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## WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

**HARRY JOSHUA TAIT**—President of Tait Brothers, ice cream manufacturers of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, August 27, 1867. His father was James and his mother Mary Laurentine (Decatur) Tait. Mr. Tait attended the schools of Chicopee and afterwards continued his studies at Westford Academy for a year. His school days over he engaged in farming for a time and also in market gardening; but did not find either to his liking. His father sold his milk business to another son, George C. Tait, and Harry Joshua Tait entered the employ of his brother, selling milk to private families. Many other lads have sold milk in the retail trade, but few have found in that occupation the open door to a great success and the building up of a large business concern, such as is operated by the Tait Brothers. As soon as Harry J. and James C. Tait became identified with the milk business established by their father they added several routes. The following year, in 1894, they opened a small plant on Greenwich Street, still continuing to retail milk. The business expanded, and in 1895 they purchased several other milk routes. The wholesaling of cream and milk was added to the retail line, and nine delivery wagons were needed to carry on the trade.

In 1898 Tait Brothers began the manufacture of ice cream, and located on Dwight Street at Harrison Avenue. In 1899 they built on Vinton Street, moving the ice cream plant there. In 1913 they built and occupied their plant on Cass Street, still in use. It is forty by one hundred and sixty feet and three stories high. In 1922 it was duplicated by a building which doubled the capacity of the Springfield plant. From a working force of from one to three men the working force in Springfield alone has grown to more than one hundred and fifty, and the business has branches in Holyoke, Northampton, Fitchburg, Worcester, New Bedford and New London in addition to an interest in an establishment in Bridgeport, Connecticut. Another branch is in Willimantic, Connecticut, and a selling agency is in Boston, Massachusetts, while a large factory for the manufacture of condensed milk is operated in Bangor, New York. They make butter, cream cheese and evaporated milk and use more than 500,000,000 quarts of milk annually in the manufacture of ice cream. One million gallons of ice cream represents the output of the various plants during the best period of the season, one plant alone, that in Springfield, making 400,000 gallons. The output of the Springfield plant for one day, July 4, 1921, was 6,430 gallons. Tait Brothers employ more than two hundred and fifty persons the year around.

The manufacture of ice cream has proved to be one of the most profitable of the various activities of the four brothers. They have produced under the most sanitary conditions together with ingredients of the highest quality and exact scientific methods of mixing and freezing, a delicious wholesome product which has been its own introduction to an ever increasing market. The principal source of the milk and cream used in making the ice cream is Hoosick, New York. It is clarified and pasteurized just as is the milk for retailing. After having been kept at a temperature of one hundred and

forty-five degrees for half an hour it is reduced to a winter temperature, or about forty degrees by coils filled with cold water and brine, then passed to great enamelled tank-shaped kettles, where the flavoring, the eggs and the solidifying ingredients are added. Recording thermometers take the temperature of the mixture as it passes through the various tanks in such a manner that from start to finish an automatic chart record of temperature, marked in red ink shows the temperature each minute and each second between given hours. The freezing machines are arranged in battery formation in the freezing room. Some of them contain ten gallons of mixture and some twenty-five. The freezing requires about fifteen minutes. It is accomplished by the brine system, combined with agitating paddles within the freezers. The frozen cream is drawn off into cans of designated size and form, where it is cut up into pint and quart bricks and sent to the trade throughout New England and beyond. The increased scope of the business required not only many horse-drawn vehicles; but it created a demand for motor trucks. It is characteristic of the Tait Brothers that they foresaw the need and resolved to build their own trucks. They manufacture the motor trucks used in their enormous ice cream business at their Cass Street plant in Springfield. This was a long stride from the day when they began business with a milk route which was supplied with a single team. At present the Tait Brothers own besides their Springfield plant and ten branches and selling offices the Franklin County Condensed Milk Company of North Bangor, New York; the creamery at Fort Coventry, New York; and a part interest in the Huber Ice Cream Company. For a time they also owned the Orange County (New York) Milk Company. The business of Tait Brothers was incorporated January 1, 1922, with a capital stock of \$1,500,000 under the firm name of Tait Brothers. Harry Joshua Tait is president; Frank D., a sketch of whom follows, treasurer; George G., a sketch of whom follows, vice-president; and James C. Tait, clerk. Fraternally Harry Joshua Tait is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Encampment of the Odd Fellows as well.

He was married, March 3, 1897, to Susan Blanche Hare, of Springfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Richard Hare, and they are the parents of five children: Richard Hare, born March 10, 1898; Pauline Frank, born December 26, 1899; Raymond George, born July 16, 1902; Henry Joshua, Jr., born October 25, 1904; and Donald Winthrop, born April 12, 1912. Richard Hare, the eldest son, served in the United States Army through the World War. He was stationed first at a camp in Gettysburg, from April to July, 1918; afterwards he was at Camp Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania, from July to September. He was sent overseas, attached to the 302d Battery, Heavy Tank Corps, and was made a corporal in the Motor Transport Corps. This required him to do convoy duty in every part of France. He was honorably discharged from the service July 13, 1919, and since that time he has been attached to the staff of Tait Brothers.

**FRANK DECATUR TAIT**, as treasurer of Tait Brothers, of Springfield, Massachusetts, one of the

largest and best known milk businesses in the country, is a prominent citizen of a town where his family has long played an important part in economic development. The American progenitor was George Tait, born in Paisley, Scotland, about 1795, who settled for a time in Montreal, where he pursued his trade of tailoring, then in Terrebonne County, Canada, where he farmed until his death in 1878. His son, James Tait, born in St. Sophia, Terrebonne County, Canada, in 1839, died in Chicopee, Massachusetts, January 22, 1880. He established the milk business which grew into the Tait Brothers of today, and sold it to his nephew, George C. Tait, who in turn sold it to two sons of James Tait, George G., a sketch of whom follows; and Frank D. Tait, subject of this record. James Tait married Mary Laurentine Decatur, of Lowell, Massachusetts, who was born in 1845 and died in 1906, daughter of Joshua and Mary (Hill) Decatur. Among their five sons was Frank D. Tait, born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, January 9, 1871. He was educated in the schools of his native town, proving very precocious as a student and completing high school at the age of sixteen in 1887. Scotch energy and thrift, combined with American resourcefulness, marked his business career from the beginning. He began modestly as clerk in the office of the Springfield Street Railway Company. Saving most of his earnings, he had enough capital at the age of twenty-one to go to Chicago, Illinois, and engaged in the real estate business. A year later he returned to Springfield, and in 1893, with his brother, George G. Tait, started the enterprise that is now the important firm of Tait Brothers. Harry J., a sketch of whom precedes; and James C. Tait soon became identified with the business, which retailed milk at first, and in 1895 began the wholesale distribution of milk and cream. In 1898 they began to manufacture ice cream, and their product is famous throughout New England for its nutritive value and wholesomeness. The estimated butter fat content is twelve per cent, and solids thirty-eight per cent. The Springfield plant alone employs one hundred and fifty men, and there are branches in six widely scattered New England cities. The Springfield plant is most modern and scientifically equipped, and all the processes of handling and manufacture are conducted in a strictly regulated and sanitary manner. In this miraculous development of a business starting in so small a way Frank D. Tait has ably participated. He has found time, however, for social and fraternal affiliations. He is a member of Amity Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which order he is also a member of Agawam Encampment and Springfield Canton.

Frank D. Tait married, April 3, 1894, Pauline Julia Heubisch, of New Haven, Connecticut, who was born in Springfield, daughter of Paul and Wilhelmina (George) Heubisch. They are the parents of six children: 1. Jean Wilhelmina, born April 10, 1895, a graduate of Smith College, who married Dr. John Horn Robertson, of Binghamton, New York. 2. Blanche Amelia, born July 24, 1896, also a graduate of Smith College, who married, on October 6, 1921, Irving L. Chidsey, of East Haven, Connecticut, now living in

Springfield, where he is a salesman for Tait Brothers. 3. Mildred Emma, born September 20, 1898, who attended Smith College, spent two years in Worcester, and graduated from the Scudder School in New York; she married Frederick W. Peck, of East Haven, and lives in New Haven, where Mr. Peck is engaged in business. 4. Eunice, born March 12, 1904, a graduate of Smith College. 5. Paul George, born December 25, 1906. 6. Marjorie Edith, born June 20, 1912.

**GEORGE GILBERT TAIT**, vice-president of Tait Brothers, the large Springfield concern dealing in milk, cream, condensed milk and ice cream, is the third son of James and Mary Laurentine (Decatur) Tait. He was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, November 5, 1872, and received his education in the schools of his native city. He was graduated from the grammar school and attended the high school for three years. Upon the completion of his studies he entered the employ of his uncle, George C. Tait, a milk dealer, with whom his brother, Harry J., was employed already, and has risen through successive posts to the vice-presidency which he occupies to-day. Mr. Tait finds time amid his manifold duties and responsibilities to show his public spirit, and to take an active part in political affairs. He is a supporter of the Republican party and keeps in close touch with all its work. He has given efficient aid in its councils as well as in the carrying out of its projects. For the last seven years he has served on the board of licensed commissioners, and he held this office until 1924. He also is widely known in fraternal and club circles, and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Nayasset Club. Mr. Tait is popular among a large circle of friends and associates, who esteem him highly as a capable business man, a progressive citizen, a good comrade and a loyal friend.

Mr. Tait was married, November 7, 1921, to Julia W. Dowd, daughter of John J. Dowd, since dead; and Sarah K. Dowd, of Springfield, and educated in the Central Street School. After graduation she entered the employ of R. G. Dun, where she remained about eight years; and became associated with the Massachusetts Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Mrs. George G. Tait died on July 7, 1923, and left beside her husband a sister and three brothers. The address of Mr. Tait is Cass and Linden streets, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**ARTHUR W. BROWN**, sales manager for Tait Brothers, manufacturers of ice cream in Springfield, Massachusetts, (q. v.), was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, March 22, 1876. His father was Frederick Ellsworth Brown, since dead; and his mother Maria MacDonald Brown, a native of Canada. The father was a machinist born in Maine. Arthur W. Brown attended the public schools and the high school in Springfield. His first employment was with Tait Brothers, in 1898, and he has continued in their employ to the present time, advancing steadily in their trust and confidence, and in the responsibilities thrown upon him. He became the sales manager in 1912, and has since held that place, the most important place in the establishment in many ways.



He has taken an interest in local affairs also, and is one of Springfield's City Fathers, representing the Second Ward in the Board of Aldermen. He was elected in 1921, and his term will expire in 1926. Mr. Brown is active in the fraternal orders. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Methodist Church. Mr. Brown is unmarried. His business address is No. 134 Cass Street; and his residence is at No. 119 Windemere Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HENRY WILSON ELY**—For three consecutive generations the Elys have been closely identified with the business and professional life of Westfield, Massachusetts; and for nine generations with that of New England. The family in America was founded by Nathaniel Ely, born in the year 1605, supposedly in Tenterden, County Kent, England, of an excellent old English family. The Ely family in England dates back to the hereditary surname epoch (1250-1450 A. D.), when second, or family names first began to come into general use. The name has two distinct derivations, as is proved by that peer of etymologists and orthographers, the late Charles Wareing Bardsley, honorary canon of Carlisle Cathedral and vicar of Ulverstone, in his monumental "A Dictionary of English and Welsh Surnames" (Second Edition). The same derivations are also given in Lower's "Patronymica Britannica." Surnames fall, roughly, into five separate classes of inception, by far the greatest class being that one known as baptismal surnames. Ely was originally spelled Elie, and was used as a fontal or Christen name. When, due to the growth in population and the resultant confusion from the repetitious use of identical fontal names, a second or distinguishing nomenclature became imperative, many assumed their father's given name as a surname. Hence, Robert, son of William, became Robert fil. William (fil being a contraction of the Latin filius, and meaning simply "son of"), the fil being dropped in the course of time and the name becoming Robert William's (possessive case meaning William's son Robert), and finally, Robert Williams. Hundreds of present-day surnames came about in this way. John, fil Elie, of County Lincoln, is mentioned in the *Placita de Quo Warranto* (temp. Edward I); and Reginald fil Elye, of County Lincoln and Gilbert Elye, of County Kent, both appear in the Hundred Rolls (1273, A. D.). The second derivation of this ancient surname falls into the class known as local surnames, that is, a man taking the name of the section in which he lived for purposes of differentiation. Ely is the name of the capital of the Fen district, and in the year 1227 Nicholas de Ely (the *de* being a French prefix meaning simply "of," and showing the French influence following the Norman Conquest of Saxon England in the year 1066 A. D.), was bailiff of Norwich. At a later date Alan de Ely was rector of Blickling, County Norfolk, and in the Hundred Rolls of that shire in the year 1273, A. D., are found the names of Michael and John de Ely. Of these two distinct derivations, the first is the one applicable to the family herein considered, for the reason that the largest branches of the Ely family in

England were seated in counties Lincoln and Kent, and it is from Tenterden, in County Kent, that the progenitor of the family in the New World is traditionally believed to have come. The surname Ely, unlike the vast majority of English surnames, has undergone comparatively few orthographic changes, the ancient English archives furnishing us examples of but the following few forms: Elie, Elye, Eley, Eeley (very rare), and finally, Ely—the present and accepted spelling. Nathaniel Ely, the first to bear that ancient patronymic in America, set an example of civic service which his descendants have worthily upheld, and two of his lineal descendants—Henry Wilson Ely and his son, Joseph Buell Ely—have recognized this principle of life in their respective careers. Nathaniel Ely came from Old England to New England in the ship "Elizabeth" in the year 1634, settling first in what is now Cambridge, Massachusetts, then in Hartford, where his name is on the monument erected to the memory of that town's pioneer settlers, and finally in Springfield, where he served as selectman for many terms. The line was continued through Samuel Ely, of Springfield, his son Samuel, who died in West Springfield, a third Samuel, whose son Captain Levi Ely, of West Springfield, was killed by Indians in a battle on the Mohawk River, Stone Arabia, near Utica, New York, when in charge of an expedition against them in the year 1780. The next generation was that of the Rev. Elihu Ely, a son of Captain Levi Ely, who removed to Westfield, Massachusetts, where his son, Joseph Minor Ely, was born, lived, labored and died. Joseph Minor Ely was a manufacturer and a pioneer in the whip industry. It is interesting to note that Westfield has always been and still is the centre of the whip industry, for which the city of Westfield is largely indebted to Joseph Minor Ely and a few other manufacturers of his time who founded it. Joseph Minor Ely, in addition to being one of Westfield's foremost industrialists, published for several years the local paper, and was active politically, serving as assessor, selectman, a member of the school committee, and as a delegate to State, county and district conventions, and the National Convention that nominated Stephen A. Douglas, Samuel J. Tilden and Winfield Scott Hancock for the Presidency of the United States. He was also a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1853. Mr. Ely was a Democrat, and cast his first Presidential vote for Andrew Jackson. He married Elizabeth Gross, of French Huguenot descent. They were the parents of Henry Wilson Ely, of whom this genealogical and biographical review.

Henry Wilson Ely, a son of Joseph Minor and Elizabeth (Gross) Ely, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, on November 10, 1853. He received his education in the local public schools of his birthplace, which training was supplemented by attending Westfield State Normal School and for a short time, Boston University Law School. Upon his admission to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in 1875, he engaged in the active practice of his profession, and later, with his brother, Charles F. Ely, established a law partnership in Westfield, specializing in corporation law and representing many corporations, including railways in and about west-

ern New England. This firm maintained its reputation for proved ability, wide experience, wisdom, honor and high integrity, for a period of thirty years. Henry Wilson Ely was married in Westfield, Massachusetts, on June 12, 1880, to Sarah Naomi Buell, who was born in that city on May 27, 1852, a daughter of Phineas and Phebe (Gilman) Buell. Henry Wilson and Sarah Naomi (Buell) Ely are the parents of Joseph Buell Ely, of whom further mention.

Joseph Buell Ely, a son of Henry Wilson and Sarah Naomi (Buell) Ely, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, on February 22, 1881. After receiving an excellent preparatory education in the Westfield public schools, he completed his college course at Williams College, whence he was graduated with the class of 1902, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His degree of Bachelor of Laws he received from the Harvard Law School of Harvard University in 1905, and in that same year was admitted to practice before the bar of the State of Massachusetts. He at once embarked upon his professional career by associating himself in practice with his honored father in Westfield and Springfield, and this happy association has continued throughout two decades, the firm of Ely & Ely now including another son, Charles F. Ely, and this well-known firm has steadily advanced in public favor. In 1915 Joseph Buell Ely was appointed district attorney by Governor Walsh, and again in 1916 he was elected for a three-year term. In 1919 he served as district attorney for the counties of Hampden and Berkshire, where he proved himself an admirable prosecutor and a worthy son of a brilliant father. He and his father are both members of the local and State Bar associations, while the junior Mr. Ely also holds membership with the Nayasset Club of Springfield, and the Park Club of Pittsfield. Both father and son are active in civic welfare circles, and no worthy movement which has as its design the advancement or improvement of Westfield, its environs, and its institutions ever meets with a refusal of their help to cooperate both with their time and their means.

Joseph Buell Ely was married in Westfield, Massachusetts, on May 1, 1906, to Zelda Dyson, a daughter of Thomas and Emily Jane (Bush) Dyson, well known and highly respected residents of Westfield. Thomas Dyson was born in Windsor, England, on December 14, 1844, a son of James and Ann (Milne) Dyson, and a grandson of James Dyson, who was a native of Manchester, England. Thomas Dyson came to the United States in the year 1849, and served with distinction in the Union Army during the Civil War. Joseph Buell and Zelda (Dyson) Ely are the parents of one son, Richard Ely, born on July 15, 1907, and a representative of the tenth generation of the Ely family in America.

**DELOS THOMAS PEPIN**—For thirty years the Pepin family has maintained in Easthampton, Massachusetts, one of the largest and most energetic lumber businesses in that section of the State, a business now incorporated and under the able management of Delos Thomas Pepin, president, treasurer and general manager of the D. T. Pepin Lumber Company, Inc. The company has done much to build up the town of Easthampton, in-

spired always by the ideal of service and beauty. Some of the largest and most attractive public and private buildings in town were erected by Mr. Pepin and his associates.

