managers of the Brockport Normal School and a strong champion of the cause of education. He was a member of the state senate from 1896 until 1898, inclusive, being a member of the finance, bank and canal committees, and during that period was instrumental in securing the passage of much constructive legislation. He was appointed collector of customs at Rochester in 1900 and filled that office for five years.

In Albion, New York, in 1881, Mr. Harrison was married to Miss Florence J. Lewis, who was a daughter of Dr. Hiram Lewis, a well known resident of that place. Mrs. Harrison passed away in 1910, when she was fifty-three years of age. In 1912 Mr. Harrison was married to Miss Emma P. Smith, in Brockport. He is active in political affairs and has frequently been a delegate to state conventions of the republican party. He has been mindful of his moral obligations and is chairman of the board of trustees of the Presbyterian church of Brockport. Mr. Harrison belongs to the University Club of Rochester and is also a Mason. His activities and interests have covered a wide range, showing him to be a man of marked public spirit and a citizen of worth.

PAUL B. HANKS.

A leader in Christian work as well as business in the Genesee country is Paul Brigham Hanks, who has lived all his life in Wellsville, Allegany county, New York. The Christian temple, the largest and finest Protestant church in this section, was erected mainly through his efforts and as chairman of the building committee of this project, as well as that of the William F. and Gertrude Fassett Jones Memorial Hospital, he rendered his community valuable service. He has prospered exceedingly in his own enterprises, in the insurance and real estate business and as head of the Kerr Turbine Company. He was born in Wellsville, June 26, 1873, the son of Samuel F. and Emma Fisk Hanks. His father was born in Bath, New York, November 4, 1842, and his mother in Wellsville, April 20, 1849. His paternal ancestors were New England pioneers and his mother's forebears were Scotch-Irish emigrants.

Paul B. Hanks attended the Wellsville public and high schools, after which he worked for Scoville, Brown & Company for four years. He then decided to branch out for himself and started his insurance business, which was soon to prove a success and pave the way for greater enterprises. He became interested in oil producing and the Black Golaconda, from the states of New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky, Kansas and Oklahoma have helped to make him wealthy. He also operated a coal mine in West Virginia during the World war. He was treasurer and general manager of The Kerr Turbine Company from 1908 until 1923. This was Wellsville's largest manufacturing plant for many years, with a half million dollar annual pay roll. This made him the largest employer of labor in town. He was also actively interested in the building of homes and was in the lumber business from 1900 until 1906. In 1923 the Kerr Turbine plant was sold to Pittsburgh interests and Mr. Hanks broke into the real estate field in Florida, to which he is now devoting much of his time and spends his winters in that balmy state.

For thirty-five years Mr. Hanks has been a faithful member of The Christian temple and for over thirty years has been its Bible school superintendent. He was instrumental in bringing into being the new temple and is now chairman of the board of managers of William F. and Gertrude F. Jones Memorial Hospital. He is also president of the Allegany County Y. M. C. A., a member of the Wellsville Country Club and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. A local newspaper calls Mr. Hanks "the leading figure of his town in its entire history."

Mr. Hanks was married to Anah B. Rathbone on April 10, 1894. She is of English descent and a religious and highly esteemed woman, devoted to her home and church. She was born October 10, 1873, the daughter of James D. Rathbone, an early Allegany county pioneer. Mr. Hanks was born a democrat, became a progressive republican in Roosevelt's day, and is now an independent republican. He has a large

and hospitable log cabin on the banks of the Genesee river, four miles south of Wells-ville. It is the Mecca for many visitors during the summer when he is in this section of the country.

FRANK H. STARR, M. D.

Doctor Frank H. Starr, a physician of Corning, is one of the leaders of his profession and has practiced for a period of thirty-five years. He is licensed to practice anywhere in the United States or the British Isles or empire, so he might be called an international physician. He was born in Whitly, Ontario, Canada, and attended the Collegiate Institute of that town. He later went to Toronto University and Bellevue, New York, and graduated from both universities in 1889. He first practiced in Bath, New York, but in 1904 came to Corning, where he has remained. He is a specialist in orthopedic surgery.

Dr. Starr belongs to the New York State Medical Society and the Steuben County Medical Society. He is a Mason and a member of the American Legion. He enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States army during the World war and was commissioned a captain and stationed at Fort Oglethorpe. He saw much service and was about to go overseas when the armistice was signed.

On December 20, 1899, Dr. Starr was married to Miss Fannie Louise Reynolds, and they have four children: Milton Preston, Muriel Ellsworth, Robert Basil and Margaret. Mrs. Starr is active in the work of the Daughters of the Revolution and has been secretary for some years. The Starrs (the Doctor's ancestors) were once citizens of Philadelphia and were Quakers. His great-great-grandfather rode to Canada on horseback and settled in that country. Dr. Starr's brother, Dr. Clarence L. Starr, is professor of surgery at Toronto University. Dr. Starr's ability is well known in Steuben county and he enjoys a large practice and has a host of friends.

ANDREW W. KORTS.

Andrew W. Korts began life under handicaps that would have proved overwhelming to one of less fortitude and strength of character, but sustained by an unalterable faith in the future, he bore his hard lot uncomplainingly and at length rose superior to his environment, proving what may be accomplished by the man who has the courage to dare and to do. He is now the proprietor of a model creamery and fills an important place in Rochester's business life. He was born in Ithaca, New York, March 14, 1887, a son of Fred and Emma (Wallace) Korts, who were also natives of the Empire state. They always resided within its borders and the father followed the carpenter's trade. They had two sons, Ray and Andrew W., both of whom are living in Rochester.

Andrew W. Korts left home at the age of eight years and from that time has really made his own way in the world. His schooling was all received before he was thirteen years of age, the principal part of which was in the public schools of Ithaca, New York. He was sent to the State Industrial School but was later bound out to a farmer named Bauer, who was a hard taskmaster. The boy was allowed no opportunity for recreation and many times was obliged to work twenty-four hours without rest, being burdened with a man's tasks. His knowledge of the dairy business was gained while in the employ of Mr. Bauer, with whom he remained for eight years, and then obtained a position with the Perry Pie Company of Rochester. Mr. Korts was in the service of that firm until November 21, 1909, when he started in business for himself as a milk dealer. He purchased a horse and wagon and at first conducted the business in his home on Field avenue. As he gained trade he increased his output and with the able cooperation of his wife saved a sum sufficient to enable him to build a large plant at No. 15 Henrietta street. He now has one of the most modern, sanitary and best equipped creameries in western New York and the output of his plant is noted for its purity and high quality. Mr. Korts is well informed on everything pertaining to the trade and conducts his business systematically and efficiently, while his commercial transactions have at all times balanced up with the principles of truth and honor.

On November 2, 1908, Mr. Korts was married to Miss Ottilia M. Hempel, a daughter of Andrew Hempel, a prominent resident of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Korts became the parents of four children, but lost their only daughter, Grace, who died at



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the age of fourteen months. The sons are: Raymond A., who was born November 29, 1909, and is a pupil at the Blessed Sacrament school; Andrew W., Jr., who was born September 26, 1912; and Robert Korts, born March 11, 1916. All are natives of Rochester and attend the school maintained by the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. Mr. Korts belongs to the local Milk Dealers Association and is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile Club. His devotion to duty, his civic spirit, his enterprise, integrity and ability are well known to every business man of Rochester and have met with a rich return of personal regard as well as a substantial measure of prosperity. Mr. Korts' residence is at No. 44 Field street.

HAROLD HOWELL SIMMS.

Harold Howell Simms, a well known patent attorney of Rochester, has had broad experience in the legal profession and his mind is well stored with both technical and general knowledge, acquired by thorough training and assiduous study and research. He was born in Washington, D. C., January 18, 1878, a son of John E. and Harriet E. (Siggers) Simms, the former a native of Baltimore, Maryland, and the latter of Brooklyn, New York. The father was long prominently identified with transportation affairs, serving as superintendent of buildings, Florida Division of Atlantic Coast Lines. He is now living retired at Jacksonville, Florida, but the mother is deceased. Six children were born to them, three of whom have passed away. The surviving members of the family are: Leroy M. Simms, whose home is in Miami, Florida; Mrs. Harriet O. Smith, a resident of Jacksonville, that state; and Harold Howell of this review.

Harold Howell Simms received his early education in his native city and after completing his high school training matriculated in the National Law School of Washington, D. C., from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1902. This was followed by a year's course in patent law at George Washington University and after his admission to the bar Mr. Simms opened an office in the city of Washington, where he practiced for four years. He has been a resident of Rochester since 1907 and during the intervening period has built up a large clientele, specializing in patent law, on which he is an acknowledged authority. He is thoroughly familiar with the fundamental principles of jurisprudence and his strong reasoning faculties, coupled with his power of analysis, his mental alertness and quick perception, enable him to present his cause with clearness, logic and forcefulness.

On the 21st of September, 1903, Mr. Simms was married to Miss Anna E. Shoemaker, a daughter of Thomas B. and Anna T. (Cunningham) Shoemaker of Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. Simms have one child: Margaret H., who was born in that city on February 9, 1907, and is now a student at the University of Rochester.

Mr. Simms takes a keen interest in politics and is chairman of the democratic county committee. He has never been neglectful of his civic duties and is one of the energetic workers in the Chamber of Commerce. He is an influential member of the Kiwanis Club of Rochester, of which he was president in 1921, and also belongs to the local Automobile Club, the Monroe Golf Club, the Y. M. C. A., and the Maryland Historical Society. He is a member of the Unitarian church and along fraternal lines is connected with the Masonic order, belonging to Damascus Commandery and to the consistory at Rochester, and he is also a member of Lalla Rookh Grotto, and Rochester Lodge of the I. O. O. F. Mr. Simms is a good citizen and his professional attainments have won for him high standing at the Rochester bar. His residence is at No. 352 Woodbine avenue.

JOHN J. L. FRIEDERICH.

John J. L. Friederich, president of A. Friederich & Sons Company, has been identified with the building industry in Rochester for more than fifty-five years, and the corporation of which he is chief executive is the outgrowth of a business established by his father, Adam Friederich, who was one of the pioneer building contractors of this city. John J. L. Friederich was born in Rochester, on the 8th of July, 1856, and was about fourteen years old when, under his father's direction, he began learning the business that has been his lifework. At the age of eighteen he was in charge of important construction work and his activities since that time have constituted a valuable factor in the success of a business that for many years has been regarded as

the foremost in its line in Rochester. Years ago the enterprise was conducted as A. Friederich & Sons, later incorporated as the A. Friederich & Sons Company, and its contribution to the city's upbuilding is represented in many of its leading structures, among them being the Ellwanger-Barry building, the Monroe county courthouse, the Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit building, the Union Trust building, the Hotel Rochester, the Duffy-Powers building, the Madison Junior high school, the Monroe Junior high school, the Medical School, also the Nurses' Home of the new University of Rochester, the East Side Savings Bank, the Monroe County Savings Bank and a number of the city's fine residences.

In addition to the important part he has taken in the management of the A. Friederich & Sons Company, John J. L. Friederich has for over thirty years been prominently identified with the banking interests of the city. He was one of the organizers of the Fidelity Trust Company and one of its directors. He was also a director of the old Flour City National Bank, and when that institution was merged with the German-American Bank into the National Bank of Rochester on January 1, 1906, he continued a member of the directorate. Through subsequent bank mergers and consolidations Mr. Friederich was always retained as one of the directors of the new organization, as was the case when the Lincoln-Alliance Bank was formed, and he has since been a director of that bank. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Rochester Trust Company and is financially interested in a number of other business enterprises of the city.

In his political connections he has always been a republican but never an office seeker. His interest in politics has been simply that of a business man. He is a Mason and a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Friederich is among the oldest active business men in Rochester and for over forty years has enjoyed an extensive acquaintanceship among the city's leading representatives of business interests. His activities have had no little to do with Rochester's upbuilding, as well as being responsible for the highly creditable position he has held for years among the city's strong and able business men.

In 1877 Mr. Friederich was married to Miss Mary A. Heiter, and their daughter, Florida B., is the wife of John W. Luther and the mother of two sons, William F. and Richard D. Luther. Mr. Friederich's residence at No. 20 Seneca parkway is one of the attractive homes in that section of the city.

CHARLES A. SNYDER.

Charles A. Snyder, agent at Dansville for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, has been in the service of that corporation for forty-two years and is also numbered among the prosperous merchants of the village, which has been his home since he was a boy of ten. He was born February 27, 1851, on a farm in the vicinity of Sparta, Livingston county, and is the only survivor in a family of eight sons whose parents were Thomas and Lovina (Johns) Snyder. They established their home in Dansville in 1861.

Charles A. Snyder received his education in Dansville, attending the public schools and the Dansville Seminary. His first knowledge of railroading was gained with the Erie line, in whose employ he remained for nine years, acting as clerk in the Dansville office and also having charge of the local branch of the United States Express Company during that period. On September 22, 1882, he became identified with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, at which time he was appointed to his present position, the duties of which he discharges with thoroughness, fidelity and efficiency. He is also engaged in the coal business under the firm style of C. A. & H. L. Snyder, Incorporated, and has built up a large trade by progressive methods and honest dealing.

On the 3d of September, 1876, Mr. Snyder was married to Miss Helen L. Yorks of Livonia, New York, and they have become the parents of two children: Freas Brown, who is president of the Suburban Title & Trust Company of Philadelphia, and a director of the National Association of Credit men; and Lovina A., wife of H. Eugene Bowerman, purchasing agent of the Hamilton Paper Company of Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Snyder has the enthusiasm for Dansville which characterizes its citizens and for four years served as mayor of the village, for which he secured many needed improvements, also curtailing useless expenditures. He was the first to join the Dansville Protectives No. 1, organized in 1876. He is a Rotarian and a Royal Arch



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Mason and also belongs to the National Ticket Agents Association. He is allied with the democratic party and his religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Episcopal church. Mr. Snyder is a loyal patriotic American, a man of progressive ideas, with an intuitive knowledge of the best course to pursue in the management of his business, and his personal qualities are such as always inspire respect, confidence and esteem.

CHARLES FRANK DOEHLER.

One of the well known younger members of the Rochester bar is Charles Frank Doehler. He is a native of Rochester, and was born November 26, 1891, a son of Frank and Elizabeth (Killip) Doehler. Elizabeth Doehler was a sister of Dr. Thomas A. Killip, who was coroner of Monroe county for twenty-five years, to which office he was appointed by Theodore Roosevelt when governor of New York. Dr. Killip died on December 15, 1924. After graduating from the Rochester high school in 1909, he began the study of law with the firm of Werner & Harris. In 1915 he was graduated from the Albany Law School. He then spent a few months in the office of his preceptors, when he opened an office of his own. Much of his legal work is of a probate nature, though he frequently appears in the courts as a trial lawyer. In both lines of practice he has achieved reasonable success, as is evidenced by a constantly growing clientele.

Soon after establishing himself in practice his peaceful occupation was interrupted by the entrance of the United States into the great World war. In 1918 he entered the military service and was for a time connected with the Ordnance Supply School in Augusta, Georgia. He was then attached to the Seventeenth United States Regular Cavalry and served with that regiment until honorably discharged in 1919, when he returned to Rochester and resumed the practice of his profession.

Mr. Doehler is a member of the Rochester Bar Association, the Masonic fraternity and the Doty-Magill Post of the American Legion. He also belongs to the Central Presbyterian church. While not especially active in lodge and church work, he is always ready and willing to lend a hand in the advancement of the different organizations in which he holds membership. Politically he is a republican, but has never held public office. He is a great lover of the national game of baseball and has achieved quite a record as an amateur player, believing that a certain amount of vigorous outdoor exercise is necessary to preserve the proverbial "sound mind in a sound body".

On March 29, 1923, in Syracuse, New York, Mr. Doehler was united in marriage to Miss Emily E. Dauman, daughter of Herman Dauman of Seneca Falls and Brooklyn. Mr. and Mrs. Doehler have one son, Charles F. Doehler, Jr., born January 7, 1925. Mr. Doehler resides at No. 1142 Bay street, Rochester.

GEORGE ALVIN PLACE.

The superintendent of schools of Salamanca, New York, is George Alvin Place, an educator of ability and purpose, and the son of Frederick S. Place, an instructor and professor in Alfred University for many years. George Alvin Place was born in Alfred, New York, September 5, 1886, the son of Frederick S. and Martha (Burdick) Place. His grandfather, A. A. Place, settled in Allegany county, coming from Syracuse about 1840, and there are many relatives and descendants now living in this section. Frederick S. Place retired in 1924, and is spending his declining years in Alfred.

George Alvin Place was educated in the Alfred public school, Alfred Academy and Alfred University. He graduated from the latter in 1910 and then taught school in Corning for three years. He became principal of the schools of Ellicottville for four years and was principal of Salamanca high school from 1917 until 1918. He served during the World war at Camp Forrest, Georgia, for six months of 1918, and when discharged returned to Salamanca, where he was in business for a year and a half.

In September, 1920, Mr. Place was made superintendent of the Salamanca schools, and in the four years of his administration he has proved his ability both as an executive and an educator. The present high school was built in 1910 and takes care of all secondary school students in Salamanca. There are sixty-five teachers under Superintendent Place's direction and the high school will seat over eight hundred

pupils. Mr. Place is a member of the New York State Teachers' Association and the Department of Superintendents of the National Education Association.

Mr. Place was married to Miss Ethelyn Slade, daughter of M. E. Slade of Little Genesee, New York, in that town, on August 28, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Place have two children: Jean, born in 1917; and Audrey June, born in 1921. Mr. Place is a republican and takes a local interest in the party, is very active in the First Baptist church, and belongs to the Masons. He is fond of tennis, gardening and motoring, but his chief interest is in education for all.

HARRY DUNHAM CARHART.

Fortunate environments encompass nearly every man at some point in his career, but the man who passes on the highway of life those who started out ahead of him and reaches the goal of prosperity far in advance of them, is he who realizes that the proper moment has come, that the present and not the future holds his opportunity. It is this quality that has brought Harry Dunham Carhart to the fore in commercial circles of Rochester and his operations in his line of business have earned for him more than local prominence. He was born in Buffalo, New York, on the 16th of September, 1889, a son of Henry E. and Cornelia (Dale) Carhart, the former a native of Auburn and the latter of Moravia, New York. They were lifelong residents of the Empire state and became the parents of one son and two daughters: Ella, who is now Mrs. Frank Keller of Irondequoit; May, the wife of William Keller of Irondequoit; and Harry Dunham, of this review.

Harry Dunham Carhart attended the public schools of Rochester and was afterward in the employ of several firms of the city, eventually entering the service of the Eastman Kodak Company. He worked for some time in the sample printing and testing laboratory, becoming thoroughly familiar with the functions of that department. He then accepted a position with Sibley, Lindsay & Curr Company, taking charge of their photo finishing department, and remained in that connection for three years. His ambition and enterprise prompted him to start out for himself. Accordingly on the 4th of May, 1916, he opened a small shop on the second floor at No. 57 South Clinton avenue to do kodak finishing. At this time he was doing work for five Rochester stores, and some idea of the growth and expansion of this branch of his business may be had when one thinks of the more than two hundred agencies scattered all over western New York that his organization is doing work for today. Mr. Carhart's start in business for himself was in a very modest way, and the most he had to offer was skill and service. He knew the business in its every detail, and from its very inception it began to grow. In 1916 he opened the store at No. 67 South Clinton avenue with a stock of kodaks and supplies. This worked in nicely with his other project and proved a successful venture from the first. In the fall of 1916 he added a line of greeting cards, which addition has had a most wonderful growth, and today he is one of the most extensive dealers in this line in the country. Mr. Carhart's vision has been a prominent characteristic in his business career, and his success certainly indicates a remarkable knowledge of conditions and possibilities involving it. He has established three retail stores in Rochester, also one of the most complete kodak finishing plants in the country. The latter is located at No. 294 South avenue, with every appointment and facility for the particular requirements of its work. The retail stores are at No. 67 South Clinton avenue, another in a section of one of the city's largest department stores and the third is in the Powers Hotel building. An interesting incident, not without its sentimental side, in connection with the latter store is that it became a permanent store on the tenth anniversary of Mr. Carhart's going into business and is the largest greeting card store in the United States.

In order to facilitate the handling of a large amount of business originating in Buffalo and the extreme western part of the state, in 1920 Mr. Carhart established an up-to-date kodak finishing plant in that city, at No. 700 Main street, conducted along the same high standard that has always prevailed in the Rochester plant. In August, 1923, he opened a store at No. 28 West Genesee street in that city, handling kodaks and supplies, as well as an extensive line of greeting cards. This is the finest store of its kind in Buffalo. Mr. Carhart is sole owner of the business, which reflects his progressive spirit and excellent managerial ability, and his operations are on an extensive scale.

On October 1, 1914, in Buffalo, New York, Mr. Carhart was married to Miss

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Emma Goetz, a daughter of George Goetz of Dale, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Carhart have two sons and two daughters, all born in Rochester: Jane Patty, born on the 7th of July, 1916; Orrin Kenneth, who was born December 27, 1917; Harry D., Jr., born October 15, 1919; and Doris Ann, who was born March 4, 1921.

Mr. Carhart is a consistent member of the Central Presbyterian church and contributes liberally toward its support. He is also a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and is interested in all those movements and influences that effect the moral welfare of the community. Appreciative of the social amenities of life, he belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and his fraternal connections are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Masonic order, in which he belongs to the following bodies: Valley Lodge, No. 109, F. & A. M.; Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.; Monroe Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Mr. Carhart has reached the thirty-fifth milestone on life's journey and stands practically on the threshold of his business career. He may well be proud of his accomplishments, which are remarkable for one of his years, and his rapidly maturing powers have enabled him to establish a new standard of business progress in Rochester. Almost his entire life has been spent in Rochester and his friends, many of whom have known him from boyhood, feel for him a peculiar esteem, not only for his abilities, but for his many congenial qualities of mind and heart. He is numbered among the city's best class of citizens and enjoys a high standing as an enterprising and capable business man. Mr. Carhart's residence is at No. 140 Rockingham street.

WALTER HARRIS SMITH.

Walter Harris Smith has been successfully engaged in law practice in Le Roy for nearly half a century and has been closely identified with the growth and development of his home community. He was born in West Bloomfield, Ontario county, New York, on the 25th of July, 1852, his parents being Nelson H. and Ellen Douglas (Pellett) Smith. The father, a native of East Lyme, Connecticut, was associated with a publishing house in Hartford, that state. He spent the greater part of his life in Connecticut, whence he removed to West Bloomfield, New York, where his death occurred when his son Walter was but two years of age.

In the acquirement of an education Walter Harris Smith attended the Le Roy Academic Institute and later Williston Seminary of Easthampton, Massachusetts. During the succeeding three years he studied law in Le Roy, under the preceptorship of Lucius M. Bangs, then county judge of Genesee county, while subsequently he matriculated in the Albany Law School, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. on May 8, 1876. Following his admission to the bar he returned to Le Roy, where he began the work of his chosen profession, in association with Judge Bangs. Since the latter's removal, however, he has practiced independently and has occupied the same office since the year 1880. Mr. Smith is accorded an extensive clientage of a general character but has specialized in surrogate practice. He is a charter member of the Genesee County Bar Association.

On the 17th of January, 1878, Mr. Smith was married to Martha Stevens Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence, then of Lafayette, Indiana. Mrs. Smith passed away in Le Roy on October 5, 1922. By her marriage she became the mother of three children, two of whom survive: Lawrence H. Smith, a graduate of the Le Roy high school and of Williams College, received the degree of M. D. from the University of Buffalo and is now practicing medicine and surgery in East Aurora, New York. At the time of the World war he was commissioned a captain in the army; Walter Harris Smith, Jr., also a graduate of the Le Roy high school, completed a course in Williams College with the class of 1907. Thereafter he removed to the state of Washington, where he owned and operated a fruit ranch to the time of his death, which occurred July 30, 1913; Miss Beatrice Smith, who was valedictorian of her class at the Le Roy high school and who graduated from Vassar College in 1918, finished a course in the Seymour School of Music in 1922 and is now teacher of music in the exclusive Rye Seminary at Rye, New York.

Mr. Smith has long rendered valuable service to the people of his community as a member of the board of education, as village attorney and as a member of the board of trustees. He is connected with the Oatka Hose Club of Le Roy and fraternally is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Olive Branch Lodge No. 39, F. and

A. M.; Le Roy Chapter No. 183, R. A. M.; and Batavia Commandery No. 34, K. T. His life has been one of activity and usefulness and his many admirable qualities of heart and mind have won for him the high and enduring regard of all with whom he has come into contact.

CALVIN HOTCHKISS.

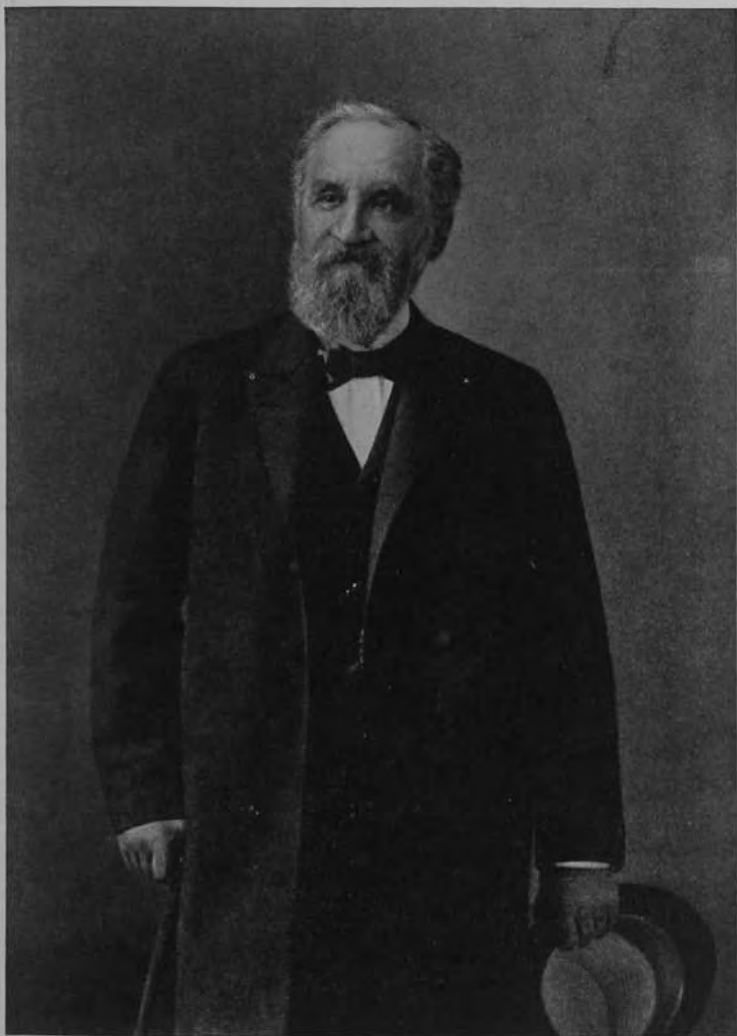
In business it is the invisible but very tangible and necessary attribute called character that builds confidence, and as the tallest mountain towers above the foothills of the range, so will the institution cherishing high ideals of service loom large upon the horizon of the business world. For over eighty years the name of Hotchkiss has stood as a synonym for business probity and for all that is purest and best in connection with the manufacture of essential oils. The firm ships its products to many parts of the globe, and the work begun by his father is being continued by Calvin Hotchkiss, who is ably guiding the destiny of an industry that has been the chief factor in the upbuilding of Lyons and this section of Wayne county. He was the eighth in order of birth in a family of ten children, consisting of three sons and seven daughters, and five of the children are now living, two sons and three daughters.

The parents of Calvin Hotchkiss were Hiram G. and Mary (Ashley) Hotchkiss, the latter a native of Lyons, New York, which was the place of their marriage. The Ashley family is one of the oldest in this locality and the maternal grandfather, Dr. Robert Ashley, was the pioneer physician of Wayne county. Hiram G. Hotchkiss was born in Oneida, Madison county, New York, and was two years of age when his parents removed to Phelps, Ontario county, this state. In 1812 his father opened a general store in the town and at the age of eighteen the son took over the business, which he conducted successfully until 1842. Meanwhile, in 1839, Hiram G. Hotchkiss had embarked in the peppermint oil business and after selling his stock of general merchandise in Phelps, he located in Lyons, where he spent the remainder of his life, passing away, in 1897, at the advanced age of eighty-seven years. He manufactured all the essential oils and gradually increased the scope of his operations until he became the owner of a vast industry, developed by hard work, expert management and unswerving allegiance to the highest standard of commercial ethics. He was a model business man and citizen, a devoted husband and father, an honor to his own generation and an inspiration to the generations that are to follow.

At the age of sixteen Calvin Hotchkiss entered his father's plant and gradually worked his way through every department of the business, which he mastered in principle and detail. He assumed control of the business in 1897, following the death of its founder, and for a period of twenty-seven years has wisely and successfully directed the operations of the firm, which under his leadership has won and retained a position of world supremacy in the lines in which it specializes. The business is conducted under the name of the H. G. Hotchkiss Essential Oil Company and has grown to mammoth proportions. The firm has the largest factory of the kind in the world and its output is used for medicinal purposes and for flavoring candy. Its products are unsurpassed in purity and excellence and have won premiums at every exposition in which they have been entered. The executive ability, initiative spirit and inflexible will which enabled the father to lay the foundation of the business and foster its early growth were qualities inherited in full measure by the son, who is operating the industry along modern lines, proving well worthy of the trust.

Mr. Calvin Hotchkiss was married in Lyons to Miss Elizabeth De Voe, a daughter of David De Voe. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hotchkiss: De Voe, the eldest, is manager for a Rochester firm; Hiram G. enlisted in the United States Medical Corps when our country entered the World war and won a lieutenant's commission. He was subsequently promoted to the rank of captain and placed in charge of the camp at Indianapolis, Indiana. He received his honorable discharge in 1920, and is now engaged in the practice of medicine in Rochester; Emma, the next in order of birth, resides at home; Elizabeth became the wife of Edmund R. Johnson, who is connected with the steel industry, and their home is in the city of Philadelphia; Alice is the wife of Charles L. Brown, manager of the Rochester office of the Travelers Insurance Company.

Mr. Hotchkiss also contributed his services to the nation and worked untiringly to promote the success of the various measures promulgated by the government during the campaign against Germany. He is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and was formerly a trustee of his lodge; is a Knights Templar Mason and also belongs to the Masonic Club. He is an influential member of the Lyons Chamber of



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Commerce and gives his political support to the democratic party. Mr. Hotchkiss is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals—a fine type of the modern business man—and by his achievements has brought additional luster to an honored name.

GEORGE MILTON OWENS.

The favorite American story of success despite handicaps is again told in the life of George Milton Owens of Painted Post, New York. Reared in poverty, deprived of an education, and forced to shift for himself at an early age, he has brought himself to the crest as a business man, and a life of effort has earned him a place among the leaders of Steuben county. He was born in St. Louis, Missouri, October 16, 1874, the son of George H. and Emma T. (Trout) Owens, and his parents moved to Elmira, New York, in 1881. Although only seven years of age, he became a newsboy and at twelve was in business for himself. Having established himself as a reliable boy in the community, he purchased property worth four thousand dollars, for which he subsequently was able to pay. He had practically no opportunity for schooling until at the age of twenty-one he attended Miller's Business College in Elmira. One of the happy memories of his youth is the day he attended a great gathering of newsboys and bootblacks who were addressed by Henry Ward Beecher, the famous divine. Mr. Beecher told them it was the finest congregation to which he ever talked.

Mr. Owens began as a junk dealer when only a boy and today he has one of the largest businesses of this nature in southern New York. His enviable business reputation and application to business have brought him wealth and friends and he is noted as a "square shooter" in everything he does. His present yards cover five hundred and fifty feet along the Erie railroad and two hundred and thirty feet in depth. His is one of the reliable enterprises of Painted Post and he stands high with bankers, big steel men and his acquaintances everywhere.

On January 16, 1904, Mr. Owens was married to Miss Sarah Franor, a member of the highly respected family of that name in Steuben county. Mr. and Mrs. Owens have two children: George C. and Elma Mabel. The son is in business with his father. George M. Owens is an active republican and a member of the Episcopal church. He is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and belongs to Montour Lodge No. 117, F. and A. M., Painted Post; Corning Consistory, and Kalurah Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Binghamton, New York. He also belongs to the Odd Fellows and the Corning Country Club. His hobbies are clean out-of-door sports and his business. He has always been devoted to the latter, and because of this fact has achieved success that places him in a prominent position among the strong and capable business men of this part of the state.

CHARLES A. SIMPSON.

Charles A. Simpson, investment manager of the Guaranty Company of New York, is one of the best known investment security men in Rochester. He entered upon this connection following several years of valuable training and experience with one of the strongest banks in New York city. He was born in Rochester in 1884, his parents being Joseph T. and Isabella (Tytler) Simpson, the former a native of Albion, New York, and the latter of Ontario, Canada, but a resident of this state since childhood. Joseph T. Simpson, like his father before him, was a stone contractor, building stone dwellings of the substantial type constructed for a century of service. He passed away in Rochester in 1884, and for more than thirty years was survived by his widow, who died in 1915. Their family numbered seven children, as follows: Miss Sophie E., of Rochester; Mrs. Isabella L. Buckland, of Irondequoit; Alexander T., vice president of the Genesee Valley Trust Company; Joseph T., secretary and treasurer of the Dudley, Given, Simpson Company, Incorporated; William J., president of the Genesee Valley Trust Company; Frederick M., treasurer of the Willard J. Smith Company, Incorporated, and Charles A. of this review.

Charles A. Simpson acquired his education in the grade and high schools of this city and the University of Rochester, receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from the latter institution with the class of 1906. He taught school in Monroe county for a short time, giving up educational work to accept a position in the Fifth Avenue Bank, New York city, in which connection he remained from 1907 to 1914. In the

latter year he resigned and went with the bond department of the Guaranty Trust Company. After a thorough course of study in investments he was transferred to Rochester as an assistant to the manager, later on assuming the managership, in which capacity he has since continued.

On the 30th of October, 1915, Mr. Simpson was married to Miss Eunice Hall Linsly, a daughter of J. J. Linsly of Northford, Connecticut, and a member of one of the old and prominent families of New Haven county, that state. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson have a son: Josiah James Linsly Simpson, born in Rochester, December 18, 1920. Mr. Simpson is a member of the First Presbyterian church, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the University Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Washington Club. He enjoys a wide acquaintanceship in Rochester and many of his best friends have known him since boyhood. Mr. Simpson's residence is at No. 609 Mount Hope avenue.

JOHN GLEN MAYO.

One of the best known of Rochester's younger business men is John Glen Mayo, president of the Mayo Nurseries. He was born September 21, 1892, in the city of Rochester, and is a son of Emerson S. and Grace (Allan) Mayo. Both parents are natives of the town of Waldoboro, Maine. They came to Rochester in the early '80s, where Emerson Mayo established what is now widely known as Glen Brothers, Incorporated. The father and mother are still living in Rochester. Their children are Mrs. Grace Belden, Mrs. Ellsworth Harris, Raymond A., and John Glen Mayo.

In his boyhood John Glen Mayo attended the public schools of his native city. Upon leaving the high school he entered the preparatory school at Andover, Massachusetts, and in 1915 was graduated in the academic course at Yale University. Returning to Rochester, he became associated with his father in the nursery business and a little later the Mayo Nurseries were incorporated under the laws of New York. The principal offices of the company, of which Mr. Mayo is now president, are located in the Ellwanger & Barry building. For many years it has been a cardinal principle of this company to represent its stock just as it really is, and the Mayo Nurseries have acquired a reputation for square dealing that has extended the trade over a wide expanse of territory.

On June 14, 1917, Mr. Mayo was married in New York city, to Miss Katherine Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Edwards, a prominent family of Dayton, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Mayo have three children: Kathrine, born in 1918; Joanne, born in 1922, and Kale, born December 17, 1924. Mr. Mayo is a member of the Rochester Country Club, the Yale Club and the University Club of Rochester, and his church affiliations are with the Third Presbyterian church. While he takes an interest in public questions, particularly those affecting the local welfare, he has never been active in politics.

PAUL A. SETTER.

Paul A. Setter is the general manager of Setter Bros., Incorporated, of Cattaraugus, successor to the business built up in this section of New York beginning more than forty years ago when Antone J. Setter, grandfather of the Paul A. Setter of this sketch, started the woodworking industry which during the years since its inception has grown to be one of the leading industries in the Genesee country, and whose interests have ever been carried on in the Setter family.

This industrial enterprise had its inception in Collins Center in Erie county in 1885, in which year Antone J. Setter and his two sons, Alonzo G. and Joseph A. Setter, began the manufacture at that place of printers' wood engraving blocks. In passing, it is proper to say that the basswood engraving blocks put out by the Setters have long been recognized in the trade as standards in that line, other products which came along in the natural evolution of the plant also holding an equally high place in the estimation of the various trades into which they enter. Antone J. Setter was born in Erie county and grew up there thoroughly familiar with the woodworking industry and quite competent, when the time came, to take a leading part in the development of that industry. His parents were of German stock and some place along the line he inherited what his friends always regarded as a positive genius in woodcraft and woodworking generally. His two sons, Alonzo and Joseph, possessed the same interest and when the Setter plant came to be a going concern all worked to-



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gether in the utmost harmony, in their respective departments, this notable "team work" naturally producing results that in time brought about the present gratifying expansion of the initial industry.

The Setter interests were not confined to the one line. In 1895 the Setters established the Collins Center waterworks plant and in that same year constructed a small telephone system there, a plant later taken over by the Bell interests. In the meantime their woodworking industry had gained a reputation that was attracting more and more attention to the superior quality of its output and the energies of the Setters were finding an outlet in other directions. The success of their public service enterprises in Collins Center brought from the people of Cattaraugus a request for the Setters to come to that town and put up there an electric light and power plant. This they did, forming the company known as the Cattaraugus Electric Light & Power Company. Electric energy generated was developed by water-power on Cattaraugus creek until 1918 when water-power was abandoned and supply power was purchased from Setter Bros. Incorporated, who manufactured power in their plant, and same was controlled until 1924, when the plant was sold to the Olean Electric Light & Power Company. It was in 1902 that the woodworking industry of the Setters was moved from Collins Center to Cattaraugus and the initial unit of the present extensive plant was erected there. In 1904 the industry was organized under the name of Setter Brothers Company, with A. J. Setter as president of the corporation, J. A. Setter as secretary and treasurer and A. G. Setter as vice president.

Upon the removal of the Setters to Cattaraugus the products of their plant gradually were extended to include general veneers, skewers not only for the meat trade but for the candy trade, and a miscellaneous line of kindred wood products, including splints, dowels, drawing boards and the like, the Setter products thus coming to enter a wide variety of industries. Much finished material for use in the manufacture of piano cases also is sent out from this plant, the activities of which are carried on in a factory comprising a half dozen or more buildings and covering a ground area that hardly would have been considered possible by the founders of the industry when they were working out the problems of their "day of small things" forty years ago. The working force of the old plant did not exceed fifteen men. There are now more than three hundred persons on the Setter pay roll. In July, 1911, the Setter plant was wholly consumed by fire. Immediate plans were effected for rebuilding on a better and larger scale and in March, 1912, the concern was going again under full steam and humming in all departments.

It is commonly claimed that the Setters have one of the best woodworking plants in the country. The beautiful veneers turned out there enter into the manufacture of high-grade furniture that is distributed all over the country. The skewers turned out there are distributed all over the United States and England. The "kiddies," blissfully holding the stick of an all-day sucker, owe their gratification to the candy sticks which are turned out by the Setter plant. In this connection, and by permission, the following fitting expression of Percy A. Beach in a copyrighted booklet, "Setters of Cattaraugus" (Fred Bann, 1922), published by Roycrofters, is here reproduced:

Load after load, up the hill go the logs;
Two horses, three horses, and four horses
Pull the beech and maple up to Setters.
At times Main street is lined with the log sleds.
Men crack their whips, the horses slip and fall;
But while there's snow, the logs go up the hill.
Patiently, slowly, doggedly, the men
Walk beside their loads, clucking to their teams.
It's work; it's their midwinter livelihood.
The trees had to be felled, branches trimmed off,
Then sawed into logs with a killing cross-cut;
Then they were skidded to the road and piled.
No romance in hauling logs to Setters
For the farmers.

But yesterday I heard
One kid say to another, "See them logs?
They're goin' up t' Setters' mill, to
Be made into sticks for all-day suckers!"

Following the expansion of their activities after they got into the new plant which rose from the ashes of the original plant in Cattaraugus, the Setters began to operate

through a series of subsidiary organizations for the marketing of their several varieties of products, the first of these subsidiaries having been the American Panel Company, which manufactured high-grade veneer panels known as plywood. In 1919 the Cattaraugus Wood Products Company was formed for the manufacture of the same line of plywood products. When more power was needed the Setters secured an extension from Gowanda of the feeder lines of the Iroquois Utilities, Incorporated, purchased an interest in that corporation and Paul A. Setter became a vice president and director of the same. When the World war came on the facilities of the Setter plants were largely directed to war work, particularly with reference to its plywood department, and a record was made in the output of plywood for aeroplanes as well as other items that were essential to the government in the prosecution of the war. In 1922 the various Setter interests, known as the American Panel Company, the Cattaraugus Wood Products Company and Setter Brothers Company, were consolidated under the name of Setter Brothers, Incorporated, which was incorporated with a capital stock of one million five hundred thousand dollars, and which has since been carrying on the various details of the rapidly growing industry. The present officers of this corporation are: Alonzo G. Setter, president; Paul A. Setter, first vice president and treasurer; B. T. Setter, second vice president; C. P. Setter, secretary, and Corydon A. Setter, assistant secretary. Joseph A. Setter died in 1923. Antone J. Setter, founder of the business, retired in 1922. The products of Setter Brothers, Incorporated, are distributed in various ways, the plywood for use in furniture being sold directly to the furniture manufacturers. Many other products are sold direct to the manufacturers, while some are handled principally by agents throughout the United States. Foreign representatives look after the growing export trade. Antone J. Setter invented and perfected many woodworking machines necessary to the conduct of some lines of the business. The Setter plant is located on the main line of the Erie Railroad, between Salamanca and Dunkirk.

Paul A. Setter, general manager of this great corporation, was born in Collins Center in 1892. He was but a child when the family moved to Cattaraugus and his education was completed in the high school there, from which he was graduated. From the days of his boyhood he has been familiar with the details of the woodworking industry and in 1910, when but eighteen years of age, he was sent into the Adirondacks as a manager of the firm's veneer mills located at Wanakena, New York. When the timber supply at this location had been exhausted, the plant was closed and Mr. Setter returned to the home plant, of which he was made general superintendent in the following year, while subsequently he assumed the duties of manager. In 1922, when all the plants were consolidated, he was made the general manager of the new company and has since been serving the Setter interests in that general capacity.

On the 31st of May, 1924, in Leon, Cattaraugus county, New York, Mr. Setter was united in marriage to Miss Florence C. Cooper, daughter of E. A. Cooper. Paul A. Setter, like most busy men, finds time for the extension of his interests in other directions than that comprised in the "main line" and also finds a further outlet for his energies in an interest in local civic affairs, at present serving the public as mayor of the village of Cattaraugus. He is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Cattaraugus Lodge, F. & A. M.; Gowanda Chapter, R. A. M.; Salamanca Commandery, K. T.; the Consistory at Buffalo and Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Buffalo.

CHARLES VERNON PATCHIN, M. D.

For more than seventy years the name of Patchin has been an honored one in medical circles of Dansville and Livingston county, and following in the professional footsteps of his father, Dr. Charles Vernon Patchin has gained an enviable reputation as a physician, while he also has important business interests. He is a loyal son of the village and was born July 15, 1853, of the marriage of Dr. Edward W. Patchin and Mary A. Ewart, who were natives of the Empire state. The father was an able exponent of the medical profession and practiced in Dansville from 1840 until his death, which occurred in 1869. The surviving children are Charles Vernon and Mrs. Elizabeth S. Kennedy, also a resident of Dansville.

Charles Vernon Patchin received his early education in private schools and afterward attended the Dansville Seminary and Cook Academy, situated at what is now Montour Falls, New York. In 1881 he was graduated from Bellevue Hospital of New York city, with the degree of M. D., and has since practiced in Dansville. His deep

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interest in the humanitarian as well as the scientific phases of his profession has prompted him to put forth earnest, conscientious effort in his conflict with disease and his services as a physician are in constant demand.

On August 25, 1912, Dr. Patchin was married to Miss Elizabeth E. Tunnison, who died in October, 1918. His second union was with Miss Helena Hoffman of Dansville, whom he married on the 5th of September, 1922. Dr. Patchin is a staunch advocate of the platform and principles of the democratic party and has been called to public office, serving from 1914 until 1916 as sanitary supervisor under the state department of health, with jurisdiction over six counties. He has been local health officer for over forty years. He is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and is likewise identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of The Macca-bees and the Improved Order of Red Men. He has been a constant student of his profession, keeping in close touch with the latest scientific researches and discoveries, and broad experience has ripened his ability, while the sterling traits of his character have established him high in public regard.

FRED L. MOSER.

Fred L. Moser, founder and president of the Moser Studio, Incorporated, is one of the well known photographers of Rochester. He is a native of Germany and was born September 16, 1892, a son of Fred L. and Christina (Wagner) Moser. He was twelve years of age when his parents came to the United States, settling in Rochester, where they have since made their home. Six children were born to them, three sons and three daughters, namely: Louis, a resident of Culver City, California; and Theodore, Fred L., Mrs. Elsie Wyman, Mrs. Elizabeth Kettering and Mrs. Anna Weinhaber, all of whom are living in this city.

Fred L. Moser received his early education in his native land and later in Pittsburgh and Rochester. He was employed by photographers of Rochester, Pittsburgh and other cities, acquiring a thorough knowledge of the technical and practical phases of the business, and in 1916 started in business for himself, opening a studio in this city and conducting the business as an individual until August, 1924, when it was incorporated as The Moser Studio, Incorporated, with Mr. Moser as president, Thomas L. McLeod as treasurer and Marie Rickey as secretary.

Mr. Moser, in establishing his business in Rochester, had the advantage of a most excellent training, under which his artistic nature enabled him readily to absorb the technical points in his profession. His work from the very first reflected a superior skill and excellence which a discriminating clientele was not slow to detect, with the result that it rapidly attained a high reputation among the best class of patrons and the sobriquet of "Rochester's society photographer." The equipment and appointments of the Moser Studio give it rank with the finest in the country and it includes a complete plant for kodak finishing, wherein is done that character of work for nearly two hundred stores. Located on the second floor at No. 27 Clinton avenue, North, the Moser Studio is in the heart of the shopping district and has come to be regarded as one of the representative business organizations in Rochester.

Mr. Moser is a member of the Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce and is affiliated with the Lutheran church. Actuated by the spirit of progress, he is constantly striving to bring his work to a higher degree of perfection and as a natural result is meeting with well deserved success from both a commercial and artistic standpoint, while his character is one that inspires respect and confidence.

SHELDON DE WITT CLARK.

Sheldon De Witt Clark, postmaster of Bath, New York, also occupies a prominent position in insurance circles of Steuben county as president of the Bath Insurance Corporation and enjoys an enviable reputation as one of the enterprising and progressive young business men of the community. He was born in Addison, Steuben county, New York, on the 20th of July, 1888, his parents being William D. and Ida B. (Clinton) Clark. The father, a native of Penn Yan, Yates county, this state, is active in business as vice president of the Bath Insurance Corporation and is also discharging the duties of town clerk of Addison, which position he is now filling for the s'xteenth

consecutive two-year term. His repeated reelections are a splendid testimonial to his capability and fidelity as a public official. The grandfather of Sheldon D. Clark in the maternal line was a brother of De Witt Clinton, governor of New York from 1817 until 1823 and again from 1825 until 1828, and also the chief promoter of the Erie canal, which was constructed and opened under his regime. The paternal grandfather of Mr. Clark of this review was a well-known lawyer who rendered valuable service to the Union during the period of the Civil war and who was always a staunch friend of the Union veterans.

In the acquirement of an education Sheldon De Witt Clark attended the public schools of his native town and after putting aside his textbooks turned his attention to the insurance business, which has claimed a large share of his time and energies continuously since and in which he has met with a gratifying degree of success. He has been a resident of the town of Bath since the year 1919 and as president of the Bath Insurance Corporation has built up a business of extensive and profitable proportions. This corporation, under the control of Mr. Clark, represents twenty-five different insurance companies and writes all kinds of insurance except life. On May 23, 1924, Mr. Clark was appointed postmaster of Bath and is filling that position very acceptably.

On the 19th of July, 1916, Mr. Clark was united in marriage to Miss Louise Mott of Cortland, New York, and they have become the parents of two sons: William and Sheldon De Witt, Jr. Mr. Clark is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Bath Lodge No. 112, A. F. and A. M.; Bath Chapter No. 95, R. A. M.; and Bath Council, R. and S. M. He is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is a member of the Masonic Club and is the efficient secretary of the Bath Rotary Club.

FRANK A. RIVERS.

Frank A. Rivers, one of Rochester's loyal sons, has recognized and utilized the many opportunities which this city offers to the man of ambitious spirit and resolute purpose and has won noteworthy success as a furniture dealer, occupying a position of leadership in this line of endeavor. He was born May 28, 1879, a son of Edward and Marie (Lemieux) Rivers, who were natives of Montreal, Canada, and came to Rochester during their youth.

Frank A. Rivers received a public school education and at an early age began earning a livelihood. He was variously employed until 1904, when he secured a position as traveling salesman, and was thus engaged for seven years, representing furniture manufacturers of Rochester. In 1911, with a very limited capital, he established a business of his own, and by selling at a very small margin of profit gradually built up a good trade. He now has one of the largest and most modern furniture stores in the city. The business is conducted under the name of Frank A. Rivers Company, of which he is secretary and treasurer, and the establishment, which is situated at No. 286 South avenue, is stocked with furniture of the highest grade. Mr. Rivers has devoted much thought to the management of the business and in its conduct has introduced many original ideas. The following description of the store recently appeared in one of the city's leading newspapers:

"No matter how often one passes that big building at South avenue and Howell street, he never realizes the remarkable transformation constantly going on inside until he visits the 'model room' so beautifully decorated and outfitted with striking and appropriate furniture in each; just like the home one will love to own some day. As fast as apartment leases expire they are being continuously added, so that eventually twenty-five or thirty full-sized rooms will be similarly revamped to 'the queen's own'—making this great furniture store a veritable beehive of up-to-date home-furnishing ideas, where one can accurately judge just how certain sets and pieces of period furniture will look in the home. For every room is the actual size of present-day living quarters, not wallboard simulations.

"And now comes another innovation, conceived by Frank A. Rivers, in the establishment of an electric lighting fixture department, where the opportunity is afforded to judge the adaptability of lighting effects along with the furnishings. In this way it is impossible to be disappointed with the selections after installation in the home, as is so often the case when there is no opportunity to compare proper lighting in conjunction with the actual furniture.

"In line with the 'Low Rent Lowers Price' policy, which has brought the Frank



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A. Rivers Company rapidly to fame for furniture of the best grade, so now on electric lighting fixture does this responsible firm guarantee to effect a saving of at least thirty-five per cent on the purchases. This building, extending from No. 282 to No. 288 South avenue, is a veritable storehouse of furnishing ideas and should be visited whenever one thinks of anything for home betterment."

In Rochester on June 9, 1905, Mr. Rivers was married to Miss Stella C. Perkins, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Perkins, of Greece, New York. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Rivers are: Kenneth A., born in Rochester on January 15, 1909, and now a sophomore in the East high school; and Frank A. Rivers, Jr., who was born in this city March 18, 1913, and is attending the public schools.

Mr. Rivers casts his ballot for the men and measures of the republican party and in religious faith is a Roman Catholic. He has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus, and is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Rochester Automobile Club and the Brook-Lea Country Club. Mr. Rivers is an enthusiastic patron of all sports. He captains a bowling team in the Elks League, and is sponsor for the Rivers Furniture team in the Genesee League, City champions. At one time he was an amateur boxer of rare ability. Whenever he can spare the time from his many business activities he takes delight in his trips to Canada, on hunting and fishing trips, while in Rochester he is an enthusiastic devotee of the game of golf. Mr. Rivers is a self-made man before whom the door of success has swung open because of his industry and perseverance, and an upright citizen whom to know is to respect and honor.

W. HERBERT WALL.

W. Herbert Wall, one of the best known representatives of life insurance interests in Rochester, which has been the scene of his entire business career, was born in this city on the 6th of January, 1874, a son of William Henry and Lucretia I. (Stickney) Wall, the former a native of Tribes Hill, New York, and the latter of Darien, New York. The father was a well known business man of Rochester, where he passed away in 1922, while the mother's death occurred in 1890. They were the parents of two sons and two daughters: James L., a resident of Brooklyn, New York; Inez, who resides in Rochester; W. Herbert, and Mary Evangeline, who is deceased.

W. Herbert Wall attended schools No. 2 and No. 4, after which he was a student at the Rochester Free Academy. He began his business career as a messenger for the Merchants Bank, and for nine years was in the employ of that institution. Upon the expiration of that period he became connected with the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company as a salesman, and has ever since been identified with the life insurance field, which he has found well suited to his talents, and he occupies a firmly established position in that sphere of activity.

As a special council regarding the creation of life insurance estates and funds for inheritance taxes; incomes for dependents and philanthropies; partnership and corporation life insurance, Mr. Wall is not only regarded as an authority but has built up an extensive and representative clientele. He has made a careful study of the various phases of the business, and his thorough knowledge of it enables him to aid patrons in securing the particular policy best suited to their needs.

On the 16th of June, 1903, Mr. Wall was married to Miss Augusta White, a daughter of Henry C. and Mary (McClure) White, members of a prominent family of Rochester. Mrs. Wall descends from colonial ancestry in both paternal and maternal lines. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and also belongs to the Century Club of Rochester.

Mr. Wall's ancestors were gallant defenders of the nation during the formative period in its history and he is thoroughly imbued with their spirit of patriotism. He was an officer in the World war, and for twenty years has been treasurer of Company A, Boys in Blue. He is a member of the New York State Society of Military and Naval Officers of the World war, the Society of Colonial Wars and the Sons of the American Revolution, being a descendant of John Howland, who came over in the Mayflower. In his political affiliations he is a republican, and in 1910 was supervisor of the eleventh ward. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wall are members of the Church of the Epiphany, of which Mr. Wall is warden and also treasurer, while Mrs. Wall is president of the Women's Auxiliary, also a member of the board of managers of the church home.

Fraternally Mr. Wall is a Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree, and

is also a Shriner. He belongs to the Genesee Valley Club. A man of high ideals, Mr. Wall's personal worth is recognized by hosts of friends, many of whom have known him since boyhood, for he has always stood for those things which have real value as constructive elements in the world's work. Mr. Wall's residence is at No. 245 Westminster road.

RALPH EDWIN CHAPIN.

For more than a quarter of a century Ralph Edwin Chapin has been an active and successful representative of industrial interests in Genesee county as the head of the R. E. Chapin Manufacturing Works of Batavia, in which connection he has developed an extensive enterprise in the manufacture of steel barrels and hardware specialties. He was born in Darien, Genesee county, New York, on the 27th of August, 1863, and represents a pioneer family that was established in the western part of this state more than a century ago. Mr. Chapin is descended from one of the early New England families, tracing his ancestry in direct line to Deacon Samuel Chapin, who founded Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1635. Ralph Chapin, grandfather of Ralph E., came to the Genesee country in 1815 from Westfield, Massachusetts, in a covered wagon and established his home on the Big Tree road (now Ellicott Street road), about four miles from Batavia. He later removed to Corfu, where he spent the remainder of his active life, engaged in farming. In his old age he made his home with his son, Horace H., in Darien, where he departed this life in 1860, when seventy-seven years of age. His son, Horace Harrison Chapin, was the father of the Ralph Edwin of this review. He was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1812, and was three years of age when his parents removed to the state of New York. He was engaged in mercantile pursuits in Darien, but lived retired for many years previous to his death, which occurred in 1904, when he was ninety-one years old.

Ralph Edwin Chapin began his education in Darien, after which he became a high school pupil in Attica, where he continued his studies to the time of his graduation as a member of the class of 1882. While his youth was spent in an agricultural environment, he was offered the position of freight clerk in Attica shortly after his graduation—an opportunity which he eagerly accepted. Although this was a very lucrative position for one of his age, the opportunity for advancement seemed so remote that in 1884 he decided to embark in business for himself and accordingly, opened a hardware store in association with his brother-in-law, in Oakfield, New York. The hardware business was necessarily of limited scope in a small village, so the partners began the manufacture of galvanized oil cans, in the rear of the store. They were pioneers in this line, being the first to make these containers for distribution to the jobbing trade. Mr. Chapin made extended trips through the east to introduce this line, with the result that a separate plant was soon required for their production. However, the business was of short duration in Oakfield, for in 1895 the block in which the store was located was destroyed by fire, and in the year following the factory met with the same catastrophe, leaving the owners without any means whatsoever. In spite of this misfortune Mr. Chapin had faith in the future, and meeting with encouragement, he moved to Batavia and here embarked in business for himself in 1897. The business continued to grow, embracing the manufacture of oil tanks, oil dealers' supplies, agricultural sprayers and later steel drums and other containers, as well as fruit jar wires and automatic wire goods. Under the capable control of Mr. Chapin the industry has expanded to extensive and profitable proportions and now ranks among the foremost manufacturing concerns of Batavia.

Having never lost his inclination toward agriculture, Mr. Chapin began the establishment of a large stock farm adjoining Batavia in 1909, operated under the firm name of R. E. Chapin & Son. This property, Bonalevo Farms, comprises about six hundred and thirty-eight acres, is a model of its kind, and here they specialize in dairying and fruit growing, producing certified milk for the markets of Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Batavia. This fine herd of pure bred Holstein-Friesian cattle, with an average number of about one hundred and fifty head, is from the Colantha and Johanna blood lines, and four world-record animals have been developed from the Bonalevo Farms. The efforts of Ralph E. Chapin in improving the type and increasing the production of this breed led to his election as director in the New York Holstein Association and later in the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, positions which he still retains. Mr. Chapin is a member of the Stafford Country Club. He is a staunch republican in politics but has never sought nor desired office as a reward for his party fealty. Appointed a member of the city sewer commission



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of Batavia, he served in that capacity when the present sanitary sewer system was established.

On the 27th of January, 1887, in Oakfield, New York, Mr. Chapin was united in marriage to Miss Florence Heal of that village. Their only child: Horace Heal Chapin, who was born in Oakfield, January 29, 1889, completed his education at the Van Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, New York, and is associated with his father's business enterprises. He married Desdemona Baldwin of Omaha, Nebraska, and four children were born to them: Ralph Baldwin; Horace Beecher; Desdeann, who died in infancy; and Patricia. The Batavia residence of Ralph E. Chapin is at No. 39 Ellicott avenue, and he has a summer home, "Twin Oaks", at Eagle Point, Conesus Lake, New York.

BLANCHARD B. WEBER.

A distinguished editor and publisher of more than fifty years experience in western New York is Blanchard B. Weber, proprietor of the Cattaraugus Republican (weekly) of Salamanca, New York, and one of the proprietors of the Republican Press (daily). Mr. Weber started in the newspaper business in 1871 as an apprentice printer and has followed the trade and profession ever since, with increasing success. His son, Matthew Weber, is in partnership with him. Blanchard B. Weber was born in the town of Ashford, April 16, 1848, the son of Matthew and Betsey (Hemstreet) Weber. His father (Matthew) came from Frankfort, Herkimer county, New York, but moved to this section when seventeen years old, in the late 1830s. Matthew's father, Jacob, became a hotelkeeper at Frankfort and a farmer and continued in the latter occupation the rest of his life. He was one of the pioneer dairymen of this county, and operated one of the largest dairies in the county through the '50s.

Blanchard B. Weber attended the district schools and Springville Academy and then farmed for two years. His start as a printer came about in 1871, when he entered the shop owned by Augustine Ferrin in Little Valley, working for two years, and on January 1, 1873, he bought a half interest in the paper. On July 1, 1873, Ferrin & Weber started a branch office in Salamanca and Mr. Weber went there as manager. In 1875 they organized the Bradford, Pennsylvania, Era as a semi-weekly, but sold this paper in 1878 to C. F. Persons. In 1880 Stephen C. Green was admitted to partnership but he sold his third interest to the other partners in 1882. In November, 1887, Ferrin & Weber and Stephen C. Green bought the Olean, New York, Times and operated it for eight years, when it was sold to Mr. Straight. They moved all of the Little Valley plant to Salamanca in 1890 and in 1895 Mr. Weber took over the entire business and has been in sole charge since. In 1904 Mr. Weber and his son, Matthew Weber, established the Republican Press, a daily newspaper, in connection with which they still publish the weekly Cattaraugus Republican.

Mr. Weber was married to Miss Lena Ferrin, a sister of Augustine W. Ferrin, his business partner for so many years. Mr. Weber is a Mason, being a member of Cattaraugus Lodge and Salamanca, the chapter and Salamanca Commandery. He also belongs to the Springville Country Club. Mr. and Mrs. Weber have seven children:

Adna Weber, who graduated from Cornell, majoring in political economy. He was for years chief statistician in the Labor Bureau at Albany, New York; served as head of the Bureau of Accounting of the Public Service Commission of the first district for twenty years and retired on a pension a year ago on account of failing eyesight. He lives in Richmond, Hill, New York. He married Mabel Norris of Springville, and they have two children, Harold and Lawrence: Anna Virginia Weber is secretary to the superintendent of schools of Salamanca; Lucia Ellen was married to George W. Cole, who was justice of the supreme court and was previously district attorney for several years. He died March 30, 1923. They had two children, Irene and Ruth Cole; Matthew Weber graduated from Olean high school in 1894 and worked on a Buffalo newspaper for two years, returning to become associated with his father in 1902. He also worked on the Olean Herald before going to Buffalo. In 1904 he became a partner in the business and they organized The Republican Press, of which he is managing editor and business manager. He is a Mason. He married Julia Burrows Morey of Buffalo, and they have one child, Matthew, Jr., who graduated in chemistry from Cornell, with the class of 1924, and three other children who are still in school, Carol Morey, Latham Avery and Blanchard Benjamin; Raxley

Ferrin Weber graduated from Cornell in 1914 in the chemistry branch, taught in St. Louis in a high school for several years, and was in the laboratory of the United States Rubber Company for a time. He was a member of the National and The American Chemical Societies. He married Olive J. Tucker of Arlington, New Jersey, the daughter of J. C. Tucker, assistant to the president of the Erie Railroad. Mr. Weber passed away in 1918, and his widow is now living with her family; Bernis Bensley Weber graduated from Salamanca high school, and from Cornell University in 1905. He is a civil engineer, and was with the New York State Highway department for seven years, but is now city engineer of Oil City, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Cumming of Oil City and they have a daughter, Anna Margaret, and a son, Howard; Wallace W. Weber graduated from Salamanca high school and the University of Michigan. He specialized in forestry and entered the government service as a ranger, working his way up to supervisor of St. Jo Natural Forest, with headquarters at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He is now in charge of publicity for the United States Forest Products Laboratories at Madison, Wisconsin. He married Gertrude Harris of Sumpter, Oregon, and they have one child, Dorothy Ellen.

HAROLD E. STONEBRAKER.

Harold E. Stonebraker, a well known patent lawyer of Rochester, has for the past fourteen years successfully practiced in this city. He was born in Norristown, Pennsylvania, October 7, 1885, a son of Daniel K. and Sophie (English) Stonebraker, both of whom were natives of Maryland. They were residents of Pennsylvania for a few years, then established their home in Washington, D. C., where they resided during the remainder of their lives. Daniel K. Stonebraker was for a number of years local representative of the Wilcox & Gibbs Company in that city. His death occurred in 1909, and his widow survived him until July 22, 1924. Their family of two sons and a daughter was as follows: Samuel E. and Florence E., residents of Washington, D. C.; and Harold E. of this review.

Harold E. Stonebraker attended the grammar and high schools of Washington, D. C., and completed his education at George Washington University, from which institution he received the B. S. degree in 1908, and that of M. P. L. in 1909. He began his professional career in Washington and has since specialized in patent law. He remained in that city until 1911, when he located in Rochester and in the intervening period his clientele has grown steadily, and in both extent and importance ranks with that of the foremost patent lawyers in this section of the state.

On June 26, 1917, in Rochester, Mr. Stonebraker was married to Miss Harriet T. Vay, a daughter of Peter A. Vay, vice president of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank, of whom a more extended mention appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Stonebraker have two sons: Vay, born in 1918; and Dan, born in 1922.

Mr. Stonebraker belongs to the Brook-Lea Country Club, of which he was a charter member; the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and the local Rotary Club. He is identified with the Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, No. 797, F. & A. M., and is a Shriner. He is also a member of the Rochester and the American Bar Associations, the American Patent Law Association and the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity. He has attained a position of prominence in his branch of the legal profession and enjoys the confidence of the public and the respect of his fellow practitioners. Mr. Stonebraker's residence is at No. 221 Melrose street.

HON. CHARLES HOWARD PETTIS.

The rapid advance of the city of Medina is due in no small part to the capable administration of its present mayor, Hon. Charles Howard Pettis. Mr. Pettis has served for three terms and has constantly pushed improvements, at the same time avoiding undue taxation and conducting the city in a businesslike fashion—something needed but not always found in American cities. Mr. Pettis has another interest, too—bettering conditions in the farming communities—and his business affairs have provided him opportunity to keep in touch with the producer. He is a member of the firm of Dye & Pettis, dealers in fruit and produce. He was born in Somerset, Niagara county, New York, on the 22d of November, 1873, the son of Charles E. and Helen (Slade) Pettis. His paternal grandfather, William E. Pettis, was the



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first representative of the family to settle in the Genesee country, coming to Orleans county in 1835 from New England and remaining in this section until the time of his death. Charles E. Pettis was a veteran of the Civil war and an agriculturist, who was a lifelong resident of Niagara county, this state. He was called to his final rest on the 6th of May, 1904.

Charles Howard Pettis had an opportunity to study farming and always has worked toward the end that the men who are the backbone of the nation may have better conditions and a fairer deal. After attending the public schools of Yates, New York, and the high school of Medina, he worked for his father, and following the later's death he carried on agricultural pursuits on his own account. It was in the year 1905 that he became identified with the produce and cold storage business conducted by the Dye Cold Storage Company. In 1907 this concern built the large cold storage plant in Medina which it sold to the Austin & Rowley Cold Storage Company in 1920. Messrs. Dye and Pettis now purchase and store fruit and produce. They make sales in various parts of the United States and also do some export business. They own a farm of three hundred and twenty-five acres and operate another of five hundred and fifty acres in Orleans county. Their business has steadily grown since its inception.

Medina now has eight miles of paved streets, built by the city, which owns all the equipment and is in a position to go on with the good work. Mr. Pettis may point with justifiable pride as well to the fact that the city has never issued a bond for paving or similar improvements, always being able to pay for municipal work as it is done. This alone is a large saving for the taxpayers.

On the 17th of February, 1897, Mr. Pettis was married to Miss Ruby E. Miller, daughter of Edgar D. Miller of Millers, Orleans county, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Pettis have one child: Florence H., born February 17, 1908. Mr. Pettis is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to Buffalo Consistory; is a member of Genesee Commandery, No. 10, Knights Templars at Lockport; and a Noble of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo. He also belongs to the Medina Masonic Club, in which he is very active, and to the Alert Club, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Christian Science church of Medina. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party and takes an active part in local and county affairs. He has several very useful hobbies. He delights in developing farms, doing fraternal work in connection with the Masonic order, and in motoring and other forms of outdoor life.

MORTIMER REYNOLDS ANSTICE.

Mortimer Reynolds Anstice, ever since the beginning of his business career, has been prominently identified with the various interests of this city, where he was born June 4, 1886, a son of Josiah and Mary (Reynolds) Anstice. His father was born in Yonkers, New York, son of Henry and Mary Anstice. His mother was born in Rochester, daughter of Mortimer F. and Mary Reynolds. The Reynolds family was prominent in Rochester's growth, banking and financial circles from the time when Rochester was a small village. Mortimer F. Reynolds gave the first books and the Strong Endowment Foundation which supports the Reynolds Library.

Josiah Anstice came to Rochester when a young man, and during the remainder of his life was connected with the city's manufacturing, banking and business interests.

Mortimer Reynolds Anstice prepared for college at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire, and was graduated from Yale University with the class of 1908. While at Yale, Mr. Anstice formed the acquaintance of Joseph F. Weller, which ripened into a close friendship, and subsequently the two young men became business associates in Rochester. In 1919 they, with G. W. Kellogg, formed the Kellogg Manufacturing Company and later bought out Mr. Kellogg's interest.

Shortly before the death of Josiah Anstice, Mortimer R. Anstice joined his father in the business of Josiah Anstice & Company, Incorporated, and is now at the head of that company. He is a trustee and treasurer of the Reynolds Library; a director and secretary of the Rochester General Hospital; president of the Avon, Genesee & Mount Morris Railroad Company; and secretary and treasurer of the Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Company.

On October 4, 1911, Mr. Anstice was married to Miss Katharine Rust, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Rust of Saginaw, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Anstice have two sons and a daughter: Mortimer R., Jr., Virginia and Gardiner Rust. Mr. Anstice

is a member of the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Country Club, the Yale Club of New York, the Rochester Yacht Club and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He is numbered among Rochester's best citizenship and his business activities represent a material contribution to the city's industrial prestige. His residence is at No. 8 East boulevard.

LEONARD JOHN STRUCK.

Rochester finds an enthusiastic advocate in Leonard John Struck, whose operations as a building contractor cover a period of seventeen years, and the city is indebted to him for one of its finest subdivisions, while many beautiful residences exemplify his skill as an artisan. He was born in Webster, New York, February 18, 1882, and is a son of Charles and Sophie (Arndt) Struck, who in early life immigrated from the Old World to the New. The father devoted his attention to the occupation of farming. He died in 1922, as the result of an accident. The mother is still living.

Leonard John Struck received his elementary instruction in the district school near his home and afterward attended the Webster high school and the Rochester Business Institute. He first turned his attention to the evaporation of fruit, following that business in the states of Michigan and Ohio, and subsequently became a building contractor—a field well suited to his talents and one in which he has met with notable success. He has erected many homes which are the principal ornaments of their respective neighborhoods, pleasing to the eye and constructed with conscientious regard for real utility and the comfort and convenience of their inmates. He has thoroughly studied every question bearing upon the business and is able to speak with authority upon all matters pertaining thereto. Since 1907 he has also operated in real estate, in which he has been equally successful, and recently platted Struckmar, which he is rapidly converting into a beautiful residential district. It is a tract of about one hundred acres, situated on the rapid transit line at Winton road and Highland avenue, and ornamented with shrubbery and trees. The tract contains three hundred and twenty lots and homes costing from twenty-five to thirty-five thousand dollars are under construction. Mr. Struck resides in one of the most attractive homes in the subdivision, which is a decided asset to the city and an enduring monument to the enterprise and ability of its founder. He is president of the Struckmar Realty Company, Incorporated, and exerts a wholesome influence in the business world, his foresight and conservatism being a guarantee for the soundness of his investments.

In Fairport, New York, on the 4th of January, 1914, Mr. Struck was married to Alice Hill, a daughter of Charles and Katherine Hill, prominent residents of that locality. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Struck are: Charles, who was born February 4, 1919; and Roger, born October 11, 1922. Both are natives of Rochester. Mr. Struck is a chapter Mason and his religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Baptist church. He is connected with the Young Men's Christian Association and is also a valued member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Builders Exchange. His work has been of signal service to his city, as well as a source of individual prosperity, and all with whom he has been associated in the various relations of life speak of him in terms of high regard. He resides at No. 2237 Highland avenue.

NORMAN A. MACPHERSON.

The name M'Pherson is a proud one in Scottish history, and Norman A. MacPherson of Le Roy is a worthy scion of such a clan. He has not forgotten the record of his ancestors and since 1920 has been the chieftain of the Clan McPherson. He has also prepared a history known as the "Military Achievements of the Clan M'Pherson", which covers several centuries of time and the efforts of many of those bearing this illustrious name. During the past twenty-two years he has been successfully engaged in the general practice of law in Le Roy and since 1920 has also filled the position of police justice. He was born in Le Roy, Genesee county, on the 24th of July, 1866, his parents being Angus J. and Lillian Macpherson. His great-grandfather, Alexander Macpherson, known as "Black Alec", was the first representative of the family in the Genesee country, having emigrated to the United States from



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Scotland in 1801 and acquired a large farm in Le Roy, New York, part of which is still in possession of the Macphersons. Alexander Macpherson was a prominent citizen of this part of the state in pioneer times. Angus J. Macpherson, the father of Norman A. Macpherson, was a lifelong resident of Le Roy, who devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits throughout his active business career. He died in 1876. His widow married, in 1878, Alexander Cameron of Glengarry, Ontario, Canada.

In the acquirement of an education Norman A. Macpherson attended the Fort Hill school of Le Roy, pursued a high school course in Williamstown, Ontario, and subsequently entered Queen's University of Kingston, Ontario, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1889. He next took up the study of law in Ogdensburg, New York, but a year later removed to Rochester, where he was admitted to the bar in October, 1892, and where he followed his chosen profession for a period of eight years, or until 1900. During the succeeding three years he was connected with the post office department in the city of New York but in 1903 returned to Le Roy, where he has been engaged in the practice of law to the present time and has been accorded a large and lucrative clientage.

Mr. Macpherson has been twice married. On the 11th of January, 1899, in Rochester, he wedded Mary E. Storer of that city, who passed away on the 18th of April, 1907. Their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, was drowned on July 2, 1923, when seventeen years of age. On the 15th of September, 1909, in Gravenhurst, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Macpherson was married to Gertrude Flint of that place. They are the parents of a son, Cameron Albert, who was born September 11, 1914, and is now attending school in Le Roy.

In politics Mr. Macpherson is a staunch republican. He made an excellent record as justice of the peace from 1905 until 1913 and has most acceptably filled the position of police justice since 1920. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith and fraternally is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to Le Roy Lodge No. 731, while along strictly professional lines he has membership connection with the Genesee County Bar Association. He holds to high standards in professional service and has great respect for the dignity and responsibility of his calling.

GEORGE H. PIERCE.

The mayor of Olean, New York, Hon. George H. Pierce, is the descendant of a family which dates back in this country to 1660, and the entire lineage is one of outstanding quality. His ancestors have always shown a public-spiritedness and strength of character and Mayor Pierce is justly proud of his family traditions. His father, Harlow Pierce, was the fifth son of Lyartus Pierce, and was born May 19, 1833, in Fabius, New York, moving to Humphrey, New York, with his parents and residing on the same farm for seventy-two years, or until 1908. He died in Allegany, New York, Dec. 25, 1910. Harlow Pierce married Lydia Stevens, who came from East Ashford, New York, and they were the parents of George H. Pierce of this review, who has a sister in Allegany, New York, Katie M., who married S. P. Wilber.

George Pierce was born June 27, 1872, in Humphrey, Cattaraugus county, New York, and attended the public schools and Ten Broeck Academy. He studied law under the Hon. F. W. Kruss and was admitted to the bar in 1897. Meanwhile, his father's influence was no small factor in shaping his career, as Harlow Pierce was a man of high character, a staunch republican and believed firmly in education for his children. Having held several town offices he encouraged his son to take up public service. So George Pierce was soon elected justice of the peace and police justice of Allegany. Meanwhile, he practiced law in Olean. He was village attorney of Allegany for four years, served on the school board for four years as secretary and four years as president. In 1923 he was elected mayor of Olean by the largest majority ever given to a mayor in that city. During the World war Mr. Pierce was a member of the county draft board and did other patriotic service.

On May 8, 1902, Mr. Pierce was married to Caroline L. Smith, daughter of William and Hannah (Haase) Smith, and the granddaughter of John Smith. They have one son, born February 12, 1906, Harlow William Pierce, who attended the public schools and is now at Roosevelt Military Academy, West Englewood, New Jersey.

A brief chronology of the Pierce family is here given:

John Pierce (Wales, England), born 1632, died 1692. Came to America about 1666. A mason by trade. Made his will 1689 and signed it, John Perce, Sr., of Providence, Rhode Island. He had three children, John, Daniel and Mary. Daniel

was born 1662, died 1744. No record of his first marriage but second marriage, December 13, 1733, to Elizabeth Tucker. Made freeman of town of Portsmouth, June 6, 1692. He resided there until 1720 and in 1723 took up his permanent residence in North Kingston. He was deputy to the general assembly of Rhode Island from 1701 to 1730. From 1707 to 1720 was justice of the peace and in 1724 was elected overseer of the poor for his town. His children by his first wife were Daniel, Jr., Margaret, John and Mary; and by his second wife, Boni, Nathan and William.

Daniel Pierce, Jr., born 1689, died 1758. Married in 1705 to Patience Hill. Made freeman town of Portsmouth, 1715. Was deputy to general assembly one year. Large landholder. Had nine children.

Ebenezer Pearce, the youngest of the nine, was born February 17, 1731, and died in 1803. He married Elizabeth (surname unknown). Sometime between 1774 and 1790 moved to town of Hampshire, Massachusetts. In 1801 bought land there. Late in life he moved to Fabius, New York, with his five sons and daughters.

Caleb Pearce was born in Rhode Island, January 17, 1768, and died May 23, 1838. The family moved to New York to escape the malarial climate of the sea coast. In 1834 Caleb moved to the town of Rice (now Ischua) Cattaraugus county. Married Zeviah Haase, who died in 1813. They had eleven children.

The fifth child, Lyartus Pierce, was born in the town of Hancock, Massachusetts, April 26, 1795, and died July 5, 1870. He was shoemaker and farmer. His wife was the granddaughter of Hendrick Fosmer who came from Holland and settled in Columbia county, New York. Her name was Catherine Fosmer, who was born in New Hartford, Connecticut, February 14, 1799, and died in the town of Humphrey, Cattaraugus county, New York, June 23, 1877. Lyartus, like his father, was a staunch Baptist. He fought in the War of 1812. In January, 1836, he settled in the town of Humphrey. He had eight children, of whom Harlow, father of George H. Pierce of this review, was one.

LEON WILSON VAN DEUSEN.

Leon Wilson Van Deussen, who entered upon law practice in Canandaigua in 1910, was in 1918 elected city judge with both civil and criminal jurisdiction and has since been continued in that office by reelection. He has attained great popularity in his native county and is widely recognized as an able young attorney with a political future. He was born in Phelps, Ontario county, New York, on the 28th of July, 1884, his parents being Michael Horton and Nettie E. (Quick) Van Deussen, the former a well-known and highly esteemed resident of Phelps. The four children of the family are all living.

In his youth Leon Wilson Van Deussen attended the grammar school of Phelps, New York, and later was graduated from Canandaigua Academy, while his more advanced intellectual training and professional education was received in Syracuse University, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1908. He was made president of his senior class while a student in the law department of that institution, and he joined the law fraternity known as Phi Delta Phi and was also a member of Phi Kappa Psi national college fraternity. It was in 1908, in Rochester, that Judge Van Deussen was admitted to practice in the appellate division and during the two succeeding years he followed his chosen profession in New York city. On the expiration of that period, in 1910, he returned to Canandaigua, which city has since been the scene of his professional activity. He was justice of the peace for Canandaigua at the time Canandaigua became a city, in 1913, and in 1918 he was elected on the republican ticket to the office of city judge, with both civil and criminal jurisdiction in Canandaigua and has since remained on the bench in that capacity, winning endorsement of his first term by reelection. His opinions show great research, industry and care. The successful lawyer and the competent judge must be a man of well-balanced intellect, thoroughly familiar with the law and practice, of comprehensive general information, possessed of an analytical mind and a self-control that will enable him to lose his individuality, his personal feelings, his prejudices and his peculiarities of disposition in the dignity, impartiality and equity of the office to which life, property, right and liberty must look for protection. Possessing these qualities, Judge Van Deussen justly merits the honor which was conferred upon him by his election to the city bench.

On the 20th of September, 1916, Judge Van Deussen was united in marriage to Miss Cornelia Mann Barringer of Canandaigua, and they have become the parents of



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three children: Mary Jane Curtis, Hiram Barringer and Cornelia Wilson. Judge Van Deusen holds membership in the Holland Society of New York, his eligibility thereto being determined by his baptismal line, which goes back to the tenth century. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, being past master of Sincerity Lodge, A. F. & A. M., at Phelps; a member of Canandaigua Chapter; and Zenobia Commandery, K. T. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was formerly president of the Young Men's Christian Association. Judge Van Deusen has received the strong endorsement of the citizens of Canandaigua because of his able and impartial administration of the law, and has gained an enviable reputation in a profession which calls for a keen intellect and requires unremitting application, good judgment and a constantly widening comprehension of the relations and responsibilities which go to make up civilized society.

CHARLES J. WILCOX.

Among the varied industries operating in Allegany county is that of the Wells-ville Burial Case Company, and the prestige which the firm now enjoys is mainly attributable to the untiring efforts and carefully formulated plans of Charles J. Wilcox, its executive head. He was born in Oswego, New York, October 16, 1874, a son of F. F. and Gertrude (Parsons) Wilcox, the former of whom was employed in the county clerk's office in that city.

Charles J. Wilcox was reared and educated in Oswego, attending the public schools, and his first business experience was obtained in the manufacturing plant of the Oswego Casket Company, with which he was connected for six years. He gained a thorough knowledge of the various phases of the business and acted as salesman for the firm during a portion of that period. In November, 1910, he was made foreman of the clothcovering department of the Wellsville Burial Case Company and later became a member of the board of directors. On the retirement of Fred Damon in 1915, Mr. Wilcox was selected as his successor in the office of vice president and since July, 1923, has served as president. The business was founded by J. C. Darcy, who conducted the enterprise independently for fifteen years. It was incorporated in February, 1907, and its first officers were: J. H. Anderson, president; Fred Damon, vice president; and J. C. Darcy, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Darcy passed away on July 15, 1923, and the present officers are: C. J. Wilcox, president; George Haggemeier, vice president; and Erwin Buch, secretary and treasurer. The company has a paid-up capital of seventy-eight thousand dollars, consisting of sixty-five thousand shares of common stock and thirteen thousand shares of preferred stock, and its affairs are in a very prosperous condition. The plant is well equipped for the manufacture of caskets and the firm also act as jobbers of steel vaults. Mr. Wilcox closely supervises each detail of the business, while he also has the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and displays initiative, foresight and executive force in the control of the industry.

In June, 1899, Mr. Wilcox was united in marriage to Miss Florence Decker of Oswego. They have an adopted son: George Decker Wilcox, who is attending the public schools. Mr. Wilcox is a member of the congregation of the Christian temple and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. He belongs to the National Casket Manufacturers Association and is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Masons, having membership in Ismailia Temple at Buffalo. His life history is written in terms of success, for he has placed his dependence upon the substantial qualities of industry and perseverance, and his sterling traits of character have established him high in public regard.

LAWRENCE BRADFORD FITCH.

Lawrence Bradford Fitch, a well known consulting engineer of Rochester, has had long and valuable experience in his profession, which for nearly twenty-five years has included an important connection with steam and electric railway construction in both the United States and Canada, as well as other extensive projects. Mr. Fitch organized and is now vice president and general manager of the Hickory Grove Coal Mining Corporation, a stripping project in the coal fields of Indiana and an enterprise largely backed by Rochester capital. He was born June 20, 1871, in

Syracuse, New York, a son of Charles Elliott and Louise Lawrence (Smith) Fitch, both of whom were natives of Syracuse. Charles Elliott Fitch was born in 1835 and graduated from Williams College in the class of 1855 and from the Albany Law School in 1857. Having qualified for the profession, he practiced law in Syracuse until 1862, when he was appointed clerk of the provost court at New Bern, North Carolina, which office he held until 1866. He came to Rochester in 1873, after having served as editor of the *Syracuse Daily Standard*, and became connected with journalism in this city, being editor in chief of the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* from 1873 to 1890. During the succeeding three years he served as collector of internal revenue and in 1893 was appointed to the department of public instruction, wherein he continued until his death. In 1877 he was made regent for life of the University of the State of New York, and in 1880 was supervisor of the United States census. In 1876 he was a delegate to the National Republican convention. He was one of the prominent members of the republican party in western New York and one of its advisors and counsellors in Monroe county for years. The foregoing brief account of his life will indicate to the thoughtful reader that he was a man of individual worth, who left his impress for good upon public life and aided in moulding public thought and opinion along progressive lines. His death occurred on January 13, 1918.

Lawrence Bradford Fitch acquired his preliminary education in the public schools of Rochester and, like his father, pursued his collegiate course in Williams College, which institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1892. The same year he entered the engineering department of the New York Central Railroad, where he remained until 1893, when he was made deputy collector of internal revenue at Rochester. He was connected with the state engineering department from 1894 until 1897 and in the latter year he began contracting in New York city, where he continued until 1901, when he located in Rochester. Here he resumed the contracting business as a member of the firm of Lee & Fitch, specializing in electric railway construction. This firm was succeeded by that of Fitch & Douglas, which has executed a number of important contracts in its line. In addition to his other connections mentioned, Mr. Fitch is interested in large railroad contracting operations in Canada.

In 1895 Mr. Fitch was married to Miss Eleanor Grant Schley and they have a son and a daughter: Lawrence Elliott Fitch prepared at Exeter for Williams College, graduated in 1920 and is now with the Central Trust Company; Eleanor Schley is the wife of William L. Hoyt of this city and has a son, William L., Jr., born August 2, 1922. Mr. and Mrs. Fitch are communicants of St. Paul's church and Mr. Fitch also belongs to the Sigma Phi fraternity, the Genesee Valley Club, the Country Club, the Automobile Club and the Rochester Engineering Society. Since becoming a voter he has been a staunch supporter of the republican party. Mr. Fitch's residence is at No. 180 Dartmouth street.

HAROLD L. FIELD.

Harold L. Field, stock broker, member of the firm of Erickson, Perkins & Company, was born in Rochester, New York, on the 8th of March, 1888, his parents, being Lovasso and Alice B. V. (Heermans) Field, the former born in Stillwater, New Jersey, on the 25th of May, 1849, and the latter in Fellowshipville, Preston county, West Virginia, on June 18, 1850. Their marriage was celebrated in Corning, Steuben county, New York, on the 6th of January, 1874. Subsequently they resided for a short time in Hornell, in the same county, where Lovasso Field was identified with the First National Bank. They then returned to Corning, where Mr. Field founded a steam granite and marble works, continuing until 1883, when he came to Rochester and formed the Schlicht & Field Company to manufacture Shannon filing cabinets. Later they founded the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*, which was sold out to New York publishing interests. Lovasso Field founded and became president of the Rochester Cabinet Company and also established the Field Baking Company, which had its inception as the McIntosh-Morgan Coffee Company and was afterward conducted as the McIntosh-Field Company from 1906 until 1909, since which time the business has been carried on under the name of the Field Baking Company. In the passing of Lovasso Field in May, 1909, Rochester sustained the loss of one of her representative and highly respected citizens.

Harold L. Field, whose name introduces this review, began his education in School No. 15 and later continued his studies in the East high school of Rochester, graduating in 1906, and entering the University of Rochester in the fall of that year, remaining

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one year. He began his business career with the Duffy-McInerney Dry Goods Company, where he remained until 1909, when he became identified with the Field Baking Company, which was established by his father. He remained with this company until January 1, 1925, when he entered the firm of Erickson, Perkins & Company, stock brokers and members of the New York Stock Exchange, as a partner.

On the 5th of October, 1920, in Rochester, Mr. Field was married to Miss Mary Emily Wiltsie, daughter of Charles Hastings and Harriet Potter (Hart) Wiltsie. Mr. and Mrs. Field have two sons: Charles Wiltsie Field, who was born in Rochester, October 15, 1921; and Harold Potter Field, was born in Rochester, on the 30th of April, 1924. Fraternally Mr. Field is identified with the Masons, being a past master of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, No. 797, F. & A. M., while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Central Presbyterian church, of which he has been an elder since 1918. He is treasurer of the Rochester Historical Society, having been elected to that office in 1923. Mr. Field's city residence is at No. 123 Plymouth avenue.

HON. THOMAS H. DOWD.

Judge Thomas H. Dowd of Salamanca, New York, has earned a high place in this section by his professional skill in the law and his wisdom on the bench, having served as justice of the supreme court and county judge. He was born in Humphrey, New York, August 20, 1859, the son of John and Anna (Kenney) Dowd, natives of Roscommon, Ireland, who came to this country when young, met and were married here. His father was a farmer and Thomas H. Dowd was the fifth of a family of nine, eight of whom are living. The mother died in 1919, having reached the age of ninety-four.

Thomas H. Dowd attended the district schools and that institution which has produced so many worthy men in this district—Ten Broeck Academy, Franklinville, New York. He then started his study of law in the offices of James J. Waring of Franklinville. On the twenty-third day of November, 1883, his first reward came when he was admitted to the bar at Albany. He decided to locate in Salamanca, to which place he came in May, 1884, and practiced here successfully alone until 1903. That year saw the formation of a partnership with James P. Quigley and they were together until July 1, 1921, when the latter withdrew and Mr. Dowd's son, John D., became a member of the firm.

When Thomas H. Dowd was only twenty-one years of age he was elected justice of the peace of his home town. The following year he was chosen supervisor, being the youngest man who ever served on the board of supervisors for Cattaraugus county, and being the first democrat in twenty-three years to be elected to that office in the town of Humphrey. After moving to Salamanca in 1884, he was elected justice of the peace of that town, and continued as such until 1889. In 1903 he was appointed special deputy attorney-general by the late John Cunneen, and continued to serve during Mr. Cunneen's term of office. In 1911 he was appointed county judge for the county of Cattaraugus, and in the election of that year was elected for the full term of six years, being the first democrat elected to county office in the county of Cattaraugus in thirty-eight years. At the expiration of his term of office in 1917 he declined a renomination. In April, 1923, he was appointed a justice of the supreme court. His term expired December 31, 1923. He was the democratic candidate for justice of the supreme court in 1923, and received the largest majority ever accorded to any candidate for office in the city of Salamanca. He was defeated by thirty-eight thousand in a district normally republican by eighty thousand.

Judge Dowd has been an attorney for the Erie and Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroads since 1907. He has a large private practice as well, and now with his son, John D., in the firm, the two of them are gaining even more renown. He is a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church and of the Knights of Columbus. He is a convincing speaker, an able lawyer and a good citizen.

Thomas H. Dowd was married to Miss Agnes McCann of South Valley, on February 12, 1890. She was the daughter of Arthur and Bridget McCann, pioneers of this county. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Dowd are: Kathleen L., who is now Mrs. M. W. Bryce of Little Neck, Long Island; John D., now in the firm with his father, who graduated from St. Patrick's parochial school, Salamanca high school and Cornell University, with the A. B. and LL. D. degrees, and was admitted to the bar on July 1, 1921. Shortly after the entry of the United States into the World war, in April, 1917, he enlisted in the army. On May 11, 1917, he reported at Madison

Barracks, New York, as a candidate in the First Officers Training Camp. He was commissioned a second lieutenant of infantry on August 15, 1917, and assigned to duty at Camp Dix, New Jersey. On January 1, 1918, he was promoted to first lieutenant. On September 2, 1918, he left Camp Dix for France with the Eight Hundred and Seventh Pioneer Infantry. He took part in the Meuse-Argonne offensive from October 25, 1918, to November 11, 1918. He returned from France on July 3, 1919, and was discharged at Camp Upton, New York, on July 10, 1919. After his discharge he finished his work at Cornell, and in 1921 entered into partnership with his father at Salamanca, in which partnership he continues. He is now the city attorney of the city of Salamanca; and represents Cattaraugus county on the democratic state committee; and Margaret A., who attended St. Patrick's parochial school, Salamanca high school and Visitation Convent in Washington, D. C. She is now living at home.

COLONEL HENRY LODOWICK ARNOLD.

Colonel Henry Lodowick Arnold, who served with honor in various state offices after a distinguished military career as an officer of the Union army, during the period of the Civil war, was long numbered among the most prominent citizens of Livingston county. He had passed the seventy-eighth milestone on life's journey when called to his final rest on the 22d of November, 1906, in Geneseo, New York. He was born in the town of Conesus, Livingston county, this state, on the 4th of June, 1828, his parents representing families conspicuous among the earliest settlers of Conesus and boasting an honorable ancestry. His father and grandfather before him were notable characters in western New York. Gamaliel Arnold, the paternal grandfather of Colonel Arnold, was a well known Revolutionary figure, serving with honor through the long conflict for independence. His son, Captain Andrew Arnold, the father of Colonel Arnold, was a volunteer officer in the army during the War of 1812, serving as captain of the Thirty-first United States Infantry. Henry Lodowick Arnold passed creditably through such schools as the country then afforded, and took an academic course at the Geneseo Academy and Genesee Wesleyan Seminary. In early life his time and energies were devoted to agricultural pursuits, which he conducted upon an extensive scale in his native town. By reason of the reverses suffered by the Union armies, particularly in the east, in 1862, President Lincoln called for six hundred thousand fresh troops. This levy called for two regiments from this senatorial district, then constituted as now. They were promptly recruited. Livingston county responded with five full companies, which were incorporated in the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Regiment of New York Volunteer Infantry. Colonel (then Captain) Arnold recruited one of these companies, mainly from his neighbors and townsmen. He was commissioned captain of Company I on October 6, 1862, major on the 23d of July, 1863, lieutenant colonel on February 4, 1865, and afterward brevetted colonel of United States Volunteers. His promotion came to him as a proper recognition of fitness and faithful service. He followed the fortunes of his regiment from its organization until the battle of Bentonville, North Carolina, on March 19, 1865, when his military career ended by reason of desperate wounds received in that battle. His service was in the Army of the Potomac until October, 1863, when the regiment was transferred to the Army of the Cumberland, then operating against Confederate General Bragg in Tennessee. History records the achievements of that army at Look-out Mountain and Valley, the attack upon Missionary Ridge, the march to Knoxville and back, the four months' Atlanta campaign, ending in the capture of that city, the famous march through Georgia to the sea, the capture of Savannah, the march through South Carolina and North Carolina and the battle of Bentonville, the last battle of the war in which the regiment was engaged. Colonel Arnold commanded the regiment in all its engagements in the Carolinas. His bravery was inspiring and he won the confidence and respect of the men of his command, and had a friend in every one of them and they had one in him. Never haughty nor overbearing, whether with officers or the humble private soldier, the hand and heart were given to each alike. He was the type of good-fellowship and strong comradeship. The following is an excerpt from a review of his career which appeared in one of the local papers at the time of his death: "Promoted for gallantry in the early part of the bloody struggle between north and south to the office of major, he participated in numerous engagements, proving himself on every occasion to be a brave officer and above all things a man who took fatherly care of those of whom he was in charge. After



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being advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel, he was appointed to lead a regiment in Sherman's memorable march to the sea, his conduct in that campaign being such that he was soon after rewarded by promotion to colonel. In June, 1865, he was discharged with his regiment, after having established a brilliant record as a fighting man. Although he had been wounded several times during the contest, he was not at any time incapacitated, and was thus enabled to render his country four solid years of active service." There will dwell in the hearts of those who were his comrades in the war, a pleasant memory as long as they shall live. Colonel Arnold was a member of A. A. Curtiss Post of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Colonel Arnold was always prominent in the councils of the republican party and steadfastly advocated and supported its principles and policy with marked intelligence and fidelity. He attained a large measure of influence in his party's management. Recognizing his watchfulness and care for the educational interests of his town, the people chose him, at an early age, town superintendent of common schools. He was frequently elected supervisor of his town. In 1870 he was elected sheriff of Livingston county and afterward, as long as his health permitted, he served the state in various official stations in a most creditable and efficient manner. During his long and honorable career he served in many important capacities, among the other offices he filled being those of state agent for discharged convicts, Canadian consul, and manager of Swinburne island. During the '90s he was obliged to give up the last named position on account of failing health, and returning to Geneseo he spent his declining days with his family. He had been an invalid for some months when he passed away at the age of seventy-eight, and his remains were interred in Temple Hill cemetery.

Colonel Arnold was married in 1853 to Helen M. Bissell, daughter of Dr. Daniel H. Bissell of Geneseo. Mrs. Arnold survived her husband until the 31st of October, 1911, when she passed away in Geneseo, at the age of seventy-nine years. They had seven children, as follows: William Henderson, who died in early infancy; George Bissell, who was a wholesale paper merchant of Chicago, where he died in 1910; Alice Grosvenor, who passed away in Geneseo in the year 1918; Henry Lodowick, Jr., now a resident of Geneseo; Louise Sutton, who died young; and Allan Millar and his twin sister, Lucy Grosvenor, who are residents of Geneseo.

G. ARTHUR JACKSON.

G. Arthur Jackson, president of the Rochester Certified Audit Corporation, public accountants and auditors of Rochester, is a native son of the Empire state, of which he has been a resident all his life. He was born in Gouverneur, St. Lawrence county, New York, September 11, 1881, and is a son of George and Louisa (Peckins) Jackson, both now deceased, who were natives of England, the latter born at Torquay in Devonshire. George Jackson was born at Carlisle in Cumberland, and was there reared, well trained in the tea and coffee importing trade. Upon coming to this country he became engaged in this trade along wholesale lines, carrying on quite an extensive business on Grand street, in the city of Brooklyn. Importing, roasting and distributing coffee, he became a well established figure in that trade and for many years was actively connected with it, later establishing himself in Utica. He died in Utica, New York, in 1914 and his widow survived him for seven years, her death occurring in Rochester in 1921. Of the five children born to them four are living, the subject of this biographical review having three sisters: Mrs. Edwin H. Carr of New York city; Mrs. Louise J. Wright of Rochester; and Mrs. F. Ward Marcellus of Rochester.

Reared in Utica, G. Arthur Jackson attended the Utica Free Academy in that city and early became employed in the coal and fuel line, presently being made the manager for a concern carrying on business along that line in Utica. Four years later he transferred his services to the Bell Telephone Company, by which he was employed as a general auditor checking up in the offices of the chain of telephone exchanges maintained by that company in the Utica area. It was while thus employed that Mr. Jackson acquired that fine facility as an auditor and accountant that later was to be applied to such definite account in his own behalf. After a connection of some time with the telephone company in Utica, he resigned that position to accept a similar one in the office of the Rochester Telephone Company, then under the management of George Fuller, and he continued with Mr. Fuller until 1907, when he resigned to engage in business on his own account. Later Mr. Jackson

organized the Rochester Certified Audit Corporation, and was made president of the corporation, which is now doing business as public accountants and auditors, with present offices in a well appointed suite of rooms at No. 31 Exchange street. The company has in its employ in this office a thoroughly competent staff of experienced auditors and accountants and has created a clientele in this line second to none in western New York. As president of this company he has general executive and administrative direction of its affairs and to these duties brings a capacity based upon years of active and intensive practical experience which gives a singular value to the reports made by his company, and he long has been recognized as one of the leading practicing accountants in the state of New York. Mr. Jackson is a member of the Rochester Credit Men's Association, is an active member and director of the Rochester Rotary Club, and is also a Knights Templar Mason, being affiliated with Frank R. Lawrence Lodge of that ancient body and with Monroe Commandery in Rochester.

On November 25, 1903, in Utica, New York, G. Arthur Jackson was united in marriage to Miss Mae Elizabeth Hurley of that city and they have three sons: Richard Carlisle Jackson, born in Utica in 1906, who is now (1925) completing his studies in West high school in Rochester; William Manning Jackson, born in Rochester in 1915; and Robert Marlin Jackson, born in Rochester in 1917. The Jacksons have a very pleasant home in Rochester and Mr. and Mrs. Jackson have ever taken an interested and helpful part in the city's general social and cultural activities. Mrs. Jackson is a graduate of the Utica Free Academy and a member of the Delta Gamma Alumni of that city.

WILLIAM F. MAIER.

One of the pioneer business houses of Rochester is that of L. W. Maier's Sons, morticians, which was established in 1872, and the business is now controlled by William F. Maier, whose record reflects credit upon an honored family name. He was born in this city January 26, 1869, of the marriage of L. W. Maier and Mary Kiefer, the latter also a native of Rochester. The mother was formerly a teacher in the public schools of Rochester and is still a resident of the city, having reached the venerable age of eighty-three years. The father was a native of Germany and at the age of twelve years came to the United States. He was long a familiar figure on the streets of Rochester, serving for many years as superintendent of the House of Refuge for boys, of which he had charge until it was abolished. In 1872 he entered the undertaking business and for twenty-five years conducted an establishment at No. 5 North Clinton street. He was a highly respected business man and a citizen of worth. His demise occurred in September, 1902, when he was sixty-seven years of age. Of the seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Maier four survive: Fred J., William F., Mrs. Joseph T. Otto and Mrs. J. Oscar Schuchart, all of whom are living in this city.

William F. Maier received his early training in St. Joseph's parochial school and continued his studies in school No. 9 of Rochester, from which he was graduated. He afterward filled various positions and traveled for some time. In 1892 he returned to Rochester and became associated with his father in the undertaking business. He completed a course in a college of embalming and in 1893 assumed charge of that department of the business. He also profited by his father's experience and wise counsel and closely adheres to the policy which the latter adopted, maintaining the high standards of service which have ever characterized the firm, of which he is now the president. Mr. Maier is sole owner of the business and his establishment ranks with the best in the city. His prices are moderate and in the discharge of his duties he is tactful, unobtrusive, courteous and efficient. Since 1917 the business has been located at No. 870 North Clinton, having been removed from No. 166 North Clinton.

On June 6, 1895, Mr. Maier was married to Miss Louise Michael of Rochester, and they have five children, all of whom are natives of this city: Gerard L., the oldest, was born in 1896 and attended the parochial and public schools. He was also a student in Cornell University and assists his father in the conduct of the business; Raymond W. was born in 1898 and received a liberal education. He attended Cornell College and the University of Rochester and is connected with the Albany (N. Y.) Library School; Rufus F., born in 1901, is a graduate of the Cathedral high school and aids his father in business; Sister Rosalie is identified with the Convent of St. Joseph at Geneva, New York; Inez L., the youngest of the children, was born in 1906. She was graduated from Nazareth Academy and is a teacher in the Catholic Sunday school.



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Mr. Maier is a faithful communicant of the Roman Catholic church and has taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is also connected with the Knights of St. John, the Foresters of America and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has been honored with the presidency of the Rochester Funeral Directors Association, for a number of years, and is also a member of the national association, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and the local Automobile Club. Mr. Maier is interested in matters of public moment and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellow citizens, for his life has been an exemplary one in all respects.

RAYMOND FULLER SWETT.

Raymond Fuller Swett, president of the A. L. Swett Iron Works and the Erie Pump & Engine Works of Medina, was born in that village on November 13, 1885, his parents being Albert L. and Lucinda M. (Fuller) Swett. Following his graduation from the Medina high school in 1904 he entered Yale University, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1909. Soon thereafter, his health having become impaired, he spent a year on Eaton's ranch at Wolf, Wyoming. In 1910 he became secretary of the A. L. Swett Electric Light & Power Company of Medina, thus serving until 1916, while during the succeeding year he was officially identified with its successor, the Western New York Utilities Company, Incorporated, in the capacity of secretary. He also acted as treasurer of the A. L. Swett Iron Works and the Erie Pump & Engine Works until May, 1924. During 1920 and 1921 Mr. Swett was a student at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, which upon his graduation in the latter year conferred upon him the degree of Master of Business Administration. Following the death of his father, who was one of the notable figures of business life in this section of the state, Raymond F. Swett succeeded him to the presidency of the A. L. Swett Iron Works and the Erie Pump & Engine Works.

On May 20, 1922, Mr. Swett was married to Miss Marion Frances Hersey of Hingham, Massachusetts, in the "Old Ship church" of that place. Her father, Eben F. Hersey, is an official of the New England Telephone Company. His residence in Hingham is an old homestead which has been occupied by the Hersey family for many generations. His daughter, Mrs. Swett, who was graduated from Wellesley College of Wellesley, Massachusetts, in 1920, was a member of the Tau Zeta Epsilon society and an officer of her class. Mr. and Mrs. Swett have one son: Albert Hersey, who was born on the 18th of February, 1923.

Mr. Swett is a republican in politics but has never sought nor desired public office. He assisted in the Red Cross and Liberty bond campaigns during the war, and the corporations with which he was connected were engaged in the manufacture of pumps, engines and special equipment for the army and navy and the Emergency Fleet Corporation. He has served as a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. His wife was assistant secretary of the Cambridge Young Women's Christian Association from 1920 until 1921. Fraternally Mr. Swett is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Medina Lodge, F. & A. M., and Medina Chapter, R. A. M. He is likewise a member of the Alert Club of Medina, the Town and Country Club of Lockport and the Yale Association of Western New York at Buffalo. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Baptist church of Medina.

WILLIAM F. HUYCK.

William F. Huyck of Le Roy, Genesee county, leading attorney, former banker and business man and representative of one of the oldest families of the Empire state, also has a long and splendid record of public service to his credit. Of Knickerbocker stock, he was born in Le Roy, on the 23d of March, 1866, his parents being William and Phebe (Harris) Huyck. The first representative of the family in the state of New York was Jan Huyck, who emigrated to this country from Holland, arriving in New Amsterdam on the 4th of May, 1626. His descendants largely remained in western New York and were among the very earliest settlers to develop their holdings. William Huyck, the father of Mr. Huyck of this review, was an agriculturist by occupation and spent the greater part of his life in the Genesee country. He passed away in August, 1896, honored and respected by all who knew

him. He had served as a member of the board of education, as village trustee and as president and trustee of the Macpelah Cemetery Association, becoming widely recognized as a prominent citizen of Genesee county, whose labors constituted an important factor in the upbuilding of the village of Le Roy.

William F. Huyck began his education as a public school pupil, continued his studies in the Le Roy Academic Institute and subsequently matriculated in Union College of Schenectady, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1887. Returning to Le Roy, he took up the study of law in the office of Walter H. Smith and at the end of a year entered the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. at his graduation in 1890. He pursued his chosen calling in Buffalo during the succeeding three years and in 1893 opened an office in Le Roy, where he practiced independently for a year and then became junior member of the law firm of Randall & Huyck. This association was maintained until 1896, after which Mr. Huyck again practiced alone for five years. Upon the expiration of that period—in 1901—he accepted the presidency of The Bank of Le Roy, in the conduct of which he continued active during the succeeding decade, or until 1911, when he again turned his attention to law practice, which has since claimed his time and energies. His fidelity to the interests of his clients is proverbial; yet he never forgets that he owes a higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. His diligence and energy in the preparation of his cases, as well as the earnestness, tenacity and courage with which he defends the right, as he understands it, challenge the highest admiration of his associates. On January 1, 1925, he was appointed a deputy attorney-general of the state of New York.

In April, 1901, in Newton, Massachusetts, Mr. Huyck was married to Lillian Keith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Keith of that place. Mr. Huyck has served as vestryman of St. Mark's Episcopal church of Le Roy and is also a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Olive Branch Lodge, No. 39, F. & A. M., of which he is past master, also past district deputy grand master of the Genesee-Wyoming district; Le Roy Chapter, R. A. M., of which he is past high priest; Batavia Commandery, K. T.; Rochester Consistory, A. & A. S. R.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester. He is likewise identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Huyck is also a member of the Oatka Hose Club of Le Roy. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party and has taken an active part in local affairs, at all times manifesting a keen interest in matters pertaining to civic welfare. He has served as supervisor of Le Roy through the past twelve years, was village president for ten years, and also rendered valuable service to his fellow townsmen as a member of the water and light commission and the board of education. Since 1897 he has been trustee of Macpelah Cemetery Association, also vice president for the past several years, while for seven years he served as a trustee of the New York State School for the Blind. A man of high attributes of mind and character, his life has been one of successful achievement and his labors have been directed into those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number.

FRANK L. CHRISTIAN, M. D.

Dr. Frank L. Christian, a man of broad experience and high professional attainments, is well qualified for the responsible office of superintendent of the New York State Reformatory at Elmira, and for more than twenty years has been closely identified with the management of this institution. He was born in Waterloo, New York, February 23, 1876, the only child of John and Maria (Hayes) Christian, the latter a native of England.

In 1894 Frank L. Christian completed a course in the Waterloo high school, in 1898 was graduated from the University of New York, and he was a member of the first class graduated from the medical department of Cornell University. This was in 1899, and from 1898 until 1901 he was an interne at Bellevue Hospital of New York city. During that time he was assistant instructor in surgery at Cornell University and after leaving Bellevue Hospital he became resident surgeon in the Eastern New York Reformatory at Napanoch, with which he was connected until 1901. In July of that year he came to Elmira as senior medical officer in the Reformatory and on July 10, 1911, was made assistant superintendent. On September 15, 1917, he was appointed superintendent of reformatories, at which time there were two institutions



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of that character in the state, and his administration has gained for him emphatic popular approval. He is a student of human nature and the motives of human conduct and is exceptionally well fitted for the important duties that devolve upon him. While a strict disciplinarian, he makes it his aim to view justly all conditions, and bases his official service upon the belief that there is good in every individual and that each should receive humane treatment.

On January 28, 1903, Dr. Christian was married to Miss Mary Therry, a native of New York city and a graduate of the Convent of the Sacred Heart in Chicago. They have a family of five children: Frank, Jean, Stephen, Arthur Booth and Gretchen. In October, 1918, Dr. Christian enlisted for service in the World war, joining the Twenty-second Infantry. He was transferred to the Atlantic Disciplinary Barracks and later assigned to duty at Fort Leavenworth prison. He was there stationed until released from military service and is now a member of the Officers Reserve Corps. Dr. Christian is identified with the Masonic order and since 1898 has been a member of Seneca Lodge, No. 115, F. & A. M., which he joined in Waterloo, New York. He gives his political support to the republican party and takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs. He belongs to the Alumni Association of Bellevue Hospital, the American Prison Association, the Society of Medical Jurisprudence, the Eugenics Society, the Elmira Academy of Medicine and the American Medical Association. Dr. Christian was surgeon attached to the first expedition to Galveston, Texas, in September, 1900, when that city was engulfed by a tidal wave and partially destroyed by the accompanying storm. The expedition was under the auspices of the New York Journal, and Dr. Christian organized a relief hospital in the stricken city in the demolished high school. Dr. Christian has written extensively, also spoken, on the subjects of criminology, penology and eugenics. He is also a member of a number of associations for the study of these subjects.

J. G. SIMPSON.

When on January 1, 1924, the Orleans American and Weekly News of Albion, New York, celebrated its centennial, the publisher, J. G. Simpson, observed his half century spent in the journalistic field, a notable accomplishment for both the newspaper and its owner. Nearly half of this fifty-year period of service to the general welfare has been with the American, and Mr. Simpson has been identified with the printing profession as an editor and publisher in New York state for so many years that he has become the dean of the men who have upheld the high standards of periodicals in this section of the United States. He has seen the Orleans American become the largest paper in the county, with a circulation of over two thousand eight hundred, and a following and confidence which is given to few publications. On the business side, too, his plant yields much job work and advertisers recognize the value of the Orleans American and Weekly News. Originally established as the Gaines village Free Press in 1824, the paper was at first an anti-Masonic organ. In September, 1832, the name was changed to the Orleans American and it has since borne that title. Very few papers in this country have carried the same name on their "masthead" for ninety-two years! The paper has been republican in policy ever since the organization of the modern republican party and it soon ceased to be an anti-Masonic sheet, but has always fought for liberty and for community betterment.

James G. Simpson was born in Tonawanda, Pennsylvania, July 31, 1855, the son of George and Julia Simpson. His father was a carriage ironer. George Simpson passed away in 1869, when forty-five years of age, but his wife lived until 1902. James G. Simpson attended the local and other schools, but learned the printing trade with the old Geneva Courier, with which he was identified for about fifteen years, so he is a printer first, and knows how to "set a stickful" with the best of them. He later started the Geneva Times, which was merged with the Geneva Daily Times. Then he returned to the Geneva Courier for a short time, after which he spent two years with the Fulton Patriot and Gazette. A larger field called and he went to Syracuse with the Herald, where he remained for two years. He spent a year and a half with the Auburn Dispatch and then worked for the Seneca Falls Reville. Ten years of service with the Rochester Post Express was his next move and in 1901 he bought the Orleans American in Albion, and has been proprietor of this paper ever since.

With all this experience in his chosen work it was no wonder that Mr. Simpson

brought ability and clearness of vision to the already ancient newspaper. Without forgetting the traditions or the good policies of the American, he added modern ideas and equipment and today his country newspaper is rated highly in New York state. It is meet to mention the editorship of David S. Bruner, who with H. S. Bruner purchased the American in 1861 and published it for forty years before selling to Mr. Simpson. They were staunch advocates of liberty and were good republicans, and did a great deal for the American as well as for the good of Albion and the county. In 1910 Mr. Simpson purchased the News and consolidated it with the American.

Mr. Simpson is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to the Rochester Consistory, of which he is a life member; and he is a Shriner. He is also an Elk, belonging to Albion Lodge, No. 1006, and belongs to the Rotary Club and the Automobile Club. If he were to list a recreation it would be the same as his occupation no doubt—editing and publishing a newspaper. His life has been a full one and his service to the various communities difficult to estimate, but newspaper men get their satisfaction from accomplishment, and Mr. Simpson has every reason to be satisfied.

HENRY LEWIS MILLER.

Henry Lewis Miller, president of the Luitwieler Pumping Engine Company, has been for more than twenty years prominently identified with the interests of that corporation. He comes from one of the old colonial families of New England and traces his ancestry to Thomas Miller, the American progenitor of the family, who was born in England and in 1636 established his home near Boston, Massachusetts, removing three years later to Middletown, Connecticut. He was a miller by trade as well as by name, and was the ancestor in direct line of Ebenezer Miller, who formed a company in Litchfield, Connecticut, and served as a lieutenant in the Revolutionary war. Henry L. Miller was born on the 11th of January, 1871, in Torrington, Connecticut, and is a son of Luther Eaton and Alice (Hewitt) Miller, also natives of that state. His mother's parents lived in Stonington, Connecticut, and her ancestors were seafaring men, many of whom were connected with the whaling industry. Luther E. Miller was formerly engaged in bridge building in Pennsylvania and is now following the occupation of farming, operating the original tract of two hundred acres known as the Miller homestead. This farm is part of an original grant of one square mile of land for services rendered the Crown, and has never been out of the possession of the direct line of the Miller family male line. Of the six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller, two are deceased. Those living are: Charles Hinkley, a brass foundryman of Torrington, Connecticut; Frank B., who is connected with the Moore-Shafer Shoe Manufacturing Company of Brockport, New York; Mrs. Harriet Hansen of New London, Connecticut; and Henry L. of this review.

Henry Lewis Miller was reared on the old Miller homestead farm in the town of Torrington, Litchfield county, Connecticut, and received his education in Torrington, graduating from high school in 1887. He assisted his father in farm work until he reached the age of twenty. In 1892 he completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute and subsequently taught classes in business and banking at the Clinton Liberal Institute, Fort Plain, New York. Returning to Rochester, he became an instructor in those subjects in the Osborn & Williams Rochester Business Institute, with which he was identified for five years. On the expiration of that period Mr. Miller went to Los Angeles, California, and for five years was connected with the Fulton Engine Works in that city. In 1905 he entered the employ of the Luitwieler Pumping Engine Company of Rochester and for twelve years was manager of their Los Angeles branch. He spent seventeen years in that city and returned to Rochester in 1917 to assume the duties of president of the company, in which capacity he has remained.

In 1898, in Los Angeles, California, Mr. Miller was married to Miss Anna Elizabeth McAllister, a daughter of J. P. McAllister of that city. Her demise occurred on March 12, 1902. Mr. Miller's second wife was Miss Mabel Eloise Luitwieler, a daughter of Samuel Luitwieler, a prominent business man of Los Angeles. She passed away on January 14, 1921. On the 27th of May, 1922, Mr. Miller was married to Mrs. Mabel (White) Melvin, of Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Miller belongs to the Genesee Falls Lodge of Masons, of which he is a life member, has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory and is a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine, while he is also connected with the Masonic Club and the Shrine Lunch Club. He belongs to the Athletic and Uplifter Clubs of Los Angeles,



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California, being a charter member of the last named organization. His name likewise appears on the membership rolls of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Glee Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Rochester Club. He belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution and also to the Society of Colonial Wars. Mr. Miller is a man of high character, who views life from a broad standpoint and is accorded high standing among Rochester's representative business men and best citizens. Mr. Miller's residence is at No. 336 Rugby avenue.

HERBERT C. RICH.

Herbert C. Rich, president of the Bank of Cattaraugus, in Cattaraugus, New York, was born in that town on September 8, 1873, and is a descendant of one of the oldest families in that section of the state. In 1820 Calvin Rich migrated from Vermont to the Genesee country and settled first in Orleans county. About eight years later he removed to Cattaraugus county. His son, Charles J. Rich, was born there, grew to manhood and during his life was actively engaged in farming and stock raising. He married Miss Lucy A. Freeborn. His death occurred in 1914.

Herbert C. Rich is a son of Charles J. and Lucy A. (Freeborn) Rich and was educated in the district schools and Forestville Academy. Upon leaving school he began his business career as a clerk in a general store. He next embarked in business on his own account as a hardware merchant, with stores in Cattaraugus and Gowanda. When the Bank of Cattaraugus was organized he was chosen a member of the first board of directors. In 1909 he was elected president of that institution, which office he has filled to the present time. In addition to his banking and mercantile activities, Mr. Rich is also interested in agriculture. He owns the farm of some two hundred and twenty-five acres, on which his grandfather, Calvin Rich, settled in 1828.

Mr. Rich attends the Methodist Episcopal church of Cattaraugus and his political affiliations are with the republican party. He takes a most helpful interest in public affairs, especially those affecting the local welfare, and has served several terms as supervisor of the town. He is not a member of any fraternal order or social clubs but has always been very much interested in promoting the civic development of his town and community.

He married Miss Ella Stuart of Cattaraugus, where they have always resided. Mr. Rich is regarded as one of the substantial citizens of Cattaraugus county, where he enjoys a wide acquaintanceship and high standing in business, financial and social circles.

BARTON BAKER.

One of the younger attorneys of Rochester, New York, the subject of this sketch, was born in Webster, Monroe county, New York, January 9, 1901. The first of the family to locate in Monroe county was Carl Baker, grandfather of Barton, who came from Germany about 1855 and settled in Webster. Carl Baker's son, Charles J. Baker, married Emma Martin, and Barton is one of the children born of this marriage. Charles J. Baker has been for many years actively engaged in real estate operations about Webster and Rochester and wielded a large influence in the development of the village of Webster. He established Baker Park and is interested in many other improvements. He is now (1925) living in the city of Rochester.

Barton Baker received his elementary education in Webster high school. After completing the high school course he entered Cornell University and in 1922 received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from that institution. Upon leaving the university he was admitted to the bar and entered the law office of MacFarlane & Harris, and has since been associated with that firm. Mr. Baker is interested in general law practice. In the few cases in which he has appeared in the courts he has been unusually successful for a young man, and has shown the makings of a fine trial lawyer.

In addition to his law work, Mr. Baker is deeply interested in boy development and training. For over three years he was editor of the Universal Tribune, the official paper of the Universal Scouts, the largest tribe of the Lone Scout organization, with a circulation extending to all parts of the country. He was also for a

time advisory editor of the Boys' Magazine and is the author of many articles published in juvenile magazines throughout the nation. Fond of outdoor life himself, he has tried to cultivate a taste among boys for clean, wholesome recreation.

Mr. Baker was secretary of the official board of the Evangelical church of Webster, New York, and is a republican in his political views. He is a member of the Delta Phi Zeta fraternity, the Cornell Club of Rochester, and the Rochester Bar Association.

ASA C. ROWLAND.

Asa C. Rowland is now serving his second term as postmaster of Salamanca, New York, having been appointed the first time in February, 1920, and again in February, 1924. He is a railroad man of long experience, as was his father before him. Mr. Rowland is very well known in Cattaraugus county and very popular, and therefore his appointment to this important duty for Uncle Sam was well received. His ancestors settled in New York over a century ago. His grandfather, Asa Rowland, was born in Herkimer county, in 1808, and came to Salamanca when a young man, remaining in this section until his death. A. C. Rowland's father, Frank J. Rowland, who married Charlotte Rumball, was born in western New York, but spent most of his life in Ontario, Canada, and Port Huron, Michigan, being in the railroad business there. He died in 1891. A. C. Rowland was born in Clinton, Ontario, May 9, 1877.

A. C. Rowland attended the public and high schools of Ellicottville, New York, and then worked for the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroad for the next seventeen years, first as a clerk for nine years and then as general foreman for eight years, until his appointment as postmaster. Before his railroad work, however, he studied law for two years and taught in Ellicottville for four years.

Mr. Rowland was married to Anna E. Hinmann of Ellicottville, on June 24, 1903. She was the daughter of Francis J. Hinmann. Mr. and Mrs. Rowland have one son: Harry R., who was born April 1, 1904. He is now a member of the class of 1928 at the University of Michigan, taking the transportation and commerce course.

Mr. Rowland is a Mason, belonging to the chapter and commandery, and is a Shriner. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of course an active republican. He served as a justice of the peace for twelve years. He is a trustee of the People's Methodist Episcopal church and is active in its work. He is fond of motoring and likes to make extended trips. All out-of-door activities appeal to him.

IRA PERSALL CRIBB.

Ira Persall Cribb was born in the town of Naples on the 21st day of February, 1851, the third son of Joseph and Eleanor Francis Cribb. He was educated in the common schools and Naples Academy. Upon his marriage he moved to the "Wolverton Farm" in the town of Canandaigua, where he became a successful farmer. In 1907 he sold his farms and moved into the city of Canandaigua, where he has since resided.

In 1884 when so-called "good roads" were unknown, Mr. Cribb began a campaign for better roads. In 1889 he was elected highway commissioner of the town of Canandaigua and served in this office for six years. In 1898 he was elected supervisor from this town, and being twice reelected served until 1906, when he retired to accept the office of state supervisor of highways under the town highway bureau, which was the first state highway department to be established in New York state. Mr. Cribb served the state in this office until January 1, 1924, when he retired under the state employe's retirement system, and at which time the highway department of the state was consolidated with the department of public works. During his long term of service as a public servant Mr. Cribb was untiring in his efforts for good roads. His first act as highway commissioner in 1889 was to secure an appropriation for the purchase of a stone-crusher for the town of Canandaigua. There was bitter opposition but Mr. Cribb won and soon built the first mile of stone road to be constructed in the state of New York with the town's own money. Canandaigua town stone roads soon gained great prominence and were visited by delegations even from adjoining states. For many years at his own expense Mr. Cribb addressed pub-



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lic meetings in many parts of the state urging the abolition of the old system of "working out" road taxes, the adoption of the money system and the construction of stone or macadam roads.

The first appropriation for state roads made by the New York state legislature was for only fifty thousand dollars and the following year Mr. Cribb appeared before the governor and asked for one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, a most daring request in those pioneer days of good roads. By appointment from Governor Odell, Mr. Cribb represented New York state and addressed one of the National Good Roads conventions held in Detroit. For many years he was a member and secretary of the state committee which worked with the legislative committees in promoting legislation favorable to good roads work. By reason of these many activities Mr. Cribb is justly called the "Father of Good Roads".

On February 19, 1872, Mr. Cribb was married to Emilie Wolverton, who died about one year later. On January 8, 1878, Mr. Cribb was married to Estella Frances Douglass, daughter of Samuel M. and Waity Gifford Douglass. Two sons, Fred D. and Rolland Francis, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Cribb. Politically Mr. Cribb has been always a stanch republican. He is an active supporter of all civic enterprises. Mr. Cribb is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, where he served as steward for five years and as trustee for thirty-three years.

FRED D. CRIBB.

Fred D. Cribb, who has been an active representative of the legal profession in Canandaigua for the past sixteen years, was elected village attorney in 1911 and two years later, when Canandaigua was incorporated as a municipality, became city attorney, which office he has filled most commendably to the present time. The city numbers him among her worthy native sons, and he was born on the 26th of December, 1880, his parents being Ira Persall and Estella (Douglass) Cribb, who are well-known and highly-esteemed residents of Canandaigua.

In the acquirement of his early education Fred D. Cribb attended the grammar and high schools, while his more advanced intellectual training was received in Syracuse University, which in 1905 conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Three years later he was graduated from the law department of the same institution with the degree of LL. B. Admitted to the bar in the summer of 1908, he immediately began practice in Canandaigua, where he has remained through the intervening years and has built up an extensive clientage as he has demonstrated his ability and his success in the work of the courts. In the position of city attorney, which he has filled for the past eleven years, his services have been highly satisfactory and valuable. He belongs to the local, state and national bar associations and has attained an enviable position in the ranks of the legal fraternity in the Genesee country. In addition to his professional activity Mr. Cribb is secretary of a number of theater companies controlling houses at Corning and at Geneva, and is vice president of the Russell Farm Agency, Incorporated. Mr. Cribb early in his career earned a reputation for public speaking. In addition to taking part in political campaigns he is a frequent speaker at banquets and public assemblages throughout central New York.

On the 1st of October, 1912, Mr. Cribb was united in marriage to Miss Mary Hill Judd of Clifton Springs, New York. They are the parents of a son, Joseph William, born January 14, 1914. Mr. Cribb is president of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church, a member of the board of education and a director of the Ontario County Historical Society. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons and the Odd Fellows and with two Greek letter societies—Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Delta Phi, the latter a law fraternity.

JERRY RUSSELL LEONARDO.

The Leonardo family is one of the oldest in sunny Italy. About 1887 Lucio Leonardo left Rome for America and upon his arrival in this country located in the city of Rochester, New York. His wife's maiden name was Tranquilla Rozzi. Their son, Jerry Russell, was born in Rochester, December 18, 1899.

Jerry Russell Leonardo received his early education in the public schools of Rochester. From the high school he entered the University of Rochester, where he

spent two years, and then entered Cornell University, and received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from that institution in 1921. On the last day of June, 1922, he was admitted to the bar, having for some time been associated with James L. Whitley. After passing the state bar examination and being admitted to practice in the New York courts he continued with Mr. Whitley until September, 1922, when he opened an office of his own at No. 422 Ellwanger & Barry building. Although young in both years and his chosen profession, he has built up a respectable clientele and has been almost uniformly successful in the prosecution of his cases.

Mr. Leonardo was brought up in the Roman Catholic faith and is now a member of the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. He is a republican in his political affiliations and takes an active interest in public matters, especially those affecting the local welfare. Outside of his legal work his greatest interest is in civic affairs, the improvement of general public conditions, etc., and he finds his recreation in outdoor sports. He is a member of Rochester Lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Sons of Italy, the Rochester Athletic Club, and the Cornell Club. He is also a member of the Italian Welfare Association, of which he is secretary. He has never married. In the courtroom, in his various lodges and clubs, and at political meetings Mr. Leonardo is distinguished by a simple dignity and earnestness that have won for him the respect and esteem of his associates.

GEORGE W. STEITZ.

The business interests of Rochester are important and varied, offering splendid opportunities for advancement to the man of ambition and enterprise. Competition in the different lines, however, is exceedingly keen and only those possessed of more than ordinary ability have won the full measure of success. To this class belongs George W. Steitz, who for forty-nine years has engaged in the insurance business in this city, and enjoys the distinction of being the pioneer in this field of endeavor, in which he has always occupied a position of leadership. He was born in Syracuse, New York, November 22, 1852, a son of George Henry and Elizabeth (Clute) Steitz, both natives of Germany, and a grandson of Girard Steitz, who for several years was a soldier in the Prussian army. George H. Steitz was born in Ausnabruck, Prussia, February 2, 1813, and attended the schools of his native province, afterward serving an apprenticeship to the tailor's trade. In 1834 he responded to the call of adventure and sought his fortune in the United States, locating in Syracuse, New York. There he opened a tailoring establishment, which he conducted successfully for about twenty-two years, and then removed to Waterloo, New York. He engaged in merchant tailoring for several years in that city, accumulating a substantial competence which enabled him to spend the sunset period of his life in ease and comfort. His death occurred in Waterloo, in 1888, and Mrs. Steitz also passed away in that city. Of the eight children born to them, five are still living, namely: Louise D., the wife of M. J. Brown of Rochester; Urella A. and Mary A., also residents of this city; Phillip N., whose home is in Bradford, Pennsylvania; and George W. of this review.

George W. Steitz was about five years of age when the family moved to Waterloo and there he attended the public schools and also the academy. His higher education was received in Hobart College at Geneva, New York, from which he was graduated in 1871, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and subsequently his Alma Mater conferred upon him the Master's degree. He devoted a few years to educational work, following that profession in Altoona, Pennsylvania, and then came to Rochester, arriving in this city on the 1st of February, 1875. He opened the first insurance office here and the years have brought him success and prominence in his chosen field of activity. He writes insurance of all descriptions, also handling mortgages, and owes his prosperity to concentrated effort and a detailed knowledge of the business in which he is engaged. He admitted his son, Carl N. Steitz, to a partnership in 1897, since which time the business has been conducted under the style of George W. Steitz & Son, and no firm in Rochester has a higher reputation for integrity and reliability.

In Rochester, on October 8, 1874, Mr. Steitz was married to Miss Carrie N. Mills, a daughter of Marshall P. and Carey (Ranney) Mills and a niece of Judge Ranney, of Cleveland, Ohio. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Steitz are: Carl N. and Ella H., the former of whom was born in Rochester in 1875 and married Miss Jessie Howard of Rochester, by whom he has a son, Howard; Ella H. Steitz was born in this city in 1881 and became the wife of Louis P. Beck. They are the parents of a son, Nelson P. Beck, a native of this city.

George W. Steitz adheres to the political faith of his father, being a stalwart



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republican, and in 1889 was elected a member of the board of supervisors from the twelfth ward, filling that office for two years. He is also interested in the moral welfare of his community and served for several years as president of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church, to the support of which he contributes liberally of his time and means. Mr. Steitz is prominent in local fraternal organizations and is a Scottish Rite Mason, having attained the thirty-second degree in that order. He belongs to Orient Lodge, No. 273, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has taken the fourth degree, and during 1911-12 was grand master for the state of New York. He is one of the valued members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Automobile Club. Mr. Steitz has never been afraid of hard work and although he has reached the age of seventy-two years, he is still at the helm of his business, his mental and physical powers being seemingly unimpaired, for he has a correct understanding of life's values and purposes and has carefully conserved his powers. His influence upon the life of his community has been of the highest order, and his friends are legion. Mr. Steitz built his home at No. 56 Rowley street, in 1882, and ever since has resided there.

CHAUNCEY K. SANDERS.

Chauncey K. Sanders, founder of the Nunda News, was connected with the publication for a period of sixty years. He came to Nunda from Dansville in a one-horse lumber wagon in 1859, and his first task on arriving in Nunda was to find some one who would loan him ten dollars to pay for a bundle of print paper which had arrived by canal. From this humble beginning Mr. Sanders developed the Nunda News into one of the most influential weeklies in New York state. Mr. Sanders served as postmaster at Nunda under Lincoln, Grant, Hayes, Garfield and Arthur. He served for a time during the Civil war as one of the Union guards at the rebel prison in Elmira.

In civic affairs Mr. Sanders always took an active part, especially in beautifying Oakwood cemetery, in building up the Bell Memorial Library and in securing the erection of the Carter Memorial building. He devoted a great deal of time to the Livingston County Historical Society and with Mr. A. O. Bunnell of Dansville organized the William Pryor Letchworth Memorial Association. Mr. Sanders was a lifelong Universalist and took an active part in the affairs of that society.

Mr. Sanders was married in Dansville, to Harriet Tousey, who died in 1912. Their four children were: Harry Franz, who was drowned in Silver Lake in 1880; Fanny, wife of Frank S. Thomas of Rochester; Chauncey K., Jr., of Chicago, Illinois; and Walter B., editor of the Nunda News. Mr. Sanders was born in Pavilion, New York, in 1837, and his death occurred in Nunda, on September 22, 1919.

IRVING E. WORDEN.

A prominent banker and leading citizen of Olean, New York, is Irving E. Worden, vice president of the Exchange National Bank of that city. His father was a farmer and cheesemaker of Allegany county and a long time resident of the section. John P. Worden was a respected citizen and was active in all things pertaining to community welfare.

Irving E. Worden was born December 17, 1859, in Alfred, New York. He attended the public schools and Friendship Academy and in 1881 entered the First National Bank of Richburg, where he worked for two years. He spent a year with the State Bank of Bolivar and in June, 1885, came to the Exchange National Bank, where he has remained. He worked his way up to assistant cashier in 1894, cashier in 1907 and vice president in 1919, and has also been a director of the bank since April, 1907. The success of the Exchange Bank has been in no small part due to the efforts of Mr. Worden, whose many years of service, faithful industry and ability have made him a pillar of the business and the community. He is likewise vice president and director of the Sterling Brick Company and trustee of the F. L. Bartlett Country Club.

In 1897 Mr. Worden was married to Miss Elizabeth Sartwell, daughter of Henry S. Sartwell of Olean. Mr. and Mrs. Worden have two children: John S., born De-

cember 29, 1898, who is now the assistant superintendent of the Texas Company refinery of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Katherine, who is now Mrs. Lawrence R. Page, of Tulsa, her husband being president of Page Brothers Oil Company of that city.

Mr. Worden is a lover of his home town of Olean and is always willing to take part in every activity for its betterment. He is a dependable citizen and a substantial one and enjoys the respect of the business men of the city, who see in him a public-spirited citizen and an excellent banker. Mr. Worden is an active worker in the Masonic fraternity, and is past master of Olean Lodge. He belongs to the Olean City Club, the Bartlett Country Club and the Elks, and loves the game of golf. Banking remains his chief interest, however.

JAMES T. FOODY.

James T. Foody, eminent trial lawyer and business man of Hornell, has found time to make himself an outstanding figure in the church and the Masonic order despite the pressure of business which always comes to a capable and successful man. He was born in Tonawanda, New York, July 5, 1881, the third oldest of fourteen children, and his parents moved to Albany when he was six years of age, then later moving to Fultonville, Montgomery county. Mr. Foody's parents were Thomas M. and Anna (Lenegar) Foody, both natives of New York state. His grandfathers were both killed in action during the Civil war and fought on the Union side. His mother's people have been in America since before the Revolutionary war.

James T. Foody attended school in Fultonville and later won a scholarship to Cornell. This was his first success and others soon followed. After he had nearly completed his Arts course he changed to the School of Law, which was to prove his proper field. He received his LL. B. degree in 1906 and spent the first year after graduation in a New York city law office. At the end of that time he came to Hornell and during the last seventeen years his fame as an attorney has spread and he has built up a large practice.

Besides law, Mr. Foody takes a great interest in business and is president of the North Hornell Realty Company, which he organized. This company owns a large tract of land upon which it is starting a suburban subdivision, which from a farm has become the village of North Hornell. He is also vice president of the Babcock-Bath Department Store. He is a republican in politics and is noted as a public speaker, being called upon often to advance the cause of his party and to discuss questions of the hour. But it is in his church work that the man shows his genuine interest—church and Sunday school work is his hobby. He is an active member of Park Methodist Episcopal church, and a trustee of this body. He has served as superintendent of the Park Methodist Episcopal Sunday school for a period of ten years, always faithful to the interests of the children and the younger people. He has also been president of the Steuben County Sunday School Association and has been president of the Genesee General Conference Laymen's Association. Mr. Foody is a thirty-second degree Mason, and has "traveled both roads". He is a member of Corning Consistory and the DeMolay Commandery; past deputy grand Mason of his Masonic district and a Noble of Damascus Shrine, Rochester.

James T. Foody married Miss Lela M. Babcock, daughter of William W. Babcock, of Hornell. Mr. Foody is a member of the Hornell, County, State and American Bar Associations; is a charter member of the Rotary Club; and was one of the original directors of the Y. M. C. A., who put through the plans and erected the new building, free from debt. During his long residence in Hornell he has naturally taken his place among the community leaders in various enterprises, and his record of service to town and church and his business relations with all with whom he has dealt, have made for him a record which will endure.

CARLOS A. CHAPMAN.

During the past quarter of a century Carlos A. Chapman has devoted his attention to realty interests in connection with the conduct of Chapman's Real Estate Agency of Le Roy, which was founded forty-two years ago by his father, whom he succeeded as president thereof. He was born in Le Roy, Genesee county, New York, on the 25th of October, 1882, his parents being Willard M. and Elizabeth (Robbins)



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Chapman. His paternal grandfather, William J. Chapman, was the first representative of the family in western New York, coming to this country from England about the year 1830 and here residing to the time of his demise. Willard M. Chapman, the father of Mr. Chapman of this review, was connected with the Le Roy post office for a period of six years prior to 1883, when he founded Chapman's Real Estate Agency. In the conduct thereof he continued active throughout the remainder of his life and his well directed efforts were attended with gratifying prosperity. In his death, which occurred on the 7th of May, 1916, the community sustained the loss of one of its esteemed citizens and substantial business men.

Carlos A. Chapman pursued his education in the grammar and high schools of Le Roy and of Rochester and was a youth of eighteen years when in 1900 he joined his father in the real estate business, which has since claimed his time and energies. He succeeded his father as president of Chapman's Real Estate Agency upon the latter's death in 1916 and the enterprise has continued to thrive and prosper under his capable control. A man of good business capacity, practical in his ideas and sound in his judgment, he is directing his undertakings with the caution and fore sight that invariably lead to success.

In March, 1914, in Le Roy, New York, Mr. Chapman was united in marriage to Effie E. Bannister, daughter of Myron and Laura (McPherson) Bannister of Le Roy. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman have become the parents of three children, namely: Vivian C., L. Beverly and Carlos A., Jr. Mr. Chapman gives his political support to the republican party and takes an active and helpful interest in community affairs. His record of public service is a most creditable and commendable one, covering more than eighteen years as clerk of the village of Le Roy and twelve consecutive years as clerk of the town of Le Roy. He belongs to the Oatka Hose Club of Le Roy and attends the Presbyterian church. His favorite recreation is straight whist, a game which he has played weekly for more than fifteen years, and in which he has become very proficient. In Le Roy, where he has always lived, the circle of his friends is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintances.

JOHN B. LEACH.

The editor and proprietor of the Salamanca (New York) Inquirer, despite the great handicap of total blindness during the past thirteen years, has made a reputation for himself and his paper in western New York and is an active, public-spirited citizen and a publisher of ability and long experience. The Inquirer is now the official democratic paper of the county and has a circulation of over two thousand, and both the newspaper and the job plant conducted by Mr. John B. Leach are good business institutions. He was born June 14, 1881, the son of John E. and Ida C. (Scudder) Leach, who lived in Randolph, New York, for many years. His father was a merchant in Randolph and passed away in 1907. John B. Leach's paternal grandfather, Enfield Leach, settled in Cattaraugus county in 1840 and was one of the first business men of the section, being owner of a shingle factory, lumber companies and a merchant. The editor of the Inquirer was born June 14, 1881, at Randolph.

John B. Leach attended the public schools and high school of Jamestown, New York, and then served his apprenticeship in the newspaper game with the Jamestown Journal, where he worked four years. He decided to go west and had a great deal of general experience on papers in Youngstown, Ohio, Chicago, Illinois, St. Louis, Missouri, and Greeley, Colorado, for the five years following. Returning east he became connected with the International Correspondence Schools at Scranton, Pennsylvania, where he was a printer for two years and then went with the William Koehl Company of Jamestown as foreman. In 1910 he opened a job printing plant in Salamanca and operated it until 1919, when he started the Salamanca Inquirer, which he still conducts. In his job printing department Mr. Leach does map work and catalog work, and he has twelve employees.

Mr. Leach was married to Miss Catherine Davies, daughter of John R. and Mary Davies of Scranton, Pennsylvania, on July 11, 1906, in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Leach have one son, John Enfield Leach, born July 25, 1907, who now attends the public schools of Salamanca.

Mr. Leach is an active democrat, especially locally. He is a faithful and helpful member of St. Mary's Episcopal church, belongs to the Masonic order, and is a Shriner. He also has membership in the B. P. O. E. Lodge, No. 1025, and Knights

of Pythias Lodge, No. 402, and he is a director of the Salamanca Chamber of Commerce. In all these activities, as well as with his newspaper, he has made many friends, and his ability and good purpose are unquestioned.

ALBERT LAVERNE SHEPARD.

Albert Laverne Shepard, deputy corporation counsel of the city of Rochester, New York, was born in the town of Ogden, Monroe county, New York, February 3, 1864, a son of Albert Ellis and Jerusha Ann (Emens) Shepard. The father was a descendant of an old New England family and spent the greater part of his life in the town of Ogden, where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits. He died there in 1880.

Albert Laverne Shepard attended the public schools of Ogden in his boyhood, then became a student in the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, and in 1889 he received the degree of Ph. D. from the University of Michigan. During the next five years he was engaged in looking after the farm for his widowed mother. In 1894 he came to Rochester and began the study of law in the office of William F. Cogswell, who at that time was one of the city's leading attorneys. Mr. Shepard was admitted to the bar in 1896 and for about two years was associated with Mr. Cogswell. At the end of that time he opened an office of his own, where he continued in practice until appointed third assistant corporation counsel in 1907. In a short time he was promoted to second assistant, then to first, and finally to deputy. During the year 1923 he was entrusted with the purchase of over one million dollars' worth of real estate for the city.

Mr. Shepard is a member of Christ Episcopal church, the Masonic fraternity, the University Club, the Mayflower Society of the State of New York, and the Bar Association. He is greatly interested in the culture of roses and has served as secretary of the Rochester Rose Growers Society. He owns a farm of one hundred and twenty-five acres in the town of Ogden, which has been in the family for more than a century.

On March 29, 1894, Mr. Shepard was united in marriage to Miss Lillian S. Auchter, daughter of David and Maria (Mattis) Auchter of the town of Greece. The Auchters came from the Black Forest region of Wurttemberg, Germany. Three daughters have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Shepard: Ruth Elizabeth, who graduated from Smith College in 1917, is now the wife of Dr. Ralph Bryan Post, an instructor in the University of Michigan; Agnes Isabel, who was a student at the University of Michigan in 1923; and Emily Louise, graduated from the University of Michigan in 1924 and lives with her parents.

CLEMENT G. LANNI.

A journalistic career made strong appeal to Clement G. Lanni, treasurer of the Rochester Alliance Press, and the wisdom of his choice is demonstrated by his rapid progress in a vocation demanding mental alertness and more than ordinary ability. He was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, December 21, 1888, and is a son of Dominick and Louisa (Riccardi) Lanni, natives of Italy. They migrated to the United States in 1883, establishing their home in Scranton, Pennsylvania, and in 1890 came to Rochester. The father was first a contractor and later engaged in the manufacture of macaroni. His was the first industry of the kind established in the city and he remained in the business for ten years. He is now living retired in San Pedro, California, and the mother also survives.

At the age of fifteen Clement G. Lanni became a cabin boy on a United States revenue cutter and also acted as a stoker. He joined the naval militia and became an officer of the Naval Reserve force. He was graduated from the East high school in 1911 and then spent two years as a student in Colgate University, afterward entering the University of Rochester, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1915. While a college student he became a reporter on the Rochester Herald and later was assistant sport editor of that paper. For a time he was editor of the publications of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, laying aside his duties April 6, 1917, to enter the United States navy, and was made coxswain on the United States Battleship Wisconsin. He was with the Atlantic fleet for eighteen months



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and remained in the service until after the close of the World war, receiving his honorable discharge on March 12, 1919, at which time he held the rank of ensign. Returning to Rochester, Mr. Lanni reentered the employ of the Herald, with which he was connected for several months. He then entered business, consolidating three Italian newspapers—*La Tribuna*, *La Domenica* and *Il Popolo*—under the name of *La Stampa Unita*, and was made editor in chief. They had a combined circulation of thirty-five hundred and are now published by the Rochester Alliance Press, Incorporated, of which Mr. Lanni is treasurer and managing editor. Experience has taught him every phase of the newspaper business and as a result of his personal influence and management the publication has steadily grown in popular favor. The paper is one of the few printed in English and Italian. He is an able writer and his editorials are noted for their vigor, aptness and literary excellence.

Mr. Lanni was married to Miss Hazel Jean Lush, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Lush of Rochester. She was graduated from the University of Rochester with the class of 1914 and was elected to the society of Phi Beta Kappa. Mr. and Mrs. Lanni have two children: David Sellers and Marjorie Ann, the former of whom was born in 1919 and the latter in 1923.

Originally a republican, Mr. Lanni left the party when Theodore Roosevelt headed the progressive movement in 1912. He was defeated as a candidate for sheriff on the democratic ticket in 1920; and in 1921, 1922 and 1923 he ran for assemblyman from the second district, against Simon Adler and was defeated each time by a small plurality. He belongs to the American Legion and to the Society of "Forty over Eight," the social branch of that organization. He is one of the Old Guard of Rochester, a member of the Sons of Italy, and also has membership in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Ad., the Rochester Press and the Rochester Athletic Clubs, and the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. He belongs to Seneca Lodge, No. 920, of Masons and to Elks Lodge, No. 24. Mr. Lanni is a keen student of men and of world conditions, well informed on matters of public polity, and through the columns of his papers champions every movement calculated to benefit his city and promote the growth of the surrounding district. He has never used his influence for unworthy purposes and his rapidly maturing powers have placed him in a position of prominence in newspaper circles of western New York, while a large and ever-widening circle of steadfast friends attests his personal popularity.

WILLIAM O'BRIEN.

In the early '40s of the last century Matthew O'Brien and Julia Curran came to this country from Ireland. The former located in Auburn, New York, where he served an apprenticeship at custom shoemaking. He later moved to Canandaigua to engage in business and there met Miss Curran, to whom he was married.

William O'Brien, the second son, was born in that village in 1859. Completing his studies in the public school and Canandaigua Academy, he entered the office of the Ontario County Journal and there served four years under George D. A. Bridgman, working later as a compositor on the Journal and Times for several years. Subsequently he helped to establish the Victor Herald and for a time conducted a branch paper in Pittsford, which venture was short-lived. In 1882 he moved to Honeoye Falls and established the Honeoye Falls Times, purchasing the plant, list and goodwill of the Scottsville Spectator, which was consolidated with the Times. The village at that time had two local weekly papers and one monthly. The Times took a stand on independent lines in politics, and espousing the cause of forward looking movements of the day, including the liquor question, the paper won the loyal support of a large circle of friends in sympathy with the various movements. The paper later aligned itself with the republican party.

In 1919 Mr. O'Brien leased the paper to his sons, Harry and McKendree O'Brien, who are the present publishers, under the corporate name of the O'Brien Brothers Printing Company. The Times is an eight-page, six-column paper and the long established policy of the paper is continued. In 1923 the Times was awarded third prize at the Ithaca fair by Cornell University for the best farm department features.

Mr. O'Brien has taken a keen interest in all matters pertaining to local welfare and served for four years on the village board. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and of Honeoye Falls Grange. He also held a position in the state insurance department at Albany, and a clerkship in the legislature on the cities committee.

In 1884 Mr. O'Brien was married to Frances Marian, daughter of McKendree and Harriett Williams of Honeoye Falls. The Williams family were pioneer residents of the Genesee country, the grandfather, Benajah Williams, being a circuit-rider in the early days of Methodism in the Genesee conference, and was stationed in Honeoye Falls as a local pastor in 1818. He later moved to Chagrin Falls, Ohio, where he died in 1864. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien were born seven children, six of whom are living, as follows:

Harry, who was educated in the Honeoye and Rochester high schools, and after leaving school was employed by his father in the Times office. There he learned the details of the newspaper and job printing business and in 1915 became a partner in the O'Brien Brothers Printing Company. He is now (1923) chief of the Honeoye Falls fire department and is unmarried. He belongs to the Masonic lodge of Honeoye Falls and is always ready to cooperate in movements for the betterment of the social and material welfare of the village.

Julia, who, after finishing her high school studies in Honeoye Falls, attended the University of Southern California, then graduated from the Mechanics Institute in the domestic science course. She immediately engaged in settlement work in New York city, on the East Side, as a teacher in the housekeeping centers. The work which at first was privately financed was really pioneer work in this direction, and was finally taken over and introduced into all of the public schools of Greater New York by the education department. She is still employed as a teacher.

Mary, now Mrs. Frederick E. Bond of Glen Cove, Long Island, New York, is also a graduate of Mechanics Institute of Rochester, in the applied arts and manual training course. She was for several years a teacher and supervisor until the World war, when she enlisted as a war nurse, being assigned to the training school at Spartanburg, North Carolina, and served there and in reconstruction work until the close of the war.

McKendree, now a partner in the O'Brien Brothers Printing Company, attended the Honeoye Falls high school and then became associated with his father in the publication of the Times. When the United States entered the World war he enlisted and served with Base Hospital No. 48 in France, but was not attached to any regimental organizations. Since his return home he has been actively engaged in the management of the printing company. He is a member of the Masonic lodge of Honeoye Falls.

William, Jr., attended the Honeoye Falls high school and was then employed by his father or brothers in the office of the Times, where he is still engaged in the business.

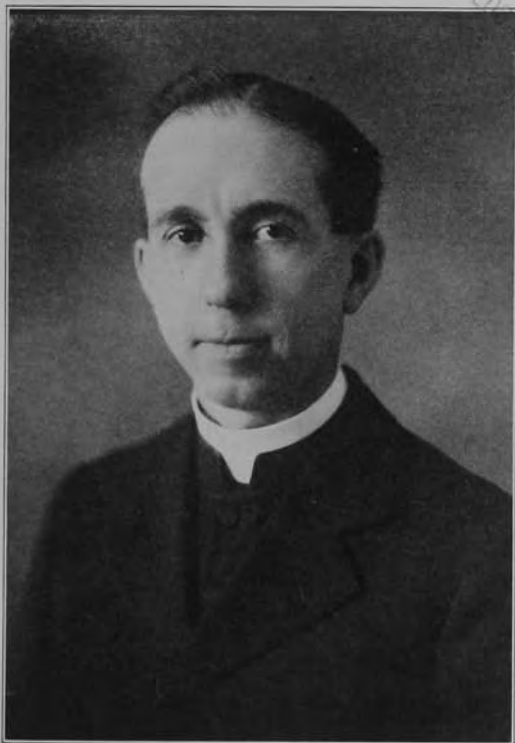
Clarke, the youngest of the family, is a student in the University of Rochester, now in his senior year in the preparatory law course.

THE REV. WILLIAM CHARLES KIRBY.

One of the many phases of the wonderful work the Roman Catholic church is doing in the United States is the care of the various foreign nationalities that come to the country, whose spiritual needs must be ministered to in their own language. Many large Roman Catholic parishes in the United States are made up almost entirely of aliens who are held to their religious duties only because the priests in charge are able to address them in their own tongue. One of these parishes is that of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church in Batavia, Genesee county, New York, of which the Rev. William Charles Kirby is pastor. The congregation consists almost entirely of Italians living in Batavia and the surrounding towns, and about two thousand, three hundred are members of the parish. To hold such a congregation intact is a difficult task, which Father Kirby undertakes with ease and in which he has had most marvelous success. He has the complete confidence of his people, who bring to him not only their spiritual troubles, but who also rely upon his advice and counsel in their temporal affairs. Father Kirby has entire charge of the work in his parish and has never had an assistant. Since he has been in charge Father Kirby has moved the old church, which he uses for a parish hall, and has built a new and handsome brick structure, completed in 1919, which seats over six hundred people. He also has a parochial school with six grades, taught by the Sisters of Mercy, in which about two hundred pupils are enrolled.

Father Kirby was born February 13, 1887, in Phoenix, Oswego county, New York, the son of Peter and Hannah (Harrington) Kirby. His father was a knife-maker

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who passed most of his life in Phoenix, moving to that town from Bridgeport, Connecticut, about 1870 and being a resident there until his death. Father Kirby received his early education in a district school at Lamson, Onondaga county, and later in the grade and high schools of Phoenix, graduating from the latter in 1905, and for the next two years working in Phoenix at various occupations. In 1907 he entered Niagara University, at Niagara Falls, New York, and remained there until 1909, when he left to go to Rome, Italy, where for the next five years he was a student in the Propaganda College. Father Kirby returned to the United States in 1914 and was ordained at Buffalo on December 19, 1914, by Bishop Charles H. Colton. While in Rome, Father Kirby was honored by having the degree of Ph. D. conferred upon him in 1911, and the degree of S. T. L. in 1914. The first appointment of the young priest was that of assistant to the pastor of St. Theresa's parish in Buffalo, where he remained for three years, and in November, 1917, he was appointed pastor of the church at Hulburton, Orleans county, New York, where he remained for one year. On November 2, 1918, Father Kirby was appointed pastor of St. Anthony's parish in Batavia, and has been there ever since. In December, 1924, Father Kirby was granted an assistant, the Rev. Anthony P. Biffarella, formerly of Mount Carmel church, Buffalo, New York.

Father Kirby is a charter member of the Batavia Kiwanis Club, a member of the Knights of Columbus, and is a director of the Genesee County T. B. Association, in which he has held various offices. In his political views Father Kirby is aligned with the republican party. He likes outdoor life, but finds little time to devote to it. Father Kirby has a reputation as an orator, is frequently called upon for addresses on various topics, but the press of his church duties makes it impossible to devote much time to outside interests. It is necessary for him to hold services in both the Italian and English languages because of the inability of many of his people to understand English.

RALPH B. INGALSBE.

On April 26, 1887, Ralph B. Ingalsbe was born in Oakfield, Genesee county, New York, where his parents, Edwin J. and Mary V. (Bliss) Ingalsbe, were old settlers. After attending the public schools and the Genesee Wesleyan Academy, Ralph entered the Central high school in Buffalo and in 1910 graduated from the Law School of the University of Buffalo, with the degree of LL. B. In October of that year he was admitted to the bar and became associated with Charles C. Page, one of Buffalo's well known attorneys. The following spring he came to Rochester and entered the office of Perkins, Duffy & McLean, with whom he remained for about two years. He then became the senior member of the new law firm of Ingalsbe, Sanderson & Wegner. After a short time Mr. Sanderson was succeeded by Mr. Bernhard, who died in the latter part of 1924, since which time the firm has been Ingalsbe & Wegner. As the junior partner holds the position of assistant district attorney, most of the firm's business is carried on by Mr. Ingalsbe.

While at the University of Buffalo, Mr. Ingalsbe became a member of the Gamma Sigma and Phi Delta Phi fraternities. He also belongs to the Foresters, the Rochester Ad Club and the Oak Hill Country Club of Rochester, where he finds much of his recreation on the golf links. Politically he is a democrat, but he has never held public office. His church affiliations are with St. Paul's Episcopal parish, where for eleven years he taught a Sunday school class composed of the older boys. He was also president of the Men's Club of the church for one year.

As a lawyer Mr. Ingalsbe is careful and conscientious in the preparation of his cases and the safeguarding of his clients' interests; as a club member and churchman his associates find in him an intelligent and genial personality; and in his home he has a congenial companion in his wife, formerly Miss Clara L. Kingsley of St. Louis, Missouri. His residence is at No. 1035 Harvard street.

GEORGE HENRY DAVIS, M. D.

For the past twenty years Dr. George Henry Davis has engaged in the general practice of medicine in Le Roy. He was born in Rochester, New York, April 13, 1876, a son of William H. and Elizabeth A. (Thompson) Davis, the former a native of England and the first of the family to settle in the Genesee country. The father

was a professional nurse and for a long period was identified with the City Hospital of Rochester.

George Henry Davis attended the grammar school and Rochester Free Academy of his native city and was also a student in the University of Rochester. He completed his education in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated in 1901 with the degree of M. D., and then devoted a few years to hospital work. At college he played an important role in amateur athletics. His height, six feet and three inches, and weight of one hundred and eighty pounds, made him a figure in weight and discus contests. He held the underscholastic record for the fifty-six pound weight. His high jump record was five feet and ten inches. He won the junior championship discus throw at the Pan-American games, with a record of one hundred and twelve feet. He was elected captain of the track team of the University of Rochester in his sophomore year. In 1904 he opened an office in Le Roy and in the intervening period his practice has grown steadily as his professional prestige has increased. He served for four years as health officer of Le Roy, and prompted by an earnest desire to improve local health conditions, he accomplished much valuable work in that connection, receiving strong commendation for his efforts in behalf of his fellow townsmen. He is a member of the medical staff of St. Jerome's Hospital, also of Batavia Hospital, and his professional services are in constant demand.

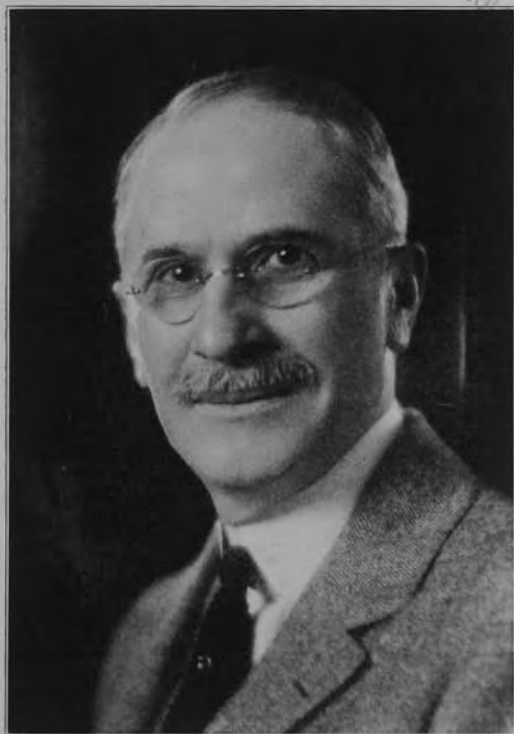
On June 20, 1906, in Hemlock, New York, Dr. Davis was married to Miss Emma L. Woodruff, a daughter of Edward B. and Georgie (Quackenbush) Woodruff of Geneseo, this state. Mrs. Davis is a direct descendant of Solomon Woodruff, the first white settler of Livingston county and the first white settler of the town of Livonia. The children of Dr. and Mrs. Davis are: Miriam E., who was born in 1912; Edward Woodruff, born in 1916; and George Henry, Jr., born in 1918. All are public school pupils.

Dr. Davis is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the platform and principles of the republican party. He has never been remiss in the duties of citizenship and the welfare and progress of his community is a matter close to his heart. He is a member of the Oatka Hose Club and his professional connections are with the Genesee County, New York State and American Medical Associations. He is also identified with the Masonic order, belonging to the lodge and chapter in Le Roy, the commandery in Batavia and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Rochester. He is at present (1925) district deputy of the Genesee-Wyoming Masonic district. The breadth of his sympathy and interest is also measured by the fact that he finds time to be chairman of the Le Roy Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

FREDERICK SAMUEL MILLER.

Frederick Samuel Miller, vice president of Hubbard, Eldredge & Miller, Incorporated, is one of the best known men in furniture manufacturing circles in this section of the country. He was born in East Guilford, New York, September 8, 1869, a son of Austin L. and Sarah (Arms) Miller and comes from an old New England family, being a representative in the eighth generation from William Miller, one of the settlers of North Hampton, Massachusetts. The family is also numbered among the early settlers of central New York, where Matthew Miller, the paternal grandfather of Frederick S. Miller, located in Chenango county over one hundred years ago. Matthew Miller was born in Connecticut and moved to Chenango county, New York, in 1821. In association with his brother-in-law, he purchased a township in the county, dividing it into farms, and the original homestead is still owned by the family. He was a prosperous farmer and his son, Austin L. Miller, also followed that occupation. He died in 1906 and is survived by his widow. Of the six children born to them, but two sons are living, namely: Frederick Samuel and J. Hudson. The latter is president of the Miller Cabinet Company of Rochester, and is mentioned elsewhere in this work.

Frederick Samuel Miller was reared on a farm and attended the school in Sidney, New York, later prepared himself for a business career at the Rochester Business Institute, where he completed his studies in 1889. For four years he was in the employ of Edmund Ocumpaugh, first discharging the duties of bookkeeper and later acting as his private secretary. Subsequently he was for some time connected with the Seamless Hosiery Company, leaving that service in 1897, to become secretary of the firm of Hubbard, Eldredge & Miller, furniture manufacturers, with which he has



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ever since been connected. This firm is numbered among Rochester's representative manufacturing institutions, and enjoys a nation wide reputation as manufacturers of high grade chairs of artistic design. Mr. Miller has been a resultant factor in the growth and development of the company. In November, 1924, Hubbard, Eldredge & Miller consolidated with the Binghamton Chair Company of Binghamton, New York; the Parkersburg Chair Company, Parkersburg, West Virginia, and the Peru Chair Company, Peru, Indiana, as the firm of Hubbard, Eldredge & Miller, Incorporated. Among other business interests he is a director of the Miller Cabinet Company of Rochester, and is also a member of the board of directors of the Mechanic Savings Bank of this city.

In Rochester, on June 15, 1897, Mr. Miller was married to Miss May Huddleston, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund R. Huddleston. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have seven children: Marian H.; Edmund H.; Dorothy A.; Austin L., and Margaret L., twins; Frederick S., Jr.; and Stanton M. Mr. Miller is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association of Rochester, trustee of the Chamber of Commerce, member of the Genesee Valley Club, the Automobile Club and the Oak Hill Country Club. He is an exemplary representative of the Masonic order and has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory. For nearly thirty-five years Mr. Miller has been identified with the business and civic life of Rochester; in fact, his entire business career has been spent here. He is not only regarded as an excellent type of the best citizenship, but also one of the city's strong and capable business men. Mr. Miller's residence is at No. 547, Lake avenue.

WILLIAM ADDISON DUSENBURY.

The First National Bank of Olean, New York, the oldest bank in Cattaraugus county and one of the strongest and most conservative financial institutions of western New York, has for its president William A. Dusenbury, who is eminently fitted to carry on the work of those able bankers before him who established and built up this bank. Mr. Dusenbury became president in January, 1921, having been vice president under Edgar G. Dusenbury's term of office from 1913 until 1921. John E. Dusenbury was president of the bank from 1892 until 1913. In 1915 the present building was erected, a modern banking home of six stories.

William Addison Dusenbury was born September 24, 1879, in Newtown Mills, Pennsylvania, the son of William A. and Helen (Truesdell) Dusenbury. His father was a lumberman. The son attended the public and high schools of Portville and the Lawrenceville school and graduated from Princeton University in 1902, with an A. B. degree. He entered the employ of the First National Bank as a clerk and rose to the leadership of the institution. He is also the vice president of the A. Weston Lumber Company, president of the Acme Milling Company, and a director of The Olean Trust Company. He is unmarried and lives in Portville. Mr. Dusenbury belongs to the F. L. Bartlett Country Club and the City Club and is the president of the "Randolph Home", trustee of the Olean General Hospital and has other civic and community services to his credit.

"The Bank of Olean" was the first title of the present National Bank, which became a federal institution in 1871, the bank having been founded a year previous. The first officers were: William F. Wheeler, president; Nelson S. Butler, vice president, and Lafayette Lawton, cashier. Business was first carried on as a copartnership on the second floor of the F. R. Brothers Company building. The First National Bank had a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars in 1872, and moved into the ground floor office of a building at No. 107 North Union street, staying there until 1915, when the present handsome building was erected. In 1915 the officers of the bank were: Edgar G. Dusenbury, president; William A. Dusenbury, vice president; Augustus T. Eaton, cashier; and Charles B. Nelson, assistant cashier. Mr. Eaton had been with the bank ever since its founding, rising from bookkeeper to cashier and holding that office to the time of his death, on May 15, 1919.

The present officers of the bank are: William A. Dusenbury, president; Charles L. Davis, vice president; Arthur E. Yahn, vice president; Charles B. Nelson, cashier; Fred B. Heberle and Thomas C. Boyd, assistant cashiers. Others who are directors are: Wallace Weston, Jr., Edward H. Wright, Henry J. Zimmerman, James P. Quigley, Nelson P. Wheeler, Jr., Wilson K. Page, Charles Quirin, J. Ross Allen and Donald M. Dusenbury. The bank now has a capital of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and a surplus of five hundred thousand dollars. The statement at the close of busi-

ness on March 31, 1924, shows a total of five million, seven hundred and sixty-four thousand, nine hundred and one dollars and twenty cents with deposits of four million, five hundred and eighty thousand, three hundred and thirty-seven dollars and eighty-four cents.

NORMAN D. OTIS.

For many years Norman D. Otis was identified with banking activities in Wellsville, his native village, but is now concentrating his attention upon the management of his oil properties in this district, in which his life has been spent, and with its history he is largely familiar. He was born on the 11th of January, 1877, and his parents were Theron P. and Laura (Day) Otis. The paternal grandfather, James Otis, was born in Fabius, New York, in the central portion of the state, and for many years operated a tannery in Bath, New York, also following the occupation of farming. He was married to Hannah Tilton and their son, Theron P. Otis, was born in Bath in 1839. In 1868, when twenty-nine years of age, he located in Wellsville and resided here until his death, which occurred in 1921. He was a successful merchant and also became the owner of valuable oil lands. He was a man of high character and enjoyed the esteem of many friends.

Norman D. Otis was accorded liberal educational advantages. He attended the public schools, later becoming a student in Worcester Academy of Massachusetts, and next entered Yale University, from which he was graduated in 1898, winning the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He accepted a position in a local bank and remained in that business for nearly a quarter of a century, promoting its success by able and conscientious service. He spent fourteen years in the Citizens National Bank and six years with the First Trust Company. Since his retirement from financial affairs Mr. Otis' time has been occupied with the management of the property which he inherited from his father and he is now numbered among the successful oil producers of this district.

On the 26th of January, 1918, Mr. Otis was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Gorton of Belmont, New York, who presides over his home with grace and dignity and is popular in social circles of the community. Mr. Otis is a consistent member of the Congregational church and exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the democratic party. He is a blue lodge Mason and belongs to the Wellsville Country Club, also serving as president of the local cemetery association. He loyally supports all measures calculated to benefit Wellsville and its citizens and his many fine traits of character have drawn to him a large circle of friends.

HARRY D. BARTLETT.

A rather rare combination, successful banker and educator, is found in the person of Harry D. Bartlett, president of the Orleans County Trust Company of Albion, New York. Mr. Bartlett has had a distinguished career in the Genesee country and during the past thirty years has accomplished things that only the most active and farseeing man of affairs could carry out. Today finds him a director of several organizations, a banker of prominence and a community leader who has served the public and gained its admiration. For example, Mr. Bartlett was elected county clerk in 1908 and remained in office until 1919—the only democrat ever elected to that position in the county and likewise the only man to hold the office for four terms. That alone proves his popularity. He was born in Clarendon, Orleans county, this state, on the 3d of March, 1872, his parents being Abram H. and Lucy (Wilkinson) Bartlett. The father, who came to western New York in 1840, here continued to reside to the time of his death, which occurred on the 21st of August, 1923. He devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits throughout his active career and made his home in Clarendon and in Holley.

In the acquirement of an education Harry D. Bartlett attended the public schools of Clarendon, the State Normal and Training School at Brockport and Cornell University of Ithaca, New York. In 1895, after three years of study in the last named institution, he took up educational work as principal of the high school in Bergen, New York, continuing in that capacity for two years. From 1897 until 1904 he served as high school principal in Holley, while during the two succeeding years he



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filled the position of superintendent of schools in Medina. It was in 1908 that Mr. Bartlett was elected county clerk of Orleans county, in which office he was continued for four successive terms, or until 1919, making a splendid record through the efficient and faithful discharge of his duties.

In 1920 Mr. Bartlett became associated as vice president and secretary with the Orleans County Trust Company, which had just taken over the old Orleans County National Bank and was ready for a new era in its financial life. In 1922 Mr. Bartlett was made president of the institution, which is one of the oldest in the section, having been founded in 1835. Three decades later it became a national bank. During the four-year period between 1920 and 1924 the volume of business of the bank increased threefold and made new and larger quarters imperative. On June 2, 1924, the Trust Company moved into its new building at Main and West Bank streets.

Mr. Bartlett is associated with H. E. Turner of Batavia, New York, as proprietors of the Holley Standard and is a member of the firm of H. E. Turner & Company, furniture dealers in Batavia. He is a director of the Wilson State Bank of Wilson, New York, and the Ransomville State Bank of Ransomville, New York.

On the 3d of March, 1909, Mr. Bartlett was united in marriage to Miss May Chapman, daughter of Byron W. Chapman of Rochester, New York, and stepdaughter of Judge Edward B. Simonds of Orleans county. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett have two children: Harrison Chapman, born in 1911; and Howard Wilkinson, born in 1914. Mr. Bartlett is an active democrat and takes a great interest in the Boy Scouts, being a trustee of their organization at this time. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church of Albion, while fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Masons, being past master of Murray Lodge, No. 380, F. & A. M., and past district deputy of the Thirty-seventh Masonic District, F. & A. M. He is one of the organizers of the local Rotary Club and was its first president. His name is also on the membership rolls of the Orleans Country Club and the Stafford Country Club. The interests and activities of his life are varied, bringing a well balanced development, and there is no phase of substantial community progress that seeks his aid in vain. He has ever been a man of great activity and energy and his alertness and progressiveness have carried him far on the high road to success, while at all times the sterling worth of his character has been attested by those with whom he has been brought into contact.

LESTER NUSBAUM.

Lester Nusbaum, a member of one of the honored pioneer families of Rochester, is numbered among the city's most progressive merchants and successful business men, while his activities as a philanthropist have also won for him widespread prominence and high commendation. He was born in this city on the 15th of February, 1873, and is a son of Aaron and Sarah (Linezinger) Nusbaum, who came to the United States in early life. The father became a member of the firm of Meyer & Aaron Nusbaum, dealers in tailors' trimmings, and engaged in the business for many years, building up an extensive trade. He is now enjoying a well earned rest and the mother is also living. Eleven children were born to them, namely: Morris A., Louis J., Arthur A., David, Lester, Mrs. Minnie Fishman, and Fannie, Rhea, Lillian, Rose and Lottie Nusbaum.

Lester Nusbaum received his early training in School No. 9 and later became a student at the Rochester Free Academy, from which he was graduated in 1888. To become a lawyer was his youthful ambition but his father, grandfather and great-grandfather each in turn had been head of a wholesale and retail business and in order to preserve the traditions of the family he abandoned the plan. They were the pioneer silk merchants of the city and Mr. Nusbaum gained a comprehensive knowledge of the business in his father's establishment, conducted under the style of A. Nusbaum & Sons. He soon settled down to commercial life and liked it. He assisted his father in the conduct of the business for ten years and in 1898 started out for himself, opening a silk and dress goods store at the corner of Clinton avenue and Franklin street. The venture at once proved a success and three years later he was forced to seek larger quarters, becoming the first tenant of the newly constructed Masonic temple. In 1918 he again expanded his interests, removing to the present store at No. 29 Clinton avenue, North, a few doors from Main street. His sons, Leonard J. and Milton H. Nusbaum, are in charge of the silk and fur departments, respectively. Wash goods, laces and trimmings have been discontinued and

the house specializes in silks, hosiery and furs. The entire floor above the store is used by Mr. Nusbaum for the repairing, remodeling and relining of fur coats and another feature is the service for the general public and for the large clientele of tailors and dressmakers which the house always has enjoyed. Up-to-date machinery and skilled employees enable the firm to execute orders for button covering and pleating on short notice. The store also carries the Pictorial Review patterns, a great convenience to customers, who are thus able to select patterns and secure materials and findings all on the one ground floor. This is a daylight store, it being Mr. Nusbaum's firm conviction that silks cannot fairly be judged, especially as regards color, under artificial light. The house has always been noted for the high quality of its merchandise as well as for its honorable dealing and Mr. Nusbaum's notable success is largely due to his close adherence to the following motto: "Be honest with a customer and a personal friend in the same proportion. If you can help a client as you would help a friend, do so."

Mr. Nusbaum is a man of broad humanitarianism and generously shares his substance with others. Welfare work is his hobby and for many years it has occupied a large share of his attention. He is president and founder of the Jewish Home for the Aged, situated on St. Paul street, and for the past twenty years has taken a most active part in this work, and is now serving his tenth term as president of the Associated Hebrew Charities of Rochester. He is vice president of the newly formed Jewish Welfare League of Rochester, chairman of the Rochester committee of the American Jewish Congress, and was vice president of Temple Beth El. He is also prominent in fraternal organizations and has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry. He is a Shriner, an Elk and a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. He is also connected with the Clinton Avenue Merchants Association, the Retail Merchants Council of the Chamber of Commerce, and the Automobile and City Clubs. Sympathetic, genial, warm hearted and generous, Mr. Nusbaum has brought sunshine into the lives of many, winning friends wherever he goes, and the years serve to strengthen his hold upon their esteem, for his is a life in which true nobility of spirit finds daily expression.

In Syracuse, New York, on the 5th of January, 1902, Mr. Nusbaum was married to Miss Belle Goldstein, a daughter of Haskell Goldstein, a prominent resident of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Nusbaum have become the parents of four children: Leonard J., who was born in 1903 and since his graduation from high school has been associated in business with his father; Helen, born in 1905 and also a high school graduate; Milton J., who was born in 1906 and likewise completed a course in high school; and Mortimore Nusbaum, who was born in 1915 and is a public school student. All of the children are natives of Rochester.

JOHN HUDSON MILLER.

Rochester is a city of many large industries and offers countless opportunities for advancement to the young man of ambition, energy and determination. Possessing keen perceptive powers, John Hudson Miller readily availed himself of these advantages and through the exercise of his native sagacity has won noteworthy success as a furniture manufacturer. He was born in East Guilford, New York, July 27, 1877, a son of Austin L. and Sarah (Arms) Miller and a grandson of Matthew Miller, who was a native of Glastonbury, Connecticut. He settled in Chenango county, New York, in 1821 and was one of the pioneer farmers of that locality. In partnership with his brother-in-law, he purchased a township in that county, dividing it up into farms, and the original homestead is still in possession of the family. This Miller family is of old colonial stock and descends from William Miller, one of the settlers of Northampton, Massachusetts. In the line of descent, John Hudson Miller is a representative of the eighth generation. Austin L. Miller, father of John Hudson Miller, was born in Chenango county and also devoted his attention to the cultivation of the soil. He passed away in 1906. The mother is living. Six children were born to them, two of whom are living: Frederick S., of Rochester, secretary of the firm of Hubbard, Eldredge & Miller, who is mentioned elsewhere in this work; and John Hudson of this review.

John Hudson Miller attended the public schools of Sidney, New York, and was afterward a student in Colgate University, and the Rochester Business Institute. He obtained a position as bookkeeper in the Rochester establishment of the National Cash Register Company but was obliged to give up the work owing to ill health and



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later entered the employ of Milton Clark, an insurance broker. Eight months later he assumed the duties of manager of the New York Institute of Science and filled that office for three years. In 1903 he became connected with the William M. Powell Company, and at the end of six months purchased Mr. Powell's interests. In 1904 the business was incorporated and has since been conducted under the name of the Miller Cabinet Company. They are manufacturers of high grade furniture and Mr. Miller is president, treasurer and manager of the firm, which he has brought to the fore in industrial circles of Rochester, displaying mature judgment and executive force in the control of the business.

In East Guilford, New York, on January 1, 1902, Mr. Miller was married to Miss Elizabeth Estelle Sliter, a daughter of Frederick W. Sliter. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have a family of six children: Raymond Hudson, who was born January 29, 1903, and is now a student at Colgate University; Katherine Sliter, who was born August 21, 1904, and is a senior at Wellesley College; Ruth Elizabeth, who was born March 7, 1907, and is attending the West high school, class of 1925; Virginia Louise, born August 3, 1910; John Robert, who was born July 29, 1914; and Elizabeth Dickerman, born April 21, 1919. All are natives of this city. Mr. Miller is affiliated with the Central Presbyterian church of Rochester and conforms his life to its teachings. He is a member of the Old Colony, Oak Hill Country, Automobile and Rochester Clubs and is also connected with the Chamber of Commerce, while his fraternal relations are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Masonic order. He is a progressive citizen, well informed on all matters of public moment, and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics. His residence is at No. 40 Augustine street.

ARTHUR EUGENE SUTHERLAND.

Arthur Eugene Sutherland, a distinguished Rochester attorney, senior member of the well known legal firm of Sutherland & Dwyer, was born in Geneva, New York, on the 20th of September, 1862, a son of Andrew and Mary (McLean) Sutherland. He received his more advanced educational training in Wesleyan University, which institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1885, and that of Master of Arts three years later. In 1906 he received the degree of LL. D. from his Alma Mater. Admitted to the bar in 1887, he at once began the practice of law and with the passing years built up a clientage of extensive and lucrative proportions.

In 1893 Mr. Sutherland was elected county judge of Monroe county, in which capacity he continued for a period of twelve years, making a most excellent record in the able discharge of his important duties. Higher judicial honors came to him when he was elected a justice of the supreme court of New York, for the term covering the years between 1906 and 1919. On the first of February, 1916, after ten years of service on the supreme bench, Mr. Sutherland resigned to resume the practice of law in Rochester, where he occupies a foremost position in the ranks of the legal fraternity. He is also a factor in financial circles of the city as a director of the Union Trust Company.

Mr. Sutherland was married on the 30th of June, 1888, to Miss Eleanor Reed of Nunda, New York. He gives his political support to the republican party and is a member of the Genesee Valley Club and the Oak Hill Country Club. He also belongs to the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, and has long enjoyed an enviable reputation in both social and professional circles of western New York, where his life has been spent.

JOHN F. STROBEL.

John F. Strobel, an architect of broad experience and pronounced ability, has long been intimately associated with building operations in Rochester, which numbers him among its native sons and valuable citizens. He was born September 1, 1874, and his parents were John and Mary (Mayer) Strobel, the latter a native of Genesee county, New York. The father was one of America's foreign-born citizens and gained success as a merchant tailor, following that business for several years in Rochester. He has passed away. The mother is still a resident of the city. Six children were born to them: William, George, Edward, Arthur, Charlotte and John F. of this review.

In the acquirement of an education John F. Strobel attended the public schools,

the Rochester Free Academy, and the Mechanics Institute, in which he took up the study of architecture. In order to gain practical experience he entered the office of Charles S. Ellis, with whom he remained for some time, and was afterward in the employ of other well known architects. In 1902 he became associated with Charles F. Crandall, a prominent representative of that profession, with whom he eventually formed a partnership. This relationship was continued until January, 1923, when Mr. Crandall retired, and Mr. Strobel has since conducted the business independently. The firm has designed and constructed some of the most substantial and imposing buildings in Rochester, including the dry goods stores of McCurdy & Company, Duffy-Powers and E. W. Edwards & Sons, the Howe & Rogers Furniture Store, Hotel Rochester, and the Young Men's Christian Association building. Mr. Stroebel has shown a marked degree of originality in his work, which is of high character and a decided asset to his city.

On October 15, 1903, Mr. Strobel was married to Miss Mae Wilkins, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wilkins, prominent residents of Rochester. Alice Lee Strobel is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Strobel. She was born in this city, February 10, 1905, and is attending school. Mr. Strobel is deeply interested in civic affairs and has served as fire marshal, filling that office for one year under appointment of Judge Carnahan. He is one of the enterprising members of the Chamber of Commerce and also belongs to the Rochester Art Club and Historical Society, while along professional lines he is connected with the American Institute of Architects. He is affiliated with the Lake Avenue Baptist church and conscientiously adheres to its teachings. Mr. Strobel's many friends in Rochester have watched his career with much interest and rejoice in his success, for it has been worthily won and well used.

FRANK JOSEPH BLUM.

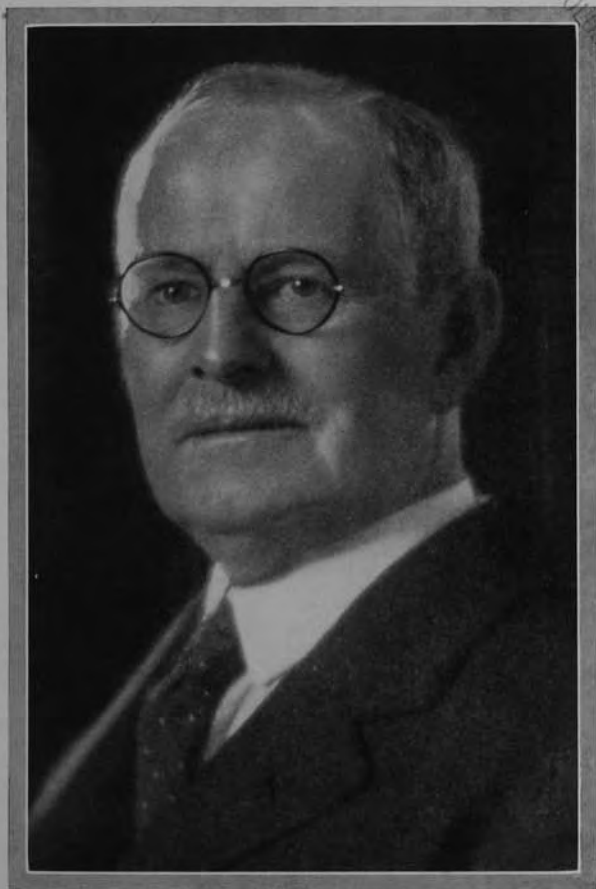
Important industrial interests claimed the time and profited by the sound judgment and enterprising spirit of Frank Joseph Blum, one of Dansville's native sons and foremost citizens, who ably continued the large manufacturing business which owes its inception to his father's constructive genius, until his death on January 2, 1925. He was born May 4, 1859, and was one of a family of nine children whose parents were John and Euphrosine (Buhler) Blum, the former of whom was numbered among the industrial leaders of the Genesee country. He was the founder of the Blum Shoe Manufacturing Company and his name is written high on the rolls of Dansville's honored dead.

Frank J. Blum attended the grammar and high schools and after completing his education entered his father's factory, applying himself zealously to the task of mastering the details of the business. From that time on he was identified with the company, with the exception of four years which were spent in the west. Following the demise of his father in 1907 he assumed charge of the business, whose course he successfully directed for seventeen years. He made many innovations in the business, which he conducted in accordance with the most modern and progressive ideas, and under his control the firm out-distanced many of its competitors, while its trade constantly grew in volume and in importance. He closely adhered to the high standards upon which the business was founded and succeeded in popularizing the firm's output, the "Kreep-A-Wa" felt slippers being widely used in the United States and Canada.

On January 19, 1892, Mr. Blum was united in marriage to Miss Molly Roach and they had three children, of whom John R. is the oldest. He became associated with his father in the business, which has been continuously operated by members of the family for three generations. He is an honored veteran of the World war, in which he served as a member of the Three Hundred and Fourth Machine Gun Battalion, Seventy-seventh division, and was severely gassed on the battle fields of France; Paul F. Blum, who passed away on March 16, 1925, was in training at Camp Hancock, Atlanta, Georgia, during the World war, and was there stationed when the armistice was signed; Norb C., the youngest of the family, is a student at Notre Dame College.

Mr. Blum was a faithful communicant of St. Mary's Catholic church, and politically was an adherent of the republican party. He was a leader in civic affairs and did much to advance the educational standards of his community, serving for many years as president of the Dansville School Board, with which he was identified at the time of his death, and he also worked for municipal progress through his member-

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ship in the local Rotary Club, of which he was a charter member. He had the fine perspective and keen sagacity of the man of large affairs and his record sustains the high reputation which has always been borne by the family. He will be greatly missed in the business world and in the community where he has for so many years made his home, as well as in the circle of his family.

WILLIAM KRAMER.

Among those who have been most active in shaping the destiny of Dansville and promoting the growth of its financial institutions is numbered William Kramer, who for a quarter of a century has been president of the Merchants & Farmers National Bank, and in spite of the hardships which he endured during his service in the Civil war, he is still an active and important factor in the world's work, although he has passed the eightieth milestone on life's journey. He started out in the business world empty-handed but resolved that success should be his if it could be won by persistent, earnest effort, and with a nature that could never be content with mediocrity, he advanced steadily and surely toward the goal set by his ambition. He is a native of Germany, and was born in Gettersbach, in the province of Hesse Darmstadt, July 31, 1842, his parents being Bernhardt and Eva Elizabeth (Freidel) Kramer. The father followed the cooper's trade in Germany until 1847, when he started for America, bringing with him his eldest son, Adam. He located in Dansville and worked at his trade in company with his brother John, in a shop on Perine street. In 1849 Bernhardt Kramer and his son went to New Orleans, Louisiana, and while in that city the father's sight became impaired. He returned to Germany for treatment, eventually recovering the use of his eyes, and in 1856 brought his family to Dansville, where he continued to follow his trade for many years, passing away in the village in April, 1872, at the age of seventy-two. The mother's death occurred in Dansville, when she was seventy-three years of age, and both were members of the German Lutheran church. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Kramer: Adam, who died in California in 1858; Catherine, who became the wife of Louis Hess of Illinois; Fred; George; and William.

William Kramer was a boy of fourteen when his parents established their home in Dansville and in 1857 he became a clerk in a grocery store, of which James Krein was the proprietor. He was employed there for three years and then accepted a similar position with Milton J. Puffer, a clothier, who sold his stock to the firm of Kellogg & Nares in 1861. Mr. Kramer's services were retained by the new owners of the business and he remained with them until August, 1862, when he enlisted as a private in Company K, One Hundred and Thirtieth New York Infantry, which in the summer of 1863 was mounted and attached to the cavalry forces along the Potomac, being thereafter known as the First New York Dragoons. Mr. Kramer was made a corporal in 1862, a sergeant in 1863, and in 1865 was promoted to the rank of sergeant major. At Beaver Dam Station, Virginia, May 10, 1864, he was wounded by a minie ball and was confined in a hospital for six weeks. He remained in the service until the close of the Civil war and received his honorable discharge at Cloud's Mills, Virginia, in July, 1865. He returned to Dansville and accepted a clerical position in the clothing store of Fritz Durr, continuing in his employ until 1872. He then embarked in the clothing business in partnership with his brother Fred, opening a store in the Krein block. The firm of Kramer Brothers was continued until 1886, when William Kramer purchased all of the stock in the business, which he operated alone until 1893. In that year he admitted his son Fred as a partner and the firm style of William Kramer & Son was then adopted. Subsequently Fred L. Kramer purchased his father's interest in the undertaking and has since conducted the business independently. Upon the death of William T. Spinning, on August 25, 1899, William Kramer was elected president of the Merchants & Farmers National Bank of Dansville, which office he has since filled, and under his able administration the institution has made notable progress. He readily solves the intricate problems of finance, and years of experience have taught him to rely upon his own judgment in matters of business, but propositions tending to safeguard the interests of the bank find in him a ready listener. He is a man of substantial worth, honor and integrity being the keynote of his character. For thirty-one years he served as a member of the board of education, was chairman of the building committee and was president for three years. He was renominated but declined on account of impaired hearing. He served the village, town and county in various capacities from corporation clerk

to supervisor. In 1880 he was elected to the Dansville cemetery board as vice president and president. His term will expire in 1926.

Mr. Kramer was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Huber, who was born in Dansville. Her father was an agriculturist and migrated from Germany to the United States, becoming a resident of Dansville. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Kramer: Mary E., who is the wife of Edward C. Schwingel of Buffalo, New York; Frederick Louis; Carl B.; William and Florine. William died at the age of eighteen and his twin sister lived but three months.

Frederick Louis Kramer was born in Dansville, January 29, 1867, and after his graduation from high school attended the Genesee Normal School and the Rochester Business Institute. In 1893 he became associated in business with his father and is now the owner of an up-to-date clothing store, conducted under his name. He employs a progressive policy in the management of the establishment, is always prepared to supply the needs of patrons and never resorts to questionable methods in order to increase his profits. As a logical result he has secured the confidence and support of the public and his trade is a large and growing one.

On the 19th of January, 1898, Mr. Kramer was united in marriage to Miss Ernestine Holmstedt and they have a large circle of friends in Dansville. Mr. Kramer is allied with the democratic party and the teachings of the Lutheran church guide him in the daily relations of life. He belongs to the Union Hose Company of Dansville and the Protectives, and is also a Rotarian and a Mason. He has inherited many traits of his father's character, chief among which are his sound judgment, keen discernment, executive ability, enterprising spirit and honest nature, and these are the essential prerequisites of success.

HARRY JAMES MCKAY.

For the past seventeen years Rochester has numbered Harry James McKay among its citizens and during that period he has steadily advanced in public esteem as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his worth and ability. His name is a prominent one in insurance circles of the city and his deep and helpful interest in matters pertaining to municipal progress is evidence of his public spirit. He was born in Derrick City, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1882, a son of Martin and Adele E. (Huntington) McKay, the latter a native of Limestone, New York. The mother traces her ancestry to Samuel Huntington, who was a passenger on the Mayflower. He was one of the colonial governors of Connecticut and from the Revolutionary struggle to the period of the World war his descendants have gallantly defended their country upon the field of battle. The grandfather in the paternal line was one of the earliest settlers of Cattaraugus county, New York, and hewed a farm out of the wilderness. His home was in the vicinity of Olean and his son, Martin McKay, was born in Monroe county, this state, of English lineage. He was an oil prospector and promoter and was very successful in his operations, which were conducted in Derrick City, Pennsylvania. He passed away in 1917 and is survived by the mother, who still resides in Derrick City. Four children were born to them, two of whom are living: Homer S. and Harry J., both of Rochester.

Harry James McKay's public school training was supplemented by a course in the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1904. He then became associated with his father in the oil business and was thus engaged for three years. In 1907 he came to Rochester, securing a position with a real estate firm, and later entered the insurance business, with which he has since been connected. He is thoroughly informed on everything relating to this subject, of which he has made a close study, and is senior member of the firm of McKay & Kondoff, which has written a large amount of insurance since its organization. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Genesee Housing Corporation of Rochester.

On April 9, 1907, Mr. McKay was married to Miss Ruby S. Hunt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Hunt of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. McKay have two children: Jeanette Hunt, who was born November 27, 1908, and is attending the Monroe Junior high school; and Richard James, who was born August 18, 1910, and is also a public school pupil. Both are natives of Rochester. The wife and mother died November 8, 1918. On June 30, 1921, in this city, Mr. McKay was married to Mrs. H. G. Strong, formerly Miss Marion Geil. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Geil of Rochester.

Mr. McKay is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree



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in the consistory. He is a member of the Shrine Club, the Ad Club, the Rochester Club, the Automobile Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Rochester Yacht Club. He is also a Rotarian and the Chamber of Commerce numbers him among its energetic workers. Mr. McKay is a man of genial nature, appreciative of the social amenities of life, and a large circle of loyal friends attests his popularity. Since 1918 Mr. McKay has resided at No. 220 Culver road.

WALLACE WESTON, JR.

For nearly seventy years the name of Weston has been synonymous with the lumber industry in Cattaraugus county, where Wallace Weston, Jr., is now successfully engaged in business as treasurer of the A. Weston Lumber Company of Olean. He was born in Westons Mills, Cattaraugus county, New York, in 1862, his parents being Wallace and Harriett (Mersereau) Weston. It was in the year 1857, in association with his brothers, Abijah and Orren Weston, that Wallace Weston, Sr., organized the Weston Brothers Lumber Company, which in 1891 was incorporated as the A. Weston Lumber Company, and became widely recognized as one of the representative and successful lumber manufacturers of western New York.

In the acquirement of an education Wallace Weston, Jr., attended the Olean high school and the Rochester Business Institute. Leaving the Empire state, he made his way to Manistique, Michigan, where he was connected with the lumber business until 1887. He then returned to Olean, New York, and as a young man of twenty-five years became active in the management of the business of the A. Weston Lumber Company, with which he has been associated to the present time. The concern has been engaged in the retail lumber business since 1911 and also operates a planing mill. Employment is furnished to forty-five men and one hundred and seventy-five carloads of lumber are handled each year. Mr. Weston is a director of the First National Bank of Olean and is also interested in several other local enterprises in which his counsel and cooperation are regarded as valuable assets.

In young manhood Mr. Weston was united in marriage to Emily M. Kintcel of Morden, Manitoba, Canada. Their children are three in number, as follows: Edith, who lives in Westons Mills, New York; Dorothy V., who received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from Bryn Mawr College and who is now in the employ of the Western Electric Company of New York; and W. Douglas, who is associated with his father in the conduct of the business of the A. Weston Lumber Company. The last named wedded Doris W. Forness of Olean.

Mr. Weston gives his political allegiance to the republican party and has membership in the City Club and the F. L. Bartlett Country Club, of which he is a director. Golf and motoring afford him pleasurable recreation when leisure permits. In his life he exemplifies the beneficent teachings of the Masonic fraternity, to which he belongs, and he enjoys high standing in both business and social circles of his native county.

ALLING STEPHEN DE FOREST.

In the roster of eminent landscape architects of this country the name of Alling Stephen De Forest of Rochester takes high rank by reason of the wide variety and large extent of his operations. For years the services of Mr. De Forest have been in demand not only by public park authorities but by directors of great clubs and the proprietors of extensive estates, and the calls thus made on his artistic services have carried his operations over a wide area in the state of New York as well as over the border into Canada and in the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusetts, Ohio, Alabama and in other sections of the United States, the artistic character of his landscaping thus being recognized in widely separated sections of the country. Among the notable bits of private parking and public landscaping undertaken and carried through by Mr. De Forest, local attention may be called to his work on the grounds of the George Eastman estate on East avenue and the Hillside Home in Rochester, as well as many other bits of beautification of the face of nature hereabout. The landscaping of the great estate of Harvey S. Firestone in Akron, Ohio, and of Firestone park, a beautiful tract of five hundred acres in that city, as well as the Portage Country Club in Akron, are also notable bits of his artistic arrangement, and there are many others, including some of the most

beautiful bits of landscaping in the country, to all of which the friends of Mr. De Forest point with pride.

Alling Stephen De Forest was born on a farm in the town of Pittsford, a charming suburb of the city of Rochester in Monroe county, New York, April 20, 1875, and is a son of Stephen Alling and Jennie (McDonald) De Forest, the latter of whom died in the village of Le Roy, Genesee county, in April, 1896. She was born in the north of Ireland and was but a child when she came to this country with her parents, the McDonalds locating in the vicinity of Rochester, where she was reared. Stephen Alling De Forest was born in Rochester, and much of his active life was spent in the town of Pittsford, he having become the proprietor of a well kept farm, which now is the home and grounds of the Rochester Country Club, one of the most attractive show places hereabout. Stephen Alling De Forest moved to Le Roy, New York, in 1896, where he has since resided. He has six children: Mrs. Adna Chilson, Mrs. George Clark, W. W., Edward H., and Alling Stephen, all of Rochester; and Arthur C. De Forest, twin brother of Alling Stephen.

Reared on the home farm, Alling Stephen De Forest received his initial education in the schools of Pittsford and supplemented this by attendance at the Mechanics Institute, Rochester, from which institution he was graduated in 1895. Upon the completion of his technical training Mr. De Forest became employed along the lines of his profession in Rochester and after a year of valuable practical experience there transferred his services to the firm of Olmsted Brothers, in Brookline, Massachusetts, and was there employed for three years. With this preparatory experience in practical work along the lines of landscape architecture Mr. De Forest returned to Rochester and became engaged in business on his own account and has since been located in that city, with present offices at No. 16 Fair Place. Mr. De Forest has long been firmly established in his profession and is widely known in that profession throughout the country. He is a fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects, which society he has served as secretary, and he is a member of the City Planning conference. During the time of this country's participation in the World war Mr. De Forest was commissioned by the government to take charge of four of the important housing projects carried out by the war department and in that capacity rendered important service. He is a Knights Templar Mason, is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is also affiliated with the local Rotary Club and the Rochester Auto Club.

On November 22, 1898, in Rochester, Mr. De Forest was united in marriage to Miss Mary R. Barnes, daughter of Edwin Barnes. Mr. and Mrs. De Forest had one child: A son, Waverly De Forest, born in Rochester on May 31, 1902, who died on January 24, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. De Forest are members of the Spencer Ripley Methodist Episcopal church, of which congregation Mr. De Forest is one of the trustees.

REUBEN SPENCER SIMPSON, M. D.

Dr. Reuben Spencer Simpson, physician and surgeon, is engaged in practice in Lyons and ranks with the leading exponents of the profession in Wayne county. He was born in Scriba, New York, May 22, 1881, and represents one of the old and highly respected families of the state. He comes of Revolutionary war stock and another ancestor, Joseph Robert Simpson, fought in the War of 1812. Dr. Simpson's great-grandfather, Robert Simpson, was born in 1765 and was an early settler in Saratoga county, New York, in 1795. He lost his life by drowning in Saratoga Lake, on September 20, 1820, and was buried at Dunning Street in Saratoga county. His son, Squire Robert Simpson, Jr., was born in 1805, in Simpson Hollow, Saratoga county, and died in 1903 at the age of ninety-eight. He was married three times and became the father of twenty-one children. He was a surveyor and ran the first survey from Saratoga to Oswego in about 1827. He was also justice of the peace for many years, and widely known throughout that section of the state. Albert Simpson, father of Dr. Simpson was born in Scriba, New York, and there married Mary Spencer, a native of that town. They had two children, a son and a daughter; the latter, Nancy Corinne, is the widow of Louis Washer and resides in Tampa, Florida. Mr. Simpson devoted his active life to the occupation of farming and is now living retired at Scriba, but the mother is deceased.

Reuben Spencer Simpson completed a course in the high school in Gloversville, New York, and then became a student in Cornell University, at Ithaca, from which he was graduated in 1909 receiving the M. D. degree. He served as interne in Bellevue



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Hospital, New York city, and on July 1, 1911, entered upon his professional career in Lyons, where he has since resided. He has utilized every opportunity to broaden his knowledge and promote his skill and a large practice attests the confidence reposed in his professional ability. He is also one of the owners of the Lyons Hospital, a modern, well equipped institution, his associate in the undertaking being Dr. Fletcher J. Towler.

On July 4, 1913, Dr. Simpson was married to Miss Tusanelda Nusbickel, a daughter of Frederick Nusbickel of Lyons, and they have three children: Ann N., Mary S. and Ellen M. Dr. Simpson is a member of the Presbyterian church and his political support is given to the republican party. He served as health officer of Lyons from 1914 until 1924 and his work in that connection was highly commended. He is a member of the Wayne County Medical Society and his fraternal relations are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. The spirit of patriotism which animated his forebears is manifest in Dr. Simpson's career and he is a veteran of two wars. He saw active service in the Spanish-American war as a private of Company C, Ninth United States Infantry, and during the World war spent eighteen months overseas. For a time he was stationed in the Rheims sector and for six months was surgeon of the Three Hundred and First Ammunition Train. He was commissioned a lieutenant and was discharged from the service at Camp Dix in January, 1918, at which time he was holding the rank of Major. He is major in the Officers Reserve Corps, commanding the Six Hundred and Seventy-sixth Field Hospital Company. He is deputy commissioner of the Veterans Relief Commission and is connected with the Wayne County Bureau of war risk insurance. He is second chairman of the American Legion in Wayne county and the author of the history of the American Legion of Wayne county. He measures up to the highest standards of American manhood and citizenship and his ambition keeps him abreast with the trend of the times in the field of modern medical and surgical practice.

THOMAS LAMB McLEOD.

Among the many desirable citizens whom Canada has furnished to the United States is numbered Thomas Lamb McLeod, a highly efficient public accountant and a young man of proven worth, who has been a resident of Rochester for the past six years. He was born August 13, 1890, in the city of Montreal, which was also the birthplace of his parents, John A. and Arabella (Mather) McLeod, the latter of whom is deceased. The father won success as a building contractor and also became one of the prosperous agriculturists of his native province, in which he still resides.

In the acquirement of an education Thomas Lamb McLeod attended the public schools and the Mount Royal Business College of Montreal, after which he became associated with the firm of P. S. Ross & Sons, chartered accountants of that city, remaining with them for a period of three years. He then entered McGill University, in which he spent two years as a student, completing a course in commercial law, political economy and higher accountancy. On leaving that institution Mr. McLeod accepted the position of manager of the firm of A. W. Stevenson, chartered accountants of Montreal, and served in that capacity for three and one-half years, during which time he also acted as secretary-treasurer and director of the Guaranty Trust Company of Canada. He resigned these offices to become senior accountant for the firm of Marwick, Mitchell, Peat & Company of New York, certified public accountants, remaining with them for two years, when he entered the employ of Warner & McGrath, public accountants and auditors of that city, discharging the duties of supervising accountant for about a year and a half. Mr. McLeod was desirous of establishing his home in a smaller city, and being favorably impressed with conditions in Rochester, particularly its slogan—"Here Quality Dominates"—decided to locate in the city in 1918. He followed his profession in the employ of others until 1921, when he was joined by L. A. Rodger, with whom he has since been associated under the firm style of Rodger & McLeod, public accountants and auditors. Their offices are situated in the Lincoln-Alliance Bank building, No. 31 Exchange street. Both are professional accountants of broad experience and their work represents the highest degree of efficiency in the line in which they specialize.

On April 24, 1916, in Lachine, Quebec, Canada, Mr. McLeod was married to Miss Edna Wilson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Wilson of that place. She is a graduate of the Lachine high school and McDonald College. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod are the parents of a son, Stuart Wilson McLeod, who was born in Rochester, May 4,

1920. Mr. McLeod is a member of the Lions Club, and is also connected with the Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Ad Club, the local Automobile Club, and the Shrine Lunch Club. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and also belongs to the Mystic Shrine. Mr. McLeod is a member of the American Institute of Accountants, also the National Association of Cost Accountants, and his religious views are in harmony with the tenets of the Presbyterian church. He is highly esteemed in business circles of the city and has many friends, whose respect he has won and retained by reason of his industry, honesty and ability.

HOWARD VAN VOORHIS.

Prominent among the representatives of industrial activity in Rochester is Howard Van Voorhis, whose identification with the C. H. Rugg Company covers a period of twenty years, and proven ability has placed him with the executive officers of the firm. He was born in Victor, New York, August 10, 1878, a son of Lyman and Elizabeth (Field) Van Voorhis, the latter a native of Michigan. The father, who has passed away, was a lifelong resident of the Empire state and followed the occupation of farming as a means of livelihood. The mother is still living.

Howard Van Voorhis attended the grammar and high schools of Victor, New York, and also completed a course in the Rochester Business Institute. After his graduation he became a member of the clerical force of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and remained with that corporation for seven years. In 1904 he entered the employ of the C. H. Rugg Company, manufacturers of sash, doors and blinds, and from a minor position has risen steadily in its service, performing to the best of his ability each task assigned him. He is now acting as secretary, treasurer, general manager and principal stockholder of the company, which operates one of the largest plants in the city, and his labors have been a vital element in the growth and prosperity of the business, which claims his undivided attention.

In Rochester, on December 5, 1906, Mr. Van Voorhis was married to Miss Nellie A. Sike, a daughter of William Sike, a prominent resident of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Van Voorhis have become the parents of four children: Catherine Elizabeth, who was born in 1907 and is attending the East high school; Robert Field, born in 1909 and also a student in that school; William Howard, who was born in 1912 and is a grammar school pupil; and Richard Ward, who was born in 1919.

Mr. Van Voorhis is a Knights Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and the Rochester Automobile Club and in religious faith is a member of the East Side Presbyterian church. Mr. Van Voorhis stands high in business, social and fraternal circles of Rochester and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents. He resides at No. 201 Beresford road.

JAMES I. MORRALL.

James I. Morrall, founder and owner of the Morrall Studio in Rochester, owns and operates photographic studios in various large cities of the country and the high standard of work established by Morrall Studios is indicated by the professional prestige the name enjoys in Rochester, the photographic center of the world. He was born in Chicago, April 18, 1887, a son of Edward and Ellen (Barry) Morrall, the latter a native of Ireland, and the former born in Illinois. They had a family of five children: Charles, Edward, Emma, Caroline and James I.

James I. Morrall was reared in Chicago, attended the public schools and afterward spent two years as a student in the Kent College of Law. The profession of law did not appeal to him, and for a time he was engaged in other business pursuits. In 1912 he was the democratic nominee for alderman from the eighteenth ward in the city of Chicago, but was defeated at the polls. Shortly afterward he entered the employ of Matzene, Chicago's leading photographer, where he received valuable training, particularly as an operator. Subsequently Mr. Morrall was for some time engaged in special work, in the line of making photographs of prominent people throughout the country, and during that period he probably photographed more personages of note than any other man in the business. In 1916 he established a



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business of his own, selecting Rochester as the scene of his activities, since which time the wonderful success he has met with is one of the outstanding achievements in photographic studio circles of western New York. The parent studio is located in the Seneca Hotel, where also are the general headquarters of Mr. Morrall's various activities and from there he directs their operations. He has established Morrall Studios in Syracuse, Buffalo, Utica, Cleveland, Atlanta, Toronto, Canada, and other cities. In connection with these he maintains a large art department and his operations are conducted on an extensive scale. Mr. Morrall is sole owner of the business and its remarkable development reflects not only his vision and enterprise, but his business ability as well. He started in a modest way, utilizing at first the services of two assistants, but since then his employees have numbered as many as fifty. He has a highly specialized knowledge of the business, to which he has devoted much thought and study, and was one of the pioneers in the development of artificial light for the use of the camera. Morrall Studios, wherever located, specialize in work of a character that appeals to the class of patrons who want the best. Among his other business interests, Mr. Morrall is president and treasurer of the Morrall Realty Company of Rochester.

On February 12, 1913, Mr. Morrall was married to Miss Pearl Eller of Traverse City, Michigan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Eller, prominent residents of that city. Mr. Morrall has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry and is a Shriner and also an Elk. He belongs to the National Association of Photographers, and to the Rochester Athletic Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Morrall is an excellent example of the enterprising and up-to-date business man, with a native genius for organization. He has achieved a most creditable success and is accorded a position among the city's strong, capable business men.

GEORGE WALKER WATSON.

George Walker Watson, an able and successful attorney of Batavia, where he has followed his profession for more than a quarter of a century, has been a lifelong resident of the city. He was born on the 9th of November, 1872, his parents being William C. and Jeannette (Walker) Watson. The father, long a successful representative of the legal profession in Batavia, passed away in 1911. A sketch of his life will be found elsewhere in this publication.

George Walker Watson attended the public schools of his native city until he had completed the high school course by graduation in 1891. He then began the study of law in his father's office and also read in the office of the firm of LeSeur & Lent, while subsequently he matriculated in the Buffalo Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1898. Admitted to the bar in June of that year, he entered upon practice in association with his brother, William Henry Watson, and following the death of the latter, in 1904, he formed a partnership with his father, under the firm name of Watson & Watson. Since the demise of his father in 1911, George W. Watson has been alone in law practice, maintaining his office at No. 53 Main street, in Batavia. He is one of the largest owners of real estate in Batavia, including the widely known Hotel Richmond, which is operated under his direction.

On the 20th of November, 1913, Mr. Watson was united in marriage to Miss Anna McCormick, a native of Alabama, Genesee county, New York, and their attractive and interesting colonial residence is at No. 4 Mix place in Batavia, it formerly being the Ebenezer Mix homestead, erected by him in 1809. A public-spirited, progressive and influential citizen, Mr. Watson was chosen president of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce for the year 1923. He likewise belongs to the Holland Club, the Batavia Club, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Stafford Country Club and other organizations.

ALVIN HIRAM DEWEY.

Alvin Hiram Dewey, widely recognized as one of Rochester's foremost citizens, is active in the control of an important public utility as president and general manager of the Rochester & Lake Ontario Water Company and is likewise officially identified with a number of other corporate interests. He was born in La Fargeville, Jefferson county, New York, on the 5th of August, 1859, his parents being Hiram and Delia

(Sylvester) Dewey. In the acquirement of an education he attended the schools of Watertown, this state. The success which has attended his well directed efforts and rewarded his ability is indicated by his present position as president of a public utility corporation of Rochester and as an officer in leading business enterprises of the city. He is a director of the Upton Cold Storage Company, secretary and treasurer of the Victor Plaster Company, Incorporated, and vice president and managing director of the Genesee Mining Company, Limited, of Cobalt, Ontario. Thus he is demonstrating his capability in positions of administrative direction and executive control, and Rochester accords him merited recognition as a representative and prominent citizen.

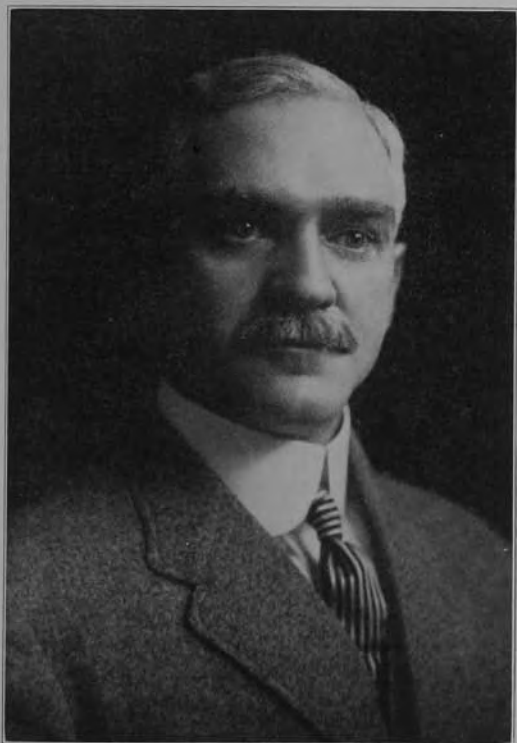
On the 28th of January, 1886, Mr. Dewey was united in marriage to Miss Grace Townley of Watertown, New York, and they are the parents of two children: Elliott Townley and Hugh Sylvester. Mr. Dewey is a consistent member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, while fraternally he is identified with the Red Men of America, belonging to Wahoo Tribe, and the Elks. His name is also on the membership rolls of the Rochester Club, the Rochester Ad Club, the Old Colony Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester and the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Mr. Dewey is a fellow of the Rochester Academy of Science and president of Lewis H. Morgan Chapter of the New York State Archeological Association, and president of the New York State Archeological Association. In 1918 he received the Cornplanter Medal for original research work, which was awarded by the Cayuga County Historical Society and which was an honor greatly sought by students of archeology. When Major Van Zandt created a Municipal Museum Commission in March, 1925, he appointed Mr. Dewey president. Mr. Dewey is also a member of upwards of ten state and national scientific associations.

Mr. Dewey rendered valuable service to the municipality as representative of the twelfth ward in the common council from 1892 until 1898, acting as president during the years 1896 and 1897. In the fall of the latter year he was the republican candidate for member of the executive board, but the entire city ticket was defeated. During his term in the common council he served on many important committees and participated actively in the promotion of all measures looking toward the city's best interests. Under his direction all of the city ordinances were revised, reintroduced and adopted. In his capacity as chairman of the committee on electric light Mr. Dewey was responsible for the change in the old system of "arc light" to the then modern system of "incandescent arc light". He is a member of the United States Chamber of Commerce and of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, in which for two years during the period of the World war he acted as chairman of the committee on military affairs. His foremost interest is the welfare and upbuilding of the city and the direction of activities into those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number. His cooperation has therefore been given along many lines of activity for the city's benefit and his strong purpose, his energy and his zeal in public affairs have been far-reaching and resultant.

JOHN M. QUIRK, M. D.

In Dr. John M. Quirk, Schuyler county, New York, has recognized a natural leader and in consequence the Doctor, who practices in Watkins, has been made chairman or trustee of so many different organizations or institutions that it would dismay almost any other man. But the Doctor has found time to administer these trusts and likewise carry on a large private practice, and in so doing has endeared himself to that section of New York where ability and service to the community are held in exceptionally high regard. Dr. Quirk is the son of Charles and Mary (Murphy) Quirk, his father having come from Canada after going to the far west in the early days, and settling in Genesee. About the time of the Civil war Charles Quirk was a carpenter and builder. Dr. Quirk's mother was a native of Ireland but came here when only eleven years of age. Her family moved from Boston to Livingston county.

Born in Genesee, Livingston county, New York, John M. Quirk attended Genesee Normal School and Syracuse University Medical College, receiving his M. D. degree in 1894. He later studied at the New York Post Graduate School and the Chicago Post Graduate School. He first practiced in Montour Falls, New York, but came to Watkins in 1915, where he has since resided. Dr. Quirk served for twenty-one years on the board of education of Montour Falls. He also was a trustee of the village, and is now serving his third term as a trustee of the village of Watkins. He is a



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trustee of Cook Academy, Southern Tier Association for the Blind and the Willard State Hospital in Willard, New York, having held this post for ten years. He is an ex-president of the Schuyler County Medical Board and a member of Elmira Academy of Medicine. He belongs to the New York State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and the Association of Industrial Surgeons of New York State, as well as the Pennsylvania Railroad Surgeons Association. He was president of Keuka Lake Medical and Surgical Association in 1922, and president of the sixth district branch of the New York State Medical Society, 1921-1923. He also belongs to the Health Officers Association of New York. The Rotary Club and the Masonic body count him among their members. In politics, too, he has been active as state democratic committeeman for Schuyler county for twelve years and chairman of the democratic county committee for ten years.

On July 3, 1889, Dr. Quirk was married to Athelia Clawson of Montour Falls, the daughter of Dr. C. D. Clawson. Dr. and Mrs. Quirk have one son: Charles E. Quirk, who is on a farm on account of ill health. He was born March 17, 1892, and attended the Watkins schools, Starkey Seminary and Syracuse University. He married Ella Bowldy of Montour Falls, and they have four children, Frances Robert, born April 12, 1918; Mary Elizabeth, born January 6, 1920; Margaret Athelia, born December 16, 1922, and John Maurice (II), born September 12, 1924.

CALEDONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In March, 1873, a meeting of the women of Caledonia was held at the Brick Hotel for the purpose of organizing a public library. An association was formed of eighteen members, to which the name of the Ladies' Circulating Library Society of Caledonia was given. Each member contributed five dollars and one hundred and twenty-six dollars was appropriated from a fund which had been started to build a town hall. One hundred and sixty-three books were purchased and the library was opened in May, 1873, in a store, with Miss Christine Cameron acting as librarian. One year later it was moved to a private house and in 1875 moved to the post office, where it remained until 1883. In 1877 a charter was granted to the association. During the next five years the library was housed in various quarters, finally being placed in the town building. During these years Mrs. Adelaide McKay was librarian. In 1895 Miss Anna B. Mullin became librarian, a position which she holds at this writing—1924. In the fall of 1909 it was decided that more commodious quarters must be secured to meet the ever-increasing demand upon the library, which now had added a free reading room to its privileges. A property known as the Blakeslee home—a picturesque old stone building, one of the landmarks of Caledonia, erected by Gad Blakeslee in 1828, was at this time offered for sale. A bid of two thousand, two hundred dollars was placed by the library, which was accepted, and though the treasury was low, by the untiring efforts of the members and the interest and generosity of friends and the public the needed amount was secured, and in October, 1910, the new rooms were opened to the public and the library installed in its permanent home and it is now known as the Caledonia Library.

REV. DAVID LINCOLN FERRIS, D. D., L. H. D.

Rev. David Lincoln Ferris, D. D., L. H. D., bishop coadjutor of the diocese of western New York of the Protestant Episcopal church, is a native New Yorker, a fact of which he never has ceased to be proud, and has been a continuous resident of this state with the exception of a short period when his labors as a clergyman took him over into Connecticut and later when he was for a time stationed in Pittsburgh. He was born at Peekskill, Westchester county, New York, December 31, 1864, and is a son of James Augustus and Catherine Sophia (Clark) Ferris.

Reared in Peekskill, David Lincoln Ferris prepared for college at the Peekskill Military Academy and entered Hobart College, Geneva, New York. He was graduated in 1888 and later was elected to the honorary fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa. Pursuing his studies after receiving his Bachelor's degree, Bishop Ferris was awarded his Master's degree and upon completion of the course in his theological studies, the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. For distinguished service to the church he was awarded in 1920 the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Hobart College and in 1921

was further honored by being made the recipient of the honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity from Berkeley Divinity School and Doctor of Letters from St. Stephen's College.

In 1893, in St. Paul's, Syracuse, Bishop Ferris was ordained to the Diaconate of the Episcopal church and in the following year was advanced to the priesthood. His first parishes were St. Matthew's, Horseheads, in Chemung county, this state, and St. John's, Big Flats. For four years he served as senior curate of St. John's, Stamford, Connecticut. In 1900 he became the associate rector of Calvary church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1912 he accepted the call to Christ Church, Rochester, and was its rector for nine years. Since 1912 his residence has been in that city. In the year 1920 he was consecrated bishop suffragan of the diocese of western New York, and in 1924 was elected and instituted as the bishop coadjutor. For many years Bishop Ferris has been a student of Freemasonry and an ardent advocate of its principles and practices. He is a member of all the bodies and has had conferred upon him the highest Masonic honor in his election to the honorary thirty-third degree of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. In addition to his honorary membership in Phi Beta Kappa he also is a member of the national college fraternity, Theta Delta Chi. In his political affiliation Bishop Ferris has ever held to the tenets of the republican party and takes a good citizen's interest in all movements having to do with the advancement of the general civic interests.

On October 24, 1893, in Norwalk, Connecticut, Bishop Ferris was married to Miss Mary Eversley Stuart, daughter of Edward William and Mary Elizabeth (Ben-nett) Stuart, who has ever been a useful and sympathetic helpmate to him in his parochial labors. Bishop and Mrs. Ferris have a son: Eversley Stuart Ferris, who was graduated from Hobart College in 1923, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and for excellence of scholarship was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa society. Eversley Stuart Ferris is now a student in the General Theological Seminary, New York, intending to follow his father's profession.

JAMES J. CARMICHAEL.

Business development and activity in Rochester have received strong impetus from the enterprising spirit and well-directed efforts of James J. Carmichael, who ranks with the foremost realtors of the city and owes his success to a highly specialized knowledge of the business in which he is engaged. He was born in Caledonia, Livingston county, New York, September 9, 1884, a son of James J. and Jean Isabel (McIntyre) Carmichael, the former also a native of that county. The mother was born in Argyle, Scotland, and was a child of four when her parents came to this country. She attended one of the district schools of Livingston county and while residing in that locality met and was married to James J. Carmichael, a prosperous agriculturist. He was born in 1823 and passed away in 1903, at the age of seventy-nine, while her demise occurred six years later. The paternal great-grandfather was also a native of Scotland and migrated to the United States in his youth. He lived for a time in Johnstown, New York, and subsequently came to the Genesee valley, becoming owner of a well improved farm in Livingston county. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Carmichael, namely: Ira J. of Batavia, New York; Peter R., a resident of Caledonia; W. George, whose home is in Buffalo; James J., of this review and Daniel D. of Le Roy, this state.

James J. Carmichael obtained his elementary education in Le Roy and completed his education in Cornell University, from which he was graduated with the class of 1908. Since entering the business world he has been connected with real estate operations, first going to Buffalo, New York, and thence to Toronto, Canada. He now has one of the large agencies in Rochester and has negotiated many important realty transfers, displaying notable foresight and keen sagacity in the conduct of his affairs. He is an expert valuator and is therefore able to direct the investments of his clients, who have profited by his sound advice. He has been called to the presidency of the Rochester Real Estate Board and is now serving as vice president of the state board.

In Geneseo, New York, on December 15, 1908, Mr. Carmichael was married to Miss Mabel D. Sleggs, a daughter of George T. Sleggs. Mr. and Mrs. Carmichael have become the parents of four children: James J., Jr., who was born in November, 1909; Ruth O., born in 1915; George S., born in 1916; and Jean, born in 1921. All are natives of Rochester. Mr. Carmichael is a Knights Templar Mason and a Shriner.

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He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, the Cornell Club of Rochester, the Rochester Club, the Ad Club and the Kiwanis Club and has served as president of the last named organization. The sterling qualities of his Scotch ancestors are manifest in his character and his labors have been of much benefit to his city, as well as a source of individual prosperity. Mr. Carmichael's residence is at No. 1211 Kisligbury street.

JAMES GARRETT COMERFORD.

While many owe their success to intense concentration upon one single line of effort, yet among the real leaders of business affairs there often appears a man so endowed by nature that he is able to direct simultaneously a variety of important undertakings. James Garrett Comerford achieved this distinction, for in every direction in which his inclination led him success crowned his labors, and in business circles of Rochester his name was synonymous with enterprise and probity. His activities have been of a constructive character, guided into those channels which have for their object public improvement and the advancement of the general welfare, and his life was a beneficial force for good. Rochester is proud to claim Mr. Comerford as one of her native sons. He was born January 9, 1853, of the marriage of William G. Comerford and Bridget Fahy, both of whom were natives of Ireland. They were married in this country, having come to the United States in their youth, arriving in Rochester, New York, in the late '40s. A few years later they removed to Buffalo, where William G. Comerford embarked in the retail meat business, and was thus engaged until the outbreak of the Civil war. He offered his services to the Union and while in Louisiana contracted yellow fever, from which he never recovered, passing away in a New Orleans hospital. His remains were interred in a cemetery at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The mother died in Rochester when a young woman of twenty-five years.

Their only son, James Garrett Comerford, attended the Christian Brothers College in Rochester until he reached the age of twelve and was then obliged to earn his own livelihood, learning the meat business. When a youth of fifteen he went to Omaha, Nebraska, where he spent a year and a half, working at that occupation, and then started for the southwest, locating in one of the small towns of Texas. There he opened a meat market and soon afterward acquired a cattle ranch, on which he slaughtered beeves for his trade, selling in large quantities to the railroad camps in that vicinity. Having decided to return to Rochester, Mr. Comerford placed his business affairs in order, and upon his return to Rochester he became connected with the Fahy Meat Market, acquiring control of the business, which was incorporated in 1908, and from that time until his death on April 8, 1925, he was its president. During the intervening period the business has grown steadily and is now the largest of the kind in this section of the state. Mr. Comerford showed his faith in Rochester's future by investing heavily in real estate and was the owner of some of the most valuable property in the heart of the business district. He possesses the unusual power of scattering his energies without lessening their force, and was president of the Sagamore Apartment Hotel, and president and a director of the Reserve Bond & Mortgage Company. He displayed marked executive force in the management of his various interests and his physical and mental energy were so happily poised as to enable him to turn readily and rapidly from one subject to another without any sense of confusion. Long before those of less foresight discerned the approach of an emergency it had become apparent to him, and its arrival found him already prepared to deal with it.

On September 21, 1888, Mr. Comerford was married in Rochester to Miss Mary Elizabeth Agnes Twaig, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Twaig, and death terminated their union in 1909. Mrs. Comerford was the mother of five children, three of whom survive: James G. Comerford, Jr., acts as manager for the Fahy Market Company and has inherited much of his father's business acumen and ability. He is married and has three children, James Garrett, (II), and Margaret Claire and Mary Jean; Alice Claire became the wife of George T. Sullivan of Rochester, and they also have a family of three children, James T., Mary Virginia and Elizabeth; Mary Elizabeth is unmarried and resides at home. In 1915 Mr. Comerford was married to Mary Louise Madden, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Madden of Rochester.

Mr. Comerford was a Roman Catholic in religious faith and had taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus. He enlisted his talents as readily for the

public weal as for his own aggrandizement and was a director of the Community Chest and an influential member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He also belonged to the Rochester Historical Society, the Archaeological Society, the Memorial Art Gallery, the Rochester Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Rochester Yacht Club. He possessed in a marked degree keen business foresight and a broad grasp of affairs and had a career of unusual activity and notable success. He was one of the forceful and resourceful figures in the business circles of Rochester and stood as a high type of the American citizen, with that steadfastness of purpose which enabled him to accomplish his object in the upbuilding of individual fortune and in the support of interests of vital worth to the community. During the last ten years of his life Mr. Comerford lived at No. 779 East avenue.

CLARENCE H. GREFF.

Active in the local affairs of his community, and deeply interested in every movement that promises to better conditions for the people among whom he lives, a sound and thoroughly grounded lawyer, with the highest ideals in the practice of his profession, Clarence H. Greff, attorney of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, was the logical choice of the people for the responsible position of district attorney of Wyoming county, which office he now satisfactorily fills. He was born in Bennington, New York, November 30, 1873, the son of Philip and Mary (Zehler) Greff, who were residents of the town. Philip Greff was a farmer who passed most of his life in that section of New York state. His father, John Greff, came to the United States about 1840 from the Duchy of Luxembourg, Germany, and remained here until his death.

Clarence H. Greff received his early education in the grade and high schools of Attica, New York. Upon graduating from the high school in 1891 he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar in October, 1895. After that Mr. Greff became associated with John L. Woodworth and remained a member of the law firm of Woodworth & Greff until January 1, 1918, since which time he has been engaged in the general practice of law alone. Mr. Greff is a member of Wyoming County and New York State Bar Associations, was a delegate to the constitutional convention of 1915, representing the forty-fourth senatorial district, comprising the counties of Genesee, Allegany and Wyoming, was elected district attorney in 1921, for a term of three years, and was reelected in 1924. He has also held the following local offices: Trustee of Warsaw, 1913-1916; president of Warsaw, 1917; corporation counsel, 1918-1925.

Mr. Greff was married, in New York city, on March 18, 1914, to Blanche English of Cleveland, Ohio. He is a member of Warsaw Lodge No. 549, F. & A. M.; Wyoming Chapter No. 181, R. A. M.; Batavia Commandery, No. 34, K. T.; and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Rochester. Locally he is a member of the Kiwanis Club. He takes a keen interest in politics as an active member of the republican party, and in his religious convictions is an attendant at the Congregational church and a helper in its activities.

HON. BENJAMIN BROOKS CUNNINGHAM.

Hon. Benjamin Brooks Cunningham, supreme court justice, entered upon the active practice of law in Rochester over thirty years ago, and prior to entering upon his career as a jurist, on January 1, 1920, this city had been the scene of his professional activities. He was born in Rochester, April 1, 1874, a son of Michael and Mary (Hanlon) Cunningham, both of whom were natives of Jefferson county, New York, and after their marriage came to Rochester to reside. Michael Cunningham was engaged in mercantile pursuits during the greater part of his business life, and his death occurred in this city. His widow survived him until February 17, 1925, when she had attained the advanced age of eighty-five years.

Reared in Rochester, Benjamin Brooks Cunningham attended the public schools and later the Rochester Free Academy, from which he was graduated at the age of eighteen. He began his preparation for the law, in the office of Butler Crittenden, and in 1895 was admitted to the bar, at once applying himself vigorously to the practice of his profession. Four years later he was made clerk in the office of the



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corporation counsel, subsequently becoming the incumbent of that office, which he ably filled for a number of years and resigned when elected to the supreme court bench in the fall of 1919.

Justice Cunningham is an ex-president of the Rochester Bar Association, and a member of the American Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. He also belongs to the Genesee Valley Club and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and is a third degree Knight of Columbus.

Mr. Cunningham was married on June 28, 1911, in Buffalo, to Miss Elonore MacKearnin, a daughter of the Rev. William and Harriet MacKearnin of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham have two sons and two daughters; Benjamin B. Cunningham, Jr., Elonore Jane, Betty Ann and Roderick M. The Cunningham residence is at No. 1330 Park avenue.

JOE E. SWOPE.

There are very few men connected with the automobile trade in Rochester today whose identification with the motor car industry dates back as far as that of Joe E. Swope, manager of L Motors, Incorporated, Rochester's exclusive Lincoln dealer. Mr. Swope came to Rochester seventeen years ago, and ever since then has had a prominent connection with the automobile business in this city. He was born in Georgetown, Brown county, Ohio, on the 12th day of January, 1887, a son of Milton G. and Lotta LaFavor (Chapman) Swope, and received his early education in that city. Later he attended high school in Dayton, Ohio, where he really began his business career. For two and a half years he was employed as cashier by the Dayton News, and after severing his connection with that newspaper became stock clerk in the Stoddard-Dayton automobile plant in that city. He was soon promoted to the position of stockkeeper, and later was transferred to the assembling and test departments.

On September 18, 1908, Mr. Swope was assigned to the Stoddard-Dayton agency in Rochester, first acting as stockkeeper, and was later connected with the service department, remaining in that connection until 1910. In that year he entered the employ of the Mabbett-Bettys Motor Car Company, with which he was connected for several years, later becoming secretary of that company.

In December, 1920, he was one of the organizers of the Swope-Stanley Motors, Incorporated, of which he was elected president, and in 1924, when the Lincoln distribution was segregated in this city and taken over by the L Motors, Incorporated, Mr. Swope resigned as president of Swope-Stanley Motors, Incorporated, to become manager of that corporation. He has had long experience in both the mechanical and executive branches of the business and enjoys a wide acquaintanceship among the automobile buying public in the Rochester territory.

On December 1, 1910, Mr. Swope was married to Miss Clara Belle Craver of this city, and they have a son and a daughter: Joe E., Jr., who was born May 11, 1917; and June Claire, born December 19, 1921. Mr. Swope is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, the Ad Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the Automobile Club of Rochester. He is an excellent type of the enterprising and progressive business man, holding to high ideals, and one whose straightforward practices have carried him to a most creditable position among Rochester's representative business men. Mr. Swope's residence is at No. 429 Melville street.

HOLDEN T. MILLER.

Holden T. Miller, one of the influential and highly respected citizens of Batavia, has during the past forty-six years been continuously identified in an official capacity with the Bank of Batavia, of which institution he has served as president since July, 1917. He was born in Byron, Genesee county, New York, on the 1st of February, 1841, his parents being Wheaton S. and Emmerette (Southworth) Miller. His paternal grandfather, Elisha Miller, was the first representative of the family in the Genesee country, arriving about the year 1809 and here spending the remainder of his life. Wheaton S. Miller, the father of Mr. Miller of this review, was a lifelong resident of Byron, New York, who engaged successfully in agricultural pursuits and also dealt in produce.

Holden T. Miller supplemented his grammar and high school education by a course of study in the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary. He then turned his attention to the mercantile business in Byron, to which he devoted his energies for about five years, on the expiration of which period he became a member of the firm of J. T. Boynton & Company, produce dealers. After twenty-one years of identification with this concern he disposed of his interest therein.

It was in the year 1879 that Mr. Miller became a factor in financial affairs as cashier of the Bank of Batavia, with which institution he has been continuously connected to the present time, and of which he has been at the head as its president since July, 1917. The bank has made remarkable progress during the period of his association therewith, for its deposits have increased from two hundred thousand dollars to more than four million dollars. The present officers of the Bank of Batavia, which was incorporated in 1876, are: Holden T. Miller, president; Herbert T. Booth, vice president; Everett R. Tomlinson, cashier; George W. Wynn, Wheaton S. Miller and Frank M. Neaverth, assistant cashiers; and Arthur G. Hough, Newell K. Cone, Daniel W. Tomlinson, Everett R. Tomlinson, Herbert T. Booth and Holden T. Miller, directors. Mr. Miller is also president of the Genesee County Abstract Company.

On the 27th of December, 1863, in Byron, New York, Mr. Miller was married to Miss Cecelia G. Wiggins of that place. Their only living child is Wheaton S., who is assistant cashier of the Bank of Batavia. He married Lucille Briggs of Elma, New York, and their two children are: Charlotte B., a student in Wellesley College; and Cecelia G., who is attending Wheelock School in Boston. Mr. Miller is widely recognized as a citizen whose aid and cooperation are ever found on the side of right, progress and improvement. At all times he has manifested a helpful interest in civic affairs and his efforts have been beneficially exerted in behalf of the general welfare. He has remained a resident of Genesee county from his birth to the present time and enjoys high standing as a leading banker and esteemed citizen of his community.

WILLARD JAY SMITH.

Willard Jay Smith, president of the Willard J. Smith Company, Incorporated, is one of the best known men in investment security circles of Rochester. He was born in Scottsville, New York, March 17, 1879, a son of Elmer Jerome and Angelina (Wood) Smith, who were of Scottish lineage and New England stock and from an ancestry that includes several of the pioneer families of this portion of the state, among them being the Stone family, Nye family and Holland family. Israel and Simon Stone were the first settlers in 1789 of what is now the town of Pittsford, and with Seth Dodge owned nearly the entire town, or at least thirteen thousand three hundred acres of it, for which they paid eighteen pence per acre. The lands of this region increased in value so rapidly that Phelps & Gorham, from whom the land had been purchased, sought to regain this tract, and they agreed with the Stones and Dodge to give them one-half of the tract without further payment if the latter would relinquish their claim to the other half. This was done, and by it the Stones and Dodge became the absolute owners of nearly one-half of the town for the merely nominal consideration of about thirty dollars, which had been paid for the article of agreement. Simon Stone's log house stood a short distance south of Pittsford village, while the house of his brother, Israel, stood on a site near a spring in the village. Captain Silas Nye, a soldier of the Revolutionary war, who fought at Bunker Hill, was the great-great-grandfather of Willard Jay Smith and migrated from Connecticut to what is now the town of Pittsford soon after 1791. At the first town meeting in 1796 he was chosen the first supervisor of that town. The great-grandfather of Captain Silas Nye was Benjamin Nye, who was born in England in 1620 and was the American progenitor of the family. Sarah Nye, daughter of Captain Silas Nye, married Robert Holland, who moved from Massachusetts to western New York in 1790, settling in Pittsford. Their son, Simon Stone Holland, was the father of Louisa Holland, who married David Nelson Smith, the father of Elmer Jerome Smith, father of Willard Jay Smith.

In the paternal line the ancestry is traced to John Smith, who was the American progenitor of the family. He was a native of Scotland and arrived in Monroe county, New York, about 1800. He was a surveyor and marked out the boundaries of Wheatland and Caledonia, in Livingston county. Among his children was a son, Robert Smith, who settled in Scottsville, and his son, David Nelson Smith, was the father of Elmer Jerome Smith. The latter was educated in Lima Seminary, Rochester University and the New York State Normal School at Genesee, and has resided either in

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Rochester or vicinity during practically his entire life. He was a successful educator, following that profession for many years, but is now living retired. His wife, who was Angelina Wood, died in 1892. Her father, William Wood, settled in western New York about 1830 and became one of the leading orchardists of Orleans county.

Willard Jay Smith received his education in the high schools of Lockport, New York, and the State Normal and Training School at Brockport. He began his business career as a clerk for a wholesale leather company and later was transferred to the sales force. He remained with that house for thirteen years and in 1910 sought a new field of activity, becoming a salesman for an investment concern. Here he found a line of work that was very congenial, and seven years later established a business of his own, organizing the Willard J. Smith Company, which has been incorporated. He is president of the firm, which handles high-grade investment securities, and the conservative methods and thorough reliability of the house rank it with the foremost institutions of its character in Rochester.

On January 15, 1907, Willard J. Smith was married to Miss Grace Edith Smith, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Smith, well known residents of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith have four children, all born in Rochester: Karl Jerome, Donald Clarence, Willard Clark and Barbara C. Civic affairs receive a large share of Mr. Smith's attention and he is particularly interested in child welfare activities, serving as chairman of the committee appointed to ascertain the causes of juvenile delinquency here. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and was one of the organizers of the Rotary Club of Rochester, of which he is an ex-president. He is a former vice president of the Washington Club, a vice president and director of the Shrine Club and a member of the finance committee of the Monroe Golf Club. He belongs to the Tuscorora Club of Lockport, New York, the United Commercial Travelers, is likewise connected with the Society of the Genesee, and along fraternal lines is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Masons, being a past master of Warren C. Hubbard Lodge, No. 964, F. & A. M. His advancement is not due to any fortunate combination of circumstances, but is the logical result of industry, intelligently directed. He is always in the van of every movement looking toward the accomplishment of real and practical good and is ever ready to meet each obligation of life with the confidence and courage which result from conscious personal ability, the right conception of things, and an habitual regard for what is best in the exercise of human activities. Mr. Smith has a wide acquaintance among financial men and investors throughout this section of the state and values highly the confidence of probably as high-class a clientele as is enjoyed by any investment security house in Rochester. His residence is at No. 10 Trafalgar street.

MEYER RAPP.

Meyer Rapp, one of Rochester's foreign-born citizens, has made his own way in the world from an early age, and the qualities of industry, thrift and perseverance have brought him to the fore in business circles of his community as a cleaner and dyer. His natal day was July 22, 1858, and his parents were Liebman and Rose (Rothchild) Rapp, the former a merchant.

Meyer Rapp attended the public schools of his native land and there learned the tailor's trade. In 1881, when a young man of twenty-three, he followed the tide of immigration to the United States, choosing Rochester as his future home, and time has proven the wisdom of his decision. He found work at his trade and at the end of three years had accumulated sufficient capital to establish a business of his own as a merchant tailor. The high quality of his work soon drew to him a desirable patronage and for thirty years he engaged in that business, with ever-increasing success. In 1914 he withdrew from the trade and directed his energies into another channel, opening a cleaning and dyeing establishment. He has been equally successful in this field and now utilizes about sixty employees in the conduct of his business, which is operated under the name of Rapp's, Incorporated, being a close corporation. Knowing that satisfactory work is the best advertisement, Mr. Rapp gives to his customers service of high quality and his business methods are such as commend him to the confidence and support of the public.

In Rochester, on June 4, 1895, Mr. Rapp was married to Miss Jeannette Weinstein, who was a daughter of Perez Weinstein. Mrs. Rapp passed away on November 6, 1923. Nine children were born to them, five sons and four daughters, namely: Raymond, Perry and Franklin, all of whom are associated with their father in

business; Lester; Milton, a student in a medical college of Buffalo, New York; Mrs. O. H. Paddison, who lives in Norfolk, Virginia, and has three sons, Howard, Richard and Robert; Mrs. Bessie Saeger of Rochester; Helen, a teacher in the public schools of the city; and Florence, also of Rochester. During the World war Mrs. Paddison was a nurse in the service of the United States government and while stationed at Manila, in the Philippines, met her future husband, who is now a member of the shipping board. Her brothers, Perry and Franklin, served their country during the conflict with Germany, the former being assigned to the Quartermaster department of the army. The latter joined the Signal Corps and was sent to the front, spending thirteen months overseas.

Mr. Rapp is president of Seneca Lodge, F. H. I. S., member of the Free Sons of Israel and also belongs to Humboldt Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to the Knights of The Maccabees, and to the Independent Order of Foresters Court, Rochester. For forty-three years he has been a resident of Rochester, where he has a wide acquaintance, and his loyalty and public spirit, his business integrity and ability have earned for him the respect, admiration and esteem of his fellow citizens. His residence is at No. 1573 East Main street.

HENRY ADAM FEY.

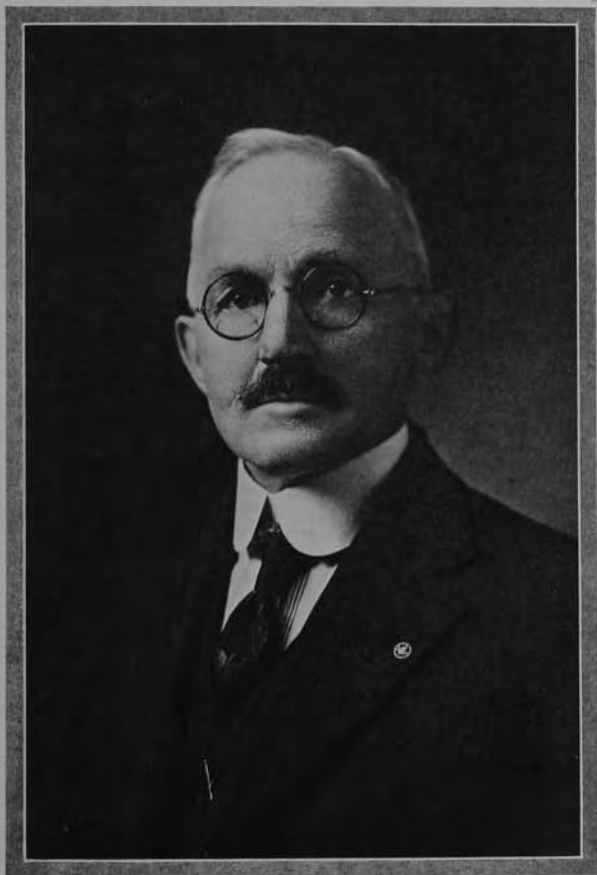
The life record of Henry Adam Fey is paralleled by that of many another successful business man, but the history of the self-made individual never fails to arouse interest and serves as a stimulus to ambition and energy on the part of others who must depend upon their own exertions for advancement. Mr. Fey came to the United States with a capital of one hundred dollars and in a land where opportunity is unhampered by caste or class has worked his way upward through the exercise of the qualities of self-denial, industry and perseverance until he now ranks with Elmira's leading business men. He is a native of Germany, and was born in 1863. His parents, George and Martha (Burghardt) Fey, were lifelong residents of the fatherland. They were members of the Reformed church and the father was engaged in the grocery business. They had a family of four children, three of whom are living.