The father and grandfather of Delos T. Pepin were born in Canada, his great-grandfather in France, where the family line is traced to Charlemagne, an early ancestor known as "Pepin the Short." The great-grandfather left an honorable position and comfortable home in his native country to migrate to Canada, then a territory belonging to France. He settled in the Province of Quebec, where his son, Dominique Pepin, was born, and where he resided until 1863, when he came to the United States and located in Easthampton. Dominique Pepin was a farm worker. He married, in 1840, Chepheld Wassur Deiltelete, and their children were: John, father of the subject of this record, of whom further; Rose, who married Anthony Cummings; Joseph; Louis, deceased; and Mary, who married Dr. Peter Ayers.

John Pepin was born in St. Jean Baptiste, Rueville County, Quebec, Canada, in 1845, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, July 8, 1905. He was well educated in the Canadian schools, and came with his parents to Easthampton at the age of eighteen. Employed in the Williston Mills for a time, he then learned the cabinet-makers' trade, which, together with carpentry, became his life work. For some years he was journeyman carpenter in the employ of Bartlett Brothers, being foreman of the carpenters who built the Easthampton Library. John Pepin engaged in business for himself in 1896 as contractor and builder, operating with considerable success until his death. He was a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and a highly respected citizen of the town. He married Melvina Tetrault, of Swanton, Vermont, born August 7, 1847. Children: Eugene, deceased; Delos Thomas, of further mention; Helen, who married Fred Sinkel; Josephine, deceased; Agnes, who married Joseph Pelouquin.

Delos Thomas Pepin, son of John and Melvina (Tetrault) Pepin, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, on August 27, 1868. He attended public schools and graduated in 1892 from Williston Seminary. For a time thereafter he was employed in the office of Joseph Hebert, of Northampton, as bookkeeper, but later he learned the carpenter's trade from his father, with whom he worked for four years. Thence he went to New Haven, Connecticut, to join the forces of J. E. Todd and Son, builders. His five years with that concern gave him the necessary insight into the lumber and building industry on a large scale and enabled him to succeed in the independent business in which he and his father engaged in 1896. The firm was called John Pepin & Son. A vigorous business in contracting and building developed both before 1907 and since that date, when the name of the firm changed to Delos T. Pepin, becoming later D. T. Pepin & Son, and still later adopting its present form of the D. T. Pepin Lumber Company, Inc. The firm has done a great deal of repair work, for which it puts in special bids, maintains a well-stocked and splendidly equipped retail lumber yard, and operates a planing mill. Besides erecting many fine private residences in Easthampton, Mr. Pepin built the French Church, the passenger station,





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the high school, the Helping Hand Home, and other structures.

His varied activities have not prevented his serving the community for fifteen years as a member of the Board of Assessors. Mr. Pepin is affiliated with the Royal Arcanum, the Franco Foresters of America, the Pascommuck Club, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 997, at Northampton, as well as the Society of St. Jean Baptiste. His political affiliations are with the Republican leaders.

On September 19, 1899, Delos T. Pepin married Marie E. Demers, of Sherbrooke, Canada. A son and a daughter were born to them: 1. Herve Amedie, who was born July 6, 1900, was educated in the local public schools and at Williston Seminary. He joined his father in the lumber business as soon as his education was complete, and was soon made a partner. When the company was incorporated, he was elected vice-president. He is a member of the Order of Foresters, and of the Pascommuck Club. He married, in August, 1924, Dorothy K. Clapp, of Easthampton, daughter of Ralph H. and Rose A. (Koenig) Clapp, descendants of an old Massachusetts family founded by Captain Roger Clapp, who came to this country from England in 1630, and including a Revolutionary War hero, Charles Clapp. Mr. and Mrs. Herve A. Pepin have a son, Ronald Clapp Pepin, born August 9, 1925. 2. Jeannette Anita, born February 2, 1912.

**CHARLES H. BUMP**, president and secretary of W. J. Foss & Company of Springfield; treasurer of Foss & Bump, Incorporated; and president of the Mortgage and Investment Company, was born in Hudson, Columbia County, New York, June 11, 1881. His father was Charles Henry Bump, Sr., his mother Mary Augusta (Shattuck) Bump. The name is derived from Boneloz of Normandy, a fief held from the Earl of Melleut, and the family Bompas, as the name came to be known in England. It has for centuries been conspicuously and widely in the legal annals of the country, and honorably mentioned in public affairs. It has passed through a series of transitions. During the latter centuries of the Norman conquest it was Bompas; and had changed to Bompasse at the time the first representative of the family came to America in 1621. At a later date it was Bumpus, and finally in the land of brevity Bomps and Bump. Edward Bompasse came to America in 1621 in the ship "Fortune" landing at Plymouth, Massachusetts, November 9 or 11. He became the father of seven or eight children, among them four sons, John, Edward, Joseph, and Jacob, born in 1636, 1638, 1639, and 1644 respectively. The sons in turn were the progenitors of large families. John had five sons: John, Samuel, James, Edward, and Jeremiah, born between the years 1673 and 1692, and duly recorded. Joseph had a family of eight, among them, Joseph and James, born in 1674 and 1679; Jacob had two sons, Benjamin and Jacob, born in 1678 and 1680. Charles Henry Bump, a descendant of these pioneer Bumps and great-great-grandfather of the last man to bear the name of Charles Henry Bump, lived in Milton Center, or in Shingleville, and the line of descent is traced as follows:

(I) Charles Henry Bump, of Shingleville, or Milton Center, had a large family.

(II) James Allen Bump, his son, was born in 1775 and died in 1834. He married Elizabeth Stern, and they became the parents of five children.

(III) James Allen Bump, Jr., their son, was born in 1817 and died in 1880. He was the first agent for the New York Central Railroad Company at Hudson, New York; he furnished wood for the company and was the first conductor on the Hudson & Berkshire Railroad. He married, in 1842, Mary Augusta Shattuck, and they were the parents of five children: 1. Mary Elizabeth, born in 1843; died in 1853. 2. Sarah, born 1845, died 1920. 3. Charles Henry, of further mention. 4. Caroline, born 1850, died 1897. 5 and 6. twins, Arthur and Allen, born in 1853.

(IV) Charles Henry Bump, third child, was born in Hudson, New York, September 8, 1848, and died in April, 1921. He received a thorough education at Spencer-town Academy and at Hudson Private Institute. In 1874 he married Emma Weeks, born in 1854, died in May, 1904; daughter of Robert Weeks, and they became the parents of four children: 1. Mary, born in 1875, died in 1877. 2. James A., III, born in 1878. 3. Charles Henry, of further mention. 4. Lawrence Woodward, born in 1884 and cashier in the National Bank at Great Barrington, Massachusetts; he married, in 1909, Edith Davis, and they have a daughter, Helen, born in 1911.

(V) Charles Henry Bump, the subject of this review, attended the primary and grammar schools of his native city, and was graduated from the high school. Following his father and his grandfather, he began his active business career as a clerk in the office of the New York Central Railroad at Hudson. At the age of twenty-two he was promoted chief clerk and transferred to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he was assigned to duty in the offices of the Boston & Albany Railroad. Three more years he remained in railroad employment. Having saved something for wider ventures, and desiring to gain experience in a different line, he associated himself with W. J. Foss in the Berkshire Mill and Supply Company of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, as clerk and book-keeper. He bought an interest in the company after two years and was made secretary, a position he held for several years. His executive ability, however, brought him a wider opportunity and in 1912 when the W. J. Foss Company of Springfield, was organized, Mr. Bump was made president and secretary. Under his efficient management this company has grown and prospered, reaching out through its progressive travelling men Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Hampshire, and going as far North as Burlington, Vermont. Mr. Bump's energies were not wholly occupied even by this venture and sought new conquests. He organized, in 1919, the firm of Foss & Bump, Inc., in Springfield, for the manufacture of leather belting and he is treasurer of the corporation. Interested in the welfare of the community, his activities have been given as well as his means to the furtherance of the civic, economic and political affairs of Springfield. He has served as a member of the Common Council. He is a member of Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; a Past High Priest of Berk-



shire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Pittsfield; of Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar, Pittsfield; and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is also a member of the Realty Club and of the Rotary Club.

Mr. Bump was married on September 12, 1905, to Esther Boardman, born in Derby, Connecticut, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Young) Boardman, residents of Hudson, New York, at the time. Mr. and Mrs. Bump are the parents of Charles Kilbourne, born June 1, 1907; and of Boardman Bump, born December 8, 1908.

**CHARLES L. GARDNER**—The family from which Charles L. Gardner came is one of very old New England ancestry, as his first forebear in this country was an early settler in Massachusetts, known as John Gardner, of Hingham, who settled and died in that town, November 24, 1668. More than ten generations of Gardners have made New England their home, the family, of course, originating in England. Charles L. Gardner, noted as lawyer and legislator, aided in making the name illustrious.

John Gardner, of Hingham, and his wife, Mary, were the parents of the second John Gardner (2), who was baptized July 18, 1652, and they had eight other children. Of these, Benjamin, born April 8, 1666, died June 30, 1736, married Sarah Dunbar, and they had two children, Benjamin (2) and Sarah. Benjamin (2) was born May 15, 1700, and in 1725 married Joanna Jones. Their son, Benjamin (3), was born in 1729 and died in 1821. In 1748 he married Rachel Smith. Their son, Jacob, born in 1761, died in 1816, married Deborah House. Their son, Jacob (2), born in 1780, married Hannah Cook in 1806. They had a son, Elisha, who married Elvira Sprague, and they had a son, Charles L. Gardner, with whom this history is concerned.

Charles L. Gardner was born in Cummington, Massachusetts, May 27, 1839, and died in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 20, 1913. He was a famous lawyer, and for half a century was a leader of the bar of Hampden County in that State. His early education was acquired in the Cummington schools, and later he was graduated from the Sanderson Academy, Ashfield, Massachusetts. He soon afterward began to study law, his preceptor being Judge S. T. Spaulding, of Northampton, under whom he studied until admission to the bar. Mr. Gardner began practice of his profession at Palmer, where his success was immediate. He at first became the partner of Judge James G. Allen, but this partnership was dissolved in 1870, and Mr. Gardner continued practice alone until 1894, when his son, Charles G. Gardner, became associated with him. Mr. Gardner moved to Springfield in 1897, and in 1901, his second son, Edwin S. Gardner entered the partnership. For many years this partnership of Gardner & Gardner was among the better known and more successful legal firms of that city, and in fact of Western Massachusetts. The senior member of this firm continued as its active head until shortly before his death.

Charles L. Gardner's success and many friendships were well based. His ideals were high, his integrity un-

impeachable, and his personal qualities won him many strong friendships. His standing at the bar, and his prominence in politics—he was a Republican—made him a leading citizen. He served his party as he served his clients, in a manner and with an earnestness that brought confidence in his efforts. Soon after he began the practice of law at Palmer he was appointed a trial justice of Hampden County, and he held this office until the establishment of the district court in 1872. He was a member of the lower branch of the Legislature in 1875-76, representing the Third District. During both years he was a member of the judiciary committee, and the second year he was a member of the joint special committee on constitutional amendments. Mr. Gardner was a State Senator in 1878-79, and served both years on the judiciary committee of the Senate. Here his legal knowledge and training were of great value to the committee and to the State. Upon retiring from the Senate he was elected a member of the Republican State Committee, and during the two years he continued in that position he acted upon the executive committee. Mr. Gardner also held the office of assistant internal revenue inspector until it was abolished in 1886. In that year he was appointed as a member of the board of trustees of the State primary and reform schools. He declined a reappointment upon the expiration of his term, and in 1892 he was elected district attorney for the western district, which comprises the counties of Hampden and Berkshire, and received two reelections, closing his term of office in January, 1902. Mr. Gardner's administration of that difficult office was in every way painstaking and efficient, and he was commended on every hand. A stern and insistent lover of the law, he had a gentler characteristic which was manifested in his attitude toward its youthful offenders, and justice was tempered with mercy. Mr. Gardner was intolerant of obstinate and determined wrong doing, but was always ready to give young offenders an opportunity to show that contrition and a will to do right were genuine, and many of them were put upon probation at his suggestion. His cases were always carefully prepared and ably presented, and this meant success. He prosecuted the noted case against Dominick Krathofski, whose execution by hanging marked the passing of this form of punishment in Massachusetts.

Mr. Gardner was deeply interested in the affairs of Palmer, where he began his professional life, and nothing that related to the welfare of the town locked his concern. For years he was president of the Palmer Savings Bank, which he did much to promote in growth and usefulness. Soon after removing to Springfield he was made president of the Hampden Savings Bank, a position he held for many years. For three years he was president of the Hampden County Bar Association.

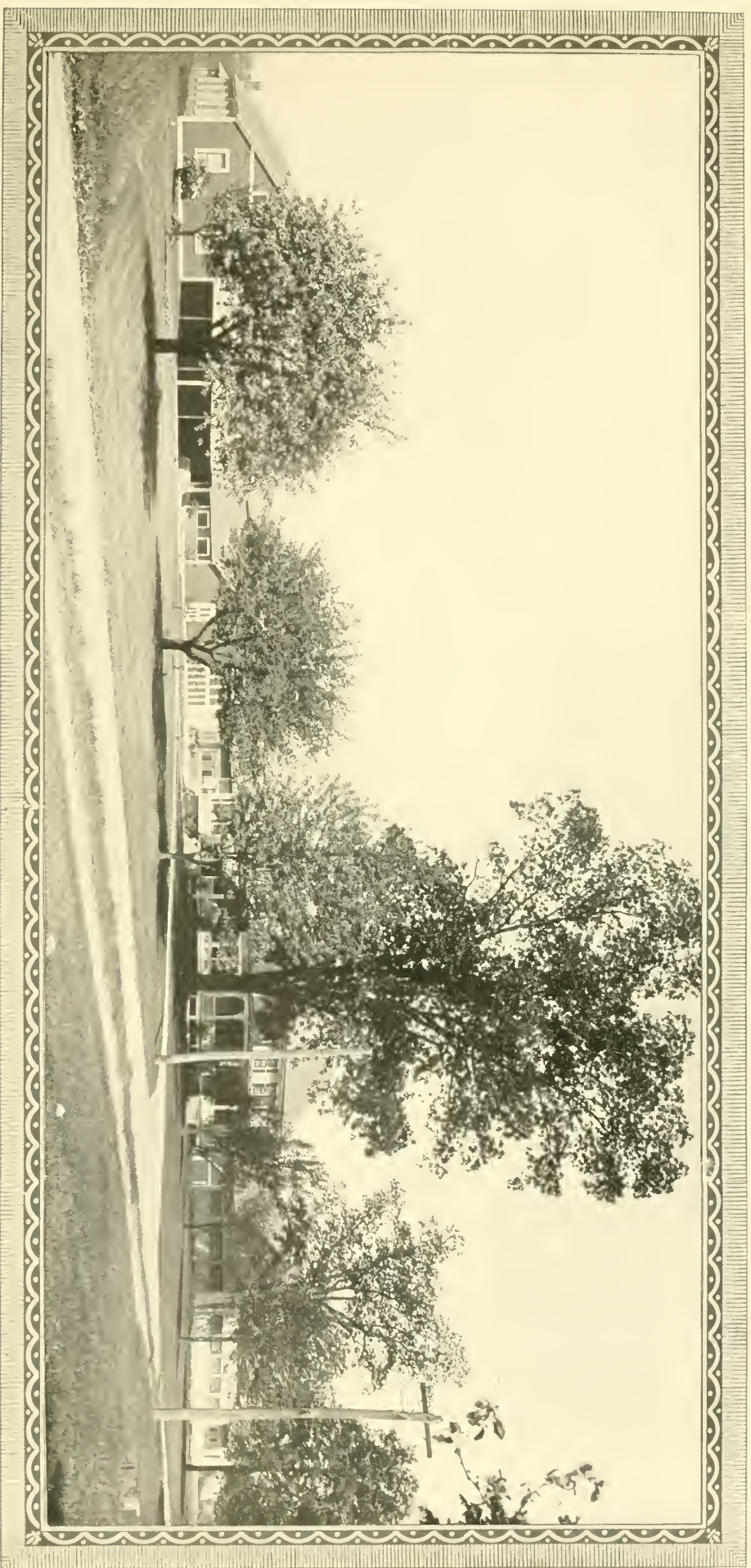
On May 19, 1869, Mr. Gardner married Esther Ely Gilmore, of Monson, who died July 25, 1919. Mrs. Gardner was a sister of the late Dwight O. Gilmore, of Springfield. Two sons were born of this marriage: Charles Gilmore Gardner, born March 30, 1870, and Edwin Sprague Gilmore, born May 1, 1876. They have continued the firm of Gardner & Gardner, in which they were made partners by their father.





*Frederick Carl*





THE FREDERICK CARL HOMESTEAD



**JOHN CHARLES RYAN**—Eminently successful as a grower of tobacco, and with a range of activity in the tobacco field wider than that of almost any other man in the region, John Charles Ryan is well known in Hatfield, Massachusetts, and its vicinity, not only for his agricultural enterprise, but for his public-spirited interest in local affairs. Mr. Ryan is the son of John B. and Mary (Kennedy) Ryan, both of Irish birth, who lived in Hatfield for many years.

Michael Ryan, Mr. Ryan's grandfather, was born in Ireland, but came to America, and died in Hatfield in the eighties at an age of nearly one hundred. He married, in Ireland, Ann McGrath; and they were the parents of John B., of further mention; James, and Bridget.

John B. Ryan, son of Michael and Ann (McGrath) Ryan, was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1836, died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, October 1, 1903, at the age of sixty-seven. He received his education in his native town in Ireland, and in 1854, at the age of eighteen, came to America. He went first to Whately, where he worked in the employ of others, and later came to Hatfield and purchased a farm on North Street, which is now owned by his son, John Charles Ryan. Here he was one of the first growers of tobacco, and was very successful. He married, in Whately, Massachusetts, Mary Kennedy, born in Ireland, died in Hatfield, November 14, 1912, at the age of seventy-four. They were the parents of the following children: Michael, drowned on July 12, 1876, when fifteen years old; Annie, married William T. Boyle; Edward; Margaret, died young; Nellie, married John Donelin; Elizabeth, married J. W. Kiley; and John Charles, of further mention.