The public schools of Germany afforded Henry Adam Fey his educational opportunities and he afterward served an apprenticeship to the harness maker's trade. When a youth of eighteen he responded to the call of adventure and crossed the Atlantic in company with his brother Adam, who is a cabinetmaker and resides in Rochester, New York. Henry A. Fey arrived in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1881 and remained in that city for three years, following the trade of harness-maker. He had a hard struggle at first, receiving but twenty-five cents per week and board for his services. He located in Rochester, this state, in 1884 and entered the employ of Henry S. Hebard, engaged in the marble and tile business. Mr. Fey remained with him for three years, mastering the details of that occupation during this period, and next went to Hornell, New York. He spent three years in that place, working as tile setter for E. N. Alden, and then returned to Rochester. For some time he acted as foreman for the J. C. Barry Company and in 1901 severed his connection with that firm, entering the monument and tile business in association with W. W. Babcock of Hornell. In 1904 he purchased the interest of his partner and continued the business alone for a year. He then came to Elmira, where he has since resided. In association with F. M. Wixson and Harry N. Forbes, he formed the Interior Marble & Tile Company and this relationship was continued until the death of Mr. Wixson in 1912. Six years later Mr. Forbes sold his stock to Mr. Fey, who has since conducted the business under his own name. He takes contracts for interior marble and tile work and store fronts, and also does slate work of all kinds. He is a master craftsman and does most of the work of this character in the city and surrounding towns within a radius of one hundred and fifty miles.

On October 28, 1887, Mr. Fey was married to Miss Elizabeth Walter, a native of Hornell, New York, and they have become the parents of five children: Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Falck of Elmira; Walter A., who assists his father in business; Hazel R., a professional nurse; and Carl H. and Edward C., who are also associated in business with their father. Carl H. Fey enlisted in the Marines when eighteen years of age and became a member of the band. He was stationed for six months on Parris Island and his company was ready for overseas service when the armistice was signed.

Mr. Fey is a member of the First Presbyterian church of Elmira and serves

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as one of its trustees. He also takes a keen interest in the Sunday school and is a member of the John A. Robinson class. He is prominent in fraternal affairs and has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry, belonging to Corning Consistory of the Scottish Rite. He is a past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias and a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He belongs to the Elks Club, is also a Rotarian, and gives his political support to the republican party. Mr. Fey is in sympathy with every movement that adds to the life and vigor, the improvement and welfare of his community and enjoys in full measure the confidence, respect and goodwill of his fellow citizens.

REV. WILLIAM THOMAS WILBER.

Rev. William Thomas Wilber, a representative of the priesthood in western New York during the past four decades, has filled the pastorate of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Batavia since 1904. He was born in Lockport, Niagara county, New York, in 1857, the son of Joshua and Mary (Hickey) Wilber. He obtained a high school education in his native city and prepared for his holy calling in the Seminary of Our Lady of Angels (Niagara University). Following his ordination on the 30th of May, 1885, he was made assistant to the Right Rev. Nelson H. Baker in the church of Our Lady of Victory at Lackawanna, New York, while during the two succeeding years he served as assistant to Father Thomas P. Brougham in Batavia. Thereafter he filled successive pastorates in Dayton, Cattaraugus, Gowanda, Attica and Perry, New York, and in 1904, as above stated, succeeded Father Brougham as pastor of St. Joseph's church in Batavia, where he has remained to the present time. His zealous efforts have constituted a strong moving force for moral progress in the community. His desire to uplift mankind has found expression in organized and systematic endeavor and under his able guidance the influence of the church has constantly broadened, while his devotion to his work has won for him the esteem and cooperation of his parishioners.

Father Wilber was formerly active in the affairs of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which he served as state chaplain, and has been chaplain for the Knights of Columbus, to which fraternity he also belongs. His career has been one of effective and consecrated service for the Master.

JOHN L. WOODWORTH.

A member of one of the oldest families in Wyoming county, New York, and himself a lifelong resident of the county, John L. Woodworth of the law firm of Woodworth & Brown, in which he is a partner, with offices in Warsaw, is one of the oldest members of the legal profession in the village and county, with a general practice that keeps the partners fully occupied. He was born on March 31, 1859, in Java, Wyoming county, the son of John W. and Philena (Nash) Woodworth. The father was a farmer who passed his entire life in Wyoming county. The grandfather, Charles Woodworth, settled in Wyoming county in 1816, coming from Wells, Vermont, and the Woodworth family has been resident in the county ever since. Mr. Woodworth's great-grandfather was Roswell Woodworth, a Revolutionary soldier, who died in Vermont in 1812.

John L. Woodworth acquired his education in the public schools of Wyoming county, at Pike Seminary, and at the East Aurora Academy. He then took up the vocation of a teacher and taught in the county schools until 1882, when he began the study of law in Warsaw with the law firm of M. E. & E. M. Bartlett, being admitted to the bar in 1884, and at once started to practice law in Warsaw by himself, continuing practice for one year. In 1885 Mr. Woodworth formed a partnership with Frank W. Brown, father of his present partner, and this partnership continued until 1888. After that year Mr. Woodworth was in practice by himself until 1896, in which year he entered into partnership with Clarence H. Greff, the firm being unchanged until 1918, and when Harry M. Brown, son of Mr. Woodworth's first partner, succeeded Mr. Greff, the firm name was changed to Woodworth & Brown, and has remained the same until the present time.

Mr. Woodworth was married on April 30, 1885, in Warsaw, to Ella McIntyre. There are no children of this union. On August 7, 1907, Mr. Woodworth was married

to Adaline Glor of Attica, New York, and has one son, John Melvin Woodworth, born April 22, 1909.

Mr. Woodworth is a member of the Wyoming County Bar Association. Fraternally he is a charter member of Crystal Salt Lodge, I. O. O. F.; a member of Warsaw Lodge, No. 549, F. & A. M.; Wyoming Chapter No. 181; R. A. M.; Batavia Commandery No. 34, Knights Templar; and the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo. Socially he belongs to the Kiwanis Club of Warsaw. In religion Mr. Woodworth is a member of the Presbyterian church in Warsaw. He is an independent republican in political affairs, but not especially active.

GEORGE W. HENNER.

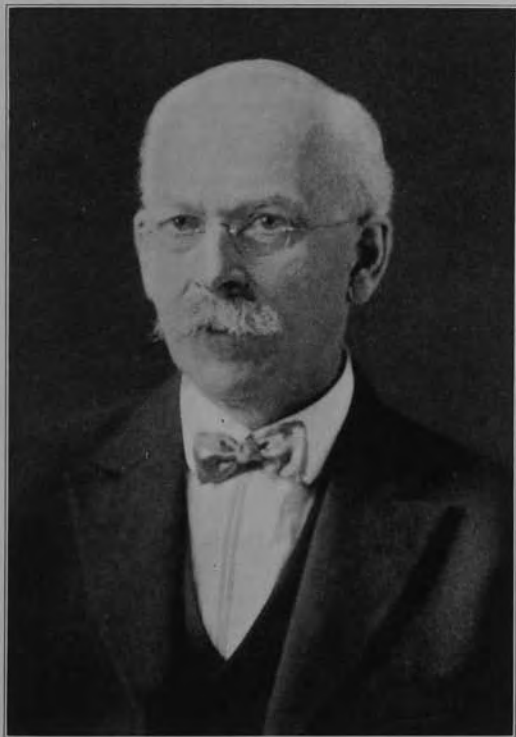
George W. Henner is a typical young business man of the present age—alert, energetic, progressive—and Rochester numbers him among its most popular and successful automobile dealers. He was born in Webster, New York, November 25, 1885. He obtained his early education in his native town and later became a student in a Rochester high school. When seventeen years of age he started in the manufacture of evaporated apples. This business he followed until 1911, when he secured the agency for the International truck. His territory included Rochester and soon afterward he established his home in this city, where he has since resided. He is a distributor for the Oldsmobile cars throughout Monroe and Wayne counties and conducts his interests under the name of the G. W. Henner Company, of which he is the president and sole owner. He is deeply interested in the automobile business, of which he has made a close study, and his experience as a salesman, combined with a natural aptitude for business affairs, has enabled him to build up a well organized agency and a very satisfactory volume of trade.

In Colburn, in the province of Ontario, on November 28, 1906, Mr. Henner was married to Miss Anna Conroy, a daughter of Captain Thomas Conroy, well known to navigators of the Great Lakes. Mr. and Mrs. Henner have become the parents of five children: Margaret, born in Colburn in 1907, is attending the Sacred Heart Academy; William, born in Webster, New York, in 1909, is a student in a Rochester high school; Genevieve, born in Webster in 1910, is a Nazareth high school pupil; Ruth, born in Rochester in 1915, is attending grammar school; and Donald was born in Rochester, September 4, 1923.

Mr. Henner is a republican in politics and loyally supports every movement calculated to prove of benefit to his city and state. He is an energetic member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and for two years was chairman of the good roads committee. He is a director of the Rochester Automobile Club and the Automobile Dealers' Association of this city, and is head of the fourth degree Knights of Columbus. He acts as treasurer of the Rochester Council of that order, and is also an Elk. Mr. Henner has prospered in his undertakings and is esteemed for his enterprise, integrity and public-spirited devotion to the general good.

WILLIS EDWARD HOPKINS.

Willis Edward Hopkins, who for more than three decades has been associated with his father in law practice in Attica, under the firm name of O. H. & W. E. Hopkins, is widely recognized as an attorney of marked ability and broad legal learning. He has also long been prominent in the public life of the community and at present is filling the positions of village clerk, village attorney and supervisor of Attica. He was born in Livonia, Livingston county, New York, on the 22d of June, 1865, his parents being Orville Homer and Marietta Eveline Hopkins. The family has been represented in the Genesee country since the close of the Revolutionary war, when Stephen Hopkins, the great-grandfather of Willis E. Hopkins, settled in East Bloomfield, Ontario county, New York. This ancestor participated in the War of the Revolution. Victor N. Hopkins, the grandfather of Willis E. Hopkins, saw service in the War of 1812. His great-grandfather, Urial Beman, was one of the earliest settlers in Livonia, New York; his great-grandfather, John Phillips, was one of the early settlers of Lima, New York, and John Garlinghouse, another great-grandfather, was an early settler of Richmond, New York, and the father of Joseph Garlinghouse, long prominent in the affairs of Ontario county.



WILLIS E. HOPKINS

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Orville H. Hopkins, the father of Willis Edward of this review, remained an active representative of the legal profession in Attica from 1876, or for a period covering nearly half a century, until his recent retirement from active practice, and has long been the dean of the Wyoming county bar, and enjoyed an enviable reputation as a legal practitioner of high standing and pronounced success.

Willis Edward Hopkins pursued a high school course in Attica and having determined to follow in his father's professional footsteps, he studied law in his father's office until admitted to the bar. Through the intervening years until the retirement of his father, by reason of his great age, he remained in partnership with his father in the practice of law in Attica, and since his father's retirement Willis Edward Hopkins has been practicing alone. The firm enjoyed an extensive and gratifying clientage, as does the son at the present time. Mr. Hopkins displays marked ability in handling the professional matters entrusted to his care and manifests thorough familiarity with the principles of jurisprudence. He has been a director of the Bank of Attica for over twenty years. He was an active member of the Attica fire department for twenty-seven years and for many years was president of Wyoming Hose Company. He is chairman of the Memorial Park committee, which has in charge the creation of a park in memory of the soldiers, sailors and marines of the World war.

As a staunch supporter of the republican party, Willis E. Hopkins has been a delegate to three state conventions and to numerous district and judicial conventions, and was a member of the county committee for several terms. His fellow townsmen, recognizing his worth and ability, have chosen him for various positions of public honor and trust. He has been village clerk since 1894, or for a period of over thirty years, has been village attorney since 1897, was justice of the peace for fourteen years, and a member of the board of education of the Attica high school for twelve years, and has been supervisor of the town of Attica since 1921.

Mr. Hopkins is a member of Attica Lodge, No. 462, F. & A. M. He finds great pleasure in outdoor life and is also fond of reading and of the study of American history, having a fine private library of about fifteen hundred volumes, besides a very extensive law library, and he is particularly well informed concerning the early annals of the Genesee country. Mr. Hopkins ranks with the foremost residents of Attica and Wyoming county by reason of his high professional standing, his loyalty and interest in public affairs, and his possession of those qualities which make for warm regard and strong friendship.

ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF BATAVIA.

From 1840 to 1843 the few Catholics who had settled around Batavia (perhaps not more than twelve or fourteen in all) were occasionally visited by Rev. Father Gannon. Later Rev. Bernard O'Reilly, subsequently bishop of Hartford, Connecticut, and his brother, Rev. William O'Reilly, both at the time stationed in Rochester, attended the settlement from 1843 to 1847, officiating in private homes. The first mass said in Batavia was in the home of Anthony Beechel. Soon the number so increased that a large room over the hardware store of Otis & Worthington was tendered them by that firm, rent free.

Rev. Thomas McEvoy attended the mission in 1848, and on April 4, 1849, Right Rev. Bishop Timon appointed Rev. Edward Dillon to the pastoral charge of Batavia. The following Sunday, April 8th, which was Easter day, Father Dillon officiated in the historic brick schoolhouse on the corner of Main and Eagle streets. At this time the number of Catholics was about seventy-five. Encouraged by the presence of their resident pastor, they immediately went to work raising a fund for the erection of a church.

In May, 1850, the Catholics of Batavia purchased a two-story stone building on Jackson street for twelve hundred dollars, the building having been erected as a select school. The Catholics worshipped in it for several years, and later it was used as the parochial school. Successive pastorates following the resignation of Father Dillon in November, 1850, were: Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald, 1850-1852; Rev. Francis O'Farrell, 1852-1855, when he was appointed vicar-general of the diocese of Buffalo and rector of St. Joseph's cathedral; Rev. Peter Brown, 1855-1856; Rev. James McGlew, 1856-1860; Rev. Thomas Cunningham, 1860-1873, his assistant being Rev. John Castaldi. Father Cunningham, on September 15, 1862, purchased the present site of St. Joseph's church from Lawrence Timmons on the site where in early days was located a tannery, on the corner of Main and Summit streets, paying twenty-five

hundred dollars for the property. In 1864 the present edifice was erected at a cost of forty-five thousand dollars.

Father Cunningham at the end of thirteen years was succeeded by Rev. P. A. Moloy in 1873. The latter remained one year and then came Rev. Martin McDonnell, whose pastorate continued until 1880, at which time the charge numbered about twenty-two hundred. Attica was also made a mission. Rev. Martin McDonnell was succeeded by Rev. James McManus in 1880, whose death occurred in Batavia. During his sickness Father Walsh, an assistant, was in charge until February, 1882, when Father Thomas P. Brougham came and continued as pastor until his death in 1904. During the incumbency of Father Brougham the old convent on Jackson street was sold in 1882 and the new one erected on Summit street the same year, as was also a parochial school adjacent, at that time accommodating four hundred pupils. Father Brougham also was instrumental in acquiring additional grounds east of the church, on which he erected the present rectory. During his pastorate the following priests acted as his assistants: Rev. F. Naughton, Rev. M. J. Kean, Rev. Daniel Walsh, Rev. William Morrison, Rev. Father Purcell, Rev. William T. Wilber, Rev. Thomas Gleason, Rev. Sebastian Airey, Rev. John F. Tracy, Rev. John Kelly, Rev. John Colgan, Rev. P. J. Enright and Rev. Thomas Blakeney.

After the death of Father Brougham, Rev. William T. Wilbert succeeded him as pastor and continues to the present time. Owing to the feeble health of Father Wilber, however, Rev. T. Bernard Kelly was made administrator of the parish, and in 1924 Rev. P. J. Donovan was made assistant. The following priests have acted as assistants to Father Wilber: Rev. Thomas Graham, Rev. John Mooney, Rev. Michael Toban, Rev. Thomas Dunn and Rev. T. Bernard Kelly. During the last twenty years—especially during the episcopacy of Right Rev. Charles H. Colton—certain portions of the old St. Joseph's parish have been formed into other parishes. Three new parishes have been established—St. Anthony's (Italian), Sacred Heart (Polish), St. Mary's (English).

The first convent on Jackson street, built in 1862, was occupied until 1880, when a building on Ross street was leased for two years until the present edifice was completed. St. Joseph's Convent of Mercy was for many years called the Mother house, or Novitiate, novices being taken in here and sent to all parts of the diocese. The Novitiate was later transferred to Buffalo.

RAYMOND J. CURRAN.

One of Rochester's native sons who has made his way to the front ranks of the business men of the city in recent years, is Raymond J. Curran, president of the Curran-Mason Company, general builders and contractors. Born on the 6th of February, 1887, Mr. Curran is the son of the late Daniel and Joanna (Hartley) Curran of this city. Mrs. Curran, who is still living, is a native of Monroe county. Her husband, however, was born in Ireland, but came to America in early life and settled in Rochester in 1853, where he lived until his death, which occurred in 1903. He was long identified with the grocery and meat trade of the city.

Raymond J. Curran was educated in St. Patrick's parochial school and the Mechanics Institute of Rochester, being a member of the class of 1904. He had taken a course in mechanical engineering and went to work in an architect's office. Subsequently he secured a position as an assistant in the office of the state engineer, where he remained until 1913. During this ten-year period the young man learned much of the practical side of construction enterprises, big and little, and became thoroughly competent to do contracting on his own account. He resigned from his position in the state engineer's office, therefore, to form the Curran Swartout Contracting Company and engaged in construction work of a general nature. Four years later the firm was reorganized as the Curran-Mason Company, Incorporated, general contractors, of which he is now the president and treasurer. This concern now holds a prominent place in the building circles of Rochester and the surrounding territory and holds many of the large contracts for construction enterprises that are under way in this vicinity.

In Rochester, on the 29th of June, 1910, Mr. Curran was united in marriage to Miss Marie Durnherr, daughter of Samuel Durnherr, a well known resident of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Curran are the parents of seven children: Marie B., born in 1911; Janet, born in 1912; Raymond D., born in 1914; Joan, born in 1917; Gerald F., born in 1919; John M., born in 1921; and James Hartley, born in 1924. All the chil-



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dren were born in this city and the four oldest are now pursuing their studies in the Rochester schools.

Mr. Curran has taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus and, as his membership in this order indicates, he is a Roman Catholic in his religious faith. He is an enrolled member of the republican party, but does not take an active part in politics. In the Rochester Chamber of Commerce he is highly regarded as one of the dependable members and a man who has the welfare of the city close at heart. He has been a captain in the Community Chest campaigns for four years. He is identified with the Rochester Club, and is a member of the Rochester Engineering Society, also of the Builders Exchange. Much credit is due Mr. Curran for his accomplishments in the business world, for he has always had to depend upon his own unaided efforts for his advancement in life. He is still a young man and, with the excellent start he has already made, may confidently look forward to a future of even greater achievement. Mr. Curran's residence is at No. 1140 Park avenue.

GEORGE C. PRICHARD, M. D.

James Prichard, the first of the line here under consideration of whom we have definite information, was a native of London, England, where he was reared and educated, and from whence he emigrated to this country, settling in Poughkeepsie, New York, prior to the Revolutionary war. He was a silversmith by trade, which line of work he followed throughout his active career. He married, and among his children was Benjamin, of whom further.

(II) Benjamin, son of James Pritchard, was born in Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1804. He was reared and educated there, and upon arriving at a suitable age engaged in agriculture, from which he derived a comfortable livelihood, and became an affluent landholder. He lived eighty-three years. He married Jane Ann Stoughtenburg, who bore him six children, among whom was George C., see forward.

(III) George C. Pritchard, son of Benjamin and Jane Ann (Stoughtenburg) Prichard, was born on the 1st of February, 1839, in Phelps, New York. He acquired his education at Phelps Union Classical School and Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, and later matriculated at Hahnemann Homeopathic Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, graduating from that institution in 1869. Since then he has been engaged continuously in the practice of his profession in Phelps, gaining for himself an enviable reputation among his professional brethren, and the esteem and regard of his numerous patrons. He has now passed the eighty-fifth milestone on life's journey and has been an active medical practitioner for fifty-five years. In the year 1883 he promoted the organization of the Crown Manufacturing Company of Phelps, New York, incorporated under the laws of the state of New York, capitalized at one hundred thousand dollars. They are manufacturers of the Crown Grain and Fertilizer Drill and the Crown Wheelbarrow Grass-Seeder, and other implements. Each machine is warranted to be well made, of good material, and capable of doing as good work and as much, as any machine in the market, under like circumstances. For two years Dr. Prichard served as president, and for twenty-four years as vice president and treasurer. The plant flourished for twenty-eight years and was destroyed by fire in June, 1909. It was then purchased by E. F. Needham, who became its president.

In 1862, during the progress of the Civil war, Dr. Prichard displayed his love of country by enlisting in the One Hundred and Forty-eighth New York Regiment. He was promoted to the rank of captain and assistant quartermaster, serving three and one-half years, being on the staffs of Brigadier-General A. D. Draper, Major-General Giles A. Smith, and of Major-General Godfrey Weitzel, until mustered out of service. Brigadier-General A. D. Draper with his staff, on the day of General Lee's surrender, rode into Richmond, participating in the release of our imprisoned boys from famous old Libby prison. Abraham Lincoln, at his visit to the Confederate capitol at that period, allowed an impromptu reception while he for the hour occupied the Jefferson Davis White House. He sat in the vacated chair of the collapsed Confederacy. The privilege of a lifetime was the hand-grasp of the greatest man living, who four days later was assassinated.

Dr. Prichard is a member of the First Presbyterian church, in which he has served for many years as elder, as clerk of the session and as superintendent of the Sunday school.

Dr. Prichard has been twice married. On the 25th of January, 1865, he wedded Imcgen Post, who was born in Phelps, New York, July 25, 1839, her parents being

Colonel William and Polly (Sutherland) Post of that place. She passed away on the 29th of March, 1893, leaving two children: Linda Sutherland, who was born May 28, 1868; and Stewart D. C., whose natal day was April 2, 1873. On the 10th of April, 1900, Dr. Prichard was again married, his second union being with Harriet Amelia Huff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac L. Huff of Waterloo, New York.

FRANK J. CAMPBELL.

Banking is a vital force in all business activity and there is no one element which has a greater effect in upholding the financial stability of a community than a carefully organized and conservatively conducted bank. Of such an institution Frank J. Campbell is the executive head. As president of the First National Bank of Horseheads he has reached a field of broad influence and usefulness. He was born at Phelps Mills, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1870, a son of E. B. and Mary A. (Imms) Campbell, both of whom are deceased. The mother was born in Brooklyn, New York, and the father was a native of Scotland. He was prominently identified with the lumber industry and for forty-five years was manager of the Pennsylvania interests of the firm of Phelps, Dodge & Company. He was holding that position at the time of his demise, which occurred in 1890. He was a republican in his political views but never sought office. He was keenly interested in educational affairs and became one of the founders of Bucknell University of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were members of the Baptist church and conformed their lives to its teachings. They were married in Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania, and became the parents of eight children, three of whom survive: Henry J., who is engaged in the roofing business in Rochester, New York; Frank J., of this review; and Mary L., who resides in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

In the public schools of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, Frank J. Campbell acquired the elementary branches of learning, and subsequently became a student at Dickinson Seminary of that place. He entered the business world at the age of eighteen, becoming bookkeeper in an insurance office, and for many years was engaged in that line of work. In 1906 he went to Tioga, Pennsylvania, as superintendent for the Central Pennsylvania Lumber Company and for eleven years was in the employ of that firm. In 1917 he opened an insurance office in Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, and conducted the business for five years. In 1922 he became a stockholder in the First National Bank of Horseheads, purchasing the holdings of John Bennett, and is now serving as president of the institution, which is capitalized at fifty thousand dollars. It has a surplus of fifty thousand dollars and its undivided profits amount to nine thousand dollars. That Mr. Campbell is an executive of more than ordinary ability and a man who inspires trust and confidence is indicated by the fact that under his administration the deposits of the bank increased from four hundred thousand to six hundred and eight thousand dollars in 1924. He is well versed in the details of modern finance and the policy which he has adopted is one which safeguards the interests of depositors and at the same time promotes the success of the institution. He owns the majority of the stock in the Tioga Washed Sand & Gravel Company and is also a director of the Merchants National Bank of Elmira.

On September 4, 1907, Mr. Campbell was married to Miss Laura A. Edwards, who was born in Hughesville, Pennsylvania, and received her education in Wellsboro that state. They have a family of three children: Mary A., John A. and Elizabeth. The parents are members of the First Presbyterian church of Horseheads and Mr. Campbell gives his political support to the republican party. He is identified with the York and Scottish Rites in Masonry and is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has filled important offices in the order, having served as master of his lodge, high priest of the chapter, and eminent commander of the commandery.

BENJAMIN VAN CAMPEN, M. D.

Dr. Benjamin Van Campen of Olean, New York, is a descendant of the oldest family of this section of New York state and in his career has proved himself a worthy member of this distinguished family. The first member of the family to settle in this part of New York state was Cornelius Van Campen, great-great-grandfather and sons, Benjamin and Moses. Benjamin Van Campen came here in 1790



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and cleared away land. He met his death at the hands of the Indians. His brother, Major Moses Van Campen, came here at about the same time and he made the various surveys for the Holland Land Company when they purchased their great tract of land in western New York. The descendants of Benjamin and Major Moses Van Campen continued to live in and near Olean and by their works and characters have established the family as a primal one. Dr. Van Campen's parents were George and Emily (Borden) Van Campen. His father was in the insurance business and has lived most of his life in Olean, where he still resides.

Benjamin Van Campen was born in Olean, July 7, 1879, and attended the public and high schools of Olean, and then went to Yale, where he received his A. B. in 1905. He took his medical work at the University of Buffalo and graduated from that school in 1908 with the M. D. degree. For three months he was attached to the Boston Floating Hospital and then spent three months more with Dr. John Lovitt Morse of Boston. Returning to Olean in 1909, he began his practice there, and by 1917 he had become one of the best known and most respected physicians in western New York. He risked losing his practice, as did many other professional men in 1917, by enlisting for service in the World war in June, 1917, and was made a lieutenant of the Medical Corps. He went to France in August, 1918, and remained overseas until July, 1919, when he returned to this country and was discharged from the army. During his service with the Eighty-fourth Division his ability was signally recognized by his promotion to lieutenant colonel, a record advance for a non-regular army officer of the Medical Corps. He was made colonel of the Medical Reserve Corps on November 7, 1924. In 1919 Dr. Van Campen resumed his practice in Olean, and has been there ever since, with a practice which makes him one of the busiest men in Cattaraugus county. He belongs to the American Medical and New York state as well as the Cattaraugus county Medical Associations.

Dr. Van Campen is a republican and takes an interest in local politics and good government. He belongs to the First Presbyterian church and is a Mason, an Odd Fellow, an Elk and an Eagle. He loves out-of-door life but equally as well his profession and his home, combining all in a perfect whole that he may get the most of life by giving richly to it.

Benjamin Van Campen and Miss Josephine McCarthy, daughter of Matthew McCarthy of Olean, were married in Olean on June 8, 1911. They have three children: Avery Van Campen born August 3, 1913; Mary Jane Van Campen, born November 22, 1916 both of them being students in the Schools of Olean; and Joan, born November 13, 1924.

CHARLES HASTINGS WILTSIE.

Charles Hastings Wiltzie has been an active representative of the legal profession in Rochester for more than four decades and has long enjoyed a position of leadership at the bar of the city. He was born in Pittsford village, New York, on January 13, 1859, and is the oldest of three children born to James Martin and Emily Ward (Hastings) Wiltzie. Charles H. Wiltzie is of the ninth generation in male line from Philippe Martin Wiltze, a soldier, who came from Holland to Manhattan Island in 1624, in the ship *New Netherlands*, and who was one of those detailed to build Fort Orange, at Albany. On his mother's side he is of pure colonial English stock, Emily Ward Hastings being a descendant of Thomas Hastings, a Puritan of noble lineage, who emigrated with his family from Ipswich, England, in the ship *Elizabeth*, in 1634, and settled in Watertown, Massachusetts.

Charles Hastings Wiltzie attended the village school in Pittsford until the age of fourteen, and the Brockport State Normal School during the succeeding three years. In 1876 he matriculated in the University of Rochester, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1880, ranking second for the full four-year classical course and receiving various prizes and honors. He was a student in the Universities of Göttingen and Berlin in Germany, during the years 1880 and 1881. In 1883 he was admitted to practice law in Rochester, New York, where he has continued to reside and follow his profession through the intervening years to the present time and has been accorded a large and important clientage.

In 1885 Mr. Wiltzie published a monograph on "Parties to Mortgage Foreclosures", and in 1889 a treatise of eleven hundred and fifty pages on "The General Law and Practice of Foreclosing Mortgages", which has long been a standard among attorneys. This treatise was revised and enlarged into two volumes in 1897, and in

1913 a third edition was printed. Mr. Wiltsie traveled extensively in Europe, Asia and Africa in 1889 and 1890 and made a trip around the world in 1892 and 1893, writing two series of descriptive travel letters for local newspapers. His latest trip abroad was in 1925, when he spent three months in the Mediterranean countries of Europe and Africa.

On the 5th of October, 1893, Mr. Wiltsie was united in marriage to Miss Harriet Potter Hart of Rochester, New York, and they have one daughter, Mary Emily, who is the wife of Harold L. Field of Rochester. Mr. Wiltsie is a republican in politics. He is president of Rochester Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, is a member of Delta Psi, the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, president of the Rochester Historical Society from 1921 until 1925, president of the Rochester Public Library from 1922 until 1925, of which he has been a trustee since 1912, trustee of the Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics Institute from 1892 until 1925, treasurer of the Rochester Exposition and Horse Show from 1915 until 1925, trustee of Perry's Victory Centennial Commission from 1915 until 1925, trustee of the Saratoga Battlefield Association and trustee of the First Presbyterian church. Socially he is a member of the Rochester Country, University, Genesee Valley and Oak Hill Clubs. His residence is at No. 123 Plymouth avenue.

PHILIP PRESENT.

Philip Present, a well known diamond merchant of Rochester, where he has been continuously engaged in business for more than forty years, is sole proprietor of the largest diamond importing house in western New York. He was born in Russian Poland in 1856. His father came of French ancestry and his mother of Polish. The first seventeen years of his life were spent in his native country and he then came alone to the United States, landing at New York. He had received good educational privileges and for a year and a half he acted as German tutor in a private family. He was afterward employed as clerk in a grocery store for a short time and later went to Elmira, New York, where he learned the watch repairing and jewelry business in both the mechanical and mercantile departments. He then went on the road as traveling salesman for a wholesale jewelry house and after a brief period spent in that way he came to Rochester in 1884. Ambitious to engage in business on his own account, he had carefully saved his earnings and here opened a small retail and wholesale jewelry house. From the beginning his trade increased, owing to his careful management, earnest effort to please his patrons and his straightforward dealing, and when a year and a half had passed he was forced to seek larger quarters, which he secured on the second floor of a building at the corner of Clinton and Main streets. He then confined his attention to the wholesale trade and after four years was again obliged to seek larger quarters in the Wilder building, where he also spent four years. Each removal has been necessitated by the demand for greater space in which to accommodate his continually developing trade. For five years he was in the Monroe County Savings Bank building and then came to his present location, having the entire second floor of the Commerce building. He does strictly a wholesale business, carrying a large stock of loose and unmounted diamonds, and has also a small factory, where he manufactures diamond mountings. He employs three traveling salesmen, who cover New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. In May, 1922, the New York office was opened at No. 170 Broadway, which has been under the management of Mr. Present's son, Le Roy, who has built up a very large business. Mr. Present has every reason to be proud of his success, for from the beginning his business has constantly developed until it has now reached very extensive proportions. Mr. Present goes personally to Europe each year to purchase diamonds. In his business life Mr. Present has been conservative rather than speculative and his prosperity is due to his unwearied industry and straightforward business methods. He certainly deserves much credit for what he has accomplished and as the architect of his own fortunes he has builded wisely and well. His life is another illustration of the fact that in this land where labor is unhampered by caste or class, any individual may attain success if he has but the determination to persevere in a persistent course of well defined labor.

In 1888 Mr. Present was married to Miss Celia Selling, a daughter of Henry Selling of Paterson, New Jersey, who for many years was a prominent citizen of Hartford, Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Present have two daughters and one son, all born in Rochester: Reta, who was educated in Rochester, in New York city and in



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France, is now a noted concert pianist. During the World war she served as an entertainer for the soldiers in France; Le Roy attended the grade and high schools of Rochester and for three years was a student in St. John's Military Academy. He served in the commissary department during the period of the World war, purchasing supplies for the army. He is now associated with his father in business, having charge of the office in New York city and spending much time abroad in the interests of the business as a buyer of rare jewels; Mrs. Allison Rosenthal, the youngest of the family, was educated in the grade and high schools of this city and still resides here.

Mr. Present is a great lover of literature and has one of the fine private libraries of the city. His reading has been of broad and varied character and he is especially interested in philosophic and economic subjects. He has studied closely the sociological, economic and political history of the country and has been very active in promoting practical plans and measures toward ameliorating the hard conditions of life for the unfortunate and bringing into the lives of the poorer classes the advantages, opportunities and pleasures enjoyed by the rich. He is a prominent supporter and one of the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce and formerly served as president of the Rochester Credit Men's Association, in which connections he is well known, being recognized as one of the strong factors in the business life of the city. His labors have not been selfishly concentrated upon his individual success but have been exerted along lines working toward the general business development of the city. Mr. Present is also connected with several charitable and philanthropic institutions, in which he has served as an official member and as a leader in promoting the work thereof. He established an educational institution for foreigners to fit them for American citizenship. He bought the ground and building and donated a large amount for the support of this institution, which is equipped with gymnasium and baths and in which all common branches of study are taught. It is an advanced step toward good citizenship, which entitles Mr. Present to be classed with the philanthropists of the age. He is also one of the organizers and a trustee and director of the Social Settlement of Rochester, an institution for the industrial and social training of young girls of the poorer classes. He is the president and promoter of the Jewish Young Men's Association, on the board of which he served for many years, was vice president of the Rochester Public Health Board, since abolished, has been made secretary of the Louis Henry Morgan Society and is likewise the secretary of the New York Archaeological Association. He is a member and trustee of the Jewish Temple and takes a most active and helpful part in its work, while of the Orphan Asylum he is a director. In the more specifically social and fraternal relation, he is connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Irondequoit Country Club, and the Athletic Club. The record of Philip Present is one which commands uniform respect and admiration. Coming to America practically empty-handed, he has achieved notable success in business and moreover has grown and developed in character and in intellect, taking cognizance of the trend of the times toward a recognition of individual obligation and the truth of universal brotherhood. His labors for good citizenship, for charity and for intellectual progress have been of the most practical kind and deserve the highest commendation. Since 1912 Mr. Present has resided at No. 2161 East avenue.

EMMET L. HARDER.

There is no satisfaction in life which can quite equal that of the man who has finished a successful career and in the autumn of life settles down to enjoy the fruits of his labors, knowing that he has accomplished something worth while. Among the retired business men of Wellsville who are enjoying the contentment that comes from results achieved and tasks well done, there is none more highly esteemed than Emmet L. Harder, who for many years was prominently identified with oil development work in this district. He was born in Addison, Steuben county, New York, March 10, 1849, a son of Robert E. and Liza M. (Shumway) Harder, who were married January 1, 1848. The father was born in Steuben county, November 6, 1820, and engaged in lumbering, also following the occupation of farming. Mr. and Mrs. Harder had a family of four children: Emmet L.; Gilbert J., who resides in Olean, New York; Uri, who is deceased; and Robert E., Jr., who is employed by the Empire Gas & Fuel Company of Wellsville.

Emmet L. Harder attended the district schools of Steuben county, New York, and after completing his education was employed for a time in the lumber mills of that locality. He then went to the lumber region of Michigan and remained in that state

for eleven years. Upon the expiration of that period he went to McKean county, Pennsylvania, obtaining work in the oil fields. In 1889 he arrived in Wellsville and entered the service of the Empire Gas & Fuel Company, in the capacity of superintendent, which position he has since filled, but now acts mostly in an advisory capacity. He supervised the construction of the company's pipe line and his labors have become an integral part of the business, constituting an essential element in its up-building. He also operated independently as an oil producer and there is no phase of the industry with which he is not thoroughly familiar.

On the 11th of May, 1872, Mr. Harder was married to Miss Cynthia Whitney of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who died March 5, 1914, leaving five children, of whom Lula is the oldest. She was graduated from the Wellsville high school and married Charles Stebbins of Andover, New York, manager of the gasoline plant of the Empire Gas & Fuel Company; Elton is acting superintendent for that company and is also an oil producer; Guy resides in Andover and is engaged in the development of the oil fields of this section. He married Emma Luden of Wellsville, and they have a son, Richard; Florence married Ernest Glauche. He died January 4, 1924, leaving one child, Ernestine, who is attending the local high school; Le Roy is an electrical engineer and draughtsman. He received his professional training in the Bliss Electrical School at Washington, D. C., and afterward became an instructor in the Mechanics Institute at Rochester, New York. He married Miss Cecil Holder of that city, and they now reside in Detroit, Michigan. On August 19, 1916, Mr. Emmet L. Harder was married to Mrs. F. Eugenia (Richardson) Judd, a daughter of DeWitt Clinton and Frances Chapin (Forsyth) Richardson. Her father, a native of Livingston county, was a talented musician and became widely and favorably known as a violinist and composer. He also followed the occupation of farming and resided in Allegany county from boyhood until his death in January, 1900.

Mr. Harder is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and has always been a strong advocate of prohibition. He is allied with the republican party and his public spirit has been manifest by both word and deed. The cause of education finds in him a stalwart champion and for twelve years he served on the Wellsville School Board, while for six years he was a member of the village board. He has always been loyal to any trust reposed in him and his interests and activities have touched the various phases of life which are factors in public progress and improvement. Mr. Harder is a man of strict integrity and a long, useful and upright life has earned for him the confidence, respect and goodwill of the citizens of Wellsville, in which community he has made his home for thirty-six years.

WILLIAM J. DARCH.

Just as William J. Darch had begun the practice of law the World war claimed the assistance of the United States for its settlement, and he abandoned his practice as an attorney in Batavia, Genesee county, New York, and enlisted in the American forces. Since the war ended Mr. Darch has been engaged in building up a practice in Batavia, with gratifying success. He was born May 13, 1893, in Stafford, New York, the son of John and Jennie (Trick) Darch, the former of whom was engaged in mechanical work for a long time in Stafford and still makes his home there. William J. Darch's father was the first member of the family to settle in Genesee county, coming from Devonshire, England, about 1873, since which time he has been a permanent resident. He attended Cornell University, at Ithaca, New York, for two years, but was obliged to discontinue his studies on account of ill health. He was interested in engineering, and for a short time was located in the state of Wyoming, where he obtained much practical experience in that line.

William J. Darch acquired his early education in the grade schools of Stafford and in the high school of Batavia, after which he entered the college of law at Cornell University, received his degree of LL. B. and was graduated in the class of 1917. Immediately after graduation Mr. Darch opened an office in Batavia, remained for a short period and then moved to Buffalo, New York, where he practiced in the office of Norton, Penney, Spring & Moore until February, 1918. He then entered the World war service as an ambulance driver attached to the Cornell Ambulance Section, went overseas in June, 1918, and remained abroad until July, 1919, when he received his discharge. Upon his return to the United States, Mr. Darch reopened his office in Batavia and has since that time been in continuous practice in the city.

Mr. Darch is a member of the Genesee County Bar Association and an honorary

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member of the Delta Theta Chi Legal Society of Cornell University. In politics he is a republican and is interested in political affairs, is unmarried, and is not connected with any religious organization. Fraternally Mr. Darch is affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and socially is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Batavia, the Batavia Club, the Stafford Country Club and the Genesee County Cornell Club, of which he has been president since its organization in 1920. He is a director of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Darch takes a healthy interest in baseball, football, golf, hunting, fishing, and all other outdoor sports, making trips to the northern sections of the United States or Canada each year for hunting and fishing.

F. H. VAN ORSDALE, M. D.

One of the most excellent and praiseworthy features about the town of Belmont, Allegany county, New York, is the private hospital maintained by Dr. F. H. Van Orsdale, a physician and surgeon of long residence in the town and with a large practice that takes in Allegany and adjoining counties. The local need of a place where the sick could have absolutely sanitary surroundings and trained nursing had long been apparent to Dr. Van Orsdale, and the outcome was that he erected the hospital himself. It has proved one of the most beneficent acts ever done for the town, and the institution has been taxed almost beyond its capacity for accommodations ever since it was opened in 1918. Dr. Van Orsdale was born December 12, 1859, in Jasper, Steuben county, New York, the son of Henry V. and Jane A. (Shumway) Van Orsdale, both of whom have passed away.

F. H. Van Orsdale began his education in the public schools of Jasper, leaving them in 1875 to take a preparatory course at Alfred University, Alfred, New York, from which he graduated in 1878. Cornell University, at Ithaca, New York, came next, and young Van Orsdale there received his A. B. degree and was graduated in the class of 1881. After leaving Cornell, at which time he was twenty-two years old, Mr. Van Orsdale was married to Grace E. Craig of Jasper, and for the next six years was busy as a teacher in the public schools, being engaged in Scio, Troupsburg, Jasper and Greenwood, New York.

Mr. Van Orsdale then took up the study of medicine and in 1887 entered the Medical College of the University of Buffalo, Buffalo, New York, received his degree of M. D. and was graduated in the class of 1891. The Doctor began the practice of medicine in Jasper, where he remained from 1891 until 1898, and in the latter year moved to Belmont, where he has been in continuous practice ever since, and is assistant surgeon at the Wellsville Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Van Orsdale is a member of the American Medical Association, the New York State Medical Board and the Allegany County Medical Board, having been president of the latter body for three years. During the World war the Doctor was secretary of the Allegany County Home Service Board. He is a member of the blue lodge in the Masonic order, and in his religious convictions is of the Presbyterian faith. The Doctor has one child: Mabel C., born August 18, 1882, who became the wife of Arthur R. Bradley, vice president of the Kelsey Heating Company of Syracuse, New York.

JOHN AMBROSE DRISCOLL.

John Ambrose Driscoll, treasurer and general manager of the Asbestex Corporation of Rochester, who was for many years prominent in business circles of this city, passed away on the 7th of January, 1924, when sixty-two years of age. He was born in London, England, August 5, 1862, his parents being John and Abigail (McSweeney) Driscoll. The father was one of the firemen on the Monitor in the famous Civil war engagement in which that pioneer armored vessel won a victory over the Merrimac.

When a lad of eleven years John Ambrose Driscoll, accompanied by his mother, left Paris, where they had been living, and crossed the Atlantic to the United States, locating in Rochester, New York, where they had relatives. He attended the public schools of this city until fifteen years of age, when he secured a position in a shoe factory. At the end of four years he had risen to the position of foreman in the Burns shoe factory and about the same time was made president of the Shoemakers' Union. Already he had manifested considerable oratorical ability, which developed in later years to positive genius.

It was in association with Eugene Satterlee, George R. Fuller and Thomas Finu-

cane that Mr. Driscoll established the Home Telephone Company. He was the man who fought the Bell interests, secured the franchises and as toll manager built the lines through the counties in which the company held franchises. After its consolidation Mr. Driscoll discontinued his identification with the telephone business and embarked upon an independent venture by purchasing the interests of the Superior Belting Company on Water street. Subsequently he removed the plant to East Rochester, where he had built the factory. He had discovered a process for coating a Webb belting, which made it a substitute for and in no way inferior to leather belting. Numerous large contracts were awarded him, including the furnishing of all brake bands for the Fisher Body Corporation of Detroit, as well as the Chandler Company and many others of equal importance. His firm made brake bands and belting for all kinds of machinery and for all uses. During the period of the World war, through circumstances over which he had no control, Mr. Driscoll was forced into bankruptcy. He spent a year looking over various sites and finally in 1920 decided on six acres at No. 950 Chili avenue, where he had access to three railroads, as well as the barge canal. He built a factory and started in business life anew, becoming treasurer and general manager of the newly organized Asbestex Corporation. It was while on a trip to Cleveland for the purchase of machinery that Mr. Driscoll experienced an attack of mushroom poisoning but after a time had recovered sufficiently to resume his office duties. On the 7th of January, 1924, while at his office, he suffered a hemorrhage which resulted in his immediate demise. The Asbestex Corporation will go on to the accomplishment of its destiny, Mr. Driscoll having left his plans in such shape that there is no difficulty in carrying them out. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Marie (Repp) Driscoll; two daughters: Mrs. Leo N. Sullivan and Mrs. Florence M. Riley; two sons, Ambrose A. and Bernard J. Driscoll; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Driscoll always took a vital interest in politics and for many years was president of the Democratic Club of the nineteenth ward. He was a convincing and ready speaker, a man of wonderful mentality and clarity of vision who often evoked a personal tribute from his associates and easily inspired confidence in others. He persevered in his undertakings despite adverse conditions and was everywhere esteemed for his honesty of purpose and unfaltering integrity. In his passing Rochester sustained the loss of one of its representative business men and respected citizens, while the members of his immediate family cherish the memory of a loving and devoted husband and father.

FRED K. TOWNSEND.

Among the varied industries which constitute the basis of Rochester's growth and prosperity is that of the Seneca Camera Manufacturing Company, of which Fred K. Townsend is secretary-treasurer, and the present status of the firm is due to his enterprising spirit and well-directed efforts. He is a member of one of the old and highly respected families of this city, in which he has a wide acquaintanceship and was born here on the 21st of February, 1879. His parents were Julius L. and Elizabeth (Printz) Townsend, the former a native of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the latter of Ardmore, Pennsylvania. The father devoted his life to educational work and for more than forty years was principal of school No. 6 in Rochester. When the Civil war broke out he offered his aid to the Federal government, enlisting in Herkimer county, and was commissioned a captain. He was assigned to the One Hundred and Fifty-second New York Volunteer Infantry and gallantly defended the Union cause until the close of the war. He passed away in 1908. His widow is still living. Three sons and a daughter were born to them, and a son and daughter are still living: Fred K., of this review; and Mrs. Mary T. McMaster of Bath, New York.

Fred K. Townsend's public school training was supplemented by study in the University of Rochester in the class of 1899. In 1900 he entered the employ of the Rochester Optical & Camera Manufacturing Company and was appointed branch manager in Chicago, filling that position for four years. In 1904 he returned to Rochester, where he reorganized and purchased a half interest in the Seneca Camera Manufacturing Company, which he subsequently enlarged and developed into one of the important productive industries of the city. The company manufactures cameras and photographic supplies, in its own well-equipped plant and its employes number two hundred and fifty. Mr. Townsend also has other business interests in Rochester. He has made a success of everything that he has undertaken, for he closely studies conditions, opportunities and possibilities and realizes that simple, direct methods are those which win results.

Mr. Townsend was married in Chicago, Illinois, on October 17, 1908, to Miss Luddy Gertrude Leyden, a daughter of Charles and Margaret (Commerford) Leyden



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of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Townsend have a daughter: Dorothy Leyden, who was born in Rochester, September 2, 1909, and is a student at the Columbia school.

Mr. Townsend is a member of the Alumni Association of the University of Rochester, also the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He is a Knights Templar Mason, has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite Consistory, and is also a Noble of Damascus Temple, Mystic Shrine. He is likewise a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Monroe Golf Club, the Art Club, the Automobile Club and Rochester Yacht Club. Mr. Townsend is chairman of the Brighton Volunteer Fire Department. A broad-gauged man, Mr. Townsend extracts from life the real essence of living, and his integrity, ability and civic spirit have established him high in public regard. His residence is on Penfield road, Brighton.

MAURICE J. JOYCE.

Identified in a prominent way with a line of activity that has a direct and distinct bearing upon the development and improvement of his community, Maurice J. Joyce is recognized as one of the enterprising realtors of Rochester and a capable young business man whose word is to be relied upon. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, December 14, 1892, a son of Maurice J. and Mary (Derrick) Joyce, the former a native of New York city and the latter of Rochester. The father was also a successful real estate operator. His demise occurred in Brooklyn, in 1911. The mother is still a resident of the Empire state. Two children were born to them: Mrs. Roscoe Hagen and Maurice J., both of whom are living in Rochester.

Maurice J. Joyce obtained his early education in the public schools of Mount Vernon, New York, and afterward became a student in the City College of New York, from which he was graduated in 1907. His initial business experience was gained with the Fidelity Trust Company of Rochester, with which he was connected for three years in a clerical capacity, and he then assumed the duties of production manager for L. Adler Brothers & Company, clothing manufacturers. Mr. Joyce remained with that firm until 1917 when he responded to the call to the colors, enlisting in the One hundred and Fourth Aero Squadron, with which he went overseas. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and acted as pilot. He was in active service for two years and received his honorable discharge in New York city, in 1919. Upon his return to Rochester his old position with Adler Brothers & Company was awaiting him and he continued in the employ of that firm until 1921, when he turned his attention to real estate. He was associated with the firm of Slade & Bridle for a year and in 1923 aided in forming the Fisher-Joyce Realty Company, of which he has since been a member. Many large real estate transactions have been effected through their agency and the business is growing rapidly under their progressive management.

In Larchmont, New York, on June 30, 1923, Mr. Joyce was married to Miss Ruth Menter, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Menter, well known residents of Rochester. Mr. Joyce belongs to the American Legion, the Rochester Automobile Club, the Oak Hill Country Club and the local Real Estate Board. Although he is still a young man, his energy, ambition and ability have carried him into important relations, and these same qualities are a guarantee of his continuous progress.

JOSEPH A. GALLETS.

One of the most active business men of Cattaraugus county, New York, is Joseph A. Gallets, oil producer, real estate dealer and lumberman, whose estate is in Allegany, New York. Born in Allegany, in 1857, he has spent all his life in this region and by industry and honesty and the application of good business principles he has become successful. His parents were Jacob and Susan (Mohr) Gallets, who were natives of Coblenz, Germany. They came to America when young and took up a timber claim near Allegany. His father cleared the land, built a log house for his family and commenced farming in the wilderness, and was also active in cutting timber and in logging.

Joseph A. Gallets attended the district schools and then took over his father's farm, and despite his youth he operated it successfully. He bought the farm on which

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he still resides. In 1887 he started oil developments on this land and leased adjacent land, opening a new "pool" there. He has drilled three hundred and fifty wells and now owns one hundred and fifteen of the original wells. Mr. Gallets has no intention of stopping at that, however, as he continues to drill for himself and occasionally for others. For forty-five years he has carried on a lumbering business in the vicinity as well, and his real estate connections are in Olean, New York, where he conducts the Live Wire Agency at No. 609 Exchange National Bank building.

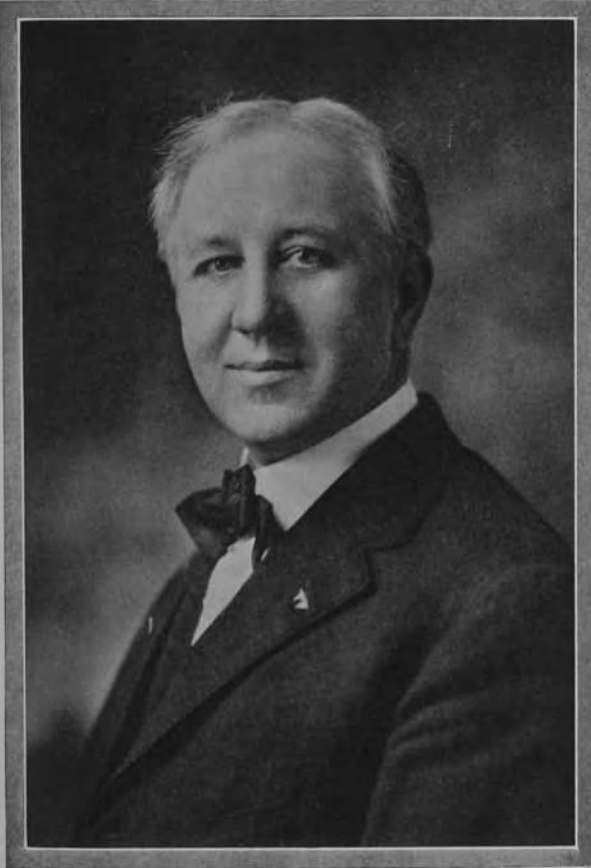
Joseph A. Gallets was road commissioner for several years and at one time was a candidate for county treasurer on the democratic ticket. A republican landslide defeated him, but he ran ahead of the rest of his slate. He has been too busy, however, to devote very much time to politics. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Allegany Chapter.

Mr. Gallets was married to Christina Geringer of Lancaster, New York, and to them nine children were born, six of whom survive. Jacob died at the age of thirteen; Helen, who married Clarence Grandusky, and Mary, are the ones who have passed on. Helen left one child, James. Rose Gallets is a member of the Franciscan Sisters at the Allegany Convent; Clara is now the wife of Frank Hanback, who is with the Standard Oil Company as gager in Allegany. The Hanbacks have four children: Helen, Edward, Fred and Joseph; Lena, became the wife of Frank Nenko, a farmer and oil producer, and they also have four children: Blanche, Lewis, Evelyn and Kathleen; Joseph A. Gallets, Jr., is in business with his father and lives at home. He was in France eighteen months during the World war; Irene became the wife of Earold Martini, who served as a lieutenant in France, with the Hospital Corps, for two and a half years and has been in the woolen business in New York city until recently. He is now in Allegany and with his father-in-law in the oil business. They have one boy, Earl; Lawrence Gallets was with his father until two years ago. He attended St. Bonaventus College and then went into the oil business with his father. He married Dorothy De Croft, and they have one child, Lawrence, Jr.

 WILLIAM HAWTHORN SNYDER.

William Hawthorn Snyder, known to his many friends in Elmira as "Bill", is classed with the substantial business men of the city. He became a wage earner at an early age and one of the finest printing plants in this section of the state is the visible result of his labors. He is an exemplary representative of the Masonic order, in which he has filled many important offices, and his activities in this connection have brought him a wide acquaintanceship. He was born January 9, 1870, in Port Ludlow, on Puget sound, Washington, a son of William and Margaret (Hawthorn) Snyder, the latter a native of England. His father was born in the state of Pennsylvania and went to California with the '49ers. He spent several years in the gold fields of that state and also engaged in the milling business. After his return to the east he settled in Elmira and in 1873 embarked in the grocery business, but died soon afterward from an ailment caused by injuries received during his service in the Mexican war. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder were members of the Episcopal church and their lives were guided by its teachings. Three children were born of their union, namely: William Hawthorn; Claude R., who is associated with his brother in business; and Grace M., who is unmarried.

William Hawthorn Snyder was but three years old when his parents came to Elmira, where he obtained a grammar school education. When a boy of twelve he went to work for the Elmira Telegram and while in the service of the paper mastered the printer's trade. Subsequently he entered the employ of the New York World, but returned home a month later and was placed in charge of the printing plant of the New York State Reformatory. He was thus engaged for six months and in 1893 formed a partnership with his brother. Their combined capital amounted to one hundred and twenty-five dollars, the sum of seventy-five dollars being supplied by William H. Snyder, and they purchased a small printing plant, for which they paid six hundred dollars, making the payments on time. The business grew so rapidly that they were soon obliged to seek larger quarters and they have occupied four different offices in the city. On the 1st of April, 1910, they broke ground for the Snyder building, a substantial four-story structure, sixty-three by one hundred feet in dimensions, of which they are the owners. The building was completed and occupied in October of the same year. They conduct a general job printing business and their plant is well equipped for this purpose. The business is operated under the



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name of the Snyder Brothers Printing Company and the work turned out by the firm is of high grade and uniform excellence. William H. Snyder is filling the office of president and under his management the business has prospered, keeping not only in line but rather in the lead in this field. He is also a director of the Merchants National Bank of Elmira.

Mr. Snyder's connection with the Masonic order forms one of the chief interests of his life. He is a life member of Ivy Lodge, No. 397, F. & A. M.; Elmira Chapter, No. 42, R. A. M.; St. Omer's Commandery, No. 19, K. T.; of which he was commander in 1909-10, and has also been one of its trustees, while from 1915 until 1922 he was a trustee from the commandery on the Masonic Temple board of trustees. He is a member of Kalurah Temple at Binghamton, New York, was sent as a representative to Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S. at Seattle, Washington, in 1915, and is also connected with the Southern Tier Shrine Association. He was monarch of Cashmere Grotto, No. 11, M. O. V. P. E. R., in 1907; a trustee from 1908 until 1922; and grand monarch of Supreme Council, M. O. V. P. E. R., in 1915-16. He is an honorary member of Umarkan Grotto, No. 21, of Geneva, New York; Gul Reazee Grotto, No. 66, of Portland, Oregon; Amoo Grotto, No. 57, of Rock Island, Illinois; Ararat Grotto, No. 64, of Atlanta, Georgia; Hotex Grotto, No. 84, of Houston, Texas; and Cashan Grotto, No. 86, of Beaumont, Texas.

Mr. Snyder is a member of the Masonic Club, the Country Club of Elmira and the Keuka Club. He belongs to the Elmira Chamber of Commerce; to the Business Men's Association of this city, of which he has been president three times; and to the local Rotary Club, of which he was secretary from 1916 until 1923. In 1913-14 he was president of the Sodus Bay Improvement Association of Sodus Point, New York, and in 1915 became a director of the Sodus Bay Yacht Club.

In November, 1895, Mr. Snyder was married to Miss Nell Hopkins of Port Jervis, New York. She died in February, 1897. Mr. Snyder was married in June, 1898, to Miss Sibyl Griswold Tubbs, a native of Michigan. They are members of the Park Congregational church and in politics Mr. Snyder is a republican. He is a loyal, patriotic American, imbued with the spirit of progress along all lines which lead to advancement in relation to municipal, state and national affairs and the improvement of civic and social conditions. He acted as city director of War Savings Stamps in 1918-19 and during the same period was director of the Elmira War Chest. One of the most notable achievements of Mr. Snyder, during the war, occurred on October 15, 1917. The monster parade of seven thousand school children of all schools and denominations in support of the First Liberty Loan. This unparalleled demonstration was conceived and principally executed by Mr. Snyder.

HARRY W. BRECKENRIDGE.

For forty-three years Wellsville has numbered Harry W. Breckenridge among its leaders of business activity and loyal citizens, and his record is that of a self-made man whose constantly expanding powers have carried him from a lowly position to a field of broad usefulness. For more than a half century he has been instrumental in promoting the development of the oil fields of this region and his name also figures prominently in connection with other lines of business. He was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, September 20, 1847, a son of William B. and Nancy (Adams) Breckenridge and a member of one of the old families of the Keystone state. William B. Breckenridge was born in 1813 and died in 1885, at the age of seventy-two years. He devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits and always resided in the vicinity of Meadville. His father, David B. Breckenridge, established his home in that district about the year 1800 and was numbered among its pioneer settlers.

Harry W. Breckenridge attended the district schools and completed his education in the Meadville Academy. For about four years he worked as a clerk in grocery stores of his native town and in 1870 arrived in the oil country, locating in Rouseville, Pennsylvania, on Oil creek. There he secured a similar position and with his savings bought a half interest in a well, assisting for a time in its operation. After selling his interest therein he entered the employ of a pipe line company, which was later taken over by the Standard Oil Corporation, and he was thus engaged until 1884. Mr. Breckenridge dates his residence in Wellsville from 1881. He embarked in business as an independent oil producer and later built the pipe line for the National Transit Company. He is now operating in Pennsylvania, as well as in the Allegany county oil fields, and has been very successful in his ventures. Realizing the need of an industry

for the manufacture of artificial ice, Mr. Breckenridge organized the Acme Ice Company in 1919 and has since been its president. He is also a stockholder in various local business organizations, and his name appears on the directorate of the Citizens National Bank of Wellsville.

On the 10th of May, 1883, Mr. Breckenridge was married to Miss Ellen McEwen, a daughter of Duncan and Susan (Ewing) McEwen and a member of one of the pioneer families of Wellsville. Her parents settled in the village in 1854 and Mr. McEwen was one of its early manufacturers. Mr. and Mrs. Breckenridge became the parents of two daughters: Susan and Jeannette. The former was born in 1888 and resides at home. She is a graduate of Wells College of Aurora, New York. Her sister was born in August, 1904, and died in 1924, when a young woman of twenty. She was graduated from the local high school and afterward spent two years as a student in a seminary in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Breckenridge is a member of the Congregational church, and gives his political support to the democratic party when national issues are involved but at local elections votes independently. He is serving on the village board, and the growth and progress of his community is a matter in which he takes much personal pride. He is a Rotarian and also belongs to the Wellsville Country Club. He is identified with the Masonic order, having membership in the lodge and chapter in Wellsville; the commandery in Hornell; the consistory in Corning; and the Shrine in Buffalo, New York.

FREDERICK JAMES MIX.

Frederick James Mix, formerly and for eight years deputy United States marshal for the Rochester district, a prominent and influential factor in the ranks of the democratic party in this district and one of the best known lawyers practicing at the bar of the Monroe county courts, is a native son of New York state, where he has lived all his life, a resident of Rochester since the days of his young manhood. He was born on the old Mix farm place in the vicinity of the village of Belfast, in Allegany county, November 7, 1890, and is a son of Frederick J. and Nellie B. (Seely) Mix, who are still living on that old farm place and both of whom are members of old families in New York, both the Mixes and the Seelys being of Revolutionary stock and of Mayflower descent. Mrs. Mix's father, Hiram Seely, was a successful tanner in Allegany county.

The senior Frederick J. Mix, a well-to-do farmer and landowner, the present proprietor of the old Mix home place in Allegany county, the place on which he was born and where he still is living, is a son of David P. Mix, who also was born there and who spent all his life there, one of the influential pioneer farmers of that region. His wife was a Histed, a daughter of Rensselaer Histed, one of the pioneers of that county. David P. Mix was a son of Ethan Mix, a brother of Ebenezer Mix, surveyor and land agent of the Holland Land Company at Batavia, New York. Ethan Mix, in 1906, bought the farm here referred to and on it erected the first substantial dwelling house put up within the confines of what is now Allegany county. That old log house, in which four generations of this family have been born, is still standing, in excellent condition, and is still occupied as a home, the senior Frederick J. Mix and his wife living there. It was in this house that the junior Frederick J. Mix was born, as were his father and his grandfather, and it is thus that around this old homestead place cluster many pleasant traditions, sacred in the estimation of the Mix family. The Mixes have been farmers ever since the family became established in this country, back in early colonial days. The senior Frederick J. Mix and his wife have three children, Frederick James (the youngest), having a brother, Otto Mix, who continues to make his home in Allegany county; and a sister, Mrs. Hazel Garrison, a former teacher in the schools of Allegany county, who is now living in Silver Creek, Chautauqua county, this state.

Reared on the old home farm place in Allegany county, the junior Frederick J. Mix completed his local schooling in the Belfast high school and then began seriously the study of law under the preceptorship and in the law office of Walter S. Hubbel in Rochester. In 1911, in his twenty-first year, he was admitted to the bar and in the following year (1912) opened an office in Rochester for the practice of the profession to which he had so earnestly devoted himself, and with the exception of the period during which this practice was interrupted while he was engaged in the Federal service, he has ever since been engaged in practice in Rochester, with present offices



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at No. 25 Exchange street. Mr. Mix is a member of the Rochester Bar Association and of the New York State Bar Association.

Mr. Mix is an ardent democrat, has long been recognized as one of the junior leaders of that party in the Rochester district, and in 1924 was the nominee of that party for the position of county judge. He previously had been a candidate for this nomination and in 1922 was the party's nominee for the office of state senator from this senatorial district. For two years (1914-1915) Mr. Mix rendered service as assistant in the office of the United States district attorney for the district and for eight years (1915-23), during the incumbency of Judge Lynn in the local office of the United States marshal, he served as deputy United States marshal for this district, this term of service covering the period during which this country was taking a hand in the World war, and his work was officially praised by the heads of the department in Washington. When Judge Lynn resigned his office in 1923 Mr. Mix also tendered his resignation to the department of justice and he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession.

On January 18, 1913, in Rochester, Mr. Mix was united in marriage to Miss Ann O'Connor, daughter of Cornelius O'Connor of Phelps, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Mix have two sons, both born in Rochester: Frederick J. Mix (III), born February 11, 1915; and Donal G. Mix, born December 30, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Mix are members of the Roman Catholic church and Mr. Mix is a fourth degree member of the Rochester Council of the Knights of Columbus. He is an active and interested member of the Rochester Historical Society, is a member of the Society of Allegany of Rochester, and is also one of the active members of the Rochester Auto Club. His residence is at No. 18 Cambridge street.

CHARLES ORVILLE TAYLOR.

Charles Orville Taylor is the owner of valuable oil properties in Allegany county and a member of an honored pioneer family of Wellsville. By his labors the father made possible the development of the rich mineral resources of this district, blazing the trail which has guided the footsteps of others and leaving to his fellow townsmen a legacy of inestimable value. Charles Orville Taylor was born January 28, 1862, in Lynchburg, Virginia, and his parents were Orville P. and Cornelia (Clark) Taylor. His great-grandfather in the maternal line was Stephen Mundy, who came of English lineage and was numbered among the pioneers of the Genesee country. He drove from Massachusetts to Allegany county, New York, settling in what is now known as Burns township, and was the first white man in that section. He hewed a farm out of the wilderness and on his property erected a stone house about the year 1800. The building is still standing and is one of the historic landmarks of the state.

Orville P. Taylor was born in Lynchburg, Virginia, September 15, 1838, a son of John Osborn Taylor and a brother of William Taylor, who was long a resident of California and was intimately connected with the early history of the Golden state. There were also two other brothers: Daniel, who became a resident of New Mexico; and John, who lived in the old home at Lynchburg.

When about sixteen years of age Orville P. Taylor went to reside with an aunt, at that time entering the Genesee Seminary at Attica, and there completed his education. In 1857 he went to Canaseraga, New York, where he formed the acquaintance of Miss Cornelia Clark, and soon afterward was sent by a firm of railway contractors of Richmond, Virginia, to Brazil, South America. On the outward passage the vessel was wrecked and for twenty-two days Mr. Taylor, with others, clung to the water-logged hull until cast ashore on the island of St. Thomas. As the representative of the Richmond firm he superintended the construction of Dom Pedro's Railway, which was the first transportation system in that country, and was engaged for three years on the project, which was completed in 1860. It is now operated by the government of Brazil, under the name of the Central Railway and connects Rio de Janeiro with the San Francisco river, a distance of one thousand miles.

After finishing his work in South America Mr. Taylor returned to the States and was married in Canaseraga, in January, 1861, to Miss Cornelia Clark, a daughter of Chauncey and Harriet D. Clark. In referring to his service in the Civil war the Daily Reporter of November, 1883, wrote as follows:

"At that time the clouds of advancing rebellion were hanging dark and threatening over the land, soon to burst. Mr. Taylor was a true southerner. With Alexander Stephens he believed in the right of states to secede, but deplored and even doubted

such a policy. But the storm came, and, with his faithful bride of but a few months, Mr. Taylor went to his Virginia home, joined the fortunes of the Southern Confederacy, and followed them loyally to the end. The rise and fall of the tide of fate or fortune either in war or peace, could never dampen the ardor of O. P. Taylor. His energy and activity were never less in adversity or against odds than when fairer promise beckoned onward. He was brave, daring and gallant as a soldier, made up of that unyielding metal of determined resistance which so long prolonged the war against the crushing odds of superior force, and which with him in after years, in pleasanter pursuits, won for him substantial success in the arena of business. He was wounded in the first battle of Manassas and brought away memorable scars—memoirs of the sad and eventful struggle. Mr. Taylor was not disappointed at the result of the war. Better than his comrades he understood the vast resources of the north in men and means, and he accepted the situation without debate and without regret. Immediately after the close of the struggle in 1865 he returned to Canaseraga, New York, where for several years he engaged in the manufacture of cigars."

In 1870 Mr. Taylor established his business in Wellsville and success attended his activities as a manufacturer. He was the first to recognize the possibilities that lay in the development of the great mineral resources of Allegany county and in 1878 prevailed upon the citizens of Wellsville and the adjoining town of Alma to search for oil. As a result of his efforts the Wellsville & Alma Oil Company was formed and a test well was put down on lot 26 in the town of Alma. This was known as the Wildcat well, the derrick being surmounted by a stuffed wildcat. Some gas and traces of oil were found but at a depth of ten hundred and fifteen feet the thin stratum of oil rock showed nothing in paying quantities. Some of the company were discouraged but Mr. Taylor never lost hope, sacrificing much in his search for the elusive oil. His next venture was the Pikeville No. 1 on lot No. 118 at Alma. The work was completed in November, 1878, but nothing of a paying nature was found, and the Wyckoff well in the winter of 1878-79 was failure number three. Finally came the Old Triangle well No. 1, which was completed in June, 1879, and proved to be a well of about five barrels daily production. This well was the turning point in Mr. Taylor's career and the short five years of his connection with oil production served to give it an impetus that has resulted in the development of an industry which in later years has brought untold wealth to the residents of this region. His life was so interlinked with the discovery of crude oil in this section that he was known as the Father of the Allegany oil field and a monument is now being erected to his memory by the oil producers of the state. Mr. Taylor died at his Pleasant street home in Wellsville, on November 17, 1883, at the age of forty-five years, and the following tribute was paid him by the late Enos W. Barnes, who was one of his warmest friends and staunchest supporters:

"The reader of today does not have to be told of the relation which Mr. Taylor bore to the rapid subsequent development of the Allegany oil field. It is as familiar as household words. To him belongs, as has been fairly admitted, the credit of the development of this fruitful field. It required just his persistent pluck and perseverance and he triumphed where a thousand others would have failed. The faithful wife never for once forsook him. In an hour when, in the Wyckoff venture, business men and friends shook their heads and refused further aid to what they believed was worse than fruitless search, Mrs. Taylor parted with her watch, obtaining the trifling further aid necessary to prove the existence of a most promising oil sand, and which caused her husband to push on to success. Her heroic devotion in the gloomy hours of doubt and disaster won for her a name not to be forgotten, and ever to be admired and emulated.

"Mingled with the multitude of pressing business cares, Mr. Taylor could readily find time to turn aside to the relief of others, and even to give attention to public affairs. In the midst of his struggle with the fortunes and fatigues of oil developments, he was elected president of the village of Wellsville, and gave close and competent attention to the duties of that office. In 1881 he ran as the democratic nominee for member of the assembly. The county was heavily republican and there was no earthly hope of overcoming the majority, yet he ran four hundred and seventy-nine votes ahead of his ticket, and came out of the contest with marked credit.

"Death has drawn the curtain down upon an eventful and busy life in this instance. Mr. Taylor will be missed and mourned in a truthful and conspicuous sense. He was kind of heart, generous of impulse, true to his friends, devoted to his family, and ever ready to relieve distress. A genial disposition, even when the horizon of business and speculation was gloomy and full of apprehension, won for him a heartiness of respect and appreciation, which will live green in the long years to come. It seems almost impossible that he has gone, and we know that his place

cannot be filled. But the elements of his brain and body were literally worn out—exhausted. He forgot to stop and rest. The swift running wheels of his human machinery he failed to oil or to allow the journals to cool. He could not find the time. But at last Nature could bear the strain no longer, and in the presence of a devoted wife and children and of tried and true friends, after a lingering but not painful illness, and with his mind unimpaired to the last moment, at eight o'clock on Saturday, with the closing year, the closing week, the closing day, the wheels stopped—the light went out.

Mrs. Taylor, with the two sons, William and Charles, and the daughter, Anna, who afterward became the wife of Grant Duke, continued residents of Wellsville and the mother remained in the old home until her demise, which occurred September 15, 1913. She was born in Canaseraga, July 18, 1841, and was seventy-two years of age at the time of her death. She was a member of and earnest worker in St. John's church, of which she was a faithful attendant until illness confined her to her home. Her days were filled with unostentatious acts of charity and kindness and her many admirable traits of character made her greatly beloved.

Charles Orville Taylor was eight years old when the family settled in Wellsville and here he attended the public schools, laying aside his textbooks to assist his father in the oil fields. He acted as camp cook and worked on the first well drilled in Allegany county, aiding his father until the latter's death. He was working for the Standard Oil Company when they constructed the first pipe line from Olean to the Atlantic coast. He became an independent producer in 1881, when nineteen years of age, and after his father's demise operated his wells in addition to his own. In 1884 Mr. Taylor became an assistant in the dental office of Dr. J. J. Wilson, under whom he gained a clear understanding of the scientific principles underlying the profession, and opened an office for the Doctor in Belmont and another in Friendship, New York, but has never engaged in practice. In 1890 Mr. Taylor purchased property in the vicinity of the first oil well drilled in the Petrolia district. He worked his leases in the Petrolia district until 1904 and then went to South America, in company with his brother, William O. Taylor. A number of local capitalists had formed the Diamond King Mining Company for the exploitation and development of the gold and diamond mines in the interior of Brazil and the two brothers had invested practically all of their funds in the undertaking. After landing at Rio de Janeiro they traveled to Curralinho via the Dom Pedro Railway, which their father had completed in 1860, and from that point made the journey on muleback to Diamantina, a distance of ninety miles. Charles O. Taylor had charge of the shipping of the machinery to the mines, which were situated one hundred and fifteen miles from a railroad, in a wild and almost inaccessible section of the country. He remained in Brazil for nine years and returned home but once during that period. In 1913 he resumed his operations in the oil fields of Allegany county, continuing active in that work until 1919, when his health became impaired and his efforts are now confined to the supervision of his oil properties, from which he receives a substantial income. An astute, farsighted business man, he quickly perceives the possibilities as well as the difficulties of a situation, and in the management of his affairs displays the keen sagacity and executive ability which are characteristics of the family.

On the 6th of January, 1890, Mr. Taylor was united in marriage to Miss Mabel N. Norris, a daughter of Richard and Helen Norris. Mr. Taylor is an Episcopalian in religious faith and his political support is given to the democratic party. He is an honorary member of the Oil Producers Association of New York State and belongs to the Elks Lodge in Hornell. He is a member of the Brookland Club and hunting and fishing have always been his favorite sports, although of late years he has not been permitted to enjoy these pleasures as frequently as formerly. The spirit of the father has descended to the sons, who have lived up to worthy standards, and the influence which Mr. Taylor has exerted upon his community has been of the highest order.

EDWARD RUTHERFORD.

In the practice of law Edward Rutherford of Belfast, Allegany county, New York, has always combined a keen interest and activity, as a republican, in the affairs of his party. Since 1907 Mr. Rutherford has been deputy clerk of the state assembly at Albany, New York, and in the intervals between legislative sessions devotes himself to his other interests. He was born June 26, 1860, in the township of Allen, Allegany county, the son of Joseph H. and Annis G. (Franklin) Rutherford. His father was

a farmer in the township of Allen, later for seventeen years was president of the Bank of Angelica; and his grandfather, William M. Allen, was an early settler in New York state. Mr. Rutherford started his career with the advantage of an excellent education, having attended the Genesee Valley Seminary at Belfast, New York, the Friendship Literary Academy at Friendship, New York, and the Albany Law School at Albany, New York, graduating from the latter institution in 1884. He began the practice of law at Angelica, New York, in partnership with A. J. Hibbard of Dansville, New York, and remained in Angelica one year, after which he went to Belmont, New York, having been appointed clerk of the surrogate court. Later on Mr. Rutherford located in Buffalo, New York, where for twelve years he was engaged in the practice of law and in the real estate business. In 1902 he moved to Belfast, where he has a good local practice in the law, and since 1907 has filled the position of deputy clerk of the assembly at the state capital. Mr. Rutherford is a member of the Allegany County Bar Association and of the New York State Bar Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order and belongs to the chapter.

On February 27, 1889, Mr. Rutherford was married to Nana B. Norton of Friendship, daughter of David and Elizabeth Norton. Mrs. Rutherford is now deceased. One son, Edward, Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford. He is now with the Southern Pacific Railroad Company in New York city; also one daughter, Josephine E., who is a teacher and resides in Rome, New York. Mr. Rutherford was married again on September 28, 1922, Mrs. Mae B. (Norton) White of Belfast, becoming his wife.

GEORGE ALBERT BURRIS.

George Albert Burris is classed with Elmira's leading realtors, and his life history is an interesting one, indicating what may be accomplished when determination, diligence and courage lead the way. Self-reliance and independence were evident in his early youth, developing a strength of character, and a strong and vigorous manhood, that has enabled him to cope with the problems of life, and find for them a ready and accurate solution. He was born in Iola, Kansas, April 7, 1882, the son of George and Anna Catherine (Egbert) Burris, and he is the youngest of five children, and the only son.

George Albert Burris attended school in Horseheads, New York, and at an early age began providing for his own support. He has followed several occupations, beginning as a young boy, in a shoe factory. Subsequently he had charge of two warehouses on the dock in Buffalo, New York, was with the Tompkins County National Bank for six years, and afterward was employed as a bond salesman. In 1911 he embarked in the real estate business in Elmira, choosing a business well suited to his talents, and which has enjoyed a rapid growth. He now employs seven salesmen, and is a recognized leader in the line in which he specializes. He is thoroughly informed concerning property values, and displays keen sagacity in placing his investments.

Mr. Burris has two sons, George Albert, Jr., and James Swarthout, both of whom are attending the public schools. Mr. Burris is an influential member of the Elmira Real Estate Board, and was its first president. He also belongs to the National Association of Real Estate Boards, the New York State Association of Real Estate Boards, the Farm Brokers Association of New York State, the Elmira Chamber of Commerce, and the Chemung County Farm Bureau. Mr. Burris is a Mason and belongs to the Elmira Country Club and the Masonic Club. His labors have been a direct agency in the upbuilding of the city, and in winning success he has also gained the esteem and confidence of his fellowmen, for he has made the "square deal" a principle of his life, never deviating from the course dictated by conscience and good judgment.

CHARLES EDGAR WHITCOMB.

Standing on the porch of his home Charles Edgar Whitcomb, farmer, of Belvidere, Allegany county, New York, can see a broad expanse of acres which he calls his own and of whose productiveness he is proud. Looking over his family tree Mr. Whitcomb sees a line of distinguished ancestors that are cause for greater pride than all his acres, men who have made the Genesee country the garden spot it is today, and brought it from a state of natural wildness into one of ordered culture. Mr.



GEORGE A. BURRIS

Whitcomb was born April 22, 1863, in Belmont, Allegany county, the son of Silas Hale and Jane V. (Pitt) Whitcomb, who were married on April 2, 1850. Mrs. Whitcomb was a daughter of William and Elizabeth Vincent Pitt, of English descent. Silas Hale Whitcomb was born April 15, 1826, in Washington county, New York, and died on November 5, 1897. The paternal grandfather of Charles Edgar Whitcomb was Jeriah Whitcomb, who had married Rhoda Norton. Jeriah Whitcomb was a lumberman and farmer in Washington county. He and his wife, with their son Silas Hale, then four years old, moved to the Genesee country about 1830 and located near Belmont, in Allegany county. Their son was educated in the common public school in Belmont, and in 1859 became identified with the Church Estate. He removed to Genesee and became manager of the Big Tree Farm, being employed by General James Wadsworth, in 1863. Later on Silas Hale Whitcomb returned to Belmont and was employed by Richard Church, in the lumber, real estate and oil business, until 1882, when he removed to Belvidere and lived on a farm until his death. He had the reputation of being one of the best timbermen in western New York. Mr. Whitcomb was a member of the Masonic order, belonging to the blue lodge, chapter and commandery, was a republican in politics and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church in religion. He was the father of two sons, Eugene Pitt, who resided in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he died on August 2, 1924. He was widely known in oil and gas circles as president of the Union National Gas Corporation; and Charles Edgar.

Charles Edgar Whitcomb acquired his education in the district public schools and at Friendship Academy, and since leaving school has been a farmer near Belvidere. Among his other landholdings he owns his father's farm at Belvidere. Mr. Whitcomb is interested in the public affairs of his community and takes an active part in them. In 1889 he was elected justice of the peace of Belvidere and held the office until 1912. He served eight years as superintendent of highways, and in the fall of 1923 was elected supervisor. In his political views he is in accord with the republican party and votes its ticket. Fraternally he is a member of Belmont Lodge, F. & A. M., in Belmont; Wellsville chapter in Wellsville; De Molay Commandery in Hornell, and Ismailia Temple Mystic Shrine in Buffalo. Mr. Whitcomb is a member of the Belmont Club, which is the same as a chamber of commerce, the Belmont Rod and Gun Club and the Brooklyn Club, the latter being a rod and gun club. He is greatly interested in fishing and hunting, is a deep student of local history, is proud of his lineage and has many old relics, maps, pictures, etc., that would delight the heart of any antiquarian.

Mr. Whitcomb was married on October 19, 1889, to Mary E. Crosby, daughter of Joseph Y. and Sarah Leilous Crosby of Belvidere, who were settlers near Angelica, New York, in 1830. One son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb, Eugene Crosby Whitcomb, born July 14, 1891, who now resides in Kane, Pennsylvania, where he is manager of a gas plant for the Manufacturers Gas Company. He married Marie Lane of Belvidere, New York, and they have one daughter, Marie Jean.

BENJAMIN SIMEON DEAN.

Benjamin Simeon Dean, one of the prominent attorneys of Jamestown, is a native of Cattaraugus county, New York, born in the village of Randolph, May 10, 1860. His father, Philo Norman Dean, was born in Lockport, New York, and his mother, whose maiden name was Rosella S. Fisher, was born in Wardsboro, Windham county, Vermont. They both came to Randolph in childhood, there grew up and were married. Philo N. Dean operated a shoe factory in Randolph for many years, and also conducted a retail store there.

The greater part of Benjamin Simeon Dean's life prior to 1897 was spent in newspaper work. He attended the district schools of Randolph until he was about twelve years old, when he entered the office of the Randolph Register to learn the printer's trade. After serving an apprenticeship of three years he went to Emlenton, Pennsylvania, and found employment with the Emlenton Register. There he rose to the position of foreman of the composing-room and later became a partner in the firm of Sampson, Kittell & Dean, publishers of the Register. In 1880 he withdrew and went to Olean, New York, as city editor of the Olean Daily Times. After a short time on that paper he changed to the Olean Daily Herald, of which he was city editor until 1884. He then returned to Randolph, where he became a member of the firm of Roberts & Dean, which purchased the Register, in the office of which he had learned his trade. For about a year he was active in the management of this newspaper, but

in 1885 he came to Jamestown to accept the city editorship of the *Daily News*. Not long after this he purchased the *News* and conducted it until 1897, when he sold it to engage in the practice of law.

Although Mr. Dean did not enter the legal profession until he was about thirty-seven years of age, he soon acquired a high standing at the bar. This was due to his careful preparation, and his experience as a journalist brought him into touch with many fine points of the law, which fact has proved to be of great advantage to him in practice. Upon his admission to the bar in 1897 he opened an office in Jamestown, where he has built up a lucrative business, being counsel for a number of the city's leading business enterprises. Among these may be mentioned the Salisbury Axle Company and the Auto Parts Company of Peru, Indiana, in which he is a director. He has also served as corporation counsel of the city of Jamestown, and was a member of the constitutional convention of the state of New York in 1894, which made the present constitution of the state.

Mr. Dean cast his lot with the republican party upon attaining his majority and has always taken a keen interest in public and political matters. For some time he was a member of the Jamestown board of health. He is a member of the University and Saturday Night Clubs and has served as president of all.

On June 27, 1883, was solemnized the marriage of Benjamin S. Dean to Miss Emyle C. Blasdell, daughter of Richard and Laura (Cook) Blasdell of Gowanda, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Dean have one daughter—Bonny Blasdell Dean, now a teacher in the Jamestown high school. Richard Blasdell was born in Canada, but came to Gowanda, where for years he was proprietor of a hotel, and where Mrs. Dean was born.

HARRY EDWARD HUNTINGTON.

Harry Edward Huntington is well qualified by experience and ability for the responsible position of general passenger agent of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company and comes of a family whose members have long been prominently identified with transportation activities in both the east and west. He was born July 23, 1869, in New Lisbon, Wisconsin, a son of George E. and Helen L. (Smith) Huntington, the former a native of Connecticut, and the latter of Buffalo, New York. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Huntington went to Wisconsin and the father subsequently became connected with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, devoting his efforts to railroad operation until death terminated his labors. There were seven children in the family: George R., now deceased, who was president of the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railway Company, with headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Fred C., superintendent for the Northern Pacific Railroad; Mrs. J. W. Chamberlain of St. Paul, Minnesota; Mrs. H. P. McMaster of Jamestown, New York; Harry Edward, of this review; and Mrs. I. V. Gedney and Mrs. C. W. Sawyer, residents of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Harry Edward Huntington began his education in New Lisbon, Wisconsin, and continued his studies in Minneapolis, Minnesota, completing his high school course in that city in 1886. He attended the University of Minnesota for a time and then obtained a position with the "Soo" Line, of which his brother was later president, and worked for that road until 1899, when he entered the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Later he was connected with the Cleveland offices of the Erie Railroad Company and since 1908 has been in the service of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company, as general passenger agent, with main offices in Rochester. He has a detailed knowledge of the work intrusted to his care and his department functions with precision, accuracy and efficiency.

In May, 1893, Mr. Huntington was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Baker, a daughter of Dr. Findlay Baker, a prominent physician of Minneapolis. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Huntington, Lois, was born in that city. She is now the wife of E. B. Donaldson of Minneapolis, and they have a son, John, born April 1, 1920, in Boston, Massachusetts. Mrs. Huntington's death occurred on June 23, 1924, in this city. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal church, and took a prominent part in all church affairs. She was also an active member of the Woman's City Club. Mr. Huntington is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal church of Rochester and faithfully adheres to its teachings. He is a Mason and also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is one of the progressive members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and also belongs to the Reform Ad. Automobile, Yacht, Washington, Rochester, Genesee Valley and Monroe Golf Clubs. Mr. Huntington possesses a genial nature and enjoys



HARRY E. HUNTINGTON

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the social amenities of life. His rise in the business world indicates that he has chosen a field well adapted to his powers, and proven ability has placed him in the important office which he now fills.

E. CHANDLER BRISTOL.

E. Chandler Bristol, the able editor of the Belfast Blaze, has been intimately connected with the newspaper business all of his life. As a boy he earned some of his first money as an employe in a newspaper printing shop and from that day to this he has been almost continuously associated with this most interesting line of work. He came to Belfast in 1899 and helped establish the Blaze, which he became the owner of in 1900 and has edited and published with success. He is a native of the Empire state, born in Harpursville, on the 11th of October, 1867, the son of James E. and F. Augusta (Roe) Bristol. His father, who was formerly a druggist, lived retired from active business life and resided in Harpursville, until his death at the age of fifty-eight.

E. Chandler Bristol was educated in the public and private schools of his birthplace and later attended the Chesbrough Seminary of North Chili, New York. As has already been stated, his interest was first attracted to the journalistic profession when as a boy he obtained employment in a local newspaper office for a time. When he finished his education at the age of twenty the young man set out on his career by running a paper in Harpursville, where he continued in this line of work for four years. After spending some years in Florida, where he was engaged in newspaper work, also, Mr. Bristol returned to New York state and settled in Belfast, purchasing the Belfast Blaze in 1900. This paper had been founded by Peter J. Quinn, who had been running it for about ten months when the transfer to Mr. Bristol took place. The real credit for building up the paper and making it a factor in the development of the community belongs, therefore, to Mr. Bristol. For a quarter of century he has been making it his purpose to serve his fellow citizens by giving them the most accurate accounts of the current news that can be obtained and by sponsoring in his editorial columns those things that make for civic virtue and progress. Through his membership in the Allegany County Press Association and the New York Press Association, he keeps in close touch with the trend of events in the field of journalism and through these organizations obtains many suggestions which help him to maintain a high standard of excellence in conducting his paper.

Mr. Bristol was married in 1895, to Miss Emma Millett of Belfast, and they are the parents of three children: Rudel M., who is engaged in the real estate business in Rochester; Frances A., and Charles L., students in the local schools of Belfast. The family is identified with the Free Methodist church, of which Mr. Bristol is a member. In politics this editor ranks as a republican with independent tendencies. While in the main he follows the leadership of the Grand Old Party, he reserves the right to support any candidate or measure that he feels will be of benefit to the public, regardless of party affiliations.

CHARLES M. VAN CUREN.

Charles M. Van Curen of Bolivar, who has to his credit thirty years' experience as an oil producer, has also gained enviable recognition in the field of literature as a novelist. Representing a family that was established in Allegany county more than a century ago, he was born at Belmont, New York, in 1868, the son of George W. and Caroline (Elliott) Van Curen. His paternal grandfather, Peter Van Curen, emigrated from Holland to America and took up his abode in Belmont, this state, about the year 1819. George W. Van Curen, the father of Charles M. Van Curen, was born at Belmont, New York, in 1839. He served as a valiant defender of the Union during the period of the Civil war and devoted his attention to the lumber business throughout his active career.

In the acquirement of an education Charles M. Van Curen attended the schools of Belmont and Bolivar. Subsequently he made his way to Fargo, North Dakota, where for a time he worked on the Dalrymple ranch. He returned to Bolivar, New York, in 1885 and later turned his attention to the production of oil in the "Salt Rising" district. Thereafter he took up leases throughout the region and next began

"shooting" wells in addition to oil production, soon afterward erecting a small plant for the manufacture of nitroglycerine used in this process. Mr. Van Curen has "shot" approximately one-third of the wells in this territory and his undertakings as an oil producer have been attended with gratifying success.

In addition to possessing excellent business ability, Mr. Van Curen has manifested marked literary talent. More than six thousand copyright copies of his novel, "The Waif of the Wreck," which appeared in 1918, were sold. In 1920 he went to California, where he employed a picture corporation to film the story, which was shown at moving picture theaters throughout the country under the name of "The Glory of Youth." Mr. Van Curen has been a frequent contributor to magazines and is the author of numerous short stories as well as of some novels which have not yet been published.

In early manhood Mr. Van Curen was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Riggall, of Clarion county, Pennsylvania, but at that time a resident of Bolivar, New York. Their son, Melvin Howard, is a senior in the Bolivar high school.

Politically Mr. Van Curen may be termed an independent republican, for he does not consider himself bound by party ties and at local elections casts his ballot for the candidate whom he believes best qualified for the position sought. Fraternally he is a Knight Templar Mason and has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. Allegany county may well be proud of this talented and successful native son.

ARCHIE MINOR BOVIER.

Executive ability and an enterprising spirit, guided and controlled by sound and practical judgment, have actuated Archie Minor Bovier throughout his business career, bringing him to the fore in commercial circles of Elmira. He is treasurer and general manager of the American Sales Book Company, which for more than twenty years has profited by his well directed efforts, and his influence also extends to civic, social and fraternal affairs. He was born in Granville township, Bradford county, Pennsylvania, September 28, 1869, and his parents, Seeley and Hannah (Ayres) Bovier, were also natives of the Keystone state, in which the father followed agricultural pursuits. They had a family of five children, four of whom are living. Mr. and Mrs. Bovier were members of the Methodist Episcopal church and he was allied with the democratic party. His father, Dr. Solomon N. Bovier, was a lifelong resident of Pennsylvania and a successful physician. He was a son of Solomon Bovier, who was a pioneer of Chemung county, New York, and was buried near Elmira. The early ancestors of Mr. Bovier were Huguenots and owing to religious persecution fled from France to Germany, whence they migrated to America about 1763, in company with a number of persons from Holland, who founded the Dutch colony in New York. The name of Bovier is closely associated with the early history of the state and seven members of the family were massacred by the Indians at Ellenville, New York. The maternal grandfather, Marcus Ayres, was a native of Connecticut and removed from that state to Pennsylvania, settling on a farm adjoining that of Solomon Bovier.

In the acquirement of an education Archie Minor Bovier attended the district school near his home and the high school in Troy, Pennsylvania, later completing a course in the Allen Business College in Elmira. He entered the business world at the age of fourteen, becoming assistant in a railroad office in Granville Summit, Pennsylvania, with which he was connected for three years. In 1888 he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Troy, Pennsylvania, and a few months later was transferred to Elmira. He was rapidly advanced and at the age of twenty-one assumed the duties of chief clerk of the freight department. After leaving the service of that corporation Mr. Bovier was appointed assistant postmaster of Elmira and eighteen months later became acting postmaster. He next accepted the position of correspondence clerk in the bank of the Chemung Canal Trust Company, which he left on the 1st of February, 1902, to become general manager of the American Sales Book Company. He has since filled that office and is also treasurer and a director of the corporation. He is a director of the Second National Bank, the Hilliard Clutch & Machinery Company of Elmira, also the Employees Mutual Insurance Company and the Aquazone Corporation of New York city.

Mr. Bovier was married September 8, 1903, to Miss Cornelia Sayre, a daughter of Purdy Sayre, a pioneer of Schuyler county. Her grandmother was a member of the Budd family. Mrs. Bovier was born in Watkins and was there graduated from

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high school, afterward completing a course in Cook Academy at Montour Falls, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Bovier have six daughters: Margaret Cornelia, Elizabeth Sayre and Mary Catherine, all of whom are attending the Baldwin School at Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania; Cornelia Jane, who is a student in Elmira Academy; Florence Ayres, a pupil in school No. 2 of Elmira; and Antoinette.

Mr. and Mrs. Bovier are members of the Park Congregational church and he is one of its trustees. He belongs to the Ivy Lodge of Masons; to Elmira Chapter, No. 42, R. A. M.; St. Omer's Commandery, No. 19, K. T.; and to the local Grotto. He was secretary of the committee that organized the Masonic Club and when the society was founded Mr. Bovier secured sixty per cent of its members. He is president of the Elmira Golf & Country Club and is also connected with the City Club. He is one of the trustees of Elmira College and a democrat in politics. In 1898 he was appointed a member of the civil service commission of Elmira and for three years was president of the board. In 1903 he was elected alderman and served until 1906. He was one of the original members of the Elmira Water Board, with which he is still connected, and was appointed in 1913 for a term of five years. He was president of the board in 1917, 1918, and in June, 1921, was again elected. Mr. Bovier was one of those through whose efforts the city has secured a fine waterworks system. During the World war he served on Liberty Loan, Red Cross and War Chest committees and was chairman of the War Service committee of the Sales Check Book Manufacturers Association. Mr. Bovier's life record is the story of a man whose talents have been used for the betterment of Elmira and its citizens and his success is the reward of proved ability.

DRS. MORRIS AND MORRIS.

JACOB E. K. MORRIS, M. D.

Dr. Jacob E. K. Morris, a prominent medical practitioner at Olean during the past four decades, has been particularly successful in the field of surgery and has long enjoyed an enviable reputation in this connection. He is a native of McKean county, Pennsylvania, and a son of the Rev. S. D. and Elizabeth (Knapp) Morris, the former a minister of the Baptist church, who preached the Gospel in the Keystone state prior to coming to western New York. In his youth Jacob E. K. Morris pursued an academic course at Friendship, Allegany county, New York, while his professional training was acquired in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1879. During the summer sessions of 1885 and 1887 he attended the New York Post Graduate School, while in 1900 he went to London, England, for special study on general surgery in the West London Hospital. In 1914 he again crossed the ocean and studied surgery in London and France. He made his third trip to France and England in 1924.

For seven years following his graduation from the medical department of the University of Buffalo, Dr. Morris engaged in general practice at Eldred, Pennsylvania. It was in 1886 that he came to the Genesee Country and opened an office at Olean, which city has since remained the scene of his professional activity and where he has been accorded a very gratifying practice as physician and surgeon, his skill being widely recognized. He is connected with the Olean General Hospital as staff surgeon and is also surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Dr. Morris is a member of the Cattaraugus County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

At the polls, Dr. Morris supports the men and measures of the republican party, and he has rendered efficient service to the cause of education as a member of the school board for fifteen years. His religious faith is that of the Methodist church, while fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite.

In early manhood Dr. Morris was united in marriage to Sarah F. Gillingham, of Olean, New York. They are the parents of two sons and two daughters. C. D. Morris, the eldest of the family, was graduated from Yale University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1906. He was city editor of the New York Sun for several years, and then held a similar position with the Associated Press. In 1914 the Associated Press sent him abroad, where he served as war correspondent for four

years. He is now active in the work of the Near East Relief and after ten years of foreign service in Constantinople and Athens is now in the New York office. He is also managing the New York office of the National American News Association, a large news gathering organization similar to the A. P. He wedded Arminta Miles of Olean, New York, and has a son, Richard.

Raymond B. Morris, the younger son of Dr. J. E. K. and Sarah F. (Gillingham) Morris, is mentioned at greater length below.

Caroline Morris, a graduate of the Olean high school, received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Syracuse University, is a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital and the Columbia University School of Nursing. For three years she was attending anaesthetist at the Presbyterian Hospital and later was in charge of a hospital in Syra, Greece, with the Near East Relief. In December, 1924, Miss Morris was married to Gerald H. Holmes of London, England. Mr. Holmes is engaged in business in Athens, Greece, and Mr. and Mrs. Holmes will reside in Athens for the next several years.

Margaret Morris, who also pursued a high school course at Olean, New York, and was graduated from Syracuse University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, became the wife of Clarence Jarvis and resides in Utica, New York. Mr. Jarvis is also a graduate of Syracuse University.

RAYMOND B. MORRIS, M. D.

Dr. Raymond B. Morris was graduated from Yale University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1907 and received the degree of M. D. from the Johns Hopkins University Medical School. After spending a year as house surgeon in the Union Memorial Hospital of Baltimore, Maryland, he came to Olean and has since been associated with Dr. J. E. K. Morris. From 1911 to 1918 he was engaged in practice in Olean, his work gradually becoming limited to surgery and X-ray diagnosis and treatment, in which specialties he was particularly successful, and during this time he took numerous post graduate courses in these specialties.

In January, 1918, he began active service in the United States army, having enlisted in November, 1917. He was first sent to Boston for several months training in the orthopedic war surgery at Harvard Medical School. Following this he was made orthopedic surgeon to Camp Forrest, Georgia. In July, 1918, he sailed to France with the Eighty-fifth Division. On arriving in France he was transferred to an evacuation hospital near Verdun, where he had an active surgical service and helped care for the thousands of wounded soldiers during the great drive.

He secured an honorable discharge from the army in April, 1919, and returned to his practice at Olean. He is now an attending surgeon at the Higgins Memorial Hospital and consulting roentgenologist at the same institution. He is a member of the state and county medical societies, fellow of the American Medical Association and fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is also a member of the American Radiological Society and the Central Pennsylvania X-ray Society. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and an Odd Fellow.

In 1913 he was married to Mary L. Parrish of Baltimore, Maryland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Parrish, of that city. Mr. Parrish is a prominent Baltimore merchant. A daughter, Mary Louise, was born in June, 1914.

JOSEPH FRITSCH, JR.

Joseph Fritsch, Jr., United States marshal for the western district of New York, with headquarters in Rochester, his native city, has filled other public offices of importance and is well qualified by experience, training and personal qualifications for the responsibilities which devolve upon him in this connection. He was born May 21, 1887, and is a son of Joseph and Margaret (Mayer) Fritsch, who came to the United States in their youth, settling in Rochester, where they still reside. The father served an apprenticeship to the barber's trade, which he followed for many years.

Joseph Fritsch, Jr., received his elementary education in the parochial school maintained by the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, later attended St. Andrew's Pre-



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paratory Seminary in this city, Epiphany College in Baltimore, also St. Mary's Seminary in that city and Holy Cross College of Worcester, Massachusetts, which latter institution awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1909. When he decided to abandon his youthful ambition to enter the priesthood and take up law, he entered the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1912, and then obtained a clerical position in the office of Smith, DeGraff, Castleman & Mosher, well known attorneys of Rochester. In 1915 Mr. Fritsch was appointed supervisor for the state census in the thirty-eighth congressional district and in the same year became city assessor. He held that post for eight years and was just entering upon his third term, to which he was reelected by a plurality of approximately sixteen thousand, when, on January 22, 1924, he was appointed United States marshal for the western district of New York, by President Calvin Coolidge. He assumed the duties of the office on January 22, 1924, and is giving to the government faithful, efficient and thoroughly satisfactory service, proving a worthy successor of his predecessor, Judge John D. Lynn.

On December 26, 1912, Mr. Fritsch was married to Miss Elizabeth Harper, a daughter of George and Sarah Harper of Rochester. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Fritsch are: Mary Elizabeth, who was born in 1914 and is attending Nazareth Academy of Rochester; Anna Marie, born in 1916 and also a student in that institution; and Joseph Fritsch (III), who was born January 26, 1920.

Mr. Fritsch is a staunch republican and a leader in party activities in the tenth ward. He is a Roman Catholic in religious faith and has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is deputy grand knight in the local council and is also identified with the Order of Alhambra and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Fritsch is a young man of enterprise, ability and determination, interested in every movement for civic betterment, and his personal qualities are those which make for popularity. The residence of Mr. Fritsch is at No. 132 Parkdale terrace.

E. KENDALL DERICK.

E. Kendall Derick, whom Steuben county numbers among her foremost business men and worthy native sons, is the president of the Bath Home Building Company, manager and director of the Bath Harness Company and officially identified with various other important corporate interests of the town. His birth occurred in Wheeler, Steuben county, New York, on the 8th of August, 1856, his parents being Henry and Katherine (Kendall) Derick, the former an agriculturist by occupation. He acquired his education in the common schools of his native county and entered upon his business career as proprietor of a general store at Wheeler, where he was thus engaged in merchandising for fifteen years. He was active in public affairs of the community, filling the position of town clerk of Wheeler and also serving as postmaster there during Grover Cleveland's two terms as President of the United States.

It was in 1900 that Mr. Derick came to Bath and for eleven years thereafter he remained on the road, selling hardware specialties and farm implements. He then became associated with the Bath Harness Company, of which he was made manager and member of the board of directors in 1913. This concern manufactures all kinds of harness and also conducts a jobbing business in hardware. The Bath Harness Company was organized in 1892 and it was seventeen years later, in 1909, that the present commodious factory of the corporation was erected to meet the growing demands of the business. Mr. Derick is a capable executive whose cooperation and counsel have been sought in the successful control of various other business enterprises. He is vice president of the W. W. Babcock Company, a ladder manufacturing concern of Bath, vice president of the Longwell Roofing Company, vice president of the Green Knitting Company and president of the Bath Home Building Company, all of which profit by his direction and his sound business judgment.

On the 6th of June, 1882, Mr. Derick was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Benedict of Prattsburg, Steuben county, New York. He has always been an active worker in the local ranks of the democratic party, has served as democratic county committeeman for fifteen years and has been elected delegate to the state convention for 1924. He was elected mayor of Bath in 1922 and received endorsement of his first term by reelection in 1923, giving to the town a businesslike and progressive administration characterized by many measures of reform and improvement. During his incumbency as mayor of Bath the band stand was built by popular subscription and the construction of the village hall was completed. He has greatly aided in push-

ing forward the wheels of progress in Bath and his life has been one of intense activity and usefulness, commanding for him the respect, admiration and esteem of all with whom he has been associated.

DANIEL SHEEHAN.

The life record of Daniel Sheehan is the story of a man whose talents have been used for the benefit of his city and its people, and should serve to inspire and encourage others, indicating the possibilities that lie before the individual and demonstrating what may be accomplished when effort and ambition combine. Owing nothing to the adventitious aids that ordinarily push men forward in business, he has overcome circumstances, bending them to his will, and by the influence of his own powers has risen from the lowly position of errand boy to the presidency of the largest dry goods firm in Chemung valley. He has not lived for self-aggrandizement and during the years of his connection with the city government important measures were adopted bearing upon the future growth and prosperity of the municipality. His is a many-sided, forceful personality and he is foremost among those who have earned for Elmira her title of Queen city of the Southern Tier.

Daniel Sheehan was born November 1, 1862, in Ridgebury, Athens township, Bradford county, Pennsylvania, a son of John and Ellen (Walsh) Sheehan, both of whom were natives of Ireland. His parents were poor and existence was a struggle. In the latter part of the Civil war, when it was difficult to earn a livelihood, his father was killed and this additional affliction was a crushing blow to the family. With his mother he moved to Elmira early in the '70s and his preliminary education was received in grammar school No. 3, which he attended until he reached the age of fourteen, when he became a wage earner. He began his business career in 1877 as errand boy in the dry goods store of Strauss & Samuels. He received a salary of two dollars a week and at once began to save money. In the winter months he attended Professor Norton's night school and later took an evening course in one of the commercial colleges of the city. He was quick, industrious and dependable and his employers soon recognized these traits. As his experience increased he was intrusted with greater responsibilities and eventually became a salesman. In 1883 he entered the service of Fish & Holmes, dry goods merchants of Elmira, and when the firm dissolved partnership Mr. Sheehan remained with W. W. Fish, who continued the business. In January, 1888, it was purchased by Dey Brothers, with whom he remained until September of that year, when he established a business of his own, organizing the firm of Sheehan, Dean & Company. His partners in the undertaking are Elmer Dean and Daniel Richardson, also self-made men. The former was in the employ of Fish & Holmes, W. W. Fish, and Young, Smyth, Field & Company of Philadelphia. The latter was first connected with Strauss & Samuels, later with Albert Samuels of Elmira, and from 1884 until 1896 played professional baseball with the New York Giants. The young men leased the first floor of a new three-story brick building at No. 124 West Water street and at the end of three years were utilizing the entire structure. The business grew so rapidly that in 1894 these quarters became inadequate and they removed to a new store at Nos. 140-142 West Water street. In 1907 another store was erected and the firm now occupies the four-story building situated at Nos. 136-142 West Water street. Mr. Sheehan drew the plans for the building, which contains more than an acre of floor space and is thoroughly modern in construction, equipment and furnishings. It is strictly a dry goods store and is conducted on both a wholesale and retail basis. The business is operated along the most progressive lines and the establishment would be a credit to a city of metropolitan proportions. The company has always maintained the highest standard in the personnel of the house and the quality of its stock, so that the firm name has become synonymous with integrity and reliability in commercial circles of Elmira. The sales of the company now amount to a million dollars annually and the extensive business of today stands as an imposing monument to the initiative, enterprise and executive force of its founders. Each stage in the development of the undertaking has been carefully planned by Mr. Sheehan, who is resourceful, farsighted and sagacious, remaining steadily at the helm of the business and manifesting at all times strong administrative power.

Mr. Sheehan has been equally successful in other lines of business. In 1887 he became a member of the firm of Sullivan & Sheehan, controlling the Arctic Ice Company, which was later merged with other business organizations of this character

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and since 1891 has been operated under the style of the Elmira Ice Company, Limited. Since its incorporation Mr. Sheehan has been a director in the company and he was one of the original stockholders of the American Sales Book Company, with which he has likewise been connected throughout the period of its existence. The firm is engaged in the manufacture of sales books and office supplies and ranks with the largest concerns of the kind in the United States. Since its organization in 1902 Mr. Sheehan has been a director of the Chemung Canal Trust Company of Elmira and is also a member of its executive committee. In 1913 Mr. Sheehan organized the Elmira Herald Publishing Company, which published the Daily Herald for seven years. The Daily Herald suspended publication in 1920, but the company still conducts an extensive job printing business at Nos. 117-19 Railroad avenue, the original location.

Mr. Sheehan is a staunch democrat in politics and an active worker in the ranks of the party. His opinion carries much weight in its councils and he acted as chairman of the democratic county committee during 1898 and 1899 and from 1912 until 1914, inclusive. He was a delegate to the state conventions of the party in 1894-95-96-97-98-99 and 1900 and in the latter year was elected a member of the democratic state committee, representing the fortieth senatorial district, composed of the counties of Chemung, Tompkins, Tioga and Schuyler. He has continued as state committeeman, representing Chemung county, and has served on the executive board of the state committee. During the period of his connection with this committee he has attended every state convention and he was also a delegate to the Democratic National conventions of 1904 and 1912, the former of which was held in St. Louis and the latter in Baltimore. He was a member of the committee that notified Judge Alton B. Parker of his nomination for president in 1904 and was also one of the committee that waited upon Woodrow Wilson at Shadow Lawn, New Jersey, in 1916, to notify him of his renomination for the presidency.

Mr. Sheehan is one of the best versed men in political economy in the state. His connection with public affairs dates from 1887, when he was appointed clerk of the civil service commission under Mayor Stanchfield. This position afforded him an opportunity to gain an insight into every department of city government and he made the most of it. In 1888 he was chosen to represent the fifth ward in the city council, in which he served for two terms. He was one of the most progressive aldermen the ward has ever known and always agitated public improvements, having the best interests of the city at heart. In 1895 he was appointed police commissioner by Mayor Frederick Collin, was reappointed by Mayor Denton in 1898 and in 1900 by Mayor Frank H. Flood, retiring in 1901. While occupying that office he was successful in obtaining the eight-hour shift for policemen, Elmira being one of the first cities in the state to inaugurate this system.

In 1902 Mr. Sheehan was called to the mayoralty, at which time the city was suffering from the effects of two disastrous floods, and the work of repair was the first serious duty. A system of concrete dykes on both sides of the Chemung river, protecting the city from frequent overflows, was constructed, and the expense was paid by the state. While filling the position of alderman he had been instrumental in obtaining a detailed survey of the original channel of the river and employed eminent counsel to establish the fact that the state of New York was negligent when in 1865 it built a temporary dam across the Chemung river near the city of Corning, to divert the water to a state canal. After a heavy and continuous rainfall this dam gave way and washed away considerable property adjacent to the bank of the river, changing the course of the stream in some places. As a result the city established the liability of the state to repair the damage caused by the flood. Mr. Sheehan completed his first term on January 2, 1904, and on that occasion the following tribute to his public service was paid by The Telegram, one of Elmira's leading newspapers:

"Mr. Sheehan has given to the city an administration marked by careful management and by financial integrity of a scrupulous order. No matter how citizens may differ politically with Mr. Sheehan, all will concur that he is a business man of the first rank in Elmira, and that he gave to the discharge of the duties of the office of mayor the same degree of thoroughness, capacity and integrity that he has employed so long and so successfully in the mercantile life of Elmira. Considering the bad financial condition of the city when Mr. Sheehan came into office and its splendid condition when he leaves office, it must be admitted that his qualities as a financier and administrator for the public weal have proven of the highest order. In careful management of the city's finances, and scrupulous caution in disbursements, Daniel Sheehan has not been excelled by any mayor in Elmira's history. In the forty years since Elmira became a city it is doubtful if any mayor had so much to contend

against on every hand. Great as were the difficulties Mr. Sheehan proved equal to the occasion, and with courage and firmness he conserved the city's best financial interests. He not only had to battle with his political opponents, but to overcome conditions in his own party for which he was not responsible. Judged by his own highly deserving official and personal record, Mr. Sheehan's part in history as mayor of Elmira will be one which he can look back upon with pride and satisfaction. Political mishaps and mistakes will occur, but with a man of Mr. Sheehan's keen business ability and high integrity the city's deepest interest in its finances and expenditures was sure to be well conserved. Clean in person, brave in his public and private acts, all question of politics aside, the best citizens of Elmira are proud of the fact that Mr. Sheehan made a record as mayor that no one can successfully challenge."

Mr. Sheehan was reelected in 1907 and remained in office until 1914. Under his administration as mayor, the city acquired ownership of the water system formerly owned by a private corporation, whose property the municipality had made many attempts to secure during the period from 1885 until 1912. The city hall was rebuilt after the fire of 1908 and in 1911 he obtained motor equipment for the fire department, installing the American La France motor fire apparatus. In 1912 a new high school was constructed and he also was instrumental in establishing a vocational school. He adopted strong measures for the protection of the public health, ordering the inspection of all meat and milk offered for sale in the city, and under his regime a preliminary survey was made for a sewage disposal plant.

On March 16, 1917, Mr. Sheehan was appointed postmaster of Elmira by President Wilson and served until September, 1921. He is a member of the advisory committee of St. Joseph's Hospital of this city and served on its building committee. He was a member of the McKinley Memorial committee and a close friend of the late president. In 1923 Mr. Sheehan was appointed by Governor Alfred E. Smith a member of the Watkins Glen Reservation Commission. He is identified with the State Charities Association and was instrumental in securing for Elmira the convention of 1908. He is a member of the Mayors and City Officials Conference of New York State and attended the conventions held in Schenectady, Utica, Binghamton, Poughkeepsie and Elmira. He was the first president of the Elmira Business Men's Association, which was organized in 1902, filling that office for two terms, and in 1899 and 1900 was first vice president of the Elmira Board of Trade. He has held membership in the Pine Cliff Club of Chemung county, the City, Country and Century Clubs, the National Democratic Club of New York city, and is a member of the Elmira and National Chambers of Commerce and the National Retail Dry Goods Association. He is a faithful communicant of St. Mary's Catholic church of Elmira and from 1888 until 1900 was one of its trustees. He is a charter member of Elmira Council, No. 229, of the Knights of Columbus, which was organized in 1897, and was the first grand knight of this council. He served in that capacity for ten consecutive terms and was district deputy for a period of six years. He was elected a delegate to the National convention held in Los Angeles, California, in 1905, and was also a member of the National convention which met in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1906. He attended every state convention of the New York Council of the Knights of Columbus from 1898 until 1920 and is numbered among the prominent representatives of that order. From 1886 to 1922 Mr. Sheehan was an active member of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, a fraternal insurance order. He took a keen interest in the establishment of a reserve fund and served as first vice president and supreme trustee until the association was merged with another fraternal order.

On June 16, 1909, in Elmira, Mr. Sheehan was married to Miss Helen Loretta O'Herron, a daughter of David and Ellen (McDonald) O'Herron, and to this union have been born six children: Daniel, Jr., John J., David, William F., Mary Virginia and Paul.

EARL CHARLES BLOSS.

Activity in real estate is unmistakable evidence of the growth and prosperity of a community and through his well-directed efforts in this field Earl Charles Bloss has earned the right to classification with Rochester's successful business men and valuable citizens. He was born in Moscow, New York, on the 16th of April, 1889, and is a son of Charles H. and Eva Belle (Walker) Bloss, also natives of the Empire state.

Earl Charles Bloss began his education in Alton, New York, and completed his high school course in Rochester, in 1909. After his graduation he secured a position



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in the advertising department of the Rochester Stamping Company and remained with that firm for three years. On the expiration of that period he was connected with the local agency for the Auburn automobile, later opening a branch in Buffalo, but sold the business two years later and turned his attention to real estate. At the time of the World war Mr. Bloss enlisted at Buffalo and went overseas with the Seventy-eighth Division. He was stationed at the front for eighteen months and became corporal of his company. He participated in hard fighting at St. Mihiel and the three memorable battles in the Argonne sector. In May, 1919, he received his honorable discharge in New York city and since his return to Rochester has been active in the real estate field. As a member of the firm of Bloss & Slayton he has been a contributing factor to the enviable position attained by this concern among the city's representative real estate firms. They have successfully handled many large realty deals and enjoy a reputation for business integrity and reliability not surpassed by any of their contemporaries.

In Rochester, on the 15th of August, 1920, Mr. Bloss was married to Miss Evelain C. Parmington, a daughter of George Parmington of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Bloss have two daughters: Arlene Marion and Barbara Jean. Mr. Bloss takes a very active part in the work of the Rochester Real Estate Board, being chairman of its educational committee. He is the head of the real estate course given by the Rochester Y. M. C. A. School. His religious faith is indicated by his affiliation with the First Baptist church. He is an energetic young man of high character and owes his success to hard work, the intelligent utilization of his opportunities and strict attention to business.

WILLIAM G. NICHOLS.

William G. Nichols, a worthy native son and successful young business man of Bolivar, is extensively engaged in oil production and also handles insurance, in which field of activity he was formerly the associate and is now the successor of his father. He was born on the 4th of March, 1899, his parents being the late William L. and Jennie B. (Rosebush) Nichols. A review of the father's life may be found on another page of this publication.

William G. Nichols received his early education in the grammar and high schools of Bolivar and then continued his studies in Alfred University, from which institution he was graduated in 1920. Thereafter he entered the insurance business in association with his father under the firm name of Nichols & Nichols, which partnership was maintained until the death of the senior Nichols in July, 1924. Since that time William G. Nichols has conducted the enterprise alone and has been accorded a clientage of large and gratifying proportions, handling every kind of insurance except life. As above stated, he has also become well known as a successful oil producer, another line of activity which claimed the attention of his honored father.

On the 26th of June, 1922, at Bolivar, New York, Mr. Nichols was married to Miss Gladys J. Root, daughter of E. C. Root of that place. To them has been born a son, William E., whose natal day was February 2, 1924.

Mr. Nichols is a staunch adherent of the republican party, actively interested in local political affairs. He has made an excellent record as justice of the peace, which office he has filled for two years. In religious belief he is a Methodist and fraternally is identified with the Masonic order. While a student in Alfred University he became a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. He is very fond of baseball and other outdoor sports and enjoys well deserved popularity in both social and business circles of the community which has always been his home.

JOHN CULLEN LEGGETT.

One of the most highly respected and influential members of the Allegany county bar was John Cullen Leggett, of Cuba, who had been engaged in the practice of law for nearly forty years when called to his final rest on February 20, 1924. He was born in Oswego, New York, December 25, 1858, and was the son of a Methodist Episcopal minister, Otis M. Leggett. His mother bore the maiden name of Rosette Litchfield.

John Cullen Leggett obtained a good educational foundation for his life work in

the public and high schools of his native state and in the University of Missouri, from which he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in the class of 1883. Returning to New York, the young man took up the study of law in the office of the late Edward D. Loveridge, of Cuba, under whose able direction he prepared for his bar examinations. These examinations were successfully passed in 1885 and Mr. Leggett was duly admitted to the New York bar. On the 1st of January, 1886, he entered into a legal partnership with his former preceptor and friend, Mr. Loveridge, under the firm name of Loveridge & Leggett, an association that continued with mutual pleasure and benefit for ten years. In 1896 this partnership was terminated by the death of Mr. Loveridge, and thereafter Mr. Leggett practiced alone under his own name.

Many years of successful practice before the bar, during which he was prominently identified with many an important piece of litigation, served to raise Mr. Leggett high in the ranks of his colleagues in this section of the state. He was noted among his associates for his mastery of the technique of the law, his sound judgment and forceful address. Something of his high standing as a business man was indicated by his office as president of the Cuba National Bank from 1899 to his death. For years Mr. Leggett was prominent in the councils of the republican party in his vicinity. When in 1915 his district wanted a man to serve in the state constitutional convention at Albany he was the person selected. This graceful tribute to Mr. Leggett's legal learning was heartily endorsed by all the electorate, for it was generally felt that it would be hard to find a citizen better fitted to perform the extremely important and highly technical duties involved in drawing up a new constitution for the great Empire state. Mr. Leggett was trustee of the Cuba public library; treasurer of the Cuba Cemetery Association and president of the Cattaraugus-Allegany Counties Bankers Association.

On the 28th of June, 1885, Mr. Leggett was married to Miss Genevieve Parker, of Cuba. They became the parents of two daughters: Ruth, who was her father's assistant in his office; and Genevieve, who married Donald G. Beachler, an electrical engineer, and now resides in Hasbrook Heights, New Jersey. They have one daughter, Barbara Leggett.

HON. IRVING L'HOMMEDIEU.

A leading attorney and citizen of Medina is Hon. Irving L'Homedieu, who has served as state senator and has held many public offices of trust besides building up a large law practice. Senator L'Homedieu is the originator of the now nation-wide plan of licensing and taxing automobiles, introducing the first bill of that nature into the New York state senate in 1905. He is the son of Wallace and Frances M. (Berry) L'Homedieu and was born in Shelby, Orleans county, New York, on the 12th of January, 1865. His father was supervisor of the town of Shelby in 1887, 1888 and 1889 and a member of the assembly of 1890-91. Mulford L'Homedieu, the paternal great-grandfather of Senator L'Homedieu, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, while the grandfather, Henry L'Homedieu, a native of Orwell, Vermont, became one of the pioneers of Orleans county, New York, settling in Shelby in 1825. The family comes of Huguenot ancestry.