John Charles Ryan, son of John B. and Mary (Kennedy) Ryan, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, January 8, 1873, and was educated in the public schools and in Smith Academy, Hatfield. Until he was twenty-five, he worked with his father on the farm, and for the next five years was with Major Shattuck, but since that time has been in business for himself. He is a large grower of tobacco and onions and has some sixty-five acres under cultivation, for the cultivation of which he employs many men. Mr. Ryan has made a specialty of shade grown tobacco, and has been very successful in this, as in his other undertakings. For many years he has not only been extremely active on his own estate but has been agent for the American Sumatra Tobacco Company, engaged in buying and selling tobacco. Mr. Ryan and his wife live on the old Carl homestead which was left them by his wife's family. It adjoins the old Ryan farm where Mr. Ryan was born, and which he now owns, and the two pieces of property together make one of the most valuable tracts of land in Western Massachusetts. Mr. Ryan has laid out large sums of money on his home, which is fitted with every modern convenience. As a citizen of Hatfield Mr. Ryan takes an active interest in local affairs, and gives his support to civic movements. He has served on the Board of Selectmen for several years, and is otherwise prominent; he is a member of Local No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Northampton; and of the Hampshire Sportsman's Club.

Mr. Ryan married, on June 6, 1917, Lilla A. Carl, daughter of Frederick and Mary (Partenheimer) Carl of Hatfield. Christian Carl, grandfather of Mrs. Ryan,

was born in Germany, and came to America in 1855; he died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, at the age of sixty-two. He married Maria Hirsh, and they were the parents of Catherine, Dorothy, Jacob, Margaret, Minnie, Frederick, Philip, and John. Of these, Frederick Carl was born in Waldorf, Kingdom of Saxony, Germany, in 1840, came to America in 1854 at the age of fourteen and settled in Hatfield, where he died in 1913 at the age of seventy-two. He became a successful tobacco grower and dealer and was agent for Elias Bach & Sons for many years. He married Mary Partenheimer, and they were the parents of Lilla A. Carl, who married John Charles Ryan, as related above.

**CHARLES WILLIAM GREENE**—The trust imposed upon him from several generations of his forefathers finds Charles William Greene the faithful custodian of old Hadley properties, the farmstead long ago established by agriculturists of a staunch old school and maintained by their sons' sons with an undiminished ardor for their calling. A practical farmer, Mr. Greene continues in its upkeep and further development within the old bounds and with the means and methods of the present day. Of striking interest in itself is the recounting of the generations of the men and women who have borne his name, who have cast their lot in Western Massachusetts and upon the farmlands of this section of New England.

(I) Timothy Greene, the first of the name to come to this region was born August 9, 1723, in Connecticut, and he died in Amherst November 1, 1796. Coming to Massachusetts from Connecticut early in life, he was one of the incorporators of the Second, or East Parish, in Amherst, in May, 1783, and he was a cooper by trade. He fought in the French and Indian War. He married Eunice Ellsworth, of Windsor, Connecticut, who was born March 29, 1717, and died in Amherst, May 25, 1792, daughter of Sergeant Thomas Ellsworth, of Windsor, Connecticut.

(II) Timothy (2) Greene, son of Timothy and Eunice (Ellsworth) Greene, was born January 4, 1748, in Ellington, Connecticut, and died September 8, 1821, in Amherst. He was a farmer and a cooper, and coming from Ellington to Amherst with his parents, he afterwards occupied his father's homestead. He was a soldier in the Continental Army of the American Revolution, and an upright and patriotic citizen. He was a member and a constant attendant of the First Church in Amherst. Timothy (2) Green married, (first), in 1770, Eunice Clark, who was born in 1750 and died in 1776; he married (second), in 1780, Sybil Hastings Peck, widow of Joseph Kelly Peck, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Belden) Hastings; she died in 1819. The children of the first marriage: Timothy; Zirah, of whom further; Clark. The children of the second marriage: Eunice; Sybil; Joel; Lucretia; Joel (2); Rufus; Lucina; Sally; Judith.

(III) Zirah Greene, son of Timothy and Eunice (Clark) Greene, was born June 18, 1773, in Amherst, and died March 28, 1813, in Hadley (Plainville). He was a farmer and was a deeply religious man. He married, March 28, 1799, Eleanor Morton, who was born in 1774, and died in 1847; she married (second), Jonathan



Woods. The children of Zirah and Eleanor (Morton) Greene: Linus, of whom further; Doris; Lucretia; Almira; Olive.

(IV) Linus Greene, son of Zirah and Eleanor (Morton) Greene, was born February 2, 1800, in Amherst, and died May 4, 1877, in Hadley. He was a farmer of note, and was often called the best farmer in Hampshire County; and, a successful business man, he would have been prominent in any calling that he might have undertaken. He was a man of unusual natural abilities, great sagacity and sound judgment; he held the offices of selectman and assessor in Hadley. Prominent in the membership of the First Congregational Church in Amherst, with his family he transferred that membership to the Hadley Church. He married, June 11, 1822, Esther Hawley, who was born June 18, 1802, in East Amherst, daughter of Dr. Zachariah Hawley; she died January 2, 1892. Their children: 1. Eleanor Morton, born in 1823, married Jeremiah Kentfield. 2. Henry, born in 1825. 3. Cordelia Billings, born in 1827. 4. John Morton, born in 1830. 5. Lucretia, born in 1832, married Harvey Bartlett. 6. Zerah, born in 1834. 7. George, of whom further. 8. Porter Woods, born in 1839. 9. Porter Woods (2), born in 1842. 10. Linus Clark.

(V) George Greene, son of Linus and Esther (Hawley) Greene, was born December 6, 1836, in Hadley, and died July 11, 1887. An enterprising and successful farmer, he owned a farm of one hundred acres, fattened cattle for the market and did a general farming business. He was a member of the Congregational Church. He married Emily D. Morgan, of Hadley, who was born in Gill, in 1839, and died in 1920, daughter of Samuel and Charlotte (Dickenson) Morgan. They were the parents of one son, Charles William, of whom further.

(VI) Charles William Greene, son of George and Emily D. (Morgan) Greene, was born September 4, 1871, in Hadley, where he attended public schools, and he continued to reside on the same farm where his grandsire had settled many years ago. His farm is accounted one of the best in the Connecticut Valley, and there Mr. Greene raises a large acreage of tobacco and potatoes. He also conducts an extensive dairy, and is a successful all-around farmer. He is a member of the local Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry; and his religious faith is that of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Greene married, March 22, 1892, Harriet B. Morton, of Hadley, daughter of Horace B. and Jennie B. (Underwood) Morton. They have one son, Homer M. Greene, born January 8, 1894, and attended the public schools; he is a member of the Grange, and is engaged in farming with his father.

**REESE JAMES RICHARDS**—Mr. Richards' long experience in the jewelry business has culminated in one of the most popular and well-equipped jewelry establishments at Northampton, and in this part of the State; and to bring about its gradual and substantial development he has added the results of investigation and training that have been lifelong. His interest in the broadening of civic affairs has always been a most active feature of his Northampton citizenship; and he has held office that has been productive of progressive results to the community.

Mr. Richards is the son of William T. Richards, who was born in England and died in Fairhaven, Vermont, in 1923, fifty-seven years of age. Coming to the United States about 1875, he went to Arizona, and on account of the then prevailing conditions of travel, his journey to that territory occupied three months. After engaging in gold mining there for seven years, he returned East and located at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, where he gave his attention to coal mining, and as a contractor in mining he drove rock tunnels, and he was also a mining superintendent. Removing to Fairhaven, Vermont, in 1902, he was active in the farming line to the time of his death. He had served as a member of the Wilkes-Barre School Committee six years, and he was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows there. He married Elizabeth Williams, who was born in Wales, and now resides in Fairhaven, Vermont, daughter of Rev. John Williams, his wife, who was a McDonald, and who came to the United States with her parents when she was three months old. Mr. and Mrs. Richards were the parents of: Reese J., of whom further; John; Arthur; Irvin Wendell; Esther Mae, who married William Clipps; Margaret.

Reese James Richards was born January 1, 1885, in Fairhaven, Vermont. He attended the schools of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and went to Fairhaven, Vermont and worked on his father's farm until he was nineteen years of age, when he became employed in the jewelry Store of W. F. Parker & Son, at Fairhaven, and he continued there seven years, while he learned thoroughly the watchmaking and engraving business. He then removed to Granville, New York, where he entered the employ of H. E. Hemenway, jeweler, where he remained six months, when he went to Palmer, Massachusetts, where he continued with E. S. Brooks, jeweler, a year. Coming to Northampton in 1913 he established himself in the jewelry business at No. 243 Main Street, where he remained ten years, and then removed to his present headquarters at No. 207 Main Street, which he has brought into general notice as one of the finest jewelry concerns in Western Massachusetts. He has served efficiently on the Board of Aldermen, and he is chairman of the Republican City Committee. Mr. Richards' fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, of the thirty-second degree, and Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Melha Temple, at Springfield; Nonatuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of Mt. Holyoke Encampment, and he is a Past Exalted Ruler in Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Northampton Club, and the Edwards Congregational Church.

Reese James Richards married, June 3, 1912, Leona Bond, of Bondville, daughter of Rufus L. and Nellie M. (Sherbrook) Bond; one child, Reese James Richards, Jr., born July 24, 1918.

**CLIFTON ALVAH CROCKER**—For three generations the name of Crocker has stood for excellence of quality and business integrity in the paper manufacturing industry of New England. Holyoke, long the chief place of the S. S. Crocker interests from the



manufacturers' point of view, and famous the world over as one of the most important points where the papermaking trade is centralized, has received additional prestige in that respect by reason of its being the scene of the Crocker operations. Of that name, long an honorable one in Massachusetts annals, is Clifton Alvah Crocker, president and one of the founders of the Crocker-McElwain Company and president and treasurer of the Chemical Paper Manufacturing Company, both Holyoke concerns, who is never thought of in a business sense apart from the paper industry in which he has played, and still is playing, so prominent a part. Up and down the Connecticut Valley and to regions far remote from the confines of that beautiful and fruitful gift of nature, have gone the products of the Crocker and associates' paper mills, carrying the name and enhancing the enviable reputation that attach both to the goods and to the executive head of the producing concerns. Mr. Crocker also is identified with other manufacturing interests of importance and with financial and educational institutions. He is highly esteemed as a citizen of Springfield, and he served that municipality as chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners during a term which exacted particular attention and the sacrifice of much time from his personal affairs on the part of the presiding officer.

The manufacture of paper first became a Crocker family industry with Deacon Samuel Crocker, who was an expert in the manufacturing department of the trade in mills at Newburyport. In 1796 he located at Leominster as an employee of Nichols & Kendall in the first paper mill built in that city. His sons, Alvah and Samuel Somerbie Crocker, made the papermaking trade their own; they worked in the Leominster mill with their father, and afterward became paper manufacturers known the country over. They turned the business over to their sons. For many years Samuel Somerbie Crocker and his sons, Daniel P. and Clifton Alvah Crocker, were the chief owners and the executive officers of the Crocker Manufacturing Company, a Holyoke corporation. Following the sale of that company's property to the American Writing Paper Company, Clifton Alvah Crocker organized the Crocker-McElwain Company of Holyoke, thus again bringing to the fore the family name in association with the industry of which its principals have been operating owners for more than a century.

(I) The branch of the Crocker family with which this review has to do was founded in New England by Captain John Crocker, who, it is supposed, was born in England in 1699. He died in Newburyport, Massachusetts, March 19, 1763. He was a ship owner and a master mariner, and with his son, Benjamin, he sailed the brig "Ranger." Captain Crocker, in 1748, built the first rope walk known in Newbury, which was the old name of the town. He married, April 12, 1727, Mary, daughter of Thomas Savage. They lie buried in head-stoned graves in St. Ann's Churchyard, Newburyport.

(II) Benjamin Crocker, third child of Captain John Crocker, the founder, and his wife Mary (Savage) Crocker, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, February 6, 1732, and died in Newburyport, October 5, 1777. He was a partner of his father in his various enterprises

and an influential citizen. He married, September 9, 1761, in Hampton, New Hampshire, Sarah Somerbie, daughter of Samuel Somerbie, and by that union there were nine children, one of whom was Samuel, of further mention.

(III) Samuel Crocker, known as "Deacon," son of Benjamin and Sarah (Somerbie) Crocker, was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, March 22, 1774, and died in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, August 26, 1856. When a young man he became an expert papermaker, and it was he who introduced that trade into the Crocker family. He removed in 1796 to Leominster, Massachusetts, where he became one of the twenty-five hands engaged in the busiest time at the newly-completed first paper mill in that community. It was there that Samuel Crocker taught his sons the trade, and thence they went forth to establish paper mills of their own. Alvah, the elder son, built his mill at Fitchburg, and to that city Deacon Samuel Crocker, the father, removed, becoming associated with his sons in their enterprises. Deacon Samuel Crocker was one of the founders of the Leominster Baptist Church, which he often served in the capacity of preacher, when the church was without a pastor. He was the first Baptist in Leominster and the first Baptist deacon. Following his removal to Fitchburg, he and nine others organized the Fitchburg Village Baptist Society. This tribute has been paid to him: "He was a man of much prayer and much joy in his religion, an evangelist in disposition, holding prayer meeting and conference meetings in his own house and elsewhere preaching the gospel frequently. He was a pillar of the church through all its early years, because every man who knew him respected his simplicity of heart and purity of character." Deacon Samuel Crocker married, May 3, 1798, at Lunenburg, Massachusetts, Comfort Jones, daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Adams) Jones, of Medway, Massachusetts. Her mother was a member of the celebrated Adams family, from whose principals she inherited those traits of self-reliance and independence of character which she bestowed upon her sons.

(IV) Samuel Somerbie Crocker, sixth son of Deacon Samuel and Comfort (Jones) Crocker, was born in Leominster, Massachusetts, October 30, 1813, and died there January 13, 1909. When he was ten years of age he entered the employ of his father and brothers in the paper mill, and when he was sixteen years old he went to work for his elder brother, Alvah Crocker, who in 1826 had erected a paper mill in that part of West Fitchburg, which afterward became known as Crockerville. He worked for his brother two years, and then began to learn the trade of carpenter, becoming also a millwright, and following his trade for several years. In 1839 he acquired possession of the water-power rights of what later was known as the "Snow" mill, and which now is one of the Crocker-Burbank mills. In that location he carried on paper manufacturing successfully for a number of years. He disposed of the mill in 1853, and removed to Lawrence, Massachusetts, where he built and operated the first paper mill known in that city. For twelve years he was a paper manufacturer in Lawrence, at the end of that period returning to Leominster, where he built in

1865 the Crocker Woolen Mill. A few years later he again took up his old trade, papermaking, and with his son, Daniel P. Crocker, engaged in the manufacture of paper in Holyoke, the style of their concern being the Crocker Manufacturing Company, with Samuel Somerbie Crocker, president, and Daniel P. Crocker, treasurer and clerk. Following the death in 1887 of Daniel P. Crocker, the youngest son of Samuel S. Crocker, Clifton Alvah Crocker was brought into the concern in the capacity of treasurer. The business attained large and valuable proportions, and so continued until 1899, when the property was taken over by the combine, the American Writing Paper Company. Samuel S. Crocker was ninety-six years old when he passed from the scene of his activities. In his youth he had been a Congregationalist, and afterward joined the Fitchburg Baptist Church, which was founded by his father. Upon the formation of the Second Baptist Church in Lawrence he became one of its deacons; and still later he was a deacon of the Central Baptist Church in Leominster.

Deacon Samuel Somerbie Crocker married, August 7, 1837, at Leominster, Martha Elizabeth Putnam (see Putnam line), born in Shirley, Massachusetts, November 30, 1818, died in Leominster, April 26, 1907, daughter of Samuel and Hannah F. (Kimball) Putnam. To Deacon Samuel S. and Martha E. (Putnam) Crocker were born nine children: 1. Daniel P., on April 16, 1840; married, April 17, 1862, Caroline E. Litchfield; died in Springfield, February 10, 1887. 2. Adams Wheeler, on May 10, 1842. 3. Frank Thomas, on July 4, 1844; married Alice G. Allen; died at Leominster, July 31, 1873. 4. Frederick William, on March 27, 1846; a commander in the United States navy, and visited during his long and honorable career nearly every country in the world; he married Helen M. Blanchard; died in Chelsea, Massachusetts, October 31, 1896. 5. John Henry, on May 11, 1848; died August 24, 1849. 6. Samuel Somerbie, on January 15, 1850; died October 17, 1851. 7. Martha Elizabeth, born January 28, 1852. 8. Charles Fremont, on February 7, 1856. 9. Clifton Alvah, of whom further.

(V) Clifton Alvah Crocker, ninth child of Samuel Somerbie and Martha Elizabeth (Putnam) Crocker, was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts, July 30, 1858. His father, who was the leading paper manufacturer of that city, removed to Leominster in 1865 and the son Clifton attended the public schools of that town, finishing his education in Boston. His school days at an end, he went to Holyoke and there, in 1877, filled the position of office boy at the Crocker Manufacturing Company, which was founded by his father and his brother, Daniel P. Crocker. In that humble beginning did his career as a paper manufacturer have its origin. His brother, Daniel P., having died February 10, 1887, he, then at the age of twenty-eight years, having passed through the different departments of the mill, was elected treasurer and manager as the successor of his brother. The Crocker Company then was nearly all owned by the family, which disposed of the property in 1899 to the American Writing Paper Company. Mr. Crocker was elected a director and member of the executive committee of the "combine" and held these posi-

tions for three years, at the end of which period he resigned.

In 1904, Mr. Crocker, in association with his brother-in-law, R. Franklin McElwain, organized the Crocker-McElwain Company for the manufacture of paper in Holyoke. Mr. Crocker became president and treasurer, and Mr. McElwain vice-president. The corporation took over a large plant in Holyoke and for years has been an important factor in the papermaking industry. In 1913 Mr. Crocker and R. Franklin McElwain took over the Chemical Paper Manufacturing Company, and of this company Mr. Crocker was elected president and treasurer, the former of which office he continues to hold. This corporation also figures prominently in the paper industry.

Mr. Crocker's valued service of a public nature to the city of Springfield was given as a member and chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners in 1910 and 1911. His political affiliations are with the Republican party. He is sympathetically active in worthy causes for the general welfare. During the World War he was a member of the National War Labor Board and served at Washington, District of Columbia; he also participated in the patriotic drives and campaigns during the war.