In the acquirement of an education Irving L'Homedieu attended the common schools and Medina Free Academy, while his professional training was received in the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. He was admitted to the bar on October 8, 1886, and began the practice of law in Medina, forming a partnership with Edwin B. Simonds under the firm name of Simonds & L'Homedieu. This association continued until 1902, when the senior partner took office as county judge and surrogate. Senator L'Homedieu practiced independently through the succeeding four years and then entered upon his present partnership as a member of the firm of L'Homedieu & Whedon, which has become well established in western New York.

Senator L'Homedieu has held many public offices, beginning with that of village attorney of Medina in 1893. He was a member of the board of education from 1892 until 1898 and acted as its president in the latter year. From February, 1899, until August, 1902, he served as postmaster of Medina, resigning to become a candidate for the state senate, to which body he was elected and in which he served from 1903 until 1906. As a lawmaker his record was a most creditable and commendable one, fully justifying the confidence and support of his constituents. Senator L'Homedieu was a member of the republican state committee from 1898 until 1902 and was sent as delegate to the Republican National conventions of 1920 and 1924. In his public

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connections he has always served the best interests of the people and gained a well deserved reputation for honesty and ability.

On the 29th of June, 1887, in Medina, New York, Mr. L'Hommedieu was married to Miss Christina M. Breed of the same place, a daughter of Charles H. and Sena Breed. Mrs. L'Hommedieu departed this life on May 30, 1922. Senator L'Hommedieu is very active fraternally, belonging to Medina Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M., in which he has served as senior deacon, junior warden, senior warden and master, holding the office of master for four successive terms; Medina Chapter, No. 281, R. A. M.; Alpha Omega Council, No. 71, R. & S. M.; and Genesee Commandery, No. 10, K. T. In 1905 he served as grand master of the state. He is likewise a member of the Alert Club of Medina and enjoys high standing in social, fraternal and professional circles of the county which has known him as a lifelong resident. He makes the beneficent spirit of Masonry a workable principle in his life and at all times commands the respect, confidence and esteem of his fellowmen.

HARRY E. KELLER.

Harry E. Keller, a well known figure in legal circles of Allegany county, is one of the native sons of the town of Cuba where he has lived most of his life. Born on the 26th of January, 1878, he is the son of Edson A. and Anna (Barnes) Keller, both of whom are now deceased. The father was an insurance agent in Cuba during his active life.

Harry E. Keller was educated in the Albany Law School, which he entered after completing his preparatory work in the public and high schools of Cuba and obtained the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1901. Returning to his birthplace Mr. Keller started to practice law with John C. Leggett. This association was continued with mutual helpfulness and profit for twenty years. In 1922 Ward M. Hopkins was admitted into the firm as a partner, the name being changed to Keller & Hopkins, its present form. Mr. Keller and Mr. Hopkins have a large clientele in Cuba and vicinity and stand well before the bar of Allegany county as lawyers of ability and unquestioned integrity.

In addition to his legal practice Mr. Keller has a number of other interests in Cuba of a business and financial nature. He is vice president of the First National Bank and is also closely identified with the work of Bartlett, Morgan & Keller, Inc., a successful real estate and insurance firm of Cuba, in which he now holds the office of vice president. Mr. Keller is prominent in civic affairs as one of the leading business men and attorneys of the community and as an active republican. For eleven years he has served as the election commissioner of Allegany county and in many other ways has demonstrated his interest in the public welfare. He is a member of the local Presbyterian church and a Mason of high rank, belonging to Cuba Lodge, No. 306, F. & A. M.; Valley Point Chapter, No. 232, R. A. M.; St. John's Commandery, K. T.; Olean Consistory; and the Shrine at Buffalo. In 1925 Mr. Keller was appointed district deputy grand master for the Allegany Masonic district. Reminiscent of his student days is Mr. Keller's membership in Phi Delta Phi, a college fraternity, while in connection with his professional life he maintains membership in the Allegany County Bar Association.

Mr. Keller was married, June 25, 1904, to Miss Mary Morgan, a daughter of Henry C. and Mae (Renwick) Morgan of Cuba.

ANDREW JACKSON McDIVITT.

Among the farsighted, sagacious men who recognized the great possibilities afforded by the rich oil fields of Allegany county was numbered Andrew Jackson McDivitt, whose labors constituted a most important factor in their development, and he well deserved the success which rewarded his efforts, and Bolivar counted him among its most valuable citizens. He was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1846, and his paternal grandfather was a native of Ireland. His parents were James and Mary (Addleman) McDivitt. The father was born in Center county, Pennsylvania, and always resided in his native county. He was a building contractor and also followed the occupation of farming.

Andrew J. McDivitt attended the common schools of Center county, Pennsylvania,

and in 1869, when a young man of twenty-three, went to Venango county, that state. For a year he worked in the oil fields of that section, going from there to Butler county, and in 1875 he began producing for himself in Clarion county, Pennsylvania. In 1881 he transferred his activities to McKean county, Pennsylvania, but after the latter part of that year his operations were confined to the oil fields of Allegany county, New York, until his death, which occurred May 5, 1924. He acquired an expert knowledge of the business, which was his life work, and he was one of the largest producers in his district.

In 1869, in Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, Mr. McDivitt was united in marriage to Miss Frances Hile, who died April 3, 1891. They became the parents of nine children but five are deceased, namely: Frank, who died at the age of twenty-three years; Wayne, who died at the age of twenty-six; Maud, at the age of three; and twins, who died in infancy. Of the surviving children Rose Emily is the oldest. She is the wife of Charles McLaughtin, of Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, who is connected with the Endicott-Johnson Shoe Company. They have two sons: Paul and Louis, both of whom are employed by that company. James is conducting a rooming house in Buffalo, New York. Edmund Lee is identified with operations in the local oil fields. He married Miss Daisy Karchner, of Woodville, Ohio, and they have a family of seven children: Dewey Karchner, who married Mildred Wolven of Poughkeepsie, New York, where they resided; Marjorie Isabel, now Mrs. Gerald Griffith of Portville; Daisy Lee, teacher at Little Genesee; Sada Frances, a student at Alfred University; and Malcolm Wayne, Josephine Rose and Andrew Jackson, Jr., who are attending the Bolivar school. Frances Mary completed a course in St. Elizabeth's Academy at Allegany, New York, and is a resident of Bolivar.

In politics Mr. McDivitt was without party bias, placing the qualifications of a candidate above all other considerations, and he stood at all times for progress, reform and improvement in public affairs. He enjoyed the esteem of many friends and his life history constitutes an example of industry, enterprise and honorable dealing that others might profitably follow.

GEORGE SAMUEL HOLVEY.

Industry, perseverance and thrift are recognized the world over as the foundation of material prosperity, and through the exercise of these qualities George Samuel Holvey has steadily progressed, at length attaining his objective in the business world. He is the founder and head of the Holvey Selden Sales Company of Rochester and ranks with the leading automobile dealers of the city. He was born in Talmadge, Summit county, Ohio, October 13, 1886, a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Hiers) Holvey, the latter also a native of the Buckeye state. The father was an Englishman and came to the United States as a young man. He passed away in 1888. The mother's demise occurred in 1887.

George Samuel Holvey, who was left an orphan when but two years old, was reared in the home of his maternal uncle, George Hiers, and attended the public schools of Summit county, Ohio, until he reached the age of fifteen, when he started out to earn his own livelihood. In Barberton, Ohio, he served an apprenticeship to the pattern-maker's trade, which he followed until his twentieth year, and then became manager of the Citizens Taxicab Company of Cleveland, Ohio. Soon afterward the business was purchased by the Cleveland Taxicab Company and Mr. Holvey was then obliged to seek other employment, becoming a salesman for the firm of Raugh & Lang, manufacturers of electric automobiles in Cleveland. He was connected with the main office for a year and was then sent by the company to Rochester, where he established a branch office with the assistance of Arthur McNall. A year later Mr. Holvey entered the service of Joseph J. Mandery and for four years had charge of the electric car department. On the expiration of that period he was made branch distributor for the Selden truck, acting in that capacity for three years. He then purchased the agency and organized the Holvey Selden Sales Company, of which he has since been the president. He maintains a service department, and is one of the largest distributors in this section of the state; is thoroughly familiar with the mechanical phases of the business and in its conduct displays executive force and keen sagacity.

In Cleveland, Ohio, on October 31, 1909, Mr. Holvey was married to Miss Charlotte M. Carr, a member of an old family of Kentucky. Mr. and Mrs. Holvey have a daughter, Marguerite May, who was born in Rochester, on November 9, 1911, and is attending the public schools. Mr. Holvey is identified with the New York State

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Archaeological Society, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the local association of automobile dealers, of which he served as vice president in 1920. He also belongs to the Rochester Club, the Genundawah Country Club and the Rochester Automobile Club. He is a member of the Seneca Lodge of Masons and in Rochester Consistory has attained the thirty-second degree. Mr. Holvey stands high in business circles of Rochester, is popular socially, and is accorded the respect which is the just reward of the self-made man, whose success has been won by hard work and honest methods. His residence is on Landing road, Brighton, New York.

WALTER NORTON RENWICK.

Walter Norton Renwick has held for many years an enviable place in the legal profession of the Genesee Country, where he is widely known as an attorney of unusual ability. For more than a quarter of a century he has made his home in Cuba, Allegany county, and there he has built a large and important private practice. Mr. Renwick is a native of this county, his birth having occurred in Belmont on the 20th of December, 1865, and he is a son of Walter D. and Abigail (Norton) Renwick. On the maternal side he comes from the old New England Puritan stock that has contributed so liberally to the intellectual progress of the United States. His paternal grandfather, Adam Renwick came from Dumfries, Scotland, and settled in Cuba, New York, in 1825. His father was born in Seneca county, New York, and was two years of age when his parents came to Allegany county, where he was county superintendent of public schools for many years.

Walter Norton Renwick obtained his early education in the graded schools of Allegany county, following which he took the course in the Friendship Academy. He prepared for the legal profession by reading law in the office of former Judge S. McArthur Norton of Friendship and after successfully passing his examinations was admitted to the bar of New York state in June, 1891. Immediately afterward the young attorney formed a partnership with A. L. Elliott of Friendship and practiced under the firm name of Elliott & Renwick for a year. Mr. Renwick then practiced alone in Friendship until February 1, 1897, when he removed to Cuba and became a partner of Stanley C. Swift, with whom he was associated for about eight years. Not very long after he came to Cuba Mr. Renwick had an unusual opportunity to widen his professional experience by being made confidential clerk to Edward W. Hatch, justice of the appellate division of the supreme court of New York city, a position that he held for four years. He returned to Cuba in 1905 and at that time dissolved his partnership with Mr. Swift, engaging in practice under his own name. At this time Mr. Renwick commenced, as legal representative for the company, the purchase of the right of way for the Genesee River Railroad, which is now known as the Genesee River Division of the Erie Railroad. For a number of years he was also attorney for the Erie road but has recently confined his activities to his local practice. On the 1st of January, 1924, Mr. Renwick became district attorney for Allegany county, which has added considerably to his burden of responsibility. The office is one for which he was excellently qualified, however, and the citizens of the county feel that the right man is in the right office in this case.

Mr. Renwick was married on the 6th of July, 1898, to Miss Sarah Barker Woodworth, daughter of the Rev. Charles A. and Mary Woodworth of western New York. They have become the parents of two sons: Walter Norton, Jr., who is connected with the Cyclops Steel Company of Titusville, Pennsylvania; and Robert W., a student in the Cuba high school.

During his long residence in Cuba Mr. Renwick has become closely identified with the life of the community in all of its phases. He is connected with financial circles as director of the Cuba National Bank. Civic affairs have always commanded his interest and he is now serving as trustee for the Cuba Library. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a trustee of the Silver Lake Assembly and a prominent Mason, his affiliations in the latter order being with Cuba Lodge, F. & A. M.; Valley Point Chapter, R. A. M.; St. John's Commandery, K. T., at Olean; and Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, at Buffalo. His vote is regularly cast for the candidates of the republican party, while his fondness for outdoor life and sports is indicated by his membership in the Cuba Rod and Gun Club. Mr. Renwick's name also appears on the list of directors of the Church Insurance Society of Rochester. These connections indicate briefly the range of Mr. Renwick's interests outside of

his profession. He is a man highly esteemed in his home community, and his support of any organization or enterprise is always sought as something that contributes substantially to the upbuilding of the undertaking to which it is given. That he stands well among his colleagues is indicated by the fact that he served as president of the Allegany County Bar Association for more than a decade.

PHILIP E. BLUM.

As a member of one of the honored pioneer families of Dansville, Philip E. Blum is widely and favorably known in this section of Livingston county and his reputation as an astute, farsighted business man is not confined to the Genesee country, for his name figures prominently in industrial circles of the United States in connection with the manufacture of the "Kreep-A-Wa" brand of felt slippers, one of the most popular articles of the kind on the market. He was born in Dansville, January 25, 1863, a son of John and Euphrosine (Buhler) Blum, who settled in the village more than a half century ago. The father was one of the foremost manufacturers of the Empire state and passed away in 1907, at the ripe old age of eighty-five, having for many years survived the mother, whose life was terminated at the early age of thirty-two years. They were the parents of nine children: John B., Joseph C., Anthony, Barbara, Daniel, Frank J., Philip E., Lizzie and Catherine, but all have passed away except the two sons, Philip and Daniel.

Philip E. Blum attended the public schools and completed his education in the Dansville Seminary. As a young man he went to the west, returning to his native town in 1891, and has since been connected with the Blum Shoe Manufacturing Company, of which he is now secretary and treasurer, while Daniel Blum is the vice president and Frank J. Blum is filling the office of president. The business was founded by the father thirty-six years ago on the substantial basis of honor and integrity and is now being carried forward by the three sons, to whom he transmitted his executive ability, progressive spirit and high moral standards, so that the family name has become synonymous with probity and uprightness in industrial affairs. Philip E. Blum has played an important part in the development of the business and also has entered the financial field, being a director of the Citizens Bank of Dansville.

On the 13th of February, 1899, Mr. Blum was united in marriage to Miss Alice M. Calagan of Pennsylvania, and they have three children: James G., Helen M. and Florence T. Mr. Blum is a consistent member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and also belongs to the Knights of Columbus and the local Rotary Club, while his political support is given to the republican party. His interest in the welfare and progress of his community is deep and sincere, and by those who have known him the longest he is held in the highest regard, for his record is as an open book which all may read.

ALLEN L. CRANSTON.

Knowing when to use his powers to the greatest advantage and having a prophetic glimpse of the future, Allen L. Cranston has won notable success as an oil producer, and Bolivar numbers him among its foremost business men and leading citizens. He was born May 31, 1865, in Little Genesee, Allegany county, New York, a son of William Harrison and Alice Venette (Prosser) Cranston. The father, who was a photographer, engaged in that business at Corry, Pennsylvania, and later opened a studio at Olean, New York, but subsequently returned to Corry, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was born in 1842 and passed away in 1879, when thirty-seven years of age.

Allen L. Cranston began his education in the district schools of Corry, Pennsylvania, and completed his studies at Willimantic, Connecticut. He was employed as a telegraph operator by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and also worked for the New England Railway at Waterbury, Connecticut, in a similar capacity. From 1892 to 1898 he was a breeder of trotting horses and his identification with oil production dates from 1897, in which year he established his home in Bolivar. He sold his oil lands in this field in 1905 and in 1917 disposed of his holdings in the Olean district. He is now operating independently in the oil fields of the Jefferson and Grant districts in Pleasants county, West Virginia. Since 1897 he has been engaged in the



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oil business, gaining an expert knowledge of this industry, which has displaced both coal and gold as the main objective in man's ceaseless struggle for power, and his success has been won through honest methods and the ability to meet and master situations.

On the 27th of June, 1892, Mr. Cranston married Miss Inez Lincoln Hill, of Willimantic, Connecticut, daughter of DeWitt Clinton and Augusta M. (Clark) Hill, and they became the parents of four children: Allen L., Jr., who was born in 1893 and met an accidental death in 1908; Alice Augusta, who was born in 1894 and married Glenn B. Fenner, a hardware merchant of Alfred, New York; Marjorie L., born in 1905, who is a graduate of the Bolivar high school and is now a student of Alfred University; and Rosamond, who was born May 5, 1909, and died March 11, 1911.

Mr. Cranston is liberal in his political views and casts his ballot for the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office, placing man above party. He is a moving spirit in all that makes for civic growth and development, and his worth to his community is uniformly acknowledged. From 1898 until 1902 he was a member of the board of trustees of the village, and is president of the Bolivar Free Library, having been a member of its board of trustees for seventeen years. He is a member of the International Bible Students Association and measures up to the full stature of upright, honorable manhood.

CHARLES RICHARDSON PIERCE.

Among the names of the business men and financiers of the village of Honeoye Falls, Monroe county, New York, that of Charles Richardson Pierce occupies a prominent place. He was born there, August 26, 1869, and is a son of Martin and Mary (Ritchie) Pierce. His grandfather, Martin R. Pierce, was one of the early settlers of Honeoye Falls and his father was in the lumber and furniture business there for many years, owning a large establishment.

Charles Richardson Pierce attended the local grade and high schools and in 1888 was graduated from Devaux College at Niagara Falls. Upon leaving college he accepted a position with A. M. Holton, a banker of Honeoye Falls, with whom he remained for about seventeen years. In 1915 he became connected with the Bank of Lima, located in Lima, Livingston county, and rose to be president of that institution, a position which he still holds. In 1921 he took an active part in the organization of the State Bank of Honeoye Falls, of which he was chosen president. As the executive head of these banks he has given them a reputation for safe, conservative management second to none of the rural banks of this section.

On June 27, 1916, Mr. Pierce was united in marriage to Miss Grace E. Darron, daughter of Martin Darron of Honeoye Falls. During the World war Mr. Pierce served as a member of the State Guard and took a keen interest in promoting the various Liberty Loans and other war activities. He is a member of the Episcopal church and the Fire Department Club of Honeoye Falls. Although interested in civic and public affairs, he has never been an aspirant for political honors.

WALTER D. ORMISTON.

For more than forty years Walter D. Ormiston has been practicing law before the bar of Allegany county, where he is widely known as one of the most experienced men in his profession today. He came to Cuba forty-five years ago as a young man to take up the study of law in the office of Loveridge & Swift and has made this place his home ever since. The son of Walter and Mary (Cunningham) Ormiston, both of whom are now deceased, he was born in Hammond, New York, May 21, 1857. His early boyhood was spent on the paternal farm in that locality and his elementary education was acquired in the nearby district school. Later he attended the Gouverneur Wesleyan Seminary at Gouverneur, New York, from which he was graduated in 1879. The young man came to Cuba on the 1st of October of that same year, and for three years thereafter spent his time in reading law in the office of Loveridge & Swift of this village. Immediately after he was admitted to the bar, in Rochester in October, 1882, he was made a partner of S. C. Swift of Cuba, with whom he was associated for ten years. In 1892 Mr. Ormiston severed his connections with Mr. Swift in order to have E. H. Keller join in the insurance business conducted under

the firm name of Ormiston & Keller. Mr. Keller had charge of the insurance work of the concern, while Mr. Ormiston took care of the legal work. This partnership lasted for nearly thirty years, and was one of pleasure and profit for each of the men concerned. A change was made in 1921, when Earl V. Pettit was taken into the firm in the place of Mr. Keller, the name becoming Ormiston & Pettit. In Cuba and vicinity the firm of Ormiston & Keller and its successor are known as old and reliable organizations. The head of the firm is highly respected as a business man and an attorney and enjoys the confidence of a large number of clients, many of whom have done business with him ever since the house was established, more than a third of a century ago. In addition to his private business and professional interests Mr. Ormiston has served his community as justice of the peace for forty years, a length of service that is in itself indicative of the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties relative thereto. He is also a director of the First National Bank of Cuba.

On the 9th of November, 1881, Mr. Ormiston was united in marriage to Miss Ida M. Root of Cuba, daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth Root. One child was born to this union, Mable A., now the wife of Asa C. Doty, a professional gardener of Buffalo. They have one daughter, Alice, the wife of William Lavey of Buffalo.

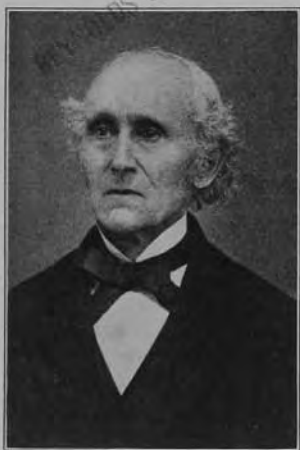
For many years Mr. Ormiston has belonged to the Presbyterian church of Cuba, in which he holds the office of trustee. In the Masonic order he holds memberships in Cuba Lodge, No. 306, F. & A. M., and Valley Point Chapter, No. 232, R. & A. M., while formerly he was also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Ormiston belongs to the Allegany County Bar Association, while politically he ranks as a stalwart republican. As an active factor in the professional, business and civic life of Cuba for four decades, he has made a wide circle of friends, who are attracted to him by his many admirable personal qualities, as well as by his accomplishments as a successful man of affairs.

COLONEL FRANK JUDSON HESS.

Colonel Frank Judson Hess is widely and favorably known in Rochester, in which city he has resided since early childhood. A prosperous and growing manufacturing business is the visible result of his well-directed efforts and spirit. He was born in Wayland, Steuben county, New York, January 13, 1863, and his parents, Solomon Francis and Helen M. (Chichester) Hess, were also natives of that locality. The paternal great-grandfather, A. Dennis Hess, born January 2, 1775, in Warren, Herkimer county, removed from Camillus, Onondaga county, New York, to Patchenville, Steuben county, in 1814, with four brothers, and he became one of the pioneer farmers of that district, which at that time was largely undeveloped. He died July 2, 1854, and is buried in Loon Lake cemetery. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and served in the One Hundred Fifty-ninth (Hecox's) Regiment, New York Militia. His son John took him from Camillus to Sacket Harbor to join the regiment. He was a descendant of Revolutionary stock, son of John Hess of Warren, Herkimer county, born December 22, 1747, who served with the Tryon County Militia at the battle of Oriskany, and was wounded May 6th, 1777. His father, Augustinus Hess, was an influential citizen; a member of the Committee of Safety from Tryon county. He was killed by the Indians, July 15, 1782, while entering Fort Herkimer, and it is said his body was buried under the Fort. John Hess, the father of Augustinus, was born in Germany in 1692, and came to America with a colony of Palatiners, arriving on July 14, 1710.

John Hess, son of A. Dennis Hess, born January 7, 1802, in Camillus, New York, came to Steuben county with his father, and was a pioneer, settling in the township of Cohocton, from which the town of Wayland was taken in 1848. He served five terms as supervisor of Cohocton, and became the first supervisor of Wayland, and was elected six times thereafter—1849, 1850, 1852, 1855, 1856 and 1857. John Hess was the first village postmaster of Wayland and was appointed in 1852. He and Myron M. Patchen may fairly be considered the "Fathers of Wayland". In casting about for a name Mr. Patchen chanced to hum a favorite tune called "Wayland", which gave the suggestion, and the town was so named, and not in honor of Rev. Dr. Francis Wayland of Rhode Island, as is so often stated. (Myron M. Patchen was the first justice of the peace, and held office for a period of twenty-one years.)

In the development of Wayland, mention of Dr. Henry H. Hess, associated with his older brother John, in the laying out of streets, tracts, buildings, etc., is of interest to early Wayland. Dr. Hess was the first superintendent of schools (1848). During 1850 and 1851 John Hess and his son, Solomon F. Hess, were subcontractors in the



JOHN HESS



SOLOMON F. HESS



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building of the Buffalo, Corning and New York railroad (now the Erie), which was opened July 4, 1852, from Corning to Wayland. They also purchased ties and wood for the engines. John Hess, in 1852, opened the first successful store, one being opened before in 1846, by Robert S. Faulkner, of Dansville, which proved unsuccessful and was closed. John Hess and John Hyland of Dansville, were the principal movers in building the plank road from Wayland to Dansville in 1852, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000 per mile. In 1858 the Hess brothers, John and Dr. H. H. Hess, donated the lot for the erection of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Wayland, and John Hess was the largest subscriber and his brother, Dr. H. H. Hess, was next. In the same year he was instrumental in establishing the village cemetery, and later in its enlargement. He was well named the "Father of Wayland". He was interested in business in Dansville with his son, Solomon F. Hess, and son-in-law Charles V. Tiffany, and removed there about 1867, retiring from business. He died January 10, 1881, and is buried in the Greenmount cemetery, Dansville, alongside his wife, Mary (Bronson) Hess, born October 30, 1814, who died July 17, 1881. They were married in the town of Cohocton on November 7, 1830, and had the following children: Maria (Mrs. Benjamin Healy), born November 18, 1831; Solomon F., born July 3, 1833; Alfred M., born June 8, 1836; Prudence V. (first Mrs. Dana Neel, and later Mrs. John B. Stillwell), born March 20, 1839; Maryette M. (Mrs. Charles V. Tiffany), born July 21, 1841; and Charles D, born May 21, 1844.

Solomon Francis Hess (born July 3, 1833), oldest son of John Hess, and the father of Colonel Frank Judson Hess, should not be forgotten in the early development of Steuben county. Born on a farm, near Loon Lake, then in the township of Cohocton, he was educated in the district schools and Rogersville Academy (South Dansville, P. O.). He early associated himself in business with his father in a general store in Wayland, under the title of John Hess & Son, which in about 1860 became Hess & Abrams, consisting of S. F. Hess and Thomas Abrams. Abrams had been a clerk there for many years, and a cousin of S. F. Hess. Early in 1868 S. F. Hess sold his interest to Martin Kimmel, Mr. S. F. Hess moving to Rochester, New York, in the fall of 1867, where he purchased the tobacco and cigar manufacturing business of John Disbrow, which business had been established since 1838. With his other business associations in Wayland he formed a partnership with Martin Kimmel in a large sawmill, which continued up to the time Mr. Hess moved to Rochester, Mr. Kimmel taking over Mr. Hess' interests. He also had several farm interests. From 1863 to 1865 Mr. Hess was postmaster of Wayland and town clerk in 1855, 1856 and 1860. In addition to the manufacturing of cigars and tobacco, located in the two upper stories of a building at the corner of Main and Aqueduct streets, where the Central Trust Company's building is now located, he had a large retail cigar and tobacco store at No. 5 Exchange street, later at No. 7, where now is the entrance to the Wilder building. This continued until 1876-77, when a partnership was established with his cousin, Simon V. McDowell, under the style of S. F. Hess & Company, and in 1887 a corporation was formed under the same name—S. F. Hess & Company. In 1876 land was acquired at the corner of the Erie Canal and Exchange street (now Broad and Exchange streets), and a new building erected. They later acquired two lots to the south of this building, and made an addition to their factory and business, which was a growing one. This continued up to the spring of 1907, when the business was discontinued. Mr. S. F. Hess died June 6, 1907, in Rochester, and is buried in Mt. Hope cemetery, Rochester. He was a prosperous man, and conducted business in Rochester for over forty years. He was a generous contributor to all public enterprises and charity. While not a clubman or a politician, he was a lover of horses and outdoor life. He was a member of all Masonic bodies both York and Scottish Rites, also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. In all of the bodies he was a life member for many years before his decease. "Stanch to his friends and true to his word". In Wheeler, Steuben county, New York, on December 27, 1855, he was married to Helen M. Chichester (born January 7, 1835), who died July 25, 1913, and is buried in Mt. Hope cemetery. On December 27, 1905, they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

In the acquirement of an education Frank Judson Hess attended private and public schools, the high school of Rochester, and later Cayuga Lake Military Academy in Aurora New York, from which he graduated June 19, 1883, with the highest honors of the school, winning the gold medal given for discipline, etc., called the "gentlemanly conduct medal", not having received a single demerit mark. This is prized very highly at all military academies. Entering the academy as a private, he gradually was promoted through the several grades of sergeant, to that of sergeant-major, and on graduation was the adjutant of the school, having had previous military training with the Rochester Cadets, which he joined June 18, 1880. At the military academy he sang

with the glee club, and in the village Episcopal church choir. He was a member of the Alpha Chi Sigma fraternity, the baseball club, and took an active part in everything doing at the academy. He matriculated in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, with the class of 1887, was rushed, pledged, and initiated into the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, and installed in the chapter house. He was chosen class poet, managing director for his class in the navy board, high priest of class ceremonials, a member of the University glee club, singing first tenor and played the banjo with the banjo quartet, a part of the glee club. He pulled bow oar in the class crew, and took part in many athletic events; and was duly initiated into the mysteries of Theta Nu Epsilon. Military being part of the required instructions under United States army officers, and having had previous training he was at once appointed regimental sergeant-major of the University Cadet Corps.

After leaving college he took a commercial college course at the Rochester Business University, and directly after entered the employ of S. F. Hess & Company, to learn the business of manufacturing tobacco and cigars, and when a corporation was formed of the business, he was made a director and treasurer, which positions he held up to January 1, 1904, when he was made vice president and general manager, and so continued to April 1, 1907, when the corporation was dissolved, and the business discontinued, and he was authorized to close it. In addition to his tobacco business he was interested in the business of perfumes, toilet goods and cosmetics, with his father and uncle, C. D. Hess, under the title of The Hess Company, and became a member of the board of directors on October 1, 1894. In February, 1901, he was made vice president and secretary and on July 8, 1907, he succeeded his father as treasurer and general manager, and on July 1, 1920, acquired the entire interest to the business, being at present sole proprietor, operating under the title of The Hess Perfume Company. The business since its inception in 1882 has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth, for it was reared upon a solid foundation of honorable and straightforward dealings, and is so conducted today. Mr. F. J. Hess always displayed much interest in all musical and dramatic entertainments, singing in church, and at one time was a member of the Rochester Maennerchor, the Mendelssohn Club, Eighth Separate Company, National Guard, New York, Octette (all male voices) and the Rochester Opera Club, as one of its board of managers, taking part in many operas in chorus and small parts, and other dramatics. An enthusiastic National Guardsman, he served one year as second lieutenant and over four years as first lieutenant in the Eighth Separate Company, National Guard, New York. The only company retained out of the Fifty-fourth Regiment, National Guard, New York, being "E" Company of that Regiment. On May 19, 1890, he organized and mustered in the First Separate Company, National Guard, New York, and was chosen its first captain, which office he held to May 23, 1894. He resigned on March 30, 1897. Was appointed lieutenant colonel and assistant general inspector of rifle practice of the National Guard, New York, which he retained to January 1, 1899, when the department was discontinued and Colonel Hess was placed on the Reserve Officers list, and is so held today. He is entitled to at least two brevet-commissions for service. He participated in many encampments, and strike duty (Buffalo, New York, 1892); served with the Two Hundred Second New York Volunteer Infantry during the Spanish-American war, 1898, and during the world war was called by National Guard, New York, to assist the adjutant's office, in part of its field duty, being unable to get an acceptable assignment from the war department, for which he made strenuous efforts. He is the possessor of many medals for marksman and sharpshooter, "Long and Faithful Service", "In aid of the Civil Authorities", "War with Spain, 1898", "For Faithful State Service in the Field, During the World War"; medals and badges of the various military orders to which he belongs and badges won in rifle competition.

Colonel Hess has always interested himself in genealogical and historical work and has compiled quite a volume of data pertaining to the early Hess families of New York state, and the history associated with them. He is a past captain general of the National Society, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims, Society Colonial Wars (New York state); Sons of the American Revolution, being a past registrar and historian of the Rochester Chapter; vice president, State Society, War of 1812; Naval and Military Order of the Spanish American War; Military Order of Foreign Wars; past garrison commander, Army and Navy Union; past camp commander, L. B. Smith Camp, No. 25, Department of New York, Spanish War Veterans, Achilles Corps, Veterans Association; past president Two Hundred Second Regiment New York Volunteer Infantry Association of Rochester; member Old Guard of Rochester, New York; National Defense League of Washington, D. C.; life member Army and Navy Club of New York city; Cornell and Auto Clubs of Rochester; Olmstead Family Society; and a life mem-

ber, Rochester Historical Society. In addition to the foregoing military and historical societies and orders, Colonel Hess is a Mason, a member of the Yonnondio Lodge, No. 163, F. & A. M. (life member); Hamilton Chapter, No. 62, R. A. M. (life member); Doric Council, No. 19, R. & S. M. (life member); Monroe Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; Rochester Consistory, S. P. R. S., thirty-second degree (a life member); Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

On the 30th of October, 1895, Colonel Hess was united in marriage to Anna Augusta Olrick of New York city. Her ancestors came to this country at an early period in its history and she is a Daughter of the American Revolution. His mother, Helen Mar (Chichester) Hess, passed away July 25th, 1913. She came from old New England stock, who settled here as early as 1632, and were of important personage to the early colonial days, and thereafter. Colonel Hess had no brother, but one sister, Helen V. (Hess) Walbridge, who died April 16, 1907, leaving three children: Lieutenant Arthur Hess Walbridge of Los Angeles, California; Lieutenant Edward Dewey Walbridge, United States Navy, and Mrs. William J. Kaelber of Rochester. Colonel Hess is an exemplary representative citizen of high esteem, for every phase of his life will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny. He resides in the old Hess homestead at No. 245 Plymouth avenue, South, where he has resided for about half a century. This old home is full of history and wonderful antiques, being erected in 1838.

ELMER ELLSWORTH CONRATH.

During the ten years that Elmer Ellsworth Conrath has been editor of The Patriot and Free Press, a weekly newspaper of Cuba, Allegany county, he has brought that sheet well to the front among the weekly newspapers of the Empire state and added to his prestige as a successful journalist. Mr. Conrath's interest in the printing business dates from the time he was a boy of nine, when he bought a little printing press and established a job office of his own. What seemed at first to be a youthful hobby developed into a life-long interest that has made him both notably successful and happy in his work.

Born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, June 20, 1869, Mr. Conrath is the son of David W. and Elizabeth (Strasler) Conrath. Through his father he is of German descent, while his mother's family is of Swiss origin. At the early age of thirteen Elmer Conrath put aside his textbooks, temporarily, to enter a printing office. He was already familiar with the essentials of the trade, for he had taught himself much of the technique in the years he had been running his little job office as a side issue, and from the time he left school until he was eighteen he worked at the trade steadily. In these years he acquired the skill and efficiency that comes only to those who have actually mastered the various operations of any trade or business, assets that were to be of great value to him in after life when he had reached the editorial office of a newspaper. Meanwhile the young man was spending his leisure hours in studying to make up for his lack of formal education. By the time he was eighteen he had prepared himself to take the teacher's examinations and enter the educational field. The ensuing four years he spent in the public schools of his native state as teacher and principal, following which he took a year's work at Bucknell University. For three years he held the position of head of the Ebensburg (Pennsylvania) Normal Institute, a school for teachers. But the lure of the newspaper field was too great an attraction for him, and eventually he found himself back in the line of work that had first attracted his attention.

At intervals after he began teaching Mr. Conrath worked in printing establishments and for three seasons he had valuable experience as a member of the staff of the Daily Assembly Herald of Chautauqua, New York. He became connected with the Johnstown (Pennsylvania) Daily Tribune in 1890, as correspondent, and three years later took a post on the editorial staff of the same journal. In 1898 he was promoted to associate editor and held that position until 1911, when he resigned to become editor of the Johnstown Daily Leader. Mr. Conrath severed his connection with the Leader in 1914, when he bought The Patriot and Free Press of Cuba. In his management of this paper he has used his experience on the larger dailies, and in so doing has brought it up to a standard of excellence that has made it one of the conspicuous weekly papers of the state. Through his membership in state and national editorial associations Mr. Conrath keeps in touch with the work of his fellow editors and has contributed his share to the advancement of his profession through his work as vice president of the state association.

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Mr. Conrath and Miss Charlotte Vernella Learn were united in marriage at Cookport, Pennsylvania, on the 28th of December, 1893. They are the parents of two children: Jane Elizabeth, now the wife of Fred J. Fales of Olean, and Robert Elmer, who lives at home.

In Cuba Mr. Conrath is known as a very public-spirited citizen and what is slangily called a "booster." He is interested in all the activities of the community and takes part in them with a whole-hearted enthusiasm that makes his support a decided asset to any movement. His former experience as a teacher has well qualified him for the very responsible position of president of the board of education, which he now holds, and he is also a trustee and treasurer of the circulating library association. His name appears on the list of directors of the Chamber of Commerce of Cuba and on the directorate of the Cuba National Bank. Fraternally he is a Mason and past master of his lodge, an Odd Fellow and a member of the Patrons of Husbandry. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Baptist church, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. His participation in the business, educational and civic life of the community, as well as his place of leadership as editor of a very successful paper, entitle Mr. Conrath to the enviable position he holds as one of the most influential men in Cuba.

HENRY A. MOORE, D. D. S.

Dr. Henry A. Moore is one of the pioneer dentists of Elmira and his success is the result of thorough preparation, years of experience, and devotion to his profession. He was born April 18, 1864, in Schuyler county, New York, the youngest in the family of four children of Asa and Harriet (Mathews) Moore, who were lifelong residents of that county, in which the father followed the occupation of farming. He was a republican in politics and an earnest, helpful member of the Methodist church, with which his wife was also affiliated. His father, Paul Moore, was one of the pioneers of Schuyler county and passed away at the venerable age of ninety-five years. His son, Henry Moore, now resides on the old homestead, of which he is the owner, and the maternal grandfather, Alanson Mathews, also made his home in Schuyler county.

Henry A. Moore obtained his early education in the district school near the home farm and his studies were continued in the Ohio Normal College at Ada. For two years he filled a clerical position in a dry goods store in Watkins, New York, and afterward was employed for a year in the dental office of Dr. Firman. Dr. Moore entered the Philadelphia Dental College in 1887 and was graduated with the class of 1890. He came to Elmira the same year and at the time of his arrival there were eight dental practitioners in the city. His practice has grown with the development of the community and has now reached extensive proportions. His work represents the highest degree of skill in dentistry and those who sought his services when he entered upon his professional career thirty-four years ago are still his patients. He has installed an X-ray machine in his office. Also nitrous-oxide and oxygen are administered, with a trained nurse always in attendance. Dr. T. R. Murdock has been associated with Dr. Moore for the past four years. He also has a fully equipped laboratory, where all mechanical work is done.

On July 2, 1903, Dr. Moore was united in marriage to Miss Edith Firman, whose public school training was supplemented by an academic course. Her father was also a well known dentist. In his political views Dr. Moore is a republican. His professional connections are with the Elmira, Sixth District, New York State and American Dental Societies. He is an Elk and a Mason, belonging to the blue lodge, chapter, council, St. Omer's Commandery, the Shrine and the Grotto. He is also a member of the Masonic, Century, City, Rotary, Country, Keuka and Cold Brook Clubs.

WILSON KINGMAN PAGE.

Vice president and general manager of the Olean Petroleum Company of Olean, New York, Wilson Kingman Page has well carried on the successful work of his father, Wilson Rufus Page, who passed away in 1922 after an active and honorable life which made him one of the most prominent and esteemed citizens of the community. Wilson K. Page was born on the 18th of May, 1885, at Olean, New York, a



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son of Wilson Rufus and Nellie (Brett) Page. Following the completion of a high school course in Olean by graduation with the class of 1906, he matriculated in Cornell University of Ithaca, New York, which institution conferred upon him the degree of M. E. in 1909. After spending eighteen months with the General Electric Company at Schenectady he returned to Olean and entered the service of the Western New York & Pennsylvania Traction Company, with which he continued in the capacity of electrical engineer until 1920. In the year 1913 Mr. Page organized the Allegany Sand & Gravel Company, of which he is president, and he is also president and general manager of the National Railroad Trolley Guard Company. In 1922 he and his brother took over the management of his father's estate as executors. Besides being active in the conduct of the Olean Petroleum Company as vice president and general manager, he is a director of the Page Brothers Company and the First National Bank of Olean. His connection with any undertaking insures a prosperous outcome of the same, for it is in his nature to carry forward to successful completion whatever he is associated with. He has earned for himself an enviable reputation as a careful man of business and in his dealings is known for his prompt and honorable methods, which have won him the deserved and unbounded confidence of his fellowmen.

On June 5, 1912, Mr. Page was married to Miss Madeleine Quirin, daughter of W. C. A. Quirin, of Olean. They are the parents of a son and a daughter, Elizabeth and Kingman W., who were born in the years 1914 and 1918, respectively.

Mr. Page manifests an active interest in local republican politics and is otherwise public-spirited to a great degree. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Baptist church, in which he is serving as chairman of the board of trustees, and he is also a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a thirty-second degree Mason who has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and he likewise belongs to the City Club and the F. L. Bartlett Country Club. A lover of the great outdoors, he finds pleasurable recreation in hunting and fishing. A worthy successor of his honored father, Wilson K. Page is held in high esteem in Olean, because of his integrity and sterling worth, and his friends are legion.

WILLIAM L. NICHOLS.

Bolivar sustained the loss of one of her representative and highly respected citizens in the death of William L. Nichols, who long figured prominently in business circles of the community as an oil producer and as an active factor in the real estate and insurance field. He had reached the age of sixty-four years when he passed away on the 14th of July, 1924, his birth having occurred in Youngstown, Pennsylvania, March 7, 1860. He early lost his father, who was killed in the Civil war as a defender of the Union cause.

William L. Nichols spent the years of his youth at Ischua, Cattaraugus county, New York. When about sixteen he obtained a position as a railroad telegrapher, being thus employed until he entered the service of the Tidewater Pipe Line Company as purchasing agent. It was in this capacity that he came to Bolivar, where he continued as an independent oil producer after severing his connection with the Tidewater Pipe Line Company. Mr. Nichols also developed the local telephone company, remaining manager and proprietor thereof until he disposed of these interests to the Bell Telephone Company. He likewise devoted considerable attention to the real estate and insurance business and his activities along this line were attended with well merited success. His connection with any undertaking insured a prosperous outcome of the same, for it was in his nature to carry forward to successful completion whatever he was associated with. He earned for himself an enviable reputation as a careful man of business and in his dealings was known for his prompt and honorable methods, which won him the deserved and unbounded confidence of his fellowmen.

On the 25th of June, 1882, at Little Genesee, New York, Mr. Nichols was united in marriage to Miss Jennie B. Rosebush, daughter of George W. Rosebush. They became the parents of a son, William G., a sketch of whom appears on another page of this work.

Mr. Nichols was an active worker in the local ranks of the democratic party and filled many offices of public trust and responsibility in a highly acceptable manner. At all times he manifested a deep and helpful interest in all matters pertaining to civic welfare and withheld his aid and cooperation from no movement instituted to

promote the general good. In fraternal circles he was known as a Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine, while his religious faith was that of the Methodist church. His passing was sincerely mourned throughout the community which had been his home for a period covering more than four decades.

DANIEL WITERSTEIN PARMALEE.

Daniel Witerstein Parmalee is one of Rochester's enterprising realtors and his progressive business methods and well directed activities are important factors in civic improvement, as well as in the attainment of individual prosperity. He was born in Oneida county, New York, April 7, 1882, a son of George L. and Amelia (Witerstein) Parmalee, the former a native of Connecticut and the latter of the Empire state. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming and is survived by the mother.

Daniel Witerstein Parmalee attended the district school near his home and completed his education in the high school at Verona, New York. His first experience along business lines was gained in a clerical capacity and later he was placed in charge of a shoe store at Niagara Falls, New York. He afterward became a traveling salesman for a grocery house and in 1917 established his home in Rochester but continued to travel until 1920, when he abandoned that occupation. He has since engaged in the general real estate business, being sole owner of the enterprise, and displays keen sagacity in placing his investments. He is thoroughly informed concerning realty values in this locality and his business has enjoyed a rapid growth, for it is conducted along systematic and up-to-date lines.

In Oneida, New York, on July 2, 1909, Mr. Parmalee was married to Miss Edna M. Sherman, a daughter of Edgar D. Sherman, a well known resident of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Parmalee have become the parents of two children: Helen Sherman, who was born in Syracuse, New York, June 24, 1914, and is now attending school in California; and Edgar Sherman, whose birth occurred in Syracuse, June 5, 1917. Mr. Parmalee manifests a deep interest in municipal welfare and to this end has become allied with the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, whose well devised plans for the extension of the trade relations of the city receive his hearty support. With industry and determination as dominant qualities, he has advanced to a position of financial independence, and is the possessor of substantial and commendable traits of character, as his fellow citizens attest. His residence is at No. 274 Canterbury road.

JOEL HARVEY WINCHIP.

The growth of any community is dependent upon the prosperity of its citizens and through the able conduct of one of the large milling industries of Allegany county Joel Harvey Winchip has materially promoted the upbuilding and development of Fillmore. He was born in the town of Allen, Allegany county, New York, December 2, 1863, a son of Joel and Phoebe (Kingsley) Winchip, the former a native of Nider, Warren county, this state. The father came to the Genesee Country when thirty years of age and settled in Allen, Allegany county. In 1874 he purchased the old homestead of Colonel Wilson, and the property is now owned by the subject of this sketch. He was a successful farmer and after retiring from agricultural pursuits lived in Angelica, New York, until his death.

Joel H. Winchip obtained his education in the public schools of Allen, Belfast and Angelica, and after completing his studies followed the occupation of farming until he reached the age of twenty-eight years. He then established a livery business in Angelica, conducting the enterprise for five years, and during that period also operated a stage. Removing to Fillmore, he opened a livery stable, of which he was the proprietor for eight years, and also engaged in farming. For the next four years he operated the Wilson farm, which his father had purchased, and on November 1, 1916, became a member of the Fillmore Milling Corporation. He is now serving as its president and has instituted many well devised plans for the growth and expansion of the business, keeping it not only in line but rather in the lead of similiar industries in this district.

On the 29th of January, 1891, Mr. Winchip married Miss Margaret Moot, a daughter of Charles Martin and Mary (Rutherford) Moot, of Allen, and they now have a family of three children, of whom Claire Julian is the oldest. He was born July 14,



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1894, and completed his education in Alfred University. He is an enterprising young business man and is now proprietor of the Metro Oil Company of Fillmore. During the World war he enlisted in the Three Hundred and Twelfth Infantry, which was attached to the Seventy-eighth Division, and spent eight months on the battlefields of France, returning to the United States with the first company of casualties. He was assigned to duty as a machine gun operator and was gassed at St. Mihiel, also participating in the offenses at Arras, Grand Pré and on the Verdun front. Lois Ethelwyn was born March 14, 1898. She was graduated from the Rochester Business Institute and is employed in the offices of the board of education of that city. Kenneth Moot was born March 2, 1900, and completed a course in the Fillmore high school. He was a student at Alfred University for a year and is now attending the Mechanics Institute at Rochester.

Mrs. Winchip is an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church, to the support of which Mr. Winchip is a generous contributor. His political support is given to the republican party. He has been chosen to fill public offices of trust and responsibility and has always done efficient and conscientious work. He was assessor of Allen for three years and also served as a committeeman and on the town board. In 1923 he was elected supervisor of the town of Hume, New York, for a term of two years, assuming the duties of the office January 1, 1924, and is making a highly creditable record in that capacity. He is a Mason, belonging to the blue lodge at Fillmore and to the chapter at Belfast, New York. He is also a member of the Eastern Star and was formerly identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Winchip is an influential citizen of Fillmore, and the strength that he manifests in business affairs has its root in upright, honorable manhood, commanding for him the unequalled regard of those with whom he has been associated.

NICHOLAS VAN VRANKEN FRANCHOT.

Nicholas Van Vranken Franchot, numbered among the foremost citizens of Cattaraugus county, has been active as an oil producer during the past half century and is also a factor in financial circles as chairman of the board of directors of the Exchange National Bank of Olean. His birth occurred at Morris, Otsego county, New York, on the 21st of August, 1855, his parents being Richard and Ann (Van Vranken) Franchot. Pascal Franchot, the paternal grandfather, was a native of France, who emigrated to America in 1790, settling at Butternuts (now Morris), Otsego county, New York. He became an extensive landholder of the community, owned and conducted cotton and woolen mills and also engaged in agricultural pursuits. Judge Franchot, as he was known for many years, was widely recognized as a leading and influential citizen of his section of the state. He had attained the advanced age of eighty-one years when he departed this life in 1855. His family numbered eleven children, all of whom received liberal educational advantages.

Richard Franchot, the father of Mr. Franchot of this review, was educated as a civil engineer and became the first president of the Binghamton & Albany Railroad Company. He made a commendable record as a member of the thirty-seventh congress, known as the war congress. In 1862 he raised a regiment, which became the One Hundred and Twenty-first New York Volunteer Infantry and of which he served as colonel for a short time. When his legislative duties called him to Washington, he was brevetted brigadier general. During his later years General Franchot was legal agent of the Central Pacific Railroad Company.

Nicholas Van Vranken Franchot, the fifth in order of birth in a family of eight children, received his early education in the Union School of Schenectady and following his graduation therefrom he continued his studies in Union College, which in 1875 conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts. While attending the latter institution he became a member of the Sigma Phi fraternity. He is a life trustee of Union College. When he had completed his course therein, Mr. Franchot embarked in the oil business at Millerstown, Pennsylvania, where he remained for three years. It was on the 1st of September, 1878, that he took up his permanent abode in Olean, New York, where he has been an active factor in the field of oil production through the intervening years to the present time, his undertakings having been attended with a very gratifying measure of success. He has extensive oil interests in the states of Oklahoma, Texas, California, Pennsylvania and New York, a partner in the firm of D. W. Franchot & Company of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a director of the Clark Brothers Company, manufacturers of sawmill machinery, oil drilling engines and compres-

sor, in Olean. It was in 1896 that he assumed the vice presidency of the Exchange National Bank of Olean, with which he is still identified as chairman of the board.

On the 5th of November, 1879, Mr. Franchot was married to Miss Annie Conyne Wood, daughter of Ezekiel Wood, an extensive lumber dealer of the Keystone state. The wedding was celebrated at Titusville, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Franchot became the parents of five children, as follows: Douglas W., who is a graduate of Yale University and is engaged in the oil business in Tulsa, Oklahoma, under the firm style of D. W. Franchot & Company; Louise, who is the wife of Edgar Munson and resides in Williamsport, Pennsylvania; Janet V. V., the wife of William O. Hickock of Goshen, New York; Charles Pascal, who is a graduate of Yale University and of the Harvard Law School and is successfully engaged in practice as a member of the law firm of Kenefick, Cooke, Mitchell & Bass of Buffalo; and Annie W., who is the wife of Fred A. Godley of Rye, New York. All of the above named enjoyed university and college educations.

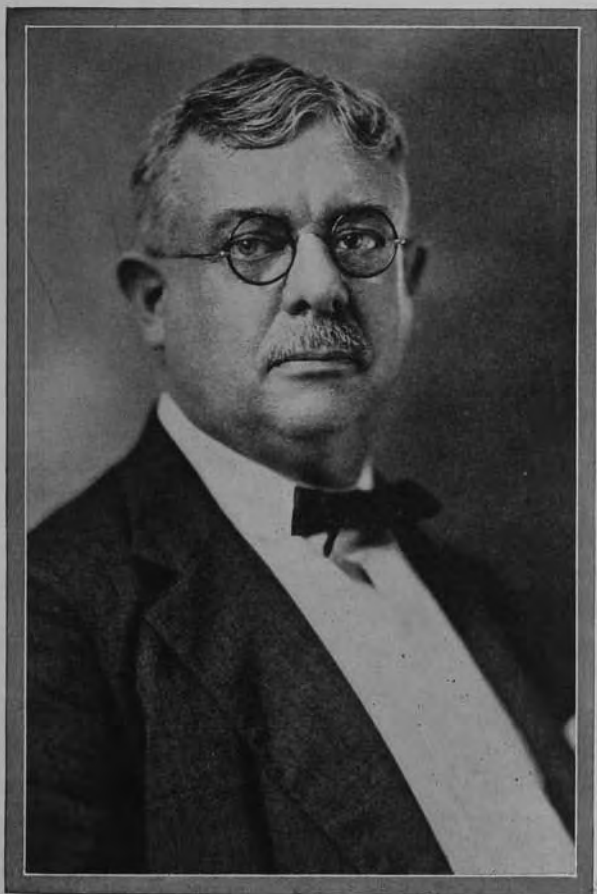
A staunch republican in politics, Mr. Franchot was sent as a delegate to the national conventions of that party in 1892, 1896 and 1904. He made a very creditable record as mayor of Olean from 1894 until 1898, served as superintendent of public works for the state of New York in 1905 and 1906 and was also one of the commissioners of the Buffalo Exposition. He has rendered valuable service as a member of the public library board of Olean. During the period of the World war he was made fuel administrator of Cattaraugus county and was also a member of the Liberty Loan executive committee. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal church, in which he is serving as vestryman. Golf constitutes his favorite form of recreation. His name is on the membership rolls of the University Club of New York city; the National Republican Club; the Olean City Club, of which he has been president since its organization; the Frank L. Bartlett Country Club; the Petroleum Club and the Tulsa Country Club of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and the Sunnyside Park Club of Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The Franchot home is at No. 305 North Second street in Olean.

REEVE BEECHER HOWLAND, M. D.

Dr. Reeve B. Howland has chosen as his life work a field of broad usefulness and his ability as a physician and surgeon has brought him prominently before the public. He has been very active in military and civic affairs and has long engaged in practice in Elmira, his native city, where he has established an enviable reputation as an obstetrician. He was born February 5, 1870, a son of Howard C. and Etta (Reeve) Howland, the former a native of Collinsville, Connecticut, and the latter of Burdette, New York. They were married in Elmira and became the parents of four children: Reeve B., Anna, Nellie, and Essie. The mother came to this city in 1854 and was a member of the second class graduated from Elmira College, where she was very active in the social and musical life of the college. She was a member of the choir of the Park Congregational church and also had charge of the infant department of the Sunday school. Mr. Howard C. Howland arrived in Elmira at the close of the Rebellion and subsequently became a bookkeeper with the Standard Oil Company, remaining in that service for twenty years, or until his death in 1902. He was a republican in politics and along fraternal lines was identified with the Knights of Honor and the Royal Arcanum, having filled all of the chairs in the latter organization.

After completing a course of instruction in the Elmira high school, Reeve Beecher Howland became a student in the Homeopathic Medical College and Flower Hospital of New York city and received his degree of M. D. with the class of 1895. He spent one year as interne in the Rochester Homeopathic Hospital and returned to Elmira in the spring of 1896. In the following year he joined the state National Guard and at the time of the outbreak of the Spanish-American war he was made an assistant surgeon in the Third New York Volunteer Infantry and was assigned to duty in Virginia. He afterward became battalion surgeon, and later assistant regimental surgeon, with the rank of captain in the Third Regiment, New York National Guard. Altogether Dr. Howland served for twelve years in the National Guard. He was also connected with the United States Army recruiting office as medical examiner and about six hundred men were mustered into the service at Elmira during his incumbency.

For twenty-three years Dr. Howland practiced in partnership with Dr. F. W. Adriaance at No. 306 Lake street. In 1920 he moved his office to No. 312 Lake street,



DR. REEVE B. HOWLAND

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which is but a stone's throw from the building on William street in which he was born. He specializes in obstetrical cases and is a member of the obstetrical staff of the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital and also of St. Joseph's Hospital. In the latter institution he has been a lecturer on obstetrics since its establishment. Dr. Howland is a member of the county, state and American Medical Associations, also the American Public Health Association. Since 1915 he has served the city of Elmira as health officer. In 1922 he was appointed regional consultant on obstetrics by the state department of health and assigned to the Southern Tier counties in New York.

On October 1, 1907, Dr. Howland was married to Miss Alice Elizabeth Scott, who was born in Port Huron, Michigan, and removed with her parents to Sarnia, Canada, where she was reared and educated. Dr. and Mrs. Howland have two children: Reeve Scott and Sara Elizabeth. The parents are members of the Presbyterian church and the Doctor is allied with the republican party. He is a member of the Century Club, the Masonic order and the Knights of the Maccabees. He is deeply interested in the scientific and humanitarian phases of his work and is recognized as a man of high professional attainments and a citizen of worth.

FRED LYMAN SIBLEY.

Fred Lyman Sibley was born near Cuba, New York, July 14, 1854, and was the second child born to Freeman and Lucy Ann Sibley. He was educated in the district schools and the Cuba high school. As a young man he was employed as a clerk in the First National Bank and later was a clerk in the office of E. N. Bond of Cuba, a wholesale cheese dealer. For some time he was the local representative of A. W. & F. W. Leggett, exporters of cheese. In 1892 he formed a partnership with Herbert J. Demcey for the manufacture of cheese on a rather extensive scale. An interest in the business was sold to Swift & Company in 1907, when the concern was incorporated with Mr. Sibley as manager. This position he occupied until 1920, when failing health compelled him to retire from active business life.

Mr. Sibley was a director of the First National Bank of Cuba and was its vice president for several years; a stockholder in the Phelps-Sibley Company, a local merchant milling concern; also in the Cuba Knife Company and several other local corporations. Politically he was an unswerving republican. From 1900 to 1909 he was one of the trustees of the village of Cuba and for several years of that time was president of the board. He was a Knight Templar Mason and a Noble of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, at Buffalo.

On December 15, 1886, at Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania, Mr. Sibley married Miss Estelle M. Snow, daughter of James Nelson and Rebecca Jane (Beebe) Snow, her father being a prosperous farmer near that place. To this union was born one son, Gerald Freeman Sibley. After receiving an academic education he engaged in the produce and coffee business at Olean, New York, as the senior member of the Sibley-Almy Company. He married a daughter of Dr. A. E. Smith, of Olean, and one daughter, Janet, was born to them. The death of Fred Lyman Sibley occurred January 7, 1924, and his son, Gerald Freeman, died a few days later, January 16.

EUGENE C. ROESER.

Eugene C. Roeser, whose residence in Rochester covers a period of forty-three years, is one of the largest operators in real estate in this section of the state and has successfully closed some of the most gigantic deals in down-town property in recent years. He was born on February 27, 1879, and was but two years old when his parents, Ferdinand and Magdalene (Yaeger) Roeser, made the voyage from the Old World to the New, establishing their home in Rochester. The father embarked in the cutlery business and remained at the head of the undertaking until his death, which occurred in 1889. The mother passed away in this city in 1902. They had three children: Ferdinand, Eugene C. and Mrs. Pauline Stifter, all of whom are living in Rochester.

Eugene C. Roeser received his early training in the St. Francis Xavier Academy, afterward attending the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, and next became a student in the University of Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1901, winning the degree of Bachelor of Arts. On entering the business world he became connected

with the Yawman & Erbe Company, manufacturers of cabinets, files and other lines of office equipment, and remained with that house until 1909, acting as manager of the Portland (Oregon) branch of that company in the Pacific coast territory. He then returned to the east and established a business of his own in Rochester as a real estate broker. He has an intimate knowledge of the worth of property in this locality and is regarded as an expert valuator. He represents as real estate broker eight savings banks in various parts of the state. His business has increased rapidly and he has set a new standard for real estate activity in Rochester. He is local representative for Frederick Brown, of New York city, one of the world's largest real estate operators, who handles between fifty and one hundred millions of dollars worth of business annually. In November, 1922, Mr. Roeser sold to Mr. Brown and associates the holdings of the Cutler Realty Company, which consisted of eleven parcels, among them being the Cutler building, the East Avenue building and Atlas building, for a consideration of one million, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In February and March, 1924, he was associated with another in selling to two local investors, Samuel E. Durand and Eugene J. Chapman, business property on East avenue and Eastman street, and the two transactions amounted to two and one-half million dollars. It is interesting and suggestive to note here that since that time, Mr. Roeser, with others, has leased for the estate of Eugene J. Chapman the East Avenue building for a period of thirty years at a total rental of about one million, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars net. In March, 1924, Mr. Roeser sold the one hundred and ten foot frontage on East avenue adjoining the Sagamore Hotel on the west, to the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation for their new office building and salesrooms. Mr. Roeser has also negotiated numerous other important realty transfers and is preeminently a man of large affairs, while his integrity is above question.

On October 20, 1912, Mr. Roeser married Miss Jane Matthews, of Rochester, and theirs is one of the attractive and hospitable homes of the city. Mr. Roeser is identified with the Masonic order, the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, the Rochester Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester, and is also a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. His life has been earnest and purposeful, crowned with notable achievement, and his worth as a man and citizen is uniformly acknowledged. Mr. Roeser's residence is at No. 124 Corwin road.

CHARLES HENRY HOWARD STONE.

Charles H. H. Stone, a widely known chemist and an authority on gas manufacture, rendered notable public service and his death, which occurred in Rochester, on January 27, 1923, was a great loss not only to his city but to the country at large, for his work was of national significance. He was born in West Newton, Massachusetts, September 11, 1876, a son of Fred Howard and Mary Louise (Ball) Stone, the former also a native of that place. The family later removed to Newton, that state, and for forty-five years the father was a representative of the insurance firm of Field & Cole.

Charles Henry Howard Stone received his early training in a private school conducted by a Miss Spears and completed his high school course at the age of sixteen. He next enrolled as a student in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated in 1896, winning the degree of B. Sc., and then became an instructor in Rhode Island College. After severing his connection with that institution of learning Mr. Stone went to Boston as chemist for the board of health of that city. He was thus engaged for three years and at the end of that time was appointed assistant inspector of the gas commission of Massachusetts and acted in that capacity for three years. He then entered the government reclamation service and was sent to Berkeley, California, establishing a laboratory at the State University for the testing of water to irrigate the arid lands of that region. He was next transferred to St. Louis, Missouri, where he was employed in testing cement for the government, and later was made chief gas inspector by the New York State Public Service Commission. For about six years he filled that position and then became manager of the gas company at Middletown, New York, with which he was connected for a similar length of time, subsequently acting as superintendent of the Jefferson Avenue station of the Detroit Gas Company for about one and a half years. He was also manager of the gas company of Lansing, Michigan, resigning that position to become head of the research laboratory of the Rochester Gas Company. He brought to his duties in that connection broad experience as a chemist and ability of a high order and his services were of great value to the corporation and to the municipality. He conducted

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CHARLES H. H. STONE

many original researches along chemical lines in connection with the manufacture and use of gas and was the author of a textbook entitled: "Testing of Gas and Gas Meters". It is used extensively by gas corporations. Just before his death he was engaged in writing a gas handbook, on which he spent much time and effort. The publication of this book is awaited with keen interest by gas manufacturers throughout the country. While connected with the United States Geological Survey, Mr. Stone took a postgraduate course at the University of California, which conferred upon him the degree of Master of Science, and while a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology he had the benefit of military training, becoming a lieutenant.

In 1901 Mr. Stone was married to Miss Ellen May Kinsman, a daughter of Lamont and Amelia (Forsythe) Kinsman, the former a farmer of Nova Scotia, Canada, and their property was situated in Acadia, the home of Longfellow's Evangeline. Mr. and Mrs. Stone became the parents of a daughter: Margaret Tenney. Mr. Stone was a member of the American Gas Association and the American Chemical Society. He was also identified with the Royal Arcanum and while a resident of Lansing, Michigan, was a member of the Kiwanis Club. He was a man of high scientific attainments and a citizen who would have been a valuable acquisition to any community, his irrep- roachable character no less than his achievements giving him a commanding position and compelling his recognition as one destined to lead in anything he undertook.

HERBERT J. DEMCEY.

Herbert J. Demcey was born April 18, 1865, at Rushford, New York, the son of James and Bridget (Yates) Demcey, both now deceased. The father was a farmer at Rushford, where he had settled on coming to this country from Ireland. Mr. Demcey was brought up on his father's farm and received his education in the district public schools and the Cuba high school. After leaving the latter he went to work for a cheese maker, learned the business, and after a time was employed by a whole- sale cheese concern. In 1892 Mr. Demcey, in partnership with F. L. Sibley, engaged in the wholesale cheese and cold storage business in Cuba, this partnership prospering and continuing until 1907, when an interest was sold to Swift & Company of Chicago, Illinois, and the business was incorporated as the Demcey & Sibley Company, Mr. Demcey being president. Under this name the business was conducted until 1916, when Swift & Company bought the interest of the other stockholders and changed the name to Swift & Company, Mr. Demcey and Mr. Sibley remaining as managers. Mr. Sibley retired in 1920, and since that time Mr. Demcey has been the sole manager of the business. In addition to the cold storage business Mr. Demcey has been president of the Phelps & Sibley Company, merchant millers, since 1915, is vice president of the First National Bank of Cuba, and a trustee of the village of Cuba. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, the blue lodge only. In his political opinions Mr. Demcey holds with the republican party. He attends the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Demcey was married June 7, 1891, to Helen Phelps, daughter of W. O. and Louisa Phelps, of Cuba, New York.

ARTHUR HERVEY MCCALL.

Among the important productive industries of Rochester is that of the McCall Machine Works, of which Arthur H. McCall is the executive head, and broad experience along mechanical lines, combined with excellent administrative ability, enables him to direct the business in a manner that has been a big factor in its success. He was born in Norfolk county, Ontario, Canada, July 19, 1871, and his parents, Edwin R. and Caroline (Carpenter) McCall, were also natives of the Dominion.

Arthur Hervey McCall attended the public schools of Norfolk county, Canada, and after completing his studies came to the States. He served an apprenticeship to the machinist's trade in the plant of the Frank H. Clement Company, a subsidiary of the American Wood-Working Machinery Company, and for twenty-three years remained with that corporation. In 1910 he decided to become an independent operator and purchased the business of Thomas Baxendale, a well known manu- facturer of tools and dies, who had established the industry in 1870. In 1911 the business was incorporated and has since been conducted under the name of the McCall Machine Works, of which Mr. McCall is the president. The plant is equipped to turn

out work of the highest grade. His company has been very successful in designing and building special machinery and many of the machines have been great labor savers. Mr. McCall has installed modern safety devices for the protection of those who serve him and carefully supervises every department of the business, which is operated systematically and efficiently, ranking with the best managed plants of the kind in the city.

In Rochester, on June 26, 1895, Mr. McCall was married to Miss Bertha A. Grover, a member of one of the early families of the city. Mr. and Mrs. McCall have a son and a daughter: Charles Duncan was born in 1899 and was graduated from the Ohio State University with the class of 1922, on the completion of a course in mechanical engineering. He married Miss Wilda Honeter of Columbus, Ohio, and is now connected with the Gleason Works of Rochester. He belongs to the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity; his sister, Caroline McCall, was born in 1913.

Mr. McCall is identified with the Masonic fraternity and has crossed the hot sands of the desert with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Rochester Automobile Club, and is deeply interested in every project that affects the welfare and advancement of his city, particularly the religious education of the youth. In his religious connections Mr. McCall is an elder in the Central Presbyterian church and for over twenty-five years took a very active part in its Sunday school, work, serving as superintendent for ten years, and he is an ex-president of the New York State Sunday School Association. Mr. McCall's home is situated at No. 239 Seneca parkway. He was one of the early residents of that attractive thoroughfare.

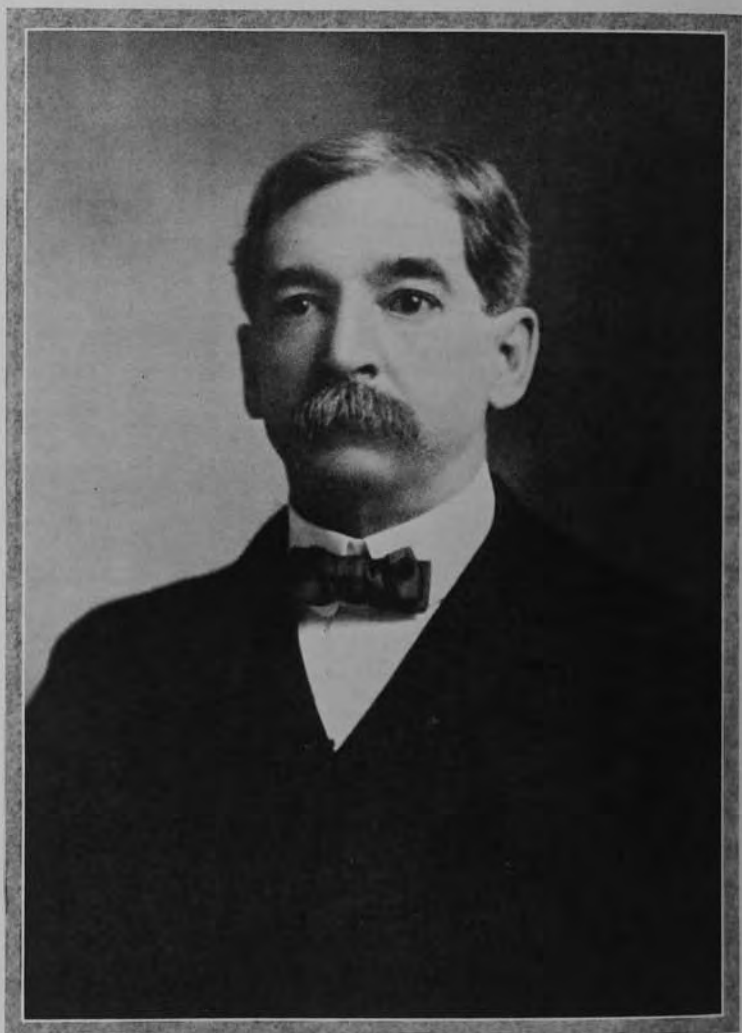
JOHN ANDREW REYNOLDS.

John Andrew Reynolds is remembered as one of the most gifted lawyers who ever graced the Elmira bar. He was a giant even amongst a generation of brilliant legal minds which produced such contemporaries as David B. Hill, Jeremiah McGuire, Robert Stephens, Jacob Schwartz, Frederick Collin and others. As a trial lawyer he won his greatest laurels. Before juries he was a remarkably successful pleader and his cases were always prepared with technical thoroughness. His career was characterized by the most rigid adherence to the ethics of the profession of which he was such a valued member. John A. Reynolds also became widely reputed as a counsellor and his legal advice was sought by corporations and individuals from far and wide. He was born in Big Flats, Chemung county, New York, November 11, 1841, a son of Nathan and Matilda (DeArmond) Reynolds. Nathan Reynolds was a native of Orange county, New York. In 1849 the family moved to Elmira.

John Andrew Reynolds attended the grade schools of Elmira and supplemented his public school education with two years of study at Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, and two years at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts. He graduated from the latter institution in 1863. Returning immediately to Elmira, Mr. Reynolds began the study of law in the office of Smith, Robertson & Fassett, and in 1867 he successfully passed the examination for admission to the bar. He took up active practice without delay and with his first case exhibited those qualities which were to be so completely exemplified in the following years. In the year 1875 Mr. Reynolds formed a partnership with Frederick Collin, under the firm name of Reynolds & Collin. In 1885 John B. Stanchfield was admitted to the partnership and the firm became Reynolds, Stanchfield & Collin. Mr. Reynolds retained this association until his death on December 2, 1900. Of this notable legal firm, only Judge Frederick Collin survives.

John Andrew Reynolds was an able supporter of the democratic party, but never was a seeker of public office. Service to his fellows was the keynote of his character and this trait he followed in politics as well as in his profession. In Williams College he was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity and later in life he joined the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. This comprised his fraternal activities. Both he and his wife were consistent members of Grace Episcopal church and were earnest workers in its behalf. He was a member of the county, state and American Bar Associations, in the affairs of which he took an active interest. Mr. Reynolds seldom stepped outside of his profession to engage in business, but during the later years of his life he did enter into a few business projects which he conceived to be of benefit to the community, organizing a number of corporations for the purpose of supplying Elmira factories and residences with natural gas and steam heat.

On June 6, 1876, Mr. Reynolds was united in marriage to Miss Mary Bailey



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JAMES R. REYNOLDS

Rathbone, a native of Rathbone, New York, and the daughter of Henry Wellington and Sarah Elizabeth (Bailey) Rathbone, whose biographies appear elsewhere in this volume. She was the sister of William Henry and James Bailey Rathbone. To Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds three children were born: James Rathbone, mentioned on another page; Mrs. Francis R. Lawson, who is a widow and resides in Garden City, Long Island; and Henry Rathbone, graduate of Princeton University, who died September 24, 1906. Mrs. John A. Reynolds died May 9, 1920.

JAMES RATHBONE REYNOLDS.

Industrial activity in Elmira has received marked impetus from the enterprising spirit and well directed efforts of James Rathbone Reynolds, whose reputation as a tobacco dealer is more than local. His record reflects credit upon the city which numbers him among its native sons. He is a member of one of Elmira's old and most prominent families and was born January 12, 1879. His parents were John Andrew and Mary Bailey (Rathbone) Reynolds, mentioned elsewhere in this work.

James Rathbone Reynolds was a student at the Elmira Free Academy after attending the grade schools of his home city. He completed his education at Hobart College, Geneva, New York, where he was a member of the Sigma Phi fraternity. He was graduated from this institution with the class of 1899. For a period of two years thereafter he was employed in his father's law office. In 1901 he engaged in packing leaf tobacco in Addison, New York, as a member of the firm of Farnham & Reynolds. In January, 1912, the business of this copartnership was moved to Elmira and in 1918 the association was dissolved. Mr. Reynolds has since conducted the business alone and through untiring effort and wise management has built up an industry of large proportions. He obtains his tobacco from Connecticut and has three warehouses, located in Owego and Elmira, New York, and Hadley, Massachusetts. An average of two hundred and twenty-five employes are retained by Mr. Reynolds in the conduct of his extensive leaf tobacco business. He is also a director of the Chemung Canal Trust Company, a member of the board of managers of the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital of Elmira, and a member of the Woodlawn Cemetery commission.

On April 25, 1911, Mr. Reynolds was united in marriage to Sarah Tyler Plummer, who was born, reared and educated in Hartford, Connecticut. They are the parents of two children: Mary Bailey and John Andrew. Both Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are members of Grace Episcopal church and for several years the former has been one of the vestrymen. Mr. Reynolds is a democrat in politics and is a member of the City Club of Elmira, of which he is now serving as president.

BENNETT FAMILY.

The name of Bennett has long figured conspicuously in the history of Williamson. The first of the name here was Dr. Josiah Bennett, who came to Wayne county from Hudson, New York, prior to the War of 1812 and purchased a tract of six hundred and forty acres, much of it being the site of the present village of Williamson. He was one of the first physicians to this section, and his practice covered a wide area. He married Ruth Reeves, who survived him for many years.

Their son, John P. Bennett, was the pioneer lumberman of Williamson and a successful business man. He was allied with the republican party and his fellow citizens honored him with election to public offices of trust and responsibility. For seventeen years he was retained in the position of supervisor of the town of Williamson and for two terms he discharged the duties of sheriff of Wayne county. He represented this district in the state legislature in 1858 and at a later period, exerting his influence to secure the passage of measures that would prove of benefit to the commonwealth, and his record as a public official was an unblemished one. He married Sarah Bradley, of another pioneer Wayne county family, coming to this section from Saratoga county. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were married in Williamson and reared a family of four children, three sons and a daughter, who are recorded below.

William J. Bennett is connected with the Williamson Lumber Company and is also a director of the K. M. Davies Company, Incorporated, of Williamson. He married

Mary L. Freeman and their three children are: S. Pauline, a graduate of Wellesley College; John Paul, who graduated from Williamson high school, attended the Taft School for Boys at Watertown, Connecticut, and entered Yale; and William F., who is connected with the Williamson Lumber Company. John Paul Bennett, of the above named, left college to become a private in a machine gun corps and went overseas. After the close of the war he returned to Yale and was graduated in 1919 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then spent a period in the employ of Lawrence J. Bottomley, the noted New York architect, until failing health compelled him to relinquish active work.

Albert B. Bennett, second son of John P. and Sarah (Bradley) Bennett, was graduated from Yale in 1890 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He likewise is connected with the Williamson Lumber Company and also has farming interests. He has served as supervisor and as justice of the peace. He married Rose Cooke, and they have two daughters, Alice and Mabel.

Miss R. Mae Bennett is the third member of the family.

The youngest was Samuel S., who married Cora Malette. He died in December, 1922, leaving a widow and one son, Robert. Samuel S. Bennett was for many years connected with Marshall, Wells Company, wholesale hardware dealers of Duluth, Minnesota, until about a year previous to his demise, when he became associated with the Williamson Lumber Company.

HERMAN J. MEYERING.

Herman J. Meyering was born in Rochester on the 24th day of July, 1868, being one of eight children of John and Katherine (Moller) Meyering, who came from Germany in the '50s, taking up their residence in Rochester, where the father became one of the leading musicians of the city. Herman J. Meyering received his general education in the public schools of Rochester, and his technical education with the Karle Lithographic Company, becoming one of the recognized leaders of the lithographic art in western New York. He was one of the founders of the Genesee Valley Lithograph Company, of which company he has been president since its organization.

On June 2, 1892, Mr. Meyering was married to Miss Elizabeth Gregorius, daughter of John Gregorius of Dansville, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Meyering have three sons and a daughter, all residing in Rochester: William J.; Rudolph H., who served in the United States navy during the World war; Richard B. Meyering; and Marie E., now Mrs. Walter Hammer. Although Mr. Meyering did not follow his father's example in adopting music as his vocation, he nevertheless inherited taste and skill in this art, in common with the other members of a musical family, and his own family grew up in a home where music was the natural atmosphere and in which they manifested the persistence of the family gift. A solid man, of unimpeachable integrity, and un-failing kindness and courtesy to everyone with whom he comes into contact, Mr. Meyering occupies a conspicuous place among business men, and in the love and esteem of his fellow citizens.

ROBERT H. TEW.

Robert H. Tew, a rising young lawyer of Corning, has already manifested professional ability to a degree which argues for continued advancement and success at the bar. He was born at Troupsburg, Steuben county, New York, on the 5th of June, 1894, his parents being William and Lizzie B. (Hopper) Tew, representatives of respected old families of the Genesee country. His paternal grandfather, Henry B. Tew, took up his abode among the first settlers in Troupsburg, where his maternal grandfather, a pioneer of Steuben county, also cleared a farm in the early days. William Tew, the father of Robert H. Tew, is the president of the Tew Motor Company and is widely recognized as one of the substantial and highly esteemed citizens of Troupsburg.

Robert H. Tew attended the schools of his native town, continued his studies in the Genesee Academy of Lima, New York, and then began preparation for the bar as a law student in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated after completing the prescribed course in 1920. Two years later he was admitted to the bar by the supreme court of New York and since that time has engaged in the



HERMAN J. MEYERING

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general practice of law at Corning, where he has already built up a creditable and gratifying clientage. The thoroughness with which he prepares his cases, and the clearness and forcefulness with which he presents his cause are the salient elements in his growing success. In addition to his professional interests Mr. Tew is vice president and director of the Tew Motor Company and is likewise identified with agricultural pursuits as the owner of a dairy farm near Woodhull, New York.

On the 8th of December, 1915, Mr. Tew was united in marriage to Miss Ethel McLean and they have become the parents of two children, William H. and Barbara H.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Tew has supported the men and measures of the republican party, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church of Corning. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, belonging to Corning Consistory, A. A. S. R., and he is also a popular member of the Corning Club and the Corning Country Club. He enjoys an extensive acquaintance throughout the community in which he resides and everywhere is spoken of in terms of the highest regard.

GEORGE BRADLEY ANDERSON.

George Bradley Anderson, who established the extensive mercantile enterprise which is now conducted by his sons as the Anderson Store, was a successful dry goods merchant of Canandaigua for more than a half century. He had attained the age of seventy-nine years when called to his final rest on the 12th of August, 1920, for his birth occurred in Canandaigua, New York, on April 18, 1841. His father was James Anderson. In early boyhood George B. Anderson went to live with an uncle, Charles Castle, a merchant of Rushville, this state, where he attended Rushville Academy. In 1862, when twenty-one years of age, Mr. Anderson returned to Canandaigua, where he was employed in the capacity of bookkeeper by John C. Draper, a dry goods merchant. At the end of four years, in 1866, he embarked in business on his own account as a partner of John T. Squires and Marshall Stearns under the firm style of Squires, Anderson & Company. When this association was dissolved in 1871, Mr. Anderson entered upon an independent business venture in the Hubbell block. In 1900 he erected the large and attractive building which has since been known as the Anderson Store and in which the business is now being continued by the sons of George B. Anderson, who have maintained the policy of square dealing and upright, honorable methods upon which their father builded his success. Energetic, progressive and thoroughly reliable, the latter developed an enterprise of large and profitable proportions and long enjoyed an enviable reputation as one of the prosperous merchants and highly esteemed citizens of his native town.

In 1872 Mr. Anderson was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte A. Leland of Seneca Falls, New York, and they became the parents of three sons: Fred L., Charles W. and George Elmer, who are their father's successors in business. The passing of Mr. Anderson was the occasion of deep and widespread regret, and his memory is enshrined in the hearts of those who knew his best.

RALPH WHITE.

Ralph White, who has been successfully engaged in floriculture and truck farming in Niagara county during the past three decades, is a member of the well known firm of White Brothers, florists of Medina, which had its inception in the town of Hartland in 1895. His birth occurred in Hartland, Niagara county, New York, in 1876, his parents being Charles and Mary (Smith) White, natives of Schoharie county, this state, whence they removed to Niagara county and took up their abode in the town of Hartland. The father devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits throughout his active business career.

The educational advantages enjoyed by Ralph White in his youth were those afforded by the local schools. He was a young man of about nineteen years when in 1895, following the death of his father, he took over the latter's farm in the town of Hartland in association with his brother, Charles N. White, and soon thereafter engaged in truck gardening, while subsequently he also turned his attention to the raising of hothouse flowers for the market. The business gradually expanded until in 1911 the brothers were conducting four hothouses and had thirty thousand feet of

glass. In order to facilitate shipments, the hothouses were in that year moved to Medina, where Charles N. White has since continued as manager of the business of White Brothers, while Ralph White has remained on the farm in the town of Hartland. Here the latter has continued his work as a truck farmer and has also given considerable attention to the cultivation of such flowers as gladioluses and asters for wholesale dealers. After removing to Medina, Charles N. White, brother of Ralph, began raising flowers of various kinds but soon began specializing in the cultivation of roses for the wholesale trade. The firm of White Brothers now does an annual business amounting to one hundred thousand dollars and furnishes employment to thirty men in Medina, where their hothouses comprise one hundred and fifty thousand feet of glass. They cultivate three different kinds of red roses—Sensation, Templar and Crusader, beautiful yellow roses of the varieties known as Souvenir de Claudius, Coolidge, Sunburst and Golden Ophelia and also six varieties of pink roses—Mrs. Harding, Columbia, Premier, Butterfly, Pilgrim and Commonwealth. They enjoy an extensive patronage among the wholesalers of Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland and Detroit and also sell plants to other greenhouses.

Ralph White was united in marriage to Miss Millie Hudson of Hartland, New York, and to them have been born two children, Ethel and Marion. He gives his political support to the democratic party and fraternally is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His life has been a most commendable one in every relation, and in the community where he has resided from his birth to the present time the circle of his friends is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance.

THE GRANGER FAMILY.

(Canandaigua Branch.)

The name of Granger is a conspicuous one in the civil and political history of this state and nation. Two of the family held for many years one of the most honorable and responsible offices under the national government, while three who honored Canandaigua with their residence were graduates of colleges and were illustrious members of the legal profession, men of culture, refinement, integrity and the other good qualities that constitute the American citizen in his best estate.

(I) The family is of English descent, their ancestor, Launcelot Granger, having come to this country from England about 1652 and settled in Newbury, in the Massachusetts Bay colony. Thence he removed to Suffield, Connecticut, in 1674.

(II) Gideon, great-great-great-grandson of Launcelot Granger, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, July 19, 1767, and was the first of the name to make his home in Canandaigua, New York. In 1787, when a young man of twenty years, he graduated from Yale College. He entered upon the study of the law soon afterward, and rose to distinction in the bar of his native state. He was a man of public spirit, and imbued with the Jeffersonian principles of free government. He was early and deeply impressed with the importance of the most energetic work for the advancement of the public school system, and was one of the foremost laborers for the establishment of the public school fund in Connecticut, giving liberally himself towards its foundation, and being often called its father. While still a young man his reputation had reached the national capital, and in 1801 he was called by President Jefferson to take a position in his cabinet as postmaster-general. For thirteen years he filled that responsible office, during which period he was instrumental in the rapid development of the great postal system of the country. His administration of the office continued through both of Mr. Jefferson's terms as president, and most of Mr. Madison's. He retired from Washington in 1814, and settled in Utica, New York, in 1816. In 1820 he was elected to the state senate, in which body he served for two years. He promptly took a leading position as a legislator, and became conspicuous in cooperation with Governor DeWitt Clinton in promoting the great system of internal improvements of which the Erie canal was the most important feature. In 1821 he retired from public life, and died December 21, 1822, at the comparatively early age of fifty-five years, leaving a record of a career distinguished for its integrity and its devotion to the public good. He married Mindwell Pease.

(III) Francis, second son of Gideon and Mindwell (Pease) Granger, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, December 1, 1792, and in 1811, at the age of nineteen years, was graduated from Yale College. He followed the example of his distinguished father by studying for the bar.



GIDEON GRANGER, SR.



FRANCIS GRANGER



JOHN A. GRANGER



GIDEON GRANGER

He married Cornelia Van Rensselaer of Utica, New York, who lived but a few years. He was survived by his two children: Cornelia Adeline, who departed this life in 1894; and Gideon, of whom extended mention is made below. Cornelia Adeline was first the wife of John E. Thayer of Boston and afterward of Robert C. Winthrop of Boston.

(IV) Gideon, son of Francis and Cornelia (Van Rensselaer) Granger, was born in Canandaigua, New York, August 30, 1821. His early life was surrounded by all the refinements of a beautiful home, and the most liberal opportunities for gaining a thorough education. Like his father and his grandfather, he was a graduate of Yale College, where he took his degree in 1843. Like them, too, he studied for the legal profession, and had he been so inclined might without doubt have taken a foremost position at the bar. Born with a heart in sympathy with suffering of all kinds, he gave much of his professional skill and time to the service of the poor and needy. This was true also of the labor of his life outside of his profession; the empty hand or the troubled mind never sought his aid in vain. Prevented by ill health from serving his country in the field, he acted as chairman of the war committee for raising troops during the great struggle for the support of the Union, laboring faithfully to fill the depleted ranks of the army, and to care for the families left behind. The widows and orphans of those who fell on the field he made his special care, and his strength and substance were given out freely for their relief. The revival of the Agricultural Society of Ontario county was also largely due to his activity and interest, and he served as its secretary for twelve years. Indeed, wherever and whenever a public good could be advanced, a charitable deed done, or a gentle word spoken, Gideon Granger was ever foremost, in every act of his daily life following the example of the Saviour, to whose cause he had consecrated himself. He died in Canandaigua, September 3, 1868, aged forty-seven years, six days after his father, Francis Granger.

Gideon Granger married Isaphine Pierson of Canandaigua, and they became the parents of three children: Cornelia died in childhood; Antionette P. Granger; and Isaphine P., deceased. Antionette P. is living on the old homestead, which for thirty years was occupied by Granger Place School for Young Ladies—from 1876 until 1906.

(III) John Albert, third son of Gideon and Mindwell (Pease) Granger, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, September 11, 1795, and died in Canandaigua, New York, on the 26th of May, 1870. Originally intended for the navy his early education, commenced in Suffield, and there continued until the removal of the family to Washington, D. C., was along lines of instruction which, when the idea of the sea was abandoned, found him without the classical training required for a college course. He spent some years under the tutorage of "Parson" Gay of Fairfield, Connecticut, a noted instructor in those days, from whose hands he entered a business career at an early age. Some years were spent in Washington during the period of his father's connection with the cabinets of Jefferson and Madison (1801-14), and at the time of the family leaving that city he went in advance to Whitestown, New York, (Utica) which place his father had decided upon as their future home. They had barely settled there, however, before a business connection with the Hon. Oliver Phelps, of the Phelps and Gorham purchase, induced their further removal to and permanent settlement in Canandaigua, which was ever after the family home. He assisted his father largely in the building of the Granger homestead there and drew from the Genesee country most of the timber which constituted its frame.

In 1820 Mr. Granger married (first) Julia Ann, daughter of Dr. William Augustus Williams (Yale, 1780) and Elizabeth (Chapin) Williams, daughter of General Israel Chapin, the United States agent to the Indians and commissioner of Indian affairs in the new county. His wife died in 1822, leaving two daughters: Delia, who married Alexander Jeffrey, and died in 1847; and Julia, who married Sanders Irving, a nephew of Washington Irving. In 1829 he married (second) Harriet, daughter of Amasa and Mary (Phelps) Jackson and granddaughter of the Hon. Oliver Phelps before referred to. Mrs. Granger died in 1868, having had two children: Harriet Mindwell, who married Caleb Brinton of Westchester, Pennsylvania, and died in 1860; and John Albert (Yale, 1855), who married Annie, daughter of Edwin D. Townsend of Palmyra, New York. He died in 1906.

About the time of his first marriage Mr. Granger settled in the Genesee country in Moscow, Livingston county, where he lived with but few neighbors except the Indians, with whom he became very friendly and was adopted into their tribe. Here he lived until the death of his wife left him with two children of such tender years that the simple care of them required services he could not obtain so far from neighbors, and he therefore returned to Canandaigua. For a few years he was engaged

in the mercantile business, and later acted as agent in the purchase of wool for some Boston houses, but about the year 1840 he retired from active business and devoted himself to the management of landed interests inherited from his father. This he continued until his death, and in it found full employment. At this period he became interested in and identified with the National Guard of the state, rising from subaltern to become major-general commanding the division. His liking for such service was very great, and he was not only a very zealous officer but a very liberal one, paying out of his own pocket—and largely, too—very many of the expenses incident to the advancement of his command.

He was a strikingly handsome man, generous and hospitable, almost to a fault, and his hand was ever open and his table ever spread to one in want. Save here and there an election to some unimportant local office, he never sought nor cared for political preferment.

CLAUDE LUDINGTON.

There is no one active in the business life of Rochester at the present day who has contributed more to the material upbuilding of the city than Claude Ludington, president of the large contracting firm known as I. M. Ludington & Sons, Incorporated. Many imposing structures of steel and concrete stand as monuments to his ability as a builder, but the greatest of all his achievements is the Rochester subway that is now nearing completion. In future generations of builders and contractors he will be remembered as the man who built the subway—a splendid engineering feat. He was born in Phillipsport, Sullivan county, New York, on Christmas Day of 1875. His parents, Ira M. and Mary R. (Weed) Ludington, were both natives of the same town and county. In 1877 they moved to Rochester, where the father was engaged on the construction of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway as a superintendent of construction. When this railroad was finished he moved to Scranton, Pennsylvania, where he built the Scranton division of the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad, from Scranton to Hancock. Having satisfactorily completed this no inconsiderable task, Mr. Ludington returned to Rochester in 1893 to take the position of superintendent of the Rochester & Irondequoit system. He decided later to embark in the contracting business for himself and in 1894 established the I. M. Ludington & Sons Company, railroad contracting. Mr. Ludington's long and intimate connection with various railroad construction enterprises of an important nature had well qualified him to undertake work of that type, and he operated in this field with an ever-increasing success until his death in 1910, at the age of sixty-one. At that time the business of the firm had reached large proportions and was well known through a large territory. Mr. Ludington is survived by his widow and two of their three children: Ira W. Ludington, Jr., of Greenwich, New York; and Claude, of this review. A daughter, Miss Mable C. Ludington, passed away in 1909. Mr. Ludington's extensive business operations were taken over, after his death, by his son, Claude, who became president of the company. Although he was but thirty-five years of age at the time, he was well qualified for the heavy burdens that descended to his shoulders.

Claude Ludington had a good public school education, attending School No. 4 in this city as a boy, and later studied in Wyoming Seminary. In 1894 he left his school-books and classes to become associated with his father in the contracting business. While he set out to learn the business as its future manager, he began at the bottom just as any youth who was not related to the president of the company would have done, and gradually worked up to the top, gaining the skill and efficiency that comes only as the result of long and careful training. For more than a decade now, as president of a great organization, he has been proving the value of the experience he had at the bottom of the ladder. Since 1910, as head of the firm, he has directed its policies and been responsible for its success or failure. He now holds a two-million dollar contract for the building of the Rochester city subway, which is being completed in schedule time in spite of the many difficulties that are besetting builders in these post-war days. An interesting feature of the engineering side of the project is that the excavation for the old Erie canal is being used as the base for the construction. When completed the subway will be up to date in every respect, rivaling those of the larger American cities and Europe. Other work in Monroe county built and completed by I. M. Ludington & Sons is the deepening of the Genesee river from Court street to the brink of the falls; the building of a concrete and steel dam in the Genesee river, south of Court street; the viaduct and subway under the Lehigh Valley railroad,



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between Court street and Clarissa street and the Standard Oil Company's harbor at Genesee boulevard, near Brooks avenue.

Mr. Ludington was married to Miss Sue M. Campbell of Greenwich, New York, in June, 1902, and they have two children: Charles Ira, born in Skaneateles, New York, in 1905, who is now attending school in Kingston, Pennsylvania; and Marion Ruth, born in Rochester, July 31, 1911, a pupil in the Columbia school. Mrs. Ludington is the daughter of Charles C. Campbell of Greenwich and a representative of one of the leading families of that place.

Faternally Mr. Ludington is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. In the York Rite of that order he has taken degrees in the Royal Arch Chapter. He is also an Elk and belongs to the Rochester, Rochester Yacht and Rochester Sportsman's Clubs of his home city and to the Transportation Club of New York city. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Third Presbyterian church. He has always been a devoted lover of fine horses and in this connection takes a deep interest in his blooded stock. His pacer, Merriman, 2:01¼, is the world's four-year-old champion. He won fifteen thousand dollars in grand circuit stake races in 1923, with Tommy Murphy, his trainer, driving. Mr. Ludington purchased Merriman as a yearling in the Blue Grass region of Kentucky. The horse comes from a long line of high class animals on both sides.

On his mother's side of the house Mr. Ludington is descended from an old American family that has contributed much to the development of the nation. His great-grandfather fought in the War of 1812 and supposedly was killed by the British or the Indians. The appended letter, reproduced here as exactly as type will permit, is the last word that was ever received from him. It is, of course, of much interest to the members of the present generation:

"Dear Brother: this is the first time we could inform you of our surcomstances & that we have all got out of Canada & was in formed By Ebenezer Monger you had got home & we wold in form you we have ben in the U. S. States Service One year. We have had hard times on the frontier & We have Been plundered of all We have by the Indians & Savage British But we are yet alive But we have ben threw every thing But Death since we saw you We have Been in Many a Battle We lived at Lewiston at the tim fort Niagary was taken but made our escape to Buffalo Olive was taken Alone with 3 children but past threw the snow thirty milds (miles) Whilst we fout the British Bak three Days & knights but there force being Savage & Superior to ours we was a oblige to retreat here we saw hard times our nations Women & Children tom hawkt Stript & Schulpt & Som Burnt alive we made our retreat to Buffalo Where we found Olive here we had a nother battle here they plundered all before them but we retreated to Batavia 50 milds (miles) With nothin but What we wore on our backs here we Staid til Spring this Summer we have been to Canada With a Large force & have had hot Battles here We was in Chipeway battle where we drove them of (f) We was in a nother battle at Niagary falls here Was two thousand kild on both sids in the field. here we could not Stir with blundering over the Dead british lost fifteen hundred & Mericans 4 hundred Mayor Malloney & his famaly lives in Batavia he Commanded Our Company we are volunteers we are now Going on with a large force to try them again if we fail this time we Shall Give it up & look for Some other habitation in the States We have never herd from Gold this 2 years he then Started for Lower Canada our surcomstance

"See our friends at present we remember them all Olive has fore children 3 of them are boys all in health Give my copliments to Jeremiah Johnson & show him this letter we wish you to wright to us soon if Convenient Direct your letter to Batavia York State Gove or (Give our) Compliments (to) all our friends tel Go—— to Come & See us if he is here as soon as possible We Should be glad to seel all our friends if We hae any ——— John S. Johnson

"From ——— Olive Johnson

"Eph Squire

"Give my Compliments to Abigail & my Children I Calculate to Come & see them as soon as possible I have not forgot them in my absence I See hard times & troubles but hope for better Soon

"from Ephraim Squire

"Batavia Genesee County State of new york

"September the 7-1804."

From such heroic stuff as this were made our early pioneers. Had they been less courageous in facing their "hard times" the settlement of the west would have been

long delayed and perhaps never have been under the Stars and Stripes. It is little wonder to the keen observer that their descendants of a century later are forging ahead in industry and commerce, showing the same rugged qualities that characterized these colonial and Revolutionary fathers.

WILLIAM LE ROY PELTON.

An authority in the insurance and real estate field of western New York is William Le Roy Pelton, president of the W. H. Mandeville Company of Olean, New York. Mr. Pelton has worked his way to the top from a clerkship and he has made the business one of the strongest and most dependable of its sort in the county and state. William L. Pelton was born in Olean, July 26, 1869, the son of John G. and Mary Frances (Gorman) Pelton. His father was a merchant tailor in Olean for the long span of sixty-five years, dying at the age of ninety-four, in February, 1923. His long and honorable career in Olean helped his son to decide to remain in business in the community, which has a peculiar ability to hold its sons from wandering afar. Many smaller cities might well envy Olean in this respect, as it is usually the habit of the young man to leave his birthplace for what seem greener fields.

After attending the public schools and Olean Academy, William Pelton entered the insurance office of W. H. Mandeville and has remained with this concern all of his business life. He was a clerk until 1905, in which year the firm was incorporated, with W. H. Mandeville, president, and J. M. Larkin, vice president. In 1912 Mr. Larkin succeeded Mr. Mandeville and Mr. Pelton was made vice president. Six years later Mr. Pelton became the head of the company and his wife the vice president. The concern handles every kind of insurance and is by far the largest business of its sort in this part of the state. There is also a department devoted exclusively to real estate.

On October 8, 1902, William L. Pelton was married to Miss Emma H. Mead, daughter of Edgar N. and Helena Mead of Buffalo, the ceremony taking place in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Pelton have two sons: William, born April 19, 1904; and Edgar, born June 13, 1906, both students at Dartmouth College. William Le Roy Pelton is a Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree in that order. He belongs to the City Club and the F. L. Bartlett Country Club; the Chamber of Commerce and the Olean Country Club. He is president of the Olean Library Association and takes a great interest in this organization. He is the ex-president of the Y. M. C. A., and chairman of the industrial commission of the Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Olean Kiwanis Club. Mr. Pelton is active in the First Presbyterian church, being clerk of the session at the present time. He is an independent in politics.

HERBERT THOMAS REED.

One of the leading members of the Orleans county bar is Herbert Thomas Reed, member of the firm of Fluhrer & Reed of Albion. As a representative of this dignified profession and a public-spirited citizen, he has well carried on the family's traditional interest in the community and has proved to be a worthy son of his father, Thomas F. Reed, who for many years was active in business in Orleans county. Herbert T. Reed has been an effective worker in the local ranks of the republican party as well, advancing its good government plans for a number of years in a constructive, businesslike manner. His birth occurred at Hulburton, Orleans county, New York, on the 5th of March, 1872, his parents being Thomas F. and Mary (Blanchard) Reed. The father was the proprietor of a sandstone quarry at Hulburton and continued active in this business until his death, which occurred December 28, 1901. The family has been represented in this section since 1820, which year witnessed the arrival of Edward Reed, the paternal grandfather of Herbert T. Reed, who here spent the remainder of his life.

Herbert T. Reed supplemented his district school education by a course of study in the State Normal and Training School at Brockport, New York. He then entered the employ of his father, with whom he was associated until 1891, when he came to Albion and studied law in the office of Signor & Wade until admitted to the bar in 1895. His early interest in his father's business continued, too, and today he is a member of the firm of Reed, Allen & Reed, who own and operate a number of sand-



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stone quarries. When he had practiced his chosen profession in Albion for seven years, from 1895 until 1902, Mr. Reed was elected clerk of the surrogate court and thus served until 1911. In the latter year he became associated with Judge Gerald B. Fluhrer as member of the firm of Fluhrer & Reed, which has been very successful and especially so in trial work. Mr. Reed is a member of the Orleans County Bar Association and has long enjoyed high standing among his professional colleagues and contemporaries.

On the 21st of October, 1902, Mr. Reed was married to Miss Marjorie Livingston King, daughter of Charles A. and Helen (Hunt) King of Albion. They have become the parents of three children, as follows: Charles King, who died in infancy; Mary King; and Marjorie Blanchard.

Prominent in political circles, Mr. Reed is one of the leaders of the republican party in Orleans county and has served as chairman of the republican county committee for two years. He has served for two terms as exalted ruler of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and in 1921 acted as vice president for the western part of New York state. He also exemplifies the teachings of the Masonic fraternity, to which he belongs, and is a member of the Alert Club of Medina and the Orleans County Country Club. He is a member of the First Presbyterian church, always willing to aid in church work and to advance the spread of Christianity. Mr. Reed loves outdoor sports, and confesses that politics and his work may also be classed as his hobbies.

PORTER A. WILSON.

Porter A. Wilson is one of the foremost figures in insurance circles of Rochester and his life history is written in terms of success, for he is a hard and intelligent worker and a man of high character, worthy of trust and confidence. He was born in Hermon, St. Lawrence county, New York, April 25, 1870, and his parents, Royal A. and Nancy Jane (Johnston) Wilson, were also natives of the Empire state, of which they were lifelong residents. The father engaged in the insurance business at Syracuse and was very successful in his operations in that field.

His son, Porter A. Wilson, was a pupil in the grammar and high schools of Syracuse and also attended the Fairfield Military Academy of New York, from which he was graduated in 1899. Subsequently he matriculated in the University of Syracuse, which in 1905 awarded him the degree of LL. B., and after his admission to the bar he began his professional career in that city, where he practiced for three years. On the expiration of that period he entered the employ of the New York Life Insurance Company and afterward became identified with the North American Life Insurance Company of Toronto, Canada. He developed expert ability as a salesman and now acts as general manager of the Massachusetts Insurance Association, which issues policies only to Masons. He maintains his headquarters in Rochester and directs the activities of seventy-seven agents, working in the states of New York and Pennsylvania. He is well qualified by training and experience for this responsible position and ranks with the association's most capable and successful representatives.

On October 22, 1896, Mr. Wilson married Miss Sarah Kenealy, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Kenealy, of Elmira, New York, and their only child is Mrs. Gretchen Lawson of Rochester. Mr. Wilson is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile and Ad Clubs. He is keenly interested in all projects for municipal advancement and is highly esteemed by his business associates as well as by those whom he has met in other walks of life.

ERNEST C. WAGNER.

Although his connection with real estate operations covers but a few years, Ernest C. Wagner has made rapid progress and in business circles of Rochester he has already gained a secure foothold. He was born in this city, May 8, 1889, a son of John and Eva (Montgomery) Wagner, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Canada. The father was a boy of nine when his parents came to the United States, settling in Rochester, and here he was reared and educated. After his marriage he engaged in the coal and wood business and subsequently removed to Wallace, Wayne county, where he spent the remainder of his life, devoting his attention to the occupa-

tion of farming. He passed away in October, 1906, and is survived by the mother, who resides in West Wallace. Five children were born to them, namely: Mrs. Ida Scott, of Macedon, New York; John, also a resident of that place; Alexander, who is living at Union Hill, this state; Eldred, whose home is at Irondequoit, New York, and Ernest C.

The last named attended the public schools of Walworth, New York, and afterward completed a course in the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pennsylvania. When sixteen years of age he obtained a position with the Langslow-Fowler Chair Company, with which he was connected for a short time, and then became an employe of the Brown Machine Company. Soon afterward he entered the service of the Fairport Sanitary Can Company, and while with that firm his father died. Mr. Wagner returned to Wallace and for two years operated the home farm. On the expiration of that period he went to Buffalo and for a short time was a member of the sales force of the International Realty Company. Returning to Rochester, he entered the operating department of the New York State Railroad Company, with which he remained for four years, and then took a civil service examination, becoming a member of the fire department. He devoted six years to that work and since 1919 has engaged in the general real estate business on a brokerage basis. He is well informed on everything pertaining to the local realty market and has negotiated many important transfers of property. He is a capable young business man whose word is to be relied upon, and his business is growing rapidly as the result of intelligently directed efforts.

In Rochester, September 29, 1908, Mr. Wagner married Miss Minnie Miller, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Miller of this city. The children of this union are: Dorothy, who was born in 1909 and is a high school pupil; Orville Melvin, whose birth occurred in 1911; Ernest, born in 1914; Robert, in 1916, and Betty and Harvey, twins, who were born in May, 1920.

Mr. Wagner is a member of the Rochester Automobile Club, and his fraternal relations are with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is affiliated with the Baptist church, and its teachings guide him in the daily relations of life. Mr. Wagner has a liberal endowment of ambition, energy and good judgment, and these are qualities which in every honorable vocation lead to ultimate victory.

MILLER PURDY VAN HOESEN.

Miller Purdy Van Hoesen is a loyal son of Rochester and an alert, aggressive young business man, thoroughly alive to conditions in the modern world of commerce and well able to cope with them. He was born on the 11th of December, 1888, and his parents were Frank P. and Addie (Miller) Van Hoesen, the former a native of Onondaga and the latter of Lamson, New York. They became residents of Rochester and in 1887 the father embarked in the paint business, organizing the F. P. Van Hoesen Company, of which he served as president. Upon the strong foundation of honesty and straightforward dealing he constructed a prosperous mercantile establishment which has endured for thirty-seven years. He displayed executive force and keen sagacity in the conduct of the business and is now living retired in Rochester, but the mother is deceased. They had two sons: Frank K. C. and Miller Purdy of this review.

Miller Purdy Van Hoesen was a pupil in the East high school of Rochester and afterward attended the Montclair (N. J.) Military Academy, from which he was graduated in 1908. He next became a student in the University of Pennsylvania, in which he completed a two-year course in business administration, and in 1910 won the degree of Bachelor of Science, and in that same year he joined his father in the paint business. The F. P. Van Hoesen Company also handles wall-paper and window shades and conducts both a retail and wholesale business. M. P. Van Hoesen is now a partner in the firm and to the management of the business he gives deep thought, readily solving all of the problems which arise from time to time in connection therewith, and working earnestly and effectively to extend the scope of the undertaking.

Mr. Van Hoesen has two children: Frank P. (II), who was born June 21, 1913; and Jane, born January 31, 1918. They are natives of Rochester. Mr. Van Hoesen is affiliated with the Central Presbyterian church of this city. He is a Mason, belonging to Genesee Falls Lodge, No. 507, F. & A. M., and has attained the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is also a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon



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fraternity and the Rochester Alumni Association of the University of Pennsylvania. He is connected with the Chamber of Commerce and also with the Rochester, Rotary, Ad, Automobile, and Oak Hill Country Clubs. The growth and progress of his city is a matter in which he takes much personal pride and his many admirable qualities have gained him a high place in the regard of those among whom his life has been passed.

ALFONSO GIOIA.

Although a native of Italy, Alfonso Gioia, has spent practically his entire life in the United States, and his initiative, enterprise and ability have found visible expression in the development of one of Rochester's large industries, which he is successfully conducting. He was born at Valledolmo, Sicily, November 18, 1890, and was but four years old when his parents, Orazio and Guiseppina (De Carlo) Gioia, immigrated from that island to America, settling in Chautauqua county, New York. There the father purchased a farm, becoming one of the prosperous agriculturists of that locality. He passed away in 1908, and the mother's death occurred in 1915. Five children were born to them: Alfonso; Antonio; Louis, whose home is at Lilly Dale, New York; Mrs. Josephine Ciradola, a resident of Fredonia; and Samuel, who is living in Rochester.

Mr. Gioia completed his education in the high school at Fredonia and afterward became associated in business with his brother Antonio. They began the manufacture of macaroni in Fredonia and met with encouraging success in the venture, rapidly building up a good trade. In 1913 they decided to increase the scope of their operations and opened a factory in Rochester, where they have also established a prosperous business. Their product is made under perfect sanitary conditions and is unsurpassed in quality. The business is conducted under the name of A. Gioia & Brothers and is a closed corporation. Alfonso fills the office of president and Antonio serves as vice president, while Samuel acts as manager. The firm bears an enviable reputation for integrity and reliability, and its members are recognized as astute, capable and enterprising young business men.

In Jamestown, New York, November 18, 1913, Mr. Gioia married Miss Olga Gustafson, a daughter of John and Hulda Gustafson of that city. The children of this union are four in number: Horace, who was born in Jamestown, February 28, 1915; Frederick, born in Rochester, August 11, 1916; Josephine, whose birth occurred in this city on the 5th of December, 1917; and Humbert, who was born in Rochester, September 27, 1919.

Mr. Gioia is a Rotarian and along fraternal lines is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He manifests a deep interest in municipal welfare and to this end has become allied with the Chamber of Commerce. At the outset of his career Mr. Gioia realized that there is no royal road to wealth, and intelligently directed industry has constituted the basis of his prosperity. He has accomplished much for one of his years and is everywhere spoken of as a citizen of worth.

ERNEST CHARLES PIERREPONT.

Ernest Charles Pierrepont was long a prominent figure in business circles of Rochester, and his death on November 1, 1920, was a distinct loss to the city, for he was a man of cheerful disposition, possessed of a kindly, sympathetic nature, which drew to him many steadfast friends, and a citizen of worth. He was born in London, England, February 18, 1869, a son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Scott) Pierrepont, the former a painter and contractor. He was a child of four when his parents came to Rochester and received a public school education. After completing his studies he learned the art of sign painting in the employ of Lyon & McLean, a well known firm of this city. He found the vocation a congenial one and in 1901 established a business of his own, organizing the E. C. Pierrepont Sign Company, of which he became president and treasurer. His establishment was located at Nos. 47-49 East Main street and he soon became a recognized leader in his line of work, in which he acquired expert skill, while his honesty and reliability also commended him to the confidence and support of the public. He was awarded many contracts for card writing and advertising signs of all kinds and developed a large business, displaying keen sagacity in its management.

Mr. Pierrepont was a republican in his political views and never wavered in his

allegiance to the party. He was an influential factor in its councils and served for a number of years on the Monroe county committee. He was prominent in local Masonic circles, belonging to Yonnonodio Lodge, F. & A. M., Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.; Doric Council, R. & S. M.; Monroe Commandery, K. T.; Rochester Consistory, A. & A. S. R.; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of which he was potentate in 1919; and Lallah Rookh Grotto. He worked earnestly, systematically and effectively for the upbuilding of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and was also connected with the Ad, Optimists and Automobile Clubs, being a director of the last named organization.

On August 7, 1902, Mr. Pierrepont married Miss Emma Borneman, who survives him. He was a member of Christ Episcopal church and closely adhered to its teachings. His good deeds were many, and during the World war he was very active in Red Cross work, providing the victims of the influenza epidemic with nurses, food and supplies. He always resided in Rochester, with the exception of three years, which were spent in Canton, Ohio, and was one of the city's most enthusiastic supporters. Liberal, charitable, wholly unselfish, Mr. Pierrepont had a warm heart and a kindly philosophy which endeared him to all with whom he was associated. He found life well worth the living, making the most of it day by day, and when the final summons came,

"Sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust,
Approached his grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

HON. HORACE W. FITCH.

Hon. Horace W. Fitch, who during the past eight years has made an excellent record on the bench as county judge of Ontario county, in which office he is the incumbent for the second term, also enjoys the distinction of having served as judge of county-wide children's court for a longer period than any other jurist in the state of New York. He was born on a farm in the town of Potter, Yates county, this state, on the 23d of December, 1873, his parents being Walter and Alice S. (Ferguson) Fitch.

The district school education of Horace W. Fitch was supplemented by a high school course in Rushville, while subsequently he continued his studies in Cook Academy of Montour Falls and later attended the New York State Normal School at Geneseo. He began reading law in the office of Clement & Scott and was admitted to the bar in 1902, after which he engaged in the practice of his chosen profession in partnership with the junior member of the firm of Scott & Fitch until 1912, when he became an independent practitioner. In 1907 Judge Fitch was elected village attorney of Canandaigua and four years later was chosen district attorney, to which position he was reelected in 1914. This he resigned on the 22d of February, 1916, to accept the appointment of county judge, which Governor Whitman had made in order to fill a vacancy. Later in the same year he was regularly elected to the office and in 1922 won reelection, so that he is now serving for the second term as county judge. It is noteworthy that in the primaries Judge Fitch had his name written on both the democratic and prohibition tickets, to the extent that he was virtually the candidate of all three parties at one time, the voters of all parties being practically unanimous in their selection of him. In addition to his important and responsible duties in this connection he has also been the presiding officer of the children's court of the county for a longer period than any other judge in the state. The children's court is a notable one, by reason of the amount of work done and the good accomplished. The service of Judge Fitch on the bench has been distinguished by the highest legal ability. To wear the ermine worthily it is not enough that one possess legal acumen, is learned in the principles of jurisprudence, familiar with precedents and thoroughly honest. Many men, even when acting uprightly, are wholly unable to divest themselves of prejudice and are unconsciously warped in their judgments by their own mental characteristics or educational peculiarities. This unconscious and variable disturbing force enters more or less into the judgments of all men, but in the ideal jurist this factor becomes so small as not to be discernible in results, and loses its potency as a disturbing force. Judge Fitch is exceptionally free from all judicial bias. His varied legal learning and wide experience in the courts, the patient care with which he ascertains all the facts bearing upon every case which comes before him, give his decisions a solidity and an exhaustiveness from which no members of

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the bar can take exception. Judge Fitch belongs to all the bar associations and is also a factor in financial circles as a director of the Ontario County Trust Company.

On the 2d of July, 1896, Judge Fitch was united in marriage to Miss Bertha A. Miller of Canton, Ohio. Their two children are: Alice M. and Walter M. Judge Fitch was sent as a delegate from the thirty-sixth congressional district to the Republican National convention which was held in Cleveland in 1924. He has been a member of the national convention and law committee of the Modern Woodmen of America for three years and also belongs to the Masons and the Odd Fellows. He was made honorary member of the Rotary Club on account of his work for boys and efforts in behalf of civic betterment. He has been president of the Young Men's Christian Association for five years. Judge Fitch is noted as a speaker on topics of wide range, being particularly well versed on sociological subjects. He is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals, and he ranks among the ablest jurists and most esteemed citizens of the Genesee country.

EMORY WILLIAM FLAGG, D. D. S.

Dr. Emory William Flagg is numbered among the useful and highly respected residents of Wellsville and during the period of his residence in the village has firmly established his position in public regard as an able and progressive representative of the dental profession. He was born in Tunesassa, Cattaraugus county, New York, August 2, 1883. His grandfather, David Flagg, was born in 1818 in Ireland and settled in Cattaraugus county in 1892. By hard work and good management he became the possessor of a substantial competence, and his death occurred in 1892, when he was seventy-four years of age. He had married a Miss Kennealy and they became the parents of a son, David Flagg, Jr., who was born in Prescott, Canada, in 1845, and was a child of four when the family home was established in Cattaraugus county, where he was reared and educated. He became a lumberman and farmer, and death terminated his labors in 1904, at the age of fifty-nine years. He was united in marriage to Nancy Emelia Ferard, and they were the parents of Emory William Flagg.

In the acquirement of an education Dr. Flagg attended the Chamberlain Military Institute at Randolph, New York, and later spent two years as a student in a preparatory school at Forestville, New York. His professional training was received in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the class of 1909, winning the degree of D. D. S., and for six months thereafter he was an instructor in that institution. Early in 1910 Dr. Flagg opened an office in Wellsville and in the intervening period he has established a large practice by thorough, painstaking effort and skillful work.

On the 18th of October, 1912, Dr. Flagg married Miss Maude Sarah Vincent, a daughter of Charles and Laura (Early) Vincent, the former a prominent attorney and hardware merchant of Wellsville. Her grandfather, Benjamin Vincent, was one of the pioneer settlers of this locality and followed the occupation of farming. Dr. and Mrs. Flagg now have a son, John Ferard, who was born December 30, 1914, and is a public school pupil.

The Doctor is an enthusiastic devotee of golf and also enjoys the sport of fishing. He is a member of the Wellsville Country Club and the Brookland Club, and his political support is given to the republican party. He is connected with the Allegany County and Tri-County Dental Societies and subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession, utilizing every opportunity to keep himself up to a high standard of efficiency in practice.

FRANK G. FANG.

Genial, frank and open-hearted, with an optimistic belief in his fellowmen, Frank G. Fang drew to himself a large and ever-widening circle of steadfast friends, and his death on October 30, 1923, at the age of forty years, deprived Rochester of one of its enterprising and substantial business men as well as one of its most public-spirited and highly respected citizens. He was born in 1883 at Irondequoit, New York, a son of Leopold and Lena (Barthelmess) Fang, and attended the Holy Redeemer school, in which he was taught both German and English. He earned his first money by making

popcorn fritters and later secured employment in the Genesee Blast Furnace, where he learned the trade of a machinist. He remained there for about six years and then established a business of his own, opening a grocery store at No. 2 River street about 1905. He continued at that location for five years and next purchased property at No. 4000 Lake avenue, acquiring the entire corner. He afterward removed to Broadway in the village of Charlotte, now the twenty-third ward of the city of Rochester, and erected the Fang block, one of the substantial buildings of that neighborhood. There he engaged in the grocery business for several years, also operating a popcorn stand, and built up a good trade. During the World war he worked as a machinist in the gun department of the Symington plant, remaining there for a year, and then started a confectionery store, of which his wife took charge, while he entered the service of the Hancock Insurance Company. After two years he was obliged to resign his position with the insurance firm owing to ill health, and later rented a barber shop. In the conduct of his business affairs he employed the most progressive methods and was quick to perceive and utilize an opportunity for advancement. He was thoroughly familiar with the principles of merchandising and in his dealings with the public was conscientious, straightforward and reliable. He was guided by the Golden Rule and never refused credit to those who were in financial difficulties, frequently cancelling notes that were due him.

On March 3, 1908, Mr. Fang was united in marriage to Miss Margaret B. Boughton, of Charlotte, and is survived by his widow, his parents, a sister, Miss Lillian Fang, and two brothers, John and Albert Fang. Mr. Fang was a Roman Catholic in religious faith and a faithful communicant of Holy Cross church. He was a staunch adherent of the republican party and was long a leader in political circles of the twenty-third ward. He was deeply interested in civic advancement, cooperating heartily in all movements which he believed conducive to the welfare of his community, and for twenty years was a member of the volunteer fire department of Charlotte, while for two years he served as collector for the village. He was a man of many friends, big-hearted, and generous to a fault. He was an indefatigable worker, ever striving to perform his duty according to the best of his ability, and his life was an active and useful one, governed by those principles which invariably excite admiration and respect and constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity.

RAYMOND GEORGE PHILLIPS.

Raymond George Phillips, a representative citizen of Rochester, has demonstrated his ability to manage successfully interests of importance, and his activities as secretary of the International Apple Shippers Association have brought him a wide acquaintance. He comes of colonial ancestry and was born on a farm, November 25, 1873, in the town of Hume, Allegany County, New York, a son of John L. and Mary F. (Hopkins) Phillips, both representatives of families who were numbered among the earliest settlers of New England. The father first followed the occupation of farming and later engaged in the manufacture of cheese, establishing several factories in Allegany county, New York. His enterprising spirit led him into other business channels and he later conducted a general store at Castile, New York, and founded the wholesale fruit and produce business of Phillips Brothers, a firm which operated for over thirty years throughout western New York. He has made substantial contribution to the agricultural and horticultural development of his state, owning a large farm and apple orchards in Monroe county, and is now a resident of Rochester. The mother is also living.