His varied associations include: Director of the Springfield National Bank, vice-president and director of the National Equipment Company, of Springfield. He has been a member of the executive committee of the American Paper and Pulp Association, president of the Writing Paper Manufacturers' Association, and was president of the former Hampden Hospital, Springfield, and a director and twice president of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association. He is a member of the National Industrial Conference Board, New York, and is a trustee of the International Young Men's Christian Association College at Springfield. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and his clubs are the Colony and Nayasset, of Springfield, the Longmeadow Country Club, the Union League of New York, and the Oak Bluffs Country Club of Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts. He is a member of the South Congregational Church, of Springfield.

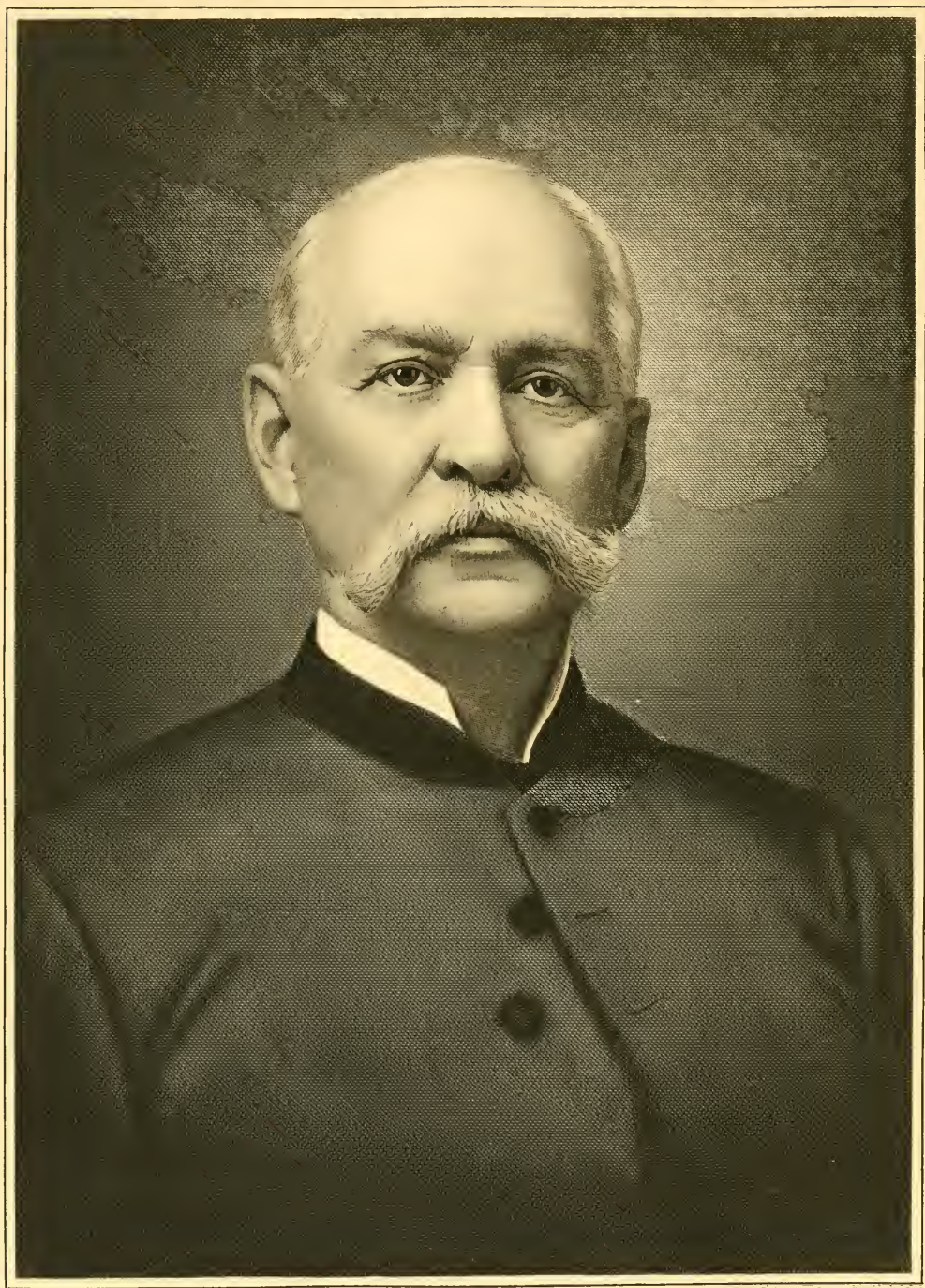
Clifton Alvah Crocker married, June 16, 1881, Lucy Hannah McElwain, daughter of Oliver and Paulina Doane (Witherell) McElwain, of Becket, Massachusetts. They are the parents of three daughters: Pauline, married Joseph E. Holmes, of Springfield, treasurer of the Crocker-McElwain Company; Ruth, married Franklin Lawrence, and lives in Portland, Maine, where her husband is secretary and manager of the Portland Stove Foundry Company; and Martha Elizabeth Crocker. Mr. Crocker has his residence at No. 274 Long Hill, Springfield.

(The Putnam Line).

Martha Elizabeth (Putnam) Crocker, mother of Clifton Alvah Crocker, was a descendant of John Putnam, who came from England in 1634 and settled in Salem Village, Massachusetts, with his wife Priscilla and their sons, Thomas and Nathaniel. Nathaniel Putnam, born in England, October 11, 1619, died in Salem,







*Liverth J. Hall.*



July 23, 1700. He was a member of the General Court and served the town as selectman. He accumulated a large property. He married Elizabeth Hutchinson, daughter of Richard and Alice (Bosworth) Hutchinson. By that union there were seven children. Their third son, John Putnam, was born in Salem, March 26, 1657, and died there in September, 1722. His farm was in Danvers, fronting on the Ipswich River. He was a man of importance in the town and served it as constable while the "witchcraft delusion" held sway in Salem. He married Hannah Cutler, by whom he had fifteen children. Their twelfth child, John (2) Putnam, born in Salem, August 16, 1691, died February 10, 1764, was a prosperous farmer. He married (first) Rachel Buxton. He married (second) Lydia Porter, and had eight children. Their second child, John (3) Putnam, was born in Salem Village in 1720, and died in Danvers, his will probated November 16, 1786. He was captain of a company of militia in Danvers, which marched on the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775. He married Ruth Swinnerton, by whom he had six children. Their third son, Daniel Putnam, born in Salem, April 19, 1749, died April 26, 1813, at Fitchburg, was an ensign in the Fitchburg militia company under Captain Ebenezer Bridge, which marched on the Lexington Alarm, and served thirteen days. His grave is annually honored with a tribute by Grand Army veterans who visit Laurel Hill Cemetery. He married Rachel Small, by whom he had several sons. She also lies buried, by her husband's side, in Laurel Hill. Their son, Captain Samuel Putnam, born in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, September 5, 1785, died in July, 1860, held the office of high sheriff. He married Hannah Kimball, and of their children was a daughter, Martha Elizabeth, who became the wife of Samuel Somerbie Crocker and was the mother of Clifton Alvah Crocker. She and her husband and one daughter lie buried in the cemetery at Lunenburg, Massachusetts.

**REV. LINVILLE J. HALL**—For over half a century the Rev. Linville J. Hall devoted himself to bringing spiritual consolation to the soul-weary and those fearful of the after-life, for he was blessed with unusual sweetness of spirit and tactful sympathy. At the same time he was effective in the more militant side of a minister's duties, in condemning evil stirring and fearlessly wherever he found it, in offering a constructive life program, and in demonstrating by his own life all his preachments. His ministerial activities carried him to many localities throughout the United States, but his last years were passed in his native city, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Linville J. Hall was born in Springfield on July 8, 1822, son of John and Bathsheba S. (White) Hall, and is a direct descendant of Paragon White, the first white child born in the United States. Educated in the Springfield grammar and high schools, he wished to continue his studies in a professional field and decided on the ministry, for which he studied at the Concord Biblical Institute, Concord, New Hampshire. He was ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The first years of his career were passed at Brookline, New Hampshire. He was pastor at various New England

churches, including one in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and East Boston, where he remained for three years. In 1873 he went to Colorado, serving as minister in Colorado City, at Central City, and other Colorado and Wyoming towns. In 1886 he was appointed chaplain of the State Penitentiary at Canyon City, Colorado, where for ten years he ministered to the spiritual wants of the inmates of that institution. His wife's health failing, he resigned and returned to New England, where he was made chaplain of the Connecticut State Prison at Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1896. After four years his own ill health forced his resignation and retirement from active duty. He lived in Springfield from 1900 until his death on September 23, 1910, at the age of eighty-eight, being interred in Springfield Cemetery. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and of the Republican party.

Linville J. Hall married (first) Mary Adams, who bore him four children: 1. Carrie, died in infancy. 2. Linvilla, died in childhood. 3. Florence, died in infancy. 4. Hiram, died at the age of four. His wife died in Waltham, Massachusetts. Mr. Hall married (second) Lydia Cushing Tower, born at Hull, Massachusetts, daughter of Moses and Olive Gould (Cushing) Tower. During her husband's life Mrs. Hall took a helpful and constructive interest in his work both as a minister and as a worker with prisoners, and at the age of eighty-four, she is still active in Methodist work. She resides on Westminster Street, Springfield. Of the second union two children were born: 1. Lillian, who married Shukrey Sanjigan. She and her three children reside with her mother: i. Dorothy Helen, a graduate of Smith College, 1922, with the degree of A. B., then took a special course and degree at Yale. She married Rev. Ralph V. Conard, a Congregational minister, and resides in Minnesota. ii. Semmeh Hall, a graduate of Springfield High School, Burnham School at Northampton Massachusetts, and is a student of law. iii. Linville Hall, graduate of Springfield High School and clerk in the Springfield National Bank of that city. 2. Linville Tower Hall, who died in infancy.

The Rev. Linville J. Hall was a man of gentle and loving spirit, a Christian in the finest sense. He lavished himself in his work of saving mankind spiritually, and he everywhere won love for himself and confidence in his mission. Mr. Hall wrote a book "Around the Horn in '49," taken from his notes in making the trip as follows: One hundred and twenty Springfield men in 1848, bought a five hundred ton sail vessel and went to the California gold rush *via* Cape Horn; the boat "Henry Lee" foundered in San Francisco. The company was called the Hartford Union Mining and Trading Company.

(The Tower Family).

The Tower family to which Mrs. Hall belongs is historic in New England. The founder in America was John Tower, born in Hingham, England, where he was baptized May 17, 1609, son of Robert and Dorothy (Damon) Tower. He came to this country and located in Hingham, Massachusetts, in 1637, was made freeman in 1638, held public office there, and died Febru-

ary 13, 1702, at the age of ninety-three years. He married, February 13, 1638-9, Margaret Ibrook, daughter of Richard Ibrook, and she died May 15, 1700. One of their children was Jeremiah Tower, born March 9, 1645, in Hingham, who became a weaver of that town, dying there at thirty-one or thirty-two years of age. He married, October 28, 1670, Elizabeth Rowley, and their eldest son was Jeremiah Tower, born September 19, 1671, in Hingham, married on January 3, 1698-9, Hannah Hobart, daughter of John and Hannah (Burr) Hobart, also a native of Hingham, and died April 20, 1743, at the age of seventy-two. Their son, Peter, was born September 14, 1701, in Hingham, died April 21, 1768, having married on May 11, 1727, Patience Gardner, born September 3, 1703, daughter of Stephen and Sarah (Warren) Gardner. Malachi Tower, one of their eight children, was born in Hingham on March 4, 1737-8, and died April 21, 1806, having married (first), March 15, 1760, Ruth (Hayward) Wilder, widow of David Wilder and daughter of Nehemiah and Bethia (Shaw) Hayward, of Hingham, and (second), after her death, March 15, 1769, Susanna Ward, who died August 14, 1802, and (third) Susanna Hams. Malachi Tower was a soldier of the Revolutionary War. His eldest son by the first marriage was Malachi Tower, born in Hingham, April 1, 1761, who died at Lincolnville, Maine, December 15, 1833, at the age of seventy-three, having married, at Hilton, Massachusetts, August 6, 1783, Bathsheba Whetherbee. Their son, Moses Tower, born at Dedham, Massachusetts, April 5, 1785, was baptized at Hingham, September, 1785, where he lived at Great Hill and died October 31, 1862. He married at Hull, May 7, 1809, Mary Binney, daughter of Spencer and Mary (Jones) Binney, she being born at Hull June 14, 1790, and dying at Hingham June 12, 1825. He married (second) December 25, 1825, Abigail Andrews Gould, daughter of Robert and Molly (Lincoln) Gould. She was born at Hull, April 11, 1786, and died in Hingham, August 26, 1870, at the age of eighty-four. Children: 1. Mary Jones, born February 24, 1810, married, August 10, 1835, Rev. Ralph Allen and lived in Malden, Massachusetts. 2. Moses Binney, of whom further. 3. Thomas Jones, born September 29, 1818, married, July 9, 1843, Mary W. Lane. 4. John Wesley, born August 11, 1821, married, February 13, 1848, Jane Binney Reed of Hull. 5. Spencer Binney, born November 18, 1823, died May 26, 1841. A son was born of the second marriage: Abner Jones, January 19, 1827, who died May 22, 1828.

Moses Binney Tower, son of Moses and Mary (Binney) Tower, was born at Hingham, April 26, 1814, and there grew to manhood. He settled at Hull and later moved to East Boston, Massachusetts, where he was engaged in the marine service. In 1879 he moved to Auburndale, Massachusetts, having married, on June 10, 1838, at Hull, Olive Gould Cushing, born in that city, May 12, 1816, daughter of Pyam and Olive (Lovell) Cushing of Hull, and granddaughter of Perez and Ruth (Cushing) Cushing, descended from a historic Plymouth family. Perez Cushing was a Revolutionary soldier. The daughter of Moses Binney and Olive Gould (Cushing) Tower, is Lydia Cushing Tower, who married Rev. Linville J. Hall.

**MAURICE SINCLAIR SHERMAN**—In the present-day development of the publicational plans of the Springfield "Union," one of the foremost of the long-established newspapers of Massachusetts and of New England, Maurice Sinclair Sherman, editor-in-chief of that journal, himself a successor to many editors who had already borne a notable share in the history of publicity in the Bay State, is a thoroughgoing interpreter of the value of the news and of the newspaper of to-day. That the "Union" continues in its robust and progressive pace with the demands of these times, as it ever has in other eras of its career, is due in a large degree to Mr. Sherman's leadership.

Maurice Sinclair Sherman was born April 19, 1873, in Hanover, New Hampshire, a son of Frank Asbury and Lucy Rosette (Hurlbutt) Sherman; Frank Asbury Sherman, professor of mathematics at Dartmouth College, until his retirement in 1913, served in the Civil War with the 1st Maine Volunteers, and received his honorable discharge from the United States Army, March 7, 1865. He was wounded at the Battle of Fredericksburg and lost an arm in the Battle of the Wilderness.

Mr. Sherman attended the high school at Hanover, and was graduated from Dartmouth College in the class of 1894 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He began his newspaper career in Springfield as a reporter on the "Union" in July, 1894, served the paper in various capacities, and in 1913 was made editor-in-chief. He is a Republican in politics.

Faternally, Mr. Sherman is affiliated with the Sons of the American Revolution, and Beta Theta Pi college fraternity. He is a member of the Springfield Fish and Game Association and the Nayasset, Realty, Springfield Automobile, and Republican clubs. His religious fellowship is with Faith Congregational Church, Springfield.

Maurice Sinclair Sherman married, April 15, 1905, at Rockville, Connecticut, Florine Adele Sunderland, daughter of James and Autherlene (Bilson) Sunderland; and they are the parents of Janet Lucile Sherman, born May 15, 1914.

**HOMER CRANE BLISS**—The ancient prestige of the Bliss family is shared in full by Homer Crane Bliss, of Florence, Massachusetts, assistant treasurer of the Corticelli Silk Company. Mr. Bliss was born in Springfield, Michigan, April 30, 1868. His father was George Porter Bliss and his mother Susan V. (Crane) Bliss. The first of the name of whom there is any trustworthy record was Thomas Bliss, of Belstone Parish, in the county of Devonshire, England. Thomas and George, his sons, and Thomas, a nephew, the eldest son of the first Thomas Bliss, and a son of Jonathan Bliss, came to America and are the progenitors of the Blisses of New England. The immigrant ancestors were men of education, refined manners, and were gentlemen. Their immediate descendants had none of the advantages of schools and society in England and were inferior in these respects. The name originally is supposed to have been Blois, the designation of a division of France, which gradually in America was modified to Bliss.



Thomas Bliss, the first of whom there is a record, lived near Okehampton, in the village of Belstone, in Devonshire, England. He was a yeoman, a wealthy land owner and a Puritan. He suffered many persecutions on account of his religious faith. He was finally ruined in health and fortune by the hardships and indignities forced upon him by the intolerant church party in power. He is supposed to have lived from 1550 or 1560 to about 1635 or 1640, the time when his sons came to America. His son, Jonathan, was imprisoned for non-conformity, fined heavily, ill-treated, and during long confinement contracted a fever from which he never recovered. His wife's name is unknown. His five children were Jonathan, Thomas, Elizabeth, George, and Mary Elizabeth, who married Sir John Calcliffe.

(I) Thomas (2) Bliss, second son of Thomas Bliss, born in Belstone Parish, Devonshire, England, embarked with his brother, George and their families at Plymouth, England, and came to America, landing at Boston in the autumn of 1635. They could not remain together unless they built new houses, for which the season was too far advanced. As a result they separated. Thomas accordingly settled in Mousit, since named Braintree, and as this lad resided on a mountain he was known as "Thomas of the Mount." This part of Braintree is now called Quincy. Thomas Bliss and his family and his brother, Jonathan's son, Thomas, went with the Rev. Thomas Hooker to Hartford, Connecticut, where they became pioneer settlers, some time in 1636 or 1637. Trinity Street, Hartford, was long called Bliss Street from the first settlement, indeed, until about 1855. Thomas Bliss married in England, about 1612 or 1615, Margaret Lawrence. It is believed she was born about 1594. She was a woman of great capacity and force of character. She managed the affairs of the family after her husband's death wisely and well. Her eldest daughter, Ann, married Robert Chapman, of Saybrook, Connecticut, in 1642, and removed to Saybrook where her eldest brother, Thomas Bliss, went soon after, and was married in 1644. Chills and fever prevailing in some places near the town, Margaret Bliss and her other children moved farther up the river in 1643 and made their home in Springfield. The journey of thirty miles through the forest was made by the mother and her eight children in five days. Nathaniel and Jonathan, her second and fourth sons, had prepared a house for the family on its arrival. It is said that Margaret Bliss bought a tract a mile square in the south part of the town on what is now Main Street and bordering on the Connecticut River. One of the streets laid out on the manor tract has been named Margaret and another is Bliss Street, on which has been built a Congregational Church. She lived to see all her children brought up and established in homes of their own, except Hannah, who died at twenty-three. Margaret Bliss died in Springfield, August 28, 1684, after a residence in America of almost fifty years, and forty-four years after the death of her husband. She was more than ninety years old. The children of Thomas and Margaret Bliss were: Ann, Mary, Thomas, Nathaniel, Lawrence, Samuel, Sarah, Elizabeth, Hannah, and John.

Thomas Bliss, of Hartford, Saybrook, and Norwich, Connecticut, lived also in Lynn, Massachusetts. He was married, October 30, 1645, to Elizabeth, surname unknown, and they were the parents of six children born in Saybrook. Their seventh child, Anne, born in 1660, was the second English child born in Norwich. He died April 15, 1688.

(II) Samuel Bliss, of Norwich, was born in Saybrook, December 9, 1657, and died December 30, 1729. He was married, on December 8, 1681, to Anne Elderkin, daughter of Deacon John Elderkin, and they were the parents of six children.

(III) John Bliss, son of Samuel and Anne (Elderkin) Bliss, born in Norwich. October 23, 1690, died February 1, 1741. He was graduated from Yale College at Saybrook in 1710, and was ordained as the first settled pastor of the Congregational Church in Hebron, Connecticut, in 1717. He was married in 1709-10 to Anna —, who died in 1732. He married later, Mrs. Hannah (Post) Barber, daughter of Phineas Post and widow of the Hon. David Barber. Ten children were born of the first marriage and two of the second.

(IV) Ellis Bliss, son of the Rev. John and Hannah (Post-Barber) Bliss, was born September 25, 1733; died July 14, 1814. He was married (first), April 7, 1757, to Tamar Dewey, who died November 29, 1769; he was married (second), April 30, 1770, to Grace Ford, daughter of Isaac Ford, of Hebron, who died October 15, 1829. Seven children were born of the first marriage and ten of the second marriage.

(V) Benjamin Bliss, son of Ellis and Grace (Ford) Bliss, born in Hebron, Connecticut, July 11, 1776, died July 24, 1858. He was married, September 2, 1801, to Lydia Strong, daughter of David and Amy (Carver) Strong. She was born December 13, 1782, and died May 19, 1831. He married (second), November 4, 1832, Sally Bliss Phelps, who died September 22, 1837. He was afterwards twice married, his fourth marriage occurring August 24, 1845, to Lydia Davis. There were no children of the last two marriages; six were born of the first marriage and one of the second.

(VI) John Flavel Bliss, son of Benjamin and Lydia (Strong) Bliss, of Hebron, was born August 23, 1806; and died in Owego, New York, September 18, 1836. He was married on February 18, 1830, to Mary Ann Porter, daughter of Judah and Anna (Mann) Porter, born May 20, 1810, died December 19, 1852. They were the parents of George Porter and John Homer Bliss.

(VII) George Porter Bliss, son of John Flavel and Mary Ann (Porter) Bliss, was born in Hebron, Connecticut, November 18, 1830, and was a carpenter by trade. He enlisted in the First Connecticut Light Battery in the Civil War as a private, and was mustered into the United States service as quartermaster-sergeant on October 26, 1861. He was promoted second lieutenant, May 12, 1863, and first lieutenant, May 25, 1864. He was in the engagements at James Island, South Carolina, July 16, 1863; Chester Station, Virginia, May 10, 1864; Proctor's Creek, Virginia, May 14, 15, 16, 1864; Bermuda Hundred, Virginia, May and June, 1864; Ware Bottom Church, Virginia, June 16, 1864; Grover House,



Virginia, July 26, 1864; Deep Bottom, Virginia, August 14, 1864; before Petersburg, Virginia, August 30 to September 23, 1864; near Chapins Bluff, Virginia, October 7, 1864; Darbytown Road, Virginia, October 13, 1864. After the Civil War, George Porter Bliss went to Springport, Michigan, where he worked at his trade of carpenter for several years. He came to Northampton, in 1873, and located in Florence. He became associated with the Nonotuck Silk Mills, and had charge of their out door work. He possessed superior ability and was a man of more than ordinary attainments. He was postmaster at Florence for a number of years; a member of the Republican City Committee; councilman and alderman; a member of the Board of Health; a committee member for the building of the Northampton High School; a member of William L. Baker Post, Grand Army of the Republic; and of Wooster Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Colchester, Connecticut. He was also a member of the Florence Congregational Church. Mr. Bliss was a man of refinement in manner and feeling; of a kindly disposition; of Christian principles, and was greatly respected for his moral worth, his integrity and honor in all transactions.

He was married, May 11, 1865, to Susan V. Crane, born May 25, 1843. They were the parents of: 1. Homer Crane, subject of this record. 2. Alfred Theodore, who died without issue in 1919. 3. George Harvey, who married, in 1894, Robina Mouat, of Chicago. To them were born five children: George L.; Jessie G.; Lucile R.; Elizabeth, who died in infancy; and Florence E. George L. Bliss, the first child, was graduated from the Northampton (Massachusetts) High School, and from the University of Pennsylvania. During the World War he served as second lieutenant in the 316th United States Infantry and as first lieutenant, commanding Company I of that regiment in the heavy fighting in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, Troyon Sector and the Grand Montagne Offensive. During these drives the regiment lost 1936 men in killed, wounded and missing. Lieutenant Bliss was promoted to captain and returned to the States in command of Company M, of the same regiment. He is now serving as a major in the 71st Regiment, New York National Guard. George L. Bliss is vice-president of the Franklin Society for Home Building and Savings, located at No. 15 Park Row, New York City. He married Corinne Sawyer, of Northampton, and they have one son, George D. 4. Anna Maria, who married Louis C. Phelps, and they have one daughter, Barbara Bliss Phelps.

(VIII) Homer Crane Bliss came to Florence, Massachusetts, with his parents when five years old. He was educated in the public schools of Florence and Northampton, and was graduated from the high school in 1885, and soon after was engaged as a clerk in the offices of the Nonotuck Silk Mills, the name becoming afterwards the Corticelli Silk Mill. Mr. Bliss has worked up to the office of assistant treasurer of that corporation. He has had forty years of continuous service with the company. Mr. Bliss is a vice-president and trustee of the Florence Savings Bank; a director in the First National Bank, of Northampton; a director

of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; a member of the Board of Public Works; has served in the City Council; and was a member of the License Commission for nine years. He is a member of the Northampton Historical Society; a trustee of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital; a director of the Community Chest, and an associate member of the Florence Congregational Church. Fraternally he is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; and is a thirty-second degree Mason. He is a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Boston; a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Northampton Club. Mr. Bliss always has taken an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the community.

On October 27, 1896, Homer Crane Bliss married Eleanor M. Guilford, of Northampton, daughter of Austin and Lydia J. (Field) Guilford. They have no children. His home is at No. 9 Park Street, Florence, Massachusetts.

**AZEL A PACKARD**—While it is unreservedly declared by his host of friends and acquaintances that Azel A. Packard's life commanded a far-reaching business influence and respect because of the comprehensive knowledge that he possessed concerning the lines of practical enterprise that he had mapped out for successful procedure, he also won and maintained an even greater degree of public good-will and esteem and the friendship of more intimate circles due entirely to his benign and kindly personality. His whole-hearted and well-poised system permeated all his dealings, and progressively regulated and directed his plans and work. A leader in the mercantile activities of Springfield, Massachusetts, he had won his right to that position by proven ability to perform with completeness the duties of every position even from that of errand boy to the executive head of the firm of Meekins, Packard & Wheat. It was by means of the exemplification of such qualities as these that Mr. Packard attained honored place as one of the leading business men of New England, and made the firm which he represented a peerless one in its field. He was a son of Bradley and Mary (Webster) Packard, his paternal ancestry being among the first-comers to New England.

The Packard family in America dates from early Colonial times, tracing its descent from Samuel Packard, immigrant ancestor, who came to New England with his wife and one child in the ship "Diligent," of Ipswich, John Martin, master, in 1638. He came from Windham, a small hamlet near Hingham, Norfolk County, England, settled in Hingham, Massachusetts, and removed about 1660 to Bridgewater, Massachusetts, where he held office in 1664, and was licensed to keep an ordinary in 1670. His sons, and probably himself, were soldiers under Captain Benjamin Church in King Philip's War, 1675-1676. His will was dated 1684. Children: 1. Elizabeth, born in England. 2. Samuel, Jr., born in Hingham. 3. Zaccheus. 4. Thomas, born in Hingham, living in Bridgewater in 1673. 5. John, of further mention. 6. Nathaniel. 7. Mary, married



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Richard Phillips. 8. Hannah, married Thomas Randall. 9. Israel. 10. Jael, married John Smith. 11. Deborah, married Samuel Washburn. 12. Deliverance, married Thomas Washburn, brother of Samuel.

The line descends through son John, born in Hingham; his son Joseph, his son Joseph, his son Timothy, his son Joseph, to Bradley, of further mention.

Bradley Packard, son of Joseph Packard, was born June 23, 1808, and died March 5, 1881. He married, December 2, 1831, Mary Webster, who died June 2, 1860. Their children were: Frances Submit, John Bond, Elvira E., and Azel A., of further mention, youngest of the family of four.

Azel A. Packard, son of Bradley and Mary (Webster) Packard, was born on a farm in Conway, Massachusetts, September 22, 1849, and he received his education in the public schools of his native town. At the age of fourteen years he left Conway to enter the employ of Azel D. Matthews & Sons, dry goods merchants of Brooklyn, New York, as errand boy. Nine months later he returned to Conway, and reëntering the local academy, completed his studies there in two years. After graduation, he became a clerk in a country store in Conway, for a time, but soon went to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he was employed for six years in the carpet department of the dry goods store of T. D. Root and Company, where his cousin and future partner, Emory Meekins, was also a clerk. In 1871, Emory Meekins took charge of the carpet department of the store of Tinkham and Company in Springfield, then the largest dry goods store in the Connecticut Valley. A few months later he found a place for Mr. Packard in the Tinkham store. There they remained for four years, Mr. Meekins as a partner for the last two years, and Mr. Packard as a clerk. In 1875, Mr. Meekins disposed of his interests in the Tinkham store, and with a working capital of \$5,000 at his command, proposed that his cousin become his partner in a business venture. Mr. Packard consenting, the firm of Meekins and Packard was formed to conduct a business in carpets and house-furnishing goods, the new firm renting a store in the Main Street Building formerly occupied by the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, and now owned and wholly occupied by Charles Hall. Predictions were freely made that they would fail in a year. The young merchants, however, not only did not fail, but prospered so well that in a short time they were looking for larger quarters. Upon the completion of the Third National Bank Building at Main and Hillman streets, then the most imposing structure on Main Street, and popularly known as the Evans Hotel Block, Meekins and Packard took a lease of the two stores on the south side for a period of five years, the combined area of the two stores being only 5,000 square feet. From that small beginning, the business has expanded until it now occupies six acres of floor space, with an increase into millions of dollars, annually. A few years after starting in the new location, the firm occupied the entire building and subsequently the business overflowed into three connected six-story buildings on Hillman Street, with a frontage of four hundred and fifty-six feet. In the spring and summer of 1924 the lower floor on the Main Street

side was completely changed and greatly improved and it is now one of the most imposing of the business blocks in the city. In later years, William G. Wheat, who had been a clerk for Meekins and Packard almost from the beginning, was admitted as a partner, and the firm name was changed to Meekins, Packard & Wheat. In 1900, upon the death of Emory Meekins, Mr. Packard and Mr. Wheat bought out his interests, and they continued the business under the old style for fifteen years. In 1915, because of the declining state of his health, Mr. Packard expressed a desire to retire from active business. Accordingly, a corporation was formed, of which Mr. Packard became a director, and continued as such until his death. Mr. Packard possessed an immense power for hard, painstaking work. He had always had direct oversight of the furniture department of the large store, and while he had fully borne his share in building up the business, under his direction the furniture department became one of the largest of its kind in New England. His judgment in furniture values particularly was unerring, and he made frequent trips to the Middle West to replenish the furniture stocks required by the firm. The influence of the important establishment which Mr. Packard had so large a share in building up is a telling one in the community. Up-to-date methods, combined with a wise conservatism, have ever characterized the business policy followed by Mr. Packard and his partners.

In his social relations, Mr. Packard was genial, frank, and lovable. While he was a member of the leading clubs of Springfield, he took a very active interest in, and for many years was a member of the board of directors of various charitable organizations of the city, and he gave generously of his means for their support. Not only was he deeply interested in the welfare of such organizations, but he was ever ready to listen to any appeal for aid, and it was a pleasure for him to be of assistance to those who for one reason or another had become unfortunate. His charities, while generous, were unostentatious, as scores who were thus aided might testify; he was a man of noble impulses, and he will be remembered not only as a business leader, but as one who performed good deeds throughout his life. A Springfield newspaper, at the time of his passing, thus voiced the sentiment of the community in regard to the man:

In the passing of Azel A. Packard, Springfield loses one of its fine citizens, a man who during his long residence here made a large contribution to the city's progressive development. In a quiet, unostentatious way, he took a deep interest in civic affairs, and in every movement having for its object the welfare of the community. He was not a man to push himself forward, but his willingness to help whenever called upon, his breadth of view and his sound judgment, earned for him a secure place in the regard and confidence of his fellow-citizens. His gracious manner, his poise, and his kindly sympathy endeared him to a host of friends.

Mr. Packard enjoyed "The Birches," his beautiful summer estate at East Longmeadow, Massachusetts; he was very fond of the outdoor life, and took a great interest in horses, having been owner of a number of animals of fine breed. He was keenly interested in all civic questions, and the higher interests of Springfield

were ever near his heart, and at one time he served as a member of the Park Commission. He was a member of the board of directors of the City Library Association; was vice-president of the Springfield Institute for Savings, and president of the Springfield Mutual Fire Assurance Company. For many years he was a member of the First Congregational Church, and was active in the work of its parish committee; but some years later he joined the South Congregational Church and served as a member of its board of deacons and of its parish committee, always taking an active interest in that up to the time of his death.

Azel A. Packard married (first), June 17, 1874, Mary Vilas, daughter of the late Cyrus K. and Mathilda Vilas, of Alstead, New Hampshire. She died in 1890, and he married (second), June 15, 1909, Isabelle Young, daughter of the late Frank R. and Isabel (Stowe) Young, of Springfield. To the first marriage one daughter was born, who died in infancy.

Mr. Packard died in Springfield, May 11, 1923, at the age of seventy-four years. A sincere tribute was paid to Mr. Packard when his long-time partner, William G. Wheat, was interviewed by a representative of the "Springfield Union." Recalling Mr. Packard's last visit to the big department store, Mr. Wheat said: "We have been here as partners for thirty-seven years, and never has a disagreeable word been spoken between us. His was a beautiful character." What more fitting tribute could be given to such a life at its passing?

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**JOHN F. MALLEY** is well and widely known throughout Western Massachusetts as a lawyer of proved ability, and as an efficient Federal official, and while he no longer makes his home in that part of the State, being now a resident of Newton Center, his business and family connections have kept him still a part of his native Springfield. Mr. Malley was born in that city on January 29, 1878, a son of James and Mary A. (Connelly) Malley. He received his early education in the public schools there, and was graduated from the Springfield High School in June of 1896. After a few years of study and practical experience in the office of the late attorney Daniel E. Leary, Mr. Malley matriculated at the Yale Law School, which awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Laws, *magna cum laude*, in the year 1902. In the following fall he was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts, at Springfield, and immediately began the practice of his chosen profession in his home city, where he successfully built up a large and important clientage. He also became deeply interested in politics, and thereafter, during his residence in Springfield, was closely allied with the activities of the Democratic party, local, State and National, serving for a time as chairman of the Democratic City Committee. At a special election in March, 1910, he was elected to the State Senate, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Thomas S. Walsh, to which office he was reelected at the regular State election held in November, of that year, for the full 1911 term. As a member of the upper branch of the Legislature he rendered distinguished service to the Commonwealth and urged the enactment of much im-

portant legislation. In February, 1913, he received from Governor Eugene N. Foss an appointment as special justice of the Springfield Police Court, but he held the judgeship for only a brief period of time, for the reason that in October, 1913, he was chosen by the late President Woodrow Wilson, to be United States Collector of Internal Revenue for the District of Massachusetts, a post which he filled with great ability until October, 1919, when he resigned in order to resume the practice of law. At the present time (1926) he maintains law offices at No. 15 State Street in Boston, in association with John N. O'Donohue, besides being connected in Springfield with his brother, Thomas C. Malley, a sketch of whom follows, the offices in both places giving special attention to the handling of tax matters. Fraternally, Mr. Malley is affiliated with Springfield Lodge, No. 61, of the Bevenolent and Protective Order of Elks, in which order he has attained considerable prominence, being a Past Exalted Ruler of the local lodge, and for several years past has been chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Grand Lodge. He is likewise a member of the Knights of Columbus, and also holds membership in the Hampden County Bar Association, the Western Massachusetts Yale Alumni Association, the City Club of Boston, the Commonwealth Country Club, of Newton, and various other social and civic organizations.

John F. Malley was married at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, on May 12, 1914, to Marion L. Coogan, a daughter of William and Harriet (Claffy) Coogan, well known and highly respected residents of that community. Mr. and Mrs. Malley are the parents of four children: John F. Malley, Jr., Jean Louis Malley, William C. Malley, and Marion Alice Malley. They are members of the Roman Catholic Church.