Raymond George Phillips was a student in the grammar and high schools of Castile, New York, and also attended the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York, afterward matriculating in the University of Rochester, from which he was graduated in 1897, with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He next read law in the office of Hubbell & McGuire and in 1900 was admitted to the bar. He practiced for six years in Rochester, and in 1906 entered business as a member of the wholesale fruit and produce firm of Phillips Brothers Fruit Company. In 1911 he was elected secretary of the International Apple Shippers Association, the largest trade association of its kind in the fresh fruit and vegetable world, representing the United States, Canada, England, Scotland, Wales, Denmark, Germany and Australia. In the discharge of his duties Mr. Phillips travels approximately thirty thousand miles annually, visiting all of the large apple-growing districts and distributing markets of the United States and Canada, with Rochester as his headquarters. He is thus



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afforded the opportunity of observing conditions in various sections of the country and close study has made him well informed on matters pertaining to the apple industry. The national transportation, legislative and publicity questions are also handled through the Rochester office. During the World war his knowledge was of much value to the government officials, who appointed him a member of the Federal Food Administration at Washington, D. C., in which connection he had charge for the United States as a whole, of the fresh fruit and vegetable section of the perishable foods division.

On June 10, 1903, Mr. Phillips was married to Miss Bessie P. Pond, member of a prominent family of Rochester, and they have a daughter: Helen Pond, who is attending Mount Holyoke College, a member of the class of 1927. Mr. Phillips is a Knights Templar Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the University Club of Rochester, the Monroe Golf Club, the Rochester Tennis and Automobile Clubs, and the Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Delta Phi fraternities. His religious views are indicated by his affiliation with the West Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Phillips' residence is at No. 136 Chili avenue.

WILLIAM HUDSON BISHOP.

Proven ability has placed William Hudson Bishop in the responsible position of cashier of the Bank of Le Roy, one of the strong financial institutions of Genesee county, and he has many friends in the village, which has always been his home. Mr. Bishop represents the third generation of the family in Le Roy, in which his grandfather, Le Roy Bishop, settled about 1830. He had been a resident of the state of Connecticut and lived in Le Roy for many years, subsequently removing to Seattle, Washington, where he passed away. His son, Theron C. Bishop, was a lifelong resident of the village. He married Miss Emily O. Gillett, and his attention was given to the cultivation of the soil.

They became the parents of William H. Bishop, who was born October 8, 1883, and completed his education in the Le Roy high school. His first business experience was obtained with the firm of N. B. Keeney & Son, with which he remained for two years, and then became a member of the clerical force of the Genesee Pure Food Company. He was thus engaged for five years and on the expiration of that period entered the employ of the Le Roy National Bank in the capacity of clerk and assistant cashier, filling those positions from 1911 until 1918. He has since filled the office of cashier of the Bank of Le Roy, promoting the success of the bank by efficient, careful and painstaking work and doing all in his power to safeguard the interests of the institution.

On October 15, 1906, Mr. Bishop married Miss Clara Hartwell, a daughter of Benjamin W. Hartwell, who was connected with the Le Roy Cold Storage Company. The children of this union are: Benjamin, who was born August 26, 1912; and Mary Jane, born April 13, 1914. Both are students in the local high school.

Mr. Bishop is a republican in politics and uses his influence to promote the success of the party but has never aspired to public office. He is an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church and serves on its board of trustees. He belongs to the Oatka Hose Club and the Stafford Country Club and finds diversion in golf and outdoor life. He is faithful to the trust reposed in him, and his support can always be relied upon to further every measure destined to prove of benefit to Le Roy and its citizens.

HENRY C. BRAINARD.

Henry C. Brainard, a member of one of the old and highly respected families of Monroe county, has made insurance the ladder by which he has mounted to success, and Spencerport numbers him among its leading business men and valued citizens. He was born in Chili, New York, July 27, 1875, a son of Chauncey Brainard and a grandson of Claudius Brainard, the latter of whom migrated from Addison, Connecticut, to Monroe county, New York, in 1830. His life was devoted to the acquirement and dissemination of knowledge and he was recognized as an able and progressive educator. For thirteen years he filled the important office of superintendent of schools of Monroe county, which he placed upon a high plane, thus advancing the standards of education in this section of the state. His son, Chauncey Brainard, was a native of

Gates, New York, and in Churchville, this state, married Emily Cummings, who was born in Byron, Genesee county, New York. Her parents removed from Pennsylvania to New York, establishing their home in the Empire state in 1827. Chauncey Brainard served for many years as town historian of Spencerport and in that connection compiled a record of the township of Ogden in the World war.

Henry C. Brainard, his only child, supplemented his public school training by attendance at the State Normal School at Genesee, New York, and afterward spent two years as a student at the University of Denver, Colorado, taking a scientific course. In 1897, when a young man of twenty-two years, he opened an insurance office in Spencerport, and his attention has since been concentrated upon this line of business, in which he has been continuously engaged for a period of twenty-seven years. He represents the Hartford Insurance Company of Connecticut, the Aetna Insurance Company of North America, as well as other old and reliable corporations of this nature, and years of experience and study have made him thoroughly familiar with details of the insurance business. He is known as an able business man, whose word is always to be relied upon, and his success has been commensurate with his industry and enterprise.

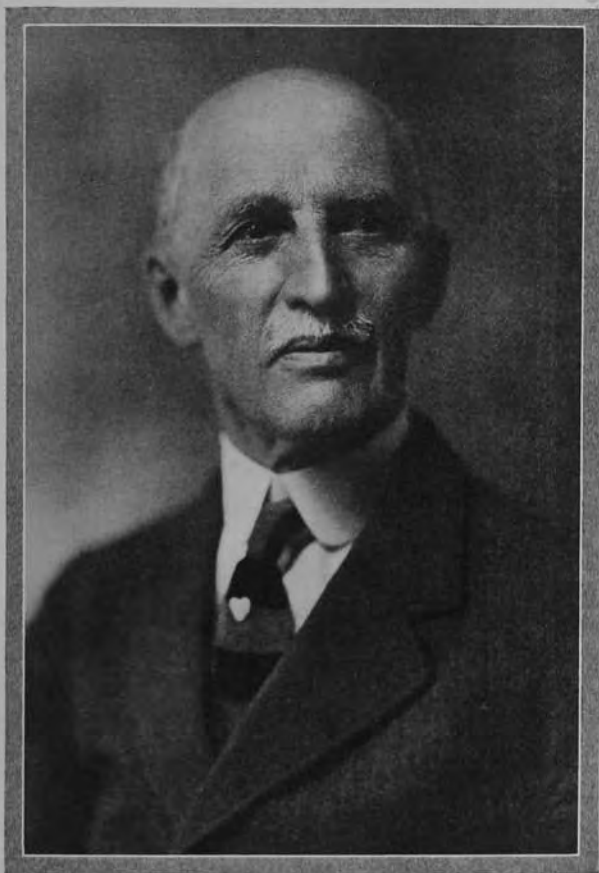
At Springwater, New York, Mr. Brainard married Miss Anne E. Connor, a daughter of Dr. T. D. Connor, a prominent physician of Spencerport, and they have become the parents of three children: Dwight C., a young man of twenty years and associated with his father in the insurance business; Harry G., aged seventeen years and a junior in the Spencerport high school; and Laura G., who has reached the age of thirteen and is also a public school pupil. Mrs. Brainard's maternal grandfather, Dr. Gray, was one of the pioneer physicians of Livingston county and learned in the science of his profession.

Mr. Brainard is a republican in his political views and takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs. He is particularly interested in the progress of the local schools and as chairman of the board of education has done much to improve their equipment and standards of scholarship. He is not unmindful of the moral welfare of his community and is one of the trustees and zealous members of the Congregational church of Spencerport. He is discharging the duties of town historian, proving a worthy successor of his father in that office. Mr. Brainard is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Spencerport Grange and is also active in fraternal affairs. He belongs to the Etolian Lodge of Masons; is a past grand of the Parma Lodge of Odd Fellows. He is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals—a man whom to know is to esteem and admire.

THE McDOWELL FAMILY.

From colonial times members of the McDowell family have figured prominently in events which have shaped American history. The name is inseparably associated with the development of southern New York. This branch of the McDowell family was founded in America by John MacDowel, son of Robert MacDowel and Hannah O'Neil. Robert MacDowel had fled out of Scotland in 1688 and settled near Londonderry, Ireland, where John MacDowel was born May 20, 1714. John MacDowel and his sister Jane came to America together when quite young. John married Hannah Depui and Jane married Nicholas Depui. They lived near each other, not far from Shawnee and Stroudsburg, Monroe county, Pennsylvania, where John MacDowel bought a farm in 1744. He is described in Miner's History of Wyoming as "a wealthy, high-toned Cameronian Scotchman, who was a true friend of the Yankee settlers in Wyoming", and also as a member of the "Forty Town" (Kingston). In April, 1775, immediately upon receipt of the alarm from Lexington, John MacDowel joined a "Flying Squadron" of infantry and became an ensign or lieutenant. Later he joined a regiment of "Frontier Rangers", which was commanded by Colonel Jacob Strouds, founder of Stroudsburg, one of his sons-in-law. In this regiment appear the names of John MacDowel's three sons, Robert, John and Daniel, and seven of his sons-in-law. He died September 25, 1779, at the age of sixty-five. One of his sons, Robert McDowell, married Margaret McCormick and moved to Ithaca, New York, being the first white settlers in that lake region and parents of a large family. Another son of John MacDowel, Sr., was John, who was killed in 1779, in an Indian attack upon Shawnee, Pennsylvania. A third son, Daniel McDowell, was born in Cherry Valley, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1763. In 1779 he was captured by the Indians at Shawnee and taken as a prisoner to Niagara, where he ran the gauntlet, being the only one of

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the party to survive the ordeal. Later he was held as a prisoner at Quebec until peace was declared. While passing through the Chemung valley as a prisoner on his way to Niagara, he was so impressed with the beauty of the scene that he determined to return and establish his home there. After the close of the war he returned to Tioga Point, now Athens, Pennsylvania, and served for a time as a clerk in the store of Mathias Hollenbeck. Later he returned to his home in Cherry Valley and together with Ruth Drake, daughter of Samuel Drake, whom he married in the spring of 1786, came over the Pocono mountains and up the Susquehanna river from Wyoming to Chemung, where he settled upon land later surveyed as Great Lots 3 and 4 in the old town of Chemung. Daniel McDowell was endowed with great strength and a courageous spirit and was known to the Indians as "Keto" the "iron man". He was the first town clerk of the town of Chemung in 1788 and its second supervisor in 1790. He died November 28, 1806, and is buried in Riverside cemetery, Chemung. He and Ruth (Drake) McDowell had the following children: Phoebe, who married Abraham Miller; Sarah, who married a Mr. Benight and moved to Beloit, Wisconsin; Hannah, whose second husband was Samuel S. Seely, from whom Hon. William G. Rice of Albany is descended; Julianna, who married Major General Samuel McKean, United States senator from Pennsylvania; John Guy McDowell, of whom we speak hereafter; Samuel Drake McDowell, who moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Alexander Addison McDowell, who reared a family in Bradford county, Pennsylvania.

The oldest son of Daniel McDowell and Ruth Drake was Judge John Guy McDowell, born in Chemung, February 25, 1794. He served as a lieutenant in the war of 1812. He was an exceptionally capable business man and also took a prominent part in political and legislative affairs. Before he was twenty-one he was a merchant in Ithaca, New York. While state senator, although not a lawyer, he served as judge of the court of appeals of the state of New York. He obtained the passage of the act incorporating the Chemung Canal Bank in 1833, becoming its first president, a position he held from 1833 to 1844. He also obtained the passage of the act providing for the building of the Chemung canal connecting the Chemung river with Seneca lake. Also the act erecting the county of Chemung in 1836. He was chosen a presidential elector from the state of New York in 1852 and was the candidate of the democratic party for congress in 1854. He died January 1, 1866, and is buried in Riverside cemetery, Chemung. He was married to Laurinda Lowman, daughter of Jacob Lowman and Hulda Bosworth Lowman, December 1, 1815. They reared the following children: Daniel Drake McDowell, Jacob Lowman McDowell, McKean McDowell and Robert Morris McDowell; Esther, who became the wife of Alfred Bennett; and Julia, who became the wife of Hon. Jefferson Burr Clark, and they were the parents of Mrs. Charles J. Langdon of Elmira.

The youngest son of Hon. John G. McDowell was Maj. Robert M. McDowell, who served with distinction upon the staffs of Generals Howard and Slocum as chief topographical engineer of the left wing of Sherman's army, in its march from Atlanta to the sea. Major McDowell died in 1909 and is buried in Woodlawn cemetery, Elmira, New York. He was a very capable and successful engineer in the development of coal mining in the west.

The second son of John G. McDowell was Jacob Lowman McDowell. He was born March 24, 1822, and died November 24, 1901, nearly eighty years of age. He engaged in farming and milling in Chemung until 1868, when he moved with his family to Elmira and engaged in the insurance business with the firm of Swan & McDowell and later as McDowell & Miller, and still later as McDowell & Fitch. For many years he was chairman of the democratic county committee under the leadership of Governor David B. Hill. He was a member of the board of education, county treasurer of Chemung county from 1882 to 1889, and candidate for county clerk in 1891, being defeated by Captain Arthur S. Fitch, who later became his business partner. He was actively engaged in business to the last of his life. He was married to Fannie Whiting Boyd, daughter of Oliver D. Boyd, in Saco, Maine, on December 28, 1847. Their children were Alice, who became the wife of Erwin J. Baldwin, for more than fifty years a leading lawyer of Elmira; Florence and Edward, who died in early youth, and Boyd McDowell, born July 24, 1857.

Boyd McDowell graduated from Grammar School No. 2 in Elmira in 1872, from the Elmira Free Academy in 1876, and from Syracuse University in 1881, with the degree of Ph.B. He began the study of law in the offices of Ruger, Jenny, Brooks & French in Syracuse and was admitted to the bar in 1883. For several years he was associated with Hon. Edgar Denton in the firm of Denton & McDowell and is now practicing with his son, Robert P. McDowell, in the firm of McDowell & McDowell.

Boyd McDowell was married to Carrie E. Pitkin, a graduate of Syracuse Uni-

versity, and daughter of Ozias C. Pitkin of Syracuse, on October 8, 1889. He has been active in the practice of his profession in Elmira for more than forty years, and identified with many enterprises advancing the interests of Elmira. For more than thirty years, and since its incorporation, he has been secretary and a trustee of the Steele Memorial Library. He has served as a member of the board of education and as a member of the Elmira City Planning Commission, and for six years, from 1914 to 1920, was corporation counsel of the city of Elmira. He has been president of the Chemung County Bar Association. He incorporated the Elmira Humane Society and served for many years as its secretary and President. In 1910 he became secretary of the Elmira Municipal Waterworks League and successfully carried through the purchase of the waterworks by the city in 1915. Early in his practice he was identified with the building of many trolley and telephone lines in the city and county. He served as a director in many business enterprises, one of which, the Elmira Industrial Association, had much to do with the building of Elmira Heights and the growth of Elmira. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Psi Upsilon, Union Lodge, F. & A. M. and many other organizations.

Boyd McDowell has two children: A son, Robert Pitkin McDowell; and a daughter, Miss Elizabeth McDowell of Montclair, New Jersey.

Robert Pitkin McDowell was born October 14, 1890, graduated from Elmira Free Academy in 1908, from Syracuse University in 1913, with the degree of A. B.; from Columbia University in 1916, with the degree of LL. B. and was admitted to the bar in the fall of that year. In April, 1917, he enlisted in the United States army for service in the World War, was commissioned at Madison Barracks a second lieutenant on August 15, 1917; promoted to captain at Camp Dix in March, 1918; major at St. Mihiel, France, in September, 1918, and was quartermaster of the Seventy-eighth Division on the staff of Major General McRae through the Meuse-Argonne campaign. In 1921 he was commissioned lieutenant-colonel and made quartermaster of the Ninety-eighth Division of the United States Organized Reserves. In February, 1923, he was appointed United States commissioner for the western district of New York. On August 15, 1917, he was married to Ruth Elizabeth Adams, daughter of Willard G. Adams of Weedsport, New York, a graduate of Syracuse University. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pitkin McDowell have three sons: Robert Adams, born July 5, 1918; Willard Boyd, born August 6, 1920; and John Adams, born September 6, 1922. These three great-great-great-grandsons of John MacDowell, who settled in Cherry Valley in the early half of the eighteenth century, give promise that this pioneer family will not soon die out in Chemung county.

ROY CLEVELAND BRADSTREET.

One of the well known members of the younger generation of Rochester business men is Roy Cleveland Bradstreet, president and founder of the Bradstreet-Hazard Co., Incorporated, dealers in real estate. A native of this city, Mr. Bradstreet comes from a family that has long been identified with its civic, economic and social development. His grandfather, Nehemiah C. Bradstreet, was mayor of Rochester in 1863 and an influential person in democratic circles for many years. As a pioneer of the shoe manufacturing industry here he did much toward building up this phase of Rochester's industrial life. His son George, father of Roy Cleveland Bradstreet, was born and educated here. In mature life he became secretary to the general manager of the New York Central Railway at this point, living in the city of his birth throughout his life. He is survived by his widow, who previous to her marriage was Miss Carrie M. Briggs.

Roy Cleveland Bradstreet was born in Rochester on the 1st of December, 1880, and obtained his early education in the grammar schools of the city. Later he became a pupil of the Howard Bradstreet Preparatory School, with the intention of qualifying for entrance to Yale University. Before he had formally entered Yale, however, he became deeply interested in salesmanship through a connection he had established with the Seamless Rubber Company of New Haven, Connecticut, a subsidiary of the United States Rubber Company, and saw in this line of work such a promising future that he gave up his plans for a university education. In 1907, after about ten years of experience in this field, he resigned his position to return to his native city and organize a real estate firm known as the Bradstreet-Hazard Co., Inc., of which he is now the president. This company has been prominent in advancing the realty development that has contributed no little toward making Rochester one



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of the most attractive residential cities in the United States. Its residential districts are famous the country over for the artistic manner in which they are laid out; their beautiful homes for people of modest means, as well as persons of wealth, and the amount of civic pride they evidence. Of these subdivisions the Bradstreet-Hazard Co., Inc., is responsible for Shoremont, Monroe Manor, Holden Tract, Braddock Heights Tract and Berman Farm. In addition the firm does an extensive general real estate and insurance business. Mr. Bradstreet is also president of the Braddock Heights Corporation and the Kenfield Realty Company. He has taken a prominent part in the work of the Rochester Real Estate Board, in which he is now holding the office of vice president.

In Windsor, Ontario, on August 4, 1908, Mr. Bradstreet was united in marriage to Miss Alma M. Henderson, daughter of Walter L. Henderson of Windsor, Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. Bradstreet have a daughter: Muriel Louise, born in Rochester, January 10, 1915. Mr. Bradstreet's city residence is at No. 111 Westchester avenue and his summer home is at Grand View Beach on Lake Ontario. Mr. Bradstreet belongs to the North Presbyterian church and is a member of the Central class, Central Presbyterian church. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Ancient Craft Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Ionic Chapter, R. A. M., of which he was high priest in 1924; Cyrene Commandery, K. T.; Doric Council, R. & S. M.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also a member of the Rochester Club, the Rochester Ad Club, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Automobile Club, the Rochester Historical Society and the Sons of the American Revolution. Mr. Bradstreet's activities have brought him to a foremost position among the city's representative business men in his line.

HOWARD V. R. PALMER.

Howard V. R. Palmer, one of Rochester's representative business men, was born at Union Hill, Wayne county, New York, December 23, 1879, a son of Oscar C. and Amelia (Botsford) Palmer, the former a native of Lakeside and the latter of Webster, this state. In the maternal line Mr. Palmer is descended from one of the oldest families in this country, tracing his ancestry to Thomas Lyon, born in England about 1621, and his descendant Caleb Lyon who settled Carthage (now Rochester), in 1809; Christopher Foster who settled Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1635, and Henry Botsford of Milford, Connecticut, in 1639. Luke Foster, a descendant of Christopher, was among the first to locate at "Turkey Bottom," later called Cincinnati. In 1864, when a young man of eighteen, Oscar C. Palmer enlisted in Company B, Eighth New York Cavalry, and served in Sheridan's cavalry under General George A. Custer during the last year of the Civil war. He was wounded in action, April 9, 1865, during the battle of Five Forks, often referred to as the decisive battle of the civil war. He was transferred to Appomattox Courthouse for two weeks, thence to Washington, D. C., going from there to Philadelphia and to Rochester, where he received his honorable discharge. He became one of the foremost agriculturists of Wayne county, New York, and passed away February 1, 1919, while the mother's death occurred on the 4th of March, 1920. They had a family of two sons: Myron B., a prominent physician of Rochester; and Howard V. R., of this review.

Mr. Palmer supplemented his early training, received in the public schools of Webster, New York, by attendance at Hobart College and then obtained a position as civil engineer, with the New York Central Railroad, devoting several years to that work. He next entered the employ of D. Appleton & Company of New York city, one of the great publishing houses of the east, and rose to the position of advertising manager, serving in that capacity for several years, following which he accepted a similar position with the Atlas Portland Cement Company of New York city and subsequently became connected with the advertising department of the Eastman Kodak Company of Rochester, with which he remained for six years. On February 1, 1921, he purchased an interest in the Sheffield-Fisher Company, printers, and has since been its secretary and a director of the firm. He is highly esteemed by his business associates and his cooperation has proven a valuable asset to the firm which he represents.

In Dumont, Bergen county, New Jersey, June 27, 1907, Mr. Palmer married Miss Helen Moore, a daughter of Peter E. and Charlotte Moore, prominent residents of that locality, and the children of this union are: Catherine Christy, who was born in Dumont, June 6, 1908, and is a student at the East high school of Rochester; Howard V. R., Jr., who was born in Dumont, February 8, 1911, and is also a public

school pupil; and Richard Voorhis Palmer, who was born in Rochester, March 15, 1923.

Mr. Palmer is a member of the Rochester Ad Club, of which he was formerly vice president and director; the Rochester Club; the Rochester Athletic Club; the Rochester Historical Society; the Sons of the American Revolution; the American Institute of Graphic Arts, and the Sigma Phi Society. In November, 1924, Mr. Palmer organized the Hobart Club of Rochester, the first organization of its kind in the country and served as its first president. He is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. He takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs and is recognized as a man of broad views, wide experience and exemplary character.

REV. THOMAS BERNARD KELLY.

Rev. Thomas Bernard Kelly was made administrator of St. Josephs' parish in Batavia in 1921, owing to the feeble health of Rev. William T. Wilber, pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church since 1904. Father Kelly was born in Salamanca, Cattaraugus county, New York, on the 23d of December, 1887, his parents being John Patrick and Mary Loretta (Crotty) Kelly, the former born in Bergen, New York, on July 23, 1859, and the latter in Salamanca, this state, on January 29, 1869. His grandparents emigrated to this country from Ireland.

Thomas Bernard Kelly was a lad of six summers when the family home was established in Ellicottville, New York, where he attended the grade and high schools to the time of his graduation in 1906. It was in February, 1907, that he entered Niagara University of Niagara Falls, New York, and seven years later he was ordained to the priesthood at the new cathedral in Buffalo by the Right Rev. Charles H. Colton, receiving holy orders on the 6th of June, 1914. He was made assistant pastor of the church of St. Mary of the Angels in Olean, New York, where he remained until January 20, 1920, when he was transferred to Batavia, here taking up his duties as assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church three days later. At the end of a year, owing to the incapacity of Father Wilber, Rev. T. B. Kelly was made administrator of the parish and his consecrated labors in this connection have been attended with splendid results. Rev. P. J. O'Donovan was sent to act as his assistant in May, 1924.

Fraternally Father Kelly is identified with the Knights of Columbus and he has served as chaplain of the local council. His name is also on the membership rolls of the Batavia Rotary Club, the Batavia Chamber of Commerce and the Stafford Country Club.

JUDGE CHARLES H. PIPER.

The record of forty years' service as police justice of Niagara Falls stands to the credit of Judge Charles H. Piper, who has a high conception of the dignity and responsibility of his calling and honors his profession by adherence to the solid virtues and enlightened principles underlying the law. He is a native son of the city and a member of one of its old and prominent families. He was born October 17, 1860, and his parents were Charles H. and Charlotte (Hulett) Piper, the latter of whom was also born in Niagara Falls, in which city her marriage occurred. Members of the family proved their loyalty and patriotism by service in the Revolutionary war and Judge Piper's maternal grandfather, Theodore G. Hulett, was a pioneer in the settlement of Niagara county, to which he came in the year 1823. Charles H. Piper was a native of New Hampshire and became a resident of Niagara Falls in 1850. He was one of the leading attorneys of the city and was called to public office, discharging his duties in a highly creditable manner. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Piper, five sons and two daughters, all of whom are living.

Judge Piper was the second in order of birth. He completed a course in the De Vaux College and read law in the office of his father, from whom he received valuable instruction and advice. He was admitted to the bar at Rochester in 1882 and began his professional career at Niagara Falls, where he practiced for two years. Since 1884 he has presided over the police court of Niagara Falls, and his decisions indicate a keen intellect, careful analysis, a thorough knowledge of the law and an unbiased judgment.

Judge Piper married Miss Lizzie J. Pfeiffer, who was a daughter of Bernard Pfeiffer, of Niagara Falls, and their union was severed by her death in 1895, when thirty-six years of age. For three years the Judge was a member of the New York National Guard and during the World war he was one of the Four Minute speakers, also serving the nation in other capacities. He is a staunch democrat in politics and



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has been a delegate to county and state conventions of the party. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and a vestryman of his church. Judge Piper is a member of the Ongara Club of Niagara Falls, and his fraternal relations are with the Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a student of human nature as well as of the principles of jurisprudence and has always been a patient and diligent inquirer after the truth. He is devoted to the legal interests intrusted to his charge, and the reputation that comes from the performance of duty well done is his just reward.

ALLYN T. GILBERT.

Allyn T. Gilbert, publisher of the Newark Courier, has met with noteworthy success in the newspaper business and exerts a strong influence in journalistic circles of Wayne county. He was born in Manchester, New York, May 23, 1887, a son of Joseph and Emily (Tilden) Gilbert, the latter also a native of the Empire state. The parents were married in Palmyra, New York, and reared a family of five children, four sons and a daughter, all of whom are living. Joseph Gilbert was a native of England and came to New York state in 1876 in company with his father, being at that time a boy of twelve. He took up the study of law and rose to a position of prominence in the profession, serving for two terms as district attorney of Wayne county. He died in 1917, when fifty-three years of age, and is survived by the mother.

Allyn T. Gilbert was the third child in their family. He was graduated from the Newark high school and subsequently became identified with architectural work and building operations in Rochester. He was numbered among the successful contractors of that city, in which he resided until 1917, when he purchased the Newark Courier, a weekly newspaper established in 1851. He has since conducted the paper, which covers Wayne county and is the largest country weekly in the state in both subscriptions and advertising patronage. Mr. Gilbert also controls the Newark Commercial, which he established in 1922, and in the same year purchased the Palmyra Courier, which he likewise conducts. His publications are operated along the lines of modern and progressive newspaper education and embody the best elements of journalism. They are carefully edited and devoted to the welfare of the districts which they serve.

In 1912 Mr. Gilbert married Miss Alice M. Kelley, a daughter of W. H. Kelley, of Newark, and they now have four sons: William, Frank, David and Richard, aged respectively eleven, eight, six and two years. Mr. Gilbert is a consistent member of the Episcopal church and a staunch republican in politics. He has won the respect of men of all parties for courage with which he defends his convictions and the honorable manner in which he does so. During the World war he issued a daily paper in order to awaken public interest in the War Chest fund and also rendered valuable service to the government as a member of the local War Chest and Liberty Loan committees. His fraternal relations are with the Loyal Order of Moose, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Masons. He belongs to Newark Lodge, No. 83, F. & A. M.; Newark Chapter, No. 117, R. A. M.; to Palmyra Commandery, K. T.; and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Rochester. He is connected with the Retail Merchants Association, the Community Association and the Country Club, all of Newark, and is also a member of the Fellowcraft Club, the Western New York Press Association and the State Press Association. Mr. Gilbert is a moldier of public opinion in Wayne county, a power in civic and industrial advancement, and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating. He combines in his character all the qualities of a useful and desirable citizen and stands high in the regard of his fellowmen.

GAMBLE WILSON.

Gamble Wilson, a prominent agriculturist and landowner of Groveland, is widely and favorably known in Livingston county and with its history he is largely familiar. He has always resided in this section of the Genesee Country and has contributed his full quota toward its development. He was born on a farm in the town of Groveland, May 9, 1867, a son of Robert and Matilda (Toland) Wilson, the former of whom is deceased. They reared a family of eight children and all are yet living.

Gamble Wilson is the oldest of the children. He received a public school education and remained on the home farm until he reached the age of twenty-three. He

then entered the business world and for twenty years devoted his efforts to the evaporation of apples. In 1904 he erected a building in Groveland, in which he established a hardware store, successfully conducting it for seventeen years, but selling the business in 1921. He has since engaged in farming and is the owner of much valuable land in Livingston county. He believes in scientific methods and brings to his occupation a true sense of agricultural economics, never allowing a foot of his land to be unproductive. He is also a director of the Groveland State Bank and is known as an astute, farsighted business man whose judgment is sound and practical.

On the 1st of October, 1890, Mr. Wilson was united in marriage to Miss Evelina Gamble, and they have one child, Marion. Mr. Wilson is a staunch adherent of the democratic party and takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs. He served for fourteen years on the town board and for five terms was town supervisor, rendering valuable public service in both offices. He is a Knight Templar Mason and has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He is also a Shriner, and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Presbyterian church. He is a member of the Livingston County Historical Society and served as its president in 1923-4. Mr. Wilson has been active in pushing forward the wheels of progress in Groveland and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics.

FREDERICK JAMES.

Frederick James, one of the best known business men in Rochester, is the head of James & Company, dealers in employes' time-recording clocks, a business that Mr. James founded over thirty years ago. He was born in Cold Spring Harbor, New York, January 9, 1868, a son of Joseph and Katherine (Hubbs) James, the former a native of the Republic of Brazil, South America, and the latter of the town of Syosset, New York. The father was a seafaring man and became an officer on sailing vessels and traders which called at ports in all parts of the world. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. James: John, whose home is in California; Frederick; Mortimer, deceased; and Mrs. Florence Field, a resident of Buffalo, New York.

Frederick James attended the public school of Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, and when a boy of thirteen came to Rochester. Here he obtained a position in the post office, where he was employed for a short time, working under D. T. Hunt, and then entered the crockery store of H. C. Wisner, with whom he remained for four years. On the expiration of that period he became connected with the Wright & Peters Shoe Company of Rochester and for many years was in the service of that firm, gaining a thorough knowledge of mercantile affairs. In 1891 Mr. James saw a good opening in commercial circles of the city and started out for himself on borrowed capital. Since its inception the business has grown rapidly and has become the most extensive in its line in western New York. Mr. James is now erecting a building on Richmond street. It is a fire proof structure with a glazed brick front, artistically designed, and when completed will be one of the finest buildings in that section of the city. Mr. James has reserved the major portion of this building for his business. He specializes in the sale of employes' time-recording clocks and his sons are now associated with him in the business, which is operated under the style of James & Company. Mr. James is guided by the Golden Rule in his dealings with the public and has built up an extensive trade as the result of his close application, capable management and honorable methods.

In Rochester, on the 12th of February, 1891, Mr. James was married to Miss Kate W. Eustace, a daughter of Joshua and Belle Eustace of this city. Mr. and Mrs. James have two sons: Leon W., who was born in Rochester in 1892, married Miss Mabel Tarrant, of Rochester, and is now a member of the firm of James & Company, and Robert F., who was born in New York city in 1904, finished his education at the University of Michigan, is an engineer in the United States Aviation Corps with the rank of lieutenant and is associated with James & Company.

Frederick James is a prominent member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and since 1922 has had charge of its annual cruise. These outings are so well arranged and have proved so enjoyable that the attendance has been doubled within the past two years. The vessel chartered for this purpose is taxed to its full capacity and those desiring to take the trip are obliged to make reservations months in advance. Mr. James has done a great deal of hard work in his handling of these out-

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ings, but he has achieved a big success in their management. One of his greatest traits of character is his determination. Another trait, no less prominent, is the personal pride to make a success of whatever he undertakes. He is always ready to lend his support to any movement which commends itself to his judgment as one to advance the public welfare, and his public spirit has never been lacking. During the great University drive, when Rochester set a record for the cities of the country, Mr. James was a team captain and his team not only exceeded its quota but was among the highest in total subscriptions. During the World war he was in the service and at the time of the influenza epidemic had charge of five hospitals, being connected with the commissary department, Headquarters Company. He is a member of the Rotary Club and in Masonry has attained the Knights Templar degree. It is nearly forty-five years since Mr. James came to Rochester and many of his best friends are those who have known him longest. He enjoys probably as wide an acquaintanceship as any man in Rochester outside of public life. He has always held to high ideals in his business relations, thereby establishing the highest credit and a reputation for commercial integrity that is not surpassed in the city of Rochester. His friends feel for him a peculiar esteem, not only for his progress from a very modest beginning in his business career, but for his many wholesome qualities of mind and heart. Genial and optimistic by nature, Mr. James extracts from life the real essence of living. His residence is at No. 975 Park avenue.

RANSOM PRATT.

Ransom Pratt, the maternal grandfather of Jervis Langdon, head of the firm of J. Langdon & Company, was one of the pioneer builders of Elmira and the name is an honored one in the history of the city. The establishment of the woolen mills on Newton creek in 1842 was an undertaking that promised much for the future of this district. They were started by Daniel and Ransom Pratt, two farsighted Scotchmen, whose forethought was backed by great prudence and industry. They were the first to introduce into Chemung county a power loom and wool-condensing machine and conducted a small woolen manufacturing business, also doing custom wool carding and cloth dressing. Their mill was destroyed by fire in 1848, and they immediately made plans to rebuild on a larger scale, organizing a company and incorporating the business. Their trade grew rapidly during the period of the Civil war, and they became very wealthy. They founded the Second National Bank in 1863 and were equally successful in the field of finance. They were foremost in all projects which are basic elements in a city's growth and enjoyed an unassailable reputation for business enterprise and integrity.

ERNEST LEGRAND WYCKOFF.

The record of no business man of Elmira has stood in larger measure as a synonym for enterprise, honor and integrity than that of Ernest L. Wyckoff, who passed away in this city in 1904, at the age of fifty-two years, and the place which he held in the regard of his fellow citizens was evidenced by the deep and widespread regret which followed his demise. Mr. Wyckoff was a member of one of the old Dutch families of New York and was born in Wellsburg, this state, in 1852. He was a son of Arcalvus Wyckoff, whose natal day was April 10, 1816, and a grandson of Peter Wyckoff, whose birth occurred in 1785. The American progenitor of the Wyckoff family was a native of Holland and came to this country with the colony that founded the town of New Amsterdam, New York.

As a boy Ernest L. Wyckoff came to Elmira with his father, and in the public schools of this city he received his education. Arcalvus Wyckoff was the possessor of creative powers and original ideas and invented a covering for wooden water pipes and steam pipes, rendering them impervious to cold and moisture. His son Ernest engaged in the manufacture of this covering and through untiring effort and capable management built up an industry of large proportions. The business is operated under the name of A. Wyckoff & Company and is now owned by Mrs. Wyckoff, who adheres closely to the policy inaugurated by her husband, displaying keen sagacity in the conduct of her affairs.

In 1872 Mr. Wyckoff married Miss Alice Brooks, a daughter of Benjamin Van Campen and Lucy (Miller) Brooks, both of whom were natives of Smithsboro, New

York. For some years her father followed the occupation of farming and later engaged in the lumber business. He was a son of James Brooks, a veteran of the Revolutionary war. Mrs. Wyckoff was born on her father's farm at Smithsboro and completed her education at Owego, New York. She is descended in a direct line from Jesse Miller, Jonathan Miller, Eli Seeley, Ludwig White and Increase Miller, all of whom fought in the Revolutionary war, and she has six bars on her D. A. R. pin. She is one of the most prominent members of the order in this section of the state and was the third regent of the Chemung Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, filling that office continuously for a period of ten years, when she resigned. This is one of the largest chapters of southern New York, having a membership of three hundred. She is a charter member of the Wednesday Morning Club, of which only seven of the original members are now living. She is a strong suffragist and was one of the first to join the movement. She is an indefatigable worker in behalf of the cause and has entertained at her home all of the celebrities who have visited Elmira for the purpose of delivering addresses on the subject of woman suffrage.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyckoff became the parents of five children, three of whom survive. Florence Adele completed a four-year course in agriculture at Cornell University and is engaged in the raising of chickens—a line of activity in which she has been very successful. She is the wife of Frank Upson, a well known agriculturist of Dundee, New York. Her sister, Frances Sibyl, married Thomas F. Bennett, a prominent attorney of Elmira, and they have five children: Thomas Wyckoff, Alice Margaret, Florence Mary, Ernest Joseph and David Collins. Ernestine Brooks is the wife of Dr. Pugh, a veteran of the World war and one of the leading surgeons of Utica, New York.

Mr. Wyckoff was a boy of nine at the time of the outbreak of the Civil war and during the progress of that memorable conflict peddled apples to the soldiers. He was an adherent of the republican party but never aspired to public office, giving his undivided attention to the conduct of his business. He was a Knight Templar Mason and a worthy exemplar of the craft. He was a progressive business man, a loyal citizen, a true friend, a devoted husband and father, and his memory is cherished by all who knew him.

WILLIAM FREDERICK YUST.

William Frederick Yust, who has been the capable incumbent in the position of librarian of the Rochester public library since April, 1912, is widely recognized as one of the representative and substantial citizens of western New York. He was born in Canton, Missouri, on the 10th of November, 1869, a son of Fred and Dora (Kreie) Yust. When he was five years old his family was among the pioneers who moved in covered wagons to the vicinity of Hutchinson, Kansas. His boyhood was spent there on a farm. From the country school he went to Central Wesleyan College at Warrenton, Missouri, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1893. He studied Latin, Greek and modern languages between the years 1894 and 1899 at the University of Chicago, where he also began his library work, going from there to the New York State Library School at Albany, and after a two-year course received the degree of B. L. S. Following his graduation from the Central Wesleyan College he taught in the public schools of Illinois in 1893 and 1894. For a period of four years, from 1896 until 1900, he acted as assistant in the reference and circulation departments of the University of Chicago Library, while from 1901 until 1904 he filled the position of assistant state inspector of libraries in New York. In January, 1905, he was made librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library, thus serving until March, 1912, and since April of the latter year he has been librarian of the public library in Rochester, New York, in which connection the value of his efficient services is widely attested and appreciated. During the World war he served as Camp Librarian at Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Camp Beauregard, Alexandria, Louisiana, and the Marine Barracks, Parris Island, South Carolina. His high standing among librarians is indicated in the fact that he occupied the presidency of the Kentucky Library Association from 1907 until 1912 and of the New York State Library Association in 1917 and 1918. He is a life member of the American Library Association and a frequent contributor to library publications. He wrote the chapter entitled "Legislation" in the manual of Library Economy which was published by the American Library Association in 1912. Since 1922 he has given the annual lectures on library buildings to the New York State Library School.

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WILLIAM F. YUST

On the 17th of January, 1906, Mr. Yust was united in marriage to Miss Florence Hosmer French of Albany and they have become the parents of four children: Harlan F., W. Frederick, Dorothea and Augusta B. Mr. Yust is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Social Workers, the Rochester Historical Society, of which he has been the recording secretary since 1914, the Rochester Ad Club, the Rotary Club, the City Club and the Central Presbyterian church. He makes his home at No. 333 Frank street in Rochester and has won an extensive circle of warm friends in the city during the years of his residence here.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

On the 12th of June, 1897, Bishop McQuaide informed the pastor of St. Patrick's church of Mount Morris that the Catholics of Moscow (now Leicester), who were included in the Mount Morris parish, desired a church of their own. Father Day, of Mount Morris, announced to his congregation on Sunday, June 13, the Bishop's decision and asked the Moscow members to appoint a committee to confer with him, which was done. It was ascertained at this meeting that the former Baptist church property in Moscow, owned by Sarah C. Wemple, could be bought reasonably. The Bishop's assent was obtained and Father Day, John McMahon and B. E. Brophel were appointed to negotiate the purchase. The sum of twelve hundred dollars was paid for the property, which on the 16th of July was deeded to St. Thomas Aquinas church. A sanctuary, altar and confessional were built and an organ, vestments and the necessary furniture were secured. The remodeled building was dedicated September 19. The church was supplied by the priests of Mount Morris until the coming of the first resident priest, Rev. Herman J. Schafer, to Leicester, March 17, 1916. He built the parish house in the latter part of 1916 and works earnestly and effectively to extend the influence of the church, which now has two hundred and ten communicants. He also serves the mission at Cuylerville, which has a membership of three hundred, and gives his whole heart to the work in which he is engaged.

REV. HERMAN J. SCHAFER.

Rev. Herman J. Schafer was born March 23, 1885, at Hornell, New York, a son of Jacob and Mary (Baker) Schafer, the former of whom is deceased. His early education was acquired in a parochial school of his native town, and he afterward attended the St. Andrew and St. Bernard Seminaries in Rochester. He was ordained to the priesthood on the 10th of June, 1911, and was appointed assistant at Clyde, New York, where he remained for three years. He was then assigned to St. Anthony's church at Elmira, New York, of which he had charge for six months, and on the expiration of that period went to Geneseo with the Rev. George T. Jones, pastor of the church in that village. Father Schafer served the missions at Cuylerville and Retsof until March 17, 1916, when he was assigned to the St. Thomas Aquinas parish at Leicester, becoming its first resident priest. His is a sincere and devoted service in behalf of Catholicism, and his influence has been a beneficial factor for good.

GEORGE ALLEN SWEET.

George Allen Sweet was a pioneer nurseryman of Dansville and from 1869 until 1885 was a partner of J. B. Morey, Sr. In June, 1884, he became associated with George W. Whitney and they operated under the name of the former until 1889, catering only to the wholesale trade. In 1889 the firm became known as George W. Whitney & Company, and in 1896 a retail department was established, at which time the company began issuing a semi-annual catalogue. For many years George A. Sweet was president of the Dansville Nurserymen's Association, and he was also honored with the presidency of the National Nurserymen's Association. He filled that office for two years and was likewise prominently identified with two national protective associations for nurserymen. He was an acknowledged leader in his chosen field of labor, and his demise occurred in November, 1912, while his wife passed away in 1921. George A. Sweet was for many years president of the Greenmount Cemetery Associa-

tion and was liberal with time and means for its improvement. In 1915 his family erected the memorial entrance to the cemetery.

George A. Sweet married Clara Maxwell, daughter of Olney B. Maxwell, who was identified with the business interests of Dansville for a third of a century. Of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Sweet two survive: Maxwell, a resident of Dansville, and Lizzie, who is the wife of B. G. Readshaw and resides in Oakland, California.

CYRUS W. PHILLIPS.

Cyrus W. Phillips is a prominent and highly esteemed member of the Rochester bar and has also aided in framing the laws of his state. He was born in this city on the 10th of September, 1870, and his parents were George W. and Elizabeth A. (Dark) Phillips, the former of whom was born in Syracuse, New York, in 1834 and the latter in New York city in 1836. Representatives of the Phillips family removed from Connecticut to the Empire state in 1794, settling in Onondaga county. On the maternal side Cyrus W. Phillips is a direct descendant of Ezra Lockwood, who was a major in the Revolutionary war and represented Westchester county in the first New York state constitutional convention. George W. Phillips, the father of Mr. Phillips of this review, established his home in Rochester late in the '60s. His death occurred in Palmyra in 1912 and his wife passed away in 1915.

Cyrus W. Phillips attended school in Rochester and afterward in Syracuse. He read law in the office of Judge Irving G. Vann in Syracuse, New York, and was admitted to the bar in 1894, beginning his professional career in that city. He later located in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he practiced law for three years. On the expiration of that period he returned to Rochester and has since been located in this city. Mr. Phillips has been connected with some of the very important litigation before the courts of western New York and has long been accorded a most creditable position among the successful lawyers of Rochester. In 1908 he was elected a member of the state legislature, in which he served for six years, championing many measures which have since found their way to the statute books of this and other states. He is often referred to as the father of the workmen's compensation law, being the author of workmen's compensation laws in the state of New York and other states. He served as chairman of the judiciary committee in the state assembly, while subsequently he was chairman of the joint commission of the National Civic Federation and American Federation of Labor to investigate operation of compensation laws in other states. This commission included Samuel Gompers, James Duncan and John Mitchell, these gentlemen representing labor. Mr. Phillips was appointed deputy state industrial commissioner in 1915 and later became state industrial commissioner, filling that office until June, 1923.

On October 25, 1897, Mr. Phillips was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Warner, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey E. Warner, prominent residents of Syracuse. Mr. Phillips takes a keen interest in politics and is a staunch republican, being also a member of the National Republican Club of New York city. He is an Episcopalian in religious faith and his professional connections are with the Rochester and New York State Bar Associations. He belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He has a high conception of the dignity and responsibility of his profession and has always been loyal to every trust reposed in him, whether of a public or private nature. Mr. Phillips' residence is at No. 6 Fairview Heights.

DANIEL WILL WOODS.

In the aristocracy based upon old names and long residence in the county, few families can rival that of D. W. Woods of Rushford, Allegany county, New York. For a century and a quarter the name of Woods has been honorably identified with the interests and development of Allegany county. Daniel Will Woods, now the representative of the historic name, is retired, after a life passed in various useful occupations, while his son, Harlan H. Woods, in the field of journalism, is in the training period of life and bids fair worthily to uphold the prestige the family name has so long enjoyed, and even add to it new lustre. Daniel Will Woods was born July 25, 1857, in Rushford, the son of Milton and Emily (Fuller) Woods. Milton Woods was born in Rushford in 1831, where he became a teacher of vocal music and conducted



CYRUS W. PHILLIPS

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various singing schools in the early days, among the residents. He married Emily, the daughter of Laartus Fuller, in 1853. Laartus Fuller was a native of Massachusetts, who moved to Allegany county. Milton Woods died in 1903. Daniel Woods, grandfather of D. W. Woods, was born in Windsor, Vermont, in 1792, and moved to Rushford, Allegany county, in 1801, settling in the locality now known as Podonque. Daniel Woods was the first of his name to settle in the Genesee country.

D. W. Woods received his education in the Rushford district public school and academy, teaching school for about five years after leaving these. Then for a time he was engaged in farming near Rushford, and for ten years was farming near Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York. For ten years he carried the mails and ran a bus line from Rushford to Caneadea, Rushford being an inland town. Mr. Woods bought the printing business of A. P. Benjamin in 1915, and since that time his son, Harlan H. Woods, has been editor of the Rushford Spectator, a new building being erected for the business by Mr. Woods after he had purchased it in 1915. Fraternally Mr. Woods is affiliated with the Masonic order and is a member of Joseph Enos Lodge in Rushford. In his political views he is a member of the republican party.

On June 27, 1878, Mr. Woods was married to Ida White, daughter of Henry Kirk and Marena White of Rushford, whose ancestors came to America in the Mayflower. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Woods: Fred Kirk Woods, employed in Rochester, New York, and married to Adeline Hill of Manistique, Michigan; Robert Bruce Woods, employed in Rochester, New York, and married to Cora Caner of Rushford; Marena Woods, the wife of Earl Carney, a dairy farmer, who lives near Silver Springs, New York; and Harlan Henry Woods.

Harlan Henry Woods has been editor of the Rushford Spectator since 1915, and has made it a paper of influence and importance in local affairs. He is married, his wife having formerly been Hazel Estabrook, daughter of Roy Estabrook of Caneadea, Allegany county. Mr. Woods has a distinguished World war record. He enlisted when the United States entered the war, and was assigned to the Three Hundred and Fourth Field Artillery of the Seventy-seventh Division, served one year in France as a first-class private, and was in five major offensives. Mr. Woods is affiliated with the Masonic order and is past master of Joseph Enos Lodge, No. 318, F. & A. M. In his political views he is a republican and his paper supports the policies of the party. He is a member of the Cattaraugus-Allegany Press Association, the Western New York Publishers Association and the New York State Press Association. Mr. Woods is a practical printer and learned the trade from the former owner of the paper he now edits and publishes.

VERN E. REICHARD.

Vern E. Reichard of Perry, Wyoming county, one of the city's well known young business men, was born in Nunda, New York, March 24, 1883, the son of Adelbert and Laura (Veley) Reichard. His father, who died December 8, 1908, was a farmer by occupation and spent most of his life in the neighborhood of Nunda, as did his father before him. The grandfather, Michael Reichard, was the first of the family to locate in this part of the Empire state, coming here about 1820 and remaining until his death.

After finishing his education in the district school of Nunda, Vern E. Reichard entered the employ of the Perry Knitting Mills of this city, where he remained for a period of about three years. Thinking that he might be better satisfied with another line of work, the young man left the Perry mills to go to Niagara Falls, where he found work in one of the big electrical concerns of that place. A short experience in this field convinced him that his future lay in the textile industry, so he returned to Perry and secured a position in his old firm, the Perry Knitting Mills. Here he worked continuously for fourteen years, filling all the positions from that of knitter to superintendent of the plant. In 1919 he resigned his position as superintendent of the Perry Knitting Mills to organize the Perry Textile Company, of which he became director and manager.

Mr. Reichard was married, in Perry, on June 24, 1916, to Miss Elizabeth McDonald, daughter of John and Martha McDonald of Perry. Mr. Reichard is a republican in his political affiliations, but has always held quite independent views, rather than adhering to the tenets of his party without any modification. He is a member of the Baptist church and is also identified with the Masonic order. He has never lost his boyhood love of animals and outdoor life. He is fond of the light harness horse and

has owned a number of excellent animals of that class. In fact, so devoted is Mr. Reichard to his horses that much of his leisure time is spent with them and planning for their care and training.

SCOTT H. PERKY.

Scott H. Perky was born in Denver, Colorado, August 30, 1880, the son of Henry D. and Susanna M. Perky, to whom extended reference is made on another page of this work. He was educated at Cornell University, where he took his master's degree in political science, traveled extensively, and later studied sociology for three years at Columbia University, with the intention of applying his knowledge to writing. He became interested in economic cooperation and in 1916 helped to organize the Cooperative League of America, of which he was the secretary until 1919. In that year he went to live in the Adirondacks and resume his writing.

Mr. Perky had never been able, however, entirely to set aside the urge to invention, inherited perhaps, from his father, the inventor of shredded wheat, nor the memory of his long association with his father's inventive interests, and after making a number of inventions concerning the cereal food industry, in 1920 he finally perfected his conception of an ideal whole wheat biscuit cereal, muffets, and he was fortunate enough to be able to devise a satisfactory mechanical process for manufacturing his product. This resulted in his removal first to New York city and then, in 1923, to Batavia, New York, where a factory was secured and large automatic machinery was designed and installed. At the time of this writing Mr. Perky's enterprise is most promising, for muffets are meeting with a popularity surprising even to the inventor.

Mr. Perky was married in 1919 to Katharine de Selding, and they have a daughter, Susanna Melissa, born in 1920, and a son, Joel de Selding, born in 1924. Mr. Perky has a country home, "Apple Acre," on the eastern edge of Batavia.

WILLIAM HAWKINS COON.

William Hawkins Coon, who has been a successful practicing attorney of Batavia for the past quarter of a century, maintaining his office at No. 53 Main street, is also filling the positions of corresponding secretary of the Holland Purchase Historical Society and first vice president of the Federation of Historical Societies of the Genesee Country. His birth occurred at Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county, New York, on the 22d of December, 1875, his parents being James Shields and Harriet May (Hawkins) Coon, both of whom are deceased. The father was also a lawyer by profession.

In the acquirement of an education William H. Coon pursued a high school course in Batavia to the time of his graduation in 1894, while during the following year he was a student in the Rochester Business University. He read law in the offices of Le Seur & Lent at Batavia from 1896 until 1898 and in the years 1899 and 1900 attended the College of Law of Cornell University as a special student in law—not as a candidate for a degree. It was in June, 1899, in Rochester, that Mr. Coon was admitted to the bar at the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Fourth Judicial Department. Through the intervening period of twenty-six years he has been actively engaged in law practice in Batavia, where his clientage has assumed extensive proportions and has connected him with considerable important litigation. His fidelity to the interests of his clients is proverbial; yet he never forgets that he owes a higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. Mr. Coon made an excellent record as district attorney of Genesee county, in which capacity he served from 1908 until 1916.

The military record of Mr. Coon covers service in the Sixty-fifth New York Volunteer Regiment, in which he enlisted on the 24th of June, 1898, for military duty in the Spanish-American war and from which he received an honorable discharge on the 17th of November following.

In early manhood Mr. Coon was united in marriage to Miss Ida Grace Saile, who died May 5, 1924. Mr. Coon was married May 19, 1925, to Miss E. Julia Kearney, of Bath, New York, and they make their home at No. 2 North street in Batavia. Mr. Coon is a consistent member of the First Baptist church of Batavia, while fra-



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ternally he is identified with the following organizations: Batavia Lodge, F. & A. M.; Batavia Lodge, B. P. O. E., and Batavia Lodge, I. O. O. F. Throughout his life he has taken an active interest in athletics as a player and coach in track and football teams and is also a musician of more than ordinary ability, having for many years been a member of various bands and orchestras and at present a director of the Batavia Festival Orchestra. With a nature that could never be content with mediocrity, he made every effort to perfect himself in his profession and has firmly established himself in public regard as an able lawyer and a citizen of worth.

JOHN RAYMOND PHILLIPS.

John Raymond Phillips ably filled the position of secretary of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce from the 1st of January, 1922, until his resignation in March, 1924. He was born in Buffalo, New York, on January 4, 1884, his parents being Martin and Ann (Quilty) Phillips. The father, who came to western New York from Massachusetts about 1870 and departed this life about 1890, devoted his attention to the grain business in Buffalo for many years.

John Raymond Phillips acquired his education in the grammar and high schools of his native city and in the Buffalo State Normal School. As a member of the United States navy from 1901 until 1905 he saw service in the Philippine Islands during the uprising there and was also in China during the Boxer outbreak. Upon leaving the navy he entered Georgetown University of Washington, D. C., where he continued his studies until 1907. Mr. Phillips then became associated with the Lackawanna Steel Company of Lackawanna, New York, with which he was identified until 1916, receiving a thorough training in the manufacture of steel. After severing his connection with this corporation he filled a position in the income tax division of the United States internal revenue department until 1921, being located in western New York. During the year 1921 Mr. Phillips represented the Mohawk Iron & Steel Company of Buffalo in the dual capacity of secretary and treasurer, and on the 1st of January, 1922, he accepted the position of secretary of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce. His labors in this connection were attended with excellent results, for he was instrumental in the establishment of the following plants in Batavia: Gipso-lite Wall Board Company, employing about two hundred men; Batavia Iron Works, employing over two hundred men; and the Doehler Die Casting Company, which furnishes employment to more than two thousand men and which every city in the western part of New York was anxious to attract. It was largely due to the efforts of Mr. Phillips that the company gave Batavia the preference. In addition to the concerns mentioned Mr. Phillips was responsible for the Minor Shoe Company remaining in Batavia and so effectively convinced the corporation that it should remain that it has built a large addition to its factory and is now employing about six hundred hands.

Mr. Phillips was married in Buffalo to Martha Masters, daughter of Eli and Elizabeth (Patterson) Masters of that city. Mr. Phillips is a Catholic in religious faith and has membership in the Batavia Club, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Spanish-American War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Army and Navy Union and the Buffalo Navy Club, of which he has been the president since 1917. He supports the men and measures of the republican party and takes a normal interest in politics.

HANFORD KENDALL HARDY, M. D.

Dr. Hanford Kendall Hardy is engaged in the practice of medicine in Rushford, Allegany county, and possesses all of the qualities necessary for success in his chosen profession. He is a native of the village and has always been loyal to its interests. He was born November 7, 1890, and his parents, Lucian E. and Anna (Kendall) Hardy, are highly esteemed residents of this community.

After his graduation from the Rushford high school Hanford Kendall Hardy entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo and won his M. D. degree in 1916. He served as an interne at the Buffalo General Hospital and the Emergency Hospital of that city and there enlisted in the United States army, joining Base Hospital Unit No. 23. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and spent about twenty months in France. He returned to this country in the spring of 1919 and was discharged with the rank of captain. Dr. Hardy has since followed his profession

in Rushford and is now enjoying a large practice, while he is also discharging the duties of health officer. He is thoroughly familiar with scientific principles of his profession and through constant reading and close study of the cases that come under his care, is continually enlarging his field of usefulness.

On the 7th of June, 1916, Dr. Hardy was married to Miss Ada Owen of Exonia, Wisconsin, a daughter of the Rev. Hugh and Elizabeth Owen, the former a Presbyterian minister. Dr. and Mrs. Hardy have a daughter: Elizabeth Anne, born on November 1, 1921. The Doctor is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the platform and principles of the republican party. He is identified with the Allegany County and New York State Medical Societies and his fraternal relations are with the Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession, and inspired by high ideals of service, has already established his position among its able and progressive representatives.

CARL C. ADE.

In professional circles of Rochester and vicinity, Carl C. Ade has rapidly made his way to the front, and the nature and importance of the projects intrusted to his care indicate his standing as an architect and the confidence reposed in his ability. He is a product of the city and was born March 10, 1892, a son of Charles W. and Anna (Schlegel) Ade. For many years they have been residents of Rochester, to which city the father came when a boy of fourteen and the mother as a child of thirteen. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ade, namely: Harry B., Benjamin M., George, Anna M., Hilda L., Marguerite and Carl C.

Carl C. Ade obtained his elementary education in Public School No. 14 of Rochester and then entered the Mechanics Institute, which he attended for two years, studying architecture. His first position was that of draftsman for Joseph H. Oberlies, a well known architect of this city, and he was afterward in the service of F. A. Brockett and Otto Block, former architects. In 1912 Mr. Ade began his independent career as an architect and had just secured a foothold in his profession when the United States entered the World war.

Early in May, 1917, he enlisted in the Engineer Corps of the United States army, and after several months of intensive training at American University, Washington, D. C., was commissioned second lieutenant of engineers and assigned to the Engineer Depot at Washington, D. C., in charge of hospital and warehouse construction. In January, 1918, he was sent to Porto Rico as engineer officer in charge of construction of army cantonment to accommodate forty thousand Porto Rican troops. Upon the completion of this work he was promoted to first lieutenant of engineers and assigned to Camp Travis, Texas, in charge of warehouse and hospital construction. After several months in Texas he was assigned to engineer troops and ordered to a port of embarkation for foreign service. It was while en route that the armistice was signed. After the signing of the armistice he was assigned to Camp A. A. Humphrey, Virginia, until his discharge in January, 1919, after twenty-one months in service.

Upon his return to Rochester he found it necessary to rebuild his business, which has made rapid strides in the past six years, far exceeding his anticipations. He is specializing to a considerable extent in the construction of school buildings, having designed in the past twelve years between twenty-five and thirty. Among the more recent are a four hundred and fifty thousand dollar high school building in Lyons, New York, and a three hundred and fifty thousand dollar high school in Webster, New York. At the present writing he has under construction school buildings in Newark, Elmgrove, Barnard, Spencerport and Gates, New York. Among his earlier school buildings were the Kodak high school and Stone Road school, which are now a part of the Rochester school system.

In addition to the school buildings Mr. Ade has designed industrial plants for the Shinola Company, Rochester Motors Corporation, Union Tool Company, Harper Laboratories, and numerous others, also salesrooms and garage buildings for the Gallagher Motor Company, Monroe avenue; Fred T. Jensen, East Main street; Iron-dequoit Masonic Temple, St. Paul boulevard; and numerous other buildings were designed by him. His work is the expression of a high and enduring art, manifesting splendid adaption to specific needs, combined with beauty in form and design, and has won for him the favorable attention of the general public as well as the appreciation



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of others able to judge from technical and artistic standpoints. Mr. Ade is most conscientious and painstaking in the execution of contracts and his thorough reliability has been one of the secrets of his noteworthy success. He also has other business interests, being a director of the Genesee Housing Corporation, whose offices are situated in the National Bank building.

In Rochester, on the 31st of January, 1918, Mr. Ade was married to Miss Laura J. Bohrer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Bohrer of this city. Mr. Ade is a member of Doty-Magill Post of the American Legion and also belongs to the Rochester Club, Rochester Ad Club and Kiwanis Club. He is affiliated with the Zion Lutheran church and his professional connections are with the Rochester Society of Architects and the American Institute of Architects. Along fraternal lines he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Rochester Lodge, No. 660, F. & A. M.; Ionic Chapter, No. 210, R. A. M., Cyrene Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; Lalla Rookh Grotto, No. 3; and Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

At the outset of his career he exhibited that spirit of enterprise and devotion to duty that have since been his salient characteristics and his energy and perseverance, reinforced by natural talent for his chosen line of work, have enabled him to accomplish much for one of his years. Mr. Ade has been a constant student of everything pertaining to his profession and Rochester is indebted to him for some of its choicest ornaments.

HARRY PEASE.

During a residence of almost a quarter of a century in Livonia, Livingston county, New York, years devoted to the practice of law, Harry Pease has gained an enviable reputation as a sound and brilliant practitioner and a reliable adviser on any legal problem submitted to him. His practice is large and general in scope, and he numbers among his regular clients many of the leading business men and industries of the town. He was born November 30, 1871, in Livonia, the son of Henry C. and Hannah B. (Hoag) Pease, the father having been a farmer all his life in Livingston county and near to Livonia.

Harry Pease was reared on his father's farm and began to acquire his education in the grade and high schools of Livonia. He made a good record in these and later was given the benefit of a course at the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York, from which he graduated in 1893. After his graduation Mr. Pease immediately began the study of law in the office of W. H. Bowman in Rochester, New York, and after three years of hard application was qualified to pass the necessary examination and was admitted to the bar on November 30, 1896, his twenty-fifth birthday. After his admittance Mr. Pease remained in Rochester and practiced law with Mr. Bowman for one year, at the expiration of which time he opened an office of his own and continued in practice for three years, with results that were most satisfactory. In 1900 he removed to Livonia as offering a more promising field, and has been busily engaged in the practice of his profession in the town ever since. Mr. Pease is counsel for the Bank of Livonia, has been a justice of the peace, and has a general practice that extends into many of the adjoining counties. He is not a member of any clubs or societies, any spare time that he has being passed in study.

Mr. Pease was married on October 11, 1905, to Sila L. Davis, daughter of Joseph N. and Elizabeth Davis of Honeoye, New York. In his political views Mr. Pease is a democrat and takes a deep interest in politics as a citizen, not as an office-seeker. His religious associations are with the Universalist church, of which he is an active member. He is interested in motoring and in public reading, formerly having devoted much time to the latter and had acquired quite a reputation for his elocutionary abilities, but of late has practically abandoned his activities along that line. Mr. Pease's paternal grandfather, Harry Pease, was the first of the family to settle in Livingston county.

GEORGE B. ROTH, JR.

Banking institutions have been termed the heart of a commercial body, indicating healthfulness of trade, and it is a well known fact that a substantial bank does more to produce stability in a community than any other institution. In this connection George B. Roth, Jr., has rendered valuable service to his community, and as president of the First Trust Company of Wellsville he is ably guiding the destiny of one

of the strongest financial institutions of Allegany county. He was born in Eldred, McKean county, Pennsylvania, August 31, 1883, a son of George B. and Anna (Bermyan) Rooth, the former of whom was identified with railway affairs.

George B. Rooth, Jr., attended grammar school in Austin, Pennsylvania, and completed his studies in one of the high schools of Buffalo, New York. He entered the employ of the Buffalo & Susquehanna Railroad, with which he was connected for three and a half years, and in 1905 became a bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Wellsville. In 1917 the institution was taken over by the First Trust Company and on January 1, 1923, Mr. Rooth assumed the duties of president. He is well versed in the details of modern banking and the policy which he has adopted is one which carefully safeguards the interests of depositors and at the same time promotes the success of the institution. He also has other important business interests, being a director of the Pure Carbon Company and the Allegany County Telephone Company, and of the latter corporation he is also treasurer.

Mr. Rooth is a member of the Episcopal church, of which he has been vestryman for the past ten years, and in politics he maintains an independent course, placing the qualifications of a candidate beyond the narrow bounds of partisanship. He is an active worker for the good of his community and has served for the past fifteen years as treasurer of the village. He is a Royal Arch Mason and also belongs to the Rotary Club of Wellsville. His integrity has never been open to question and proven ability has placed him in the responsible office which he now occupies.

THEODORE M. GLEASON.

Theodore M. Gleason of Fillmore, Allegany county, New York, who is now the proprietor of the Fillmore Milling Corporation, has had a life interest in the milling and flour business. Mr. Gleason was born in Cuba, New York, January 8, 1869, the son of Charles M. and Rua A. (Potter) Gleason. His maternal grandfather, Timothy Potter, was a Methodist minister and also a farmer and sawmill operator. The family came from Herkimer county, New York.

Theodore M. Gleason first attended the Belfast district school and then Houghton Seminary. He worked in a grist mill in Belfast from 1888 until 1902 and then moved to Cuba, where he was with another milling company until December 1, 1904. He came to Fillmore, went into partnership with W. L. and W. G. Young, and they erected the mill now owned by the Fillmore Milling Corporation. In 1920 the Fillmore Milling Corporation came into being and the business was purchased by J. H. Winchip, Charles Engle and T. M. Gleason.

Mr. Gleason is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Methodist church, and is active in both lodge and religious bodies. He belongs to the Mutual Millers and Feed Dealers Association and the Western New York Millers and Feed Dealers Association. He is a republican in politics.

In 1898 Mr. Gleason was married to Effie Stevens of Belfast, New York, the daughter of Enoch and Margaret (Muldoon) Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. Gleason have two sons: Lynn S., now assistant cashier of the Bank of Fillmore, who married Ruth Wells of Ormel, New York, and they have a daughter, Janis, and Charles S., bookkeeper for the Genesee Valley Power Company, who married Evangeline Junker.

Theodore M. Gleason has worked hard and learned the milling business in every detail and the people of the community appreciate the service and quality which are standards of the Fillmore Milling Corporation and therefore he enjoys a large trade, ever increasing with the years.

WILLARD D. PRESTON, M. D.

Dr. Willard D. Preston has been an active member of the medical profession in Attica since 1904 with the exception of the period of his service overseas in the World war and is accorded an extensive general practice but makes a specialty of surgical work. His birth occurred at Lincklaen Center, Chenango county, New York, on the 12th of March, 1877, his parents being Arthur M. and Elsie (Woodruff) Preston. The father, who was the capable incumbent in the position of superintendent of schools in Attica for a quarter of a century, is now in the service of the Peerless Automobile Company of Cleveland, Ohio, as auditor.



DR. WILLARD D. PRESTON

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Willard D. Preston pursued his education as a student in Colgate Academy of Hamilton, New York, and afterward in Alfred University of this state, being graduated from the latter institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1894. His professional training was received in the College of Medicine of the University of Vermont, which conferred upon him the degree of M. D. in 1899. On the 15th of August, 1900, Dr. Preston received a commission as first lieutenant in the medical department of the army and thus served for four years or until discharged on the 9th of March, 1904. It was then that he began the practice of medicine in Attica, where he remained an active and successful representative of the profession until the United States entered the World war. Dr. Preston received a commission as captain in April, 1917, and went overseas in March of the following year as surgeon with the Three Hundred and Fifth Machine Gun Battalion. He was in three major engagements with the Seventy-seventh Division and performed valuable service for the soldiers in his professional capacity until honorably discharged in May, 1919. He then resumed his work in Attica, where he has since been accorded a large general practice, although he specializes to a considerable extent in surgery. Dr. Preston has been health officer for the towns of Attica and Alexander and surgeon for the Erie Railroad Company. Believing that progress should ever be the watchword of the profession, he keeps in close touch with the advancement that is constantly being made along medical and surgical lines through his membership with the Wyoming County Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

On the 10th of February, 1906, in Buffalo, New York, Dr. Preston was united in marriage to Miss Mayme Stuby, daughter of Augustus and Mary Stuby of Attica. They have become the parents of two sons: Richard W., who was born on December 7, 1908, and Willard D. Jr., whose natal day was May 9, 1912.

In politics Dr. Preston is a republican and in religious faith an Episcopalian, while fraternally he is identified with the Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Improved Order of Red Men. He is one of the charter members of Harder-O'Donnell Post, No. 734, American Legion, at Attica, and served as first commander of that organization. He also belongs to the Attica Advertising Club. Outdoor sports afford him pleasureable recreation, and as medical director of both the baseball and basketball teams he travels with the players when opportunity permits. Dr. Preston has gained high standing in his profession, and while he has chosen as his specific life work a ministry to the physical ills of mankind, he is deeply interested in all that pertains to the development and progress of his community along material, intellectual, political and moral lines.

HAROLD P. BOVANIZER.

Few men of twenty-seven have reached the position in business life occupied by Harold P. Bovanizer of Holley, Orleans county, now the proprietor of Paul Bovanizer & Son Company, president of the Flower City Cold Storage Company of Rochester and secretary of the Holley Cold Storage Fruit & Produce Company. Native ability, coupled with his father's wisdom in taking his son into partnership while the latter was still only a youngster, has made it possible for him to become an important figure in the cold storage business of this section of the state. The father, Paul Bovanizer, was the organizer and founder; the son has been the developer and builder. He was born in Holley, Orleans county, New York, on the 7th of March, 1897, his parents being Paul and Elizabeth (Strogen) Bovanizer. His paternal grandfather, Peter Bovanizer, was the first representative of the family to settle here, coming to the Genesee country from Switzerland in 1840, and here spending the remainder of his life. Paul Bovanizer, father of Harold P. Bovanizer, organized the produce business which now bears his name and continued active therein to the time of his death, which occurred in Holley in April, 1921. He had been a lifelong resident of this section and was well known and highly respected throughout the community.

Harold P. Bovanizer attended the grade and high schools of Holley and spent two years as a student in Tarrytown University, while subsequently he pursued a year's course in the Rochester Business Institute. While still a school boy he began business with his father, with whom he was associated until April, 1918, when he enlisted for military service, remaining in the army until honorably discharged one year later. Following his father's demise Harold P. Bovanizer continued active in the produce business as an associate of his brother, and when the latter passed away in 1922 the

entire business responsibility fell to his lot. His executive ability and sound judgment have been demonstrated in the continued growth and expansion of the business of the Bovanizer Company and in the successful control of his other interests. He devotes considerable attention to farming and fruit culture, owning two fruit farms in this section, which aggregate one hundred and seventy-five acres.

On the 31st of December, 1920, Mr. Bovanizer was married to Miss Lorraine Elliott, daughter of George Elliott of Holley. Mr. and Mrs. Bovanizer have one son: Paul Elliott, born in 1923. Mr. Bovanizer is a republican in politics and an active worker in the local ranks of the party. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the local lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Albion and with the Oak Hill Country Club, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church of Holley. The salient traits of his character are such as will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny. He has been found thoroughly reliable as well as progressive in business, dependable in citizenship, faithful in friendship, and judged by the consensus of opinion on the part of his fellowmen Harold P. Bovanizer is a popular and esteemed young citizen of his native county.

BENJAMIN DAVID HAIGHT.

Benjamin David Haight, president of the National Bank of Rochester and widely known in financial circles throughout the state, was in the fiftieth year of his age when he departed this life on the 16th of January, 1925. His birth occurred in New Berlin, Chenango county, New York, on the 5th of July, 1875, his parents being the late Henry L. and Juliet (Cole) Haight, the latter a direct descendant of Governor Bradford of Massachusetts. They were lifelong residents of the town of New Berlin, where they were highly esteemed and where the father engaged in the foundry business.

Benjamin D. Haight was educated at the high school of his native village and decided to enter the legal profession. He devoted two years to teaching school in his native county and then enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1902. After completing his schooling he was admitted to the bar and entered upon the practice of his profession at New Berlin, which he successfully followed for a period of four years. During this time he acted as village attorney and was prominent in all civic affairs in that community. In 1907 he entered the New York State Banking Department as bank examiner. He subsequently became special deputy superintendent of banks, holding that position until 1918 with headquarters in New York city. For two years he was the bank examiner of the state banking department in charge of the Rochester district. He was occupying that position when in May, 1924, he was tendered and accepted the presidency of the newly formed National Bank of Rochester, to which duties he devoted his exclusive time and attention as executive head of the institution throughout the remainder of his life.

The National Bank of Rochester, which is a consolidation of the National Bank of Commerce and the Traders National Bank, is housed in the substantial and imposing building recently erected for the National Bank of Commerce at the corner of State and Corinthian streets. Libanus M. Todd, founder and president of the Todd Protograph Company, is chairman of the board of directors, which is composed of the city's foremost business men. The new institution began its career under the most auspicious circumstances. Its resources aggregate twenty-two million dollars, of which one and one-half million dollars is new capital, and the National Bank of Rochester is one of the largest and strongest in western New York—a great factor in the development of the abundant resources of this favored region. The institution was fortunate in having at its head a man of the experience, ability and integrity of Mr. Haight, who was recognized as an astute banker, at his best in solving the intricate problems of modern finance. The following is an excerpt from a brief review of his career which appeared in one of the local papers on the 16th of January, 1925: "Mr. Haight died unexpectedly at 12:05 o'clock this morning while attending a dinner and dance given by the board of directors of the National Bank of Rochester to the bank employees at the Rochester Club. Mr. Haight, who seemed in excellent health, had presided at the dinner and had spoken briefly on the progress of the bank and the spirit of cooperation. He introduced several other speakers and

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BENJAMIN D. HAIGHT

seemed to be enjoying the evening to its full, eating heartily and dancing several dances. Shortly before midnight he sat down beside his wife and started to talk to her. Suddenly at 12:05 o'clock he slumped in his chair. Dr. William Perrin, who was in the club, was immediately called but Mr. Haight was beyond help."

The board of directors of the National Bank of Rochester at a meeting adopted the following resolution: "Our beloved president and friend, Benjamin D. Haight, is gone. But yesterday, in the fullness of his vigor, he was directing the business of the bank. Last evening, he was happy among his friends and associates, radiating a spirit of friendliness and good will. Today, he has passed beyond the scene of our labors. On May 19, 1924, when the National Bank of Rochester came into existence, he became its first president. In those early days, with calm, courteous confidence, he stood as a rock in the face of trial. His wise judgment has helped to carry us on along the road of prosperity and progress. We grieve at our great loss, but we have as a monument to his memory this bank, which was builded by his courage, his wisdom, his industry, his unflinching fidelity. We have also the memory of a friend, kind and generous. We extend to Mrs. Haight our sincerest sympathy in her bereavement. We direct that this memorial be spread upon the minutes of the board of directors."

At a meeting of the Rochester Clearing House Association, the following resolution on the death of Benjamin David Haight was offered and, upon a rising vote, was unanimously adopted and ordered spread on the minutes of the Association, and that a copy of the resolution be sent to Mrs. Haight. "The Rochester Clearing House Association, representing the banking institutions of Rochester, expresses its profound sorrow at the passing of Benjamin David Haight, president of the National Bank of Rochester, which occurred January 16, 1925, at Rochester, New York.

. . . Seldom has a man in so short a period of time, as an executive officer of a bank, won such universal respect and approval. Familiar with banking law and banking problems, thoroughly imbued with the knowledge of what constitutes good and sound banking, he brought to the National Bank of Rochester a commanding leadership. Imbued with the ideal that the mission of a bank is one of service to the community, he was instrumental in developing a spirit of helpfulness and service which became the slogan of himself and his associates. With an unflinching courtesy, an outstanding ability and an integrity never questioned, he set about his work under new circumstances in a manner that inspired and won general confidence. Careful, patient, tireless, he gave himself unsparingly to the welfare and development of the new institution. Its success reflects his capacity as a leader and a banker. The bankers of Rochester have lost a valued and outstanding member of their profession, his associates have lost an unassuming, modest and lovable friend, and the city of Rochester has lost a citizen of an exceptionally high type."

Mr. Haight attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry, was a Noble of Damascus Temple of the Mystic Shrine and was one of the influential members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. His life record constituted a splendid example of notable achievement through individual effort, and he enjoyed in marked degree the respect and confidence of his fellowmen.

In New Berlin, New York, February 22, 1911, Mr. Haight married Miss May E. Matteson, a daughter of George J. and Emma (Gazlay) Matteson, residents of that locality. Mr. Haight is survived by his wife and by one sister, Mrs. Fred M. Brooks of New Berlin, New York.

GEORGE A. CLARK.

Because of the civic interest he manifests, and not only because of his large business interests, George A. Clark of Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York, has long been recognized as one of the most prominent and important men of his section, and the most unselfishly devoted to its welfare and improvement. Mr. Clark is president of the Brown Knitting Company of Warsaw, an important factor in the industrial welfare of the community, but his civic activities are what stamp him as a valuable citizen. He is president of the Wyoming County Community Hospital, ex-president of the Warsaw board of trade and ex-president of the Warsaw Improvement Company. In whatever takes place for the betterment of the community Mr. Clark is sure to be a factor. He was born in Granby, Oswego county, New York, July 10, 1855, the son of John and Matilda (Post) Clark. For twenty-five years his father was in the ship-building business in Belgium, New York. He died in Amsterdam, New York, on March 14, 1883.

George A. Clark's education was acquired in the public schools of Amsterdam and at the Amsterdam Academy, from which he graduated in 1873. The same year he obtained a position with the American Hosiery Company and remained with this concern until 1876, when he went to the Phoenix Mills, at Cooperstown, New York, and remained until 1879. Mr. Clark then returned to Amsterdam and became general manager of the John K. Stewart Mills, retaining this position until 1907, when he located in Warsaw. In company with Mr. Rowe, Mr. Morris and Mr. J. Brown, Mr. Clark bought an old mill and started the manufacture of underwear under the name of Brown Knitting Company, of which he has been general manager from its beginning until the present time. The company makes men's balbriggan underwear and has an international trade, in which it employs about two hundred hands steadily.

Mr. Clark was married in Cooperstown, New York, on August 16, 1876, to Mariett Whitlock, daughter of John and Mirta Whitlock of Davenport, New York. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Clark: Mirta M. is deceased; Mabel W. is now Mrs. William E. Jackson of Warsaw, and Abigail A. is now Mrs. Charles D. Johnson of Warsaw. Fraternally Mr. Clark is affiliated with the Masonic order, in his religious convictions is a member of the Presbyterian faith and an elder and trustee of the Warsaw church of that denomination; and in politics, in which he takes an active interest, belongs to the republican party, and has served as a member of the board of education. Mr. Clark was the first member of his family to settle in Wyoming county.

MILTON E. DARLING.

Milton E. Darling is numbered among the leading automobile dealers of Rochester. He was born in Monroe county, New York, July 7, 1885, and is a son of Rufus and Nancy (Beebe) Darling, the latter a native of Michigan. The father was born in Monroe county and his life has been devoted to agricultural pursuits, which he has followed in the states of Pennsylvania and New York. His father, Rufus Darling, was a resident of Parma, New York, and a well known public official of that locality.

Milton E. Darling attended the public schools and also had the benefit of study in the Rochester Normal School. After leaving that institution he entered the employ of the Eastman Kodak Company, to which he rendered twenty-one years of faithful service, and for some time before severing his connections with that corporation, he was foreman of the mechanical department. He organized the firm of Darling, Norton & Mack, automobile distributors, and was president of the company until January 1, 1925, when he resigned to take on other connections in the automobile trade.

In Rochester, on December 6, 1906, Mr. Darling was married to Miss Relinda Peters, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Peters of this city. Mr. Darling is an Elk and also belongs to the Automobile Club. He works for the growth of his city as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and possesses those qualities which inspire respect, esteem and confidence. Mr. Darling has a wide acquaintanceship in Rochester, where he has spent his life, and enjoys high standing as a business man.

FREDERICK DORR CARR, M. D.

Dr. Frederick Dorr Carr is a prominent representative of the medical profession in Genesee county who has practiced in Batavia since 1911. His birth occurred in Hector, Potter county, Pennsylvania, on the 22d of July, 1882, his parents being Hiram E. and Eva (Dorr) Carr. He was graduated from Corning Free Academy of Corning, New York, in 1902 and the following year attended Berea College of Kentucky, while his professional training was received in the medical department of the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated in 1908. He served successively as an interne at Tewksbury, Massachusetts, in the State Hospital and in the Lying-In Hospital of New York city and then in 1909 took up the private practice of his chosen calling in the town of Caton, New York, where he remained until the 25th of September, 1911.

On the latter date Dr. Carr purchased the practice of a Batavia physician and has since remained in Genesee county, being accorded a patronage of extensive and remunerative proportions. Dr. Carr was instrumental in the founding of the Genesee County Laboratory, of which he was appointed director on the 1st of August, 1912. He is attending surgeon and roentgenologist at the Batavia Hospital, was ap-



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DR. FREDERICK D. CARR

pointed city bacteriologist in 1917 and has also served on the board of health since his appointment thereto in 1919. He is surgeon for a number of manufacturing concerns, several railroads and the city of Batavia. Since 1922 he has been local medical examiner for the State Industrial Commission. In May, 1925, Dr. Carr was a member of the Inter-State Post Graduate Clinic Tour of American Physicians to Canada, British Isles and France, which was under the personal leadership of Dr. Charles H. Mayo, of Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. Carr brought to the profession innate ability and thorough training and his advancement has been rapid and well merited. He is tireless in his service to humanity and all who know him hold him in high confidence and esteem.

On the 25th of November, 1909, Dr. Carr was united in marriage to Miss Mary Thaler of Tewksbury, Massachusetts, and they have become the parents of four daughters, namely: Margaret Louise; Eva Maud, who died August 28, 1924, at the age of ten years; Mary Barbara, and Frederica Thaler.

Dr. Carr was one of the founders of the Kiwanis Club in Batavia and is widely recognized as a public-spirited, enterprising citizen whose influence is ever exerted on the side of advancement and progress. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, and also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Holland Club and the Shrine Club. His personal traits are such as command the respect of all and he is honored no less for his character and reputation than for the position which he has attained in his profession.

HORACE G. PRINDLE.

Horace G. Prindle, secretary and treasurer and general manager of The Seger-Prindle Manufacturing Company of Belvidere, Allegany county, New York, is a business man of ability, who with his associates, has made a somewhat unknown venture into what has become a business of national trade and of large production. The concern turns out "last blocks" and produces over nine hundred thousand a year at a value of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Horace G. Prindle is a scion of one of the oldest families in the Genesee country, on both the paternal and maternal sides. His parents are William and Elmira (Maxson) Prindle. His father was an attorney and lived all of his life in western New York until just before his passing away, when he moved to Wisconsin. The son was born April 6, 1864, in Little Genesee, New York. Benjamin F. Maxson, a maternal forebear, came here in 1810 and his descendants have lived here since.

Horace G. Prindle attended the public schools in the pursuit of an education. For twenty-five years Mr. Prindle was engaged in mercantile business in Little Genesee, and for seven years was associated with Charles H. Seger in the lumber and mangle roller business.

The Seger-Prindle Manufacturing Company was incorporated in Belvidere in 1912, and makes rough turned last blocks. The concern has grown steadily and now employs fifteen men, and its market covers the United States and some foreign countries. The executives of the company are: H. A. Corbin, president; W. J. Hogan, vice president; H. G. Prindle, secretary, treasurer and general manager.

Horace G. Prindle was married to Miss Alice Green of Little Genesee, and they have two daughters: Margaret and Cora, the latter of whom is now Mrs. Harry Reeser of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mr. Prindle is an active republican and has served as supervisor of Genesee for many years. Fraternally he is an Odd Fellow. He loves the out-of-doors and his special pleasure is in fishing in the streams of New York and more distant waters.

FRANK E. BRONSON.

One of the successful business men of Hornell, New York, who has found time to combine community good and work for the church with his business is Frank E. Bronson, president of the First National Bank of Hornell. A native of Steuben county, he has become one of the pillars of the district and upon the death of the lamented Charles O. Adsit in May, 1924, he was elected president of the bank which he had served as cashier for so many years.

Frank E. Bronson was born in Painted Post, New York, August 16, 1856, and

educated in Painted Post high school and Elmira Business College. After his school days he started in the banking business as cashier of the old Bronson Bank at Painted Post and as cashier for A. Weston Company, bankers, until they gave up their business. He went to Hornell to fill a vacancy caused by the cashier's trip to Europe, the bank being the First National, founded by Hornell's grand old man, Martin Adsit. So well did the young banker conduct himself and the business that the directors insisted that he remain with the institution, taking care of the business as cashier until he was selected as president.

Mr. Bronson was married in 1882, to Margaret Hastings of Painted Post. Their children are: Howard F.; Carlos E.; Althea, now Mrs. E. W. Tupper of Des Moines, Iowa; F. E. Bronson, Jr.; Willard E.; Arthur E.; and Margaret, now Mrs. Charles Lake of Hornell. Howard F. and Carlos E. are graduates of Cornell and they, with Mr. Tupper, were employed on the construction of the Panama canal, as they are mechanical engineers; F. E. Bronson, Jr., is revenue collector for Hornell district; Willard E., has a garage business in Hornell; and Arthur E. is with the Up-To-Date Company; Mrs. Tupper was educated in the New York College of Music; the two youngest children, Dorothy and Robert H., are in school.

F. E. Bronson's parents were Alvah and Harriett J. (Wilkinson) Bronson. His father was a prominent man of Painted Post and was engaged in the lumber business with Weston & Company for many years. The Bronsons are one of the oldest American families. Mr. Bronson has been superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school for forty-five years, has been dean of the church and has held other offices, and at all times is a strong worker for a better church and a moral community. In politics he is a staunch republican and has always been a dependable party man. In business and outside affairs Mr. Bronson has steadfastly followed his purpose, and well deserves his place in the county of his birth.

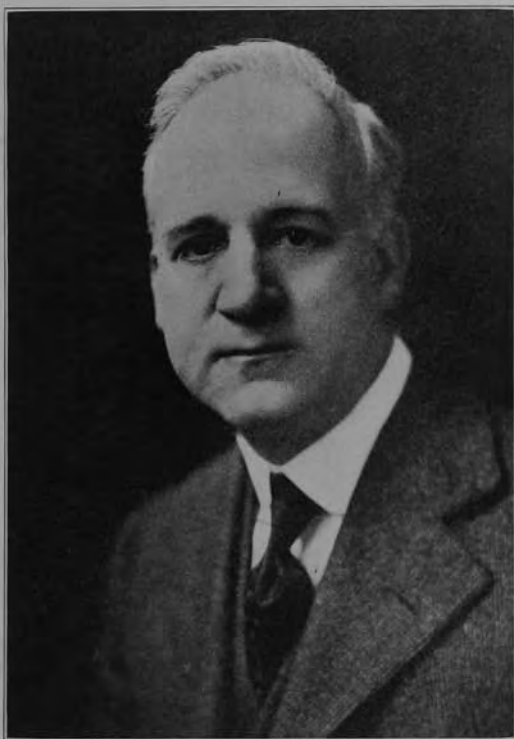
HON. GEORGE L. MEADE.

Politically prominent and one of the ablest representatives of the legal profession in Rochester as well as one of the city's most popular residents, Hon. George L. Meade was four times a deputy attorney general of New York state, serving under Attorney-Generals Woodbury, Lewis, Newton and Sherman. He was in the fifty-sixth year of his age when called to the home beyond on the 11th of January, 1925, his birth having occurred in Clyde, Wayne County, New York, April 25, 1869. His parents, Montgomery W. and Emily (Millius) Meade, were lifelong residents of the Empire state. The father became widely known as a prominent and successful agriculturist of Wayne county.

George L. Meade acquired his early education in the grade and high schools of Clyde. He then taught school at Clyde for a brief period, but regarded this merely as an initial step to other professional labor. He received his more advanced intellectual training as a student in Lebanon University of Lebanon, Ohio, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1892. He went to Rochester, New York, and began the study of law with the then well known firm of Bacon, Briggs, Beckley & Bissell. Following his admission to the bar in 1895, Mr. Meade associated himself with the Hon. George Raines, a leading and influential attorney of Rochester, with whom he continued for six years, on the expiration of which period he formed a partnership with Joseph R. Webster. It was in 1903 that he became a member of the firm of Webster, Meade & Straus, with which he was connected at the time of his death and which constituted a rare combination of legal strength and ability.

Mr. Meade was always an active political figure. He served as supervisor of the sixth ward of Rochester from 1903 until 1905. From 1906 to 1908 he represented the third district in the assembly and was elected to the senate from the forty-sixth district in 1909, serving two terms. In the senate he was chairman of the joint legislative commission which investigated the direct primary law throughout the United States and he was largely responsible for the enactment of the legislation by which the former State Industrial School was converted into the present Edgerton Park.

On April 22, 1915, Mr. Meade entered upon his first term as deputy attorney-general in the court of claims, a position in which he won distinction, handling many important cases for the state during his tenures of office under Attorney-Generals Woodbury, Lewis, Newton and Sherman. He represented the state in the famous



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Rockaway Pacific Corporation case, involving one million dollars, in which he was opposed by Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes. The case was settled during the war when the state ceded to the federal government land which was desired by the government for defense purposes. He also represented the state in the claim of the West Shore Railroad Company for three hundred and twenty thousand dollars as a result of damages to structures of the railroad over the Montezuma marsh by construction of the Barge canal. Former State Senator George R. Argetsinger said of Mr. Meade: "I knew him to be an honest, hard-working and competent fellow and I am shocked to hear of his death. I have considered him, as have many others, one of the best deputy attorney generals who ever held the office. He was especially efficient in the court of claims and his work was such that there was no question at any time but that he could return to the office if he would." "I can scarcely comprehend it," James L. Hotchkiss, republican county leader, declared when informed of Mr. Meade's passing. "He was a great friend of mine and I am deeply shocked. He was always a capable, intelligent and active man in office and his death is a great loss. This fall I had asked him if he did not want to be reappointed to the court of claim work, but he had decided not to, he said, because of his private practice."

The following editorial appeared in the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle under date of January 13, 1925: "The career of former Senator George L. Meade, whose sudden death has come with a shock to his many friends in Rochester and elsewhere, was typical of the careers that lie open before Americans of ability and spirit. He determined at the outset of his legal career to take an interest in public affairs and his service as supervisor from the sixth ward began almost coincidently with his practice at the bar. But it was apparent from the first, and it became more apparent as his career developed, that his political interests did not submerge his interest in his profession. He rose steadily in politics, but he also extended his legal knowledge and practice, so that when opportunity came to win a desirable post in the public service he had the knowledge and ability to fill it with distinction and with advantage to the public. It is the usual thing for young attorneys to be interested in public affairs and it is quite the usual thing for political leaders to be attracted to them and to make their rise easy and pleasant. It is not unusual, however, for young lawyers who are given political opportunities to become so dazed by the limelight of public favor as to forget proper attention to the study of their exacting profession and so to lack the ability to fill higher political posts acceptably. Here was a man of the right type; one who was interested in public affairs and willing to serve the public. The limelight did not daze him; he went steadily forward in the study and practice of the law. When he was appointed deputy attorney-general he served with such ability and effect that it could be said that the state was as fortunate to be able to command his services as he was to win the appointment. Such careers as Senator Meade's should have the direct effect of encouraging more of our young lawyers to take a serious interest in public affairs. They also should inspire them, in the pursuit of such interest and in the enjoyment of any public preferment they may attain, to continue their steady devotion to the study of their profession."

The Journal-Post-Express printed the following editorial on January 13, 1925: "George L. Meade was a sincere, able and useful conservative. The incident which ended his career as a state senator is a striking testimonial to his consistency. As chairman of a joint legislative committee he had investigated the operation of direct primaries and formed the opinion that they were undesirable. He so reported. Then his party declared for them and he refused to be returned. He quit, not in pique, but because he would not stultify his convictions. That was fourteen years ago. During the interval until his death he served by appointment as a deputy attorney general and as an attorney in private practice, always ably and with credit. He made friends readily and held them. His death has impressed the community and many admirers throughout the state with an unusual sense of loss."

The following editorial tribute appeared in the Rochester Times-Union on January 12, 1925: "As a deputy attorney-general for four terms George L. Meade upheld the interests of the state in many important cases. Mr. Meade also served as state senator and assemblyman, being active in politics during the large part of his life. He was a quiet, courteous man, well liked by everyone, and was regarded as a diligent and capable official. In more recent years he had devoted himself to his private law practice. While in the state senate Mr. Meade had charge of the legislation which resulted in the transfer to the city of the former State Industrial School, which was converted into Edgerton Park. Mr. Meade's death will be felt as a loss by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances."

Along strictly professional lines Mr. Meade had membership connection with the Rochester Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association, while fraternally he was identified with Yon nondio Lodge of Masons and with Central Lodge of Odd Fellows. He also belonged to the Rochester Club and was a consistent and devoted member of the First Methodist church. The Rochester Evening Journal, which on January 12, 1925, printed a brief review of his career, said: "Tributes to his political leadership and legal ability today were made by Governor Smith; Lieutenant Governor Lowman; State Conservation Commissioner MacDonald; Fred H. Hammond, clerk of the assembly; Supreme Court Justice Ellis J. Staley; former Senator Charles Walton; former Senator George F. Argetsinger; James L. Hotchkiss, republican county leader, and Postmaster Mullan, former state senator." "His passing," Mr. Mullan said, "is a distinct loss to the community. He was a man of genial and pleasant personality and he was a faithful and capable public official when called upon to serve. His loss will be felt deeply."

On the 12th of December, 1894, in Rochester, Mr. Meade was united in marriage to Miss Adelaide J. Ostrander, daughter of Alvah and Mary Melissa Ostrander and representative of a prominent family of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Meade became the parents of three children, as follows: Ruth F., who was born, reared and educated in Rochester, is the wife of Paul M. Titus of this city and the mother of one son, David Charles Titus. Gordon Montgomery, who was born in Rochester, December 9, 1905, is a graduate of the East high school of this city and afterward attended Dartmouth College for a time but is now a student at the University of Rochester; and Dorothy, who was born in Rochester, is attending Monroe high school as a member of the class of 1927. George L. Meade is also survived by three brothers, James H., William and Millius Meade, all of Clyde, New York.

JAMES E. LE SUER.

James E. Le Suer, one of Wellsville's representative business men, has long been identified with the oil industry and represents a family whose members have contributed their quota toward the development of Allegany county for more than a century. The paternal grandfather, Eli Le Suer, was born in 1796 and in 1821, when a young man of twenty-five, made the journey from Unadilla, Otsego county, New York, to Allegany county, bringing with him two years' supplies. At that time there were few settlers in this region and the country was wild and undeveloped. He hewed a farm out of the wilderness, purchasing the property from the Holland Land Company, and there he continued to make his home until death terminated his labors in 1885. He was also a lumberman, operating a sawmill, in which he made shingles, and was likewise a manufacturer of potash. His son, Cyrus E. Le Suer, was born December 14, 1831, and also became a farmer, and with exception of the time he was in the Civil war service he has spent all of his life on the old homestead, where he was born. He was with General Sherman on his march from Atlanta to the sea, and as a talented musician, organized two bands which went with the Union troops to the battlefields of the south. He married Miss Lida White and resides at Bolivar, New York, having passed the venerable age of ninety-four years, but his wife has passed away.

Their son, James E. Le Suer, was born May 6, 1867, at Bolivar and completed his education in the high school of that town. Oil was discovered at Richburg, New York, in 1881 and in the following year the Tide Water Pipe Line Company came to the Allegany field. They established their pumping station on the farm owned by Cyrus E. Le Suer and in March, 1885, James E. Le Suer entered the employ of the company, with which he remained until the firm retired from the field. He then became identified with the Standard Oil Company, for which he worked until 1903, when the Tide Water firm resumed business, and he reentered their service. He engaged in all branches of field and station work and aided in making a complete inventory of the Allegany field. In 1919 Mr. Le Suer severed his relations with the Tide Water Pipe Line Company and embarked in the oil producing business in association with E. C. Harder, also opening a garage, and well deserved success is attending his activities, for he combines a detailed knowledge of the business with executive ability and keen powers of discernment.

On the 26th of February, 1899, Mr. Le Suer was united in marriage to Miss

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JAMES E. LE SUER

Lucy McBride, a daughter of Michael and Mary Jane (Rea) McBride and previous to her marriage a teacher at Portville, New York.

When national issues are involved Mr. Le Suer supports the candidates of the republican party but at local elections votes independently. He is identified with the Masonic order and belongs to Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is an Elk, and the teachings of the Episcopal church guide him in the daily relations of life. Mr. Le Suer has never been afraid of hard work and is most thorough and painstaking in every task that he undertakes. He has based his success upon industry, integrity and ability and merits and receives the respect, confidence and goodwill of his fellowmen.

WALTER THOMAS BLISS.

Walter Thomas Bliss, senior member of the legal firm of Bliss & Bliss of Bolivar, Allegany county, has been a practicing attorney of this vicinity for more than thirty years. He is one of the county's native sons, born in the village of Genesee on the 16th of November, 1860. On the paternal side of the family he is descended from old Rhode Island ancestry. His grandparents, Ebenezer D. and Martha (Boss) Bliss, came to Allegany county from Rhode Island in 1830. Ebenezer Bliss was a chair-maker by trade and died here in 1885, at the age of eighty-five, his birth having taken place in the year 1800. Benjamin Thurston Bliss, father of Walter Thomas, was born in 1832 and died in 1902. His life was spent mainly in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Bliss's mother bore the maiden name of Mary J. Crandall.

Walter Thomas Bliss mastered the elements of reading, writing and arithmetic in the common and select schools of his neighborhood, following which he entered Alfred Academy at Alfred, New York. He continued his studies in Alfred College, graduating therefrom in 1886, with the A. B. degree and for a time was a student in the University of Michigan. In 1890 he was granted admission to the practice before the bar of the state of New York and "hung out his shingle" in Alfred, where he practiced for two years. In 1892 he moved to Bolivar and has been engaged in legal work here ever since, enjoying a gratifyingly large and important practice. Chester M. Bliss, his third son, was taken into partnership in 1920, the firm adopting the name of Bliss & Bliss, by which it is now known. Mr. Bliss is a member of the Allegany County Bar Association, whose members esteem him highly, both as a distinguished colleague, and as a man and a friend. In the course of his long career before the bar he has participated in many important pieces of litigation, in which he has displayed a thorough knowledge of the law and the rare capacity for grasping a subject as a whole, as well as mastering its slightest details.

Politically Mr. Bliss has made a more than local reputation as an ardent supporter of the prohibition cause. In connection with the prohibition party he has been a candidate for the offices of attorney-general of the state of New York, judge of the court of appeals, county judge and district attorney. While the fact that this party has always been decidedly in the minority as regards state and national elections made it impossible for Mr. Bliss to be chosen for any state or other important public office as its candidate, the nation today owes a debt of gratitude to this busy lawyer and other of his high-minded associates all over the country, who sacrificed personal gain on many occasions in their support of this once unpopular cause. They have had their reward in the adoption of the recent amendment to the United States constitution, if not in any personal sense. The issue of child welfare is another problem that has enlisted his interest and he is now serving as chairman of the Allegany County Board of Child Welfare.

In 1891 Mr. Bliss was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Mitchell of Chautauqua county, and to them have been born five sons: Laurence M. is a graduate of Alfred University, class of 1913, and of the Law School of the University of California. He was admitted to the bar in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and is now engaged in practice in that city as a member of the firm of Wilson & Bliss. He has served as United States commissioner at that place. His wife was formerly Miss Agnes Thane of the Golden Gate city and they are the parents of a little daughter, Barbara; the second son, Hubert D., took a course in journalism in Columbia University of New York city after completing his college course in Alfred University in 1917, and is now on the staff of the Post Standard of Syracuse, New York. During the World war he served in the medical department of the United States army. Mr. Hubert D. Bliss was married to Miss Julia Wahl of Allegany county and they have one child, Roberta; Chester M. Bliss, who is now associated with his father in legal practice in

Bolivar, received his degree from the Law School of the University of Buffalo, and was admitted to the bar in 1920; Burton T. Bliss graduated from Alfred University in the class of 1923 and is on the staff of the Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque, New Mexico; George W., the youngest son, is a student in Alfred University.

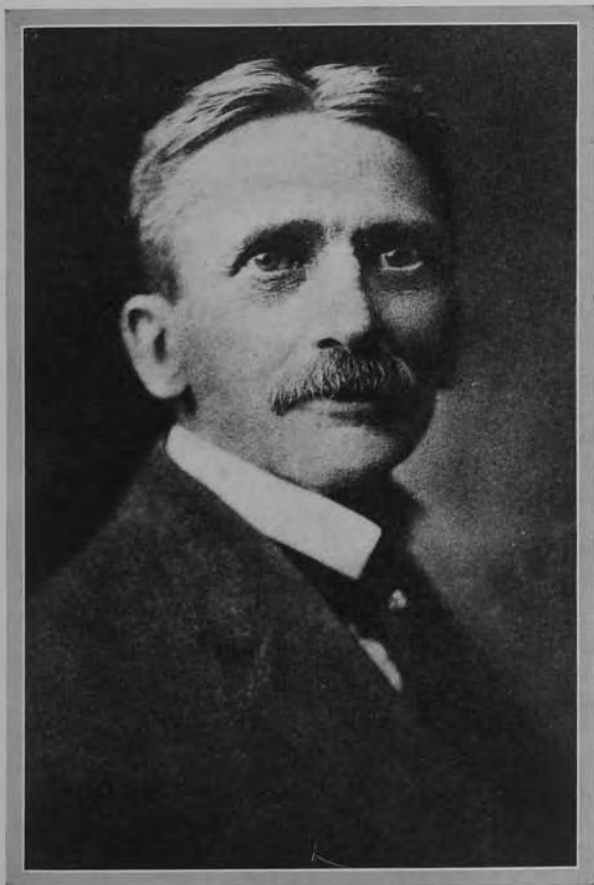
THOMAS WEBSTER NEWCOMB.

There are life histories so stimulating that one cannot read them without feeling a desire to follow a similar course, owing to the respect which is engendered by the strength of character and indomitable purpose which have brought the individual from obscurity to a place of distinction and leadership. Such a record is that of Thomas W. Newcomb. Starting out in life empty-handed, he has not only managed to gain a competence but to win his way to the heights of prosperity, overcoming obstacles that would have disheartened a man of less resolute spirit. His activities as a shoe manufacturer have made his name known from coast to coast, and Rochester is indebted to him for one of its greatest industries.

Mr. Newcomb was born in Rock Stream, Yates county, New York, December 13, 1846, and represents one of the colonial families of New England, tracing his ancestry in this country to the year 1630. His parents were Colonel Hiram Azaria and Louise Irene (Page) Newcomb, the latter of whom was born in Salisbury, Connecticut. The father was a native of Canada and cast in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Yates county, New York. He was a man of liberal education and a leader of public thought and opinion in his community. He served as postmaster of Dix, as school commissioner of Yates county, and was nominated for the office of congressman. He enjoyed in the fullest extent the confidence and high regard of his fellowmen and his death, which occurred at Dix in 1883, was deeply regretted. Colonel Hiram A. Newcomb took a keen interest in the work of the state militia in Yates county and was quite prominent in local militia circles, serving as colonel. He was one of the prime factors in securing the funds for founding Starkey College at Starkey, New York, and in this, like almost every movement that involved the welfare or betterment of the community, he took a foremost part. His public spirit, like his civic pride, was never dormant and throughout his active life his influence and help were never withheld from measures or projects of benefit to his locality.

He was one of the founders of the republican party in Schuyler and Yates counties and remained one of the stalwart members of the party during the remainder of his life.

His son, Thomas W. Newcomb attended the district school near his home in Yates county, continuing his studies in one of the grammar schools of New York city. At the age of fourteen he became deputy postmaster of Monterey, New York, and afterward taught a rural school. On severing home ties he went to Elmira, this state. For a time he filled a clerical position in a country grocery store and later became a hat and cap salesman. Having decided to engage in business for himself, he formed a partnership with a Mr. Weller and they became proprietors of a shoe store in Elmira. Subsequently Mr. Newcomb withdrew from the firm and secured a position with a well known shoe manufacturing concern of Rochester, with which he remained for several years, acting as traveling salesman. He next represented a shoe house of New York city in a similar capacity and eventually returned to Elmira, where he formed the Newcomb & Wyckoff Shoe Company. In the financial panic of 1873 he lost every dollar he possessed and in order to recoup his fortunes decided to utilize his musical talent. He possessed a beautiful tenor voice and, after receiving a thorough course of instruction, became a concert singer. His services were much in demand and he finally joined the famous New Orleans Minstrels as tenor soloist and toured the country with that organization, whose members were well received in every city they visited. After the expiration of his contract Mr. Newcomb reentered commercial life, becoming traveling representative for a Rochester shoe house, with which he was connected for a number of years, and was one of the stockholders of the concern. Disposing of his holdings, he decided to give expression to his creative powers and began designing footwear for children. He at first confined his attention to moccasins and soft-soled shoes, making them in his home and selling his output to the trade on the road. Gradually he created a demand for his handiwork and his business reached a point that justified the erection of a factory. He secured a suitable location at No. 272 Sanford street, in Rochester, and the substantial building which now occupies the site is four stories in height, well ventilated,



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and supplied with the most improved equipment. The business is conducted under the style of the Newcomb-Anderson Shoe Company and the firm enjoys the distinction of being the largest manufacturers of children's shoes in the world. Mr. Newcomb is the president of this great industry and has perfected an organization which redounds to his credit and to the fame of the city which he has made the scene of his activities. The output of his factory represents the highest achievement in the lines in which he specializes, and the mammoth business of today is a complete realization of the dream of its founder—an imposing monument to his courageous spirit, his progressive ideas, his stability of purpose, and his exceptional powers of organization and administration. He also was the promoter of Don O Lac, a paint and varnish manufacturing concern, which is likewise a prosperous industry.

In 1873, in Elmira, New York, Mr. Newcomb married Miss Ella Wood, who was a daughter of Morgan L. Wood, a conductor for forty years on the Erie Railroad, and her death occurred in Rochester in 1895. Four children were born to them but two are deceased. Those who survive are Bertha Florence, now Mrs. H. Frank Clark and Grace Wood, now Mrs. Charles W. Anderson. Both were born in Elmira. Charles W. Anderson is vice president of the Newcomb-Anderson Shoe Company, of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have two children: Ralph Morgan Anderson and Mrs. George S. Alverson, who has a daughter, Marylynn Anderson Alverson. Mr. Newcomb's second union was with Miss Mary M. Balzer, a daughter of August Balzer, of Rochester. They were married in 1897 and to them was born a son, Thomas Scott Newcomb, who is a native of Rochester. He married Miss Beatrice Haley and they have become the parents of a son, Donald Haley Newcomb. Mrs. Newcomb died April 12, 1925.

Mr. Newcomb was a prominent member of the Jefferson Club and for fifteen years its treasurer. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party and for many years he took an active part in political affairs. He ran for alderman in the fourteenth ward; was a candidate for the office of school commissioner of Monroe county and was also a candidate for city comptroller and for treasurer of Monroe county on the democratic ticket. Although he has passed the seventy-seventh milestone on life's journey, he still remains at the helm of his business, for he has wisely conserved his powers and enjoys the priceless possession of physical and mental vigor. He has played well his part, contributing in notable measure to the world's work, and never fails to inspire respect for his ability, confidence in his integrity, and admiration for his firmness of character.

BAYARD H. KNAPP.

Heredity and training combined to make a newspaper man of Bayard H. Knapp, editor and owner of the Dansville Breeze, published in Dansville, Livingston county. His first occupation after leaving school was in the publishing business, and his father had been identified with the press for many years. He is purely a Dansville product and has passed his entire life in the town. He was born in Dansville, June 24, 1879, the son of A. H. and Lizzie (Woodruff) Knapp. The father died in March, 1915, and the mother in 1914. They were the parents of seven children, all except one of whom are living. Bayard H. Knapp obtained his education in the grade and high schools of Dansville, and then went into the printing business, as foreman, with A. O. Bunnell. In 1904 Mr. Knapp became connected with his father in the publication of the Breeze and is now owner and editor of the paper.

On June 3, 1903, Mr. Knapp was married to Adah Lanphear, and they have one son: Calvin B. Knapp. Mr. Knapp is a member of the Presbyterian church in his religious belief and also belongs to the Rotary Club of Dansville, while fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Grange.

The Dansville Breeze was established in 1883 by M. H. Fowler and J. W. Burgess, as a weekly of independent political color, there already being a democratic and a republican paper in the village. In 1893 the owners erected a brick block on the corner of Main and Chestnut streets for the accommodation of the plant. In 1900 Mr. Fowler bought the share of Mr. Burgess in the real estate, and on the 1st of June, 1902, bought the Burgess interest in the paper, Mr. Burgess retiring. Herman W. DeLong was engaged as editor of the paper and acted in that capacity until 1904. In February, 1904, A. H. Knapp and George R. Brown became proprietors, Mr. Brown retiring the following August and Bayard H. Knapp joining his father. In June, 1908, the paper was changed to a daily and is now the only daily paper in Livingston

county. Its political tone is republican. A. H. Knapp died in March, 1915, and was succeeded in the ownership of the paper by his son, who has rapidly developed the journal to a successful standard. The Breeze has a circulation of nearly fifteen hundred, is an extensive advertising medium, and the office also does a large amount of job printing.

ST. MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The following history of St. Mary's church was written by a contemporary biographer: "When DeNonville and his French army, in 1687, destroyed the Indian village of Gannagaro and Gaudougarae, the inhabitants were driven eastward and formed a village near the foot of Canandaigua Lake, which village and lake have since then borne that name. Among the Indian inhabitants in those days were many Catholics, some of them Senecas and most of them Hurons and Algonquin captives, the result of fifty years of missionary labor of the zealous Jesuits. Even in our day the beads and crucifixes given the Indians by the missionaries are still picked up on the sites of the old Indian towns.

"Following the revolution and the white settlement of western New York, Canandaigua became a prominent center of commerce and government, and no doubt many Catholics were among the pioneers. The family of Hugh Collins came as early as 1823, others followed, and there are traditions of lumber wagons leaving here Saturdays afternoons to bring the people to the Sunday mass at St. Patrick's in Rochester. About 1840 Rev. Bernard O'Reilly of Rochester said the first mass in Canandaigua in the Patrick Doyle house on Antis street. Mass was celebrated in various homes for the following few years. At length, in 1844, a lot was purchased by Father O'Reilly from Thomas Beals, and in the fall of 1846 the pew books give the following list of pewholders: On the south side of the church: Bernard Scandling, Bridget Garvey, Hugh Collins, Patrick White, Patrick Doyle, Michael Coyle, Catherine Hanavin, Agnes King, John Whalen, William Lysaght, Eleanor Gannon, James Ryan, Patrick Sherry, Matthew Carroll, Hugh Keefe, James Gleason, James Cooney, Thomas Eccles, James Cass, Miss Eagan. On the north side of the church: John Classey, John Callahan, Walter Corcoran, James Coyle, Martin White, Charles Murphy, Thomas Walsh, Peter Cowan, Bernard Coyle, Maria Connell, Peter Moore, Matthew Walsh, Jerry Mahaney, William Day, Patrick Leddy, Catherine Kilkelly, John Smith, Cornelius Hurley, Neil Connolly, Connor Kelly, Jerry Noonan.

"After the two brothers, Rev. Bernard and Rev. William O'Reilly of Rochester, ceased their attendance at the Canandaigua Mission, Rev. Patrick Bradley of Geneva, for one year took care of the little church as his out-mission. He purchased books for church records, since which time all records of baptisms, marriage and burials have been kept in the local parish archives. In 1849 Rev. Edmund O'Connor was made first resident pastor, and he continued in that office for nine years. He enlarged the church, established a school in the basement, brought the sisters of St. Joseph from St. Louis, Missouri, built a rectory, and purchased the first part of the cemetery. There was considerable anti-Catholic prejudice in those days, and rumors of church burning caused much excitement and alarm. Father O'Connor controlled the situation with a strong hand, and gradually won the respect of all parties. St. Mary's Academy and Orphan Asylum was founded in 1855 on Saltonstall street.

"The next pastor was Rev. Charles McMullen, who officiated for a year and was then transferred to Seneca Falls. He is described as an eloquent man, of striking appearance. Then came the scholarly Father Purcell, who was a brother of Editor William Purcell, of the Rochester Union, and who is best remembered as the priest who read his sermons. Rev. James M. Early was pastor during the first days of the Civil war and served for two years before being transferred to the pastorate of St. Mary's church in Rochester. While at Canandaigua he enlarged the old church to its present dimensions. He was a good writer and preacher, and always interested in the young people. Rev. Joseph McKenna succeeded him, and for the following six years faithfully performed his duty until an injured knee forced him to retire. He was assisted during the latter part of his pastorate by Rev. David O'Brien. Shortly after the formation of the new diocese of Rochester in 1868, Bishop McQuaid appointed Rev. Dennis English of Penn Yan, as pastor, and for a period of years corresponding to the lifetime of our Blessed Lord, he presided over the destinies of this parish. In 1874 he purchased the Granger property on upper Main street, at a cost of twenty thousand dollars, to which he transferred the new orphanage and school. The Rev. D. English was ably assisted by Rev. Thomas B. O'Brien, 1890-91, and by



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Rev. John H. O'Brien from 1896 to 1901. Father English lies buried beneath the great granite cross in Calvary cemetery, in the midst of the people whom he loved.

"The records since 1901 are fresh in the minds of the people of Canandaigua. They include the construction of a new stone church at a cost of ninety thousand dollars, a new rectory, eighteen thousand dollars, and a new parish hall and enlargement of the school at a probable cost of twenty thousand dollars. The pastor during this time was the Rev. James T. Dougherty, and in his work he enjoyed the priestly cooperation of Rev. Andrew Byrne, Rev. Bernard J. Gefell, Rev. James J. Clark, Rev. John B. Baier and Rev. John E. Masseth. Among the young men who have gone forth from the parish into the ranks of the priesthood are Rev. William Mulhern, Rev. John J. Donnelly, Rev. Richard T. Burke, Rev. L. Augustine Smith, Rev. Dennis J. McCormick, Rev. John A. Conway, Rev. Edward G. Widman, Rev. Daniel P. Quigley and Rev. John B. Sullivan. The parish also has a lesser claim upon Rev. William Payne, Rev. Francis E. McCrone and Rev. John P. Brophy. Numerous young ladies have gone out from here to devote their lives to religion. Among others, the Bagley, Raftery, Caplase, Fitzgerald, Clancy, Turner, Hines, Fahy, Keefe, Casby, Wyffels, Doran, Coogan, Powers, Corcoran, Richardson and Donnelly families have been thus honored.

"Canandaigua was the first place in New York state for the Sisters of St. Joseph to work in. Three members of the order which had come from France in 1834 and located in Missouri, came to Canandaigua upon invitation of Father O'Connor and Bishop Timon of Buffalo. They occupied the O'Reilly house in Saltonstall street, beginning their work on December 8, 1854, the day the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary was defined at Rome. Canandaigua was for three or four years the mother house of the order, and some of her older parishioners recall the religious receptions of the Sisters, held in the old church, one of the novices upon those occasions being Miss Hendrick of Penn Yan, sister of Monsignor Hendrick of Ovid and the late lamented Bishop Hendrick of Cebu, and known in religion as Mother Aloysia. Among the early sisters were Mother Agnes Spencer, Sisters Frances Joseph, Theodosia, Stanislaus, Anastasia, Julia, Nativity, Nicholas and Alphonsus.

"Rev. James T. Dougherty was born in Fayette, Seneca county, New York, April 23, 1863, a son of Patrick and Mary (Bannon) Dougherty, who were born in West Meath, Ireland. Patrick Dougherty emigrated to the United States in 1846, and his wife preceded him by one year, their marriage occurring in this country. They were the parents of nine children, four of whom attained years of maturity, namely: Bernard, a resident of Waterloo, New York; Patrick and James T., twins, the former a resident of Kendaia, Seneca county, New York; and Mrs. Anna Hamilton of Kendaia. Patrick Dougherty followed the occupation of farming. He died in 1904, and his wife in 1889.

"James T. Dougherty was educated in the Miller district school, town of Romulus, and at the Ovid union school, after which he taught for one year in the Ayers district town of Varick. He then entered St. Andrew's Preparatory Seminary at Rochester, New York, and later St. Joseph's Theological Seminary at Troy, New York. He was ordained to the priesthood on October 28, 1887; placed in temporary charge of Honeoye Falls and East Rush parish during the summer of 1888; assigned as assistant at St. Mary's church of Auburn in October, 1888; sent as pastor to Stanley and Rushville in September, 1890; promoted to the pastorate of St. Patrick's church at Dansville; Holy Name, at Groveland, in May, 1893; appointed to St. Agnes' church at Avon in June, 1901; and upon the death of Father English in September, 1901, became the pastor of St. Mary's church at Canandaigua. He was earnest and zealous in his work, ever looking to the spiritual and temporal welfare of his parishioners, and was greatly beloved by all who came under his benign influence."

JUDGE EDWIN S. BROWN.

The Hon. Edwin S. Brown, judge of Steuben county, has had a long and distinguished career in the legal and judicial professions and in New York state politics. A native of the county in which he still resides, he was born in Howard, September 4, 1870. His parents were Abel U. and Grovinia (Stanton) Brown. His father was a member of the One Hundred and Sixty-first New York Infantry in the Civil war and following the conflict was appointed postmaster at Howard, serving from 1869 until 1884 and again under President Harrison. The Judge's grandfather came

from Massachusetts and settled in Fulton county, New York. He was a lumberman, as was Abel U. Brown. The Judge's mother was half English and half Welsh. Her parents came from the British Isles on the same boat and settled in Fulton, New York. The Browns are of English origin and are not related to any other Browns in this country.

Edwin S. Brown attended country and village schools in Howard and in 1894 received his B. S. from Alfred University. He graduated from the Albany Law School in 1896 and was admitted to the bar the same year. Meanwhile, he had studied law in the office of Judge Clark of Wayland and like many of the young attorneys of a generation ago, had actual experience to begin with when he hung out his shingle at Cohocton. He still resides in this town.

The Judge became interested in politics even before he could vote and was a delegate to a county convention while not yet twenty-one. He has always been a republican. He was elected district attorney of Steuben county and in his third term was appointed judge of the county by Governor Miller, which office he still fills. His appointment came on Thanksgiving Day of 1921. He is also judge of the children's court of the county, takes a profound interest in the children and works constantly for their welfare. His interest in the children's court especially has made him a great favorite and he is highly esteemed throughout Steuben county.

On December 25, 1905, Judge Brown was married to Miss Lola Schafer, daughter of Christopher J. Schafer of Cohocton. Judge and Mrs. Brown have three children: Stanton S., Edwina, and Dorothy. Judge Brown is a member of the Masonic fraternity and is also an Elk, having been district deputy in the latter order. He has been an elder in the Presbyterian church for a quarter of a century and has always been an active worker in the church. He was elected a delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly at Los Angeles in 1921. The Judge is rated high as an orator and lecturer and is often called upon to address the people on important topics and to aid the republican cause. Always interested in his community, his nation, and in the welfare of children, Judge Brown has become noted in New York state for his fairmindedness and sane views in his high profession.

GEORGE J. BAUER.

More than any other single factor of civilization, the automobile has multiplied the producing power of man, reducing time and distance by providing a broad and flexible means for the transportation of men and their products. Among the leading representatives of the automobile trade in Rochester is George J. Bauer, proprietor of the Genesee Motor Vehicle Company, of which he is also the founder. Mr. Bauer is a member of one of the old families of the city and was born here on September 15, 1870, a son of Marcellus and Frances (Egerer) Bauer, the latter also a native of Rochester. The father was of French birth and parentage and came to the United States in early life, arriving in Rochester in 1855, when a boy of fourteen years. He was for many years engaged in the mercantile business, acquiring a comfortable competence. He is survived by his widow, who makes her home in this city.

George J. Bauer attended St. Joseph's parochial school and afterward completed a course in the Taylor Business College. He began his business career in his father's establishment and was thus engaged until 1905. He then started out on his own initiative, entering the automobile business, and established what is now known as the Genesee Motor Vehicle Company. The business was organized in 1916 and is an individual enterprise, Mr. Bauer being the sole owner. He has the local agency for the Ford cars, tractors and accessories and controls one of the most efficient organizations connected with the automobile trade in the Genesee country. The Genesee Motor Vehicle Company occupies three buildings located at St. Paul and Franklin streets, Central avenue and Westcott street, comprising about forty thousand feet of floor space and fully equipped for Ford sales and service. Mr. Bauer has always held to high ideals in the conduct of his business and his success is the natural outcome of clean, straightforward business methods. Among his other business interests he is a director of Lincoln Motors, Incorporated, distributors of Lincoln automobiles in Rochester.