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**THOMAS C. MALLEY**—A well equipped lawyer is serving his community well, while he often furthers his own interests. In their tangles and difficulties they come straight to the man they trust, whose clear thinking, wide knowledge, and humanity are put generously at their service. Thomas C. Malley has thus made himself invaluable in his home community of Springfield, Massachusetts. The son of James and Mary A. (Connelly) Malley, he was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, December 11, 1881, where his father was a merchant. His mother came from New Haven. Educated in the public schools of Springfield and in the Central High School there, he received the degree of Bachelor of Law from Yale University Law School with the class of 1910. He was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1910, and immediately started practice with his brother, John F. Malley, a sketch of whom precedes, at No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. A Democrat, he was appointed a Special Justice of the District Court of Springfield by former Governor David I. Walsh, in June, 1914, and served in that capacity for very nearly eleven years, during which time he threw the whole force of his heart and acute mind into his work and gave a model administration to the office. In January, 1925, however, he resigned in order that he might give his undivided attention to his law practice, in which he specializes to a large extent in tax matters.



Mr. Malley is allied with the pleasantest and most progressive clubs of his city. Besides being a member of the Hampden Bar Association he belongs to the Western Massachusetts Yale Alumni Association, the Nayasset Club, the University Club, the Springfield Country Club, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In the matter of religion, he is of the Roman Catholic faith.

**JOSEPH REED BURGESS**, superintendent of schools of Monson, is one of the best known educators of Hampden County and Western Massachusetts. A man of wide education and excellent knowledge of his profession, he has held innumerable responsible and important pedagogical positions in the county, the State, and in Maine, and he is now one of the most highly esteemed members of the teaching profession. He is an active citizen and club and fraternal man of the town and county and is generally recognized as a leader of the pedagogical fraternity.

Joseph Reed Burgess was born in Rockland, May 21, 1893, the son of Horatio B. Burgess, a sole leather buyer, who successively held the posts of chief of fire department and chief of police department in Rockland, and Georgianna Burgess. Joseph Reed Burgess was educated in the public schools of his native town, in the Rockland High School and he took his pedagogical studies in the Bridgewater Normal School, going through all the courses, including the advanced normal subjects. He completed his education in Harvard University. He had been teaching school but a short time when he was appointed principal of the Eastham Grammar School at Eastham, where he remained several years. He then became principal of the Longfellow and Emerson schools at Sanford, Maine, after which he was principal of the Sawyer School, in Gloucester, Massachusetts. His next position was that of assistant superintendent of schools of the Agawam and Ludlow districts, of Hampden County, and soon after he resigned to become superintendent of schools of Monson, Hampden County.

Mr. Burgess is a member of the John Cutler Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Abington, the Pilgrim Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons, the Abington Council of the Royal and Select Masters, and the Bethlehem Commandery of the Knights Templar. He also belongs to several educational clubs and social organizations.

Mr. Burgess married Doris R. Price, daughter of Alexander Price, Jr., and Etta Price, in Fairhaven, June 26, 1921. They have one son, Price Bradford Burgess, born February 26, 1923. The Burgess family lives at Palmer Road, Monson.

**WILLIAM EDWARD JEFFWAY**—To the prosperous activities of the electrical business at Easthampton, in which William Edward Jeffway is engaged in company with his brother, Harry Joseph Jeffway, he has brought the results of a varied and practical experience in the employ of a number of concerns engaged both in general manufacturing and in horticulture and orcharding, as well as in electrical matters. A veteran of the World War, he served in the Ordnance Depart-

ment overseas, and shared with his comrades in a number of important engagements on battlefields in France. He is prominent in the community and social life of Easthampton, and is highly regarded by his associates and patrons in his business life.

Mr. Jeffway is a descendant of early French settlers in Canada, his name having been spelled Geoffroy, according to the genealogical dictionary of L'Abbe-Tanguay. Nicholas Geoffroy came to Canada from France before 1679; he married Ursule Pepin, and is thought to be the progenitor of families bearing that name in Canada.

Jeremiah Geoffroy (as he spelled the name), grandfather of Mr. Jeffway, was born March 30, 1803, in Canada, and he died at Chateaugay, New York, February 7, 1876, his father having died at St. Martin's, Canada, when he was fifty-two years old. There were two other sons, namely, Vincent and Francis. Jeremiah lived at St. Martin's and at Black River, Canada, afterwards removing to Chateaugay, New York, where he engaged in farming to the time of his death; and it was after the arrival of the family to the United States that the name was changed to Jeffway. He married Theresa Boutilier, the name later being changed to Butler. She was born in 1823, and died in January, 1909. Their children: Jeremiah; William and Priscilla, both deceased; Columbia, married Leon Coopee; Adolphus, of whom further; Edward; Delia, married Israel Tacy; Josephine, married Joseph Boucher; Lucy, married Cyren Duchesne; and Joseph, deceased.

Adolphus Jeffway was born August 20, 1859, in Chateaugay, New York, where he attended the public schools. When he was nineteen years old he went to Colorado, and remaining there a year, he returned to his home town, where he engaged in farming and raised horses and cows. Removing to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, about 1902, he remained there a short time and then bought and cultivated a farm in Easthampton, afterwards disposing of his property and entering the employ of the United Button Company. Since 1912 he has become watchman and night operator of boilers at the plant of the Easthampton Rubber Thread Company. He has served as a member of the Board of School Trustees, and as an excise commissioner. Mr. Jeffway married, February 7, 1886, Mary E. Bergevin, who was born at St. Martin's, Canada, daughter of Charles and Elmira (Demars) Bergevin. Their children: 1. William Edward, of whom further. 2. Mary, married Raymond Menard. 3. Harry Joseph, a sketch of whom follows this. 4. Alfred, married Marie Hargraves, and they have a daughter, Marie Ernestine.

William Edward Jeffway was born July 19, 1891, at Chateaugay, New York, and he attended the public schools there and at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and Easthampton, Massachusetts; and he entered upon his business career in the employ of the West Boylston Mills, at Easthampton. He was then successively employed by the William A. Rogers Cutlery Company, of Bay State; by the United Button Company, at Easthampton; for five years with a coöperative grocery; and for three years he was engaged in setting out and renovating orchards, in the employ of E. Cyrus Miller,

of Haydenville, orchardist. In 1916 Mr. Jeffway entered the employ of the Westinghouse Company, and he remained with that firm until December 12, 1917, when he enlisted in the World War. After his return from the war, Mr. Jeffway for a time was employed by the Fisk Rubber Company, of Chicopee Falls. On March 20, 1920, with his brother, Harry J. Jeffway, he former a partnership under the name of the Jeffway Electrical Shop, at Easthampton, and in which they have been eminently successful, as they are men of talents in their line, as well as of pleasing personality, and have built up a reputation of fair dealing with the public.

Upon his enlistment in the World War, Mr. Jeffway joined the Ordnance Department of the United States Army, and was successively assigned to Fort Slocum, New York; December 25, 1917, Camp Upton, Long Island; March 1, 1918, to Watervliet Arsenal; May 10, to Camp Merritt. On May 25, 1918, Mr. Jeffway was assigned to overseas service, landing at Bordeaux and proceeding at once to Mehun, France, where his company erected eleven buildings in two months; and he was in Is-sur-Tille from August to October, and in the following months to December 1, in the region north of Belleforte, and on the Metz Sector. To May 10, 1919, Mr. Jeffway was located in the training area at Gendercourt; and from there he went to La Suze and St. Nazaire, where he left for home arriving at Newport News in June, 1919, with the title of sergeant of ordnance. Mr. Jeffway is a member of the Knights of Columbus; Improved Order of Red Men; and is a Past Commander of the local Post of the American Legion.

William Edward Jeffway married, August 16, 1920, Grace Elizabeth Fitzgerald, of Chicopee Falls, daughter of Patrick J. and Elizabeth (Kennedy) Fitzgerald.

**HARRY JOSEPH JEFFWAY**—Few men engaged in the electrical construction and contracting business in this part of the State have been trained in so practical and, indeed, in so high grade a school of experience in electrical work as Harry Joseph Jeffway, who not only has an established repute for unrivalled excellence in his Easthampton business, but who throughout the World War was on duty at submarine bases of the greatest responsibility as an electrician, afterwards also continuing in related lines for the United States Government in the shipyards. Mr. Jeffway is an expert in all matters electrical; he has built up an extensive business in company with his brother, William Edward Jeffway, a sketch of whom precedes this, and his popularity combines with his professional ability to secure his success. His ancestors came from France to America during the Colonial era; and the family name is an irreproachable one in matters of good citizenship and industry.

Adolphus Jeffway, a sketch of whose life appears in the preceding biography, was the father of Harry Joseph Jeffway, the subject of this review.

Harry Joseph Jeffway was born August 19, 1895, in Chateaugay, New York, where he attended the public schools, and he afterwards attended school in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and at Easthampton. After a

short season of employment in the mills at Easthampton, he began to engage in electrical work, and in the employ of others to 1917, at Hartford and Waterbury, Connecticut, and Pittsfield, Massachusetts. At the close of the World War, Mr. Jeffway, upon his discharge from the service, remained in New York to March, 1920, where he was engaged in electrical lines in the work of dismantling boats in the shipyards. On March 26, 1920, in company with his brother, William Edward, he bought out an electrical business in Easthampton, and they have conducted a very successful enterprise in repair and general construction and electrical contracting, this firm doing the electrical work on the Easthampton High School.

Faternally, Mr. Jeffway is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and of the American Legion, of whose local Post he is Second Vice-Commander.

Harry Joseph Jeffway married, August 31, 1921, Rena Moriarty, of Easthampton, daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Griffin) Moriarty. Their children: Francis W., who died in infancy; Rosemary; Harry Joseph, Jr.

**LEWIS I. BARTLETT**, president of the Springfield Motors Specialties Company, Incorporated, was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, May 3, 1887, the son of William Cornelius Bartlett and Harriet I. (Wolcott) Bartlett, of Holyoke. He is a great-great-grandson of Elijah Bartlett, who was a soldier of the Revolution. Elijah Bartlett, his son Oliver, his son Lewis H., and his son, William C., were all of Northampton, Massachusetts. William C. Bartlett located in Springfield, in 1873, and after a successful career as builder withdrew to engage in the automobile business. He died in 1923. He was the victim of a peculiar accident about forty years ago, which apparently had no bearing in regard to his death. While a carpenter and working at his trade, he fell from a building in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and had a piece of timber thrust entirely through his body. His life then was despaired of, but surgical and hospital work saved him.

The Bartlett family of New England dates back to Richard Bartlett, a native of Wiltshire, England, where he was born in 1575. He was able to trace descent through twelve generations of Englishmen to Adam Bartlett, an esquire who came to England in the train of William the Conqueror, had estates in Sussex, and died and was buried in Stopham. The family bore arms, and in the sixteenth century a crest was granted them, viz.: A swan in commemoration of the right granted Sir John Bartlett to keep Swans on the River Arum. From this ancestor descended a numerous and influential family, including Josiah Bartlett, of New Hampshire, a member of the Continental Congress and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Robert Bartlett, his descendant, was in Cambridge in 1632; moved to Northampton in 1655, and was killed by the Indians in 1676. Elijah Bartlett, of Northampton, was among his descendants. Oliver Bartlett, son of Elijah Bartlett, was born in the city of Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1793, and died there January 2, 1857. He was a millwright by trade and, as the result of an





*Rev. D. Bartlett*



accident, was so badly crippled that he was helpless for the last twenty years of his life. He married Eunice Munyon, and they were the parents of eight children: Augustine, born October 17, 1814; Chauncey, born December 27, 1816; Lewis H.; Jane, born April 15, 1822; Catherine, born February 27, 1824; Oliver W., born March 9, 1826; Anson, born October 7, 1830; and Horace, born April 24, 1834. All since deceased.

Lewis H. Bartlett was born in Northampton, May 23, 1819, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, in 1892. He learned the carpenter's trade and until 1869 continued in the contracting business in Northampton. In 1869 he moved to Westfield, Massachusetts, and went from there to a farm he purchased in West Holyoke, remaining there until his death. He was a man of clear brain and mind, deeply interested in educational matters, and took an active part in the Lyceum debates common at the time in rural communities. He married Julia Ann Jane Hastings, of Northampton, daughter of Ozias Hastings. They were the parents of: 1. Helen M., born in 1846, married Ashley W. Dickinson, since dead; she resides in Westfield. 2. Chauncey I., born in 1849. 3. William Cornelius, of whom further. 4. Dwight. 5. Elizabeth, born in 1856, since dead. 6. Minnie, born October 21, 1859, married A. S. Eldridge, of Westfield. 7. Lewis H., Jr., born June 3, 1861. 8. George O., born July 7, 1864, died in 1925. Lewis H., Jr., George O., and William C., are residents of Springfield.

William Cornelius Bartlett was born in Northampton, October 18, 1852, and was there educated in the public schools. After leaving school he passed four years with his father, learning the trade of carpenter, and following that service with four years more passed in learning the trade of mason. This trade he followed in different places until 1883, when at thirty-one years of age he came to Springfield. He engaged in the carpenter and builders trade for a number of years, and with his brothers organized the firm of Bartlett Brothers, who executed many large contracts for building and other construction. Among the important buildings they erected while William C. Bartlett was an active member of the firm were: Holyoke Young Men's Christian Association; two paper mills in Holyoke; Warren Thread Mills, of Westfield; the Allen Brothers' Building, in Westfield; Taber Prang Art Company Building in Springfield, and many factories and dwelling houses in Westfield, Holyoke, and Springfield. Bartlett Brothers finally retired from the field as contracting builders, and engaged in business as dealers in lumber and builders' supplies. This continued until 1912, when the firm was dissolved. William C. Bartlett then engaged in the automobile business, and erected the Forest Park Garage at Belmont and Dickinson streets, and became general agent for the Oldsmobile Company, of Detroit. For several years he conducted the Forest Park Garage and agency successfully. He thereupon sold the entire business and organized the Springfield Motor Specialties Company, Incorporated, becoming president and treasurer. During the years 1893, 1894, and 1895, Mr. Bartlett represented the ward where he lived as councilman in the Springfield City Government. He was a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and

Accepted Masons, and of De Soto Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, both of Springfield. Mr. Bartlett married (first), October 17, 1884, Harriet I. Wolcott, of Holyoke, a daughter of Noah and Lucy T. (Elsey) Wolcott. He married (second), Isabella Kendall. The children of the first marriage were: 1. Lucy I., twin with Lewis I. She married George H. Powers, who died in 1918, leaving two children, Florence B. and Doris I. 2. Lewis I., twin with Lucy I., of whom further.

Lewis I. Bartlett was educated in the public schools of Springfield and the Springfield High School. He engaged in business in 1911 with George H. Powers, his brother-in-law. They conducted the Forest Park Garage until the death of Mr. Powers in 1918. Mr. Bartlett also organized the Automotive Electrical Service Station, at No. 147 Chestnut Street, Springfield, which he has conducted to the present time. He is president of the Springfield Motor Specialties Company, Incorporated, while Charles I. Weston is vice-president, and Ralph S. Graves, treasurer. He is a Republican in politics, and was elected a member of the Common Council for the terms 1924, 1927, to represent Ward Seven of Springfield. He is on the important committee of City Property. He is a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; member of all Scottish Rite bodies, including the Consistory, thirty-second degree; of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Nayasset Club, the Kiwanis Club, and the Young Men's Christian Association. He attends Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, in Springfield.

Lewis I. Bartlett was married in Springfield, July 6, 1912, to Carrie E. Jones, born March 28, 1888, in Plymouth, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of Ebenezer Jones, born in Ballston Spa, New York, and of Mary (Frost) Jones, born in Albany, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett are the parents of Irving Henry Bartlett, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, February 2, 1923. Mr. Bartlett's business address is No. 147 Chestnut Street, Springfield.

**CHARLES E. MACKINTOSH**, president and treasurer of D. Mackintosh Sons Company, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and head of the great cotton dyeing industry his father founded, is widely known in Holyoke and a popular citizen. Mr. Mackintosh was born in that city on September 14, 1857. His grandsire, Donald Mackintosh, was a merchant in Edinburgh, Scotland, through a long term of years. He was born in Killen, Perthshire, and died in Edinburgh. His son, Donald Mackintosh, was born in Edinburgh in 1819 and died in Holyoke, September 27, 1902. His only brother, James Mackintosh, died in 1871. Completing his studies in Edinburgh, Donald Mackintosh served an apprenticeship of five years at the dyer's trade in one of the best mills in Paisley, Scotland, and became an expert in blending colors and dyeing cloth. He delved into the mysteries of the art and was as much a student of the chemistry of colors and dyes as he was the practical dyer for commercial results. He went from Paisley to Leeds, England, where for two years he was in charge of a dyeing plant. From Leeds he went to Kidderminster as superintendent of the dyeing department of the



famous carpet works of J. & G. Humphries, known as the Kidderminster Carpet Works. There he remained until 1843, when a representative of the Hartford Carpet Company of Hartford, Connecticut, sent abroad to obtain the services of a high class dyer to place in charge of their dyeing department, made arrangements with him to come to the United States as superintendent. He remained in charge of the dyeing department of the Hartford Company for eight years when the plant was destroyed by fire. Mr. Mackintosh returned to England; but the Hartford Carpet Company importuned him to return again to the United States to take charge of a new plant not yet erected. The company proved unable to carry out its plans and had no occasion for the services of the Scotch expert.

Mr. Macintosh soon received an offer from the Hampden Mills of Holyoke to take charge of their dyeing department. He assumed the duties in 1854, and for twelve years was in charge of the dye plant at the Hampden Mills. After that he began business in a small way under his own name. He succeeded and as he prospered he enlarged his plant, and was meeting with most gratifying success when another fire swept away his plant and his store of wealth. His Scotch pluck came to the rescue and he made a second start, this time in Northampton. Ere long he returned to Holyoke and began business on Bigelow Street. There his fortunes improved rapidly. Five years after he started the Hampden Mills failed and he bought the property where he had once been employed. To finance and operate so large a plant he organized the D. Mackintosh Sons Company. His partners, Colonel John G. Mackintosh and Charles E. Mackintosh, were his sons. Under the Mackintosh direction the Hampden Mills entered upon a new era of prosperity, greater than any they ever had known before. There many of the present methods of dyeing were first introduced. Mr. Mackintosh combined with his knowledge of dyeing an intimate knowledge of the best Scotch, English and American methods of manufacture, and with the aid of his capable sons, the mills ran without friction and the best results were obtained. Dyeing raw cotton in bulk was first practiced at the Hampden Mills by Mr. Mackintosh. Many other improvements in dyeing placed the mills among the largest cotton dyeing plants in the country. The founder continued at the head of D. Mackintosh Sons Company until his death and in all the realm of textile manufacturing he had no superior. He was one of the founders of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Holyoke and one of its wardens and strong supporters. He was devoted to his home, around which his happiness centred. He was highly esteemed and his rugged honesty never required an indorser, for it was apparent on its face.

Mr. Mackintosh was married in March, 1843, to Hannah Underwood, born in 1818, died 1892, daughter of Benjamin Underwood, of Kidderminster, England. They were the parents of four children: Colonel John G., since dead; James, since dead; Charles E., the subject of this sketch; and Henrietta, of Holyoke.

Charles E. Mackintosh was educated in the public and high schools of Holyoke. His first venture into

practical business was in banking with his brother, Colonel John G. Mackintosh, under the firm name of J. G. Mackintosh & Company, in Holyoke. When the business of his father was incorporated as D. Mackintosh Sons Company, he was elected president-treasurer, and his son, Don Mackintosh, was made assistant treasurer. Mr. Mackintosh is vice-president of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, of Holyoke, and is past chairman of the Park Board. He is a member of the Rotary Club; of the Chamber of Commerce; and of the Mount Tom Golf Club, of Holyoke. He is a director of the Springfield Safe Deposit Company; president of the Nonotuck Hotel Company, and interested in other Holyoke enterprises.

Mr. Mackintosh was married, October 22, 1882, at Holyoke, to Carrie B. Chase, born in Lockport, New York, October 11, 1858, daughter of Dr. Nathan B. Chase, born in 1813, died in 1888, and Sarah Branscomb Chase, born in Newmarket, New Hampshire, in 1825, and died in 1910. A few years ago a beautiful memorial window was unveiled in the western transept of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in memory of the long years of devoted service Mr. and Mrs. Chase had given to that church. The window, a companion for the Mackintosh window in the east transept of the church was a gift from Mrs. Carrie (Chase) Mackintosh and her sister, Jessie Sarah Chase. Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Mackintosh are the parents of: 1. Donald Chase, born September 19, 1885; general manager of D. Mackintosh Sons Company, married October 15, 1910, Helen Louise Cook, of Holyoke, daughter of Charles W. and Emma (Still) Cook; their children, Janet, born March 12, 1914; and Donald, born September 9, 1915. 2. Helen, the wife of Paul Stursburg, since dead. 3. Malcolm E. 4. Jessie C. 5. Henrietta.

**GEORGE HENRY ALLYN**—A resident of Holyoke, Hampden County, for more than half a century and prominently connected with his town's great growth and development during that period, as one of its leading and most expert realtors, Mr. Allyn was a descendant of an old and historic Connecticut family of English extraction. The first member of the family to settle in Massachusetts, was his great-grandfather, David Allyn, born October 23, 1759, at Allyn's Point, Connecticut, who came to Hampden County as a young man and settled in 1795 in Montgomery, which town, however, at that time was still part of Hampshire County. There he bought a large tract of timber lands near the reservoir, but after some years sold out and moved to the southern part of the town, where he continued to live to the time of his death, March 17, 1841. He married Desire Tyler, born at Preston, Connecticut, May 11, 1772, died Montgomery, Massachusetts, May 8, 1845. They were the parents of thirteen children, mostly born in Montgomery. One of the older sons, born while his parents were still residents of Connecticut, was David Allyn, born July 29, 1791, who had come to Montgomery with his parents as a small child and grew up there. He engaged in farming and lived for some time in Blandford, Hampden County, but returned later to Montgomery, where he died January

4, 1860. He married December 12, 1813, Joanna Barrett, born in Montgomery, December 19, 1791, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Bozworth) Barrett, died in Holyoke, Hampden County, June 29, 1878. Mr. and Mrs. David Allyn were the parents of twelve children: 1. Eunice Caroline, born July 1, 1815, died November 28, 1870. 2. Lewis Tyler, born July 31, 1817, died January 17, 1893. 3. Anderson, born August 2, 1819, died November 10, 1892. 4. Samuel Barrett, born May 31, 1821, died March 27, 1900. 5. Anna Delia, born June 26, 1823, died in 1898. 6. Mary Dow, born July 25, 1825, died December 10, 1905. 7. James Fowler, born August 18, 1827, died June 12, 1896. 8. Jane Elizabeth, born June 6, 1829, died August 15, 1848. 9. Harvey Wilbur, born September 13, 1831, died July 22, 1862. 10. Joseph Franklin, born September 29, 1833. 11. Henry Dwight, of whom further. 12. Edward Augustus, born October 27, 1837, died July 4, 1894.

The eleventh of these, Henry Dwight Allyn, born in Montgomery, Hampden County, October 13, 1835, grew to manhood in his native town, and later moved to Becket, Berkshire County, where he lived for some years. He came to Holyoke in 1866 and engaged there in the butcher business in which line he continued until 1888. In that year, together with his son, George Henry Allyn, he formed the firm of H. D. Allyn & Son for the conduct of a real estate business which he directed until his death in Holyoke, November 14, 1895. He was a member of the Congregational church, and married Isabella C. Parks, of Russell, Hampden County, who also died in Holyoke and, like her husband, was buried in Forestdale Cemetery.

George Henry Allyn, son of the above, was born in Becket, Berkshire County, February 25, 1862, but came to Holyoke with his parents as a child of four years. He was educated in the public and high schools of Holyoke, graduating from the latter in 1878, at which time he became associated with his father in the meat market conducted by the latter on Dwight Street. In 1888 father and son entered the real estate business, forming the firm of H. D. Allyn & Son with offices in the Marble Hall Hotel Building. After his father's death in 1895 he conducted the business alone for some years, but later took his oldest son, George Henry Allyn, Jr., into partnership. Still later, as they grew into manhood, two other sons also became associated with the business, now known as the Allyn Real Estate Agency, and these two younger sons have carried on the business, founded by their grandfather and father, since the death of the latter and of their oldest brother. The offices have always remained in their original location in the Marble Hall Building, and the business has been uniformly successful under the management of three successive generations of the same family.

Mr. Allyn was one of the best known real estate men in his vicinity and transacted a very large business in Holyoke, where he established for himself and his firm an enviable reputation for reliability, integrity and efficiency. In spite of his extensive business responsibilities he always took a deep and sincere interest in the progress and growth of Holyoke and its institutions and in the welfare of its people. He was of a very cheerful and kind disposition and always willing to hold out

a helping hand to those who had met with adversity. His knowledge of the early history of Holyoke was extensive and authoritative and he contributed a valuable and interesting article on Holyoke and its leading men to the thirtieth anniversary issue, covering the period from 1882 to 1912, published in 1912 by the Holyoke "Daily Transcript." He was a member of the Congregational Church and took an active and effective part in all of its activities.

Mr. Allyn married, in Holyoke, in 1884, Rachael S. Oliver, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, and daughter of John Ramsey and Margaret (Coyle) Oliver, both her parents being natives of Scotland and later residents of Wilmington, Delaware, where they died. Mr. and Mrs. Allyn were the parents of thirteen children: 1. George Henry, Jr., associated with his father until his death. 2. Isabelle Carolyn, died in young womanhood. 3. Bertha Loretta, secretary at North Adams Normal School. 4. Evelyn E., engaged in secretarial work with the Russell Paper Mill, Holyoke. 5. Mildred, died in infancy. 6. Stewart Ramsey, who is connected with the Allyn Real Estate Agency and saw service during the World War. 7. Oliver Edward, manager of the Allyn Real Estate Agency. 8. Henry Dwight, who died after having reached manhood. 9. Agnes Rachael, who resides at home. 10. Eunice Pearl, a school teacher at Athol, Worcester County. 11. Milicent J., teaching school at Glastonbury, Connecticut. 12. Lillian Lucy, a student at the State Normal School, Fitchburg, Worcester County. 13. Edward John, who died in childhood. The family home is at No. 3 River Terrace, Holyoke, where Mrs. Allyn and those of her children still at home have continued to reside since Mr. Allyn's death.

Mr. Allyn died at his home in Holyoke, March 23, 1917, and was buried in Forestdale Cemetery. Through his death his wife and children lost a loving and devoted father and husband, his many friends a genial, kind and faithful associate, and his community one of its most useful, progressive and substantial citizens. At the time of his death one of his intimate friends, P. J. Garvey, a leading lawyer of Holyoke, said of him: "George Allyn possessed such a wonderful mind and beautiful soul that any words of mine in tribute to his memory seem woefully inadequate. He was my close friend for more than twenty years and, although possessed of a brilliant mind, a most retentive memory, and unerring judgment and analysis, yet far and above all these that which appealed most to me was his sterling honesty and childlike modesty. His was a character which must leave its impress forever."

**HINSDALE SMITH**—Among the many families that can boast of long and honorable connection with the history of the New England States, especially Massachusetts, none is more worthy of mention than the Smith family. The name has appeared conspicuously in association with public and private affairs through more than three centuries.

(I) Richard Smith, immigrant ancestor, was born in England in 1617. He testified in September, 1684, that he was sixty-seven years old, that he came from Martha's Vineyard with his vessels, and did some work for his brother-in-law, Matthias Treat. He was admitted



a freeman in Wethersfield in 1669. He received the gift of a home lot from Richard Treat in October, 1649; owned land in New London in 1652; was collector in 1667; had a grant of land in Nayaug in 1672; was a contributor to the fund for the building of the meeting house; and was a soldier in King Philip's War. He married Rebecca Treat, and they were the parents of eight children, as follows: Richard; Esther, became the wife of John Strickland; Beriah, became the wife of Richard Fox; Bethia, became the wife of Joshua Stoddard; Jonathan; Samuel; Joseph, of whom further; and Benjamin.

(II) Joseph Smith, fourth son of Richard and Rebecca (Treat) Smith, resided for two or three years in Middletown, Connecticut, prior to 1654-55. He had a homestead recorded to him in Wethersfield in 1665, and later removed to Rocky Hill, where he was one of the first settlers. He received lands by the river side from the town. He married, about 1653, Lydia Huit, daughter of Thomas Huit. They were the parents of four children, as follows: Lydia, born 1654, became the wife of ——— Cole; Joseph, of whom further; Jonathan, born in August, 1663; Samuel, born in August, 1667. Joseph Smith died in 1673, and the inventory of his estate was taken November 25, 1673, amounting to four hundred and forty-one pounds, seven shillings, six pence. His wife was granted administration of the estate. Prior to the year 1687, Lydia (Huit) Smith became the wife of ——— Harris.

(III) Sergeant Joseph (2) Smith, eldest son of Joseph (1) and Lydia (Wright) Smith, was born in March, 1657-58, and died October 1, 1733, aged seventy-six years. He removed to Hadley, Massachusetts, about 1680, and was admitted a freeman in 1690. He had charge of the grist mill at Mill River, and he and his sons tended the mill most of the time during the Indian wars. It was a lonely spot, three miles north of the village, and it does not appear that he or his family spent the nights there until after the permanent peace with the Indians in 1726. After that he and his son, Benjamin Smith, each built a small house there. He was a cooper by trade. In 1696 he was appointed sealer of weights and measures, which position he filled until his death; in the same year he was appointed meat packer and gauger of casks; in 1681 he was among those taxed for the building of the Fort River bridge; he kept an inn in Hadley in 1696; served as selectman in 1696-1707-10, and a member of the school committee in 1720. Sergeant Smith married, February 11, 1681, Rebecca Dickinson, daughter of John Dickinson. She died February 16, 1731, aged seventy-three years. Eight children were born of this marriage: 1. Joseph, of whom further. 2. John, born October 24, 1684, died August 27, 1686. 3. John, born January 5, 1687. 4. Rebecca, born June 11, 1689; married, in February, 1712, Joseph Smith. 5. Jonathan, born October 28, 1691. 6. Lydia, born September 15, 1693; married, December 26, 1720, Joseph Chamberlain. 7. Benjamin, born January 22, 1696; married Elizabeth Crafts, died July 1, 1780. 8. Elizabeth, born December 22, 1701, died February 15, 1728.

(IV) Joseph (3) Smith, eldest son of Sergeant Joseph and Rebecca (Dickinson) Smith, was born in Hadley,

Massachusetts, November 8, 1681, and died October 21, 1767. He lived on the homestead, and gave his attention to the conduct of the grist mill. He succeeded his father as sealer of weights and measures, meat packer, and gauger of casks. He was also a cooper by trade. He participated in the fight with the Indians in Deerfield meadows, February 29, 1704. He served as selectman of Hadley in 1735-37. He married, in 1715, Sarah Alexander, who died January 31, 1768. Their children were as follows: 1. Alexander, of whom further. 2. Edward, born March 26, 1719. 3. Reuben, born April 2, 1721. 4. Sarah, born November 9, 1722; married, December 3, 1747, Windsor Smith; died September 1, 1772. 5. Thomas, born December 6, 1725.

(V) Alexander Smith, eldest son of Joseph (3) and Sarah (Alexander) Smith, was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, October 11, 1717, in the section of the town which later became Amherst. He was the proprietor of a tavern on West Street, south of the meeting house, from 1758 to 1783. His estate was among the largest in Amherst. He was elected surveyor at the first town meeting, and served in that capacity for many years. He was an active participant in the Indian War in 1754. Mr. Smith married, in 1743, Rebecca Warner, of Westfield, who died November 26, 1801, aged eighty-seven years. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith: 1. Nathaniel Alexander, born February 22, 1744. 2. Hannah, born January 12, 1746, became the wife of Oliver Lovell. 3. Joseph, born January 4, 1748, died January 22, 1748. 4. Joseph, of whom further. 5. Rebecca, born March 4, 1751, died March 10, 1752. 6. Rebecca, born December 3, 1753, died August 29, 1809; married (first) Lemuel Childs, (second) Martin Cooley. 7. Elias, born February 11, 1756. 8. Samuel, born September 4, 1758. Alexander Smith, died September 21, 1787.

(VI) Joseph (4) Smith, third son of Alexander and Rebecca (Warner) Smith was born April 11, 1750. He married Eunice Goodman, daughter of Nathan Goodman, of Hatfield, Massachusetts. Their children were as follows: 1. Nathan, born December 4, 1776. 2. Sereno, of whom further. 3. Docia, born September 16, 1783. 4. Parks, born September 2, 1788. 5. Chester, born October 12, 1791. 6. Joseph, born February 12, 1796.

(VII) Sereno Smith, second son of Joseph (4) and Eunice (Goodman) Smith, was born March 27, 1779, and died January 22, 1852. He served in the capacity of selectman of Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1841. He married, January 29, 1807, Betsey Stockbridge, daughter of David Stockbridge. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith: 1. Edmund, born December 19, 1808. 2. Theodocia, born May 26, 1810; married George Allen. 3. Chester, born March 22, 1811. 4. Maria, born February 19, 1813; married Francis Forward. 5. Elizabeth, born in May, 1816, died June 16, 1819. 6. Hinsdale, of whom further. 7. Rufus, died aged four months.

(VIII) Hinsdale Smith, third son of Sereno and Betsey (Stockbridge) Smith, was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, March 2, 1819, and died September 29, 1893. He received his education in Hopkins Academy, and when eighteen years of age went into the store of Harvey Root, of Feeding Hills, as clerk, and three







*Albert P. Langtry*

years later was admitted into partnership. Shortly after this, he began the business of packing leaf tobacco. A corporation was formed under the name of Smith, Palmer & Company, with offices in New York. In 1868 he took up his residence in Springfield, where he had a packing house on Hampden Street, and during this part of his business career, up to the year 1874, had as a partner James A. Bidwell, whose career is reviewed elsewhere in this work. He also owned a large farm in Feeding Hills. At the time of his death he was senior member of the firm of Hinsdale Smith & Company, of Hampden Street, Springfield, and No. 125 Maiden Lane, New York City. At one time Mr. Smith was quite active in political affairs; he was elected State Senator in 1866, and in 1880 was a member of the House of Representatives, representing the Fourth Hampden District. He was a member of the North Church.

Mr. Smith married, July 27, 1843, Lucy C. Root, of Feeding Hills, Massachusetts. She died September 13, 1865. Mr. Smith married (second) Pamela C. Eastman, born October 1, 1831, died 1875, daughter of Charles Eastman. Children of first wife: 1. Julia R., born August 8, 1844, died in June, 1901. 2. Albert Palmer, born October 22, 1846, died December 3, 1846. 3. Lucy M., born October 26, 1848; became the wife of Francis H. Stoddard, professor in the New York University. 4. Edmond Harvey, born September 16, 1851. 5. Frank Stockbridge, born September 10, 1853, died December 24, 1899. 6. Claribel Hinsdale, born December 11, 1863; attorney and librarian of Law Library, at Springfield, Massachusetts. Children of second wife: 1. Arthur Parks, born May 24, 1868. He now resides at Granby, Massachusetts. 2. Hinsdale, Jr., born September 10, 1869, resides at South Hadley, Massachusetts. 3. Bessie, died aged seven years. 4. Harry, died in infancy.

**ALBERT PERKINS LANGTRY**—For more than three decades, up to 1924, Albert Perkins Langtry, president of the Union Publishing Company, of Springfield, was the editor and publisher of the "Springfield Union" of that city. He made his paper one of the foremost of its kind in Central and Western Massachusetts, and has also rendered valuable service in public affairs, serving for ten years as secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and holding numerous other responsible official positions. He is also the author of the direct primary law in Massachusetts.

(I) Richard Langtry, grandfather of Albert Perkins Langtry, was born in Belfast, Ireland, and died in St. John's, New Brunswick, prior to 1860. He was an important factor there, and in Ireland was a man of affairs and possessed considerable property. He came to New Brunswick while he was still a comparatively young man. His children were: William, Richard, who married Sarah Holmes; Joseph, of further mention; George, who was killed in the Civil War; he was in the Second New Hampshire Regiment and took part in the battle of Bull Run; his children were: Sarah, who married John Jones; Charlotte, who married George Carsie, and Harriet M., who married George Dodds.