On September 9, 1891, Mr. Bauer married Miss Julia L. Fisher, a daughter of Thomas Fisher, of Rochester, and they have three sons, all born in Rochester: Clement M., who was born in 1895 and who married Miss Alvina McCarthy, of Syracuse,



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New York; Francis J., whose birth occurred in 1901; and Edward J., born in 1905. The sons are now associated with their father in business.

Mr. Bauer is a faithful communicant of St. Ambrose's church at Rochester. He is a member of the Catholic Young Men's Association and is also one of the Knights of St. John. He is identified with the Rochester Historical Society and the New York State Archaeological Association. He belongs to the Rochester Numismatic Association and also the American Numismatic Society and owns one of the valuable collections of rare coins in this part of the country, devoting years to its acquirement. Mr. Bauer is a member of the Rochester Kiwanis Club, the Automobile Club and the Chamber of Commerce. His political views have been in accord with the principles of the democratic party. He has won success through the medium of his own efforts and has discharged life's duties and responsibilities in a manner to be accorded a most creditable position among Rochester's best citizenship. Mr. Bauer's residence is at No. 1462 Culver road.

C. HENRY MASON.

The record of the man who, unassisted, hews his way through a forest of difficulties to the goal of honorable success, is a story which never fails to arouse the interest and compel the admiration of the American public. To this type of citizens belongs C. Henry Mason, whose education was self-acquired, and the story of his life is a record of continuous progress that has brought him ultimately to a central place on the stage of activity in Rochester, in connection with the advertising business. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, July 21, 1884, and is a son of Charles and Emily D. (Hausrath) Mason, the latter a native of Westchester county, New York. The father was born in Ludlow, England, and responded to the lure of the New World in 1865, settling in New York state. The Civil war was then in progress and he enlisted in the National Guard, becoming a member of the Twenty-third Brooklyn Regiment. He subsequently engaged in the leather business in New York city and is now living retired in Brooklyn. The mother also survives. They had a family of three children, one of whom is deceased. The others are: Maude E., who is unmarried and resides with her parents; and C. Henry of this review.

C. Henry Mason was a pupil in the Boys High school of Brooklyn and later graduated from the Commercial High school of the same city. He secured the funds for his higher education by hard work and the exercise of self-denial. He spent two years as a student in Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, taking a course in designing, and then matriculated in Columbia University, which he attended for a year, specializing in psychology. He entered the employ of Maynard, Merrill & Company, publishers of schoolbooks, and remained with that firm for ten years, advancing steadily in its service until he eventually became purchasing agent and advertising manager. He next joined the Trades Advertising Agency of New York city and had charge of its production department. He then associated himself with the advertising agency of Churchill Hall, Incorporated, in New York, for whom he wrote advertising, also creating advertising ideas and plans, and on October 23, 1914, joined George and Charles Miller in establishing the Craftsman Advertising Service in Rochester, New York. He was made manager of the firm in 1916 but later sold his interest therein and then engaged in the advertising business under his own name in Rochester. He has contracts with some of the largest corporations in the east and has built up one of the best known agencies in western New York. He is also financially interested in other business enterprises of Rochester.

In the summer of 1916 Mr. Mason established a branch of his Rochester advertising business in New York city. In November of the same year he formed a corporation with Mr. B. H. Carter of New Rochelle, New York, formerly of the Curtis Publishing Company. This corporation is now operating under the name of Mason-Carter Company, Incorporated, with offices at No. 270 Madison avenue. Mr. Mason is president of the corporation.

On April 28, 1915, Mr. Mason was married to Miss Madeleine Hoyt, a daughter of William E. Hoyt, consulting engineer of the New York Central Railroad, and a member of one of the most prominent families of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Mason have become the parents of a son: William Hoyt Mason, born June 18, 1916. Mrs. Mason comes of colonial stock and belongs to the Society of Mayflower Descendants and Irondequoit Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is also connected with the Wednesday Morning Club and is active in the social life of the

city. Mr. Mason is a popular clubman, belonging to the Old Colony, Rochester, Advertising Oak Hill Country and Tennis Clubs, and is one of the energetic workers in the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the American Institute of Graphic Arts and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Rochester, with which he is affiliated. Mr. Mason is a splendid type of the virile American business man, alert, enterprising, resourceful, and through all the varied responsibilities of life has acquitted himself with dignity, fidelity and honor, winning the approbation and esteem of his fellow citizens.

REV. HENRY AUGUSTINE DOLAN.

Among the well known representatives of the priesthood in the Genesee country is the Rev. Henry Augustine Dolan, who has followed his holy calling during the past twenty-eight years and who has to his credit a number of beautiful churches in this part of the state which were erected under his pastorship and his direction. Since the 11th of March, 1920, he has filled the pastorate of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Batavia. His birth occurred at Newfane, Niagara county, New York, on June 12, 1872, his parents being James and Catherine (Malloy) Dolan. The father was born in western Ireland, whence he emigrated to the United States and resided for a time in Orleans county, New York. In young manhood he removed to Niagara county, this state, where he cleared and developed a tract of land and devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits throughout the remainder of his life. A devout Catholic, he reared his children in that faith and two of his daughters took the veil.

Henry Augustine Dolan began his education in the public schools of Newfane, after which he attended Canisius College of Buffalo and subsequently continued his studies in Niagara University. He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Quigley of Buffalo on the 12th of June, 1897, and his first charge was that of assistant pastor at the Church of the Annunciation in Buffalo, where he thus remained for two years. He afterward spent a period of eighteen months at St. Mary's church of Olean, New York, and then assumed pastoral duties at Lewiston, Niagara county, where he continued for two years and where he built a stone church which is regarded as one of the most beautiful edifices in this part of the state. He next became the first resident pastor of the Catholic church in Bolivar, New York, where he remained for nine years and where he erected a handsome stone and brick church as well as a rectory. While pastor at Bolivar he also had charge of the church in Portville, which necessitated his traveling thirty miles each Sunday for mass. At Portville he built a frame church. After leaving Bolivar, Father Dolan established a parish in the Riverside section of Buffalo, which he named All Saints. Here he built a combination building, rectory and convent and continued as pastor for ten years. It was on the 11th of March, 1920, that he took up his present duties as pastor of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Batavia and he has since bent every energy toward the development of the parish in its various lines of work.

Father Dolan may be termed an independent republican in politics. He has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which he is chaplain, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, being the only clergyman member of this organization in Buffalo. For recreation he turns to hunting, being the owner of two very fine bird dogs, and he is also fond of golf and other outdoor diversions.

GUSTAVE ERBE.

Among the men who have achieved a leading place in the office appliances manufacture none are more deserving of admiration than the founders of the Yawman & Erbe Manufacturing Company of Rochester. They are the late Philip H. Yawman and Gustave Erbe, president of the firm. Until his death in 1920, Mr. Yawman was the mechanical genius of the "Y and E" business. Mr. Erbe is a man who, more than anything else, stands for action. Although he is a thorough mechanic, because of a natural bent toward executive ability, he has been the general manager of the company's affairs and, since 1920, its president.

Gustave Erbe was born in New York city, seventy-two years ago. After acquiring a common school education he engaged himself as a machinist's apprentice, first



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working on surveying and optical instruments. In those days there was no division of labor and all the machinery was run by footpower. A workman was given all the castings for such a delicate instrument as a sextant and was required to make out of them a complete and perfect instrument. Gustave Erbe very soon acquired a reputation for unusual ability as a machinist, his work being particularly characterized by the thoroughness and exactness with which it was done. After some years of practical experience in this line he came to Rochester, entering the employ of the Bausch & Lomb Company, where he began as a maker of microscopes, among the most delicate of all scientific instruments. To produce a microscope under the manufacturing conditions then prevalent needed a mechanic something out of the ordinary. Unusual skill he must have, but above all else he must be thorough and accurate. The slightest defect in the making of the instrument might render it useless. Gustave Erbe's sterling qualities caused him to be picked as the man to make microscopes. He has those same qualities today, and has exercised them all through his business career. In them lies the keynote of his success and the success of the Yawman & Erbe Company. Men came to know that they could depend upon Gustave Erbe; that when he did work it was well done. As a result it was not long before he was offered a responsible position as foreman in his concern. As foreman Mr. Erbe came into close contact with Philip H. Yawman, a fellow employee.

Mr. Yawman was master mechanic in the Bausch & Lomb plant, a man of wide experience and marked ability in his line of work. At that time he was looking after the machinery of his company, designing and making a large number of improvements. Since Mr. Erbe, as the foreman of the microscopic department, was continually on the lookout for improved manufacturing methods, he came into daily touch with Mr. Yawman's work and formed the habit of taking his problems to the latter mechanic for advice. The result was a rapid and substantial improvement in the machinery of the Bausch & Lomb Company. As an outgrowth of this relationship the two men conceived the idea of going into business for themselves, and after careful consideration they formulated definite plans and put them into effect.

On May 1, 1880, the firm of Yawman & Erbe began business in a little room on Exchange street. The young men embarked in their business by manufacturing mathematical, optical and surveying instruments. The first few years were uneventful. The two partners worked hard and conscientiously, side by side. But during this time their reputation for good work was spreading and their business growing. Their policy from the very beginning up to the present hour has always been to make an article the very best they know how or can find out. The wisdom of such a policy soon made itself evident. The company manufactured things for other firms, the volume of output increased, and soon the young firm found larger quarters necessary. In those days the Eastman Kodak Company, now a world famous concern with a plant that is an industrial miracle, had part of its work done by outside firms. Yawman & Erbe in the spring of 1883 made the first model film-rollers, and in 1884 the first model No. 1 kodak for the Eastman company. They continued doing all the metal work, and assembled the work ready for inspection, for all the film-rollers and Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 kodaks that were made for the Eastman Kodak Company until the year 1895.

In the spring of 1883 the Yawman & Erbe Company also made an agreement with the owners of the patents of the Shannon file, binding cases, etc., to manufacture the only Shannon files for letters, bills and other papers, that were made in the United States. This Shannon arch file, invented in 1877, was the forerunner of the modern business filing systems. It passed through the usual ups and downs of a new invention but finally succeeded in getting a foothold, thus the Yawman & Erbe plant was one of the first to manufacture filing equipment. This same outfit, with many improvements is made by the company today. With this new undertaking under way the company realized that if it was not to be handicapped by lack of space, it would have to enlarge its quarters. Accordingly, a plot of ground was purchased and a four-story brick building erected. Coincident with the completion of the new building the concern took up the manufacture of metal interiors for vaults, banks and public buildings. This meant another big increase in volume of output, and in 1890 it was again found necessary to enlarge. Another four-story building was erected on the same plot. The enormous modern plant of the company, completed in 1921, is one of the largest and finest office appliance factories in the world. Its daylight buildings are the last word in the way of industrial architecture and are equipped with every device that can contribute to the comfort and efficiency of the workmen or to the quality of the product.

Prior to 1898 Yawman & Erbe manufactured many things for other concerns, but

in this year a plan was perfected whereby the business was incorporated under the title of the Yawman & Erbe Manufacturing Company and took over the entire business of the Office Specialty Company, a local company making and selling a few office devices. The new corporation instituted its own selling organization. Under the new management the selling end of the business thrived and subsequent increases in the manufacturing facilities were made necessary. It was about this time that the company erected a plant in Canada, which has since developed into the extensive factory at Newmarket, Ontario—one of the largest and most complete motorized factories in the Dominion. Mr. Erbe has always referred with pride to the fact that the "Y & E" company was the first to sell filing systems and equipment on the "system" basis. The entire "Y & E" selling organization is modern in every way. In line with the most advanced ideas as to salesmanship Yawman & Erbe believe that the way to sell goods to a business man is to show him what they can do for him. In the words of Mr. Erbe; "To establish permanently satisfactory relations with a customer, it is essential that all transactions be mutually beneficial." That is the reason for the "Y & E" system department, with its corps of trained experts. With the data gathered in thirty years of experience this department is well equipped to tackle the hardest kind of record filing problems, and its services are offered to customers without charge. This system service, in fact, extends throughout the "Y & E" organization, for every salesman is trained in the company's own school, located at the home office, and must qualify as a good system man before he takes his place in the ranks of the salesmen. The value to the company of this system service policy cannot be overestimated, for business men realize that, no matter how good the equipment may be, it is practically useless without the right system. The filing system business of to-day is complex. When a man starts out to buy a correspondence file, an invoice file, or card index system, he wants to make sure that he is getting the very best equipment for his particular purpose. The function of the "Y & E" system department is to work out a man's filing problem with his assistance, tell him what will accomplish the thing he wants done and make the installation.

The first employe of the Yawman & Erbe concern, forty years ago, was a boy hired to run errands and learn the business. Thirty years later this same "boy" was superintendent of the huge Canadian plant of the concern. This instance is illustrative of the relations between the founders of the firm and the men who have worked for them. Mr. Erbe and his former partner were men who had risen from the ranks. They looked upon each of their employes as an individual workman deserving of individual attention. They saw in every office boy a possible manager, in every workman a possible foreman. The names on the payroll of the "Y & E" company now run into the thousands, but the spirit between the employers and the employed remains the same. The majority of the men in the factory could secure elsewhere the same price for their labor that the "Y & E" pay, yet they have been with the company for ten, fifteen, twenty and twenty-five years. This speaks eloquently for the laboring conditions in the plant, for these men could in the majority of instances have gone elsewhere without any financial loss.

The guiding hand of the president of this organization can be seen at every turn. The whole business is "at his finger tips", and although he has passed the age of threescore years and ten he continues actively to discharge the duties of president. He is familiar with every part of both the manufacturing and the selling organizations. No step of importance is taken without his knowledge, although he is, of course, far too busy to bother with lesser details. He is a true executive in the best sense of the word.

Mr. Erbe's wife was Miss Antonia Schmidt before her marriage. She was born in Germany, but was brought to America at the age of eight and was married in Rochester, which has been her home ever since. To Mr. and Mrs. Erbe were born three children: Gustave, Jr., vice president of the Koehler & Campbell Company of New York city; Mrs. Harry C. Slein of Toronto, Ontario; and Frederick G. Erbe, secretary of the Yawman & Erbe Manufacturing Company and his father's confidential business associate.

Frederick G. Erbe was born in Rochester, on the 11th of December, 1882. After passing through the consecutive grades of the Rochester public schools he entered Bradstreet's Preparatory School, from which he graduated at the conclusion of his course. In order to prepare himself thoroughly to become associated with his father in the "Y and E" manufacturing business he spent four years in the Mechanics Institute of Rochester and took an extended course of scientific study in the University of Rochester. Thus thoroughly grounded in the theoretical side of mechanical and industrial engineering, Mr. Erbe donned a pair of overalls and went to work in

the shops of the Yawman & Erbe Manufacturing Company, where in the next two years he mastered every phase of the production processes in the plant. Well equipped with the skill and efficiency that comes only as the result of actual experience and long practice, he was promoted to the post of factory engineer. The young man had a thorough working knowledge of the business; his next task was to erect a new plant that would meet its constantly growing requirement for additional space and better working conditions. The erection of the present Yawman & Erbe manufacturing plant on Jay street, which was completed in 1921, was left to his supervision. This was the sort of thing that makes or breaks men, as the saying goes. One of the largest plants of the kind in the world, the factory presented many intricate problems of structural and industrial engineering to be solved, while its mere size alone made the superintendence of its construction an exacting executive task. Here Mr. Erbe's thorough training and careful preparation for his lifework bore fruit. The company is justly proud of its fine modern plant and to its secretary is due much of the credit for the satisfaction it is giving. Mr. Erbe's duties today, as secretary of the "Y & E" Company, are chiefly executive and he is displaying not a few of those valuable qualities that have made his father one of the leading manufacturers of the country.

On October 3, 1906, Mr. Erbe was married to Miss Elnora J. Graham of this city, the daughter of Colonel J. S. Graham, formerly postmaster of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Erbe have a son and a daughter: Frederick G., Jr., born January 17, 1908; and Jeannette R., born July 27, 1910. Both are pupils in the private school of Dr. Marshall.

In his fraternal connections Mr. Erbe is a Knights Templar Mason and a Shriner, also a member of Theta Delta Chi. In connection with his business interests he holds membership in the Rochester Engineering Society and the Chamber of Commerce, while his clubs are the Rochester Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester and the Oak Hill Country Club.

FRANCIS O'DONNELL.

Francis O'Donnell, president of the O'Donnell Brothers Lumber Company, Incorporated, retail lumber dealers of Medina, Orleans county, is the head of a business established by himself and his father many years ago which has maintained a successful existence to the present time by reason of reliable dealing with the public. He was born in Medina, New York, on the 8th of October, 1885, his parents being William and Johanna (Walsh) O'Donnell, the former a son of William O'Donnell, who was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1820. It was in the year 1857 that William O'Donnell, the paternal grandfather of Francis O'Donnell, removed with his family from Kingston, Canada, to Medina, New York. William O'Donnell, the father of Francis O'Donnell, was born in Kingston, Canada, in 1852, and was a lad of five years when in 1857 he came with his parents to Medina, this state. Here he acquired his education and in young manhood turned his attention to the lumber business, operating several mills in Orleans county and engaging in the manufacture of lumber. In 1902, in association with his son, Francis O'Donnell, he organized the firm of O'Donnell & Son in Medina, for dealing in lumber and building materials, continuing active in its conduct to the time of his death, which occurred on the 29th of December, 1913. He exerted a beneficial influence in the public life of the community and made an excellent record as trustee of the village of Medina for three terms. Fraternally he was identified with the Knights of Columbus. He married Johanna Walsh, daughter of Michael Walsh, the latter a native of County Tipperary, Ireland, who came to America in 1820, later locating in Medina, where he operated rock quarries. He lived to the age of eighty-two. Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell became the parents of four children, of whom the eldest is Francis of this review; Pierre O'Donnell, who is in the service of the Thomas Cusack Company in Chicago, wedded Miss Grace Malcolm of Medina, New York, and they have one child, William Pierre. During the World war he served overseas as a sergeant in the Twenty-seventh Division and was gassed and wounded in the Meuse-Argonne struggle; Bertram O'Donnell, who is a graduate of the Medina high school and also of Cornell University, from which institution he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913, is vice president of O'Donnell Brothers Lumber Company, Incorporated. During the World war he spent two years in France with the Twentieth Engineers Forestry Division; Miss Anna O'Donnell makes her home with her widowed mother.

Francis O'Donnell, whose name introduces this article, joined his father in the lumber business, following his graduation from the Medina high school. After the death of the father he and his mother continued the business under the old firm name until November, 1924, when Francis and Bertram O'Donnell purchased the interests of their mother in the business, forming the present corporation.

In 1910 Francis O'Donnell married Miss Louise Britton of Albion, New York. Their children are: Katherine, Francis, Jr., and Alice. Mr. O'Donnell gives his political support to the republican party and is now serving for the sixth year as a member of the board of education. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Catholic church and also belongs to the Knights of Columbus, to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and to the Rotary Club. The city of Medina numbers him among her representative and successful business men as well as worthy native sons.

THE REV. JOHN F. FARRELL.

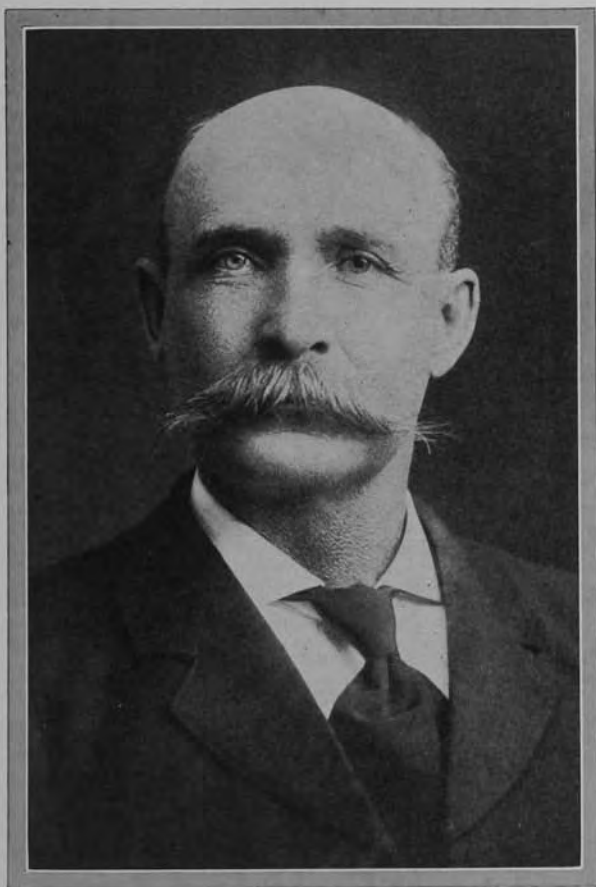
During a pastorate that has existed, at the time this is written, over a dozen years, the Rev. John F. Farrell, pastor of the Roman Catholic church in Lima, Livingston county, New York, has endeared himself to his flock, gained the respect and esteem of the community, irrespective of sectarian beliefs, and has fostered the welfare of his parish in material as well as spiritual directions. Father Farrell was born in Clyde, New York, February 8, 1870, the son of John and Mary (Noonan) Farrell, and received his education in the high school and at St. Andrew's Seminary at Rochester, New York. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 12, 1897, and his first assignment was as assistant priest at Hornell, New York, where he remained for five years. After this Father Farrell was chaplain of the State Soldier's home at Bath, New York, for ten years, and in December, 1912, was appointed pastor of the Roman Catholic parish in Lima. The church has a parochial school with an enrollment of one hundred and ten pupils in charge of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

The first Roman Catholic settler in Lima was Thomas Martin, who arrived in 1834. Within a very few years he had as Roman Catholic neighbors James Egan, Michael Coneen and John Brennan, and they attended mass in Rochester, New York, often going there on foot. In 1842 the first mass in the town of Lima was celebrated by Father Murphy at Mr. Brennan's house, and other priests visited the town at intervals. The first Roman Catholic church edifice was erected in 1848, and the next building erected in 1873. The Rev. S. Fitz Simons became the pastor soon afterward, and until 1912 gave many years of service to the parish. He was succeeded in 1912 by the Rev. John F. Farrell.

ASAHEL CLARK SMYTH.

The name of Asahel Clark Smyth of Bolivar has long been synonymous with oil production in the Genesee Country, for he has owned many wells in this section of the state. Now past the eightieth milestone on life's journey, he has disposed of his oil holdings but still has farming interests in Nebraska. His birth occurred in Beloit, Wisconsin, on the 18th of May, 1845, his parents being John B. and Rebecca (Armstrong) Smyth. The father, who emigrated to the United States from Scotland, took up his abode at Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, New York, in 1842 and there spent the remainder of his life. He was a marble worker by trade but subsequently turned his attention to agricultural pursuits.

Asahel C. Smyth acquired his education as a district school pupil and thereafter devoted his attention to farm work in association with his father until the time when he entered Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, in which he completed the prescribed course of study in 1865. The same year he made his way to Oil City, where he worked in the oil fields until 1871, when he went to St. Petersburg, Pennsylvania, and there embarked in business as an independent oil producer. In the year 1880 he moved his machinery to Richburg, Allegany county, New York. He has owned and operated numerous wells in this section and has become widely known as a successful oil producer whose activities have constituted an important factor in oil development here. In 1918, however, he disposed of all his oil holdings and since that time has given his attention merely to the supervision of his farming interests at Holdrege, Phelps county, Nebraska.



ASAHEL C. SMYTH

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On the 15th of June, 1905, in Bolivar, New York, Mr. Smyth was united in marriage to Miss Cora May Wilhams. Their daughter, Florence Jeanette, who was born September 30, 1907, was graduated from the Bolivar high school in 1924, and later attended the Westbrook Commercial Academy at Olean.

A republican in politics, Mr. Smyth has always manifested an active interest in civic affairs of his community, where he has long enjoyed high standing as a public-spirited, prosperous and respected citizen. Fraternally he is a Knight Templar Mason and he and his family are members of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Bolivar. That his life has been an upright and honorable one in every relation is attested by the fact that his warmest friends are those who know him best. The success which he enjoys is the fitting reward of a career of well directed, useful and honorable endeavor.

WILLIAM ROSS THOMSON, M. D.

Dr. William Ross Thomson, a surgeon of Warsaw, Wyoming county, was born in the Pensacola Navy Yard, in Florida, January 5, 1872, the son of Rear Admiral William J. and Jessie (Ross) Thomson. After completing his education in the primary grades of the schools, William Ross Thomson entered Johns Hopkins University of Baltimore, Maryland, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1892. For the study of medicine he then matriculated in the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, which at his graduation in 1896 conferred upon him the degree of M. D. He spent the following fifteen years in New York city in postgraduate work.

It was in 1912 that Dr. Thomson located in Warsaw, New York, and established the Warsaw Hospital, the name of which was later changed to the Wyoming County Community Hospital, of which he is head surgeon. Dr. Thomson is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, of the American Medical Association, of the Buffalo Academy of Medicine and of the Rochester Academy of Medicine. In July, 1918, he enlisted in the service of the United States as surgeon, with the rank of captain, and spent one year in overseas duty in France.

Dr. Thomson was married in New York city, on November 3, 1898, to Ethel Gibbons, daughter of Pearce F. Gibbons of New York. Two children have been born to Dr. and Mrs. Thomson: William R., Jr., whose natal year was 1901; and Richard V., who was born in 1909. Fraternally Dr. Thomson is affiliated with Warsaw Lodge No. 549, F. & A. M.; Wyoming Chapter No. 181, R. A. M.; Batavia Commandery No. 34, K. T.; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Other associations to which he belongs are the American Legion, the Kiwanis Club of Warsaw, the Stafford Country Club, the Silver Lake Country Club and numerous others.

FRANK ALBERT HERRICK.

Frank Albert Herrick, editor of the Bolivar Breeze since 1911, is a native of the Keystone state, born in Cameron county, November 20, 1876, the son of Joseph and Malissa (Collins) Herrick. His father, who was born in 1832 and died in 1886, followed the occupation of a lumberman.

Frank Albert Herrick supplemented his elementary education, obtained in the district schools, by a commercial course in the Olean Business College and further study in the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York. For about ten years before entering the newspaper field he was assistant postmaster in Bolivar. In 1911 Mr. Herrick assumed the duties of editor of the Bolivar Breeze, which his brother had founded. The brother, John P. Herrick, was originally editor of a paper in Ceres, Allegany county, a small town near Bolivar. In 1891 he came to Bolivar and established the Bolivar Breeze to take the place of the former paper, the Bolivar Leader, which had suspended publication. He made a success of his venture and in 1910 the paper was incorporated. On the 6th of April, 1911, Mr. Herrick bought a half interest in the corporation from his brother and became editor of the paper. John P. Herrick at that time went to Olean, where he is now located. Under Mr. Herrick's guidance the Bolivar Breeze has continued the prosperity it enjoyed under its former editorship. It is serving the community well as a news distributor and has won a place for itself among the better weekly newspapers of the state. Mr. Herrick be-

longs to the New York Press Association and the Allegany County Press Association, having served in the latter as president for a period of two years.

On the 9th of January, 1912, Mr. Herrick was united in marriage to Miss Grace Grover, daughter of Jacob and Annice Grover of Olean. Mr. and Mrs. Herrick have become the parents of two daughters: Anita Grace, born May 9, 1916; and Frances Jane, born October 27, 1917, both of whom are attending the local schools. Mrs. Herrick is a graduate of the Westbrook Academy.

Mr. Herrick has taken an active interest in the educational, civic and social affairs of the community, doing all that he can as a private citizen and as the editor of the local paper to advance the welfare of Bolivar. He is president of the board of education, an office he fills most acceptably to the school authorities and the citizens of the town. His political views are those of the republican party and in fraternal circles he is known as a Mason.

ANDREW WIEDENMANN.

Andrew Wiedenmann, collector of the port of Rochester, is one of the well known men of this city, where he was born November 15, 1865. His parents, Michael and Anna (Merdler) Wiedenmann, came from Germany and located in Rochester, where they made their home during the remainder of their lives and were highly respected old residents of this city. Michael Wiedenmann was a cooper by trade and followed that occupation for years. His death occurred in 1899, while his widow survived him until May, 1909. They had a family of eleven children: Mrs. Katherine Stillman; William, a member of the detective force of Rochester; Frederick, a well known attorney of this city and a member of the city council, who was the first republican alderman elected in the fifteenth ward in thirty-two years; George, who died in 1905, and was one of the well known professional baseball players of his day, being for years a catcher for the Detroit club; Julia, Anna and Minnie, who are unmarried; Edward and Anna deceased; Andrew; and a child that died in infancy.

Andrew Wiedenmann attended the Whitney school as a boy and later was a student at the Rochester Free Academy. From 1886 to 1890 he was a professional baseball player, catching for the Rochester, Buffalo, Hamilton, Ontario, and Portland, Maine, clubs. His first public office was that of deputy collector of internal revenue for this district, which he filled from 1897 to 1901, when he was made police court investigator, and for sixteen years acted in that capacity. In the fall of 1917, he was elected sheriff of Monroe county, receiving the largest plurality ever given a candidate for that office either before or since, and he added to the good record which he had previously made as an investigator. His term expired December 31, 1920, and February 7, 1924, President Coolidge appointed Mr. Wiedenmann collector of the port of Rochester. He is well qualified for this important office and discharges his duties with characteristic zeal and thoroughness.

On the 5th of April, 1899, Mr. Wiedenmann was married in this city, to Miss Mary Allen, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen of Rochester.

Mr. Wiedenmann is the republican leader of the fifteenth ward and for thirty-two years has been connected with the county committee, being its oldest member in point of service. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, a Shriner and a life member of the Rochester Lodge of Elks. He is also a member of the Athletic Club, the Automobile Club and the Chamber of Commerce, while his religious connection is with the German Lutheran church. Mr. Wiedenmann has spent practically his entire life in Rochester, where he has a large personal following, and many of his best friends are those who have known him from boyhood.

HARRY P. RUPPERT.

In the real estate circles of Rochester there is possibly no one who is better or more favorably known than Harry P. Ruppert. He is an unusually young man to have attained so high a place in the esteem of his associates and contemporaries, and this rapid rise is all the more creditable to him when it is known that his success has been entirely due to his own efforts. He was born in this city on the 22d of February, 1889, the son of the late Joseph and Cora (Britton) Ruppert and an only child. His mother, who was born in New York, is still living. The father, a native of

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ANDREW WIEDENMANN

Germany, grew to young manhood in Europe, where he was educated for a legal career in famous old Heidelberg University. In the halcyon days of the old university, when its degrees were coveted by Germans and foreigners alike, Joseph Ruppert graduated in law with the highest honors in his class. After he came to America he secured a position in the Abstract & Title Company of Rochester, with which he was connected up to the time of his death in 1905.

Harry P. Ruppert grew up in this city, where he was educated in its public and high schools. As his father died when he was only sixteen years old, it was necessary for young Harry Ruppert to turn his attention to earning a living so soon as he left high school. While fate thus deprived him of the university education he doubtless would have had if his scholarly father had lived, in the place of a college education he learned the lessons of that exacting taskmaster, human experience. His first position was that of secretary in the department of state, bureau of motor vehicles, and there he remained until he resigned to enter the real estate business on his own account. He is now the owner and manager of a highly successful realty business, handling downtown property and also doing subdividing on a handsome scale.

Perhaps Mr. Ruppert is almost as well known in some circles for his political activities as for his successes as a business man. As county committeeman for the tenth ward in Rochester he controls a large following and is a decided factor in the political life of the city. His support is given to the republican party and he was formerly chairman of the central committee of that party in his ward. At the present time he is serving as county deputy chief of the motor vehicle bureau, a position he is excellently qualified to fill as the result of his previous experience with that bureau.

Mr. Ruppert was married in Rochester, on the 23d of January, 1910, to Miss Mildred Magrane, daughter of Mrs. Jennie L. Magrane of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Ruppert have one child: A daughter, Shirley Jane Ruppert, born in July, 1914, who is now attending the grade schools. Mr. Ruppert's fraternal affiliations are with the Masonic order and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in Unity church of this city. Mr. Ruppert's clubs are the Rochester Yacht, Rochester Automobile, Advertising and Rochester Clubs.

LAWRENCE MONROE HACKETT, M. D.

One of the youngest members of the medical profession in Bolivar and vicinity, both in point of years and the length of time he has been practicing here, is Lawrence Monroe Hackett. He is one of Allegany county's native sons, born in Ceres, June 24, 1890. His grandfather, Nelson Hackett was a well known farmer of that neighborhood who died in 1901, at the age of seventy-five. His father, the late George William Hackett, M. D., was born in this county in 1863 and practiced medicine in Ceres for thirty-two years prior to his death, which occurred in 1915. He obtained his medical training in the University of Buffalo Medical School which his son, Lawrence M., later attended. Dr. Hackett's mother bore the maiden name of May Odenheimer and continues to make her home in Ceres since the death of her husband.

Lawrence Monroe Hackett attended high school in Olean, New York, following which he entered the Medical School of the University of Buffalo, graduating with the M. D. degree in 1914. His internship of one year was spent in the Sisters' Hospital of Buffalo. In 1916 the young physician spent three months equipping the county laboratory in Belmont, New York, being employed for the purpose by the New York state government. Meanwhile, upon the death of his father, Dr. Hackett took over the practice in Ceres, which he continued for a year and a half. He came to Bolivar in February of 1917, where he has since built up a large local practice in general medicine.

On the 4th of June, 1917, Dr. Hackett was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude E. Hill, daughter of William and Bertha (Scott) Hill of Little Genesee, New York. To Dr. and Mrs. Hackett one child has been born: Gertrude Marie, whose birthday is July 24, 1920.

During the World war Dr. Hackett served in the medical department of the Sixth Division with the rank of first lieutenant, making a military record for himself which entitles him to his membership in the American Legion. Politically he ranks as a republican and his religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal church. In his student days the Doctor became a member of two medical fraternities, Alpha Omega Delta and Phi Rho Sigma, and since then has identified himself with the Masonic order, his affiliations being with the lodge and chapter at Bolivar. In con-

nection with his profession he holds membership in the New York State Medical Association and the Allegany County Medical Society. All who have watched the career of this young physician since his school days have been much gratified to see the fulfillment of their early predictions for his success. Inheriting a gift for the medical profession from his father, he has had the benefit of the most up-to-date and scientific training in developing his powers. His lifework is barely begun, and there is every reason to believe that as the years go by he will rise by his own efforts to greater achievements in the service of mankind.

HARRY ALONZO ERWIN.

A successful farmer and business man who has had an active life in Steuben county and is a descendant of one of the pioneer families of this section, is Harry Alonzo Erwin of Corning, New York. He was born on the farm where he now resides, May 28, 1881, three miles east of Corning, the son of Samuel S. and Susie (Williams) Erwin. He attended Corning Free Academy, Mercersburg Academy and Elmira Business College. He engaged in the cut glass business in Corning for a time and then worked for the American Tobacco Company for four years, where he was in charge of buying leaf tobacco. Then he was in the automobile business in Corning for three years. He decided to go back to the farm, and with his knowledge of business and natural enterprise has made the old homestead a fine, up-to-date country place.

On January 19, 1910, Mr. Erwin was married to Bessie Utley, in Corning. They have one son, Curtis William, aged twelve. Mr. Erwin's family dates back to 1789 in the Genesee country. They once owned many square-miles of land in the district. His great-grandfather, Philo Hubbell, started Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, A. F. & A. M. His father, Samuel S. Erwin, was born in the town of Erwin, Steuben county, in 1827. He was a man of very high character and successful. He died October 1, 1914, when he was eighty-six years of age.

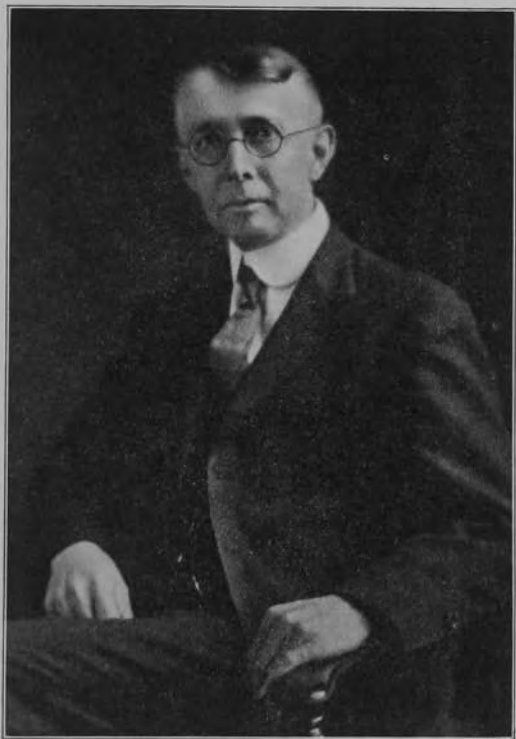
Harry Alonzo Erwin is a republican and was once the youngest county committeeman in New York state. He attended several state conventions and is active in the party. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, having membership in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, A. F. & A. M.; and Corning Consistory. He belongs to the Corning City Club, of which he has been a member for twenty-four years. He is also an Elk and a member of the Automobile Club, and attends the Presbyterian church.

JOHN E. COOPER.

Probably no man has done more in recent years for the material advancement of the village of Hilton, Monroe county, and the adjacent country than John E. Cooper, editor of the Hilton Record. He was born at Perry, Wyoming county, New York, July 27, 1862, and is a son of John Cooper, who came from England and settled in the town of Penfield, where he was for many years engaged in flour milling.

John E. Cooper was educated in the public schools of his native village, and upon leaving school he started to learn the printer's trade at Perry. Later he engaged in newspaper business as owner of the Pike Gazette at Pike, Wyoming county, and then for nine years was proprietor of the Middleport Herald, in Niagara county. Returning to Perry, he engaged in general merchandising for about one year or until 1897, when he established the Hilton Record. In 1921, associated with his two sons and a nephew, Charles M. Wade, he purchased the Charlotte News, and later established a weekly publication called the Hamlin-Morton-Kendall Enterprise. These papers are uniform in size and make up with the Hilton Record, each being a six-column quarto, with a four-page comic supplement. All are printed in Hilton, where the firm of John E. Cooper & Company has a well equipped job printing plant.

In the spring of 1902 there were but three telephones in the village of Hilton. These were pay stations of the Bell Telephone Company of Buffalo. Mr. Cooper conceived the idea of organizing a local telephone company and before the close of the year the Hilton Telephone Company was incorporated, with a capital of one thousand dollars and Mr. Cooper as president. It began business with only twenty-five subscribers. Two years later the business had grown to such an extent that the capital stock was increased to eight thousand dollars. In March, 1906, it was in-



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creased to fifteen thousand dollars, and all the stock was purchased by the citizens of the town.

Mr. Cooper became associated with the late Allan B. Fraser in organizing the Hilton Electric Light, Power & Heating Company and was the organizer of the Cooper Electric Company, supplying the town of Parma with light and power. Mr. Cooper became president and manager of these successful utilities and served until April, 1925, when they were purchased by the Mohawk Valley Company, a subsidiary of the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation. Mr. Cooper is cashier and local manager of these companies and also continues as a director of the Cooper Electric Company. While he exercises supervision over the three newspapers, the active work there is performed by his sons and nephew. The greater part of his own time has been devoted to the interests of the telephone and electric corporations.

Mr. Cooper was the organizer of the Hilton fire department and served as chief for nine years. Through his efforts the department was drilled and equipped, so that Hilton could boast a fire protection second to no village of its class in the state. He is a Mason, a member of the Masonic Club, a trustee of the Baptist church, and in politics is an independent republican.

Mr. Cooper was married at Pike, New York, to Miss Sadie M. Rose, and they have four children. Charles P. is a member of the firm of John E. Cooper & Company. He married Miss Emeline Dalton, of Holley, New York, and their four children are Donald, Dorothy, Jack and Harlan. Mildred is the wife of Allan G. Klock, a merchant of Walker, Monroe county, and has one son, John Douglas. John Harlan Cooper was educated in the Hilton and Rochester high schools. When the United States entered the World war he enlisted in the aviation corps. The early part of his service was at Columbus, Ohio, and later at Austin, Texas, after which he was pilot instructor at Kelly Field, Texas, until the close of the war. He then took up a land grant in California, where he remained for two years, when he became a partner of his father in the printing and publishing business. He married Miss Luella Cross, of Hilton. Doris Cooper, the youngest of the family, was graduated from the Hilton high school and is now a student in Keuka College of Keuka Park, New York, class of 1927.

THE MARR & COLTON COMPANY.

The Marr & Colton Company was organized in Warsaw, New York, in 1915, by David Marr and John J. Colton. Starting in a small way, in an old brick building not much larger than a garage, this company has developed an organization of organ craftsmen that is recognized in the organ field for the high quality of the instrument manufactured. This company was grown purely on the strength of the merits of the organs produced. Today Marr & Colton organs are installed in theatres, churches, lodges and public auditoriums throughout the United States.

David Marr started with the Hope-Jones Electric Organ Company of Birkenhead, England, in 1892. After a number of years with this concern he was later associated with Norman Brothers & Beard of Norwich, England, builders of the famous Cathedral organs. Mr. Marr then came to the United States and joined Hope-Jones & Harrison of Watsessing, New Jersey, and later was connected with the Ernest M. Skinner Company of Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. Marr was also at one time Pacific Coast representative of the Hope-Jones Organ Company of Elmira, New York. In 1910 he joined the Wurlitzer organization with Hope-Jones and upon the death of Hope-Jones he left the Wurlitzer company, and with John J. Colton, who was also connected with the Wurlitzer company, formed the Marr & Colton Company, a partnership consisting of Mr. Marr and, Mr. Colton. During Mr. Marr's association with Robert Hope-Jones, the world's most famous organ building genius, he assisted Mr. Hope-Jones in many of his patents. Mr. Marr also acted in an executive capacity for Mr. Hope-Jones in several of his companies.

John J. Colton started with the Hope-Jones Organ Company in Elmira, New York, in 1908 and specialized in voicing under Mr. Hope-Jones, who was recognized as the authority on the tonal construction of the organ. Mr. Colton joined the Wurlitzer company with Hope-Jones in 1910 and upon his death joined with Mr. Marr in organizing the Marr & Colton Company.

The Marr & Colton Company started in 1915 in a very small factory building. In 1916 a new factory building was constructed. The second factory was built in 1920 and in 1921 the building was doubled in size. Another addition is being added

to the present plant to take care of the increasing demand for the company's instrument. The Marr & Colton Company does not build stock organs. There is no piece-work construction and every craftsman is given all the time necessary to produce the finest piece of work possible. The plant has every modern convenience and labor-saving devices. Each instrument that is made is under the personal supervision of Mr. Marr and Mr. Colton. The Marr & Colton Company have branches and representatives in the following cities: New York, Buffalo and Rochester, New York; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Detroit, Michigan; Indianapolis, Indiana; Portland, Oregon; and Los Angeles, California.

JOSEPH P. DOYLE.

Joseph P. Doyle, one of the most successful of the younger members of the legal profession in Rochester, was born in Waterloo, New York, November 5, 1883. His father and mother, Patrick and Mary (Hayden) Doyle, came to this country from Ireland as young married people in 1873, and settled on a farm near Waterloo, New York, which the father cultivated for many years. He passed away on the 18th of December, 1923, at the age of seventy-six, and is survived by his widow and three children. Mrs. Patrick Doyle makes her home in Oaks Corners, Ontario county, New York, where she has lived for the past thirty-one years. The three surviving children are: Andrew M., of Phelps, Ontario county; Mrs. Elizabeth Kanranhan of Waterloo; and Joseph P. of this review.

After finishing the course in the Phelps high school, which he attended as a youth, Joseph P. Doyle entered Syracuse University and graduated therefrom in the class of 1908, with the Bachelor of Laws degree. He at once entered the practice of law in Rochester and now has one of the largest practices in the city. Mr. Doyle has steadily progressed in his profession by sheer merit and force of character, for he has had to depend upon himself since early youth and has enjoyed no financial backing nor professional influence. Possessed of a naturally keen and logical mind, he has given his best to a clientele that in both character and extent attests his ability as a lawyer. The fact that he has ever upheld the highest ethical standards of his profession as well as exhibited a thorough knowledge of the law, has brought him the favorable regard and esteem of his colleagues before the bar.

On the 19th of June, 1912, in this city, Mr. Doyle was married to Miss Elizabeth O'Brien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Brien of Canandaigua. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle have two daughters: Elizabeth and Jean, both of whom were born in Rochester. Mr. Doyle is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus, a member of the Elks, the Rochester Automobile Club and the Erie Social Club. His political support is given to the republican party. Professionally Mr. Doyle is identified with the New York State Bar Association.

ELLWOOD M. HARRIS.

Although his residence in Rochester covers but a brief period, Eliwood M. Harris already occupies a secure place in popular confidence and esteem as an astute, far-sighted and thoroughly reliable young business man, and his enterprise and ability have made him an influential factor in connection with the automobile trade. Mr. Harris is a native of Canada. He was born January 9, 1891, in London, Ontario, and is a son of J. B. and Elizabeth (Logan) Harris. They have always resided in that province and the father's life has been devoted to agricultural pursuits.

Mr. Harris attended the public schools of his native city and his education was completed in the London Collegiate Institute, of which he is a graduate. For several years he was employed as an architect and heating engineer in the office of the Dominion Radiator Company, Ltd., at Toronto, and after severing his relations with that company accepted a responsible position with the Ford Motor Company of Toronto, with which he was connected until during the World war. He enlisted February 4, 1918, in the Royal Air Force and was commissioned a lieutenant, being assigned to duty as an instructor in the Canadian flying school. After receiving his honorable discharge February 11, 1919, Mr. Harris became connected with the Chevrolet Motor Company, Ltd., of Canada, assuming after a time, the duties of assistant sales manager at Oshawa in May, 1920. He was later transferred to Buffalo, New York, where

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he served the corporation as sales manager until May, 1923. He then came to Rochester and organized the Harris Chevrolet Corporation, of which he is the president. He opened salesrooms at No. 58 Plymouth avenue, North, and has already developed an active and thriving business, ranking with the leading ones in the city. Mr. Harris is an enthusiastic advocate of the Chevrolet car, basing his support upon a thorough understanding of its good points, and he maintains that it is not only the lowest priced automobile in the world but is also very economical to maintain and operate. He has made a close study of the business in which he is engaged and says: "More than any other single factor of civilization, the automobile has multiplied the producing power of man, reducing time and distance by providing a broad and flexible means for the transportation of men and their products. The great growth of the automobile industry could not have been had not the automobile more than satisfied itself as an economizer of man power, a stimulator of production and a creator of wealth. The Chevrolet epitomizes the progress of the industry to date along the line of maximum economy, consistent with modern requirements as to engineering efficiency and satisfactory quality. The keen demand for Chevrolet cars indicates that the people of Rochester are awake to the fact that the tendency today is to purchase miles of economical transportation rather than pieces of machinery in the form of motor cars."

In Toronto, Canada, March 15, 1917, Mr. Harris married Miss Irene Glendinning, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Glendinning of that city, and they have a son, Ellwood G. Harris, who was born at Rochester September 16, 1923.

Mr. Harris has thoroughly allied his interests with those of his adopted city and is an earnest, energetic member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Ad Club. Progressive, self-reliant and efficient, Mr. Harris has won success through the medium of his own efforts and his sterling qualities of character have enabled him to gain and retain the respect and goodwill of his fellowmen.

FRANKLIN JAMES BROWN.

Franklin James Brown of Richburg, one of the most successful oil producers in this field and a leading citizen in his community, is very representative of the type of man we like to call truly American. Native born and educated in our public schools, his life story has been the history of the rising fortunes of a youth whose chief assets were industry, integrity and ambition. To him belongs the sole credit for whatever measure of success he has attained and his example should be an inspiration to the youth of the present generation. Born in the little village of Lawrence, in northern Illinois, on April 25, 1866, he is the son of Royal and Amelia (Smith) Brown. His father, a native of Nelson, Madison county, New York, was a farmer in Illinois. He died in 1869, at the age of forty-five, when his son was but three years old. As a result much of Mr. Brown's boyhood was spent in New York state and he went through the public schools of Cuba, New York. As a young man he engaged in the manufacture of cheese, investing his small capital in a cheese factory in Belmont, Allegany county, which he ran for about five years. Another five-year period was spent in the same industry in Richburg. Here Mr. Brown came into intimate contact with the oil producing industry, which not unnaturally attracted his attention and aroused his ambition to become an oil producer. His first venture in this direction was the purchase of an oil lease that he began to work himself. He was decidedly successful in this enterprise and soon was devoting most of his attention to this very profitable line of business. Today he ranks as one of the most successful men in the field. Mr. Brown has been interested in other local enterprises of a financial nature, however, among which should be mentioned the Bolivar & Richburg Electric Corporation, of which he is the vice president.

In 1887 Mr. Brown was united in marriage to Miss Hannah Burleson, daughter of William and Susan (Putnam) Burleson of this county. Mrs. Brown died in 1921 leaving a son and a daughter. The son, Leroy C. Brown, lives in Olean, where he is employed as a clerk by the Pennsylvania Railroad. He married Miss Mabel Hopkins of Richburg and they have two children, Howard and Robert; Laura Brown became the wife of William E. Hammond of this village, who is associated with his father-in-law in the production of oil. In 1923 Mr. Brown was married to Mrs. Alice M. Cole, nee Jones, daughter of Patrick H. Jones, a former oil producer of this vicinity, now a resident of Olean.

Civic affairs in the village have always held Mr. Brown's interest and that he

has been ready to give of his time and services to the upbuilding of the community is shown by the fact that he served as president of the village for five years previous to 1925. He is a republican in his political affiliations, but belongs to the independent wing of his party, reserving the right to vote as he thinks best regardless of party ties. Fraternally he is an Elk, belonging to the lodge at Olean. Mr. Brown is one of the men in this vicinity who by the advancement of his own fortunes has contributed substantially to the growth and prosperity of the entire community, while his public-spirited support of all that is worth while in civic life has made him a highly valued citizen as well as a respected man of business.

CLARENCE WALKER SMITH.

Clarence W. Smith, bookseller, stationer and importer, is one of the best known men in his line of business in Rochester, where he has been connected with the mercantile interests of the city for over twenty years. He was born in San Francisco, California, March 31, 1881, a son of Clarence and Mary (Walker) Smith, the former a native of Palmyra, New York, and the latter of Virginia. They were residents of San Francisco for a number of years and there the father was engaged in journalism. Both parents are now deceased.

Clarence W. Smith received his education in the public schools of San Francisco and at De Veaux Military Academy. He entered on his business career as an employe in a hardware store, later becoming connected with the firm of Scranton & Wetmore, with whom he remained until going into business for himself.

In May, 1912, Mr. Smith established a business of his own and has been thus engaged ever since. He has built up a high class business and enjoys a wide acquaintance among the best trade of the Genesee Country in his line of merchandise. He carries a complete stock of books and stationery, is also an importer of rare volumes, and his attractive store in the Sagamore building is much frequented by persons of literary taste whose wants he is prepared to supply.

Mr. Smith is a director of the Infants Summer Hospital. He belongs to the Genesee Valley Club, the Ad Club, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Historical Society and the American Bookseller Association. He takes a deep and helpful interest in all matters relating to municipal development and is numbered among the city's progressive merchants and enterprising business men.

ROY W. VAN HOESEN.

Roy W. Van Hoesen, a publisher of Franklinville, New York, is an American who made a new start after misfortune overtook him and in fifteen years more established himself as not only a successful editor and magazine and newspaper proprietor but as an expert in the poultry business and one of the leading citizens of his community. Still a young man, he has opportunity before him and will undoubtedly push on with his ambitions and his desire for service. He is the descendant of the proud old Hollanders who came to New Amsterdam prior to 1675 and the family dates back many centuries. He is the son of L. Wilbur and Carrie (McIntyre) Van Hoesen, born in a log cabin in Lyndon, March 10, 1873. His father was connected with the Cattaraugus County Cooperative Farmers Fire Relief Association for many years, starting as solicitor and finally becoming president, retiring on account of ill health. His grandfather, James Van Hoesen, was the first of the family to settle in this section, locating in what is now Franklinville and living here all the rest of his life.

Roy W. Van Hoesen attended the "little red schoolhouse", the Franklinville grammar school and then Ten Broeck Academy. He farmed until he was twenty and then came to Franklinville to seek his fortune. He had his choice between a job in a store and an apprenticeship in The Journal newspaper shop and wisely chose the latter. Ward Morton was his first employer and was to prove a good friend in after years. This was in 1892 and three years later he went into partnership with Virgil O. Hayden and they purchased the Springville News. After a year they sold this paper and returned to Franklinville and the young publisher entered the employ of Eugene M. Adams. He became closely associated in the management of the business and through his efforts and those of the head of the firm the business grew from a three-man affair to one employing thirty men—and the largest single business in the town.



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The magazine business called, and on February 19, 1898, Mr. Van Hoesen was made assistant manager and associate editor of the "The Grape Belt" and "Fruit", publications of Dunkirk, New York, then published by his old employer, Mr. Morton. He also took over the Franklinville Journal and conducted it successfully for a time, turning it over to Mr. Morton that he might return to work with Mr. Adams. In 1906 he became bookkeeper for the People's National Bank and that ill-fated institution, which failed in 1908, not only left him jobless but also devoid of the savings of a long period of hard work—several thousand dollars. During the next year, trying to regain his place in the world, he managed the Assembly Store in Silver Lake and for two years was daily messenger between Franklinville and Buffalo, meanwhile working up a mail order printing business. In October, 1909, he started a small job shop in the basement of his home and in September, 1912, the business having flourished, he moved to the present location of the Van Hoesen Press. In 1910 he established the Ancona World and in 1912 The Campine Herald, both monthly poultry publications, and in 1914 the Yorkshire Swine Monthly. These magazines have a world-wide circulation and have proved to be high-grade trade publications.

Mr. Van Hoesen and his partner Mr. Hayden installed the first telephone line in the village. They secured a franchise and strung a mile of wire and connected several phones. They eventually sold their franchise to the Franklinville Telephone Company. Mr. Van Hoesen was a volunteer for the war with Spain, inducing twenty friends to join the colors with him. The Brown Cavalry Company was their organization but it was not called out. Fraternally he belongs to Franklinville Lodge, No. 626, F. & A. M., where he has served as junior warden and secretary for several years; and is a Scottish Rite Mason, belonging to the consistory, at Olean. He has been a Mason for over thirty years and is now worthy patron of the Eastern Star, serving his third consecutive term. He was superintendent of the First Presbyterian Sunday school for three years and secretary of the Cattaraugus county Sunday School Association for four years; has been secretary of the lecture course committee; organized the Franklinville Camera Club and was its first president; was secretary of the Franklinville Business Men's Association for two years; and belongs to other clubs and associations. He is a member of the Holland Society of New York, limited to one thousand members, who are qualified descendants of pioneers who came from Holland before 1675.

Mr. Van Hoesen has made a name for himself in the chicken fancying world, and imports and exports stock. He is secretary of the Ancona Club of this country; vice president of the Ancona Club of England; vice president of the Cattaraugus County Association; and a member of the International Ancona Club and the American Poultry Association. He is a newspaper contributor and has published several books.

Roy W. Van Hoesen was married to Miss Lena L. Kelley of Pike, New York, on June 24, 1903. She had been a very successful teacher and was an alumni of Pike Seminary and Buffalo Normal. Mr. and Mrs. Van Hoesen have one child, Christine.

JOHN FRANCIS KELLOGG.

When the State Bank of Avon, at Avon, Livingston county, New York, was organized in 1892, the executive officers of the bank looked around among their acquaintances for a likely young man to fill the responsible position of assistant cashier. That was thirty-two years ago, as these lines are written. The choice of the officers settled upon John Francis Kellogg, then in his twenty-first year of life, a native of Avon and member of a well known family. Mr. Kellogg was installed in the position and has retained it through the intervening years, a fact which speaks well for the perspicacity of the officers who selected Mr. Kellogg, and more strongly still for the fidelity with which he has attended to his duties in the institution. He was born in Avon, June 4, 1871, the son of Francis and Helen M. (Hogmire) Kellogg, both now deceased.

John Francis Kellogg was reared in the town, received his education in the grade schools, the Genesee Normal School, and the Rochester Business University, at Rochester, New York. His first employment was with A. Carpenter, entering the State Bank of Avon in 1892 as assistant cashier. In addition to the duties pertaining to his position Mr. Kellogg also conducts a general insurance and real estate office, representing eight companies in the first named branch. Mr. Kellogg is a member of

the Masonic order, is an elder in the Presbyterian church of Avon, and in politics votes the republican ticket.

On June 15, 1898, Mr. Kellogg was married to Kate Washburn, a native of Maine. Five children have been born to them: John F., Jr., is now attending the Medical School of Harvard University, at Cambridge, Massachusetts; Thurlow W., Helen, Katharine and Martha are at home in Avon.

HENRY CONOLLY.

Henry Conolly, president of the Henry Conolly Company of Rochester, was born in Sligo, Ireland, on the 22d of November, 1861. He learned the trade of a bookbinder in the old country and upon his arrival in the United States in 1886 secured a position in a bindery of Boston, Massachusetts, where he followed his trade for about a year. Through the solicitation of the Alling & Cory Company of Rochester he came to this city on the 1st of May, 1887, as an employe of that firm. During the eighteen months Mr. Conolly worked for that concern he conceived the idea of going into business for himself, and upon the perfection of his plans he started out in a small shop which was enlarged from time to time during the first few years of the business. Finally it became evident that nothing short of a building erected especially for the work of Mr. Conolly's establishment would be sufficient to take care of the growing demands of his clientele. He then built the structure at No. 39 Elizabeth street, now occupied by the Henry Conolly Company. This building is a tangible evidence of Henry Conolly's achievements in the commercial world and symbolizes the growth of his printing and binding business from a little shop to a large modern industry. The plant is one of the most modern and completely equipped of its kind in the state and requires a force of over one hundred experienced printers and binders. Those who are familiar with this establishment can discern in every department of its work the influence of Mr. Conolly, the president of the company since 1915, for he has been the guiding spirit of the business ever since its beginning over thirty years ago.

For two terms Mr. Connolly served the Typothetae Association of Master Printers of Rochester as its president, and has ever stood ready to cooperate with every movement he felt would be of value to the printing trade. As one of the leading business men of the city he supports the work of the Chamber of Commerce and also belongs to the Washington and Rochester Clubs.

WILLIAM KENDALL PAUL, M. D.

Other responsibilities made it necessary many years ago for Dr. William Kendall Paul, of Belmont, Allegany county, New York, physician, oil producer and financier, to withdraw from the active practice of his profession, but that did not nullify his interest in medical work, and he has always kept in close touch with what is being accomplished and the progress that is being constantly made. Dr. Paul is associated with a number of organizations which have for their object the prevention and cure of disease and the betterment of living conditions among the poorer classes of the people. To this work he has devoted many years of his life, and the results of his efforts are being felt in every part of the Empire state, as well as in many others.

Dr. Paul was born on December 26, 1860, at West Falls, Erie county, New York, the son of Reuel Mahuron and Sarah (Long) Paul, both of whom are deceased. The mother passed away at East Aurora, New York, on December 26, 1923, at the age of ninety-three years and six months. The early education of Dr. Paul was acquired in the district schools of West Falls and his studies were continued in the Aurora Academy at East Aurora, New York. He received an academic diploma at the University of the State of New York, at Albany, New York, in 1881, while subsequently he pursued a three-year course at Cleveland, Ohio, in a branch of the University of Ohio maintained there, and was the salutatorian of his class, which graduated in 1884. Dr. Paul then began the practice of medicine at Angelica, New York, remained there for two and one-half years, and next took a course of six months at the Post Graduate School of Medicine in the city of New York. He became a resident of Belmont in 1896, and was in active practice for about three years before his withdrawal. Since 1908 Dr. Paul has been a trustee of the Western

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New York Society for Protection of Homeless and Dependent Children. He is president of the Allegany County Committee on Tuberculosis and Public Health, was associated with its organization in 1917, and has been its president since that time. He is also a member of the State Charities Aid Association, under the surveillance of which the county organization is being carried on.

Dr. Paul is a member of the Allegany County Medical Society and the New York State Medical Society, and the Sons of the American Revolution. He is a Knights Templar Mason, has also attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. In his political convictions he is a member of the republican party.

On the 5th of October, 1887, Dr. Paul was married to Henrietta Willets, daughter of Isaac and Harriet (Ayres) Willets. Only one of their three children is living, for Willets Castleton Paul died at the age of eighteen months and Frances Paul died in infancy. Henrietta Helene Paul, the surviving daughter, became the wife of William Hector MacKenzie, of Hamilton, Ohio, on December 17, 1917. They have one son, William Hector (IV), he being the fourth in direct line of that name.

Isaac Willets, father of Mrs. Paul, was a pioneer lumberman and later a large oil producer. He was one of the extensive individual oil producers in this section, his daily production being over five thousand barrels. The interests of the late Isaac Willets were incorporated in 1922 as the Willets & Paul Corporation. Dr. Paul is also identified with financial activities as vice president of the State Bank of Belmont.

GEORGE HERBERT SMITH.

George Herbert Smith, of Rochester, was born in Elmira, New York, December 11, 1857, only child of Lewis E. and Lucy (Boardman) Smith, whose home at that time was in the town of Livonia, Livingston county, New York. The mother was a daughter of Allyn and Phoebe (Woodworth) Boardman, the latter a native of New England. They lived in Tompkins county, New York, where Mr. Boardman engaged in farming and stock raising, also operating a tannery. The paternal grandparents were George and Sally (Woodruff) Smith, both of whom were natives of Vermont and became pioneer settlers of Livingston county, New York. The former was a surveyor and contractor. He was a veteran of the War of 1812, retiring with the rank of colonel. He was the first representative of Livingston county in the New York assembly. His son, Lewis E. Smith, was born in Livingston county and followed the law until failing health compelled him to abandon his chosen profession.

George Herbert Smith attended the Livonia district school, moved with his parents to Rochester, New York, in 1871, and was graduated from the Rochester Free Academy. In 1879 he entered the University of Rochester, from which he won the A. B. degree in 1881, receiving the degree of A. M. some years later. He entered the law office of Smith & Briggs almost immediately. About a year afterward he became a law student at Columbia University, which he attended for a year. He was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1883. He established himself in practice in Rochester in May, 1884, where he has since followed his profession. He is a life member of the New York State Bar Association.

In Somerset, Pennsylvania, on October 22, 1896, Mr. Smith was married to Miss Maud L. Cook, a daughter of Jonas M. and Emma Cook, prominent residents of that place. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith: Lucy B., who was educated at Wellesley College and is now an art student in Paris, France; Malcolm E., who completed a course in agriculture at Cornell University of Ithaca, New York; Margaret L., now a student in that university; and Mary Eleanor and Hilda A., who are students in West high school of Rochester. There is also an adopted son, Roger Alan Smith.

Mr. Smith takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs. He was for six years a member of the board of supervisors of Monroe county and for two years chairman of the board. During the sessions of 1902 and 1903 he represented his district in the general assembly of New York state. He is a member of the University Club and in Masonry has attained the thirty-second degree. His religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Unitarian church. Mr. Smith was an earnest advocate of political equality for women before the cause became popular and enjoyed the personal friendship of Susan B. Anthony. He has been a student of municipal government and interested in procuring the best form of charter for our cities. He was a member of the National Municipal League and a charter member of the

New York State Commission Government Association. He has been interested in the care of the insane and was for a number of years a member of the board of managers of the Rochester State Hospital for the Insane.

ROBERT JAMES McKECHNIE.

While the efforts of the merchant and the manufacturer take a more tangible form in direct results, the labors of perhaps no individual more closely affect the welfare and advancement of a community than do those of the educator. In this profession Robert James McKechnie has achieved notable success. He is the founder and head of the Phono-Syllabic Secretarial and Accounting School, situated at No. 35 Main street, East, in Rochester, and within a few years has built up an institution second to none in the character and thoroughness of its instruction. He is a native of Canada, born April 12, 1887, in Georgetown, in the province of Ontario, and his parents, Donald and Rhoda (Watson) McKechnie, were residents of the Dominion, where the mother passed away in 1899. In 1900 the father, who was a merchant, removed to Gloversville, New York, where his death occurred in 1907. Six children were born to them: William J., treasurer and manager of the Toledo Casket Company; Martha, who is unmarried and resides in Toronto, Canada; Thomas H., who lives in Gloversville, New York, and acts as general agent for various manufacturing firms; George A. whose death occurred in Gloversville, in 1924; Mrs. Sophia Pen-gelly of Glencairn, Ontario, Canada; and Robert James of this review.

Robert James McKechnie obtained his early education in his native province, continuing his studies in the Gloversville high school, and afterward attended a business college of that place, while he also completed a course in accounting and secretarial work in Toronto, Canada. When a young man of twenty-one Mr. McKechnie established his first business college, choosing Detroit, Michigan, as the scene of his operations, and encouraged by the success of the venture, he extended his activities to other cities. At the end of five years he was the proprietor of commercial schools in two other cities besides Detroit. Subsequently he withdrew from the educational field and went to Toronto, Canada, as advertising manager for a large mail-order house of that city. He filled that position for three years and then joined the Elliot Advertising Service of Rochester, with which he was connected for two years. In 1917 Mr. McKechnie opened a small business college on Church street, where he had accommodations for twenty students, and later secured larger quarters on State street, where he remained for three years, when he removed to his present location. He now has room for more than two hundred and fifty students and is planning to expand the business within a few months. The rapid growth of the institution is evidence of the executive ability of its president, as well as his thorough understanding of the practical and theoretical sides of business life, while the success of the graduates of the school is proof of the excellence of its methods of teaching. The accounting course includes instruction in bookkeeping, rapid calculation, penmanship, corporation accounting, national bank accounting, cost accounting, touch typewriting, office management, income tax reports, business organization and administration, advanced business letter writing, advertising technique, parliamentary law, and special lectures covering the legal status and duties of the accountant, modern methods and other phases of the work. The secretarial course covers shorthand, touch typewriting, English and spelling, filing methods, office procedure, office appliances, secretarial training, secretarial bookkeeping, business organization and administration, advanced business letter writing, advertising technique, business and personal efficiency, business and social amenities, parliamentary law, research and investigation and special lectures covering the duties of the secretary and other points. The faculty is composed of six members, who are authorities on the subjects they teach, and the enrollment is limited, only a certain number of pupils being accepted at one time. The teachers thus have an opportunity to study each student and train him along the lines of his own personality or peculiar requirements. Mr. McKechnie is the inventor of the Phono-Syllabic system, the most modern way of writing shorthand. It offers all the advantages of the old-style methods and over three thousand Rochester stenographers testify to its efficiency. Owing to its simplified form it is written and read with the greatest ease, regardless of the technical nature of the dictation, and represents the most perfect expression of the "winged art." The Phono-Syllabic Secretarial and Accounting School affords a course in business administration that opens the door to the highest positions in the

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business world to ambitious young men and women, who are coming to Rochester in large numbers to avail themselves of this modern institution of learning.

In Acton, Ontario, on June 30, 1909, Mr. McKechnie was married to Miss Florence A. Soper, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Soper, well known residents of that town. Mr. and Mrs. McKechnie have two children: Elmore S., who was born in Detroit, Michigan, June 25, 1911; and Donald V., born in Toronto, Canada, December 29, 1914. The family now resides at No. 93 Ellicott street, Rochester.

Mr. McKechnie is a Mason in high standing. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the Consistory and is also a Shriner. He is a member of the Lions Club of Rochester, the Shrine Lunch Club, the Automobile and Ad Clubs and the Chamber of Commerce. He heartily indorses all projects destined to prove of benefit to his community and is accorded the respect which the world ever pays to the self-made man who has won success on his own merits. Holding to high ideals, he has built up an institution which is a great asset to the city and a monument to the progressive spirit and constructive powers of its founders.

EDDY C. GILBERT.

In the matter of family trees that possessed by Eddy C. Gilbert, druggist, of Rushford, Allegany county, New York, is especially notable. Members of his family have been domiciled in Allegany county for nearly one hundred years, while the family origin is traced back to the east and to a period before the Revolutionary war, in which at least one of his forebears was a soldier on the American side. Eddy C. Gilbert was born in Rushford, July 15, 1857, the son of Hiram B. and Sophia (Eddy) Gilbert, who were married in Rushford, on September 15, 1856. Hiram B. Gilbert was born in Rushford, January 28, 1834, and was a farmer until his death, which occurred on April 2, 1899. His wife was a daughter of Newbury Eddy, who moved from Vermont and settled in Rushford in 1829, and (with the exception of one year), she lived and died on the farm on which she was born. This farm was purchased from the Holland Land Company and has ever since been in the family's possession. The paternal grandfather of Eddy C. Gilbert was Harris Gilbert, who was married to Chloe Smith on December 30, 1826, in Milo, New York. Harris Gilbert was born August 7, 1805, and died April 6, 1870. He located in Rushford in 1831, where he worked at his trade as a blacksmith. The great grandparents of Mr. Gilbert were William Gilbert and Hope Burr, who were married on April 6, 1789, in Middletown, Connecticut. William Gilbert was born in Middletown, June 24, 1758, and died on July 11, 1836, in Gates, near Rochester, New York. He served with the American forces in the Revolutionary war at various periods between February 1, 1776 and August, 1779.

Eddy C. Gilbert is not only a pharmacist but is actively interested in all matters that affect the welfare of his community, and takes a prominent part in the business, social and political life of his town and county. He received his education in the local public school and the Rushford grade school and in 1880 formed a partnership with Dr. O. T. Stacy in the drug business, under the name of Stacy & Gilbert. At the end of five years Mr. Gilbert took over the business and has since conducted it alone. In his political opinions Mr. Gilbert is a democrat, and during the administration of President Woodrow Wilson he was appointed postmaster of Rushford. He was the democratic candidate for the state assembly in 1923, but was defeated, since Allegany county is strongly republican. For twelve years he served as justice of the peace in Rushford. Mr. Gilbert has been a director of the Union National Bank of Franklinville, New York, for the past twenty-four years, and is a director of the State Bank of Rushford. In 1921 he called a meeting of citizens to consider organizing a bank to succeed a bank at Rushford that had failed, and being an effective and convincing speaker is often called upon to address public gatherings. Fraternally Mr. Gilbert is affiliated with the Masonic order, was worshipful master of the Rushford Masonic Lodge for ten years, and belongs to the chapter, commandery and Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Gilbert was married on November 29, 1883, to Mrs. Nellie (Bell) Marean, daughter of Joseph and Matilda Bell of Rushford. She died on March 8, 1885. On September 9, 1886, Mr. Gilbert was married to Helen J. White of Rushford, adopted daughter of Henry Kirk and Marena Sears White. Mrs. Gilbert was born in Rushford on February 3, 1855, was educated in the local schools and was graduated from the Genesee Normal School in June, 1878. For ten years she was a teacher in the public schools of New York state, and prepared and published a history of the town of Rush-

ford entitled, "Rushford and Rushford People." Mrs. Gilbert has contributed a number of articles to newspapers and has organized several literary clubs. She was the organizer of the Rushford Free Library Association. In 1914 and 1915 she was awarded first prize in a historical contest by the Empire State Society of Chicago. She has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church in Rushford for fifty-five years.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert have a son, Allan H., born March 18, 1888. He is now professor of English in Duke University, at Durham, North Carolina. For a time he was an instructor in Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and later taught in Rice Institute and the University of Tennessee. He has published a book entitled, "Geographical Dictionary of Milton", and is a contributor to various educational publications. He received the degree of A. B. from Cornell University in 1909, A. M. from Yale University in 1910, and Ph. D. from Cornell in 1912. Allan H. Gilbert was married on August 1, 1913, to Katharine Everett of Brook, Indiana, whom he met at Cornell University. She has a Ph. D. degree from Cornell, having formerly graduated from Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

D. SHERMAN BURDICK.

D. Sherman Burdick of Alfred, New York, president of the University Bank and treasurer of Allegany county, was born in Ward, Allegany county, August 12, 1860, the son of Milo and Sarah (Sherman) Burdick, both now deceased. The father was a merchant in Alfred for a number of years before his death.

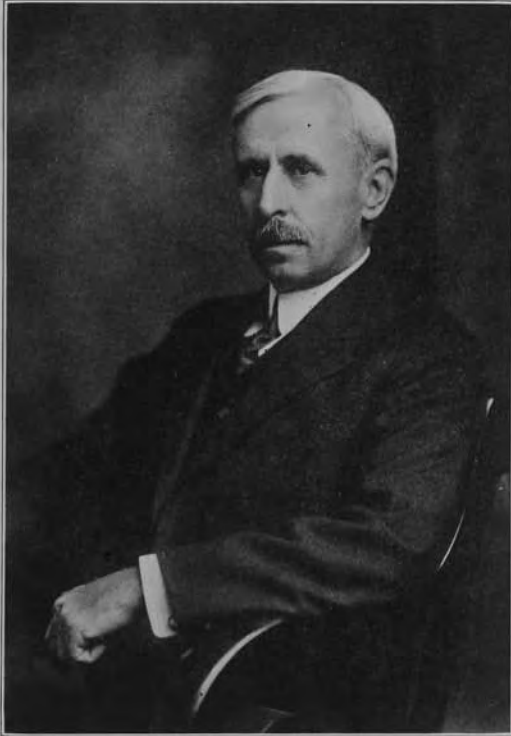
D. Sherman Burdick acquired his education entirely in Alfred, where he first attended the district schools, then the Alfred Academy and finally Alfred University, from which he graduated in 1882. After completing his education Mr. Burdick engaged in business. His first venture was in the hardware line with J. Chandler Greene, as Burdick & Greene, a connection that lasted until 1896, when Mr. Burdick sold out and became a factor in the wholesale cheese business in Alfred, as W. C. Burdick & Company, remaining in this line for five years. In 1906 Mr. Burdick was elected treasurer of Allegany county on the republican ticket and has been reelected at every expiration of his term since. He has been president of the University Bank at Alfred for the past fifteen years and in addition is the owner of a local insurance agency business.

Mr. Burdick was married on July 15, 1914, to Kezia Crocker of Concord, New Hampshire. Fraternally Mr. Burdick is a Royal Arch Mason and an Elk, while in religion he is a member of the Seventh Day Baptist church of Alfred.

HARRY E. GOODRICH.

One of the most prominent men in the village of Richburg today is Harry E. Goodrich, oil producer, former merchant and public-spirited citizen. There are few lines of activity, civic, social or educational, in which Mr. Goodrich does not take an active interest, and that his support of any enterprise is whole-hearted and efficient is well known by all his friends and acquaintances. There are no halfway measures in this oil producer's scheme of life. Always a hard worker, he plays hard and takes into all the "outside" activities of his life the same enthusiasm and determination that have made him a notable success in the oil industry and business world. He was born in Crystal Springs, Yates county, New York, March 31, 1876. His father was Martin Goodrich, who in early life plied his trade as a cooper in Yates county, but later spent twenty years in the oil fields of Allegany county. The mother was Lydia Clarke before her marriage.

Harry E. Goodrich received a good education in the common schools of this state and the Richburg high school. At the age of twenty-two he embarked in the mercantile business in this village as the proprietor of a store of his own. After about six years he disposed of this store to go to Bolivar, where he operated another store for fourteen years. Meanwhile, he had become very deeply interested in the production of oil in the Allegany county field, beginning at first in a small way and gradually increasing the scope of his operations as his capital and experience increased. From the first, fortune smiled upon Mr. Goodrich and after some time his oil business had reached such proportions that he deemed it wise to sell out his mercantile inter-



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ests in order to devote his entire attention to his wells. Although the yield of his wells and wise investments have brought this producer an accumulation of this world's goods that would satisfy most men, he continues active in the field because he thoroughly enjoys his work. As a distinguished banker once said, "Business life is a great game and the harder you play it the more fun you get out of it."

It would be a mistake, however, to think that Mr. Goodrich is one of those "hard-headed" business men who thinks of little else besides his own money-making enterprises. On the contrary, he is very public-spirited and has done a great deal to improve this community. He is one of the champions of hard roads in this section and was instrumental in bringing the hard road from Bolivar to Wellsville. Recently he was elected chairman of the board of supervisors, taking office at the beginning of the year 1924. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church. In the village Mr. Goodrich has been chosen to fill many responsible offices, including that of president of the library board, which he held for three terms, and the presidency of the village, to which he has been elected twice. He has likewise served two terms on the local school board. As a Mason he belongs to the blue lodge and chapter and is preparing to take higher degrees in this order in the near future.

Mr. Goodrich and Miss Leona Millis, daughter of D. C. and Maryette Millis of Richburg, were united in marriage in 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich have three sons: Roger H., born in 1902, was educated in the local schools and the Westbrook Business College of Olean and is now assisting his father as a pumper on the latter's oil leases; Mitchell, born in 1911 is a student in the local high school; and Dee C., born in 1913, is attending the graded schools of Richburg.

JAMES FRANKLIN HAMILTON.

James Franklin Hamilton, one of the foremost representatives of transportation interests in the Genesee country, was elected president of the New York State Railways of Rochester in December, 1918. He was born on the 10th of August, 1876, the son of Alexander and Elizabeth Hamilton, and in the acquirement of an education attended Wilson Academy of Angelica, New York. He was a young man of twenty years when in 1896 he entered the transportation department of the International Railway Company of Buffalo, from which he resigned six years later to accept the position of assistant superintendent of the Schenectady Railway Company of Schenectady, New York, serving in that capacity from 1902 until 1909, when he was appointed superintendent of the company. In 1911 Mr. Hamilton was engaged as general superintendent of the United Traction Company, operating in the cities of Albany, Watervliet, Troy, Rensselaer, Cohoes and Waterford, and at the same time was retained by the Schenectady Railway Company in an advisory capacity. He was appointed general manager of the Schenectady Railway Company and the United Traction Company in 1912 and five years later, in 1917, was appointed general manager of the Rochester Lines of the New York State Railways. In February, 1918, he was elected vice president and general manager of the New York State Railways, with general supervision over the Rochester, Syracuse, Utica and Oneida companies. He was elected president of the New York State Railways in December, 1918, and in addition to his important duties in this connection is also serving as general manager of the New York and Harlem Traction Lines of New York city.

From the following list of Mr. Hamilton's official connections may be gained some idea of the extent and breadth of his operations: President of the New York State Railways of Rochester; president of the East Avenue Bus Company of Rochester; president of The Glen Haven Improvement Company of Rochester; president of the Ontario Light & Traction Company of Canandaigua; president of the Ridge Road Passenger Lines, Incorporated, of Rochester; president of the Rochester Electric Railway Company of Rochester; president of the Rochester Interurban Bus Company of Rochester; president of the Rochester Railways Coordinated Bus Lines, Incorporated, of Rochester; president of the Syracuse Railway Coordinated Bus Line, Incorporated, of Syracuse; president of the Utica Railway Coordinated Bus Line, Incorporated, of Utica; president of the Manhattan Bus Corporation of New York city; director of the Schenectady Railway Company of Schenectady; director of the Rochester, Lockport & Buffalo Railroad Corporation of Rochester; director of the Consolidated Materials Corporation of Rochester; director of The Rochester Association

of Rochester; director of the Union Trust Company of Rochester; and ex-president of the Morris Plan Bank of Schenectady.

In 1902, in Birdsall, New York, Mr. Hamilton was married to Jessie M. Young, of Angelica, this state. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order, belonging to St. George's Lodge No. 6, F. & A. M.; St. George's Chapter No. 157, R. A. M.; St. George's Commandery No. 37, K. T.; St. George's Council, R. & S. M.; and Oriental Shrine. His name is also on the membership rolls of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce; the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Club and the Oak Hill Country Club and the Washington Club, all of Rochester; the Monroe Golf Club of Pittsford; the Fort Orange Club of Albany; the Mohawk Club of Schenectady; and the Transportation Club of New York city. He is highly regarded by his associates and has an extensive circle of friends in Rochester who hold him in great esteem for his personal qualities as well as his splendid achievements in his chosen field of business activity.

MAX RUSSER.

Max Russer is an excellent type of the up-to-date business man and wide-awake, public-spirited citizen who can achieve financial success, at the same time contribute liberally to worthy projects, indulge in his hobbies and be regarded as a most valuable man in his community. Mr. Russer, although but just entering the middle-age period of life, has had an unusual career and one that reflects no little credit upon him. He was born in Germany, December 8, 1882, and was three months old when his parents, Max and Frances (Peeler) Russer, came to the United States with their family, in March, 1883, and established their home in Rochester. The senior Max Russer was experienced in the handling of meats and not long after taking up his residence in Rochester, became engaged there in the retail meat and provision trade, a business he continued to carry on until his death in 1908. His widow is still living in Rochester. They had a family of five children, Max being the only son.

Max Russer received his education in a parochial school and was twelve years old when his father took him into the meat market and began to instruct him in the details of that trade, a business in which he has been engaged all his active life and with all the details of which he is thoroughly familiar. Max Russer was twenty years old when in 1902 he went into business for himself and since then has built up a most excellent patronage and has become one of the best known men in his line of trade in the city. Always abreast of the times and ambitious to have things right, it is a matter of comment on the part of Mr. Russer's customers and a discriminating public that he has developed at his place of business at Ames street and Maple avenue one of the most thoroughly up-to-date and elaborately equipped retail meat markets in western New York. Mr. Russer literally "grew up" in the business and by taking advantage of all details of the amazing development that has been made in the system of handling meats since the days of his boyhood, he has built up an establishment that is regarded widely as just about the "last word" in sanitary equipment and efficiency of management. The Russer meat market is carried on in a modern building of pressed brick, one of the finest mercantile structures in that part of the city, and requires the services of no fewer than fifteen experienced meat cutters and salesmen. The interior is of special construction, the walls and ceiling of ornamental glazed tile and the floor also of tiling, this construction insuring the greatest measure of sanitary precaution. The office also is of special construction, a thoroughly modern refrigeration system is used and every proper provision made for the careful handling of the products of the establishment.

To refer to Max Russer only as a successful merchant would leave unmentioned a part of his career that has given him distinction and a prominent place in athletics and outdoor sports. Possessed of a notable physique, Mr. Russer has been from the days of his boyhood a leader in local athletics. Years ago he was made instructor of wrestling at the gymnasium of the local branch of the Young Men's Christian Association and while thus employed made a specialty of that sport and became the amateur champion of Rochester. This fame became more than local and challenges began to come in from other cities, whose amateur wrestlers sought to gain supremacy over Rochester. Mr. Russer held his own successfully in these contests, taking them on as fast as they came, and in 1917 was proclaimed the national lightweight champion wrestler, in the amateur class, a title he successfully defended for more than two years, or until 1919, by that time having held the title longer than it ever before had been held in this country. Mr. Russer is the organizer of the Russer Baseball Club of this



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city, which has long been regarded as one of the "crack" ball teams of western New York. He also organized the noted "Russer" football team that won the city championship in 1923 and 1924. This football organization is largely made up of young men from the locality of the twentieth ward, where Mr. Russer's store is located, and its success is all the more noted since it is the youngest organization among the various ones contending for the local championship. Mr. Russer has always been an advocate of clean sports and the keen interest he manifests in the organizations bearing his name is to him not only a diversion but the continuation of a natural love of sports dating back to his boyhood.

Among his other business connections, Mr. Russer is a director of the K. Barthelmes Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of aluminum products, also a director of the Calumetals Corporation. He is extensively interested in real estate and his holdings include both business and residential property. His judgment of real estate values and possibilities for development has been reflected several times in deals that he has made. He is the owner of and is developing "Willowbrook", a tract of eight acres on Empire boulevard, between Culver and Winton roads. This property has been laid off into forty lots, on which Mr. Russer plans to build attractive homes, complete in every detail, such as will appeal to young couples. This project is but an example of the business foresight and judgment that have been shown in his affairs at various times. He is a member of the Rochester Meat Dealers Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Automobile Club, the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of St. John and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

On August 1, 1910, in Gates, New York, Mr. Russer was married to Miss Eleanor Kress, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abel Kress. Mr. and Mrs. Russer have eight children: Eleanor, born in 1911; Max, Jr., born in 1913; Agnes, born in 1914; John, born in 1916; Mary, born in 1918; Ruth, born in 1920; Esther, born in 1922; and Clair, born in 1924. The family are members of the Catholic church. Max Russer is not only a successful business man, but a man of high ideals, whose personal worth is recognized by hosts of friends, many of whom have known him from boyhood. Mr. Russer's residence is at No. 59 Appleton street.

CHARLES HAMMOND GRANT.

Charles Hammond Grant, mayor of Dansville, a successful farmer and stock raiser and one of the well known citizens of Livingston county, is a representative in both paternal and maternal lines of families that have long been identified with the financial, business and social history of Dansville and active in every movement for the advancement of the general good of the community. He was born in Dansville, August 5, 1861, his parents being Luther and M. Louise (Bradner) Grant. He is a descendant in the ninth generation of Matthew Grant, who brought his family to New England in 1630, landing in Boston. Five years later he was a member of the party that made the first settlement of Connecticut, at Windsor, and he filled a large place in the early history of the new colony. From Matthew Grant there descended a notable posterity, including a president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, and members of the family are still prominent in the affairs of Connecticut. Luther Grant, father of Charles Hammond Grant of this review, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1822 and when a young man located in Batavia, New York, where he became a clerk in the counting house of the Holland Land Company. He remained there for a few years and came to Dansville in 1845 as clerk in the Bank of Dansville, of which he was afterward made cashier. The president of the institution was Lester Bradner, who later became the father-in-law of Luther Grant. The latter continued as cashier of the bank until it closed its affairs in 1884 and then because of failing eyesight he retired from active business. He was a democrat and served as treasurer of Dansville for many years. His religious faith was indicated by his membership in St. Peter's Episcopal church, in the affairs of which he took a very active part, serving as vestryman and warden for a long period. He departed this life on the 25th of April, 1905. It was on October 25, 1860, in Dansville, that Luther Grant was married to Miss M. Louise Bradner, a native of that place and a daughter of Lester and Fanny (Hammond) Bradner. Mrs. Grant passed away on the 29th of November, 1901. Lester Bradner, father of Mrs. M. Louise (Bradner) Grant, was born in Oneida county, New York, in 1790, and bore a conspicuous part in the settlement and business development of the Genesee valley for more than a half century, his extensive and successful mercantile operations covering the counties of Livingston,

Allegany and Wyoming. In 1842 he was elected president of the Bank of Dansville, which position he held for many years. His residence on Main street is now the Dansville General Hospital. Mr. Bradner died in 1872. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Luther Grant, as follows: Charles Hammond of this review; Henry Evans, who was secretary of the American Glucose Company but is now deceased; Lester Bradner, who was connected with the paper manufacturing firm of Bradner, Smith & Company in Chicago to the time of his death; Mrs. Lucy Grant Hall, a resident of Dansville; Fanny Bradner, the wife of John Gregory, president of the Central Bank of Rochester; Alice Bradner, who is the wife of Richard W. Adams of the Power Specialty Company of Dansville; and Mary Louise of Dansville.

Charles Hammond Grant, whose name introduces this article, was born in Dansville on August 5, 1861, and was educated in the public schools. He has followed farming and stock raising very successfully and has under his management about six hundred acres of valuable land in Livingston county. He is interested in all modern developments along agricultural lines and specializes in the breeding of fine sheep, of which he has made a careful study. In the public life of his community he fills an important place. His fellow townsmen called him to the office of mayor in 1923 and he has been serving as a supervisor of Livingston county since 1916, accomplishing much important and beneficial work in both connections. He is a member of the Episcopal church and his political views are in accord with the principles of the democratic party. He has advanced with the scientific progress of agriculture and by his prosperity in a modern enterprise directed along systematic lines, has contributed materially toward the development of the resources of this section of the state.

HENRY R. HOWARD.

Rochester has long been known as one of the centers of the shoe manufacturing industry, and among the men who are responsible for the prestige which the city today enjoys is numbered Henry R. Howard, whose industry and initiative have found expression in the development of a large leather business, which was founded over a quarter of a century ago. Although he has reached the age of seventy-seven, he is still at the helm of his business, and his physical and mental powers are seemingly undiminished, for he has wisely conserved his forces, correctly estimating life's values and purposes. He was born in this city on the 9th of November, 1846, a son of James and Sarah (Andrews) Howard, the latter a daughter of Randall Andrews and a native of the Empire state. The father was born in England, subsequently becoming a resident of Rochester, and for many years was a member of the firm of Pancost, Sage & Morse.

After completing his public school training Henry R. Howard became a student at the Rochester Free Academy and later served an apprenticeship to the printer's trade. Finding the work uncongenial, he decided to fit himself for another vocation and took a course in the Eastman Business College. He obtained a position in the factory of the Pancost, Sage & Morse Company and subsequently was assigned the duties of traveling salesman. He remained with the firm for seventeen years and then purchased the business of the Goodman-Larson Shoe Company, manufacturers, conducting the business until 1893, when fire destroyed the building and its contents. Having small insurance, Mr. Howard was obliged to begin life anew, and he obtained a position as traveling salesman with a shoe manufacturing house, which he represented in that capacity until 1897. He then entered the wholesale leather business, conducting the enterprise alone until his sons grew to manhood, when they became partners in the undertaking. It is operated under the name of H. R. Howard & Sons, Incorporated, and as president of the firm Mr. Howard displays notable foresight and executive ability of a high order, while his integrity has never been open to question.

On the 23d of October, 1878, Mr. Howard was married to Miss Margaret Elizabeth Taylor, a daughter of John Taylor of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Howard became the parents of five children, all of whom were born in this city: Elinor Pearl is the wife of J. D. Sullivan, a prominent attorney of Rochester, and they have four children, Elizabeth, Eleanor, Henry Randall and Sarah Lee Sullivan; Harry Lee Howard, the second in order of birth, has passed away; James Taylor Howard, who is associated in business with his father and brother, is married to Miss Mabel Brooks of Rochester, and they have two children, Taylor Brooks and Edna Howard; Elizabeth is the wife of Clifford Keller and the mother of three children, Margaret, Michael and Taylor Howard Keller; Thomas Edward Howard, also a member of the firm of H. R. Howard



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& Sons, is married to Miss Pearl Smith of Hilton, New York, and they have a son, Thomas Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Howard have traveled life's journey together for forty-six years and theirs is an ideal union, cemented by perfect understanding and mutual helpfulness. They enter into athletic sports with the spirit and zest of youth and both are expert skaters. During the winter seasons they are frequently seen gliding over the ice in the park lagoons and the summer months are spent in their cottage on the lake front. Several years ago Mr. Howard purchased a large tract of land here and erected on the property homes for himself and his children. He was a boy of thirteen at the outbreak of the Civil war and although anxious to go to the front he could not gain his parents' permission to enlist until the last year of the war, because of his extreme youth. He then became a private of the Fifty-fourth New York Regiment, with which he served until the cessation of hostilities between the north and the south. Mr. Howard is a Baptist in religious faith and is affiliated with the Lake Avenue church of that denomination. He is a member of the Genesee Falls Lodge of Masons and also belongs to the Rochester Historical Society and the Art Club of this city. He has lived to witness many changes as Rochester has emerged from villagehood and taken on the aspects of an industrial center, and his labors have been a constructive force in its development. He has found life well worth the living, making the most of it day by day, and can look back over the past without regret and forward to the future without fear, for he has never deviated from the path of rectitude and honor.

HOMER EUGENE SNYDER.

On the roster of county officials in Ontario county appears the name of Homer Eugene Snyder, who is the capable incumbent in the position of treasurer, which he is now filling for the third term. The Snyder family has long been represented in Ontario county, of which both Homer E. Snyder and his father are native sons. He was born in Victor, on the 22nd of July, 1872, his parents being Martin V. B. and Hattie (Warren) Snyder, the former born on a farm in the town of Victor, June 2, 1845. The paternal grandparents, Josiah and Maria (Bonesteel) Snyder, had a family of four children, as follows: Two who died in infancy; Charles H., who died at Alexandria, Virginia, in 1862, as a soldier of the Union army; and Martin V. B. Snyder. The last named obtained a district school education and devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits with excellent success throughout his active life. During the past fourteen years he has lived in honorable retirement, making his home in the village in the town in which he was born. Because of his youth he was rejected for service in the Civil war a number of times before being finally accepted in the closing year of the conflict, when he joined the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth New York Infantry. He was transferred from that command to Company D of the One Hundred and Second New York Infantry and served for five months altogether. Martin V. B. Snyder is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and gives his political support to the republican party. He has attained the age of eighty years and enjoys an extensive and favorable acquaintance throughout the community which has always been his home. It was on the 27th of November, 1866, that he wedded Miss Hattie Warren. Their children are nine in number, namely: Hattie M., Charles H., Marion J., Homer Eugene, Lena A., Lillian J., Josiah E., Cora V. and Ira M.

In the acquirement of an education Homer Eugene Snyder attended the district school of Victor and the Rochester Business University. His first step in his business career was as a commercial traveler, in which line he continued for a period of about ten years, the greater number of which were spent in the employ of the Empire Drill Company. He was in full charge of the exhibit of this company at the Pan-American Exposition in 1901. For some time thereafter he prospected in the province of Ontario, Canada, with a view to opening a branch of the Empire Drill Company. He was in charge of the agricultural store of Weaver, Palmer & Richmond in Rochester, New York, holding the office of manager during the years 1905 and 1906. This he resigned on the 5th of January, 1907, to accept the position of postmaster of Victor, to which he had been appointed by the president, entering upon the active discharge of his duties the same day. He thus served with the utmost satisfaction to all concerned until the 15th of April, 1915, or for a period of eight years.

Mr. Snyder has always given his political allegiance to the republican party and served as secretary of the county committee for many years. In 1918 he was chosen county treasurer of Ontario county, winning public endorsement of his first term by

reelection three years later, and in 1924 was reelected to a third term, which he is now serving. In this connection he is making a most commendable record as a capable and trustworthy official. Mr. Snyder has also served as chief of the Victor fire department, as fire marshal of the village and on the board of health. He assisted in the organization of the Locke Insulator Manufacturing Company, of which he was a stockholder, and also took an active interest in the establishment of the Victor Preserving Company. He has been a leading factor in introducing many improvements in Victor, and it is due to his effective efforts that Victor has one of the up-to-date electric lighting systems, and also one of the best fire departments.

Fraternally Mr. Snyder is identified with the following organizations: Milnor Lodge No. 139, F. & A. M., of Victor; Excelsior Chapter No. 164, R. A. M., of Canandaigua; Zenobia Commandery No. 41, K. T., of Palmyra; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester; Lalla Rookh Grotto No. 3, M. O. V. P. E. R., of Rochester; Gah-a-yan-duk Chapter No. 566, O. E. S., of Victor; Victor Tent No. 426, Knights of the Maccabees; and Rochester Lodge No. 24, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

W. FRANK McLEAN.

The death of W. Frank McLean on December 31, 1919, removed from Rochester one of its public-spirited citizens and substantial business men. His acquaintance was wide and the sterling traits of his character established him high in public regard. He was born in Prattsburg, New York, April 25, 1853, an only son of George and Katherine (Reilly) McLean, and there attended the public schools. He also completed a course in a business college and was later a student in Franklin Academy. After finishing his education he entered his father's bank and for twenty years was prominently connected with financial operations in Prattsburg. His father died in the meantime, when W. Frank took over the bank and conducted the institution himself. Subsequently he disposed of his interests in Prattsburg and came to Rochester, where he entered the real estate field. For ten years he engaged in that business, in which he was equally successful, displaying keen sagacity and executive ability in the management of his affairs.

On June 18, 1882, Mr. McLean was united in marriage to Miss Eva Van Tuyl of Prattsburg, who survives him. They became the parents of two children: George, deceased; and Kathleen, now Mrs. Ralph Russell, of Rochester, who has a son, McLean Calvin Russell, born July 22, 1911, in Penn Yan, New York.

Mr. McLean was allied with the democratic party and belonged to the Masonic lodge at Prattsburg. He was a man of many friends and was seldom at fault in his estimate of another's worth. His success was rated not alone by material gain, but also in the high regard which he won for his commercial integrity ever remained unsullied. Mr. McLean was buried in Prattsburg.

BAYARD COBB TULLAR.

Many of Wellsville's leading business men have won success in the oil fields of this district and among the number is Bayard Cobb Tullar, who has a wide acquaintance in this section of Allegany county, in which he has always made his home. He was born in the village on the 26th of August, 1875, and his parents, Eugene B. and Angie (Cobb) Tullar, were also natives of the Empire state. The father was born in Churchville, Monroe county, June 5, 1826, a son of Orson Tullar, and removed to Wellsville in 1851. He was a hardware merchant, at first selling stoves by peddling them from house to house, and later opening a retail store in partnership with a Mr. Garritsey, who became senior member of the firm. Subsequently Mr. Tullar purchased all of the stock in the business, of which he remained sole owner until his death on December 15, 1896. His wife was a daughter of William and Eliza (Churchill) Cobb, and a granddaughter of Daniel and Lucy (Stevens) Cobb. William Cobb was born April 2, 1815, in Vermont, and when a young man of eighteen removed to Spring Mills, Allegany county, New York. He took a prominent part in public affairs, serving for seven terms as supervisor, and in 1847 and 1850 was elected a member of the state legislature. His demise occurred on the 8th of February, 1893, when he had reached the age of seventy-seven years.

Bayard Cobb Tullar attended the public schools of Wellsville and Emerson Col-

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lege at Boston, Massachusetts, afterward becoming a law student in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York. In 1898 he received the degree of LL. B. from that institution and in the same year he was admitted to the bar. Returning to Wellsville, he became interested in the development of the oil fields, and his first investment proved a profitable one. Encouraged by the success of the venture, he has continued in the business and now has valuable holdings, displaying keen sagacity and notable foresight in the management of his affairs. He also has financial interests and is a member of the board of directors of the First Trust Company of Wellsville.

On the 25th of September, 1915, Mr. Tullar was married, in Wellsville, to Miss Elizabeth Reita Richardson, a daughter of Charles H. and Marion (Palmer) Richardson. Mr. Tullar attends church at the Christian temple of Wellsville and in politics is a republican with independent views. He is an enthusiastic member of the Brookland Club and his favorite sports are hunting and fishing. He derives much pleasure and enjoyment out of life and at the same time he is never neglectful of his business affairs nor of his obligations as a citizen. A man of broad views and progressive spirit, he has many friends whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and fine personal qualities.

FRANK A. CRUMB.

Journalism has been the sole occupation of the adult years of Frank A. Crumb of Alfred, Allegany county, New York, and nearly forty of those years have been spent on the Alfred Sun, probably the most influential of the newspapers published in the county, and its editorial columns accurately reflect the sentiments of the community on all matters of moment. He was born September 4, 1862, in Brookfield, New York, the son of Dwight and Lydia Jane (Crandall) Crumb, both now deceased.

Frank A. Crumb gained his early education in the public schools of Brookfield, New York, after which he attended Alfred University, at Alfred, New York, for one year. He was one of the organizers of the stock company which founded, and now owns and conducts the Alfred Sun, and has been editor and manager of the publication since 1885. The paper has been prosperous under his management and its circulation covers all of Allegany county besides invading adjacent counties. Mr. Crumb has an exalted reputation in the western New York journalistic field and is a member of numerous organizations devoted to press interests. He is a member of the National Editorial Association, the New York State Editorial Association, the Western New York Editorial Association, and president of the Allegany-Cattaraugus Press Association. Fraternally Mr. Crumb is affiliated with Alfred Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In his political opinions Mr. Crumb is a republican; in religion he is a member of the Seventh Day Baptist church.

Mr. Crumb was married on October 22, 1885, to Etta West of Shiloh, New Jersey, who at the time was a student at Alfred University. Two children have been born to their union: Ella Mae, who is now Mrs. Donald E. Wilson of Rochester, New York, where her husband is a teacher in the high school; and Ralph A., who is a resident of Cleveland, Ohio, and is assistant principal in the West Technical high school of that city.

CHARLES BRAND.

For three generations members of the Brand family have engaged in the leaf tobacco business in Elmira and the name is synonymous with enterprise and probity in commercial circles of the city. Charles Brand, one of the younger representatives of the family, has also achieved success in this field of activity and in civic affairs he likewise exerts a strong and beneficial influence. He was born in Elmira, January 19, 1882, and his parents, John and Clara (Woodruff) Brand, are also natives of the city. The father has been engaged in the leaf tobacco business since 1874 and also has important interests in Miami, Florida, where he spends six months of the year. He ranks with Elmira's most successful business men and his commercial transactions have at all times balanced up with the principles of honor and integrity. He is also a public-spirited citizen and has served on the board of park commissioners. He is well educated and views life from a broad standpoint. Along fraternal lines Mr. Brand is connected with the Masonic order and in politics he is a democrat. He is a member of the Park Congregational church, with which the mother is also affiliated. They

have two sons: John Herbert, a member of the John Brand Company; and Charles of this review. The paternal grandfather, John Brand, was a native of Baudenheim, Germany, and was brought by his parents to the United States. He first operated a farm in Chemung county and later became the owner of a grocery store. Subsequently he established the John Brand Tobacco Company, which he successfully conducted until his death, passing away in 1880, when sixty years of age. The business is still continued under the name of its founder and has been in operation for more than a half century. He was a son of John Brand, who migrated from Germany to the New World, casting in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Chemung county. His demise occurred in 1895, at the venerable age of ninety-seven years.

Charles Brand attended Elmira Academy and the Mercersburg Academy of Pennsylvania, completing his education in Union College at Schenectady, New York. In 1901 he joined his father in the tobacco business and they were associated until 1907, when the son formed a partnership with Herbert C. Way. In 1912 their interests were consolidated with those of the Goff & Mather Company and the business was incorporated under the name of the Goff, Way & Brand Company. They are wholesale packers of leaf tobacco, which they ship to many parts of the west, and they also have a small export business. Mr. Brand is vice president of the company, which is capitalized at two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and his labors have been an essential element in the upbuilding and expansion of the business. It is in a very prosperous condition and Mr. Brand is also a director of the American Sales Book Company and the Hilliard Clutch & Machinery Company. He is president and one of the directors of the Barker, Rose & Clinton Company, which has likewise profited by his executive power and business acumen.

In 1917 Mr. Brand was married to Miss Virginia D. Fettes, who was born in Norwich, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Brand have a son: Charles W., two years of age. They are members of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church and consistent followers of its teachings. Mr. Brand is allied with the democratic party and has ever manifested a deep interest in the welfare and progress of his city. He is ably filling the important office of president of the Elmira water board and belongs to the City Club, Psi Upsilon fraternity, the Elmira Golf and Country Club and the Corning City Club. He is alert, energetic and resourceful, well able to cope with modern commercial conditions, and his course has at all times marked him as a citizen of worth.

JOSEPH BLUMENSTIEL.

Joseph Blumenstiel, one of the leading citizens of Rochester, came into prominence in the business world as the head of the insurance firm of Blumenstiel Brothers, whose offices are located in the Cox building. He was born in this city on January 23, 1860, a son of the late Moses and Fredericka (Eichman) Blumenstiel. His parents, both of whom were born and reared in Germany, immigrated to this country in 1854 and located in Rochester, where the father supported his family through his efforts as a broker. Somewhat later he entered the commission business, dealing in general produce. For some years prior to his death in 1895 Moses Blumenstiel was retired from active business life, however, and devoted his energies to religious and philanthropic work connected with the local Jewish temple, with which he was affiliated. His wife survived him for twenty years, passing away in 1915.

At the age of sixteen Joseph Blumenstiel started out in life for himself as a clerk in a local hat store. He had previously obtained a general education in the Rochester public schools and as a boy had attended School No. 16. When he was eighteen the young man entered the wholesale clothing industry as a stock clerk and for the succeeding dozen years or so devoted his time and energies to working up in this business. Meanwhile, in 1888, his brother founded an insurance business that experienced a moderately successful development in the following three years. In 1891 Joseph Blumenstiel resigned his position in the clothing business to associate himself with his brother under the firm name of Blumenstiel Brothers. Although the brother later withdrew from the firm, the name has remained unchanged to the present day and represents to the citizens of Rochester all that is substantial, reliable and successful in the insurance world. Under Mr. Blumenstiel's far-seeing management a large business in general insurance has been built up in the past thirty-three years and among the regular clients of the office are to be found many of the most prosperous and influential citizens of this community. Mr. Blumenstiel is also interested financially in a wholesale business dealing in tailors' trimmings, for which there is



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a large market in this section as well as in other industrial centers, and derives therefrom a substantial income.

In connection with his insurance activities Mr. Blumenstiel maintains a membership in the American Insurance Federation, the Life Underwriters' Association, the National Association of Life Underwriters and the Casualty Insurance Club of Rochester. He also belongs to the Commercial Travelers Mutual Benefit Association and to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. Thoroughly public-spirited and generous in his support of those movements that promote the general welfare, Mr. Blumenstiel is a man whose influence on the community, while far-reaching, is not easily measured. For he is not ostentatious in his benefactions and frequently works through some organized society, such as the Jewish Young Men's Association, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Free Sons of Israel, all of which he endorses. He is a member of the Rochester Historical Society and takes an interest in the work that is being done to keep alive the historical traditions and memories of the Genesee country. For over twenty years Mr. Blumenstiel has resided at No. 204 Darmouth street.

On the 18th of October, 1893, Mr. Blumenstiel was married to Miss Bertha Alpiner of Kankakee, Illinois, a daughter of Solomon Alpiner of that city and a member of one of its well known families. Mrs. Blumenstiel passed away on the 8th of October, 1921, after twenty-eight years of happy, married life. Her memory will long be cherished, not only by her family and friends, but by all the men and women of Rochester who have the welfare of their children at heart. A woman of unusual intellectual gifts and a gracious personality, Mrs. Blumenstiel devoted much of her time and talents to the cause of education, especially to the work affecting the children in the public schools. Her influence was widely felt and found tangible expression in many and varied forms. School No. 18 was built as the result of her persistent effort. To her belongs the credit for originating the free milk fund to supply milk to the under-nourished children in the city schools and also for the daily lunches in the school. It is largely due to her efforts that the funds were secured to open the first lunch room in the city in the Concord grammar school on January 13, 1913. Mr. Kellog, at that time the principal, received the first fifteen dollars donated toward the fund and collected by Mrs. Blumenstiel. Now the daily lunch is an established feature of the Rochester school system and one of the innovations that make the system one of the best in the country. When the Parent-Teacher movement got under way in this country Mrs. Blumenstiel threw herself whole-heartedly into this movement and during her two-year term of office as president of the Rochester Parent-Teacher Association she put the organization on a permanent footing in this city; as chairman of the State Program committee she brought about several very successful state conventions.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Blumenstiel is survived by two children: Monroe A., and Helen A., the latter of whom was born in Rochester on September 3, 1899, and has lived here her entire life. She is a graduate of the Rochester high school and took her A. B. degree from the University of Rochester in the class of 1922; the son, Monroe, is three years her senior, born in this city on February 19, 1896. He obtained his elementary and preparatory education in the schools of his native city and at Howe, Indiana, following which he entered the University of Rochester to take the course in chemical engineering. Following his graduation with the B. Sc. degree in 1922, he devoted a few months to the practice of his profession, then became associated with his father in the insurance business. During the World war he served with the Three Hundred and Ninth Field Artillery in the Headquarters Company in charge of the Third Battalion Signal and Communication Detail. A year of his military service was spent overseas in France.

Mr. Blumenstiel is a member of the Casualty Insurance Club of Rochester and one of its founders. He is richly endowed with scholarly and literary tastes and spends much of his leisure time in study and writing. He does considerable editorial work for the Monroe County Legionnaire, belongs to ΔP, the Honorary Journalistic Society of the University of Rochester and through his membership in the American Chemical Society, American Institute of Chemical Engineers and American Association for the Advancement of Science follows the developments in the world of science that are of the most interest to him. As a veteran of the World war he belongs to the W. W. Doud Post No. 98, American Legion and 40 over 8. Religiously he is affiliated with the Temple Berith Kodesh of Rochester and in fraternal circles is known as a member of Batavia Lodge, No. 475, A. F. & A. M., and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. As a notary public for the term expiring March 13, 1925, he is able to attend to many of the legal formalities connected with the insurance

business thus saving his clients much loss of time and inconvenience. He is also interested in boys' work and is scout master of Troup No. 98, Boy Scouts of America at Andrews School No. 9. The troop being sponsored by the W. W. Doud Post, No. 98, American Legion.

CHARLES ISAAC SHELDON.

Persistency is an asset in the business world too slightly valued by many people. More than one person has failed to realize his ambition because he accepted the first rebuff as final and ceased his efforts to reach his goal. But Charles Isaac Sheldon, the rising young realtor of Rochester, got his first real start in life by refusing to be "turned down". As a young man just turned nineteen, he applied to the general manager of the Sibley, Lindsay & Curr Dry Goods Company for a position only to be told that no help was wanted. Nothing daunted he asked for a chance to demonstrate his ability and kept on asking, in spite of the repeated assurances that the organization could not use any more men, until after several hours of persistent effort he was at last put on the pay roll. As it was just at the holiday time when deliveries were heavy, he was sent downstairs to help in the toy department, preceding the Christmas trade. When the holiday rush was over he asked the man in charge of his department for a "regular job". His willingness to do anything that would gain his point and his ambition to succeed finally made their impression on the store management with the result that he was put in a responsible position from which he worked up to a very creditable place in the store's organization as manager and buyer of the talking machine department.

This determined young man was born in Mendon, Monroe county, on July 25, 1889, a son of Isaac C. and Theresa E. (Whelehan) Sheldon, both natives of the Empire state, the father's birthplace being Henrietta and the mother's Greece, Monroe county. Isaac Sheldon for some years was a prosperous farmer of the county but resided in Rochester at the time of his death on January 30, 1923, at the age of seventy. He developed one of the best farms in the county, which is yet owned by his estate. He is survived by five of his seven children: Mrs. Marie F. O'Brien, Mrs. Clarissa E. McGrath, Miss Josephine Sheldon, Frank T. Sheldon and Charles Isaac Sheldon, all of this city. The wife and mother passed away in 1915, after having lived to celebrate her sixty-third birthday.

After he had obtained a general education, Charles I. Sheldon helped his father with the work on the farm until he was sixteen years of age. At that time he conceived the ambition to learn a trade and accompanied the family to Rochester, where he secured a position in a machine shop. It took only five days of work in that shop to convince the youth that he was not made for a mechanic. To earn his living he found a position in a grocery store, where he worked for two years. Eventually, however, he came to the conclusion that no great future lay ahead of him in that direction and the sooner he found a better line of work the better off he would be. It was at this juncture that he went to the Sibley, Lindsay & Curr Company after the efforts described above. After about twelve months with that organization he was put in charge of the phonograph department, where he did so well that he remained for six years. He left the store to become a salesman for the Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company and after six months he accepted a more lucrative position as salesman for the Talking Machine Company at No. 97 East Main street, where he remained for three years. When he severed his connection there he entered the life insurance field and for three years was a representative of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in the Rochester field. He then entered the brokerage business in the employ of Clarence Hodgson but one year later became a salesman for the Bradstreet-Hazard Real Estate Company, which marked his entrance in the line of business that has ever since engaged his activities. Leaving this company after one year, he joined the Wyant-Simpson Company, of which he was vice president. On the 1st of January, 1923, he embarked in the real estate business for himself, in which he has met with encouraging success. Each month has seen an increase in the volume of his business and a growing number of clients. He handles a large amount of property, both residential and business, and has done some subdividing. North View Gardens is owned by him and has been developed through his efforts.

In Rochester, on the 18th of June, 1913, Mr. Sheldon was married to Miss Satie Agnes Martin, daughter of the late Charles Martin of Cowanesque, Pennsylvania. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon: Ruth Eleanor, born December 18, 1918; and Richard Charles, born October 15, 1920.



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Politically Mr. Sheldon gives his allegiance to the republican party. He has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus, which indicates that his religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic church, and he is also a member of the Rochester Lodge of Elks. Socially Mr. Sheldon is much liked and has many friends, especially among the members of the Rochester Automobile Club, to which he belongs. In connection with his business interests he maintains membership in the Rochester Real Estate Board. Mr. Sheldon is deserving of a generous measure of credit for his attainments in the business world, for he has made his own way from the time he was sixteen years old and has had to depend upon his own efforts for his advancement. During the first year as the head of his own business he laid an excellent foundation for future development and did an amount of business that gave promise of much greater things to come.

WILLIAM HENDERSON.

As secretary of the Livingston Lumber Company, William Henderson is one of the important factors in the commercial life of Caledonia, Livingston county, New York, and his company furnishes employment for many of its residents. He was born in Caledonia, March 28, 1878, the son of George and Margaret (Hall) Henderson, the father being a native of Canada and the mother a native of Ireland. Both are deceased.

William Henderson received his education in the grade and high schools of Caledonia, and followed this with a course in the Mechanics Institute, at Rochester, New York. The lumber business of which he is now secretary was organized in 1907 by the firm of Smith & Henderson, was incorporated in 1912, and is now known as the Livingston Lumber Company, G. A. Mitchell of Buffalo, New York, being president of the company. It transacts a large business in lumber of all kinds, and ships extensively. Mr. Henderson is a member of the Masonic order, is a republican in his political ideals, and in religion is connected with the United Presbyterian church.

Mr. Henderson was married in July, 1906, to Viola Smith of Avon. Two children were born to their union: Elizabeth Louise and Arthur William. By a second marriage, to Maude Wells of Warsaw, Mr. Henderson has one child, Louise.

DELBERT P. SNYDER.

Delbert P. Snyder, formerly and for twelve years clerk of Allegany county, is now engaged in looking after his various business interests and also the duties of secretary and treasurer of the Cuba Fair and Racing Association of Cuba, New York. He is a native son of Allegany county and has been a resident of that county practically all his life. He was born on a farm in the immediate vicinity of the village of Cuba, September 28, 1861, and is the son of Lucius H. and Emily (Rinker) Snyder, both old families in this section of New York, the latter of whom is still living with a daughter in the village of Belmont, New York. Lucius H. Snyder was a substantial farmer in his neighborhood, but died in the year 1864, while his son, Delbert P., was yet in his infancy. After the death of his father the subject of this sketch made his home with his grandfather, Jacob Rinker, until nearly grown up.

Reared on the farm of his grandfather, in the vicinity of Cuba, Delbert P. Snyder received his education in the district school on Keller Hill and in the high school in Cuba, and for some years thereafter engaged in teaching and farming, at first living on rented farms, but within a few years becoming the owner of his grandfather's farm; living there and conducting the farm until he left Cuba to take up his residence in Belmont, on the 1st of January, 1913.

In November, 1902, he was elected to represent his town on the board of county supervisors, taking over the duties of that office on the 1st of January, 1903, and by successive reelections filled that office until the end of the year 1912, when he resigned to accept the office of county clerk, to which office he was elected in November, 1912. While serving on the board of supervisors, Mr. Snyder was elected chairman of that body for the year 1908. He was appointed secretary of the draft board by Governor Whitman. and served in that capacity throughout the World war.

Mr. Snyder entered upon the responsible duties of the office of county clerk on the first of January, 1913, and by successive reelections served four terms in that

office, his last term ending on the 31st of December, 1924. In addition to performing the exacting duties of his official position Mr. Snyder acquired other substantial interests in the county and since the year 1910 has been a member of the board of directors of the Cuba National Bank. Since 1913 he has been a director in the Allegany County Telephone Company and has other interests that give evidence of his success as a man of affairs.

For years he has been one of the leaders of the republican party in Allegany county; for many years was a member of the county committee, and for several years held the office of chairman of that body, and in that capacity he has done much to promote the party's interests in this section of the state.

Mr. Snyder has been twice married. His first wife, Tena (German) Snyder, passing away while living on the farm on Keller Hill, in December, 1912. On September 2, 1914, in Jamestown, Chautauqua county, New York, Mr. Snyder was united in marriage to Miss Mary A. Towle, a lady of considerable experience in secretarial work, and one who has been a valued assistant to him in the duties of keeping the records of the county during the long period of his incumbency as county clerk. Mrs. Snyder was graduated from Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont, in 1897, with the degree of A. B., and later took a course in a business college at Jamestown, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder are members of the Presbyterian church in Belmont, New York, and take much interest in church work as well as in the general social and cultural activities of the city. Mr. Snyder is a member of the Masonic fraternity and is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

H. ACTON LANGSLOW.

H. Acton Langslow, a veteran of the World war, is a successful representative of industrial interests in Rochester as president of The Falls Furniture Company, Incorporated, which he organized for the manufacture of chairs. To those at all familiar with the commercial and industrial history of Rochester, the name of Langslow is well known. Henry A. Langslow, the paternal grandfather of H. Acton Langslow, was the organizer of the chair manufacturing concern conducted under the name of Langslow, Fowler & Company. His birth occurred within twelve miles of London, England, on the 16th of November, 1830, but the greater part of his life was spent in this country. Upon coming to the New World in 1849, he landed in Nova Scotia, whence he proceeded to Prince Edward Island, and from there to Boston, Massachusetts, where he spent about a year. He next made his home in New York city, where all of his children were born. In 1850 he had been united in marriage to Miss Catharine M. Cardiff, a native of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and they became the parents of five children: Henry Richard and Thomas Walter, both deceased; Louis A. G., the father of H. Acton Langslow; Stratton C., president of the Langslow-Fowler Company, furniture manufacturers of Rochester; and Helena M. For ten years Henry A. Langslow was engaged in various occupations in New York city, and then came to Rochester in 1860, where he continued to reside the remainder of his life. Here his time was principally devoted to the furniture business. In 1875 he associated himself with the furniture firm of Burley & Dewey, and six years later became vice president of their successors, the I. H. Dewey Furniture Company, in which capacity he continued until January, 1885, when he and his son, Stratton C. Langslow, withdrew. He then organized the firm of Langslow, Fowler & Company, of which he was the senior member and manager up to the time of his death, which occurred on November 12, 1899.

Louis A. G. Langslow, father of H. Acton Langslow of this review, was born in New York city, December 7, 1855, and received his education in the schools of Rochester. For several years he was engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes but in 1890 became identified with the firm of Langslow, Fowler & Company. He had attained the age of sixty-three years when called to his final rest in 1918. It was in Rochester, in 1883, that he was married to Miss Isabella Canny, a native of Wayne county, New York, who still survives him. Their family numbered five children, three of whom are living: R. L., vice president of The Falls Furniture Company; Mrs. E. M. Leastman; and H. Acton.

H. Acton Langslow was born in Rochester, on the 21st of December, 1884, attended the public and high schools in the acquirement of an education and subsequently pursued a course of study in the University of Rochester. After putting aside



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his textbooks he entered the contracting business in connection with the General Crushed Stone Company, being employed as foreman. When this country entered the World war he enlisted for service with the Eleventh United States Engineers and was sent overseas, remaining on active duty on the front for twenty-two months and being in the thick of many battles. Mr. Langslow was promoted from the ranks, receiving a commission as first lieutenant. After being discharged from the army, in New York city, he returned to Rochester and secured a position with the Langslow-Fowler Company, under the presidency of his uncle, in order that he might acquaint himself with the business of chair manufacturing. On the 1st of May, 1922, he severed his connection with that concern, having in the meantime established and organized The Falls Furniture Company, which has already become one of the prosperous industrial enterprises of this city. He has developed an extensive business in the manufacture of chairs and rockers of the better grade, his splendid executive ability and sound judgment proving effective elements in the steady growth and expansion of the company, which is a close corporation, with H. Acton Langslow as president and R. L. Langslow as vice president.

Mr. Langslow is a member of the American Legion and is further identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Greek letter society known as Delta Kappa Epsilon. In the city in which his life has been spent the circle of his friends is an extensive one. He is energetic, straightforward and honorably ambitious and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics.

JOSEPH MUTSCHLECHNER.

Joseph Mutschlechner, editor and proprietor of The Allegany Citizen at Allegany, Cattaraugus county, and one of the real veteran printers and publishers of the Genesee country, is a native son of the Empire state and has lived in this state all his life, a resident of Cattaraugus county for almost fifty years. He was born in Lancaster, Erie county, January 20, 1856, and is a son of Adolph and Ann (Heindel) Mutschlechner, natives of Germany, whose last days were spent in Lancaster. Adolph Mutschlechner was well reared in his home country and had good schooling there. Following the unsuccessful political revolution in Germany in 1848, a movement in which he took an earnest part, he came to this country, thus becoming one of the thousands of German '48ers who established themselves in this country during the late '40s and early '50s of the past century. For a time after his arrival here he was located in Chicago and then settled in Lancaster, this state. For years he was a teacher in the Lancaster parochial rural schools and he also for years was a chemist in a glass factory, continuing thus engaged until his death in 1873.

Reared in Lancaster, Joseph Mutschlechner had his local schooling in that place and supplemented this by a course in Canisius College at Buffalo. While in Buffalo he became interested in "the art preservative of all arts" and following an apprenticeship in a printing office in that city, returned to his home town and in 1877 established The Lancaster Star, a newspaper that is still carrying on, now being published under the name of the Enterprise-Times. In the next year (1878) Mr. Mutschlechner disposed of his interests in Lancaster and went to Olean, where he became employed in the office of the Olean Record. He later was a clerk in the mercantile establishment of N. S. Butler & Company and in 1882 bought a stock of goods and became engaged in merchandising on his own account, a line which he carried on for four years, at the end of which time, in 1886, he sold his store and returned to his first love, the print shop, starting a job printing establishment in Olean. For seven years he operated this printing plant and then closed out at Olean and moved his shop to Allegany. He did well in his printing business here and in March, 1896, added to his general printing line the publication of a village newspaper, starting The Allegany Citizen, which he ever since has conducted, a period now of almost thirty years, and in which publication he has long had the able assistance of his two sons. The early issues of the Citizen were printed on the larger of the two job presses which then constituted the press equipment of Mr. Mutschlechner's job shop but when the success of his modest venture was assured he put in a cylinder press and as circumstances warranted continued to add to his equipment until he came to have everything requisite for the proper operation of an up-to-date newspaper and printing office, including a linotype machine and other modern aids to the art of printing. The job printing side of the business is well equipped and Mr. Mutschlechner and his sons do all kinds of job work called for in the trade area centering in Allegany.

Joseph Mutschlechner married Miss Clara M. Krim of Lancaster and they have three children: Two sons, Joseph F. and Aloysius; and a daughter, Mary A., the latter of whom is the wife of Mark Moyer of Buffalo and has two sons, Gerard and Mark Moyer. Mr. Mutschlechner's sons finished their education in St. Bonaventure's parochial schools and the public schools at Allegany and his daughter finished her schooling at St. Elizabeth's Academy at the same place. The sons have from the days of their boyhood been able assistants to their father in the newspaper and printing office. Upon setting up his newspaper in Allegany, Mr. Mutschlechner became an ardent, enthusiastic and tireless "town booster" and it is freely admitted in the community that his public advocacy of measures of improvement was largely responsible for setting Allegany out along the lines of modern progress in the way of village incorporation, street paving, an adequate fire department and the construction of a waterworks system. When the village was incorporated he was elected first clerk of the new corporation and in that capacity opened the books and had much to do with getting things started out right, a service which was but one of the many he has rendered the community and which will make his name an enduring one in the annals of that progressive and flourishing town.

CHARLES WILLIAM COLLAMER.

Charles William Collamer is one of Rochester's best-known builders and his work, which is of great variety and extent, is to be found in many parts of the city. He was born in Rochester, July 24, 1884, and his parents, William and May (Swager) Collamer, were also born in this city. The paternal grandfather, Charles Collamer, was a pioneer settler of Rochester and one of the first superintendents in the employ of the New York Central Railroad. His son, William Collamer, also entered the service of that corporation, of which he was likewise a trusted employe. His death occurred in 1888, and his widow passed away in 1906.

Charles William Collamer attended grammar school No. 33 and continued his studies in the Rochester Free Academy, from which he was graduated at the age of seventeen. He afterward served an apprenticeship to the carpenter's trade and when a young man of twenty established a business of his own, becoming a building contractor. He has engaged in this business for more than twenty years and during this period has erected many homes, as well as churches and other public buildings which are an ornament to the city and a feature in its substantial improvement. He employs competent workmen and never allows the slightest detail of a contract to be slighted. He has been successful in his business and his work is of high character. Thoroughness and reliability have won for him a foremost position among the leading builders of Rochester.

On February 14, 1906, Mr. Collamer was married to Miss Anna Gifford, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gifford. She passed away December 25, 1919, leaving two sons: Richard W., who was born in October, 1908; and Robert G., born in April, 1911. On November 15, 1921, Mr. Collamer was married to Miss Mildred Langlois, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Langlois, prominent residents of this city.

Mr. Collamer is a thirty-second degree Mason and also belongs to the Shrine. He is a member of the Masonic Club and the nature of his recreation is indicated by his connection with the Rochester Yacht, Athletic and Automobile Clubs. His entire life has been spent in this city and many of his warmest friends are acquaintances that he has had since boyhood. He has been both the architect and builder of his fortunes and ranks with Rochester's self-made men and highly esteemed citizens. Mr. Collamer's residence is at No. 48 Clifford avenue.

MARC D. JOHNSON.

In the matter of seniority there is no disputing the claim of Marc D. Johnson, proprietor and editor of the *Randolph Register*, to be numbered among the members of one of the real "first families" of the Genesee country, for his grandfather, Marcus H. Johnson, bore the honor of having been the first male white child born in Cattaraugus county and the family has been represented here ever since the coming of that grand old person's father, James G. Johnson, to this region. Marc D. Johnson



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was born in Randolph and his interests always have centered there, his service in the local newspaper field now covering a period of forty years and more. He was born June 23, 1866, and is a son of James G. and Mary (Dow) Johnson, the latter of whom also was a member of one of the pioneer families in this section, the Dows having been represented here since settlement days. The late James G. Johnson, who died in 1910 and who for years was known as one of the leading lawyers of Cattaraugus county, was a son of that Marcus H. Johnson, mentioned above as having been the first white male child born within the present confines of Cattaraugus county, a son of James G. Johnson, whose services here in settlement days did so much toward the development of proper social and economic conditions in the time when this region was being claimed to the uses of civilization.

Reared in Randolph, Marc D. Johnson finished his education in Chamberlain Institute and became interested in the newspaper business. After serving a four-year apprenticeship in the composing room of The Weekly Courant at Randolph he started as a journeyman printer. In December, 1886, he then being twenty years of age, Mr. Johnson returned to Randolph and bought the plant and goodwill of The Register, a newspaper at that time being published in the village. Four years later he bought The Courant, the paper on which he began his career, and merged it with the Register. Later he bought The Enterprise and has since been engaged in the publication of The Register, one of the best established newspapers in the county, representing that prosperous and progressive territory comprised within its circulation area. The history of The Register dates from 1865, in September of which year was established at Randolph an experimental newspaper which was given the name of The Rural City Budget, a name which presently was changed to The Register and has so continued, a name thus familiar to three generations of readers throughout this section. Mr. Johnson is a republican and his editorial columns have ever supported that party. For two terms he served his town as postmaster and he also has rendered service for several terms as a member of the board of supervisors.

On October 16, 1891, in Randolph, Marc D. Johnson was united in marriage to Miss Ora Thorpe, daughter of Walter Thorpe of Napoli, and they have a very pleasant home in Randolph. Mr. Johnson is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, affiliated with the blue lodge at Randolph and with the consistory at Buffalo, and he is a member of the First Congregational church, of which he is one of the trustees.

ALBERT L. SHANER.

Albert L. Shaner, a well known oil producer, business man and agriculturist of Bolivar, Allegany county, is a successful American citizen who raised himself to a position of leadership and affluence through his own unaided efforts. Born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, October 6, 1865, he came from a family that has long resided in the Keystone state. His grandfather, Samuel Shaner, was born in the environs of Philadelphia, in 1800, but moved to western Pennsylvania as a young man, making his home there until his death in 1873. His son, Samuel R. Shaner, father of Albert L. Shaner, was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, in 1844, and spent most of his mature life as a farmer in Clarion county, where he died February 22, 1916. He enlisted in the Civil war and was a member of Company E, Seventy-eighth Regiment. He served three years and was honorably discharged at the close of the war. His wife, Maria (Fry) Shaner, was born in 1846, and is still living in Clarion county, at the age of seventy-nine.

Albert L. Shaner obtained a common school education in the district schools of his native county. In 1881, at the age of sixteen, he started to work on a farm and later was employed on a railroad for a time. On the 1st of February, 1882, he came to Bolivar, New York, where he found employment as a teamster. After about three years of this work he started in on the tool dressing trade, working around the oil wells, where he learned much about drilling and handling oil, as well as the dressing of tools. Up to the 1st of January, 1894, the young man worked on oil leases, but at that time he bought some property of his own to develop for oil. He was successful in this enterprise and ere long had made a place for himself among the prosperous oil producers of this field.

While oil is his chief interest Mr. Shaner by no means centers his efforts upon this one line of work. He does some farming in this vicinity and furthermore has an interest in the Harderson Ranch Company of Santa Paula, California. Together with a partner, H. O. Severson, he conducts a large hardware store and filling station

in Bolivar, under the firm name of Severson & Shaner, and is financially interested in other local enterprises. Among the latter is the State Bank of Bolivar, of which he is a director; the Union Pipe Line Company of Wellsville, of which he is a stockholder and director; the Bolivar Richburg Electric Light Corporation, of which he is president; the McDonell & Brannen Corporation, in which he is a stockholder and director; and the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of Bolivar, of which he is president.

Mr. Shaner was married on May 3, 1887, to Miss May Rounds of Bolivar, who passed away January 13, 1907, leaving five children: Ruby Z., who is the wife of Archibald D. Piper of Bolivar, is the eldest; Arthur W., of Bolivar, is an oil producer and drilling contractor. He married Mildred Wilson of Bolivar and they have one child, Marlin Christine; Lester Workman, also engaged in oil production and drilling contracting in Bolivar, married Miss Flora Amsden of Bolivar and they have a daughter, Virginia Mae; Samuel is interested in the same line of work as his brothers and also resides in Bolivar. He married Miss Alta Allen of Bolivar; the oil and drilling business has likewise enlisted the interest of the youngest son, Fred C., who has followed the family example and remained in Bolivar. His wife was formerly Miss Susie Lewis of Bolivar. Four children of Mr. and Mrs. Shaner are deceased: Myrtle, who died in 1921, at the age of twenty-six; Clifford, who passed away at the age of thirteen; Harry, who was not yet a year old when he died; and Howard, whose death occurred at the age of seventeen months. Mr. Shaner was again married on the 25th of November, 1909, Mrs. Lulu Mehrton of Clarion county, Pennsylvania, becoming his wife.

Mr. Shaner is well known in Masonic circles, both in Bolivar and elsewhere. He belongs to the blue lodge and chapter at Bolivar, the commandery at Olean, the consistory at Buffalo and also to Ismailia Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Buffalo. He is likewise affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star in Bolivar and was a member of the local lodge of Odd Fellows. Generally speaking, Mr. Shaner is a republican in his political views, but he has always given his whole-hearted support to the cause of prohibition. Believing that the abolition of the saloon, liquor traffic and all their attendant evils would make for better social, moral and physical conditions in this great land of ours, he early enlisted as one of the workers for this once unpopular movement and has the great satisfaction of seeing the "prohibition" amendment adopted in this country. He is also a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Bolivar.

FREDERICK EDWARD FOX.

Frederick Edward Fox, a rising young attorney and popular citizen of Rochester, was born in Wayne county, New York, on the 10th of February, 1898, his parents being Edward F. and Carolyn (Wilkes) Fox, who were also natives of the Empire state. The father, who was well known in business circles of Lyons, New York, where he continued in business until his demise in 1914. To him and his wife, who still survives, were born three children, as follows: Mrs. Herbert E. Lux, a resident of Rochester; Mrs. Norman C. Esterheld, living in Brighton; and Frederick Edward.

Frederick Edward Fox began his education at the usual age, passing through consecutive grades to his graduation from the Rochester high school in 1916. In preparation for a professional career he then entered the Albany Law School but at the end of a year joined the United States army, serving as a private from April, 1917, until 1919. He spent one year overseas with the Twenty-seventh Division and when the World war was ended continued his studies in the Albany Law School, later receiving further professional training in the New York Law School of New York city. Subsequently he read law in the office of Robert H. Koehler, an attorney of the eastern metropolis, and then came to Rochester, here entering the office of Hubbell & Taylor, Goodwin & Moser. Following his admission to the bar on the 3d of January, 1922, he continued with the firm of Hubbell & Taylor, Goodwin & Moser, until September, 1923, since which time he has practiced independently. A gratifying clientage is being accorded him, for he has already demonstrated his ability in the field of his chosen profession, manifesting thorough familiarity with the principles of jurisprudence and applying them accurately to the points in litigation. Mr. Fox is attorney for the Continental Casualty Company of Chicago and holds membership in the Rochester Bar Association.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Fox has supported the men and measures of the republican party. His religious faith is indicated by his

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membership in the Mount Hope Presbyterian church and he also belongs to the Greek letter fraternity known as Gamma Eta Gamma, to the Rochester Auto Association, to the American Legion and to the Old Guard of Rochester. He is also connected with Masonic circles, being secretary of Frank L. Simes Lodge, No. 990, F. & A. M., a member of Doric Council, Hamilton Chapter, No. 62, R. A. M., and Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templar. He also belongs to Rochester Lodge No. 24, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His friends, who are many, attest the sterling worth of his character, as well as his professional ability and feel no hesitancy in predicting for him a bright future.

RAY TOMPKINS.

Preeminent as a financier and a citizen, the late Ray Tompkins of Elmira was an outstanding figure in western New York. His sphere of usefulness was large, his ability was akin to genius, and his influence was predominant in the community which he did so much to develop and benefit. Throughout his life, whether in the classroom, on the gridiron, in the marts of trade or in association with his fellows, he was a natural leader. However, he did not make this leadership a burden or even a visible thing, but his natural qualities and characteristics assured him this place. As the executive head of one of the largest business concerns of its kind in the east, and as the president of two large corporations, he won material success beyond that of most men, but the acquisition of worldly goods did not destroy the common touch which he maintained in his relations with society.

Ray Tompkins was born in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1861, a son of Tamerline Burt and Brittan (Millard) Tompkins. The father, who was a prominent lumberman of the Keystone state, was born July 29, 1821, and died in Elmira, on April 2, 1889. He traced his ancestry back to John Alden, Thomas Rogers and Elder William Brewster. The mother of Ray Tompkins was born in Tioga, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Ambrose and Mary (Gordon) Millard, the latter descended from the Gorden clan of Scotch Highlanders. The parents of Ray Tompkins were married December 23, 1851, and to them were born two sons: Ray and Charles Millard. The latter passed away in 1901.

Ray Tompkins completed his early education within the familiar walls of the Elmira Free Academy. He then entered Williston Seminary at Easthampton, Massachusetts, to fit himself for Yale University. He entered the latter institution in the fall of 1879 and was graduated therefrom in June, 1884. In this classic institution Ray Tompkins became one of the most prominent students in its history and, in fact, throughout his life he was close to his Alma Mater and active in its behalf. As an athlete he won national reputation, having been one of the most able guards ever on a Yale football team. For two years he was captain of the varsity eleven, which was an honor given only one other time in the history of the university and that to Tom Shevlin. After he had left Yale, Ray Tompkins for twenty years returned every autumn and aided in the coaching of the varsity elevens and even after that was active in the athletic councils of the university. He was also active during his student days in baseball and as an oarsman. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon and Psi Upsilon fraternities and the famous Skull and Bones Society.

Ray Tompkins entered into the wholesale grocery business with his brother, Charles M., soon after leaving the university. Together they operated this successful business until the death of Charles M. Thereafter Ray Tompkins carried on the business alone, building up a corporation involving millions of dollars and covering territory of national scope. He entered into the banking business in 1902 as vice president of the Elmira Trust Company and after the merger of this institution with the Chemung Canal Bank in 1903 he continued with the new corporation, the Chemung Canal Trust Company, in the same capacity. In 1910, following the death of the president, Matthias H. Arnot, Mr. Tompkins was elected the executive head of the bank and retained this office until his death. In 1901 Mr. Tompkins became president of the Elmira Water, Light & Railroad Company, a connection he also retained during the remainder of his life.

In politics Mr. Tompkins was a republican and in 1912 was a delegate to the Republican national convention. He was treasurer of the Newtown Battle Monument Association, vice president of the Arnot Art Gallery, chairman of the board of directors of the Eclipse Machine Company, a trustee of the Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital, a director of the Elmira Knitting Mills and a trustee of Elmira College.

During the war he was chairman of the first and second Liberty Loan drives and treasurer of the Chemung County Home Defense committee. His club affiliations were with the Country, City and Cold Brook Clubs, and the University and Yale Clubs of New York city.

In 1893 Ray Tompkins was united in marriage to Sarah Ross Wey, a daughter of the late Dr. William C. Wey. Mr. Tompkins is survived by his widow. The death of Ray Tompkins occurred in Elmira on June 30, 1918.

J. FRANK BRADY.

J. Frank Brady is classed with those enterprising business men who have stimulated industrial activity in Rochester and his constructive labors have been a source of public progress as well as individual success. He was born in Ontario county, New York, April 19, 1874, and is a son of John P. and Mary (Brady) Brady, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Ontario county. During his boyhood the father came to the United States and subsequently engaged in farming in Ontario county, becoming one of the prosperous agriculturists of that section. He is now living retired in Rochester, but the mother died in May, 1916.

J. Frank Brady is the third in a family of eleven children. He attended the public schools of his native county and later entered the Mechanics Institute at Rochester, from which he was graduated with the class of 1905. He followed his trade for five years, gaining valuable experience along industrial lines, and in 1917 organized the Brady Tool & Die Company, of which he is now secretary and treasurer. Francis J. Troy is president of the corporation and Walter Fogarty is filling the office of vice president. Since its inception the business has grown steadily as a result of the combined efforts and careful supervision of the men at its head and the work turned out by the firm is of high grade and standard excellence.

On the 4th of January, 1909, Mr. Brady was united in marriage to Miss Evelyn Fogarty, a member of one of the prominent families of Rochester, and they have become the parents of three children: Geraldine, who was born in 1912; Margaret, born in 1915; and Robert John, born in 1919. All are natives of this city. Mr. Brady is a faithful communicant of the Roman Catholic church and is also a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He has taken cognizance of his opportunities, utilizing them to the best advantage, and combines in his character all of the qualities of a useful and desirable citizen.

FREDERICK PERRY HALL.

For nearly half a century Frederick Perry Hall has been identified with the Jamestown Evening Journal. He was born in the town of Busti, Chautauqua county, New York, November 8, 1859, and is a son of John A. and Emily (Perry) Hall. As far back as 1814 Samuel Hall, the grandfather of Frederick P., came from Vermont and purchased a farm in the town of Busti. In 1849 this farm was taken over by John A. Hall, who at that time came from Warren, Pennsylvania, where he had been engaged in business for ten years or more. In 1872 he removed to Jamestown and in 1876 purchased the Journal, which had been established in 1826, and with which he remained connected until his death in 1886.

Frederick Perry Hall received his elementary education in the district schools of his native town. He was about twelve years old when his parents removed to Jamestown. There he attended the Jamestown Union School and Collegiate Institute. Upon leaving school in 1876 he entered the employ of his father, subsequently becoming a partner in the management and publication of the Journal. Since his father's death in 1886 he has been in control of the Journal Printing Company, of which he is now president. The Evening Journal, under the management of the Halls (father and son) has contributed in no small degree to the development and prosperity of the city's industries.

Mr. Hall is president of the Journal Press, Inc., a commercial printing establishment occupying its own fire-proof building at 212-216 West Second street, Jamestown; president of the Western Reserve Securities Corporation, an investment banking company, Jamestown; president of the Chautauqua Abstract Company, a title searching company with offices at Mayville, New York, the county seat of Chautauqua county.

Mr. Hall is a director in the National Chautauqua County Bank and vice president of the Union Trust Company; president of the Lake View Cemetery Association; has served as one of the city park commissioners; is president of the Young Men's

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Christian Association; and was one of the five directors who planned and erected the magnificent Furniture Manufacturers building, one of the finest structures in Jamestown, and is secretary and treasurer of the corporation owning the building. These activities indicate his public spirit and progressiveness.

On September 12, 1883, Miss Lucy Mason, daughter of Levant L. and Emmie Mason of Jamestown, became the wife of Frederick P. Hall. To this union five sons have been born: Henri M. and Levant M. are now associated with the Journal Printing Company; Frederick Perry, Jr., is chief engineer of the Salisbury Axle Company of Jamestown; John Adams; and Charles Edward, who died in 1919 in his twentieth year.

HARRY NORMAN JEFFERIES.

Harry Norman Jefferies, editor of the Times, was born in Canaseraga, Allegany county, on the 14th of April, 1880, the son of William Forshee and Mary (Hulburt) Jefferies. On his father's side of the family he is descended from old pre-Revolutionary stock and more recently his grandfather, Norman P. Jefferies, was one of the men who settled Oramel, Allegany county. Thus for three generations this family has been intimately connected with the history of this section of New York state, where its members have ever been highly respected and valuable members of the community. William F. Jefferies is well known locally as a railroad man of many years of experience.

Harry Norman Jefferies spent his boyhood and youth in his native city and there obtained a good high school education. Later he took up the study of accounting in a business school and also attended New York University for a time. His career in his chosen line of work was a highly creditable one and demonstrated his unusual ability as an accountant. For three years he was head cost accountant for the accounting department of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, from which he went to Washington, D. C., to become cashier in the disbursing office of the bureau of census, where he likewise served for a period of three years. From this position Mr. Jefferies was advanced to the post of taxation expert, division of statistics of cities, department of commerce, Washington, D. C. After three years of experience in this particular line of work his department sent him into the field as field auditor for city accounts for two years. His last position with the national government service was that of chief auditor for the bureau of census in Washington, a highly responsible and important post. Mr. Jefferies had been in this last office for but three years when his health failed and he was compelled to resign.

It took two years of rest and change, spent in eastern Kentucky, in Breathitt county, to restore Mr. Jefferies' health to the point where he could wisely resume an active life. Even then it did not seem advisable for him to take up the exacting work in which he had formerly been engaged, so he returned with his family to Canaseraga in June, 1922, to make his future home here. He bought out the Times, a small newspaper with a local circulation, and has since been its editor and business manager. Under his management the circulation of the paper has increased considerably and now amounts to about eight hundred copies. Mr. Jefferies has found this work, so totally different from anything in which he had previous experience, very interesting, while his subscribers have noticed with pleasure the innovations introduced in the paper by one who has come from the outside with a fresh viewpoint.

In 1910 Mr. Jefferies was married to Miss Grace Hancock, daughter of Delphine and David M. Hancock. At that time the bride's father was sheriff of Allegany county. To Mr. and Mrs. Jefferies have been born three children: David William, Mary Delphine and Robert Hancock. Mr. Jefferies is a member of the Masonic fraternity and in political matters votes with the democratic party. He is fond of outdoor life and since returning to Canaseraga has become identified with the Rod and Gun Club, of which he is now secretary and treasurer.

ARTHUR E. RHODES.

Arthur E. Rhodes is an enterprising and resourceful business man, capable of directing important commercial interests, and for twenty years Elmira has numbered him among its useful and influential citizens. He was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, September 23, 1877, a son of Edward W. and Fannie (Martin) Rhodes, also natives of that state, and the father was a manufacturer of jewelry.

Arthur E. Rhodes was reared and educated in his native town and after his graduation from high school was associated in business with his father for a short

time. He entered the service of the American La France Fire Engine Company in 1902, at the age of twenty-five, and for three years was connected with their establishment at San Francisco, California. Since 1905 he has been identified with the company at Elmira and is now filling the offices of vice president, secretary and treasurer. He has initiative, executive power and mature judgment and successfully controls the interests intrusted to his charge.

In 1900 Mr. Rhodes was married to Miss Emma Perry, who was born, reared and educated in Mansfield, Massachusetts. His attention is concentrated upon business affairs and the City and Country Clubs are the only organizations of a social nature with which he is connected. He has gained a wide acquaintance during the period of his residence in Elmira and supports all projects calculated to prove of benefit to the city.

THEODORE DOSSENBACH.

Theodore Dossenbach, pioneer in municipal musical activities, was the founder of the Rochester Park Band, one of the best military and concert bands in the country, of which he had been musical director for two decades when death terminated his career in January, 1924, when he was about fifty-four years of age. This organization gained state wide fame under his leadership and he was also the proprietor of the Dossenbach Orchestra, the Commandery Band and the Shrine Band. His birth occurred at Niagara Falls, Niagara county, New York, on the 5th of April, 1870, his parents being Mathias and Ragalua (Birdsing) Dossenbach. It was during the halcyon days of the Philharmonics that the Dossenbach family first came into public notice through the wonderful violin playing of Master Otto, then a young lad of twelve or fourteen. The father, Mathias Dossenbach, was a comb maker in the old country and emigrated to America with the intention of working at his trade here, but as everything in that line was done by machinery in the New World, he found it difficult to secure employment. His knowledge of music stood him in good stead, and through teaching and doing what he could at his trade, he managed to bring up a family of most promising boys whose names have stood for much in the musical world of Rochester. The discovery of the boy Otto by Henry Appy created considerable excitement among musicians, especially the members of the Philharmonic Orchestra, and the story is an interesting one. It was at a rehearsal one evening that Mr. Appy told of a little German boy he had found who played like a maestro—how he happened to be passing along one of the streets in an outlying district of the city of Niagara Falls when from a small cottage he heard a violin being exquisitely played. With the interest of an artist and teacher, he rapped on the door to inquire who it was and to make himself acquainted with a fellow musician and artist. Imagine his astonishment when the Herr Papa presented the little boy, Master Otto Dossenbach, a lad eight years old. Mr. Appy became deeply interested in the boy and prevailed upon the father to allow him to take charge of his future musical education, and he became one of his most promising pupils. The Philharmonic also took an interest in Master Otto, made him a member and brought him before the public as its soloist at the concert of the society in Corinthian Hall, March 27, 1873. He appeared on several occasions after that. Ill health, however, finally compelled him to give up an active career. His three brothers, Adolph, Herman and Theodore, also displayed remarkable musical talent and as they reached a suitable age were placed under Mr. Appy's tuition and rapidly developed into useful members of the musical fraternity. They gained a place in the front rank, doing much good for the cause of music, and became prosperous and enterprising citizens.

Theodore Dossenbach, who was two years of age when the family home was established in Rochester, attended the public schools in the acquirement of an education. As above stated, he received his musical instruction from Professor Appy of Rochester, who made him a master of the violin. He played string bass in the Lyceum Theatre for eighteen years. He organized the Dossenbach String Orchestra for social engagements, also the Dossenbach Band, and for two seasons played at Charlotte. To Theodore Dossenbach is given the credit for the development of band music in Rochester as a musical activity. His leadership and the support of the city's park department brought the organization to an unusual state of excellence. In 1904 the music committee of the park board, of which Frank G. Newell was chairman, recommended to the board that funds be assigned to establish a park band, with Mr. Dossenbach as leader, the musicians to be selected by him and concerts arranged for the summer and fall seasons. The band, said to be the first municipal park band in the state, soon



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became widely known and received requests for concerts in other cities. For two seasons the band gave concerts in Buffalo, Syracuse and Olean, New York, and Cobourg, Ontario. During the first few years of the band's existence each musician furnished his own uniform and contributed for rental of the band headquarters for rehearsals. Mr. Dossenbach bought all the new music from his own funds. In 1910 Mr. Dossenbach suggested to the park board that leading soloists be employed to come here for the season. As a result E. B. Llewellyn, solo cornetist of the Thomas Symphony Orchestra of Chicago, and Gardell Simons, trombone soloist of New York, played here for several seasons. Mrs. Kathryn Rankin Williams of Brooklyn, New York, was cornet soloist with this band during the last five years of Mr. Dossenbach's life. Not all of Mr. Dossenbach's musical activity, however, was centered in the Park Band. He organized and developed the Dossenbach Orchestra, the Commandery Band, prominent in many Masonic affairs, and the Shrine Band. To make the music of the Park Band more readily available in many sections of the city, where no band stands had been built, he devised a portable band stand, which has been in use several years and has been copied in many other cities. Three years after entering the parks of Rochester with the Dossenbach Band, its leader changed the name to the Rochester Park Band. In 1909 its members presented him with a gold baton and on the last Sunday of August, 1923, with a beautiful badge. He was much beloved by all the men under him. Through a period of twelve years he played twice weekly at entertainments in the Eastman home, for fourteen years at the Lake Avenue Baptist church and also furnished the music at the horse and automobile shows, at weddings and other functions. Theodore Dossenbach was a natural-born musician, playing every instrument but the drum. For twenty-four years he was band cornetist. A true artist, success did not make him vain.

When the Park Band was organized with Theodore Dossenbach at its head, there was some criticism because he trained his men along classical lines, but cordially supported by an enlightened public sentiment, he held to his course, avoiding extremes, rendering the greatest of the classics from the immortal operas and isolated compositions and touching with skill the popular melodies of all lands. The American classics like our "Old Kentucky Home" are equal in power and pathos to any works of foreign lands. He did not neglect these classics. He gave the city a distinction in music that is rare. The Park Band is individually and as a body worthy of its founder, having secured some of the best talent in the country. The following tribute to the work of Theodore Dossenbach was paid by Park Commissioner Riley: "Rochester has lost a splendid citizen, a man gifted with music which fulfilled the wants of the people of Rochester. He was always cheerful and good-natured, liberal with his encores and quick at all times to fill in with the proper music to fit the occasion as it arose. He was always on time and on the job and made it his aim to study and render the best music at all times. His work showed this by the large number of people who attend the concerts in the park three to five times a week. I doubt if any one director of municipal park band free concerts held out-of-doors has played before as many people and has given as much pleasure as Theodore Dossenbach has in the last twenty years. I feel I have lost a very dear friend, having worked with him for over twenty years in the park affairs, and he was never found wanting."

The following editorial appeared in the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle: "The park band has become an institution in many cities since the Park Band of Rochester began its public service for this city twenty years ago. It was due to the musical initiative of Theodore Dossenbach that this organization began its service, since by making the band which was drafted to such service one of such excellence as to attract the attention and interest of Rochester's civic sponsors of the enterprise, Mr. Dossenbach was a principal contributor to the enterprise. Through many years Mr. Dossenbach kept the band he directed efficient and popular; to combine such assets in a civic musical organization is no mean task. And the influence of this band on musical interest in the city must be reckoned as important. It is not necessary to pay attention to the critical aspects of the band's achievement to be assured that it furthered the conviction of thousands of people of Rochester that enjoyment of music, and of good music, was a sensible and profitable employment of leisure. The Park Band was the keystone in performance of the music festivals held in the parks; these festivals were enjoyed by hosts of people; the city's parks were on occasion made scenically delightful. Theodore Dossenbach will be remembered and deserves to be remembered as an able and conscientious worker in the cause of music in Rochester. His service was rendered directly to the people, and it reached a great public, which has contributed and will contribute to the city's music public,

on which to such large degree the success of Rochester's future in music must depend."

The Park Band won recognition as one of the best military and concert bands in the country, comparing in size and in formation with those of Sousa, Pryor and even the Marine Band. During the summer months the Park Band plays three or four times a week regularly, alternately in the different parks of the city, and in the winter is heard in a series of free concerts given for the people in Convention Hall. This free music is an element of education that is invaluable to the people, and it has been a matter of pleasing interest to note the rapid progress in good taste manifested by the public, the demand being for a constantly better and higher class of programs. He was very proud of the fact that his band escorted the soldiers of the World war when they went from Rochester; also when they came back after the war.

On the 17th of October, 1898, Mr. Dossenbach was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Eldridge, daughter of Christopher and Linda (Horton) Eldridge, the former an agriculturist of Cuylerville, New York. Mrs. Dossenbach obtained her education at Cuylerville and at Geneseo. Mr. and Mrs. Dossenbach have a daughter: Adeline Mae, who is now the wife of Marvin M. Wheeler.

Fraternally Mr. Dossenbach was a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to Genesee Falls Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Hamilton Chapter, R. A. M.; Monroe Commandery, K. T.; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and Lalla Rookh Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R. He was made a member of the Shrine Patrol, an honor bestowed only on one who has filled the chairs. He was likewise identified with the local organization of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the members of which were very devoted to him during his illness; also belonged to the Royal Jesters, to the Automobile Club of Rochester and to Central church. The members of the Park Band attended his funeral in a body, six of their number being the active pall bearers, while honorary pall bearers included men who had been associated with him in the park department. The services were conducted by Genesee Falls Lodge of Masons.

The following resolutions beautifully engrossed were presented to Mr. Dossenbach's family:

"Theodore Dossenbach, Park Band leader and director for twenty years, died January 25, 1924. His aim in life was to render high class music to the people of Rochester at all times. He made an honorable record and had hosts of friends. He made a lasting impression with the citizens of Rochester and the children who loved him so well. His great devotion to his family and home was one of the outstanding characteristics of his life. His friendship was sealed with every member of the Department of Parks, who loved him and feel sorely grieved in our great loss. He left the city better than he found it.

"Be it Resolved: That, the heartfelt sympathy and condolence of this department be extended to his family, and signed by all the members of the Park Board."

PAUL WILLIAM FRIEDLER.

A lifelong resident of Rochester, Paul William Friedler was prominent in business, civic, social and fraternal circles of his community, and left the impress of his individuality for good upon the history of his city. He was a useful and influential member of society and his death, which occurred on the 30th of December, 1923, was the occasion of deep and widespread regret. He was born April 5, 1866, a son of Paul and Mary (Sauers) Friedler, who lived in Rochester for many years, and of their children, the only one living is Leonard Friedler. After her husband's death Mrs. Friedler was married to Helmuth Knapp, and their surviving children are: Herman, Mrs. Dora Smarcz, Mrs. William Beitling and Mrs. Caroline Wagner.

Paul William Friedler attended Henry Lomb School, No. 20, and when he was a boy of two years his father died. He obtained work in the bottling plant of Klein & Hoffheinz and there gained a practical knowledge of the business. In 1887, at the age of twenty-one, he formed a partnership with his brother John, opening a bottling works at No. 4 West Lowell street. A few years later the brother died and Paul W. Friedler conducted the business alone until his death, specializing in the bottling of soda and mineral water. For some time he had a plant at No. 93 Martin street and then removed to the present location at No. 80 Lowell street. The business was conducted under the name of the Paul W. Friedler Bottling Works, of which he was the president, and by hard work and good management he built up an enterprise of substantial proportions. He was one of the leaders of this industry in



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western New York and was honored with the vice presidency of the New York State Bottlers Association. His life from an early age was one of unremitting industry and his success was the legitimate reward of earnest, systematic effort and honorable, straightforward dealing.

On the 17th of September, 1885, Mr. Friedler was married to Miss Mary A. Snyder, a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Buck) Snyder of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Friedler: Albert J., the oldest, was married to Mary A. Boschert and they have two sons, Raymond Paul and Gene Kenneth; Paul William, Jr., was married to Anna M. Ludwig, by whom he has two children, Paul (III) and Grace Marian; Walter, the third son, is deceased; Flossie is the wife of Ralph E. Wilkinson and the mother of a daughter, Mary Ann.

Mr. Friedler was a conscientious member of St. John's Lutheran church and his religion was carried into his daily life. He belonged to the Chamber of Commerce, the Erie Social Club, and for eight years was president of the Rochester Maennerchor. He was also connected with the Rochester Turnverein, the Liederkrantz and the United German-American Societies. He was very active in fraternal affairs and stood high in Masonry, belonging to Germania Lodge, No. 22, F. & A. M.; the Germania Lodge of Perfection; Rochester Consistory, A. & A. S. R., in which he attained the thirty-second degree; and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was likewise a member of the Elks Lodge No. 24, Monroe Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, Siegel Tent of the Knights of The Maccabees, and served as president of Aerie No. 52, of the Order of Eagles.

In politics Mr. Friedler was a lifelong republican, never faltering in his allegiance to the party, but was not an office seeker, the only public position which he ever held being that of alderman of the fifth ward. He was elected in 1915 and filled that office for eight years, rendering valuable service to the city as chairman of the committee on parks and a member of the special committee on the standardization of salaries. He was one of the most popular members of that body, which at a special meeting on the day following his death unanimously adopted the following resolution, offered by Alderman Martin B. O'Neill:

"Our friend and colleague, Paul W. Friedler, died yesterday. His going greatly grieves us. For the past eight years he served as representative of the fifth ward.

"He was born in our city, April 5, 1866, and although he was often urged to accept public office, we were denied the beneficent influence in public position of his personality save only for these past eight years. His term of office would have expired today. He was not a candidate for reelection. He served as chairman of the committee on parks during the time when the parks have so wonderfully developed. He was a member of the salary standardization committee, the committee on railroads, the Mount Hope cemetery committee, and one of the representatives of the Common Council in the Rochester Industrial Exposition Association. At all times his work was characterized by conscientious planning and wise judgments for the good of all of our citizens.

"Our associate evidenced a sincere interest in the welfare of our community, not only in public life, where his influence was directly manifested, but in private life, where his love, beginning in his family, encompassed the broad range of human activities. He was a member of a large number of fraternal and social organizations. He was all that the term true friend means. Our lives have been enriched by the opportunity which we have had to work with Paul W. Friedler and to know him.

"Be it resolved, That as an expression of our sorrow and our love for our comrade this memorial be spread upon our records and a copy thereof sent to his family, to whom our heartfelt condolence is extended."

BERT C. CATE.

Bert C. Cate, principal of Cook Academy of Montour Falls, has been active as an educator since leaving college and has met with well-merited success in his work. He is a native of Wyoming county, New York, and son of Clarence T. and Nora (Butler) Cate. The father, born in 1856, is a well known resident of Warsaw, New York.

Following the completion of a high school course in Wyoming, New York, Bert C. Cate entered Williams College of Williamstown, Massachusetts, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he spent

one year as an instructor in the Northside Preparatory School of Williamstown and subsequently became vice principal of Cook Academy in Montour Falls, New York. He later served as acting principal and has been principal of the institution since 1918. Mr. Cate is keenly interested in the various activities of the Academy and was the organizer of the school band and orchestra, which has played at numerous local functions. His work as principal has been attended with splendid results and has gained him an enviable reputation as an educator.

In August, 1912, Mr. Cate was united in marriage to Ruth Spencer of Pennellville, New York. They are the parents of three daughters and a son, namely: Dorothy, Margaret, Louis and Barbara. In politics Mr. Cate is a staunch republican, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Baptist church. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order and he is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the craft. He also belongs to the Rotary Club, to the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America, to the Elmira Century Club and to the State Principals and Teachers Association.

ALFRED BRUCE BATHO.

The death of Alfred Bruce Batho on the 5th of August, 1924, deprived Rochester of a citizen of worth and an enterprising, straightforward and successful business man who for thirty years maintained a position of leadership in connection with the harness trade. He was a native of Canada, born in Kenilworth, Ontario, October 18, 1869, a son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Hayward) Batho, whose surviving children are: Mrs. Irving Jones, Mrs. H. St. Clair Potter, Miss Jessie Batho, and George, Herbert, Stephen and R. Hayward Batho, all residents of the Dominion.

Alfred Bruce Batho received his education in the public schools of Kenilworth and afterward went to Toronto, Canada, where he entered the employ of an uncle, under whom he served an apprenticeship to the harness-maker's trade, which he subsequently followed in Georgetown and at Lananaqua, in the Thousand islands. He was employed for a time by the firm of Pierce & Hough of Detroit, Michigan, and in 1894 came to Rochester, purchasing the Reddick business. This he operated for a year and then moved across the street, opening an establishment at No. 1822 East avenue. Mr. Batho remained at that location until his demise and his business kept pace with the development of the city, growing steadily from year to year, for he was alert, energetic and progressive, as well as thoroughly reliable. He had a highly specialized knowledge of the harness business, also handling tires and driving gloves, and likewise conducted a large mail order business under the name of the Pioneer Whip Company. He was a very capable executive and became recognized as one of the leading merchants of the city, while his integrity was never open to question.

In Rochester, on the 3d of March, 1902, Mr. Batho was married to Miss Margaret Reome, a daughter of Louis and Anna (Leonard) Reome. Emily Harriet was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Batho. The widow and daughter survive and reside in an attractive home at No. 510 Cedarwood terrace. Mr. Batho attended the Brighton Presbyterian church and gave his political allegiance to the republican party. He was influential in its local councils and served on the ward committee. He was a member of the Exempt Volunteer Firemen's Association of Brighton and acted as secretary and treasurer of the Harness Dealers Association. Mr. Batho was an exemplary representative of the Genesee Falls Lodge of Masons, and the funeral service was conducted by his brethren of that order. He had a wide acquaintance and his integrity in business affairs, his civic spirit, his fidelity and devotion to the ties of home and friendship, were qualities which won him the high and enduring regard of those who came within the sphere of his influence.

JAMES MCCALL.

James McCall, an older member of the bar at Bath and for many years one of the best known lawyers in Steuben county, is a native son of Bath and with the exception of a few years spent in Avoca in the earlier days of his practice he has always been a resident of that village. He was born July 17, 1864, a son of Ansel James and Mary Ellas McCall, the latter of whom also was born in Bath, August 26, 1825, a member of a family that came into Steuben county from Brattleboro, Vermont,



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about the year 1815. Ansel James McCall, who also was a member of one of the pioneer families of Steuben county, was born in Painted Post, in that county, January 14, 1816, a member of one of the old colonial families of Massachusetts, the McCalls of this line in America having had their origin here as early as 1684, with the coming of James McCall, a member of one of the Scottish families in the north of Ireland, who effected a settlement in the Massachusetts colony and whose family in the present generation is numerous represented throughout the New England states, as well as in other sections of the country.

Reared in Bath, James McCall, who bears the name of his first American ancestor, completed the work in the high school in that village and then entered Cornell University, from which institution he was graduated (A. B.) in June, 1885, a month before he had attained his majority. The quality of his scholarship attainments in Cornell is attested by the fact that in 1884, the year prior to his graduation, he was awarded the coveted key of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary college fraternity. Thus qualified for further studies in law, to which profession he early had devoted himself, Mr. McCall entered the Cornell University Law School and in 1888 was graduated (LL. B.) from that institution. In that same year he was admitted to the New York state bar and in the following year (1889) engaged in the practice of law in Avoca. Two years later he opened an office for practice in Bath, the county seat, and has ever since been in practice in that village. Mr. McCall not only has been successful in his professional practice but he has other interests of a substantial character, including his place on the directorate of the Bath National Bank, a sound financial institution which he helped to organize in 1912 and of which he has been a director from the beginning. He is a democrat, long recognized as one of the leaders of that party in Steuben county, and in 1896 was honored by his party when nominated for district attorney and in 1912 for state senator in his home district.

On December 27, 1899, in Bath, James McCall was united in marriage to Miss Edith Shepard and they have one child: A daughter, M. Josephine McCall, born April 10, 1907. Mrs. McCall was born in Bath, November 26, 1869, and is a daughter of William H. and Adelaide (Church) Shepard. She has long given her special attention to local educational interests and has been for several terms a member of the board of education of the Haverling high school. The Shepards of this line are of the New London (New Hampshire) family of that name and are of colonial stock.

ROLLIN O. BAKER, M. D.

Dr. Rollin O. Baker is a well known and successful physician of Montour Falls, where he has been actively engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery since 1915. His birth occurred at Lockport, Niagara county, New York, on the 1st of October, 1882, his parents being Flavius J. and Ilsa (Oliver) Baker. The paternal grandfather, Thaddeus Baker, settled in the vicinity of the present site of Andover in Allegany county, New York, about 1820. His son, Flavius J. Baker, who was there born on the 17th of July, 1842, was graduated from New York University with the degree of M. D. and was a successful representative of the medical profession for forty-three years. He practiced in Buffalo, in Lewiston and in Lockport, becoming widely recognized as one of the skilled physicians and surgeons of western New York.

Rollin O. Baker pursued a high school course in his native town and continued his studies in the University of Buffalo, while his professional training was acquired in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University in New York city, which institution conferred upon him the degree of M. D. Subsequently he served on the staff of Bellevue Hospital in the eastern metropolis and did postgraduate work in the Phipps Institute. Dr. Baker engaged in the practice of medicine at Lockport in association with his father from 1908 until 1915 and in the latter year came to Montour Falls, which has since remained the scene of his professional labors. His patronage has steadily increased as he has demonstrated his ability to cope with the intricate problems which continually confront the physician in his efforts to restore health and prolong life. At all times he keeps in close touch with the most advanced methods and discoveries of the profession through his membership in the Elmira Academy of Medical Science, the Schuyler County Medical Society and the New York State Medical Society. During the period of the World war he was a lieutenant in the Medical Corps at Camp Dix.

In 1911 Dr. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Mary Louise Shutt of Rochester, New York, and they have become the parents of two children, Rollin

Erwin and Robert Oliver. The Doctor is a member of the Rotary Club and fraternally is identified with the Masons and the Odd Fellows. He enjoys an extensive acquaintance in his adopted county and his social qualities as well as his professional ability have made for popularity among his many friends.

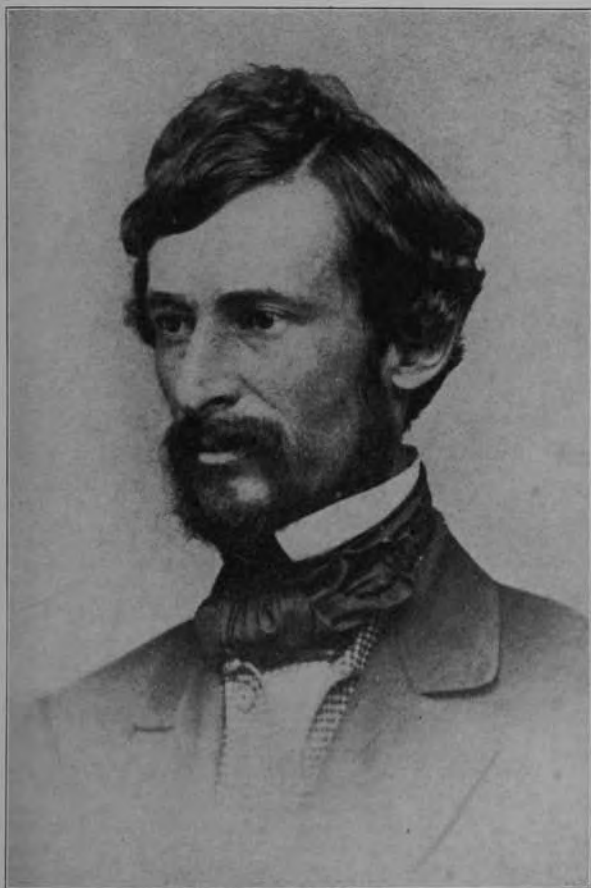
LOCKWOOD LYON DOTY.

By Gordon K. Miller.

Noteworthy among the names of Livingston county's honored and respected citizens will be found that of the late Lockwood Lyon Doty, whose life, while regretably less in duration than the allotted span, was yet replete with accomplishment, with indefatigable labor, with Christian acts, and with inspired association with his fellows. He left a distinct impression, an indelible record, upon the history and traditions of his home county. Lockwood Lyon Doty was born May 15, 1827, in Groveland, Livingston county, New York, the son of William and Mary (Harrison) Doty. He was descended from one of the oldest American families having been the sixth in descent from Edward Doty, who was a passenger on the Mayflower.

Lockwood Lyon Doty received his education in the country schools. This brief academic training was but a bare foundation for the broad learning which he found for himself later; he was ever studious and, perhaps, acquired knowledge with a facility denied many men. In 1847, when twenty years of age, he entered the law office of John Young in Geneseo, and, when the latter became governor of New York state young Doty followed him to Albany and was appointed to a position in the office of the canal appraiser. In the first year of Governor Young's administration, however, he was named for the position of deputy state treasurer under Alvah Hunt. His efficiency and meritorious work there were given quick recognition, and when the New York Central Railroad Company was formed through consolidation Mr. Doty was asked by the president of the company to undertake the clerical work of this organization. This duty performed, he returned to Albany and was reappointed deputy state treasurer under Mr. Spaulding and later under Stephen Clark. When Mr. Clark became president of the La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad Company, Mr. Doty was appointed secretary and treasurer of that corporation. This position was not to his taste, and he resigned and returned to Albany to accept the office of chief clerk in the executive department proffered to him by Governor Edwin D. Morgan. When Governor Morgan entered upon his second term he appointed Mr. Doty his private secretary, with honorary rank of colonel. He worked unceasingly at Governor Morgan's side during the years of the Civil war, which meant months of arduous, punishing labor, leaving its mark upon a constitution none too robust. The question of personal comfort or health was never reckoned by Colonel Doty; he attacked his tasks with that earnestness which was his characteristic, without heeding the physical strain which it involved. After the close of Governor Morgan's administration, he was tendered the appointment of consul at Nassau, N. P., but this he declined, and remained for a time in the capacity of private secretary to Governor Seymour, at the same time serving as chief of the Bureau of Military Record, then recently established, to which office he had been appointed by Governor Morgan just before the latter went out of office. The work of this bureau included the collection and preservation of all records and documents pertaining to New York's participation in the war of the Rebellion. Colonel Doty's natural aptitude for historical research well qualified him for the task he assumed. Upon giving up this work Colonel Doty returned to Geneseo, with the intention of remaining there, but he was soon prevailed upon to accept the position of deputy collector of customs at New York city. He soon resigned this position to become the private secretary of Edwin D. Morgan, then representing New York in the United States senate. Colonel Doty remained with the senator during his term of office.

In 1869 he was appointed by President Grant assessor of internal revenue for the sixth district of New York. Suffering a recurrence of ill health he surrendered this connection and again returned to Geneseo, entering the newspaper field through the purchase of the Livingston Republican and resuming his historical work, mentioned in a later paragraph. Colonel Doty, in 1869, was elected secretary of the republican state committee. About this time Edwin D. Morgan, then interested financially in the New Orleans, Mobile & Chattanooga Railroad, offered the position of treasurer of that company to Colonel Doty, which he accepted, but remained at this post a few months only.



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His next office was that of pension agent in New York city, which place was formed by the consolidation of the two then existing pension agencies. Colonel Doty was appointed to this place by President Grant, in April, 1871. Again he was in the service of the veterans, a task which appealed to his heart, and he entered upon his work with intense interest, but the physical conditions under which he worked accelerated the disease which struck him down at his last post of service, and his death occurred in Jersey City on January 18, 1873. He was buried in Temple Hill cemetery at Geneseo.

Colonel Doty was married March 21, 1852, in Esperance, New York, to Sarah Abell, the daughter of William Abell, and to this union the following children were born: Dr. Alvah H. Doty, of New York city; Lockwood R. Doty, Martha A. Youngs and Mary L. Scheffer of Geneseo; Edwin M. Doty, the fifth child, is deceased.

Perhaps the outstanding work of Colonel Doty's life was his original work in historical research, resulting in the preparation of the first comprehensive history of Livingston county, New York, and which was published posthumously in 1876. In a biographical foreword to this volume A. J. H. Duganne writes: "No historic basis was ever built with more care, upon facts, than the foundation of this modest chronicle of a New York county, from its early pioneer life, to its place among the most prosperous shires of our state. . . . Whatever could throw intelligent light upon the primitive social condition of this portion of our commonwealth, Colonel Doty, in his thorough research, collected together as materials for his book. To say that he was painstaking, is to say little; he was indefatigable. He ransacked libraries, and corresponded with men and women of Livingston county antecedents; tracing their whereabouts, out of the county, as well as in, and often to remote towns in our republic. If he heard of an old resident, possessed of records or reminiscences, he hastened to obtain data from such sources. If a centennial relic of some Indian tribe was to be 'interviewed', he journeyed to make that aboriginal acquaintance. Seeking 'light', as I have said, he was eager to find breath anywhere, to enliven whatever old brands of tradition might be buried under ashes of council fires on the site of perished wigwams, or of watch fires, once blazing on fields of fight in Revolutionary days. Such a deliver after facts was fitted to write a history; and, although his term of mortal years could not witness the publication of these annals, his busy life yet gave him opportunities of personal supervision; so that nearly half the work was printed under his eye."

In the words of the late A. O. Bunnell, Colonel Doty gave to this work "the best energies of a trained mind and conscientious devotion to the highest interests of his native county. This work, most painstaking and exhaustive, was continued until the pencil dropped from fingers palsied by death. The world of valuable work conscientiously, tirelessly performed by Colonel Doty in his various positions is immeasurable, almost astounding, and through it all he bore his labors so cheerfully, so uprightly, that he won the praise of all parties, with a spotless integrity unquestioned. As Christian, patriot, husband, father, brother, his forty-six years of noble, useful life made the world better and happier."

LOCKWOOD RICHARD DOTY.

By Gordon K. Miller.

Lockwood Richard Doty, the present county judge and surrogate of Livingston county, and prominent member of the bar of western New York, was born December 2, 1858, at Albany, New York, a son of Lockwood Lyon and Sarah (Abell) Doty.

Lockwood R. Doty received his education in the Albany Academy; the Temple Hill Academy at Geneseo, New York; the Normal school at Geneseo; Mount Washington Collegiate Institute, at New York; Hasbrouck's Institute at Jersey City, New Jersey, and Columbia College Law School, New York city, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1880.

Mr. Doty immediately began the practice of the profession for which he had prepared himself. In the years of his legal activity at Geneseo he has won for himself an enviable reputation as a counsellor, a position of respect and honor rewarded in 1914 by his election as county judge and surrogate of Livingston county. In 1920, after six years of service upon the bench, he was reelected. Like his worthy father, Judge Doty has always been a staunch republican. He was a member of the New York State Constitutional Convention in 1894, and has also served as supervisor of the town of Geneseo, and as president, clerk, police justice and attorney of

the village. Judge Doty served faithfully as chairman of the Livingston County Home Defense Committee while the World war was in progress.

During the years of his residence at Geneseo, Judge Doty has been active in many things of a public nature, movements for the social and civic betterment of the community. He has been honored with positions of trust and responsibility on many occasions. Among his various connections may be mentioned briefly the following: director of the Genesee Valley National Bank; member of the local board of managers of the Genesee State Normal School; trustee of the Wadsworth Library at Geneseo; trustee of the Genesee Masonic Lodge, of which he has been master; former president of the William P. Letchworth Memorial Association; former president and now councilman of the Livingston County Historical Society; president of the Genesee Country Historical Association; member of the State Historical Association of New York; member of the Rochester Historical Society; member of the New York State Archaeological Association; member of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society and committeeman on Letchworth Park of that society. Judge Doty's fraternal affiliations, in addition to the Masonic order already mentioned, include membership in the Genesee Valley Club of Rochester, New York; the National Republican Club of New York; the Genesee Club of Geneseo; and the New York State Society of Mayflower Descendants. He is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church of Geneseo.

For many years Judge Doty has been recognized as one of the foremost historical authorities upon Livingston county and the Genesee country, and as such has held a number of executive positions as indicated above. In 1905 he assisted in the preparation of an exhaustive history of Livingston county, which was very largely the substance and continuation of his father's earlier history of the county. Again, in 1924 and 1925, Judge Doty acted as editor-in-chief of the *The History of the Genesee Country*, the publication of which this sketch is a part.

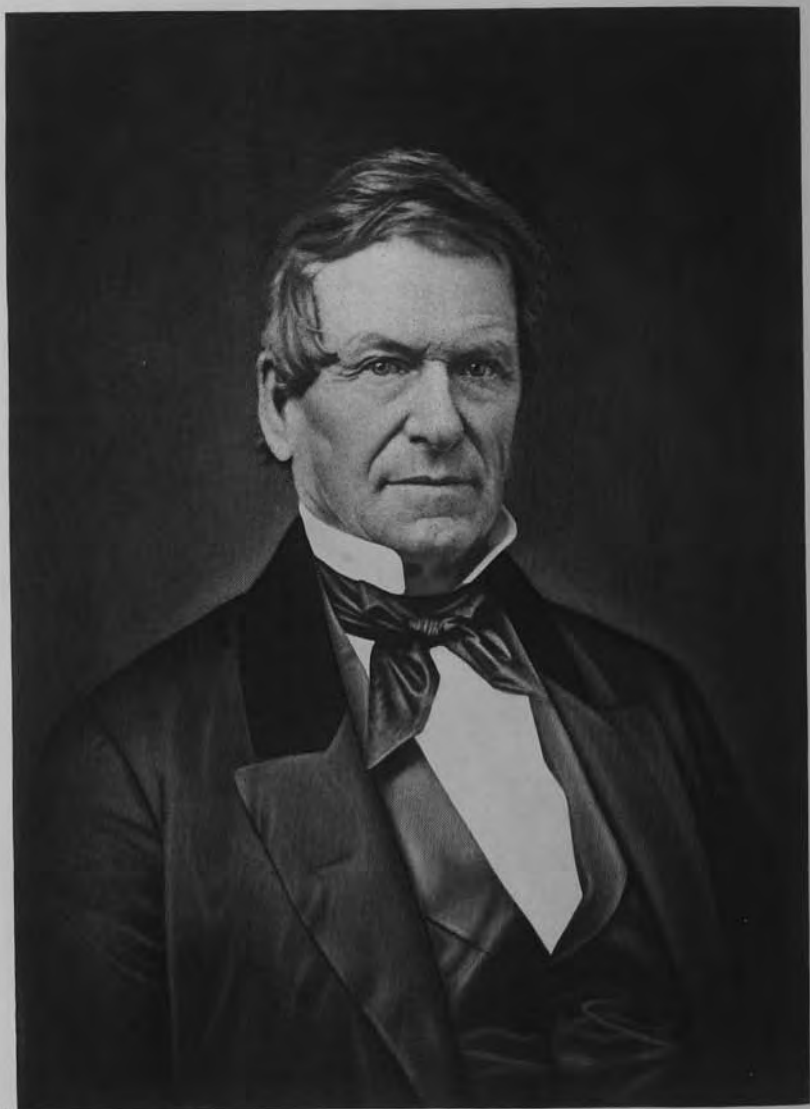
Lockwood R. Doty was married June 6, 1887, at Geneseo to Jennie A. West, the daughter of Dr. James A. West. Mrs. Doty's death occurred May 1, 1924. To them were born three children: Mary A., who is the wife of Howard S. Teall, of Rochester, New York; Louise A., the wife of James W. Colt, Jr., of Cleveland, Ohio; and Lockwood W. Doty, who passed away December 26, 1922. The last named was a veteran of the World war, during which service he attained the rank of major; he married Flora C. Weaver, of Lockport, New York, who survives him, with a son, Lockwood R. Doty II.

GRANGER FAMILY.

(Rochester Branch.)

Representatives of the Granger family have been identified with Rochester's history for more than a century and a quarter and have figured in its annals from the days of pioneer development. The last surviving member of the family in the male line was the late Lyman Henry Granger of Rochester, a highly esteemed citizen who worthily upheld the splendid family name and prestige through a long and honorable life that spanned nearly eighty-six years. The family lineage is traced to Launcelot Granger, the American progenitor of this branch of the family, who was born in England and came to this country, settling in Suffield, Connecticut, where he died on September 3, 1689. In 1653 or 1654 he married Joanna, daughter of Robert Adams. She died after 1701. Samuel Granger, son of Launcelot and Joanna (Adams) Granger, was born on August 2, 1668, and died in Suffield, Connecticut, on April 22, 1721. He married Esther Hanchett, who was born in 1678 and died in 1721.

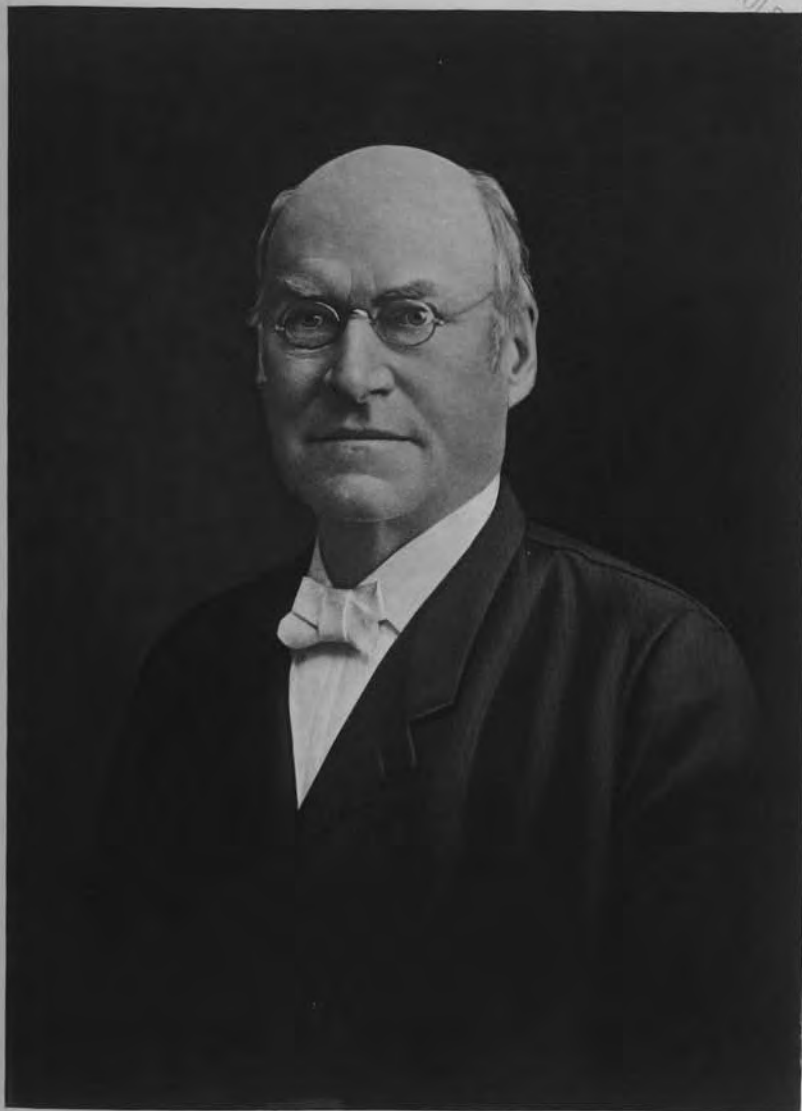
Robert Granger, son of Samuel and Esther (Hanchett) Granger, was born on the 6th of May, 1710, and departed this life on the 14th of February, 1785. He married Ann Seymour in 1731 and resided at Suffield, where he was a farmer and held various public offices. Zadock Granger, son of Robert and Ann (Seymour) Granger, was born on July 20, 1736, at Suffield, and was an agriculturist by occupation and also interested in mills, mines and fisheries. He was known as Colonel Zadock Granger. He served with the rank of lieutenant in the Second Company of the Suffield Train Band in March, 1775, and became captain in May, 1775. He was a private in Captain Elihu Kent's company of Minute-Men at the Lexington alarm. Previous to 1793 he had purchased land on the Phelps and Gorham tract, and when



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the settlement commenced he followed his son, Eli, who had located thereon at King's Landing in Greece. Colonel Zadock Granger here became a factor in business activities as a shipowner and merchant at the dock. He died July 17, 1799, of the so-called "Genesee fever", and was buried in the old cemetery, but unfortunately the grave was unmarked. In 1761 he married Martha Cooley, who was born in Sunderland, Massachusetts, in 1742 and died in Rochester on February 6, 1823. Their son, Eli, was the grandfather of Lyman H. Granger of this review. Eli Granger was born in Suffield, Connecticut, April 12, 1763, and died in what is now Greece, Monroe county, New York, May 4, 1823.

Eli Granger was the first of the family to come to the Genesee country. In 1796, in company with Elisha Kent and Thomas, Gideon and Silas King, he started from Suffield for the Genesee country. The men traveled in covered sleighs and were accompanied by their wives. They settled on the land previously purchased by Colonel Zadock Granger and Stephen King—at what became King's Landing, later called Handford's Landing, a thriving little settlement. Here Eli Granger opened a general store which he conducted for several years. He became the first town clerk in 1797. In 1799, in association with Abner Mignells, he built at King's Landing the first sailing merchant vessel conducted by Americans and used on Lake Ontario. This vessel was named "Jemima" after Mrs. Granger. Eli Granger was married in Suffield to Jemima Leavitt, who was born in 1765 and was the daughter of John Leavitt, a merchant of Suffield. She died on December 2, 1818. By her marriage she became the mother of three daughters and three sons who are named below. Lucretia, whose birth occurred in Suffield on November 21, 1786, married William Hinch (II), an agriculturist at Charlotte, where she passed away on the 28th of September, 1849. Clarissa, whose natal day was March 28, 1788, became the wife of Calvin Bronson and removed to Toledo, Ohio, where she died on June 22, 1810. Calvin, born on December 6, 1790, married Roxanna Chamberlain and died at Hornellsville (Hornell), New York, on March 4, 1861. John, whose birth occurred on the 9th of November, 1791, married Susan Stone and removed to Toledo, Ohio. Lyman Granger was born on June 27, 1794. Arabella, born at Kings Landing, December 5, 1800, married Elihu Grover, who was born in Scipio, August 23, 1808, and was a shoe merchant of Rochester. She died April 20, 1874.

The last named, youngest of the children of Eli and Jemima Granger, was a farmer and wagon maker and also operated a store at one time. He resided in Greece, Monroe county, for a few years, but Rochester was his home during a number of years prior to his death. He was the owner of considerable land which in later years became very valuable. Some of his holdings were plotted by James N. Bruff, one of Rochester's pioneer surveyors, into what was later known as Granger, Sibley and Field tract, lying west of Jefferson avenue and traversed by that and Genesee street. Lyman Granger was a citizen of worth, much esteemed and respected. He died on the 2d of July, 1865. On the 19th of May, 1818, he married Electa Cooley, who died without issue. On November 7, 1820, he wedded Mabel Terry, who was born on December 17, 1795, and departed this life on the 8th of July, 1827. Two children were born of this union. The elder Terry, whose birth occurred on February 8, 1823, became a chemist and druggist. No information concerning his whereabouts was ever received after he started for California in 1861. Harriet, daughter of Lyman and Mabel (Terry) Granger, was born on August 3, 1824, became the wife of James G. Russell and departed this life on January 20, 1846. For his third wife Lyman Granger chose Elizabeth Kempshall, who was born on August 7, 1803, and died on September 28, 1850. Their children were four in number, namely: Leavitt P., whose birth occurred on November 25, 1832, and who died on December 26, 1876; Elizabeth, who passed away in 1853; and Lyman H., whose natal day was May 18, 1837.

Lyman Henry Granger, son of Lyman and Elizabeth (Kempshall) Granger, was born in Greece, on the 18th of May, 1837, and was a boy of seven years when his father returned to Rochester. He was educated in the public schools and acquired a knowledge of the printer's trade in the employ of the Union-Advertiser, but he never worked at it. For about ten years beginning with 1860 he was connected with the business office of the Evening Express in Rochester, opening the first set of books in that office, and after leaving there he devoted his attention to his private interests, which through his able management became somewhat extensive. His residence for forty-five years was at No. 15 Plymouth avenue, but about a half dozen years before his death he purchased the property at No. 30 Appleton street and there he passed away on April 16, 1923. He was buried in Mount Hope cemetery. Fraternally he was identified with the Masonic order, belonging to Rochester Lodge,

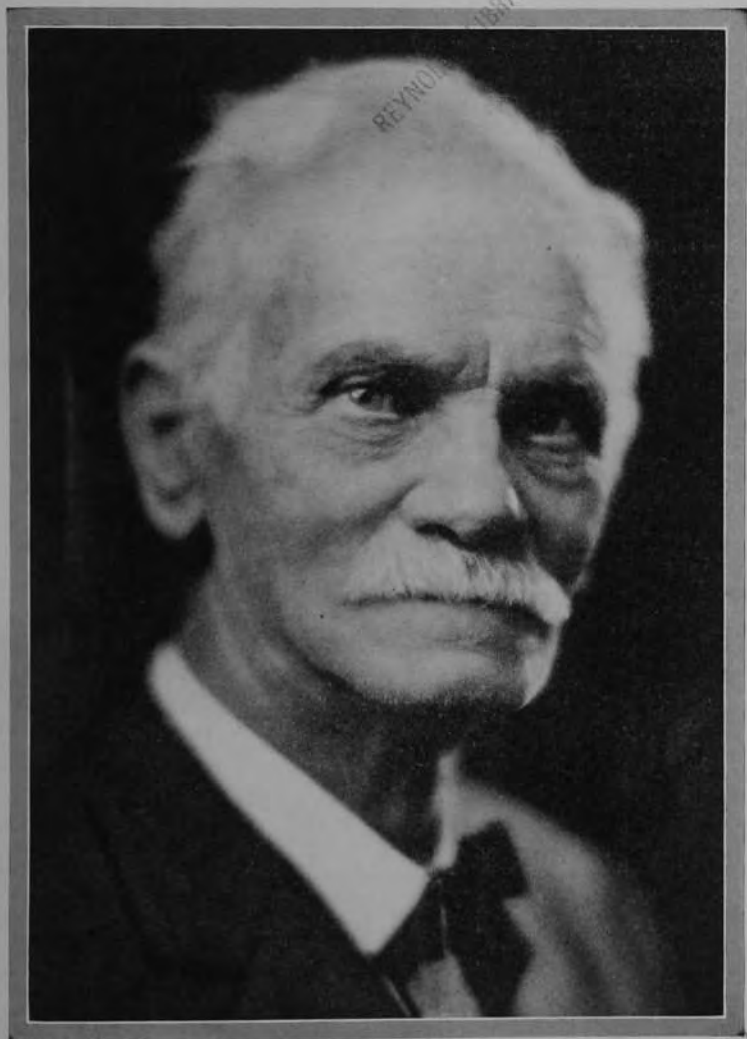
F. & A. M. He was not a church member but at all times exemplified the spirit of the Golden Rule. He was a very capable business man, had a high sense of personal honor, his word was as good as his bond and his bond never questioned. He was eminently fair and just in his dealings, never made an obligation he did not expect to keep, asked only for what was justly due him and was equally as insistent that others receive from him what was due them. He made liberal contributions to charity with as little publicity as possible, so that many of his generousities became known only when the recipients made public acknowledgment of them. Lyman H. Granger detested sham and hypocrisy in any form. He was fond of travel and in earlier years found much pleasure in outdoor life, especially in hunting and fishing. Fond of children, he frequently sought their companionship and he was never happier than when they surrounded him and he could do little things for their pleasure. He possessed a fund of humor which made him a delightful companion. His mind was keen and to the end he retained all his faculties to an unusual degree.

On the 6th of April, 1859, Lyman H. Granger was married to Mary B. Martyn, whose birth occurred in Cornwall, England, on December 17, 1829, her parents being William and Sarah Elizabeth (Brown) Martyn. William Martyn and his wife emigrated to Canada from England in 1846, settling in Coburn, Ontario. They became the parents of four sons and four daughters, of whom one son and one daughter were born in Canada. Of their family there are now only two survivors: John B., of Bowenville, Ontario; and Caroline, the wife of Thomas Marriott of Harrow, Ontario. Another daughter was Sarah B., who married Richard Glanville and resided at Exeter, Ontario, where she died. Alma C., daughter of Richard and Sarah B. (Martyn) Glanville, became the foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman H. Granger when a young girl. She lives with Mrs. Granger, who is now in her ninety-sixth year, at the residence on Appleton street in Rochester. Between foster parents and daughter there developed a devotion not surpassed by any bond between parents and child. Mr. and Mrs. Lyman H. Granger had a daughter, Mabel Elizabeth, who died on September 2, 1865. Their happy married life, which extended over a period of sixty-four years, was terminated by the death of Lyman H. Granger in April, 1923.

ARENDT W. HOPEMAN.

It is not regarded as too much to say that for many years "Hopeman quality" in architectural and structural work in and about the city of Rochester and throughout that section of the Genesee country has been held up as a standard in the building trades, a standard that was established here a half century and more ago, when Arendt W. Hopeman set himself up in business as a building contractor in Rochester, and which, during all the years since, has been maintained. Even a cursory survey of the architectural aspects of the city of Rochester will reveal many evidences of this Hopeman quality in the character of the buildings which adorn that city. There are many business buildings and fine old residences that more than a half century ago were erected by Arendt W. Hopeman. Though now (1925) well past eighty years of age Mr. Hopeman retains much of the sturdy vigor that contributed to the tireless energy he put into his work during the days of his greater personal activity, and as the head of the contracting firm which bears his name, he keeps in close touch with its operations. Though of European birth, Arendt W. Hopeman has been a resident of the United States and of Rochester since the days of his young manhood. He was born on a farm in the vicinity of the village of Alton, in the kingdom of Holland, April 13, 1843, and was the last born of the six children of John William and Johanna (Kappers) Hopeman, both members of old families in The Netherlands.

Reared on the home place, Arendt W. Hopeman received good education in the local schools. When but fourteen years of age he had become interested in the building trades as a vocation, and while at school in the neighboring town of Brerderverdt he entered upon an apprenticeship as a carpenter and architectural draftsman. By the time he was eighteen he had finished his apprenticeship, and in due time, as a skilled architect, was put in charge of the operations of a firm of building contractors in Brerderverdt. In this connection he superintended the erection of some important buildings there, these including churches and mills as well as dwelling-houses. One of these jobs which he recalls quite well was a large cotton mill, and it is gratifying to Mr. Hopeman to know that this mill is still occupied and in operation.



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In November, 1868, in his homeland, Arendt W. Hopeman was united in marriage to Miss Grada Aleida te Boveldt, also a member of an old Netherlands family, and he and his bride planned a wedding trip that would include a tour of the United States, at least as far as the Northwest country. By prior arrangement they were to visit friends in Rochester, New York, and they arrived in that city on Christmas Day of that year. The extensive building campaign at that time being carried on in Rochester as an incident to the "boom" following the close of the Civil war, proved so attractive to Mr. Hopeman that before this visit was ended he had decided that America was the place for him and that Rochester was a proper base of operations for one skilled in structural work. It was thus that in 1869 Arendt W. Hopeman became established as a building contractor in Rochester and there set up what, as mentioned above, has come through the years to be known as the Hopeman standard in building operations. For many years Mr. Hopeman conducted his business as an individual, his sons meanwhile "growing up" in the business. In 1908 the business became incorporated as the A. W. Hopeman & Sons Company, Mr. Hopeman's sons, Bertram C. Hopeman and Albert A. Hopeman, at that time becoming formally associated with him, the founder of the company continuing as president, A. A. Hopeman becoming vice president and B. C. Hopeman, secretary and treasurer, with offices and plant at No. 569 Lyell avenue.

During the earlier years of Mr. Hopeman's career as a building contractor in Rochester his operations were confined chiefly to the construction of a better class of dwelling-houses, store buildings and what in those days were called "flat" buildings, the precursor of the modern apartment house, and many of these substantial old buildings of his construction are still in use. His first work of a semi-public character was in carrying out the contract for the erection of the passenger and freight depots of the Erie Railroad on Court street. As a note in the historical annals of the city of Rochester, mention may be made of a few of the works in the building line carried on by the Hopemans. These include the Kimball residence on Troup street, the Duffy-Powers store building, the office building of the Eastman Kodak Company, the office building in Kodak Park and the Rochester Dental Dispensary. The Hopemans also were the general contractors for the erection of the Eastman Theater and the Eastman School of Music buildings, the Sibley, Lindsay & Curr building and additions thereto, the J. C. McCurdy building and others of like character.

As an auxiliary to the Hopeman building operations there was organized in 1908 the Hopeman Brothers Lumber & Manufacturing Company, with Mr. Hopeman as vice president, Bertram C. Hopeman as president and Albert A. Hopeman as secretary and treasurer. This latter company carried on its operations at the above Lyell avenue address, where it has an admirably equipped plant for the manufacture and erection of ship joinery and is one of the best known concerns of its kind in the country. It is not improper to point out in this connection that the Hopeman Brothers Lumber & Manufacturing Company has manufactured and installed the interior finish of no fewer than seventy ocean-going vessels, this including an important detail of the remodeling of the giant steamer *Leviathan* by the United States shipping board and the manufacture and installation of the interior finish of the steamship *H. F. Alexander* and *Mary Weems* and others of like type. This company also maintains a plant in Philadelphia and is widely known in shipbuilding circles.

Mr. Hopeman's wife, Mrs. Grada Aleida Hopeman, died on July 20, 1920, something more than a year after she and Mr. Hopeman had celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage—their golden wedding. To Mr. and Mrs. Hopeman five children were born, three sons and two daughters: The eldest son, John W. Hopeman, and the eldest daughter, Antoine Beatrice, are deceased; the surviving daughter, Miss J. Margaret Hopeman, continues to make her home with her father in the Hopeman family residence at No. 39 Lake View Park. Miss Hopeman was graduated from Rochester University, supplemented this by postgraduate work at Columbia University and Cornell University and has for years been a member of the teaching staff of the East high school in Rochester; Bertram C. Hopeman, president of the Hopeman Brothers Lumber & Manufacturing Company and vice president of the A. W. Hopeman & Sons Company, was born in Rochester, December 31, 1876, and finished his education at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated in 1900. On April 27, 1909, he was united in marriage to Miss Cornelia Warren Wheeler of Worcester, Massachusetts, and they reside in Moylan, a suburb of the city of Philadelphia.

Albert A. Hopeman, vice president of the A. W. Hopeman & Sons Company and secretary and treasurer of the Hopeman Brothers Lumber & Manufacturing Com-

pany, was born in Rochester, September 27, 1880, and finished his education in the Rochester Academy. From the days of his boyhood he has been actively identified with the Hopeman building enterprises and has become a leader in his line in western New York. On September 14, 1910, Mr. Hopeman was united in marriage to Miss Anna Marie Messner, who was born in the city of New York, daughter of Jacob Messner. Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Hopeman have two children: A son, Albert A. Hopeman, Jr., born October 2, 1911; and a daughter, Grada Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. Hopeman are members of the Brick church and of the Oak Hill Country Club and Mr. Hopeman is an active member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. This family resides at No. 45 Lake View Park, near the old Hopeman residence. The Hopemans are republicans. The venerable Arendt W. Hopeman is a member of the Second Reformed church, of the congregation of which he formerly and for years was an elder, and has ever given a good citizen's attention to local good works. Though now well past eighty years of age, he continues hale and hearty and maintains his interest in affairs. He is widely traveled, having been over the greater part of the United States and up into Alaska, and has made several trips back to Europe, ever keeping alert to current events.

VERY REV. THOMAS PLASSMANN, O. F. M., A. M., Ph. D., D. D.

Very Rev. Thomas Plassmann, president of St. Bonaventure's College of Allegany, became connected with this institution in September, 1910, and has been at its head since July, 1920. He was born in Avenwedde, Westphalia, Germany, on the 19th of March, 1879, the son of Otto and Elizabeth (Paschedag) Plassmann, both of German lineage.

Father Plassmann was a young man of twenty years when in 1899 he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Quincy College of Quincy, Illinois, which conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts in 1902. He received the degree of Ph. D. from the Catholic University in Washington, D. C., in 1907 and two years later was graduated from the University of the Apollinare in Rome, Italy, with the degree of D. D. He also attended the universities of Louvain (Belgium) and Bonn (Germany).

It was in 1899 that Father Plassmann entered the Franciscan order (Order of Friars Minor) in Paterson, New Jersey, while eight years afterward, in 1907, he was ordained to the priesthood of the Roman Catholic church in Washington, D. C. He became professor of theology, sacred scripture and Oriental languages at St. Bonaventure's College and Seminary of Allegany, New York, in September, 1910, and has been president of the institution since July, 1920. Father Plassmann is author of several books and treatises on theology, oriental languages and history. He has been president of the Franciscan Educational Conference for seven years, and for two years president of the seminary department of the Catholic Education Association. In addition he has taken a prominent part in all public enterprises in Olean and in Cattaraugus county generally.

CHARLES EDWARD KETCHUM.

From a purely material and business standpoint, and considered solely from the magnitude of operations, the wide ramifications of his business, the capital employed, the large number of workmen, and yearly disbursements in salaries and wages, the most important individual in Warsaw, Wyoming county, is Charles Edward Ketchum, president of the Warsaw Elevator Company, where the industry of which he is the directing head is one of the most important factors in the town's prosperity. He was born in Phelps, New York, November 13, 1864, the son of James E. and Abbie P. (Young) Ketchum of Phelps and Warsaw. His father conducted a contracting business in Phelps and later moved to Warsaw, where he remained until his death.

Charles Edward Ketchum received his education in the grade and high schools of Warsaw, supplemented by a course in a business college at Buffalo, New York. After completing his education Mr. Ketchum entered the employ of his father, remaining with the latter until May, 1894, when he became secretary and treasurer of the Variety Machine Company of Warsaw. The name of this enterprise was changed in 1895 to that of the Warsaw Elevator Company, and at the same time Mr. Ketchum

was made its secretary. He continued in this capacity until 1914, when he became president of the company. Mr. Ketchum is also the owner and president of the Bay State Elevator Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, and employs more than two hundred people in the conduct of the two industries over which he presides. He installs elevators throughout the country, has branches in Philadelphia, Baltimore, New York, Boston, Cleveland, Buffalo and Rochester and is head of the third largest elevator concern in the United States.

Mr. Ketchum was married in Warsaw, on June 23, 1892, to Elizabeth Dudley, daughter of Harwood A. Dudley, who conducted a newspaper in Warsaw for many years. Two children have been born to them: Anna Elizabeth is a teacher of domestic science in the Ely Court School in Greenwich, Connecticut; and Sybil Louise is the wife of Doug'as Dwight Judd of Batavia, New York, and is the mother of two children, Elizabeth Waldo and Edward Douglas. Douglas D. Judd is secretary of the Bay State Elevator Company.

Mr. Ketchum has been too busy ever to join any fraternal or social organization. In his religious convictions he is a member of the Presbyterian church, while his political views find expression in the republican party. He has a wonderfully handsome home in Warsaw, which is considered one of the show places of the town and on which he has spent much money and indulged a fine artistic taste. Mr. Ketchum delights in motoring and outdoor sports of all kinds.

THOMAS F. McMAHON.

Thomas F. McMahon, lumberman, manufacturer, banker, formerly and for years a member of the board of supervisors of the town of Allegany, Cattaraugus county, and in many ways one of the most energetic and influential factors in the development of the interests of that community and of that section of the Genesee country in which his extensive and varied interests center, was born on a farm in the immediate vicinity of Allegany, in 1864, and has always regarded that place as his home, though his timber interests require the spending of a good bit of his time in St. Lawrence and Jefferson counties, where he has large forest holdings.

Reared on the farm in the Allegany neighborhood, Thomas F. McMahon finished his education in St. Bonaventure's parochial school in the village and from the days of his youth was a helpful factor in the labors of improving and developing the home farm. He gradually began to enlarge his interest in the local lumber business and it was not long until he found that he had developed interests along that line sufficient to claim his undivided attention. He thus was launched upon a career which in course has made him one of the conspicuous figures in the lumber industry in the Genesee country. From his initial holdings in Cattaraugus county Mr. McMahon extended his operations into the neighboring county of Allegany, establishing saw-mills in the virgin timber country, and after exhausting most of the available timber resources in this field extended his operations into St. Lawrence and Jefferson counties, in which he now owns about four thousand acres of timberland and where he is carrying on extensive operations in the woodworking industries. For more than fifteen years, operating in partnership with C. J. Frahm under the firm style of the Natural Bridge Lumber Company, Mr. McMahon has been engaged in the manufacture of last blocks at Natural Bridge, New York, and has developed there a flourishing industry, employing around one hundred persons and using about one million, five hundred thousand feet of hard maple stock annually. In addition to his timber and manufacturing interests Mr. McMahon has other substantial interests, including his place as chairman of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Allegany. For eighteen years he rendered effective public service as a member of the board of supervisors of the town of Allegany and in that capacity did much to help bring about the substantial development of that now flourishing trade center. He is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and a member of the City Club at Carthage.

The First National Bank of Allegany, of the board of directors of which Mr. McMahon is the chairman, a position he has occupied ever since the creation of that board, was organized in 1903, succeeding the private bank of M. M. and William Dye, which had been in operation there for about thirty years. The officers of this bank at the time of its organization in 1903 was as follows: President, Frederick Smith; cashier, Claire Willard; assistant cashier, Wallace H. Windus, the organization having been brought about largely through the direction of H. C. Morgan of

Cuba. Mr. Smith continued as president of the bank for about ten years, at the end of which time he was succeeded by Mr. Willard, who in 1922 was succeeded by the present president, Harry M. Krampf, with Thomas F. McMahon as the chairman of the board of directors, H. J. Zimmerman as vice president and J. Ray McAuliffe as cashier. The bank owns the building it occupies, is capitalized at twenty-five thousand dollars, has near two thousand depositors with aggregate deposits of about five hundred thousand dollars, and has a surplus of about fifty-five thousand dollars.

WILLARD J. MORROW.

A motor enthusiast, indeed, is Willard J. Morrow, automobile dealer of Corning New York, whose recreation is motoring, as is also his business. He has been a director of the Automobile Club for a number of years. But before he reached the position of president of one of the most complete auto sales concerns in the Genesee country he had many hard struggles, from newsboy to factory hand, and then in a small business for himself. Mr. Morrow has made a success, however, and is still a young man. He was born in Bath, New York, January 27, 1878, the son of Alexander and Jennie (Look) Morrow. His parents moved to a farm six miles from Bath when he was an infant and lived there until he was eight years old.

Willard J. Morrow obtained a public school education, helping himself along by selling newspapers and when school days were over he came to Corning (he was only thirteen then) to work in a glass factory. When he was nineteen he went into business for himself as a groceryman and conducted this enterprise for seven years, when he operated a livery stable until 1914, when the automobile began to take the place of the horse. Mr. Morrow kept up with the times and started his present business, and he has a garage in connection with the sales department. He erected the present building in the spring of 1923. In 1922 the business was incorporated as the W. J. Morrow Company, he being president and Mr. M. Guernsey secretary-treasurer.

On January 21, 1900, Mr. Morrow was married to Miss Isabelle Armstrong of Corning, and they have four children: Louise, Clayton, Norman and Dorothy. They reside in the house in which Mrs. Morrow was born. Mr. Morrow is active fraternally, being a member of the Masons and the Elks, and he also belongs to the Rotary Club and the Corning Country Club. He is a republican in politics and served two terms as alderman from the first ward, the years being 1916 to 1920. He spends the winters in Florida with his family but always likes to get home again to Corning, the city where he has spent so many useful years.

W. J. Morrow's grandfather, Thomas Morrow, a farmer, came from Ireland and settled in Steuben county. His mother's people, the Looks, are of old American stock. In August, 1923, the Morrow and Hervey families held a notable reunion at James Hervey's home in Steuben county.

A. D. STEVENS.

A. D. Stevens, mayor of the village of Painted Post in Steuben county, vice president of the National Bank of that place, vice president and manager of the Painted Post Development Company, for many years a member of the school board and in other ways one of the foremost factors in the general life of the community, is a native son of the Genesee country and all his active and useful life has been spent here, a resident of Painted Post for nearly forty years and one of the real "live wires" in development projects in Steuben county. He was born on what is known as the old Macy farm in the immediate vicinity of Avon in the neighboring county of Livingston, July 19, 1864, and is a son of Edwin I. and Julia (Deming) Stevens, the former of whom was born on that same place, a member of one of the pioneer families there, his parents having come into western New York from Massachusetts. The Stevenses of this line are an old colonial family, dating from early settlement days in the Massachusetts colony.

Reared in Avon, A. D. Stevens received his education in the schools of that place and early became interested in the lumber business, being in the employ of the lumber firm of Watkins & Bennett in Avon, a connection he maintained until he was twenty-four years of age, when, in 1888, he transferred his connection to Stanton,



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Crandall & Company in Painted Post and has ever since been a resident of this latter place. This connection brought Mr. Stevens into close touch with general development activities in and about that village and he presently became the active factor in the organization of the Painted Post Development Company, of which he was elected vice president and made general manager. It is sufficient to say that through the efforts of this organization no fewer than one hundred and twenty-five houses have been built in Painted Post since Mr. Stevens took hold of the management of affairs there. In 1921 he helped in the organization of the Painted Post National Bank and was elected its vice president. When it came time to construct a waterworks system and erect an electric light plant in Painted Post he was one of the chief "boosters" in the promotion of these essential public service projects. He has ever taken an equally active and interested part in the promotion of the general social and cultural interests of the village and during his twenty years of service as a member of the local school board has done much to advance the cause of the schools there. By successive reelections he has served as mayor of the village for twelve years and more and in this responsible executive position has rendered a very real and permanent service to the community.

Mr. Stevens married Miss Lydia Fancher and they have one child: A daughter, Jennie, who is now the wife of W. F. Zimmerman of Waverly. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens are members of the Presbyterian church and Mr. Stevens has been a member of the board of trustees of that congregation for many years. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, affiliated with the Consistory at Corning and the Temple at Binghamton, is a past Noble Grand of the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and a past district deputy of that order, and is also connected with the Rotary Club and the Country Club.

EDWARD BUTTERFIELD VREELAND.

There are few names in the Genesee country or throughout the state of New York that are better known than that of Edward Butterfield Vreeland, president of the Salamanca Trust Company of Salamanca, formerly and for years the representative in congress from the Thirty-seventh district of New York, a national figure during the period of that service, known as the joint author of the Vreeland-Aldrich emergency currency bill, vice chairman of the notable monetary commission upon whose labors the present Federal Reserve banking system is founded, and in other ways a conspicuous and influential factor in the commercial and industrial expansion of this section of the country. Mr. Vreeland is a native New Yorker and all his life has been spent in this state. He was born in Cuba, Allegany county in December, 1857, and is a son of Simon and Jerusha (Butterfield) Vreeland, the latter of whom was a member of that branch of the Butterfield family which has had representation in this section for the past hundred years. The late Simon Vreeland, whose name ever will be held in remembrance in industrial circles as the inventor of the suspension steel wheel and certain other well known devices for simplifying mechanical processes, also was a member of one of the old families throughout this section of the state, his father having settled here at a time that must be considered as having been well within the pioneer period. The Vreelands of this line are an old colonial family, the first of the name on this side of the water having been a settler in the settlement that through the generations since has been developed into the present Jersey City. One branch of this family in course became members of the Geneva settlement in New York and from that branch came Simon Vreeland's father, the first of the family to come west into the Genesee country.

Reared in Cuba, Edward Butterfield Vreeland finished his education in the local academy and then began teaching school. When in his twentieth year (1877) he was appointed principal of the Salamanca schools and was for five years thus engaged, meanwhile studying law and devoting his vacation periods to the insurance business. In 1881 he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law in Salamanca, soon becoming recognized as one of the forceful and effective personal factors in the general affairs of that community, social, civic and commercial. In 1890 Mr. Vreeland was elected president of the Salamanca National Bank and when in 1903 this old financial institution was reorganized as the Salamanca Trust Company he was elected president of the latter and has since been serving in that administrative capacity, his service as a bank president thus now having covered a period of something more than thirty-five years, making him one of the oldest bank execu-

tives in the state. In 1898 Mr. Vreeland was elected to represent the Thirty-seventh congressional district of the state of New York in congress and by successive reelections was retained in congress for fourteen years (1899-1913), thus rendering service in the house during the fifty-sixth to the sixty-second congresses, inclusive.

During this long period of service Mr. Vreeland acquired a degree of influence in the house of representatives that made him one of the real leaders in that body and a most effective factor in the shaping and initiation of measures of real weight and moment and by right of seniority he came to be a member of some of the most important committees of the house. It was as chairman of the banking and currency committee of the house, in his great work in initiating that emergency currency bill designed to give relief to conditions arising out of what popularly came to be known as the "bank panic" of 1907, that he rendered a service to the country which has made secure his fame as one of the greatest constructive financiers the country has had. The Vreeland bill in the house, merged with the Aldrich bill in the senate and popularly known as the Vreeland-Aldrich emergency currency bill, was passed in 1908 and paved the way for reforms in the currency and banking systems of this country that so definitely stabilized conditions and gave to America its present sound monetary system. Upon the creation of the historic monetary commission appointed under the provisions of that act Mr. Vreeland was elected vice president of that commission and in that capacity made a comprehensive tour of the financial capitals of Europe, securing data relating to foreign banking methods, and upon his return traveled throughout the United States speaking before bankers associations and commercial bodies explaining the workings of the proposed new system of finance. Based upon the exhaustive labors of this monetary commission, a national monetary currency bill was enacted into law in 1911 and upon this is based the present Federal Reserve system, the soundness of which was so effectively and conclusively demonstrated during the period of financial stress attendant upon the recent World war and the readjustments arising out of that struggle. Following his strenuous labors in helping to bring about this admirable system, and aware that the task under which he had been laboring was undermining his health, Mr. Vreeland declined a renomination to congress in 1912 and has since then been devoting his energies to his banking and other interests in and about Salamanca, these interests including connection with numerous of the local industrial establishments and also large interests in the Bradford oil fields, his oil interests having engaged more or less of his attention since 1897. He also has ever given his thoughtful and intelligent attention to the promotion of the better interests of this section in all ways and has been a valuable factor in the general development of the community.

In Friendship, that pleasant village neighboring his native town of Cuba, Edward B. Vreeland was united in marriage to Miss Myra S. Price, and they have three children: Two daughters, Laura, wife of Burdette Whipple of Salamanca; and Anna, wife of Dr. H. S. Reger of Jamestown, this state; and a son, Edward P. Vreeland, who is associated with his father in the banking business and who is the treasurer of the Salamanca Trust Company.

FRANK J. ROHR.

Petroleum products are basic essentials—they are at the root of industrial prosperity, for petroleum in some form enters into practically every civilized activity. Being an astute, farsighted business man, Frank J. Rohr early recognized the importance of the oil industry, with which he has been prominently identified for more than a quarter of a century, and he has also achieved success in other lines of endeavor. He is one of Rochester's loyal sons and was born April 24, 1869, of the marriage of Henry and Marie Rohr, who were natives of Switzerland. They followed the tide of immigration to the New World and settled in Rochester in 1853. The father was one of the pioneers in the industrial development of the city and was one of the first stockholders of the Co-operative Foundry, which now ranks with the largest institutions of the kind in Rochester. He passed away in 1875, and the mother died in 1882. They were the parents of seven children, five of whom survive: Edward, Mrs. Elizabeth Klein, Marie, Frank J., of this review and Daniel.

Frank J. Rohr attended the public schools and in 1897, when twenty-eight years of age, he aided in organizing the Monroe County Oil Company, of which he is now



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serving as secretary and treasurer. They are producers of and wholesale dealers in pure petroleum, obtaining their supplies from the oil fields of Pennsylvania, and the business has become one of large proportions. Mr. Rohr's enterprising spirit has also led him into other channels of activity, in which his labors have been manifestly resultant, and he is the executive head of the Elmer E. Harris Company of Buffalo, vice president of the Hawkeye Boiler Works of Batavia, and vice president and secretary of the A. G. Vroman Company of Titusville, New York. He derives much pleasure from the solution of intricate business problems and the exercise of effort keeps him alert.

On the 17th of February, 1909, Mr. Rohr was married to Miss Ida M. Moore, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, prominent residents of Rochester. Mrs. Rohr received a good education and previous to her marriage was a teacher in Normal School No. 14, in Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Rohr have the following children: Dorothy, who was born in 1911; and Ruth, born in 1913.

Mr. Rohr is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is also a Mason, belonging to Hamilton Chapter R. A. M. He is connected with the Young Men's Christian Association, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and the Washington, Kiwanis, Automobile, Brook-Lea Country and Yacht Clubs. Along the line of his business he is vice president of the Oil Jobbers Corporation. He is well informed on matters of public moment and his influence counts as a strong force in civic development and advancement. He has a wide acquaintance in Rochester and enjoys the respect of his fellowmen.

BOOTHE COLWELL DAVIS, LL. D.

Alfred University at Alfred, Allegany county, New York, is one of the older educational institutions of the Genesee country. Within a score of years of the earliest settlements in Allegany county the pioneers who cleared the forests began to plan for permanent educational institutions. Thus Alfred had its beginning in 1836. Its founders wished to serve a local and community need. Education, like religion, was considered indispensable for this rising population of western New York. Though fostered in its beginning by Seventh-day Baptist settlers, its charter and policies were from the first non-sectarian. Many of its teachers and eighty-five per cent of its students belong to a dozen other churches and creeds, Methodists and Presbyterians predominating. For more than a third of its nearly ninety years of history, Dr. Boothe Colwell Davis has been its able and distinguished president. He came into office in the last decade of the nineteenth century, at a period when the public high schools were supplanting the academies of the earlier generation. He had the vision of a growing university in this large territory without a competing college in a radius of nearly one hundred miles. He proceeded to clear off a heavy bonded indebtedness and to add buildings, equipment and endowments until its resources now run into millions, and its annual budget is equal to the total value of the plant when he became president thirty years ago. The annual enrollment now exceeds six hundred students and Alfred ranks as a "Class A" college. Through the activity of Doctor Davis the New York State School of Clay-Working and Ceramics was established at Alfred University in 1900 and the New York State School of Agriculture in 1908.

Boothe Colwell Davis is a graduate of Alfred and of Yale, and has been the recipient of various honorary degrees. His activities have been widespread and he is connected with numerous organizations which have the advancement of education and human welfare as their ultimate aim. He was born July 12, 1863, near Jane Lew, Lewis county, West Virginia, the son of Rev. Samuel D. and Elizabeth (Fitz Randolph) Davis, his early education being gained in the district and public schools. He then entered Alfred University, where he received his A. B. degree in 1890, and then attended Yale University at New Haven, Connecticut, for three years, receiving his B. D. degree in 1903. He was ordained to the ministry of the Seventh-Day Baptist church in 1893 and was a pastor of the First Seventh-day Baptist church of Alfred from 1893 to 1895.

Doctor Davis, in addition to his duties as president of Alfred University, served for many years as professor of philosophy in the institution. He has been president of the New York State School of Clay-Working and Ceramics at Alfred University since its founding in 1900, and president of the New York State School of Agriculture at Alfred University since its establishment in 1908. He is vice president of the

National Society for Broader Education; is a member of the National Education Association, the Religious Education Association and the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. He is the author of Country Life Leadership and many articles and papers on educational and religious topics. Fraternally Doctor Davis is affiliated with the Masonic order, and the local and state Grange.

Doctor Davis was married on May 18, 1893, to Estelle W. Hoffman of Shiloh, New Jersey. Three children have been born to them: Stanton H. is a physician in Plainfield, New Jersey; Elizabeth R. became the wife of Frank E. Lobaugh of Rochester, Pennsylvania; and Boothe Colwell, Jr., resides in New Haven, Connecticut. Doctor Davis is also pastor of the Union (College) church in Alfred.

CHARLES HERBERT OCUMPAUGH.

In the business world of Rochester, Charles Herbert Ocumpaugh is held in high esteem and his influence is strong and far-reaching. Accustomed to weighing important matters and controlling the operations of large enterprises, he is direct in his methods and his labors have been resultant factors in about everything that he has undertaken. His parents were Edmund and Sarah Julia (Darrow) Ocumpaugh, and on both his paternal and maternal sides he comes from old and prominent families of Rochester. Edmund Ocumpaugh was one of the leading business men of the city in his day. He conducted a wholesale and retail men's furnishing store and was extensively interested in various business projects. He left a large estate at the time of his death.

Charles H. Ocumpaugh was the eldest son of his parents, and his education was principally under private tutors, while he also attended the well known private school conducted by George D. Hale. Impaired health necessitated his giving up his school work for outdoor life and recreation. He later began his business career in his father's store, afterwards going into the manufacturing business with which he was identified for a number of years. His interests have broadened with the demands of the times until they are now varied and extensive, and his name figures prominently in connection with the management of a number of Rochester's important business enterprises. He is president and treasurer of the American Rare Metals Company, the Norwood Apartment Company, Incorporated, the Kolo Lens Corporation and the Carnotite Radium Company; a director of the Ocumpaugh Realty Company, and a trustee of the East Side Savings Bank. For a number of years Mr. Ocumpaugh maintained his business office at No. 60 Wall street, New York, but in recent years Rochester has been his headquarters.

On the 15th of February, 1887, Mr. Ocumpaugh was united in marriage to Miss Mamie Ellison and they have a son, Herbert Ellison, who was born April 17, 1889, in Rochester, and married Miss Angelica Mumford. Mr. Ocumpaugh is an Episcopalian in religious faith and is affiliated with St. Paul's church of Rochester. He is a member of the Transportation Club of New York, the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto, the Aero Club of America, of which he was a charter member, the Archaeological Societies of America and of Rochester, the Genesee Society, the Humane Society of Rochester, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and the Automobile, Genesee Valley, Country and Yacht Clubs of this city. That Mr. Ocumpaugh is a broad-gauged man is indicated by the extent and variety of his interests, and his fidelity to high principles, his industry, enterprise and ability are amply illustrated in his career.

ALFRED JOHN WESTLAKE, M. D.

Dr. Alfred John Westlake, physician and surgeon, is worthily following in the professional footsteps of his father, who was highly esteemed in medical circles of Elmira. The son was born in Cooperstown, Otsego county, New York, July 28, 1878, of the marriage of Dr. John A. Westlake and Catherine Call, the latter of whom has reached the age of seventy-two years. The father located for practice in Elmira many years ago and afterward removed to Washington, D. C., where he followed his profession for several years. Returning to Elmira, he founded a private hospital and later established a similar institution in Breesport, Chemung county. The latter part of his life was spent in this city and at the time of his death Dr. Westlake was

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holding the office of county coroner. He passed away January 30, 1910, at the age of sixty-three years, and his death deprived the city of one of its leading physicians.

Alfred John Westlake obtained his early education in this city, attending the public schools and the Elmira Free Academy, and his professional training was received in the medical department of George Washington University, from which he was graduated in 1900. He formed a partnership with his father, with whom he was associated until 1904, and has since continued alone. A well deserved reputation for professional skill has brought him a large practice and for twenty-one years he has been a member of the medical and surgical staff of the Arnot-Ogden Hospital and consulting staff of St. Joseph's Hospital. He has had broad experience along professional lines and brings to his duties in this connection an accurate judgment, a cheerful disposition and a deep insight into human nature.

In 1904 Dr. Westlake was married to Miss Helen Bentley, a daughter of Frank S. Bentley, a prominent attorney of Horseheads, New York. She received a portion of her education in Elmira and completed her studies in Cornell University. Harriet, the only child of Dr. and Mrs. Westlake is attending Elmira College, Elmira, New York. The family are members of the First Presbyterian church and Dr. Westlake is a member of St. Omer's Commandery, Knights Templars. He is connected with the Elmira and Penn Yan Country Clubs and his professional relations are with the Elmira Academy of Medicine, the Chemung County and New York State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. He has ever remained a close and discriminating student of his profession and his faithful and able service has gained him a secure place in public confidence and regard.

CASSAR R. ADAMS.

Cassar R. Adams, editor and proprietor of the Chronicle-Journal in Franklinville, and one of the best known citizens in Cattaraugus county, was born in Cuba, in the neighboring county of Allegany and is a son of Edward and Joanna (Swift) Adams, the former of whom was a well known merchant of that place, engaged in the grocery business. His father came into the Genesee country from Massachusetts and established the first tannery set up in Cuba.

Reared in Cuba, Cassar R. Adams finished his education in the high school there and then became a life insurance underwriter in Olean, in the neighboring county of Cattaraugus, a line which he followed for eight years, or until January 26, 1923, when he bought from Gordon L. King the plant and goodwill of The Chronicle and Journal in Franklinville, in that county. Mr. Adams is a republican and for some time during his residence in Olean he rendered service to his party as secretary of the republican city committee. He also rendered public service for some time as town clerk. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and is the present (1925) junior deacon of the local lodge of the Masonic order in Franklinville. He is a past exalted ruler of the local lodge of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Olean and is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Since becoming engaged in the newspaper business Mr. Adams has taken an interested and helpful part in the activities of the Allegany-Cattaraugus Press Association and is the present secretary of that body. He also is a member of the New York State Press Association. Mr. Adams married Miss Ethel H. Hogg of Franklinville and they have two children, daughters both, Mary Elizabeth and Joanna.

The Franklinville Chronicle-Journal, over the destinies of which Mr. Adams now is presiding in a quite effective fashion, dates from the year 1875, when the Weekly Argus was established in the village of Franklinville by Francis M. Perley, who carried on the publication for fourteen years, at the end of which time, April 1, 1889, he sold the paper to his son, Charles A. Perley, who changed the name to The Chronicle. In the meantime, August 23, 1888, Levi T. Spring entered the Franklinville newspaper field with The Cattaraugus Journal and in March, 1899, was joined by Ward Morton, who became a partner in the enterprise. Mr. Spring died on August 31, 1890, and in April of the next year (1891) Mr. Morton acquired his deceased partner's interests, thus again becoming sole proprietor, and in the following September changed the name of the newspaper to The Franklinville Journal, carrying on the publication under that name until he retired, selling the newspaper to A. B. Morgan and the latter's son, Henry Morgan. In 1910 the Morgans sold the Journal to Charles A. Perley of the Chronicle and on December 31, 1911, Perley discontinued the publication of the Journal and consolidated his two papers under

the name of the Chronicle-Journal and presently sold the combined plant to Joseph A. Crain, from whom Gordon L. King, who had been carrying on a job printing establishment in Franklinville, bought the paper. Mr. King continued in proprietary charge of the paper until January 26, 1923, when he sold it to Mr. Adams, who has done much to improve the paper and to extend its circulation throughout the fine trade area which it so admirably covers, this circulation area taking in a large part of both Cattaraugus and Allegany counties.

PETER J. MACPHERSON, M. D.

Enjoying a liberal practice, Dr. Peter J. MacPherson of Caledonia, Livingston county, for many years followed his profession with marked success. He was born on a farm in Le Roy, Genesee county, New York, on May 7, 1864, the son of Peter J. and Anne Eliza (Butterfield) Macpherson, both now deceased, the mother being ninety-four years old at the time of her death in 1918. Both parents were natives of New York state.

Peter J. MacPherson's education began in the grade schools in Le Roy, after which he took a course in Cook Academy, at what is now Montour Falls, New York. His professional studies were pursued in the Philadelphia Medical College (Homeopathic) at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from which he received the degree of M. D. and graduated in 1890. Dr. MacPherson began practice in Hornell, New York, remained there four years, and then went into a Buffalo hospital as an interne and for the further study and practical experience to be derived. He remained in the hospital work for one year, after which he located in Montour Falls, Schuyler county, where he successfully followed his chosen calling until 1911, which year witnessed his arrival in Caledonia. Here he continued through the intervening years to the time of his death and was accorded a practice of large and lucrative proportions. Dr. MacPherson was a member of the New York State Medical Association, and fraternally was affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His religious convictions made him a member of the United Presbyterian church, while his political opinions aligned him with the republican party.

On December 10, 1890, Dr. MacPherson was married to Harriet Skellenger of Montour Falls, New York, who died in 1918, leaving the following children: Margaret, the wife of John Bryam of Caledonia; Mary, at home; and Donald B., a veteran of the World war, residing in Rochester, New York.

CHARLES BODDY.

High on the roll of Rochester's honored dead appears the name of Charles Boddy, a man of initiative, vision and exceptional executive ability, who played a conspicuous role in the expansion of the city's trade relations and stimulated its industrial growth through his operations as a last manufacturer. His motto was progress, and striving ever toward perfection, he performed his work with that keen interest and painstaking thoroughness which constitute the basis of all notable success. A master craftsman, he developed one of the greatest industries of the kind in the United States, for he had a mind that conceived in large proportions and executed as readily as it conceived. He was a native of England, born January 21, 1844, in a village which later became a part of the city of London, and was a son of Thomas Boddy. In the same year his parents sailed for Canada, where they spent some time visiting relatives and friends, and then came to the States, settling in Rochester. The father was also a manufacturer of lasts and the firm which he established in this city eventually became one of the largest in the country.

Charles Boddy attended the public schools of Rochester and later received instruction from Professor Kendrick. At an early age he became an apprentice in his father's plant, in which he received thorough training, and was thus employed until he reached his sixteenth year, when he went to Chicago. He started a last factory in that city but a few years later returned to Rochester. When Thomas Boddy, Sr., retired, his son, Thomas Boddy, Jr., established an independent undertaking and Charles Boddy took over his father's business. At one time he was a traveling salesman for the firm, which had representatives throughout the United States and Canada, sending their men to every city in the two countries where shoes were



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made. Rochester was noted for the excellence of its lasts, which were sold extensively in the United States and also in England and on the continent. Mr. Boddy made his own designs and when orders were received for special lasts he gave them his personal supervision. This was the secret of the firm's reputation for superior workmanship and the output of their factory was in great demand. In addition to their large domestic trade they made frequent shipments to England and under the expert direction of Mr. Boddy the business assumed very extensive proportions. No detail of the work escaped his observation, while he also had the ability to see clearly its larger aspects, and brought to the conduct of his business notable administrative power, perfecting an organization which operated with maximum efficiency at a minimum expenditure of time, labor and material.

Mr. Boddy married Miss Edla Snelgrove, a native of Hamilton, Canada, and a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Hitchcock) Snelgrove. Mrs. Boddy comes of distinguished ancestry in both the paternal and maternal lines. John Hitchcock, her mother's great-uncle, was lord mayor of London and a man of broad humanitarianism who established the first soup kitchens in that city during his administration, which was characterized by other acts that redounded to his credit. In the paternal line the family was financially interested in the firm of Marshall & Luellgrove of London, leading dry goods merchants of that city. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Boddy. Their only son, Dr. Edmund C. Boddy, married Jessica Cogswell and they have a daughter, Marian. He practiced medicine in Rochester for fourteen years, later going to Serbia to study the disease of typhus for that government. Serbia in the meantime entered the World war and Dr. Boddy joined the Red Cross, becoming surgical head at Chelacula. He later returned to the United States and when the United States entered the war he volunteered for service, went overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces and for a time had charge of a hospital in France. After the war Dr. Boddy returned to the United States, resuming his profession; Edna Harriet became the wife of Dr. Irving T. Clark and they have two children, Alden and Elizabeth; Mabel Lendon became the wife of George Young Webster, who has been for many years county attorney of Monroe county, and they have a daughter Virginia Lendon.

Mr. Boddy was a republican in his political views, but never sought office as a reward for party fealty. He enjoyed his home and his leisure hours were spent in the society of his family, to whom he was devoted. He had many friends, whose admiration for his ability was surpassed only by their respect for his integrity and sterling worth. Mr. Boddy's residence had been for many years at No. 1108 Lake avenue, where he built one of the early homes of the better class, erected in that section.

EUGENE ZIMMERMAN.

The career of Eugene Zimmerman affords a striking illustration of the fact that merit and ability will always gain recognition, for his early life was a period of arduous toil and his rapidly expanding powers have brought him from obscurity to national fame as a cartoonist. His record confers honor and distinction upon Horseheads, which is proud to claim him as a citizen. He was born in Basel, Switzerland, May 2, 1862, a son of Joseph and Amelia (Alotz) Zimmerman, the former of whom was an Alsatian, while the latter was born in the land of the Alps. The father was a baker by trade and came with his family to the United States, settling in Paterson, New Jersey, where he worked as a journeyman. Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman had three children, two of whom survive: Eugene of this review, and a daughter who resides in Switzerland.

Eugene Zimmerman's preliminary training was received in his native land and his studies were continued in the Paterson high school. As a boy he was employed at farm labor and later became a sign painter, devoting five years to that occupation. He also did some pictorial work and his illustrations attracted the attention of the owners of Puck, who at once recognized his talent. For three years he was a cartoonist for that well known magazine and his services were then secured by Judge. He remained with that publication for about thirty years and his cartoons attracted much favorable notice, adding greatly to the popularity of that weekly. About 1910 Mr. Zimmerman severed his connection with Judge and has since conducted a correspondence school for cartoonists. He works as a free lance and his services are much in demand as a commercial artist. Inspired by the

creative impulse, he has constantly sought to bring his work to a higher degree of perfection, and in his chosen field of art he is unsurpassed.

Mr. Zimmerman was married in Horseheads, to Miss Mabel Alice Beard, a native of the village and a daughter of Joseph Beard, who was connected with the baking business. Laura Emily Zimmerman, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman, is employed in the Second National Bank of Elmira. Mr. Zimmerman is an adherent of the republican party and has proven his loyalty to his community by service on the village board of trustees and also in the Horseheads volunteer fire department, of which he is a member. His work has brought him prominently before the public and a career of brilliant achievement through individual effort has won for him the respect and admiration of his fellowmen.

JOHN ARTHUR JENNINGS.

Among the younger members of the legal fraternity of Rochester who are doing their part in maintaining its well known high character is John Arthur Jennings, who has become recognized as a safe counselor and is equally able in his presentation of a case before the courts. He was born in Washington, D. C., March 2, 1893, a son of Edward James and Mary Dominica (McArdle) Jennings, the former a native of Rochester and the latter of Washington. The paternal grandfather, Edward Jennings, was born in Ireland and came to the United States in early life, settling in Rochester. He engaged in the manufacture of harness and other articles of leather, his plant being located at the intersection of Caledonia avenue and West Main street, where he built up a large industry. He married Miss Rose Riley, a daughter of James Riley, a prominent contractor.

In his early youth Edward J. Jennings gained considerable prominence for his oratorical ability and was an active member of the Excelsior Debating Club and served as its secretary for many years. Later on he attended St. Charles College, Baltimore, Maryland, and was graduated with the degrees of B. A. and M. A. Following graduation he entered Georgetown University Law School and was graduated with the degrees of LL.B. and LL.M. In 1881 Mr. Jennings married Miss Mary D. McArdle, of Washington, D. C., who died in the year 1899. Four children were born to them: Corinne M., of Flushing, Long Island; Robert E. (II), president of Titan Terminal Company, Inc., of Newark, New Jersey; Gertrude F., of Flushing, Long Island; and John Arthur.

After graduation Edward J. Jennings entered the war department of the government service in Washington, D. C., where he remained for many years, advancing from one position to another until his duties became among the most important in that branch of the service. During the Spanish-American war, Mr. Jennings was assigned to the surgeon general's branch of the war department, where intricate war problems came under his direct supervision. In 1899 Mr. Jennings resigned from the government service and joined his brother Robert E. Jennings, of Jersey City, New Jersey, in the steel manufacturing business, in which they have both been associated together for the past twenty-five years, with the following companies: Spaulding Jennings Steel Company of West Bergen, New Jersey. The Carpenter Steel Company of Reading, Pennsylvania and New York city, and the Parish Manufacturing Company, of Reading, Pennsylvania and Detroit, Michigan. He resided at No. 24 North Seventeenth street, Flushing, Long Island, until the time of his death on January 28, 1925.

John Arthur Jennings was but six years old when his mother died, and during his boyhood he resided with his two aunts, Miss Cornelia R. Jennings and Miss Mary L. Jennings, in Rochester, New York, at their home No. 30 Strathallan Park. He completed a course in Nazareth Hall Academy in 1908, and in 1914 was graduated from East high school of Rochester. His legal training was received in Cornell University, from which he won the degree of LL.B. in 1919, and March 3, 1920, he was admitted to the bar at Rochester, New York. He began his professional career with Frederick M. Whitney, Frederick A. Mann and George B. Draper, and in due time built up a private practice for himself. His mind is analytical and logical in its trend and in his presentation of a case he is always fortified by a comprehensive understanding of the legal principles applicable thereto. In July, 1924, Mr. Jennings was appointed by Hon. Willis K. Gillette, Monroe county judge, to examine reports of committees for incompetent persons, especially with reference to the accounts for incompetent ex-service men.

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When the World war broke out, Mr. Jennings was a junior at Cornell University, and on May 1, 1917, he answered the call to the colors and enlisted in the United States army. He was first stationed at Madison Barracks, New York. In December, 1917, he was transferred to the air service and was sent to Kelly Field, Texas, where he served as an acting sergeant major in charge of the receiving unit for six months. In June, 1918, he went overseas with a replacement detachment and was first assigned to duty with the Eight Hundred and Thirty-third Aero Squadron at Cromwell, England. He was next placed in charge of the technical office at Wendover, England, and after the armistice was transferred to Air Service Headquarters at No. 35 Eaton Place, London. He received his honorable discharge at Camp Upton, New York, February 10, 1919.

On the 27th of June, 1923, Mr. Jennings was married in Rochester, New York, to Miss Genevieve Keenan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Keenan, the former a prominent lawyer of this city. They have one son, Edward James Jennings, (II), born May 21, 1924.

Mr. Jennings is a member of the Rochester Bar Association, the Genundawah Golf Club, Rochester Historical Society, Memorial Post of the American Legion, and the Cornell Club of Rochester, having served as vice president and treasurer of the last named organization. He holds a commission of first lieutenant in judge advocate general's department of the Officers Reserve Corps. He early recognized the fact that industry and perseverance are basic elements in the attainment of success, and natural talent and acquired ability are bringing him rapidly to the front in his chosen profession.

HON. JAMES M. E. O'GRADY.

Hon. James M. E. O'Grady has long been numbered among Rochester's able and successful attorneys. He was born in this city on the 31st of March, 1863, his parents being Daniel and Winifred (McDonald) O'Grady. The father, who passed away in 1886, was a native of Ireland and came to America when a young man, locating in Rochester, New York.

James M. E. O'Grady supplemented his grade school education by study in the Rochester Free Academy and subsequently in the University of Rochester, from which institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1885. Having decided to prepare himself for the legal profession, he then entered the law offices of Edward B. Fenner, a prominent Rochester attorney, and following his admission to the bar in 1887 he at once began the general practice of law in this city. The same year he was made school commissioner in Rochester and in 1891 was chosen president of the board of education.

Politically Mr. O'Grady has always affiliated with the republican party and for years has been one of its advisors and counsellors in Monroe county. In 1892 he was elected to the state assembly and introduced a number of bills in course of the session of 1893, including those to amend the code of civil procedure; increase the fees of the penitentiary of Monroe county for caring for state convicts, and for an appropriation for the State Industrial School. In 1894 Mr. O'Grady introduced bills amending the charter of Rochester, and also a bill appropriating twenty-five thousand dollars for the construction of a state dam across the Genesee river and for canal purposes. He also presented a bill authorizing boards of supervisors to buy for towns the Myers automatic voting machine; a bill relating to the fees of notary clerks; a bill providing for an equal division of the election inspectors of the state between the great political parties; and a bill providing for the election of women trustees for the Soldiers Home in Bath. So acceptably had he filled the office that Mr. O'Grady was reelected in 1894, receiving a splendid endorsement at the polls. In 1895 Mr. O'Grady was appointed chairman of the committee on cities, and was also a member of the committee on ways and means, and the following year he became the republican leader in the assembly. As candidate for his third consecutive term in 1895, he received six thousand, one hundred and eighty votes, while William S. Woodruff, democrat, received three thousand, six hundred and fourteen. In the assembly of 1896 Mr. O'Grady was chairman of the ways and means committee, and was also a member of the cities and rules committees. In 1896 he introduced the following bills of interest: Relative to the payment of back taxes to the amount of one million, two hundred thousand dollars by New York city for the support of the state's insane; relative to the transfer of county hospitals for the insane to the care of the state; creating commissioners of jurors in

counties above three hundred thousand inhabitants; giving additional power to guaranty companies; making an appropriation to pay newspapers for certain advertisements by the state; providing representation for New York state at the Mexican National Exhibition; relative to the sale of the state building at the Atlanta Exposition; regarding the legislature's contingent expenses; making an appropriation for repairs to the capitol; providing for a survey of the Genesee river; changing the salaries of the fish, game and forestry commission; creating the office of deputy commissioner of public work; making an appropriation for extraordinary repairs to the canals; making an appropriation to carry out the election law; amending the railroad law relative to electrical experts; providing for the construction of bicycle paths in Monroe county; the annual appropriation act; the annual supply bill; the supplemental supply bill providing for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the capitol at Albany; and the annual tax bill. At the election of 1896 Mr. O'Grady was again the candidate of the republican party, and was re-elected by a flattering vote. At the organization of the assembly in 1897 he was elected speaker of the house, and as such was chairman of the committee on rules, and was reelected in 1898. In 1899 Mr. O'Grady was elected congressman from the thirty-eighth district and made an excellent record in the national halls of legislation. Since retiring from public life he has devoted himself to law practice and has been accorded a most representative clientage. He has been connected with some of the most important litigation before the courts of western New York. He has membership connection with the Rochester Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. A contemporary biographer said of Mr. O'Grady: "Both as a lawyer and statesman he stands high in public esteem. He is emphatically a man of enterprise, positive character, indomitable energy and liberal views, and is thoroughly identified with the growth and prosperity of his city and state."

On the 29th of June, 1909, in Rochester, Mr. O'Grady was united in marriage to Miss Margaret L. Rauber, daughter of Stephen Rauber and representative of a prominent family of this city. Mr. and Mrs. O'Grady have become the parents of two children: Margaret and James M. E., Jr., who were born in Rochester in 1914 and 1919, respectively. Mr. O'Grady is a member of Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly, No. 178, Knights of Columbus, and also belongs to the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, while his appreciation for the social amenities of life is indicated by his membership in the Rochester Club, the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Country Club, the Automobile Club of Rochester, and the Republican Club of New York city. Mr. O'Grady's residence is at No. 267 Westminster road.

WILLIAM JOUETT PARKER.

For nearly a half century William Jouett Parker was a conspicuous figure in the business world of Rochester, contributing in notable measure to the upbuilding and improvement of the city through his extensive real estate operations. He was also a force for righteousness in his community, and his death, which occurred March 29, 1917, in Palm Beach, Florida, where he had been spending the winter, deprived Rochester of a citizen whom it could ill afford to lose.

William Jouett Parker was born in Leeds, England, July 8, 1846, a son of Jeremiah and Jane (Haraup) Parker, and was a child of four years when his parents came to the United States, establishing their home in Syracuse, New York, where the father entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company. In 1857, when ten years of age, William J. Parker became a student in De Vaux College at Niagara Falls, and was one of the first boys to attend that institution. He came to Rochester before he had attained his majority and obtained a position in the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, which he served in the capacity of teller for many years. He remained with the institution until May 9, 1874, when the business was discontinued. He then took up accounting, becoming recognized as an expert in that line. He also entered the real estate field, associating himself with the late Marion Culver, whose extensive holdings he aided in laying out. Subsequently he became a member of the real estate firm of Pryor, Allen & Parker and developed the Otis tract and other land in the vicinity of Canterbury road. He had great faith in the future of the city and acquired considerable property in the southeastern section, between Culver road and Dartmouth street. He was a keen, farsighted business man and his investments were wisely placed, bringing him a substantial return. He was thoroughly informed



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concerning realty values in Rochester and his advice was often sought when important deals were to be consummated. In development projects he not only studied present needs and conditions but looked beyond the exigencies of the moment to the needs and possibilities of the future, and in the conduct of his business worked toward making Rochester a more desirable and attractive place of residence.

Mr. Parker was married to Miss Alice Tracy, a daughter of Hartson B. and Levantia (Gritman) Tracy. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Parker: Frances Wakelee, the elder, is now the wife of Charles E. Anderson of Rochester, and the mother of two children, Alice Mary and William Parker; Grace became the wife of Glenn Lott of Warren, Pennsylvania, and they have a family of three children, Richard P., Katherine Mallory and Parker Mallory Lott. Mr. Parker was a man of deeply religious nature and possessed the true spirit of Christianity. He was a zealous member of St. Paul's Episcopal church and its oldest communicant. He was treasurer of the church for thirty-six years and sang in its choir for forty years. He was a republican but the honors and emoluments of political office had no attractions for him. He labored effectively for the welfare of his community and enjoyed in marked degree that reward of the honest, upright citizen—the respect and confidence of his fellowmen.

PAUL HENRY QUINN.

Paul Henry Quinn, president of the Olean Chamber of Commerce, president of the Arcade & Attica Railroad Company, treasurer of the Quinn Laboratories Company, general manager of the affairs of T. H. Quinn & Company, and prominently identified with various other substantial interests of an industrial and commercial character, long recognized as one of the vital factors in the general business life of the city of Olean, has been a resident of that city for nearly twenty years and the impress of his vigorous personality is apparent in many of the activities of the community, his acquaintance thus not being confined to Cattaraugus county but covering a large part of the Genesee country. Mr. Quinn is a native of the old Keystone state but is a citizen of New York by choice and inclination, his interests having centered in Olean since the days when fresh from college he began to take an active part in the operation of the affairs of the great Quinn interests and to extend these operations in such ways as his executive and administrative capacities directed. He was born in the village of Starrucca, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, February 26, 1886, and is the eldest of the three surviving sons of Martin Francis and Mary Acnes (Collin) Quinn, the latter of whom was born in Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, in 1860.

Martin Francis Quinn, who was born in Callicoon, Sullivan county, New York, in 1854 is the only living pioneer of the wood distillation industry in America, being one of the first men to erect a plant for the manufacture of chemicals from the destructive distillation of wood in the United States. He is the sole inventor and patentee of the modern method of procuring chemicals from the destructive distillation of wood. The great Quinn interests, composed of Martin F. Quinn, his brother, Thomas H. Quinn, Watson L. Barclay and the estate of Frank S. Sherman, are the largest operators of wood distillation plants in America, besides being interested in lumbering and in the production of oil. Associated in the Quinn interests are Paul H. Quinn, Martin M. Quinn, Evan V. Quinn, all sons of Martin F. Quinn, and Raymond M. Quinn, son of Thomas H. Quinn. The Quinn interests operate their various industries in five different states of the Union.

Due to the several moves made by his father during the time of the development of the latter's wood distillation industry, Paul Henry Quinn's youth was spent in various places and his early education thus was given a variety that not all youths enjoy. He was little more than a babe in arms when in 1887 his parents moved from Starrucca to Sinnamahoning, Pennsylvania, and was but three years of age when in 1889 they moved from that place to Quinnwood, McKean county, that state. There they lived for five years, or until 1894, when they moved with their family to Straight, Elk county, the same state, where the family residence was maintained until 1909, when it was established in Olean. Mr. Quinn was prepared for college in Villanova (Pennsylvania) Preparatory School and then entered Villanova College, from which institution he was graduated (A. B.) in 1910. He later earned his Master's degree in this college.

Upon leaving college Mr. Quinn entered upon an active participation in the

operation of the affairs of the Quinn interests and has since been in the wood distillation and chemical business in Olean, at the same time becoming engaged in various other lines, as above indicated, and has developed wide connections in the business world operating from his office in the Exchange Bank building. He is the president (1925) of the Olean Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the board of directors of the Exchange National Bank of Olean and his other business connections include his presidency of the Arcade & Attica Railroad Company, the Sizerville Magnetic Water Company, the Olean Building and Loan Association and the Olean Bag Company; vice presidency of the E. B. VanAtta Company and the Clermont Sewer Pipe Company; secretary-treasurership of the Southport Wood Products Company, the Straight Creek Chemical Company, the Shamrock Oil Company and the Penn Formaldehyde Manufacturing Company; treasurership of the Quinn Laboratories Company, the Progressive Live Stock Company and the Clean Sand & Gravel Company and the general managership of T. H. Quinn & Company, the Lackawanna Chemical Company, and the Susquehanna Chemical Company, besides which he is the general agent for the F. S. Sherman estate and a member of the directorate of the United Wood Alcohol Company. For some time during the days of his young manhood Mr. Quinn rendered military service as a member of the New York State National Guard, for three months a noncommissioned officer of the Third Regiment, infantry (the depot unit) and for two years a noncommissioned officer of the Seventy-fourth Regiment.

On June 4, 1914, in Olean, Paul H. Quinn was united in marriage to Miss Josephine E. Thornbury and they have two children: A daughter, Mary Patricia; and a son, Paul Henry Quinn, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn are members of the Roman Catholic church and are republicans. They are members of the Bartlett Country Club of Olean and Mrs. Quinn is a member of the Olean Chromatic Club. She is a favorite in local musical circles and has long given her earnest attention to local philanthropies and various welfare movements, being the present treasurer of the Olean City Relief Society. Mr. Quinn likewise has been diligent in local welfare movements and is the secretary-treasurer and a director of the United Charities. He is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and is affiliated with the Order of Alhambra, with the City Club and with the local branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mrs. Quinn was born in Olean, September 10, 1892, and is a daughter of Matthew Martin and Mary Ann (McNerney) Thornbury, who have for years been residents of Olean. The latter was born in Allegany, New York, in 1867. Matthew Martin Thornbury was born in Arcade in 1863.

CHRISTIAN H. KAMM.

Christian H. Kamm, a veteran furniture dealer of Rochester and for years recognized as one of the substantial business men of that city, has risen to his present position in the commercial world by dint of his own efforts and by close application to the business in hand. Mr. Kamm is a European by birth but has been a resident of this country and of New York state since the days of his youth and thus very properly regards himself as much an American as any here. He was born in the republic of Switzerland on May 27, 1860, and is a son of Christian and Rosa Kamm, the latter of whom spent her last days in this country. Christian Kamm was a building contractor and all his life was spent in his native land. After his death his widow rejoined her son in New York and here her last days were spent.

Christian H. Kamm was given a good education in his native land and when hardly more than a boy came to America with some kinsfolk who were coming here to establish a new home, and at Brownsville, Jefferson county, this state, he finished his schooling and acquired a working knowledge of the English language. He early became employed as a clerk in a hardware store and not long afterward left that employment to take a similar position in a furniture store, a line of commercial activity to which he ever since has devoted himself and in which he has become quite successful. For years Mr. Kamm continued along this line in a clerical position at Rochester and then became established in business on his own account, his present well equipped and well stocked furniture store at No. 616-20 North Clinton avenue, being the outcome of that initial venture. Mr. Kamm started his store in a modest way but with a sufficient stock to attract the attention of discriminating buyers and it was not long until he was on the highway to success. That was nearly thirty-five years ago and during the years since then he has gradually developed the business until now



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it ranks among the leading furniture and general household furnishing stores in the city, its proprietor at the same time ranking with the progressive and enterprising merchants of the city. Since 1890, Mr. Kamm's place of business has been at the southeast corner of North Clinton and Morris streets, which property he had bought several years previously. In 1912, he erected the substantial business building thereon.

On July 10, 1884, in Rochester, Christian H. Kamm was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Kundert, daughter of M. Kundert. Mrs. Kamm's parents never came to America, but lived and died in Switzerland. Mr. and Mrs. Kamm have four children: Two sons, Oscar and Lester, and two daughters, Cora and Elsie, all of whom are married. Cora Kamm, the elder of the daughters, married George Steinfelt of Rochester and has four children, Frederick, Paul, Helen and Arthur. Elsie Kamm, the second daughter, married Ralph Bailey and has two children, Robert and Betty. Oscar Kamm married Miss Loretta Miller and has one son, Warren. Lester Kamm married Theresa Aman and has a son, Richard. All are living in Rochester. Mr. Kamm is one of the directors and vice president of the United German-American Societies of Rochester and is also a member of the Teutonia Liedertafel, of which he is treasurer, and the local branch of the Steuben Society.

MORTIMER J. CULLINAN.

Rochester is justly proud of its native sons, whose loyalty and public spirit have become proverbial, and the city is largely indebted to their enterprise and ability for its growth and prosperity. In this classification belongs Mortimer J. Cullinan, whose efforts have been directed into financial channels, and he is now conducting a large brokerage business, with offices at No. 36 St. Paul street. He was born April 19, 1869, and his parents, John Francis and Katherine Elizabeth (Conty) Cullinan, were lifelong residents of the Flower city. The father was a mechanical engineer and an able exponent of his profession. He passed away in 1896, having long survived the mother, whose death occurred in 1872. Four sons and five daughters were born to them, four of whom are living: Frank X.; Charles, who is connected with the Odenbach Company; Mortimer J., of this review; and Raymond, a resident of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mortimer J. Cullinan attended St. Bridget's parochial school and completed his education in the public schools of Rochester. He became connected with the Everett, Simons & Holmes Company and remained with that firm for thirty-five years, acting as treasurer and financial manager. In 1920 he withdrew from the company and has since engaged in the brokerage business independently. He is thoroughly conversant with financial affairs and his clients rely implicitly upon his judgment in regard to the placing of their investments. He is faithful to the trust reposed in him and owes his success to his close conformity to a high code of business ethics, as well as to his executive ability and keen sagacity.

In Rochester, on the 4th of June, 1896, Mr. Cullinan was married to Miss Katherine E. Dailey, a daughter of Thomas Dailey, a prominent resident of Geneseo, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Cullinan have three children: Mrs. James D. Sheehan; Henry M. Cullinan, a student at the Aquinas Institute; and Miss Ruth Cullinan, who is attending the Holy Angels Academy at Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Cullinan's religious views are in accord with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic church and he is faithful to its teachings. He has taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus and is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Rochester Automobile Club. His success has been achieved by untiring and well-directed labor along worthy lines and both as a business man and as a private citizen he has demonstrated his value to his community.

CHARLES FREDERICK BUELTE.

During the past five years Charles Frederick Buelte has been a prominent representative of the automobile business in Rochester as president and treasurer of Strong Motors, Incorporated, and of Buelte Motors, Incorporated, distributors of the Chandler and Cleveland cars, with headquarters in this city. His birth here occurred on the 29th of June, 1884, his parents being Frederick and Margaret (Fox) Buelte,

also natives of Rochester. The father, a well known contractor and builder of the city, gained an extensive and favorable acquaintance during his lifelong residence here. The mother, who still survives, is also widely known and highly esteemed in the city which has always been her home.

In the acquirement of an education Charles F. Buelte attended the parochial schools of Rochester and subsequently pursued a course of study in the Rochester Business Institute. After putting aside his textbooks he became an automobile salesman and in 1912 was made manager of the Strong Motors Company, while seven years later, through the steps of an orderly progression, he had risen to the presidency of the corporation. He is also at the head of Buelte Motors, Incorporated, which was organized in 1919. Both companies have large territories covering eight counties in the states of New York and Pennsylvania. They distribute the Chandler and Cleveland motor cars, the superiority of which Mr. Buelte has recognized since they were first built. One of the best known and most popular automobile dealers of Rochester, his success is the direct outcome of his own well defined efforts, unabating industry and undaunted determination. He is treasurer and director of the Rochester Auto Trades Association and the Rochester Auto Dealers Association. In 1917 Mr. Buelte organized the Fruit Valley Corporation for the manufacture of fruit syrups, serving as its treasurer until he disposed of his interests in that connection. He was also the organizer of the Manufacturers Tool & Die Corporation but has sold his interest therein.

On the 29th of September, 1915, in Rochester, Mr. Buelte was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Agnes Gurry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Gurry and representative of a well known family of this city.

In politics Mr. Buelte is an independent republican and fraternally is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus, having attained the third degree in the latter organization. He is a devout communicant of the Roman Catholic church and has varied club connections, holding membership in the Rochester, Oak Hill Country, Rochester Yacht, Rotary, Rochester Ad, Old Colony, Washington and Rochester Auto Clubs. Of the last named he is a director. He likewise belongs to the New York State Archaeological Society, the Rochester Historical Society, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Young Men's Christian Association. His personal qualities are those which make for enduring friendship and he loyally supports all those measures which are projected for the development and upbuilding of his native city.

SIGURD BO.

The United States has been aptly termed the "melting pot" in which is wrought the infusion of all nationalities into an American citizenship that is strong and dominant in its elements, ambitious in its purposes and forceful in its accomplishments. The Scandinavian countries have not been behind other nations in sending to foreign lands men filled with the true spirit of the pioneer men who have been influential in molding the development and promoting the progress of the communities with which they have become allied. Of this type is Sigurd Bo, who came to America in his youth with no capital save ambition, determination and the ability to think for himself, and with these assets he has hewn his way through a forest of difficulties, outdistancing many who entered the business world under much more favorable circumstances. He has now reached a field of broad influence and usefulness, serving as president of the Cinder Products Corporation of Rochester, a large and important industry, which owes its origin to his inventive genius and its upbuilding to his executive power. He was born in Kristiania, now Oslo, Norway, December 10, 1881, a son of Per and Christine (Andersen) Bo, who always resided in the "Land of the Midnight Sun". The father was one of the progressive agriculturists of that country and during the last ten years of his life was in the service of the government, discharging the duties of tax assessor. He passed away in Kristiania, in 1921, having long survived the mother, whose death occurred in 1895. Ten children were born to them and three are still living, namely: Conrad, who resides in Greece, New York; Mrs. Borghild Zaner, of Hamburg, Germany; and Sigurd of this review.

For seven years Sigurd Bo was a student in the schools of Norway and then became an apprentice to a bricklayer, mastering the trade at the end of four years. In 1903, when a young man of twenty-two years, he yielded to the lure of adventure and



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crossed the Atlantic to the New World, first locating in Chicago, where he secured work as a brickmason. Subsequently he returned to the east and for four years followed his trade in Albany, New York, working for R. T. Ford, who had the contract for erecting some of the state educational buildings. Mr. Bo came to Rochester in 1912 and for six months was in the employ of the Friederich & Sons Contracting Company. Having decided to become an independent operator, he entered a bid on the contract for the Greece high school, which he secured, and after completing the work was awarded the contract to build seven miles of sidewalk for that city. For some time he had been working on the theory that cinders would prove an ideal material for building brick and block as they were impervious to the elements of fire and water, and at length perfected his invention, which he has patented under the name of Bo Process. They are all made from purified cinders and their advent has marked a new era of progress in the building industry. They are manufactured by the Genesee Brick & Supply Corporation, which has a large plant at Rochester and has established branches at Buffalo, New York city, Syracuse, Lockport and Geneva, New York, and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The company makes Bo brick, Bo block and Bo tile, which are now used extensively in the construction of residences and public buildings. The demand for these products has increased ten thousand per cent in three years, far exceeding the most sanguine expectations of the firm, whose plant is now taxed beyond its capacity, and an extension to the factory is now under way. Mr. Bo is president of the company and also of the Cinder Products Corporation, whose offices are located in the Union Trust building of Rochester. He has ventured into new and untried fields, converting his vision into a reality, and the remarkable success of his undertakings proves that he is a master builder.

At Iune, Norway, March 5, 1905, Mr. Bo married Miss Borghild Carlsen, a daughter of John and Kristiana Carlsen. Mr. and Mrs. Bo became the parents of ten children: Christina, who died in 1920; Sigrid, who was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1907 and is a high school student; Elsie, whose death occurred in Albany in 1910; three who died in infancy; Norman, who was born in Rochester in 1912, and is attending the public schools; John and Sigurd, twins, who were born in this city in 1917, and Ed who was born in Rochester in 1923.

In politics Mr. Bo is without party bias and casts his ballot for the man whom he considers best qualified to fill the office to which he aspires, standing at all times for reform, progress and improvement in public affairs. He belongs to the Builders Exchange of Rochester, the Rochester Engineering Society, and is also one of the valued members of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Bo has adopted as the guideposts of his life those principles which everywhere inspire admiration and respect and constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity. Fortunate is the city that can point to men of this type as its exemplars.

CHARLES F. PARK.

Charles F. Park, with his brother, William R. Park, is now in control of the old established lumber firm of The Park, Winton & True Company in Addison, Steuben county, a concern that under changing management has been doing business for a half century and is recognized as one of the largest industries in its line in the Genesee country. Charles F. Park is a native son of Addison and his interests ever have centered there. He was born October 15, 1871, and is a son of James and Theresa Adelaide (Reynolds) Park, both members of old families in this section of New York. The late James Park, who died in 1901, started his lumber business at Addison about fifty years ago. For some time after his death in 1901 his sons, William R. and Charles F. Park, together with George I. True as surviving partner, carried on the business. In 1910 the business was incorporated as the Park, Winton & True Company, which name it still carries. In addition to their extensive lumber plant in Addison these brothers own a thousand acres of timber land in the vicinity of Addison, and interest in a tract of fifty-five hundred acres of timber land in the south, besides a well developed tobacco farm in the neighborhood of Big Flats. Their specialty ever has been the manufacture of sash, doors and blinds and their concern is recognized as one of the leaders in that line in the country.

Reared in Addison, Charles F. Park acquired his education there and from the days of his boyhood, working in his father's lumber mill, has been devoted to the

lumber industry, a line which he learned "from the ground up," and in which he has been actively engaged all his mature life. When in 1910 the Park, Winton & True Company was organized he was elected its vice president and was made the buyer for the company, his position thus ever having been an executive and administrative one and in this capacity he has done much to promote the interests of the great industry which he and his brother now control. Mr. Park is widely known in the lumber trade and among the executives of allied industries and as a member of the board of directors of the Lumber Mutual Casualty Company of New York has done much to promote the general interests of these industries along several important lines. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and is affiliated with the Corning Club.

On October 20, 1898, Charles F. Park was united in marriage to Miss Carolyn Stratton. They have two children: A son, James F. Park, and a daughter, Miss Frances R. Park, the latter of whom is now (1925) a student in Holyoke College. James S. Park, who is associated with his father and his uncle in the lumber business in Addison, finished his education in the University of Michigan and for some time before taking up his lifework in the affairs of the lumber business which his grandfather had established in Addison had some valuable commercial experience as a staff man in one of the big banks in New York city and in a bank in Philadelphia.

GEORGE EDWARD NOETH.

George Edward Noeth, one of Rochester's enterprising and progressive citizens whose activities and success have brought him to a very creditable position among the city's representative business men, is a leading restaurateur. He has been successfully engaged in this business for over twenty years and has become widely known as the president of Manhattan Lunch, Incorporated. He was born in this city on the 22d of February, 1874, a son of George H. and Anna J. (Strassner) Noeth, both of whom are also natives of Rochester. On both the paternal and maternal side George E. Noeth belongs to families that have had a long identification with business interests in Rochester. Michael Noeth, his grandfather, located in this city in an early day, and his father, George H. Noeth, is now one of the city's merchants. John Strassner, the maternal grandfather, crossed the Atlantic from Europe to America about 1848, and soon after took up his residence in Rochester.

George Edward Noeth was one of three children of his parents, the others being Mrs. S. V. Haus of this city and Sister Georgiana of the Order of Notre Dame, who is Sister Superior of the Holy Redeemer School and Convent. Mr. Noeth was graduated from St. Joseph's parochial school of Rochester, later taking an eighteen-month course at Taylor's Business Institute, working his way through by selling newspapers and doing any other kind of work that one of his age was capable of doing. He thus displayed the latent strength of his character—the self-reliance and enterprise which have been strong features in his later success. He was seldom idle and could nearly always find employment of some kind. Finally he entered the employ of J. C. Berry in the tile and contracting business, with which he became thoroughly acquainted.

In April, 1898, he organized the George E. Noeth Company for the purpose of dealing in marble, tile and gas fixtures and executing contracts for work of that character. He became president and treasurer of the company at its organization and was the leading factor in its success.

In 1904 Mr. Noeth further extended his operations in business lines by establishing the Manhattan Quick Lunch room at No. 196 East Main street, and in May, 1906, he opened a similar place of business at No. 28 East Main street. He has been interested from time to time in various restaurant projects, but at this time concentrates his efforts in that line on his business at No. 28 East Main street, and that in the Arcade building.

Mr. Noeth has been successful in the restaurant business, because from the beginning he has endeavored to have things just a little better, and has given closer attention to the seemingly unimportant minor details, all of which has resulted in the higher standards of food, service and system that are found in his places of business. Among his other business interests in Rochester, he is president of the Clinton Realty Company.

On the 14th of June, 1899, Mr. Noeth was married to Miss Cecelia V. O'Kane, a daughter of John and Mary O'Kane of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Noeth have one son: Paul James, who was born in Rochester, on February 24, 1904, is a graduate of St.



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Joseph's parochial school and is now a student at the Tome School for Boys, Port Deposit, Maryland.

Mr. Noeth has for a number of years taken a keen interest in political affairs and is one of the well known members of the democratic party in Rochester, as well as one of its counsellors and advisors in Monroe county. Mr. Noeth was democratic leader in 1912, and continued so during President Wilson's first term. A genuine lack of desire for political preferment caused Mr. Noeth to decline numerous prominent political offices. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. He is nationally known as a member of the Knights of St. John, having been chosen inspector general and supreme officer of that organization. He is also identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Beavers. He has also represented the Knights of St. John at the National Catholic Welfare Council. He is a member of the Rochester Club, the Ad Club, the Lions Club the Chamber of Commerce, the Rochester Historical Society, the New York State Historical Society, the Automobile Club of Rochester, New York State Hotel Association, and is secretary and treasurer of the New York State Restaurant Association.

A native genius for organization and aptitude for successful management have been dominant characteristics in his business affairs, and much credit is due him for his achievements in the business world, where he has forged ahead unaided, relying solely upon his own efforts and ability. A man of pleasing address, of courteous manner and high principle, he has gained an extensive circle of warm friends in the city which has always been his home. He also has a wide acquaintance among the prominent men throughout the state.

A. WILLIAM BLACK.

Primarily a manufacturing city, Rochester owes its growth and prosperity to the combined efforts of men whose superior ability has placed them with America's "captains of industry". In this connection the Black family is deserving of especial mention because of the achievements of its members as clothing manufacturers. The business which the father established in this city thirty-six years ago has become one of the great industries of the country and the qualities which he displayed in its upbuilding have been transmitted to the son, A. William Black, who acts as secretary and treasurer of the firm. He was born in Moravia, New York, January 4, 1880, and his parents, Louis and Augusta (Winterfield) Black, immigrated from the Old World to the New, settling in New York state. The father opened a retail clothing store in Moravia, conducting the business until 1888, when he removed with his family to Rochester and entered a larger field of activity. He established a small plant for the manufacture of men's clothing and the business has kept pace with the growth of the city, increasing steadily from year to year until it now ranks with the largest of the kind in the country. It has withstood the test of time because it was built upon the solid foundation of honor and integrity and the firm of L. Black & Company has achieved a national reputation as makers of the best grade of men's and boys' ready-to-wear suits and overcoats. The factory is situated at No. 156 St. Paul street, and Louis Black, president and founder of the business, resides in Atlantic City, New Jersey. His wife is also living and A. William of this review is their only son. Their daughters are: Mrs. Edward M. Gallon and Mrs. Harry W. Pollack, both residents of New York city.

A. William Black was a boy of eight when his parents came to Rochester and his education was acquired in its public schools, the Free Academy and the Rochester Business Institute. Entering his father's plant, he mastered the various processes involved in the manufacture of cloth and progressed through each department, eventually becoming secretary and treasurer of the company. In the conduct of his interests he manifests the keen sagacity and executive power which enabled his father to foster the growth of the business during its embryonic stage, and worthily follows in his footsteps, bringing added luster to an honored name.

In Utica, New York, on January 7, 1902, Mr. Black was married to Miss Anna Lieberman, a daughter of Myron and Rose Lieberman of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Black have two sons: Louis Black (II), born June 4, 1905, was graduated from Exeter Academy and is now a junior at Harvard University; Myron Black was born September 24, 1906, and is a sophomore at the University of Rochester. Both children are natives of the city.

Mr. Black is an influential member of the Chamber of Commerce and along social

lines is connected with the Idlers Club, the Irondequoit Country Club, and the Rochester Athletic and Automobile Clubs. He is a generous supporter of the United Charities, the Community Chest, and contributes liberally to all worthy philanthropic projects, finding true happiness in bringing joy to others. His life has been filled with unrecorded acts of kindness and he holds a secure place in the esteem of his fellow citizens. Mr. Black resides at No. 192 Culver road.

CHARLES E. PRATT.

When starting his career in life the profession of teaching first appealed forcibly to Charles E. Pratt of Nunda, Livingston county, New York. The appeal was only a transitory one, however, and it soon became evident to Mr. Pratt that his proper field of effort was in merchandising, and he abandoned the teaching profession for the fascinations of trade. It proved a wise and most successful move, for after many years in business Mr. Pratt is now retired and taking life less strenuously than had been his habit in the years that have passed. He was born in Nunda, on September 23, 1860, the son of David and Abigail (Ely) Pratt, both natives of New York, neither of whom is living. They also had a daughter, who has passed away.

Charles E. Pratt received his education in the district public schools, and took a partial course in the high school at Warsaw, New York. His first employment was as a district school teacher, which he followed for two years, and then for a year he was a grocery clerk in Warsaw. He left there to become clerk in a shoe store at Nunda, where he remained three years, after which for two years he was identified with the wholesale business in Clinton, Iowa. Returning from Iowa, Mr. Pratt bought the grocery and crockery business in Nunda of A. C. Dodge, Jr., in 1887, a line of shoes being added later, and conducted the business until 1924, when he sold out and retired.

Mr. Pratt never permitted the demands of his large business to interfere with his duties as a citizen nor his interest in the affairs of his community. During the World war he gave valuable service as a member of the Victory Loan committee. As a member of the Presbyterian church and clerk of the session, Mr. Pratt was always interested in religious matters, is a member of the New York State Sunday School Association, and is on its state committee. He was one of the founders, in 1920, of the Twentieth Division Summer School, at Silver lake, which originally embraced the counties of Livingston, Wyoming and Genesee. This organization is now the Western New York Summer School of Christian Education, and Mr. Pratt has served as registrar since its inception four years ago. He was president of the Livingston County Historical Society for one year, and while formerly a republican in his political views, is now a member of the prohibition party.

Mr. Pratt was married on June 2, 1887, to Cora L. King, and they have three children: Ralph King of Portland, Oregon; Ward Ely of Dayton, Ohio; and Charles Harold of Mount Morris, New York. Mr. Pratt was one of the incorporators of the Oakwood Cemetery Association in 1900 and has been secretary of it ever since.

EDWARD REUBEN FOREMAN.

Edward Reuben Foreman, city historian of Rochester, New York, prominent member of the legal profession, speaker and writer of note on historical topics, was born at Lima, Livingston county, New York, March 9, 1868, a son of Joseph and Irena Elisabeth (Waldo) Foreman. Upon the maternal side, Mr. Foreman is descended from John and Hannah (Cogswell) Waldo, who came to Ipswich, Massachusetts, in 1635. He is a cousin removed of Ralph Waldo Emerson, and has had ancestors in all of the colonial wars, his Revolutionary ancestor having been Lieutenant Edward Waldo.

Edward R. Foreman graduated from the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York, in 1888, and in 1892 received his Ph.B. degree from the University of Rochester. He was admitted to the bar of the state of New York in 1894. Mr. Foreman's first work was in the law and, though he has entered actively into other pursuits in later years, he yet retains his active connection with the profession in the city of Rochester. In 1924 he was signally honored by his contemporaries in his election to the presidency of the Rochester Bar Association.



EDWARD R. FOREMAN

Mr. Foreman was assistant corporation counsel of the city of Rochester from 1894 to 1898; he was secretary to Mayor Adolph J. Rodenbeck in 1902 and 1903, and from 1904 to 1907 was special counsel of the law department of the city of Rochester, having had charge of all law publications. Since 1921 he has filled the office of Rochester city historian.

Mr. Foreman has performed a truly notable work in historical matters relating to Rochester and the Genesee Country. The wealth of accomplishment which has been attained through his energetic efforts is but a promise of greater things to come in this field. In the interval from 1914 to 1918 he was five times elected president of the Rochester Historical Society, and in 1923 was elected treasurer of the Genesee Country Historical Association. In 1924 he was chosen a member of the board of trustees of the New York State Historical Association. As city historian, Mr. Foreman has acted as editor of four volumes of the Publication Fund Series of the Historical Society, issued in 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925. He is also chairman of the publication committee of the historical society. He is editor-in-chief of the World War Service Record of Rochester and Monroe County (1921-), Volume I of which, "Those who Died for Us," was issued in 1924, and is to be followed by an equally comprehensive record of the living veterans of the World war in the city and county. In doing this particular work, Mr. Foreman has achieved a notable contribution to the literature of the recent war, and the publication stands alone among those of similar character which have been printed in the United States. In fact, few works of such broad scope and exhaustive detail have ever been attempted.

Mr. Foreman's editorial career, over a period of thirty-five years, has included a number of other important connections which may be summarized as follows: assistant editor, general catalog of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, 1888-1890 (a book of 1700 pages, New York, N. Y., 1890); editor of the Rochester City Charter, 1892; editor of the proposed Common Council Charter, 1896; id, Revised Penal Ordinances, 1897; managing editor at Rochester for the Joint Committee of the Legislature of the State of New York on Statutory Revision Commission Bills, 1900-1901; editor of various law publications as special counsel, law department, 1904-07; author Police Rules, City of Rochester; id, Municipal Code of the City of Rochester, Volume I, 1904, Volume II, 1907.

Mr. Foreman is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Theta Nu Epsilon fraternities. He is first vice president of the Rochester chapter, Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, 1922-. He served as ruling elder of the Third Presbyterian church of Rochester for a period of six years, and is now (1925) a member of the historic First Presbyterian church, known as "the mother of churches."

Edward R. Foreman was married at Rochester, March 2, 1909, to Mary Louise Payne, a daughter of James and Margaret Payne.

ROY E. WHEELER.

Roy E. Wheeler, joint partner of the Yates County Canning Company of Penn Yan, has been connected with this line of business throughout his career and has made steady advancement therein until he is now active in control of a profitable and thriving enterprise. He was born in Fairport, Monroe county, New York, June 16, 1876, his parents being W. H. and Charlotte A. (Storms) Wheeler. The father, who removed to Monroe county from Dutchess county, this state, devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits as a lifework. He had reached the age of seventy-two years when called to his final rest in 1918.

Roy E. Wheeler obtained a high school education in Fairport and after putting aside his textbooks secured employment in a canning factory there. He became the first foreman in the service of the Sanitary Can Company, now the American Can Company, with which he continued for a period of eight and one-half years. It was in 1913 that Mr. Wheeler came to Penn Yan and accepted the superintendency of the Yates County Canning Company, of which he was made vice president and manager two years later. In 1918, when the corporation was dissolved, he became an equal partner in the business with F. C. Whitaker and H. C. Owenshire. The industry has grown to extensive proportions and the continued success of the undertaking in the last decade may be attributed in large measure to the sound judgment, excellent executive ability and keen sagacity of the manager and vice president. Mr. Wheeler is also a director of the Finger Lakes Canning Company.

In 1901 Mr. Wheeler was united in marriage to Miss Anna Hodgson of Rochester, New York. They have one daughter: Helen Elizabeth, born February 6, 1909, who is attending school in Penn Yan. Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Wheeler has supported the men and measures of the republican party and he is now making a creditable record as trustee of the village board. His religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church, while fraternally he is identified with the Masons and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

THEODORE E. PENNOCK.

Among the men who are making history in Rochester is numbered Theodore E. Pennock, who has left the impress of his individuality in notable measure upon the industrial progress of the city through his activities as president of the Standard Automatic Machine Company, in which connection he is successfully controlling a business of extensive proportions. He was born in Saratoga, New York, June 5, 1886, and is a son of James W. and Amelia H. (Wilson) Pennock, the latter also a native of the Empire state. The father was ten years old when his parents made the voyage from England to the United States, settling near Utica, New York. On starting out in life for himself he embarked in the real estate business in Kansas City, Missouri, and Syracuse, New York, and met with success in his operations in that field, retiring a few years ago. He and his wife still reside in Syracuse. Four children were born to them: James W. Pennock, Jr., of Syracuse; Mrs. Mahlon H. Gregg, whose home is in Rochester; Mrs. John Sadler; and Theodore E., of this review.

Theodore E. Pennock attended a private school in Syracuse and his higher education was received in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, where he studied mechanical engineering. He was graduated from that institution in 1910 and returned to Syracuse, becoming a building contractor. He was thus engaged until 1915, when he came to Rochester, and has since been a resident of the city. He is now serving as president of the Standard Automatic Machine Company and his brother-in-law is filling the office of vice president. The business was first established in New York city and in 1910 was incorporated. It was moved to Rochester in 1915 and the company now enjoys the distinction of being the largest manufacturers of automatic vacuum bottle filling and closing machines in the world. The firm is the original designer and builder of these machines, which greatly reduce production costs over any other system made. They bear the trade-mark "Samco" and are sold chiefly to manufacturers of food, patent medicines and toilet requisites. They are used by the largest and most progressive concerns in this country and in Europe. The prestige which the firm now enjoys is largely attributable to the keen sagacity and carefully formulated plans of Mr. Pennock, who displays marked foresight and executive force in the management of this industry.

On the 17th of January, 1918, Mr. Pennock was married to Miss Elizabeth Barrows, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barrows of Rochester. Mr. and Mrs. Pennock have two sons: Howard Barrows and Theodore E., Jr., both natives of the city. The former was born in 1919 and the latter in 1924. Mr. Pennock is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Cornell Club of New York, and also belongs to the local Automobile Club. He is still a young man with much of his life before him. He is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals—a splendid type of the modern business man and a valuable addition to the ranks of Rochester's citizens. His residence is at No. 15 Arnold park.

JAMES ALBERT SHEPARD.

James Albert Shepard, consulting engineer and vice president of the Shepard Electric Crane & Hoist Company of Montour Falls and for many years one of the definite personal factors in the general industrial and social activities of that village and of the neighboring city of Elmira, is a native son of New York, a member of an old colonial family, and his interests ever have centered here, a resident of Montour Falls (old Havana) since the days of his infancy. Mr. Shepard was born in the hamlet of Ohio in Herkimer county, January 6, 1864, and is a son of William Henry and Mary Jane (Sloan) Shepard, both members of old families in this state. The mother was born at Springfield Center, Otsego county, of mingled French and



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English ancestry, one of her ancestors, Renault, having been an officer of the French government during the time of the French possession of the country west of the Alleghenies and who for his services in behalf of that colony was given a considerable grant of land near Peoria, Illinois. William Henry Shepard was born on a farm in the Ohio settlement in Herkimer county, of English and Dutch ancestry, his father having been born in England, while his mother was a descendant of one of the colonists from Holland. In the middle '60s William H. Shepard left his farm in Herkimer county and settled on a farm near Havana, (now Montour Falls) Schuyler county, where in 1880 he became engaged in the manufacture of agricultural implements, castings and highway bridges, founding there the establishment of W. H. Shepard & Sons, which later became the W. H. Shepard & Sons Bridge Company and by subsequent reorganization became the present substantial manufacturing concern, the Shepard Electric Crane & Hoist Company, manufacturers of electric cranes and hoists, and one of the best establishments of its kind in the country.

As will be observed by a comparison of above dates, James A. Shepard was hardly more than a babe in arms when his parents removed from Herkimer county to Montour Falls and he thus was reared in the latter place, receiving his schooling there and busied in the operations of the home farm at that place until in 1880, when he became one of the partners in the establishment of the manufacturing firm of W. H. Shepard & Sons, qualifying in this connection as a mechanical and electrical engineer by serving in all departments of the plant at Montour Falls through the successive stages of molder, pattern maker, machinist, draftsman, salesman, business manager and machine designer. In 1883 Mr. Shepard was made the chief engineer of this plant, which in that year was reorganized as the W. H. Shepard & Sons Bridge Company, manufacturers of steel bridges and steel building construction work. When in 1902 this company again was reorganized, becoming the General Pneumatic Tool Company, manufacturers of pneumatic machinery, he was continued as chief engineer and when in 1921 the company was succeeded by the Shepard Electric Crane & Hoist Company he was elected vice president of the latter company and has continued to serve in that administrative capacity. He serves also as chief consulting engineer in the operations of the great plant, as well as a member of the directorate of the company. Mr. Shepard is widely known in his profession and is the chairman of the materials handling division of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He also is an active member of the Society of Terminal Engineers. In addition to his long service as a mechanical and electrical engineer he also has long been recognized as a specialist in the economics of industry and has come to be regarded as an authority along that line, an important factor in the great industry he so long has represented in this highly technical capacity.

On March 18, 1891, at Waterloo, New York, James A. Shepard was united in marriage to Miss Frances Irene Hinman, who was born at Montour Falls (then Havana), and is a daughter of George T. and Irene (Benson) Hinman, both now deceased. Through the line of one of her remote ancestors Mrs. Shepard has descent from one of the barons who at Runnymede in the summer of 1215 forced King John to sign the Magna Charta Libertatum of England. She is at present (1925) president of the Elmira College Club. Mr. and Mrs. Shepard are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and are republicans. Mr. Shepard has rendered local civic service as a school director and as the chairman of the Schuyler County Board of Child Welfare. During the time of this country's participation in the World war he served as county food administrator for Schuyler county. He is a member of the Elmira City Club, and he and Mrs. Shepard are members of the Elmira Golf and Country Club and of the Glen Springs Golf Club.

JOHN PALLACE.

John Pallace was born in Brockport, New York, July 12, 1879, the son of John and Elizabeth (Spellman) Pallace, who emigrated to the United States from Ireland, June 29, 1863. To Mr. and Mrs. Pallace were born eight children, four of whom are now living, a son and three daughters.

Mr. Pallace was the seventh in order of birth. His public school training was supplemented by a course in the Brockport Normal and Training School, from which he graduated in 1897, and for one year following he taught school at Hamlin, New York. He studied law in the offices of John D. Burns, a well known attorney of

Brockport and, after a course in the Albany Law School from which he was graduated in 1901, he was admitted to the bar and has since practiced in Brockport. He practices in both the federal and state courts and has been very successful in general practice. He has a comprehensive understanding of the principles of jurisprudence, prepares with thoroughness and skill, and the ability with which he presents his work has won him his successful standing at the bar.

Mr. Pallace has had a successful political career and those who know him and his abilities in this branch of endeavor are agreed his political life is not ended. The day he cast his first vote he was elected to office and this success was followed in 1902 by his election as member of assembly for the fourth assembly district of Monroe county, Mr. Pallace being the second democratic candidate who represented that district in upwards of twenty years. The following year he was reelected to represent his district in the legislature at Albany by an increased majority, this success making a record never before or since attained by a democratic candidate in the district. In 1904 he was the candidate of his party for secretary of state of New York, but with his associates in that campaign was defeated. On March 5, 1919, President Wilson appointed Mr. Pallace collector of customs for the port of the Genesee at Rochester, the district comprising twenty-six counties, a position he continued to fill until March 8, 1924. As a public official he brought to the discharge of his duties the same intelligent ability and skill which characterized his work in private affairs, and his record has won him high approval and commendation.

Mr. Pallace married Mary Bertha Dailey, daughter of William Dailey, on October 22, 1907. Mrs. Pallace died August 11, 1921. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Pallace, John, Jr., who died January 5, 1916, and Mary Bertha, who was born February 28, 1918, and lives with her father and his sisters at the family homestead in Brockport.

Mr. Pallace is a Roman Catholic and faithfully adheres to the teachings of his church. He is a member of the Rochester Club, the Rochester Bar Association, and other organizations, during the World war being a member of the legal advisory board. He has a high conception of the dignity and responsibility of his profession and citizenship, and his life presents an excellent illustration of what such conception and diligence will bring to one in the professional and political life of the day.

KURT BARTHELMES.

America has been aptly termed "the land of opportunity", for in no other country is there the chance for such direct progress as the result of individual effort, and intelligently directed labor never fails to win its reward. Among the citizens of foreign birth who have bettered their fortunes in the United States is numbered Kurt Barthelmes, a self-made man, who has become an important factor in Rochester's industrial progress and prosperity. He is a native of Germany, born April 28, 1875, a son of Bruno and Rose Barthelmes, who were lifelong residents of the fatherland, and the father was also identified with manufacturing interests.

Kurt Barthelmes obtained his education in the excellent schools of Berlin and afterward turned to mechanical pursuits, which he has always followed. He worked for some time for a large manufacturing concern of Berlin and after his arrival in the United States went to New Britain, Connecticut, where he secured a position with the American Hardware Corporation. Soon afterward he located in Seymour, Connecticut, where he was employed for a time as a machinist, and then made his way westward, becoming general trouble man for the Toledo Machine & Tool Company. Mr. Barthelmes remained with that firm for a number of years and then returned to the east, arriving in Rochester in 1913. In the meantime he had been constantly adding to his store of knowledge and his services were becoming of greater value each year. He was therefore well qualified for the duties of master mechanic, which he discharged for two years as an employe of the Rochester Stamping Company, and in 1915 was in a position to enter the industrial field independently. He organized the Barthelmes Manufacturing Company and in 1922 the business was incorporated. He is president and general manager of the firm, which specializes in the manufacture of aluminum ware, and since its inception the business has grown steadily, keeping pace with the most progressive industries of this character in the east. Mr. Barthelmes is a thorough mechanic and carefully inspects every detail of the work done in his plant, never allowing an inferior article to leave the factory. As a result of this close supervision the name of Barthelmes has become recognized



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as a guarantee of perfection in aluminum ware and the output of his plant is widely distributed.

In Toledo, Ohio, on the 4th of November, 1912, Mr. Barthelmes was united in marriage to Miss Ida Eiple, member of a well known family of that city. Mr. Barthelmes is an enthusiastic member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and his fraternal connections are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is loyal to the country of his adoption and his genuine worth is attested by all who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. Mr. Barthelmes resides at No. 232 Chili avenue.

O. T. WILSON.

For more than two decades O. T. Wilson has been engaged in important development work in the states of Kansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, purchasing extensive tracts of available land which he has transformed into thriving towns by the erection of stores and elevators and the cultivation of farms. He is the president of the Wilson Land & Grain Company of Arcade and is at the head of various other corporate enterprises in the state of New York as well as in the west. His birth occurred in Arcade, Wyoming county, New York, on the 11th of April, 1875, his parents being W. H. and Ann S. (Clough) Wilson. The father, a man of varied and important business connections, was among the largest cheese manufacturers of western New York before becoming identified with the woolen mills at Arcade.

O. T. Wilson obtained his early education in the grade and high schools of his native town and continued his studies in Colgate University of Hamilton, New York, after which he pursued a law course in the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1899. He began the practice of law in Arcade the same year but later became interested in insurance, to which he devoted his attention with considerable success. Subsequently he began the development of land in the states of Kansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma and his activities in this connection have been attended with splendid results. The plan he has followed has been to purchase a large tract of land near a railroad line, divide the property into farms and import men to care for these. To stimulate the growth of the town he also erected a general store and bank together with a grain elevator. When he began operations at Plains, Kansas, in 1902 the town contained but one building. It now has more than two thousand inhabitants, boasts one of the largest elevators in the southern part of Kansas and also has a large general store. In ten years Mr. Wilson has developed Mills, New Mexico, from nothing into a thriving town containing a population of over four hundred, a general store which carries a stock of goods valued at more than fifty thousand dollars, a flour mill, an elevator with a capacity of more than fifty thousand bushels of grain, a large lumber yard and wholesale oil storage tanks. He is at present engaged in the development of Abbott, New Mexico, and he has purchased more than twenty-seven thousand acres, covering more than six square miles, adjoining the town of Mosquero, New Mexico, the county seat of Harding county. Mr. Wilson has likewise begun development work at Solano, New Mexico, and Guymon, Oklahoma, and is the owner of general stores, elevators and real estate at all of the above named places. Some idea of the extent and importance of his interests may be gained from the fact that he is the president of the Wilson Land & Grain Company of Arcade, New York, the Wilson Company of New Mexico, the Wilson Land Corporation of New Mexico, the Citizens State Bank of Mills, New Mexico, the Pierce-Reede Company of the state of New York and the Rucra Loan Company of New Mexico. He is also a director of the Citizens Bank of Arcade and the Oak Knitting Company of Arcade, New York.

On the 8th of June, 1899, at Arcade, New York, Mr. Wilson was united in marriage to Miss Lotta B. Hurrington, daughter of William Hurrington, of Gainesville, this state. They have become the parents of two children. Charlotte M., who was born on the 2nd of March, 1905, and who is a graduate of Dana Hall of Wellesley, Massachusetts, is now a student in Oberlin College of Ohio, where she is pursuing a course in the collegiate department and also in the Conservatory of Music. Kenneth A., whose natal day was June 18, 1912, is a student in the schools of Buffalo. A niece of Mr. Wilson, Dorothy Heath, who was born in 1906, has made her home with her uncle since the death of her parents in 1919. She was graduated from Lima Seminary with high honors in 1923.

Mr. Wilson is an active worker in the local ranks of the republican party, the

platform and principles of which he enthusiastically champions. He has membership in the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce, the Buffalo Athletic Club, the Arcade Chamber of Commerce, the Business Men's Club, the Arcade Club, the Automobile Club and the Silver Lake Country Club. Fraternally he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry and has passed through all of the chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is one of the most valued members, earnest workers and generous supporters of the First Baptist church, which he has aided at every opportunity. His life has been one of activity and usefulness and his many admirable qualities of heart and mind have won for him the high and enduring regard of all with whom he has been associated.

HENRY MCFARLAND.

Every successful business enterprise adds to the growth and prosperity of the community in which it is operated, and through his activities as a plumbing and heating contractor Henry McFarland has contributed his quota toward Rochester's up-building and improvement. He is one of the city's loyal sons and was born October 13, 1871, of the marriage of Francis McFarland and Elizabeth Newell, natives of Ireland. They came to the New World in their youth, locating in Rochester, and the father's skill as a carpenter was utilized in promoting the development and growth of the city.

Henry McFarland received a public school education and afterward served an apprenticeship to the plumber's and steamfitter's trades, which he has followed from the age of sixteen. He is an expert in these lines and has installed plumbing and heating systems in public buildings, apartment houses and many private homes in Rochester. He is president of the firm of Natt, Bareham & McFarland, which was incorporated in 1906 and began business as plumbing and heating contractors in the Centennial building. Their work represents the highest degree of efficiency in their line and the following is a partial list of the more important installations made by the firm: The Vassar, Buckingham, Wilsonia, Stanwood, Cohen, Elizabeth, Alexandria, Kilbourn, East Avenue Court, Algonquin and Ambassador apartments; the Y. W. C. A. dormitory, the Piccadilly Theater, the Sergeant & Greenleaf factory, the Seneca Hotel Annex, the building of the Addison Lithographing Company, the National Bank of Rochester, the Baptist Temple, and the Lincoln building. The firm also carries a line of high grade accessories, including the Chambers Fireless Gas Ranges, the Humphrey Automatic Water Heaters, the Glow Gasteam Radiators and Estate Gas Ranges and Heatrolas, large numbers of which have been placed in Rochester homes, factories and office buildings. Their operations are conducted on an extensive scale and the rapid increase in the business made it necessary for the firm to double its showroom capacity by taking over the store at No. 368 Main street, east.

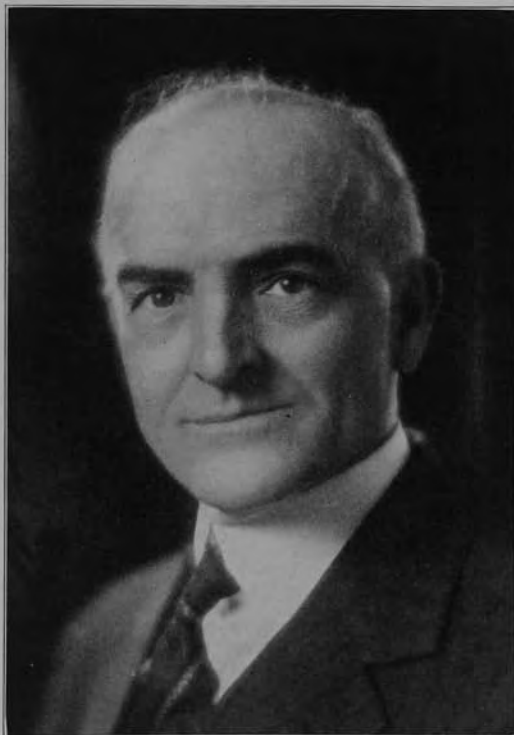
On February 25, 1892, Mr. McFarland was married to Miss Margaret Buehler, a daughter of Fred Buehler of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. McFarland have three children: Florence, the wife of John W. Rohlin, who was born in 1893, and resides in this city; Harry William, who was born in 1899 and married Miss Irene Gray of Rochester; and Russell, who was born in 1907 and is attending high school. All are natives of Rochester and the elder son is associated in business with his father.

Mr. McFarland is a member of the Master Plumbers Association and along fraternal lines is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is an enthusiastic champion of his city and works earnestly and systematically for its advancement as a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. He has won success through industry, perseverance and intelligently directed effort and measures up to the highest standards of personal honor and present-day business ethics. His residence is at No. 62 Colgate street.

ROBERT A. WILBUR, D. D. S.

Dr. Robert A. Wilbur has made the practice of dentistry his life work and for thirty-six years has successfully followed his profession in Elmira. He was born in Charleston, South Carolina, November 7, 1866, and his parents, Theodore and Mary (Cuttino) Wilbur, were also natives of that city. The father was a veteran of the Civil war, in which he served for two years, gallantly defending the cause of the Confederacy. He was a successful merchant and engaged in the wholesale dry goods

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business for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur were members of the Baptist church and in politics he was a staunch democrat. He held to high ideals in matters of citizenship and served as school commissioner. He was also a member of the board of managers of the Orphans Home and along fraternal lines was connected with the Masonic order. Robert A. of this review was the fifth in order of birth in a family of seven children.

Robert A. Wilbur attended the State Military Academy at Charleston, South Carolina, and afterward entered the dental department of the University of Maryland, from which he was graduated in March, 1888, when twenty-two years of age. He decided to locate in Elmira and is thoroughly satisfied with his choice, for he has found here an excellent field for his talents. His office, which is situated at No. 313 East Water street, is equipped with the most modern appliances used in dental surgery.

On February 2, 1892, Dr. Wilbur was married to Miss Caroline G. McClave, who was born in the Empire state and received her higher education in Elmira College. They have become the parents of three children, of whom Robert A. Wilbur, Jr., is the oldest. In 1917 he enlisted in the United States navy and was assigned to the aviation department. He was stationed at Miami and Pensacola, Florida, and received an ensign's commission. He is connected with A. Wyckoff & Son Company and resides in Elmira; Alida was married to Julian L. Watkins of Philadelphia, who also enlisted for service in the World war and is now connected with the well known advertising firm of N. W. Ayer & Son; Gordon, the youngest member of the family, is attending Cornell University.

Mrs. Wilbur is a Baptist and the Doctor is an influential member of the Park Congregational church of Elmira. Mrs. Wilbur is active in missionary societies, also conducting a kindergarten at one time in the Baptist church. Dr. Wilbur is a York and Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has held high offices in the order and is a past master of the lodge and past thrice illustrious master of the council, a past high priest of the chapter, and past eminent commander of the commandery. He is also a member of the Masonic Club and his political support is given to the republican party.

CHARLES A. LOWE.

Big Flats owes much of its prosperity to the loyalty, enterprise and public spirit of its native sons, whose business acumen and ability insure the continued progress of the village. In this connection Charles A. Lowe is deserving of prominent mention, for he represents one of the pioneer families of this locality and occupies a position of leadership in commercial circles of his native village.

Mr. Lowe was born in 1871, a son of Joseph R. and Cynthia (Lowe) Lowe, the latter of whom was also born in Big Flats and always lived on the farm on which her grandfather settled in 1792. She was a granddaughter of Cornelius Lowe, who was killed during the Wyoming massacre. Joseph R. Lowe was a native of Manchester, England, and when a boy of eight came to the United States with an aunt, who died three months after reaching this country, leaving him alone and friendless in a strange land. At the age of nine he became driver of a canal-boat and when a youth of sixteen arrived in Big Flats. For some time he worked for the father of his future wife and after his marriage followed the occupation of farming. Mr. and Mrs. Lowe were members of the Baptist church and participated in its various activities. He was a staunch supporter of the democratic party and a close friend of David Bennett Hill. Mr. Lowe conscientiously discharged the duties of citizenship and served for a number of years in the office of supervisor. His fraternal connections were with the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He enjoyed the esteem of all with whom he was associated and his death occurred in Elmira in 1896. He was the father of six children, four of whom survive: Nathan J., principal of a school in New York city; Mary, who married Oscar Kahler, a resident of Big Flats and a member of the New York general assembly in 1922; Charles A., of this review; and Harriet C., of New York city.

Charles A. Lowe was reared on the old homestead, which was the birthplace of his mother and has always resided on the property, which has been in possession of the family for more than a century. He attended the public schools and after completing his studies devoted his attention exclusively to agricultural pursuits until 1906, when he embarked in the leaf tobacco business, in which he has continued, in

addition to his farming operations. In 1909 he formed a partnership with Matt. H. Welles, with whom he is still associated, and the business is conducted under the name of Lowe & Welles. They have two warehouses in Big Flats and handle as much tobacco as any firm between Buffalo and New York city. The business has grown steadily as a result of the united efforts and carefully formulated plans of the men at its head and the operations of the firm are now conducted on an extensive scale.

On March 25, 1896, Mr. Lowe was united in marriage to Miss Alice Monks, a native daughter of Big Flats. Both are charter members of Big Flats Grange. She is a member of the Baptist church and a consistent follower of its teachings. Mr. Lowe is a democrat in his political views and has been called to public office, serving as supervisor. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Improved Order of Red Men and the Masons, and belongs to the Grotto at Elmira.

LOUIS ELISHA FULLER.

Louis Elisha Fuller is a prominent representative of the legal profession in Rochester, where he has been actively engaged in practice for almost thirty years. He was born in Onondaga county, New York, on the 17th of March, 1862, his parents being Truman K. and Minerva (Darrow) Fuller, who were also natives of that county. The father, long a well known and successful attorney of central New York, passed away in 1901, when sixty-six years of age. The mother was called to her final rest in 1880. During the period of the Civil war Truman K. Fuller organized a company of the Seventy-fifth New York Cavalry and was commissioned its captain. He was at that time giving private instruction to thirty-three pupils, thirty-one of whom joined his company as volunteers. When hostilities had ceased, only three of the number answered the roll call, all of the others having made the supreme sacrifice.

Louis Elisha Fuller, the sole survivor of his father's family of four children, obtained his early education in a private school of Syracuse, New York, and subsequently entered Syracuse University, from which institution he was graduated on the completion of the classical course in 1882. Having decided to follow in the professional footsteps of his father, he read law in the latter's office during the two succeeding years and in 1884 was admitted to the bar. He practiced in Syracuse until 1895, in which year he located in Rochester, where he has remained to the present time and has built up an extensive and desirable clientele. Mr. Fuller is accorded a most creditable position among the successful attorneys of this city and enjoys the highest confidence of the profession and the laity alike.

On the 3d of September, 1884, in Waterloo, New York, Mr. Fuller was united in marriage to Miss Helen M. Morgan, daughter of David and Carolyn Morgan, representing a prominent family of that city. Fraternally Mr. Fuller is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, while along strictly professional lines he has membership connection with the Monroe County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Mr. Fuller's residence is at No. 176 South Goodman street.

JAMES NELSON BOYD.

The proprietor and editor of the Medina Tribune of Medina is James Nelson Boyd, a newspaper man of many years' experience. He was born in East Pembroke, Genesee county, New York, on the 20th of June, 1867, his parents being Robert William and Rachel Jane (Sisson) Boyd. His paternal grandfather, James Boyd, was the first representative of the family in the Genesee country, here residing from 1835 to the time of his death. Robert W. Boyd, the father of James Nelson Boyd of this review, was an agriculturist by occupation who abandoned the work of the fields to become connected with the railway mail service and died on duty at Hornell, New York, in 1895.

James Nelson Boyd began his education as a public school pupil in Pembroke and continued his studies in the high school in Attica, from which he was graduated in 1882. Journalistic work has claimed his attention since he put aside his textbooks. He was first identified with the Attica News as printer's devil for five years and subsequently worked as a compositor on the Buffalo Courier for six years, while for a similar period he was thus employed on the Providence News. He was next



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connected with the Orleans American of Albion, New York, for two and one-half years and then in 1903 became associated with the Medina Tribune, in the publication of which he has remained active through the intervening period of twenty-two years. The paper had its beginning as the Medina Citizen in 1849 but since 1856 has been published as the Medina Tribune. Mr. Boyd's work thereon has always been of highest quality, both from an editorial and printing standpoint. Understanding completely all phases of newspaper publication, he is able to give the best of service to the institution and to the public. He is now president of the Medina Tribune Publishing Company, Incorporated.

Mr. Boyd has been thrice married. In Buffalo, New York, on December 27, 1892, he wedded Helen Fitzsimmons of Titusville, Pennsylvania. His second marriage, which took place on March 31, 1903, was to Charlotte M. Stock of Albion, who passed away in 1904, leaving a daughter, Charlotte Eleanor. Mr. Boyd was again married on October 4, 1906, Miss Augusta A. Runckle of Buffalo, New York, becoming his wife.

Politically Mr. Boyd is a stalwart republican, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church. Fraternally he is identified with the local organization of the Modern Woodmen of America. Mr. Boyd is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals—a splendid type of the modern journalist and representative citizen.

JAMES ALBERT BAILEY.

Ambition and inclination indicated the legal profession as the proper field for his abilities when he began his career in life, and James Albert Bailey, secretary of the Allen & Bailey Tag Company of Caledonia, Livingston county, New York, adhered to the law until the allurements of business proved too powerful, since which time he has been immersed in mercantile affairs that have proved highly profitable to his fortunes. He was born in Dansville, New York, on July 18, 1874, the son of John J. and Theodosia (DeLong) Bailey, both of whom have passed away.

The early education of James Albert Bailey was gained in the grade and high schools of Dansville, after which he matriculated in Cornell University, at Ithaca, New York, won his Ph. B. degree and was graduated in the class of 1896. After graduating Mr. Bailey began the practice of law at Dansville, where he remained for ten years. While practicing law he also had a position in the state legislative bill drafting department for four years. Mr. Bailey established the tag manufacturing business at Dansville, in association with Mr. S. E. Allen, and incorporated in 1912. The business was moved to Caledonia in 1913 and has been steadily developed until it is now a most important manufactory of its kind.

Fraternally Mr. Bailey is affiliated with the Masonic order. He is also a member of the Masonic Club of Caledonia, the Cornell Club and the Auto Club of Rochester, New York, and Alpha Tau Omega collegiate fraternity. In politics Mr. Bailey is a republican and for a number of years was clerk of the Livingston county board of supervisors. His religious associations are with the Presbyterian church.

FREDERICK W. KUHN, D. D. S.

In the professional circles of Dansville, Dr. Frederick W. Kuhn has long figured prominently in connection with the practice of dental surgery, and natural talent and acquired ability have brought him prominently to the front in his chosen vocation. He was born August 14, 1878, a son of J. Henry and Rosina (Wagner) Kuhn, and has always made his home in the village. The father devoted his life to the shoemaker's trade. The mother is living.

After completing his high school course Dr. Kuhn entered the University of Buffalo, from which he was graduated with the class of 1901, winning the degree of D. D. S. For more than two decades he has followed his profession in Dansville and his practice has grown steadily as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his skill. His office is equipped with the most modern dental appliances and no detail of his work is ever slighted, for thoroughness and fidelity to duty are his outstanding characteristics.

On September 5, 1906, Dr. Kuhn was united in marriage to Miss Harriet Barrett and they have become the parents of three children: William, Harriet and Frederick.

The Doctor is a Mason and belongs to Phoenix Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is serving as secretary. He loyally supports all worthy civic projects and is a member of the Union Hose Club of Dansville, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Lutheran church. He is actuated by the spirit of progress and keeps in touch with the onward trend of the profession through his connection with the state and national dental associations.

WILLIAM HENRY MACLEAN.

The legal fraternity of Rochester numbers William Henry MacLean among its able and highly respected members, and his name is also a prominent one in business circles of the city. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, May 12, 1886, of the marriage of Joseph MacLean and Margaret Singleton Cockburn, the latter a native of Virginia. The father was born in Paterson, New Jersey, and in early life came to the Empire state. He engaged in farming and stock raising along scientific lines and success rewarded his efforts. He is still a resident of the state, but the mother died December 28, 1922. Four sons were born to them: David J. and Joseph A., whose lives were sacrificed for their country in the World war; and William Henry and Lanmon C., both of whom are residents of Rochester.

William H. MacLean completed his public school training at Afton, New York, and then enrolled as a student in Colgate College with the class of 1907. In 1910 he was graduated from the Syracuse Law School and in the following year located for practice in Rochester. He is well versed in the principles of jurisprudence and correctly applies his knowledge to the points in litigation. As the years have passed his professional prestige has steadily increased and he now has a large and lucrative clientele. Mr. MacLean is also a successful business man and serves as president and treasurer of the William H. MacLean Service Stations, Inc. He is associated in the undertaking with his brother, L. C. MacLean, and they are now operating five automobile service and gas stations, which they have established in advantageous locations in the city. He is president of the Western New York Gasoline Dealers Association.

In Buffalo, New York, on the 28th of March, 1922, Mr. MacLean was united in marriage to Miss Bertha F. Lyke, member of a well known family of that city. Mr. MacLean is a York Rite Mason and a member of Damascus Temple. He is a member of the Rochester Bar Association and adheres to high standards in the field of professional service, while his integrity in business affairs is above question.

HON. WILLIAM E. DANA.

The sudden demise of Hon. William E. Dana of Avon, which occurred on the 29th of April, 1924, when he was sixty-five years of age, caused general sorrow throughout the village and in fact throughout the Genesee valley. He was president of the State Council of Farms and Markets and one of the best known farmers and dairymen in New York. Agriculture claimed his attention during all of his life. Young men of today, after receiving a good education, are generally disposed to consider the occupation of farming as paltry in comparison with the opportunities in business or the professions. Mr. Dana might have had similar views when he was a young man—but did not. He had the advantages of an education greatly superior to that of the average young man of his time, then turned his back to the allurements of business and the professions and elected to be a farmer. Mr. Dana's success in farming proved that education is as helpful on the farm as in any other phase of man's activities. It gave him the mental training for study and understanding of problems that worry the agricultural industry in every community. His attainments in this respect were recognized by Governor Whitman of New York when in 1918 he appointed Mr. Dana a member of the New York State Council of Farms and Markets. The New York legislature in 1920 endorsed Mr. Dana's selection by electing him for a further term of ten years, and then he was elected president of the body by the members of the council. That agriculture has been advanced materially under the skillful guidance of affairs with this council, is conceded on every hand. That this important adjunct of the state's administration has functioned so perfectly and so successfully

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is due mainly, so those best acquainted with the situation say, to his untiring efforts, and the deep thought and study he has given to all matters pertaining to agriculture.

Mr. Dana was born on the home farm on the old Albany turnpike, between the villages of Avon and East Avon, on February 20, 1859, the son of Joseph A. and Myanda (Downer) Dana, natives of the state of New York. The father in early life was a railroad contractor and later engaged in farming. An older sister, Linda H., died when eighteen years of age.

In the acquirement of an education William E. Dana attended the grade schools, Cook Academy and the Genesee Normal School, after which he entered the University of Rochester, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1882. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, in whose affairs he was greatly interested. After his graduation he engaged in agriculture, and conducted his farm of one hundred and eighty-seven acres until 1918, when he sold it to John W. Morris and retired. By his efforts "Woodlawn" was made into one of the model farms of the valley, and visitors interested in agriculture all over this country, and people from foreign countries as well, frequently came here to become acquainted with the new ideas worked out by the owner. He was one of the first producers of certified milk in the country. He was instrumental in the organization of the Western New York Milk Producers Association, practically the only organization among the many of its kind that lasted successfully until the advent of the Dairymen's League, which assumed its activities. He was its secretary and treasurer for some time. He also served for several years as a trustee of Cook Academy.

On the 8th of February, 1883, Mr. Dana was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Brumagim of Staten Island, New York, who survives him. Their only son, Joseph A., died at the age of six years.

In politics Mr. Dana was staunchly republican, although independent in his views. No man or clique of men owned him. He did his own thinking, and he had a good mind, and was a forceful, interesting talker on many subjects dear to his heart. For a period of three decades, from 1890 until 1920, he was a member of the Livingston County Republican Central Committee. At the time of his death he was a member of the town board, being a justice of the peace, the only public office he ever held prior to his appointment to the state position by Governor Whitman. In his religious convictions he was a Baptist, worshiping in his early days at the Baptist church at East Avon, of which organization he was a trustee for a long series of years. When the church society was dissolved Mr. Dana became a worshiper at the First Presbyterian church in East Avon, and he was active in its work for many years, teaching a class of young men in the Sunday school, serving as president of the board of trustees and church treasurer, and was a member of the choir and did much to give this very prosperous rural church the high standing it now has in this section. He was a member of the committee to draft and report the constitution of the Federation of the Genesee Country organized at Canadaigua a number of years ago. A worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, he was a member of Avon Springs Lodge, No. 570, F. & A. M., and served as a trustee for some time. He was initiated April 15, 1898; passed May 6, 1898, and raised on May 27, 1898. He was also a member of Avon Grange, and in the pioneer days when it was first known as South Avon Grange he served as its master. He was likewise a member of the Avon Hook and Ladder Company of the Avon Fire Department, the Avon Community Club, and of various clubs and other well known state organizations. Mr. Dana was a deep thinker and a keen student. He was interested in things historical and was a member of the Livingston County Historical Society, having been honored by being selected as its president in 1907. His administration was highly successful and his work increased the prestige of that organization.

During the period of the World war Mr. Dana was particularly active in war work. He was a member of the bond drive committees, doing especially efficient work, and was also a member of the Livingston County Home Defense committee, formed to take care of a crisis, in the event of any disasters or bad turns to our men under arms. The large number of army motor transports passing through Livingston county gave a splendid opportunity for much labor on his part in this work, he being chairman of the committee that had in charge the work of seeing that these numerous motor trains passed successfully through the county. The following is an excerpt from a review of Mr. Dana's career, which was printed in a local newspaper at the time of his passing:

"William E. Dana led a clean life. There were no regrets in the life of our old friend. He has no mistakes for which he must answer as he is called before the bar of eternal judgment. He never wronged a man knowingly. His life was as

clean as it was beautiful and successful. He was a deeply religious man, a strong man. He was a true friend, he was honest, he had ever attribute of a model citizen. And as James Freeman Clark says: 'All the strength and force of man comes from his faith in things unseen. He who believes is strong; he who doubts is weak. The man strongly possessed of an idea is the master of all who are uncertain or wavering. Clear, deep living convictions rule the world.' He had a large circle of friends, big strong men, high in farming and administrative circles. They knew him for his real ability that he has shown since early manhood. He will be missed here."

The following editorial appeared in the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle: "It sometimes is said by the unthinking or provincial-minded that the life led by the American farmer restricts his outlook to his own economic interests and does not make for progressive-mindedness. The successful and useful life of William E. Dana of Avon, which has just come to a close, is a refutation of this kind of thought, and should be an inspiration to those who recognize in farming their proper profession—for rightly managed it is a profession—but who desire to live a complete life as well, complete in self-development and in public service. Mr. Dana had the advantages of an education not common in the time when he received it. A student of Cook Academy, a graduate of the Genesee Normal School and the University of Rochester, ordinary thought naturally would have assigned him to one of the orthodox professions. He chose agriculture and that he chose wisely would seem to be indicated by the fact that at the close of his life he was recognized as one of the leading farmers in New York state. He was one of the first producers of certified milk in this section of the country; he was an organizer of the Western New York Dairymen's Association; he was active in the affairs of his Alma Mater, in the church of his choice and in his community. He fought for the rights and self-respect of the profession to which he was devoted, but he always kept in mind the interests of the mind and the soul, and the public welfare as well. Life holds much for such men, and they, in turn, contribute their full share to the advancement of humanity."

FREDERICK CARDER.

Frederick Carder, vice president and art director of the Corning Glass Works, is one of the most able and artistic men of southern New York, and has probably done more for the advancement of artistic glassware in the United States than any other one man. His busy, active life has been devoted to this line of endeavor and both in England and this country he has gained renown for his accomplishments.

Frederick Carder was born in South Staffordshire, England, September 18, 1864. He attended the local grammar schools and then the School of Design and the Royal College of Arts at South Kensington. His father was a pottery manufacturer and so the son learned that trade, which stood him in good stead in after years. Frederick Carder then studied sculpture and drawing and when still a very young man obtained recognition as an artist and designer. He was the gold medalist of his class in the School of Design and had some of his work on exhibition at the Royal Academy in England in 1898, which attracted some attention.

Coming to this country in 1903 Mr. Carter became associated with Thomas G. Hawkes in the glass business and soon afterward founded the Steuben Glass Works and began the making of artistic glass of designs and quality unknown to America. The glass business was still an "infant industry" in the United States and Mr. Carder led the way to its development. Soon Steuben glassware had become famous and it holds its preeminent place because it is of more varied design and coloring than any others produced here. Frederick Carder is the author of the many varieties and rich colors which have made this glassware so sought after. In 1918 the Steuben Glass Works consolidated with the Corning Glass Works and Mr. Carder remained the director of the new and larger company.

Mr. Carder is a public-spirited citizen and is especially interested in education. He has been a member of the school board of Corning and was chairman of the building committee when the new school was erected. This building cost half a million dollars and is a model of design and beauty. With others, Mr. Carder was largely responsible for the erection of the school. He takes much interest in all affairs for community betterment.

Mr. Carder is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and was a trustee of the Corning Consistory for fifteen years. He is a prominent Rotarian and was the first president of Corning Rotary Club and founded the



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LIEUTENANT CYRIL F. CARDER
Co. D, 16th Infantry, D. S. C.
Killed in Action, July 21, 1918

Bath Rotary Club. He is a fellow of the Royal Society of London; member of the Chemical Society of America; member of the Society of Glass and Technology of Great Britain and the Ceramic Society of America; and a member of the Society of Illuminating Engineers. He also belongs to the Old Colony Club, the Chemists Club of New York city and is vice president of the Corning Club.

In 1887, in England, Mr. Carder was married to Annie Walker, and they had two children: A daughter, Gladys, now the wife of G. C. Wells, the son of E. M. Wells of Addison, New York, and they reside in Cleveland; and a son, Cyril Carder, who was a lieutenant in the Sixteenth United States Infantry and was killed in action at Soissons during the World war. He was a young man of remarkable promise and had received a citation for bravery and the D. S. C. His death was a great sorrow to his family, and he was another of the "Golden Boys who left their hockey fields and the eleven—" Frederick Carder is a popular man in New York State, for his many affiliations, his genius for making friends and his ability have brought to him a life of rich variety and capable service.

LUTHER GORDON.

Few men of Brockport were more prominent or widely known than Luther Gordon, who for a quarter of a century was prominently identified with the commercial and banking interests of that village. He was a man of keen discernment and sound judgment and his executive ability and excellent management brought to the concern with which he was connected a large degree of success. Moreover, he displayed in the conduct of his business interests those traits of character which ever command regard and confidence and he belonged to that class of representative American citizens who promote the general prosperity while advancing individual interests.

A native of New York state, Mr. Gordon was born in Rushford, February 8, 1822, and inherited many of the sterling characteristics of his Scotch ancestry. The founder of the family in America was his grandfather, James Gordon, who was born in the land of hills and heather and was a son of James and Kastorn (Davis) Gordon, of Lead, Perthshire, Scotland. Leaving his native land, James Gordon, Jr., crossed the Atlantic when a young man and landed on the shores of the new world, June 15, 1775, becoming a resident of Epping, Rockingham county, New Hampshire. His sympathies being with the colonists in their struggle for independence, he joined the American army and served with distinction until honorably discharged from service at the close of the war, July 1, 1782. He married Miss Jerusha Tarbell, at Groton, Massachusetts, and they became the parents of seven children, namely: Thomas, Kastorn, James, Tarbell, William, John and Wilson. The family of this family died at Rushford, New York, on the 9th of December, 1844, at the advanced age of ninety-two years.

His son, John Gordon, the father of Luther Gordon, was born in Cavendish, Vermont, on the 4th of August, 1790, and in early manhood was united in marriage to Miss Harmony Woodworth, a native of Connecticut, by whom he had five children: James, Luther, Walter, Matilda and Wilson. Leaving New England in the early part of 1809, he came to the Empire state. In company with the Gary brothers he then made his way to Allegany county, being one of the first to locate in that region, and on the 12th of June, 1809, he and William Gary felled the first tree ever cut in the town of Rushford, New York. He continued to make his home there throughout the remainder of his life and died February 12, 1842.

Luther Gordon was reared to manhood in his native town and after his father's death started out to make his own way in the world. Forming a partnership with Henry White, he leased a furnace belonging to Samuel White, and after operating it for seven weeks he purchased the entire plant, which he at once began to enlarge and improve in order to meet the growing demands of his trade. At the end of eight months it was completed and in full operation. Seven months later he sold the business to Mr. White with the understanding that he would not again engage in that line of business in Rushford. In the meantime Mr. Gordon had invented the well known Genesee plow, which constantly grew in popular favor and was extensively manufactured in his foundry. Later he turned his attention to mercantile pursuits, erecting two buildings and opening two general stores in the year after his retirement from the foundry business. He then continued in mercantile lines with marked success for fourteen years. At the same time he was also interested in the live-stock business, buying and driving stock to the eastern markets through the summer months for sixteen years, while in the winter seasons he devoted his attention to the lumber trade. These enter-

prises also proved profitable, as he never depended upon agents but personally transacted his business affairs, giving to each detail due consideration and care.

It was in 1856 that Mr. Gordon embarked in the lumber business in Brockport, New York, purchasing the interests of Boswell and Walker in the firm of Boswell, Walker & Hood, while five years later he became sole owner. He then erected an extensive steam sawmill and steam planing-mill in Brockport and purchased several hundred acres of timber land at Portville, Cattaraugus county, New York, on which he built another sawmill, carrying on an extensive wholesale lumber business. Disposing of his property in Rushford in 1858, he brought his family to Brockport, where he had erected an elegant residence, continuing to make it his home until his death, which occurred in March, 1881.

In the meantime Mr. Gordon had extended his business interests into other fields and in all met with gratifying success. In partnership with George S. Weaver, of Albany, New York, he leased a large sawmill at East Saginaw, Michigan, in 1860, and there manufactured lumber which he shipped to Brockport and various other points. Two years later he bought a half interest and after four years' ownership sold it to the Flint & Marquette Railway Company. The extension of his lumber interests led to the erection of a large sawmill at Sterling, Michigan, in the ownership of which he was associated with his brother Walter, and there they manufactured lumber on an extensive scale, taking the raw material from a tract of pine timber land of nearly seven thousand acres which they owned. They made extensive shipments to the eastern markets and the business proved a very profitable one. Mr. Gordon also had a steam mill and gristmill at Holley, New York, and operated all of these mills up to the time of his death. He was ever watchful of opportunities, quick to note and utilize a possibility and his executive force and keen discernment led to a marvelous success. Mr. Gordon also extended his lumber interests in 1867 to the building of a sawmill on the Allegany river, four miles above Olean, New York, and there gave his attention largely to the manufacture of hemlock and hardwood lumber. In the early days of his operations as a lumber merchant he dealt largely in Rochester, selling a great portion of his lumber to the agents of Anson Brown. In 1873 he disposed of his lumber business in Brockport to Ellis Garrison and Charles Benedict but after three months, in connection with his brother, James Gordon, repurchased the business, which was then carried on under the firm style of Luther Gordon, Brother & Son.

In the meantime Mr. Gordon had become equally well known as a financier and owned a controlling interest in the National Bank Association which was organized in Brockport in 1863. In fact he was largely instrumental in the establishment of this institution and was made its president. His adaptability for finance was soon acknowledged and in moneyed circles he displayed most sound judgment, placing the institution upon such a practical and safe basis as to give it an enviable position in the financial world. He remained at the head of the bank until his death and it is today one of the institutions which stands as a monument to his business ability.

As a financier Mr. Gordon ranked among the ablest and in business affairs was prompt, energetic and notably reliable. He was watchful of all details and of all indications pointing toward success and the prosperity that crowned his efforts was the merited reward of a life of industry. He started out when a young man of eighteen years without capital or influential friends to aid him but, brooking no obstacles that could be overcome by honest effort, he worked his way steadily upward until he left the ranks of the many and stood among the successful few—a man honored and esteemed wherever known and most of all where best known.

On the 24th of April, 1848, in Allegany county, Mr. Gordon was married to Miss Florilla Cooley, of Attica, Wyoming county, New York, who after a happy married life of almost twenty-one years, died in Brockport, New York, February 8, 1869. Their only son, George Cooley, became a worthy follower of his father in the business world and a most honored citizen of Brockport, so that the name of Gordon has long figured conspicuously and prominently in connection with the business development of the history of the city.

JOSEPH JOROSLOW.

The life record of Joseph Joroslow affords a striking illustration of the power of industry and perseverance in the attainment of prosperity, for he came to Rochester fifteen years ago with no resources save youth and ambition, having left only eighteen cents after paying his railroad fare, and is now numbered among the foremost building contractors of the city. He has fought the world bravely and alone,



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receiving his training in that practical school which develops aggressive, self-reliant manhood, and has won the victory in the great battle of life, while at the same time he has gained the respect and confidence of his fellowmen, for he has never deviated from the path of honor and rectitude.

Mr. Joroslów is a native of Russia, born May 8, 1881, and his parents, Jacob and Ethel Adler (Bergmuth) Joroslów, were lifelong residents of that country. The father was also a building contractor and resided in the city of Okano. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Joroslów, namely: Isadore, whose home is in Russia; Abraham, a resident of Buenos Aires, South America; Freda, who is living in Russia; Betty, deceased; Ruth, who has remained in her native land; Sarah and Nannie, both of whom have passed away; and Paula, who is still residing in Russia.

Joseph Joroslów received his education in the schools of his native country and when a boy of eleven gained his first knowledge of the carpenter's trade, which he followed in Russia for several years. In 1901, when a young man of twenty, he came to the United States in the hope of bettering his fortunes, and first went to Boston, Massachusetts, where he worked for a time as a carpenter. He then went to New York city and secured a position in an antique furniture store, where he was employed for three years, receiving a salary of two and a half dollars per week. During this period he was gaining valuable experience and knowledge that would prove invaluable to him later. He next went to Buffalo and obtained more remunerative employment, becoming a cabinet maker in the shops of the Pullman Car Company, for which he did piece work. Mr. Joroslów remained with that corporation until 1909 and then came to Rochester, securing work by the day at his trade. His first contract amounted to three hundred and fifty dollars, and he supplied most of the labor with his own hands. In 1910 he purchased a lot on the corner of Genesee and Olean streets and there erected a building, for which he soon found a buyer, and he next constructed an apartment house on Lake avenue in Seneca Park. Later he built the Berkeley Court Apartments, which rank with the finest in the city and were recently sold for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, a cash transaction. In the meantime he had completed the Meigs Court Apartments, one of the most modern buildings of this character in Rochester, and on the adjoining property erected the beautiful home in which the family now reside. He recently finished a four-story, twenty-five family apartment building on Alexander street, of which he is also the owner, and has greatly enhanced the value of real estate in the localities in which his operations have been conducted. He is a recognized leader in the line in which he specializes, and in many respects his work is the highest expression of skill in the builder's art to be found in this city, while his integrity has never been open to question.

On December 1, 1903, Mr. Joroslów married Miss Ruth Altman, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Altman, of Rochester, and they now have a family of four children: Jacob, who was born in New York city in 1905 and is a graduate of the East high school of Rochester; Isadore, who was born in Buffalo in 1908 and is a student at that school; Ethel, born in Rochester in 1910 and a pupil in the Junior high school; and Lillian, who was born in Rochester in 1913 and is attending the public schools.

Mr. Joroslów contributes liberally to all worthy charities and is especially interested in Jewish philanthropic work. He is a director of the Jewish Orphan Asylum and Old Folks Home, and along fraternal lines is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His work has been of signal service to Rochester, and Mr. Joroslów is everywhere spoken of as a citizen of worth, who is thoroughly American in thought, spirit and interests.

GEORGE COOLEY GORDON.

On the roll of Brockport's honored dead appears the name of George Cooley Gordon, who for years was recognized as a man of great strength of character, of high purpose and lofty principles. His activity and energy left their impress upon the community where for many years he was a leading business man. As a member of the firm of Luther Gordon & Son he was closely associated with the lumber industry, and at the time of his death was also president of the First National Bank, president of the Brockport Loan and Building Association and a trustee of the Fidelity Trust Company, of Buffalo, New York. His life record began in Rushford, New York, on the 1st of July, 1849, his parents being Luther and Florilla (Cooley) Gordon, who are

mentioned on another page of this volume. He was nine years of age at the time of the removal of his parents to Brockport, where he attended the Collegiate Institute, his education being further continued in Rochester Academy. On attaining his majority he joined his father in the lumber business, the latter being one of the most extensive dealers in that line in this part of the state, and they carried on business under the firm name of Luther Gordon & Son. Unlike many young men who have the opportunity to enter upon a successful business established by a father, he made it his purpose to thoroughly familiarize himself with the business, working persistently and earnestly to acquaint himself with every detail, and his usefulness soon proved a potent element in the success which attended the vast and varied business interests of the firm. The son assumed full control upon the father's death in 1881 and in the management of affairs displayed most excellent judgment. He enlarged and extended his operations and in all displayed most sound judgment, which was rarely, if ever, at fault. He succeeded his father as president of the First National Bank of Brockport and held that position throughout the remainder of his life. At the time of his death he was also president of the Brockport Loan & Building Association and trustee of the Fidelity Trust Company of Buffalo, New York. Energetic, progressive and thoroughly reliable, he won the unqualified confidence of all with whom he came in contact either in business or social life and in his death the community mourned the loss of one whose value had long since been proven and whose genuine worth endeared him to all who know him.

On the 18th of October, 1873, Mr. Gordon was united in marriage to Miss Ida M. Hooker, a most estimable lady, to whose wise counsel and aid he attributed much of his success in life. They became the parents of five children, namely: Luther, who died June 12, 1923; George Cooley, a resident of Rochester; William H., who died in infancy; Fred H., of Rochester and Brockport; and Thomas C., a resident of Brockport. Mr. Gordon died at his summer home at Beachwood Park, on Lake Ontario, August 25, 1898, and his death was widely and deeply mourned, for through his varied business and social relations he had made many warm friends who esteemed him highly for his genuine worth.

In early life Mr. Gordon was a democrat but became a republican during President Cleveland's second term and ever afterward supported that party. Political honors had no attraction for him, but as a public-spirited citizen he never withheld his support from any enterprise which he believed would advance the general welfare or promote the interests of his fellowmen. Over the record of his business career or private life there falls no shadow of wrong, for he was ever most loyal to the ties of friendship and citizenship and his history well deserves a place in the annals of his native state. Mr. Gordon realized fully the obligations which devolve upon man in his relations to his fellowmen. He was instrumental in promoting all that tended toward the betterment of Brockport. He was ambitious for the village's good and brought to public interests the same devotion and energy that he manifested in his private business affairs. Moreover, he was charitable, kindly and benevolent, giving generously of his means to those in need and withholding the hand of aid at no time when he believed that his assistance would prove of benefit. He did not believe in the indiscriminate giving which fosters vagrancy or idleness, but he possessed in full measure "the milk of human kindness" and his spirit was one of helpfulness, based upon broad humanitarian principles.

CHARLES ARTHUR LAWLER, M. D.

Dr. Charles Arthur Lawler is a successful physician and surgeon of Salamanca, where he has been actively engaged in the practice of his chosen profession during the past twelve years. He was born in Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, New York, on the 6th of April, 1887, his parents being Eugene M. and Katherine M. Lawler. The father, a merchant who was located in Ashford, New York, for more than three decades, retired from active business in 1914. He is at present living in Salamanca and is connected with the firm of E. M. Lawler & Son of Ellicottville. The Lawler family has long been well known and highly esteemed in Cattaraugus county.

Following his graduation from the high school of Ellicottville in 1905, Charles Arthur Lawler pursued a premedical course in Canisius College of Buffalo, New York, while subsequently he entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo, from which institution he received the degree of M. D. in 1911. Thereafter he filled hospital appointments in the Erie County Hospital and the Emergency Hospital

of Buffalo, New York, and also in the Infants Summer Hospital of Rochester, this state. It was on the 12th of August, 1912, that he began the private practice of medicine in Salamanca, where he has remained continuously to the present time and has been accorded a patronage that fully attests his skill in the field of medical science. He has a comprehensive understanding of the most advanced methods, discoveries and theories of the profession and correctly applies his knowledge to the needs of his patients.

The military record of Dr. Lawler is an interesting one. He received appointment as first lieutenant of the Medical Corps in August, 1917, and was assigned to active duty at Hoboken, New Jersey, on the 10th of September of that year. In August, 1918, he received appointment as captain of the Medical Corps and remained on duty in the office of the surgeon at Hoboken until discharged on May 19, 1919.

In Salamanca, New York, on the 1st of June, 1915, Dr. Lawler was united in marriage to Miss Eva M. Sander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sander, lifelong residents of Salamanca, where the former has been active in business for more than forty years. Dr. Lawler is a communicant of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church, while fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to J. D. Hughes Post of the American Legion. He possesses a genial and pleasing personality, a cheerfulness which readily dispels the gloom of a sick-room and a love of humanity that is manifest in his immediate answer to any call of suffering.

ALBERT A. BIRD.

Albert A. Bird, who has become a prominent representative of the legal profession in Cattaraugus county since his admission to the bar in 1903, was chosen surrogate in 1918 and is making a splendid record in the capable discharge of his judicial duties in this connection. His home is on Washington street, in the city of Cattaraugus. He was born in Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, New York, on the 4th of November, 1862, his parents being Alexander and Melissa (Hyde) Bird. His paternal grandfather, William Bird, emigrated to the United States from Scotland about 1838, while the maternal ancestors of Judge Bird were Puritans who settled in Massachusetts about 1628. Alexander Bird, the father of the Judge, was a soldier of the Union army during the period of the Civil war, serving with the rank of first lieutenant in the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth New York Volunteer Infantry. Subsequently he turned his attention to the business of carriage manufacturing, in which he won a gratifying measure of success. From 1909 until 1918 he served as superintendent of highways in Cattaraugus county. He is now living retired in Ellicottville, at the advanced age of eighty-four years and has long been numbered among the representative and highly respected residents of the community.

Albert A. Bird supplemented his public school education by a course of study in Chamberlain Institute of Randolph, New York, and upon attaining his majority he took up the profession of teaching, which he followed for four years. Upon the expiration of that period—in 1887—he matriculated in Cornell University, from which institution he was graduated in 1891. He there held a fellowship in history for two years and subsequently received the President White Traveling Fellowship, after which he spent a year in Holland and in Berlin, Germany. Following his return to the United States he became staff lecturer for the University Extension Society in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1898 Judge Bird entered the law office of Colonel E. A. Nash in Cattaraugus and five years later he was admitted to the bar. He then engaged in law practice in association with his former preceptor, as a member of the firm of Nash & Bird, until the death of Mr. Nash in 1911, after which he followed his chosen profession in partnership with a Mr. Lavery until 1918. In the latter year he was elected surrogate and has served in this important judicial position to the present time in a most acceptable and highly commendable manner.

On the 19th of July, 1894, in Otto, Cattaraugus county, New York, Judge Bird was united in marriage to Miss Jennie E. Cotrael. Their children are three in number, namely: Helen B., the wife of Gordon B. Mudgett of Cattaraugus; Albert C., who is engaged in the hardware business in Cattaraugus; and Florence I.

Judge Bird is a staunch republican in politics and has always been an active worker in the local ranks of the party. He is a member of the executive board of the Methodist Episcopal church and vice president of the Cattaraugus County Young Men's Christian Association. Along strictly professional lines he has membership connection with

the Cattaraugus County Bar Association, while fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, being master of the blue lodge in Cattaraugus. He also belongs to the Grange, to the Men's Club, of which he is president, and to the Little Valley Rod and Gun Club. Outdoor life affords him pleasurable recreation and he is also much interested in the raising of Guernsey cattle. His aid and influence are ever exerted in behalf of civic progress and improvement and he is widely recognized as one of the valued and esteemed citizens of his native county.

LEIGH G. KIRKLAND.

The Honorable Leigh G. Kirkland, state senator from the fifty-first district of New York state is one of the best known and most influential men of the Genesee country. Mr. Kirkland served several terms in the assembly prior to his election in the fall of 1924 to his present office. Mr. Kirkland is a farmer, a leader in farming interests and in bringing about good legislation for the producers of the nation. He has always stood for progressive movements in the agricultural field. He was born in the town of Conewango, New York, February 8, 1873, the son of George and Emily (Ball) Kirkland. His father was born in 1834, in the town of Forestville, and was a farmer and active in local politics, holding several offices. He died in 1894. The family on both paternal and maternal sides dates back to the War of the Revolution and Mr. Kirkland is justly proud of his "good old Yankee descent".

Leigh G. Kirkland attended the district schools and Chamberlain Institute at Randolph, finishing at Fredonia Normal School. After his school days were over he worked on his father's farm until 1910 and today operates two "up-to-the-minute" farms in this section. He was a partner of Earl Cross in the feed and implement business for some time in the town of Randolph, but later disposed of that business and entered the feed and milling field with J. Easton. In addition to his many duties he always found time to be active politically for the community good and it was his high standing in the district which caused his friends to put him up for state office. He was elected a member of the assembly in 1920, taking office January 1, 1921, and was reelected until he took office as state senator on January 1, 1925.

Mr. Kirkland is a breeder of fancy Holstein cattle and helped organize the Breeders Association of Western New York in 1914. He was one of the first directors of The Farm Bureau. In 1916 he became a director of The Dairymen's League and later was a member of the executive committee, serving three years. He is now president of the Millers Mutual Feed Dealers Association of Southwestern New York.

Mr. Kirkland was married to Frances A. Gardner, daughter of Samuel H. and Emeraldal (Merchant) Gardner of Conewango. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkland have one daughter: Viola A., born December 22, 1896. She attended the local high school and Fredonia Normal School, and later became the wife of Harold T. Patton of Fredonia, New York, and they have one child, Marylynn, born April 2, 1924. Mr. Kirkland belongs to the Masons, being a member of the Scottish Rite of Jamestown, New York, and the Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Salamanca.

WALTER EARL HAUSER.

Walter Earl Hauser is a representative of the younger generation of business men whose enterprise and aggressiveness promise so much for Rochester's future, and is ably managing the large machinery plant which owes its inception and upbuilding to his father's constructive labors and executive force. He was born in Hemlock, Livingston county, New York, August 11, 1893, and is a son of Jacob and Ida (Raitz) Hauser, the former a native of Rochester and the latter of Germany. They were married in the Empire state and in 1903 the father established the Jacob Hauser Machine Company, which he placed upon a solid financial basis, successfully conducting the business for many years. He is now enjoying a well earned rest, leaving to his sons the burden of its operation, and the mother is also living. Five children were born to them: Walter Earl, Mrs. Lillian Maxon, William J., Earl W. and Clarence C. All of the sons are active in the control of the business and the daughter is also a resident of Rochester.

The children received their education in the public schools of the city and after their textbooks were laid aside the sons mastered the machinist's trade under the



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direction of their father, in whose plant they gained a comprehensive understanding of every phase of the industry. When he decided to retire they were well qualified to assume the responsibilities connected with its conduct and the business has received new impetus from their enterprising methods and carefully formulated plans. Walter Earl Hauser acts as manager and his three brothers have charge of other departments of the industry. The equipment has been increased and the work turned out of the Hauser plant has ever been of the highest grade, and the firm name is synonymous with integrity and reliability.

On the 20th of July, 1916, Mr. W. E. Hauser was married to Miss Clara M. Pioch, a daughter of Charles and Johanna Pioch, prominent residents of Rochester. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hauser are: Eleanor and Walter F. Hauser, the former of whom was born in 1918 and the latter in 1922. Both are natives of Rochester. Mr. Hauser is a conscientious, helpful member of the Church of the Reformation and acts as superintendent of the senior department of the Sunday school. He belongs to Yonnondio Lodge, No. 163, A. F. & A. M., and to the Rochester Engineering Society. He is also connected with the Young Men's Christian Association and the Universal Craftsmen's Council of Engineers, No. 4. His progress has been commensurate with his industry and ability, and his salient qualities are those which awaken confidence and inspire respect.

ALEXANDER JEFFREY PORTER.

Alexander Jeffrey Porter, president of the Shredded Wheat Company at Niagara Falls, is a member of one of the oldest families of Niagara county and with the history of progress in this section of the state the name has been closely and prominently associated for nearly a century and a quarter. He is of English lineage and his great-grandfather, Judge Augustus Porter, was born in Salisbury, Connecticut, in January, 1769. In 1800 he removed to New York state and for a few years was a resident of Canandaigua. He first came to Niagara county in 1795, when this region was situated on the frontier of civilization, and after visiting the Niagara Falls district returned to Ontario county. In the following year he again came to Niagara county, having been chosen head of a party of surveyors commissioned to lay out townships in this sparsely settled district. About 1805 he established his home in Schlosser Landing, this county, and at that time formed the firm of Porter, Barton & Company, which engaged in a general portage business. In 1808 he settled in the little hamlet of Niagara Falls and his legal ability led to his election to the office of county judge, with jurisdiction over the territory now comprising Niagara and Erie counties, Buffalo being the county seat. He was one of the learned jurists of his day and was a member of the convention called to effect the revision of the state constitution, while he also served as the first post-master of Niagara Falls.

His eldest son, Albert H. Porter, was born in Canandaigua, New York, in October, 1801, and was a small child when the family home was established in Niagara Falls. He was one of the prominent business men of Niagara county, and on Bath Island he built and placed in operation the first mill in which paper was manufactured by machinery. He owned much valuable real estate, and in the improving of his various properties added much to the progress of this section. He died January 31, 1888.

Albert Augustus Porter, son of Albert H. Porter, was born in Niagara Falls in 1836 and followed in the professional footsteps of his distinguished grandfather. He was graduated from Amherst College in 1859, studied law under effective preceptorship, and was admitted to the bar in 1862. He successfully practiced his profession in Niagara Falls, becoming one of the leaders of the bar in the county. He was a staunch republican in politics and received from President Lincoln the appointment of consul at Clifton, Ontario, Canada, filling that office for several years. He served as a member of the municipal board of trustees of Niagara Falls, of which body he was president for some time, and likewise gave effective service as a member of the board of education. He was a man of high character and in his passing on March 15, 1888, Niagara Falls lost one of its foremost citizens. In 1862 he was married to Miss Julia G. Jeffrey of Canandaigua. She was a daughter of Alexander Jeffrey, who was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and settled in that section of Ontario county, New York, soon after his migration to the United States. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Porter, three sons and three daughters, of whom Alexander Jeffrey was the oldest. He was born in Niagara Falls, June 29, 1863.

The early education of Alexander Jeffrey Porter was acquired principally under private tutors. In 1880, when seventeen years of age, he entered the business world,

securing a clerical position in the office of D. M. Osborne & Company of Auburn, New York, manufacturers of harvesting machinery. He remained with that firm for eight years and at the time of his father's death returned home, subsequently becoming treasurer of the Pettibone Paper Company, one of the large industrial concerns of western New York. In 1888 Mr. Porter was made secretary of the Niagara Falls Power Company and acted in that capacity until 1894. In 1900 he assumed the duties of treasurer of the Natural Food Company, now the Shredded Wheat Company, and subsequently became its president, filling that office for several years. He was next made chairman of the executive committee and upon the resignation of Fred Mason on September 1, 1921, succeeded him in the office of president. Mr. Porter has executive ability of a high order and also possesses the poise, vision and unerring judgment of the man of large affairs. The plant of the Shredded Wheat Company is a famous model of cleanliness and its output is pure, wholesome and nutritious. The highest degree of perfection has been attained in the manufacture of its product, which is sold extensively in this country, and the corporation maintains branches in many of the leading cities of the United States, while it has also established an office in London, England. Mr. Porter has voice in the management of other important institutions and is a director of the Niagara Falls Hotel Corporation and the Bank of Niagara. He is president of the real estate and insurance concern known as Porter-Bartlett, Incorporated, and is likewise one of the trustees of the Niagara County Savings Bank, the Riverview Cemetery Association and president of the Niagara Falls Community Chest.

In June, 1894, Mr. Porter was married to Miss Margaret Maud Langmuir, a daughter of John W. Langmuir, president of the Queen Victoria Park Commission and a resident of the province of Ontario, Canada. They became the parents of five children, the oldest of whom, Margaret, was married in June, 1915, to Edwin R. Bartlett of Niagara Falls, resident vice president of the Hooker Electro-Chemical Company. Their three children are: Edwin Porter, Elizabeth Langmuir and Margaret. Albert Augustus was one of the first Americans to enlist when our nation entered the World war and went to France in March, 1917. He was a member of the United States Ambulance Corps and furnished his own ambulance, the gift of loyal friends in Niagara Falls. He sacrificed his life on the altar of his country when twenty-one years of age, for on April 28, 1917, a most promising career was cut short. He was a young man of patriotic spirit and high courage and his untimely death was deeply mourned, for his was an admirable character, worthy of all praise; Alexander Langmuir is secretary of Porter-Bartlett, Incorporated. He was married in October, 1924, to Isobel Farncomb; Katherine Ralston, who was married to William Keith Schneidau in June, 1924; and Julia Granger.

Mr. Porter has served on the republican state central committee and his opinion carries much weight in the councils of the party. He has given unreservedly of his powers in civic affairs and was a member of the municipal water commission of Niagara Falls, serving under appointment of Mayor A. C. Douglass, while in 1891 he was elected supervisor of the town of Niagara. He belongs to the local Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the executive council of the National Civic Federation of New York city. He is also a member of the Niagara Club, the Niagara Falls and Buffalo Country Clubs, and the Union League of New York city. He is affiliated with St. Peter's Episcopal church and contributes liberally toward its support. Possessing a strong personality and keen business insight, Mr. Porter has taken his position among the industrial leaders of the east and in person, in talents and in achievements has proven a worthy scion of his race.

ORVILLE F. RANDOLPH.

Orville F. Randolph is a prominent practicing attorney of Penn Yan and worthy native son of Yates county whose career has been a varied and useful one. He was born in the town of Torry, Yates county, New York, on the 22d of August, 1855, his parents being Jephtha F. and Melissa (Kress) Randolph, the former a son of David F. and Christina (Knapp) Randolph. David F. Randolph, the paternal grandfather of Orville F. Randolph, was born in New Jersey about 1800 and soon thereafter was brought by his parents to Yates county, New York. He was an agriculturist by occupation and also preached the gospel as a minister of the Baptist denomination. His son, Jephtha F. Randolph, who was born on the 26th of October, 1835, was long identified with farming and merchandising interests in the towns of Himrod, Dundee and Penn Yan in Yates county. Penn Yan knew him as an active

business man for forty years, but the evening of his life was spent in Himrod, where he passed away on February 11, 1924. He served as justice of the peace for several terms and was numbered among the representatives, esteemed and substantial citizens of the communities in which he made his home. His wife died on June 12, 1924, at the age of sixty years.

Following his graduation from Starkey Seminary of Lakemont, New York, in 1873, Orville F. Randolph entered Oberlin College of Oberlin, Ohio. In further preparation for a professional career he studied law with the firm of Spicer & Baker in Dundee, New York, for two years, while subsequently he spent a similar period in the law office of Briggs & Knox. From 1888 until 1892 he engaged in law practice in Dundee as Junior member of the firm of Spicer & Randolph, after which he was a law partner of Calvin J. Huston in Penn Yan for two or three years. At the same time, from 1888 until 1894, inclusive, he was employed in the Yates County National Bank of Penn Yan, which he also represented as attorney. As police justice of Penn Yan from 1895 until 1900, Mr. Randolph made a most commendable record by reason of the efficient and capable discharge of his duties. During the period between 1902 and 1905 he resided in Newton, Iowa, as manager of a business concern of that city, while through the succeeding four years he was connected with the purchasing department of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, with headquarters at St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Randolph was next active in the real estate and loan business in Seattle, Washington, from 1909 until 1915. In the following year, however, he returned to Penn Yan, New York, where he was elected justice of the peace and where he has been a successful representative of the legal profession to the present time. He enjoys an enviable reputation as an attorney of marked ability and has been accorded an extensive clientage that has connected him with considerable important litigation.

On the 3d of April, 1882, Mr. Randolph was united in marriage to Miss Hattie Sherman of Penn Yan, New York, daughter of Charles Sherman. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph are the parents of a daughter: Helen F., who was born on the 4th of February, 1886, and gave her hand in marriage to the Rev. Cameron S. Morrison, an Episcopal clergyman of Seattle, Washington, who departed this life on the 2d of August, 1922. To the Rev. Mr. Morrison and his wife were born two children: Cameron S., whose natal day was August 14, 1912; and Helen Margaret, who was born on the 30th of August, 1919. Mrs. Morrison and her children are now residents of Penn Yan, New York.

Mr. Randolph gives his political support of the republican party and in religious faith is an Episcopalian. Along strictly professional lines he has membership connection with the Yates County Bar Association. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to Milo Lodge No. 108, A. F. & A. M., of which he is past master; Penn Yan Chapter No. 100, R. A. M., of which he is past high priest; Ontario Council No. 18, R. & S. M., of which he is past master; Jerusalem Commandery No. 17, K. T., of which he is past commander; Corning Consistory, A. & A. S. R.; and Ziyara Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Utica, New York. He is likewise a member of the Eastern Star and of the Penn Yan Club. Mr. Randolph has many friends and is an exponent of all that is most worth while in his relations with his fellowmen.

JOHN P. HERRICK

John Pierce Herrick was born in Muskegon, Michigan, January 27, 1868, eldest son of Joseph Miller and Melissa Ann (Collins) Herrick, and has been a resident of the Genesee Country since 1886, when he established the Ceres Courant at Ceres, Allegany county, at the age of eighteen. When he was four years old the family moved from Michigan to Cameron county, Pennsylvania, where his father engaged in the lumber business. Northern Pennsylvania was then forested with pine and hemlock, and the lumber was rafted and floated down the Susquehanna river to market. The boy attended school at Sterling Run until he was fifteen, when financial reverses and failing health of his father compelled him to leave school and aid his mother in holding the family together. Frequent visits to the lumber camps had given him a working knowledge of lumber jobbing, and he located the family near Costello, in Potter county, a new lumbering district, and made a contract to deliver from the woods to the tannery several hundred cords of bark and five hundred thousand feet of logs. The operation was profitable but after two years an injury compelled a change of occupation and he spent a summer as clerk in the big tannery store of P. C. Costello & Company. In the fall he was engaged as teacher of the district school, having passed

the required examination to secure a teacher's certificate when sixteen years old. He wanted to be a physician and planned to begin laying the foundation by attending Edinboro Normal School. While teaching he became local correspondent for a Potter county newspaper and a friend suggested that he buy a defunct newspaper in Shinglehouse, in northern Potter county. He made an offer for the plant which was declined, went home and packed his trunk for Edinboro. The night before he was to leave a message came saying the owner had decided to accept the offer and the next day he was on his way to Shinglehouse to become a newspaper publisher. Four hundred dollars was involved in the transaction. It was soon apparent that the limited field would not support the Sharon Leader and the printing office was moved to Ceres, five miles down the Oswayo valley, and from this office was issued the Sharon Leader and the Ceres Courant, which were later merged into the Oswayo Valley Mail, still a thriving local newspaper owned by a brother, Charles A. Herrick. Several local newspapers had failed but the enthusiastic young editor "didn't know when he was licked" and finally success came his way.

In 1891, the citizens of Bolivar, seven miles away, urged the young editor to establish a newspaper there. Bolivar had had a big oil boom but it was over, the future not very bright, their local newspaper plant had been moved away and they wanted somebody to "start something." So on August 31 of that year The Bolivar Breeze was born and it was successful from the start, steadily increasing in circulation and influence, championing every good cause and aiding in securing for Bolivar a standard gauge railroad, modern water system, fine high school, electric street railway, modern telephone system, village park and other worth-while things. The motto of The Breeze was: "All things come to him who hustles." Mr. Herrick served as President of the Bolivar Free Library and personally secured from Mr. Carnegie the gift of a library building for Bolivar. The Breeze was a sprightly newspaper and its editorial paragraphs widely quoted. It was first printed on a Washington hand press but as the business prospered a linotype, folder, two revolution press and other modern equipment was added.

Soon after locating at Bolivar Mr. Herrick began writing for metropolitan newspapers and for years contributed regularly to the New York Sun, Illustrated Buffalo Express and other publications. The oil region is a fertile source of newspaper stories, for more romance is found there than elsewhere. Among the Sun stories were "Richburg's Year of Glory," "Christmas on Chipmunk Run," "Spirits That Smell Oil," and "Annihilation in Cans." To secure material for the latter he spent a day in a nitro-glycerine factory studying the making of the high explosive. Among the Genesee country stories were "An Historic Mansion on the Upper Genesee," a story of the Church estate at Belvidere; "Calvin Fairbank—Martyr," interview with the great abolitionist and friend of Lincoln who sleeps in the Angelica cemetery; "One Consul at Manila," graphic story of Frank G. Stebbins, witty Allegany county editor who weighed only ninety pounds but was an intellectual giant; "First Republican Convention," which was held in the historic old courthouse in Angelica; "The El Dorado of the Snows," an interview with the first western New York man to return from the Klondike with a pot of gold. Once he spent all night in Chinatown in San Francisco with a policeman as guide to get material for "A Tenderfoot in Chinatown." For "Bull Fighting as it Is," a New York Sun story, he attended seven bull fights in the City of Mexico. Mr. Herrick devoted several weeks of each year to traveling, getting acquainted with his country and developing material for newspaper sketches. This was his way of taking a vacation. His travels led him in time to Porto Rico, the English islands in the Caribbean, and to the beautiful Hawaiian group in the mid-Pacific, where he climbed to the rim of the House of the Sun, ten thousand feet above the sea and to the crater of the House of Everlasting Fire, the world's greatest living volcano, perched on the slope of the great snow-capped mountain, Mauna Loa.

Mr. Herrick was one of the organizers of the Allegany County Press Association, which made friends of the publishers instead of competitors, and served as first president. Through membership in the New York Press Association his newspaper acquaintance became state wide. The Republican State Editorial Association honored him by choosing him as president. For more than twenty-eight years he has been a member of the National Editorial Association, visiting with the membership every state in the Union, Mexico, Canada and Cuba. He still retains an interest in the Bolivar Breeze, which is managed by a younger brother, Frank A. Herrick, to whom he taught the business. Mr. Herrick is a frequent contributor to The Breeze as well as to some of the influential oil journals of the country. The summer of 1913 he spent in Europe writing a series of thirty travel sketches.

In 1901 he became interested in the oil business as a producer at Bolivar and

gradually increased his holdings from time to time. His travels led him to the oil fields of Wyoming, Texas, Kentucky, Oklahoma and California and from time to time he made moderate investments in likely looking oil companies operating there, some of which proved profitable. He was one of the organizers and for five years president of the New York State Oil Producers Association, now serving as chairman of the board of directors. The International Petroleum Congress elected him a member of the board of governors, and the American Petroleum Institute named him as one of their board of counselors. The Northwestern Pennsylvania Producers' Association elected him an honorary life member. He is a strong believer in co-operation within the oil industry and has devoted much time helping bring it about.

In politics he has always been an ardent republican. He served three terms as postmaster of Bolivar, holding commissions under McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Mystic Shrine, an Elk and Kiwanian. He is a member of the City and Bartlett Country Clubs of Olean, National Republican Club of New York, Buffalo Athletic Club, Society of The Genesee, American Petroleum Institute, International Petroleum Congress and World's Press Congress. He is fond of the woods and streams. His hobby is trout fishing. Last year he had fishing licenses in three states. The upper reaches of the Platte river in Wyoming, a mile and a half above the sea, is his favorite fishing grounds.

In 1912, after twenty-six years of continuous service in the newspaper field, Mr. Herrick moved from Bolivar to Olean, where he established a successful real estate business. Two years later he was elected president of the newly organized Olean Trust Company and remained at its head until it was well established, then retired to devote his time to the work of life insurance counselor, in which he has been very successful, with offices in the First National Bank Building. For seven years he has served as president of the Young Men's Christian Association, an Olean institution that is kept free from debt and always has a surplus. In this work he has been ably assisted by a group of associates of exceptional business ability.

It was while traveling in old Mexico many years ago with the National Editorial Association that Mr. Herrick had the good fortune to meet Miss Nellie Brown Young, only daughter of Lafayette Young, editor of the Des Moines Capital and former United States Senator from Iowa, and on June 10, 1902, at Des Moines, Iowa, he and Miss Young were united in marriage. Mrs. Herrick passed away in February, 1923, leaving her husband and children and her many friends disconsolate, for she had been a fine and gentle influence in the lives of all with whom she came in contact in her general and widely helpful relations in life. Her life is best summed up in a single sentence from the Chinese, which is engraved on the headstone at her grave: "A good woman confers a blessing on the world by merely living." Mr. Herrick has four children, two daughters, the Misses Marjorie and Virginia Herrick, the latter having finished her preparatory work at Penn Hall enters Vassar this year (1925), and two sons, John Lafayette Herrick, who graduated from Olean high school this year and enters Lawrenceville this fall to prepare for Princeton, and Paul Young Herrick, who is attending Saint John's School at Manlius, New York. Miss Marjorie Herrick graduated from Miss Burnham's School at Northampton, Massachusetts, and is now a Sophomore at the University of Iowa.

WILLIAM MULFORD COOPER.

William Mulford Cooper, assistant sales manager of the American Sales Book Company (Limited) of Elmira, and widely recognized in commercial circles in that city as one of the community's most alert and progressive "boosters", was born in Elmira and has lived there all his life, thus having been a witness to the amazing development that has been brought about there during the past forty years and more and thoroughly familiar with local conditions. He was born May 5, 1882, and is a son of John N. and Fanny (Tuthill) Cooper, the latter of whom also was born in Elmira, September 4, 1849, a daughter of David Howell and Sarah Jane (McQuhae) Tuthill. David Howell Tuthill came to Elmira (then New Town) when a young man. He was a representative in the sixth generation in direct line of the family founded in America by John Tuthill, who came to the colonies from England in 1640 and established his home on Long Island. John N. Cooper was born in Ithaca, New York, July 18, 1839. His parents came to this country from England about 1830 and before taking up their residence in Ithaca were for a few years residents of Long Island.

Reared in Elmira, William Mulford Cooper finished his local education in the Elmira Free Academy and then entered Williams College at Williamstown, Massachusetts, and in 1903, the year in which he attained his majority, he was graduated from that institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He became connected with the office staff of the wholesale grocery firm of C. M. & R. Tompkins (Incorporated) in Elmira and was thus connected with that concern's operations for two years (1903-4). After some further preparation for an extension of his commercial activities, in 1906 Mr. Cooper became associated with the American Sales Book Company (Limited) of Elmira, was made assistant sales manager of that widely known concern and has since been serving in that capacity. Mr. Cooper has other substantial interests in Elmira and is a member of the directorate of the Chemung Valley Loan Association.

On October 24, 1911, in Elmira, William M. Cooper was united in marriage to Miss Helen Sabin Cooper, who was born in the city of San Francisco, California, in 1891, and who is a granddaughter of one of California's '49ers. By right of descent through the Sabin and Morse families Mrs. Cooper is a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have four interesting children: Two daughters, Mary Sabin and Jane Tuthill; and two sons, John Newton and Charles Bruce Cooper. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are members of the First Baptist church of Elmira, of the congregation of which Mr. Cooper is one of the trustees. They are republicans, and both are members of the Elmira Country Club and take an interested and helpful part in the general social and cultural activities of their home town. Mr. Cooper is a member of the Rotary Club, the City Club and the Kappa Alpha Society.

ROSCOE BERMONT MARTIN

There are few persons in the Genesee country who have given closer and more interested attention to the details of local history in this section of the state or who are better and more accurately informed along those lines than is Roscoe Bermont Martin, treasurer of the village of Forestville in Chautauqua county, cashier of the First National Bank of that place and in other ways actively identified with the general commercial and social affairs of that community. Mr. Martin has for years given close attention to the study of local history and to the pursuit of original research along that line, with reference particularly to the history of Chautauqua county; and he has accumulated an exceedingly interesting collection of original source material, records and manuscripts relating to settlement days, and has also a fine collection of bound files of county newspapers, many of which are not found in duplicate. For years Mr. Martin has been a valued contributor to the local press on matters relating to the history of this region and his contributions along that line, based upon his research into original sources, have come to be recognized as having a very definite value and an assured place in the written history of the state. For two terms (1923 and 1924) Mr. Martin served as president of the Chautauqua County Historical Society and in that executive capacity did much to extend the scope of the society's work and to stimulate local interest in that behalf. He now is the chairman of the executive committee of the society and in that capacity is working out details for the further expansion of the organization's useful activities. As a speaker on historical matters Mr. Martin has attained more than a merely local reputation and his services as a lecturer in this behalf are widely sought.

Roscoe B. Martin is a native son of Chautauqua county and all his life has been spent here. He was born in the village of Silver Creek on August 27, 1880, and is a son of Joseph Bonaparte and Rose Ann Martin, the latter of whom was born in the city of Detroit, Michigan, December 22, 1854, of French parentage. Joseph Bonaparte Martin was born in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, January 15, 1844, his mother a native of France and his father a native of Ireland. Reared at Silver Creek, Roscoe B. Martin was graduated from the high school there and early devoted himself to commercial affairs. In 1919 he was elected cashier of the First National Bank of Forestville, of which bank he also is a director, and he since has been serving in that capacity. Since 1920 he also has been serving as treasurer of the village of Forestville. In addition to his active membership in the Chautauqua County Historical Society, Mr. Martin has affiliation with the American Philatelic Society and with the Buffalo Stamp Club and has a fine collection of stamps. He is a Scottish Rite (32 degree), Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason, affiliated with Silver Lodge No. 757, F. & A. M., at Silver

Creek since 1902, and with the chapter, the council and the commandery at Dunkirk and the consistory (Scottish Rite) at Jamestown.

On August 9, 1911, at Silver Creek, Roscoe B. Martin was united in marriage to Miss Inez Mae Armstrong and they have a pleasant home at Forestville. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are republicans and are members of the Tri-County Golf Club, of which organization Mr. Martin is the treasurer. He also is a member of the Silver Creek Motor Boat Club. Mrs. Martin was born at Silver Creek and is a daughter of John and Nellie (Hawkins) Armstrong, the latter of whom is still living, now a resident of Forestville, where she owns a home. John Armstrong died on July 10, 1925.

ARTHUR H. INGLE.

Arthur H. Ingle, president of the Consolidated Machine Tool Corporation of America, is one of the prominent factors in Rochester's manufacturing circles and his activities represent a most substantial contribution to the city's industrial growth and prestige. A native of England, Mr. Ingle was born at Huddersfield on the 7th of September, 1876, the youngest of four children of Thomas W. B. and Albenia (Blackburn) Ingle.

He commenced his business career with the Rochester Car Wheel Works at New York, later removing to Rochester, and after eighteen months entered the service of the Rochester Railways, remaining six years. During the following three years he occupied a responsible position with the German American Bank, later merged with the Lincoln National Bank. Acquiring an interest in the Bridgeford Machine Tool Works he resigned to engage in the manufacture of heavy machine tools. After three years he purchased the business of the Palmer Company (special machinery manufacturers), at the same time establishing the Ingle Machine Company. Shortly thereafter he acquired the Standard Automatic Machine Company of New York and moved it to Rochester. In 1914 he purchased the entire interest of the Bridgeford Machine Tool Works, and in 1918 acquired the Betts Machine Company of Wilmington, Delaware. These plants were later moved into one large plant, occupying a site of eighteen acres at Winton and Blossom roads, Rochester.

In 1922 Mr. Ingle was instrumental in the formation of the Consolidated Machine Tool Corporation of America, one of the largest corporations in its line of manufacture in the United States. In addition to its Rochester plant this corporation operates plants in Philadelphia and Erie, Pennsylvania; Cleveland, Ohio, and Wilmington, Delaware. In addition to his interests in this corporation, Mr. Ingle is president of the Brighton Corporation; president of the Rochester Association of Manufacturers, and is also a director in a number of Rochester industries. He is a member of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Genesee Valley Club, the Rochester Club, the Oak Hill Country Club, the Lake Placid Club, the Washington Club and the Automobile Club. He is a Knight Templar and Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Episcopal church.

On October 21, 1903, Mr. Ingle was married to Miss Maude E. Dennie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dennie, of Los Angeles, California. Mr. and Mrs. Ingle have two daughters and a son: Eunice Virginia, Florence Elizabeth and John William. Mr. Ingle has been a resident of Rochester for thirty-five years, and resides at 2200 East avenue.

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