(II) Joseph Langtry, son of Richard Langtry, was born in Belfast, Ireland, in 1825, and died in Newton,

Massachusetts, in 1880, aged fifty-five years. He came to St. John's, New Brunswick, with his parents when he was but a child, and learned the trade of harness-maker in that city. When he was twenty-one years of age he came to Boston, Massachusetts, and engaged in business for himself. In the early fifties he went to the Pacific Coast, but later returned East, built a house at Newton Center, Massachusetts, where he continued to reside until the time of his death. He married Sarah Lakin, of East Boston, Massachusetts, and she died in 1875. Their children were: 1. Joseph H., born in 1854, died in 1903; was engaged in the saddlery and hardware business in Boston, and left a son, Chester. 2. Albert Perkins, of further mention.

(III) Albert Perkins Langtry, son of Joseph and Sarah (Lakin) Langtry, was born in Wakefield, Massachusetts, July 27, 1860. He received his education in the public schools of his native city and of Newton, Massachusetts, and when his school training was completed began his active career as a commercial traveler, representing the firm of E. L. Jones & Company, of Boston, soap manufacturers. He maintained that connection for a period of six years, and at the end of that time, while on a visit to friends in New York City, was induced to enter the newspaper business. He accepted a position as reporter on the "Brooklyn Union-Argus" and afterwards became a reporter on the "Brooklyn Union." Finding the work congenial, and meeting with a marked degree of success, he decided to continue in the newspaper business. He left the "Union" to become a reporter on the staff of the "Brooklyn Times," and three years later became the manager and Long Island editor of the "Times." Five years later he again made a change, this time removing to Springfield, Massachusetts, where he accepted a position as business manager of the "Springfield Union." A few years later he came into control of the "Union" and during the period of time which elapsed from the time he took over the management of the publication until he disposed of his interest in 1923, he has made of the "Union" a valuable property. Under his management the newspaper was enlarged from time to time and the plant greatly improved. Few newspapers outside of the metropolitan districts have so large a plant. About 1910 a Goss sextuple perfecting press and a battery of ten linotype machines were installed and other improvements were made. In a field in which competition is exceedingly strong, Mr. Langtry built up the circulation and standing of the "Union" until it ranked second to none in Western and Central Massachusetts.

Mr. Langtry is a prominent and influential Republican and his newspaper has been one of the bulwarks of the Republican party for the past fifteen years. In addition to the service rendered his party through his paper he has rendered active service in other ways. He has been a member of the Republican State Committee for a number of years, serving as secretary for two years; has been delegate to various nominating conventions of his party; was elected to represent his district in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, 1909-1910. He was chairman of the committee to build an extension to the State House, 1913; president of the National Association of Secretaries of State; and he has the honor



of being the author of the Direct Primary Law in Massachusetts. Mr. Langtry is a member of the Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Nayasset Club, Winthrop Club, and Realty Club.

On August 3, 1886, Albert Perkins Langtry married Sarah C. Spear, who was born January 19, 1862, daughter of George A. and Anetta (Harper) Spear, of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, where she was born. Mr. and Mrs. Langtry are the parents of one adopted daughter, Ruth Langtry, who married Alexander Thomas Skakle, April 6, 1918. Their children are: Janet, who died in infancy, and John Albert, born February 14, 1922.

**HUGH CARDINAL CRAWFORD**, president, secretary and manager of the Springfield Tool Company, was born in Stafford, Connecticut, in 1893, the son of Herbert Merrill and Jennie (Cardinal) Crawford. The name of Crawford, represented in the United States and Canada by many men who have been conspicuous in almost every field of human endeavor, is of Scotch origin wherever found, and although some of the immigrant ancestors of the name came to this country from the North of Ireland, and were of Scotch-Irish descent, the name was derived directly from Scotland.

(I) John Crawford was the immigrant ancestor of the branch of the family to which Hugh Cardinal Crawford belongs. He is likewise the ancestor of all the Crawfords who live in Union, Connecticut. Migrating from Scotland to the North of Ireland, he lived there until 1732, when he sailed from Belfast, Ireland, to Boston, Massachusetts, with his wife and four sons. At Sable Island a storm wrecked the vessel on which they were passengers, and Mrs. Crawford was among those who were drowned.

(II) Hugh Crawford, son of John Crawford, was nineteen when he arrived in America with the family. He settled in Newton, Massachusetts, and continued to live there until he settled in Union, Connecticut, in 1740, and bought land at his new home. He was a weaver by trade, and on record in 1743 as the owner of extensive lands. He was also a soldier in the Revolutionary War. While the hostile operations were in progress in the summer of 1776 in and around New York City, Samuel Crawford, a son of Hugh Crawford, became ill with camp fever. His brother, John, journeyed to camp and brought him home, caring for the stricken youth, with the assistance of his father, until he had recovered entirely. But they both contracted the fever and died on the same day, October 13, 1776. Hugh Crawford married Margaret Campbell, who came from England in 1731, and died August 8, 1808. They were the parents of Elizabeth, Sarah, Samuel, and John.

(III) Deacon Samuel Crawford, son of Hugh and Margaret (Campbell) Crawford, was born in Union, Connecticut, July 22, 1748, and died May 1, 1824. He was educated in the public schools of his native town. On the outbreak of the War of the Revolution, he enlisted and took part in many important engagements. He married, in 1771, and his wife died in 1793, leaving ten children.

(IV) John Crawford, second son and fourth child

of Samuel Crawford, was born April 17, 1777. He married, April 24, 1800, Susannah Hayward, daughter of Jonathan Hayward.

(V) Trenck Crawford, eldest son of John and Susannah (Hayward) Crawford, was born February 23, 1801. He married (first), January 1, 1829, Zida Webber, daughter of Bradley Webber, who died April 26, 1866. He married (second) Julia Chaffir. His children were: Ossian Trenck; William Merrill, of further mention; Liberty Webber; Susan Zida; and Susan Emily.

(VI) William Merrill Crawford, son of Trenck and Zida (Webber) Crawford, was born July 31, 1831. After attending the public schools of his native district, he learned the trade of carpenter and lived for a time in Southbridge. He removed to Stafford Springs, where he was the proprietor of a sash and blind factory. At a later period he engaged in the hardware business as traveling salesman, a pursuit he followed until well along in years. He died at Stafford Springs at the age of seventy-eight. He married, October 9, 1854, Jeanette Almida Potter, daughter of David Potter, of Union, Connecticut. Their children were: Lillian Potter; Herbert Merrill, of further mention; and William Liberty.

(VII) Herbert Merrill Crawford, son of William Merrill and Jeannette Almida (Potter) Crawford, was born at Stafford Springs, in 1864, and died at forty-two years in 1906. He attended the public schools, and after completing the high school course he assisted his father in the manufacture of flavoring extracts. He went to Chicago, Illinois, where he was engaged in the wholesale fish business, but after gaining experience in that line he returned to Stafford Springs and again became associated with his father in business, the manufacture and sale of Crawford extracts. He was an active man to the time of his death; a good citizen and highly esteemed by numerous friends and associates. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a member of the Congregational Church of Stafford Springs. His wife, Jennie (Cardinal) Crawford, of Plattsburg, New York, died in 1899. Their children were: George, and Hugh Cardinal, of further mention.

(VIII) Hugh Cardinal Crawford, son of Herbert Merrill and Jennie (Cardinal) Crawford, received his early education in the public schools of Stafford Springs and Springfield, and entered the Bay Path Business College, in Springfield, where he continued his studies during 1912. He joined the Hart Manufacturing Company of Hartford, Connecticut, where he remained for a time, after which he passed two years in travel, crossing to the Pacific Coast. He came to Springfield in 1913 and entered the employ of the Ludlow Manufacturing Association in the efficiency department. This connection he maintained until his removal to Auburn, New York, where he was connected with the Columbia Rope Company. In 1917, when the country entered the World War, Mr. Crawford enlisted in the United States Navy and was sent to Pelham Bay, New York, to serve as instructor in the naval training station there, in which capacity he served for fourteen months. He was finally sent on foreign service. After the war he as-

sociated himself with the Marlin Rockwell Company, of New York, remaining with that concern until 1919. In that year he was made secretary, assistant treasurer and manager of the Springfield Tool Company. In August, 1922, he ceased to be assistant treasurer and became president, holding the offices of secretary and manager. The company manufactures tools for carpenters and wood workers. Its beautiful plant, equipped with the most modern machinery and implements, stands on Paige Boulevard, East Springfield. Under the able and vigorous management of Mr. Crawford the company is steadily enlarging and adding constantly to its large business. Mr. Crawford is a Republican in political sympathies. He is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Crawford married, in September, 1918, Caroline W. Willis, of Springfield, daughter of Charles W. and Mary (Fuller) Willis, and granddaughter of Earl Swift and Harriet (Ward) Willis. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are the parents of three children: Hugh Cardinal, Jr., born January 11, 1920; Janet Fuller, born September 14, 1921; and Elizabeth Marie, born November 20, 1923.

**JOHN A. C. STEVENSON**, treasurer of the Springfield Tool Company, is one of the younger generation of able business executives in the manufacturing center of New England. He was born May 7, 1892, the son of John Stevenson, Jr., a native of Glasgow, Scotland; and of Elizabeth (Carter) Stevenson, born in Virginia.

Mr. Stevenson's birthplace was Sharon, Pennsylvania, where he attended the public schools and a private school. This was followed by the preparatory course at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire. He entered Yale University and was graduated in 1913 with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. He engaged in the business he has followed, in 1916, the Springfield Tool Company, having as its president Hugh C. Crawford. It manufactures all carpenters' tools and tools for special machine work and also for general machine work. Mr. Stevenson served in the army in the World War with distinction and was honorably discharged at the termination of hostilities. He is a member of the Colony Club, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and the National Metal Trades Association. In politics he is a Republican.

**CLEMENCE CHARLES BUCKNER**—An able and efficient public official, faithful and devoted to the interests of the Easthampton Board of Health, and to those of the constabulary with which he is associated, Clemence Charles Buckner has resided in this township nearly all his life, and is known both to industrial and civic affairs as a man of representative citizenship. He is a son of Clemence Buckner, who was born in Coburg, Germany, in 1821, and died April 27, 1871, in Northampton, and whose father was a manufacturer in Germany. Clemence Buckner attended the public schools and college in his native town, and he then went to work in his father's mill. Coming to America in the fifties, he at first work in the Lancaster Mills at Clinton, Massachusetts, and he was later employed in South Hadley Falls

mills as a designer. Removing to Easthampton about 1863, he became an American citizen, and he was employed in the mills of the Glendale Elastic Fabric Company to the time of his death.

Clemence Buckner married, in Clinton, Christina Hannah, who was born in Scotland, and died August 22, 1909, at the age of seventy-seven years, daughter of John and Mary (Kennedy) Hannah. Their children: 1. George Stephen, died February 12, 1916; had served as tax collector in Easthampton, was engaged in the real estate and insurance business, and from 1891 to the time of his death was chief of police of Easthampton. He married Amelia Fogle, and they had twin daughters, Mabel and May. 2. Margaret, who is now deceased; she married George Hall. 3. Clemence, of whom further. Two children died in infancy.

Clemence Charles Buckner was born July 5, 1860, at South Hadley Falls, and he came to Easthampton with his parents in 1863. He attended the public schools here, when he became employed in the mills of the Glendale Elastic Fabric Company, and later he was with the George S. Colton plant; he was employed with both companies for about thirty-five years. In 1908 Mr. Buckner went to the Town Hall as a caretaker, and he soon afterwards received the appointment as agent to the Board of Health, in the contagious diseases department; he is also a constable and special public officer. Fraternally, Mr. Buckner is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton, and with James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and he is also a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Northampton; with the Loyal Order of Moose; and the Masonic Club. His religious faith is that of the Congregational Church.

Clemence Charles Buckner married, in 1893, Anna Wilson Carr, of Fairview, New Jersey, daughter of Mark and Elizabeth (Reed) Carr.

**JULIAN LEE PERKINS**, president of the Perkins Appliance Company, Incorporated, of Springfield, Massachusetts, one of the outstanding industries of a great industrial community, is a native of Vermont. He bears a name which appeared in English history back in the reign of Richard II. He was born in Bridgewater, Vermont, August 23, 1879, and attended the public and high schools at Woodstock, Vermont. His father, Charles A. Perkins, likewise born in Bridgewater, was a farmer. His mother, Eliza M. (Dinsmore) Perkins, was born in Lansing, Michigan. The name was derived from Peterkin, and had several spellings. Peter Morley, Esquire, alias Perkins, was an officer in the household or steward of the court of Sir Hugh Dispencher about 1300. Several of the name lived in the neighborhood of Newent, County Gloucester, England; and the immigrant, John, from whom all the Perkins families of New England appear to be descended is said to have come from that part of England, where he was born about 1590. He sailed from Bristol, December 1, 1630, in company with the Rev. Roger Williams aboard the ship "Lion" with his wife, Judith, and their five children, John, Thomas, Jacob, Elizabeth, and Mary. After sixty-seven days of stormy weather, they landed in Boston in February, 1631, and lived first in



Boston, where John Perkins was made a freeman the same year, and was one of the committee of four appointed to settle the boundary between Roxbury and Dorchester, November 7, 1632. In 1633 he removed to Ipswich, Connecticut, where he possessed one of several grants of land, and built his house near the river at the entrance to Jeffs Neck, now East Street. He was deputy to the General Court in 1636 and served on the Grand Jury, in 1648-1652. Two other children, Lydia and Nathaniel, were born in this country; and from his four sons, John, Thomas, Jacob, and Nathaniel, are descended the various Perkins families in New England. Among those who went to Vermont were the ancestors of the Perkins brothers.

Elisha P. Perkins, who lived in Stockbridge, Vermont, was the great-grandfather of Julian L. and James Albion Perkins. He married Hannah Taft.

Their son, Elisha P. Perkins, was born in Stockbridge, Vermont, March 10, 1809, and died April 10, 1879. He was a farmer by occupation, but like the energetic men of the time he added the trade of mason and builder, and thus made use of the time he could spare from his agricultural activities. He added a third accomplishment and became an expert charcoal burner. He married Louisa Baird, born in Grafton, Vermont, August 27, 1808; and died August 10, 1878. and they were the parents of eight children: Jasper, Charles A., Addie, Letty, Louisa, Elisha, Royal, and Seth.

Charles A. Perkins, their son, was born in Bridgewater, Vermont, October 25, 1843, and died July 4, 1902, in Wethersfield, Connecticut. He attended the public schools of the Bridgewater district, assisting his father in farm work before and after school, and during vacations. When his school days ended he engaged in farming and it was his life-long occupation. He enlisted for the Civil War in Company C, 12th Regiment, Vermont Volunteers, and served for nine months. He returned to Bridgewater at the end of that time and lived there until 1896, a good farmer, known and respected. He removed to Wethersfield in 1896 and lived there his remaining years. A man of good judgment and sound principles he took an active part in public affairs. He acted as moderator at town meetings. He was a Republican and a member of the Grand Army of the Republican, while his religious faith was that of the Second Adventists. His wife was Eliza M. Dinsmore, daughter of James Dinsmore, of Lansing, Michigan, and their five children were: 1. Fred D., since dead. 2. Mattie, who married J. B. Standish. 3. Julian Lee, of whom further. 4. James Albion, a sketch of whom follows. 5. Ruby, since dead.

Julian L. Perkins, the son of Charles A. and Eliza M. (Dinsmore) Perkins, was born in Bridgewater. He was educated in the schools of Bridgewater. On leaving school he was an engraver for a number of years; and also a sawmill owner. He engaged in the manufacture of gears in 1917 and his business was aided materially by the demand for war material which attended the World War. After its close the plant was devoted to the manufacture of standard gears. Mr. Perkins is a supporter of the political views of the Republican party. He is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce; of

the Manufacturers' Association and of Orthodox Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In religion he accepts the beliefs of the Adventists.

Mr. Perkins was married, October 6, 1902, in Williamsburgh, Massachusetts, to May Violet Bailey, a native of that town. Her father was Albert Bailey. Mr. Perkins does business at No. 4 Birnie Avenue, Springfield, where his plant is established.

**JAMES ALBION PERKINS**, treasurer of the Perkins Appliance Company, Inc., of Springfield, Massachusetts, and one of Springfield's representative business men, is a brother of Julian L. Perkins, whose sketch precedes this. James Albion Perkins engaged in the lumbering business when his school days were over, and operated sawmills in Blanford, Williamsburg, and Goshen, Massachusetts. When he attained his majority, however, James Albion decided to make a change and went to Hartford, Connecticut, where for a time he was engaged in photo-engraving. He came to Springfield and entered the employ of the Springfield Photo-Engraving Company; but after a time he transferred his association to the Phelps Publishing Company. In the meantime his brother, Julian Lee Perkins, had organized the Perkins Manufacturing Company, Inc., which was engaged successfully in the production of gears. The concern had grown by 1911 and fully demonstrated its possibilities of future success and it was incorporated as the Perkins Appliance Company, Inc., manufacturers of special machinery and gears. Julian Lee Perkins is president and James Albion Perkins treasurer. The company in 1925 employed more than one hundred men and its gears and machinery are sent to all parts of the world, where they are used successfully. Mr. Perkins is a member of the Chamber of Commerce; of Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of Morning Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of Springfield Lodge, No. 61, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and of the Field and Game Association. He is also a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Perkins was married in Buffalo, New York, April 9, 1918, to Flossie I. McCloud, the daughter of Charles and Jennie Caton McCloud, natives of Canada. Mrs. Perkins was born, August 14, 1889, in Detroit, Michigan. Mr. Perkins's address is the Perkins Appliance Company, No. 4 Birnie Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOHN EDWARD STEWART**—The business world of New England and the manufacturing stationers' trade suffered an irretrievable loss in the passing of one of Springfield's most substantial citizens, John Edward Stewart, president of the printing company which bears his name, a veteran officer of the Civil War, prominent Grand Army man and highly esteemed throughout the community for his personal worth and by his business connections for his high sense of honor and unimpeachable integrity. The city of his adoption and scene of his successful labors could ill afford to part with such a forceful character, loyal friend and kindly neighbor, who was in the best sense of the term a constructive element in the body politic.

Mr. Stewart was blessed with an ancient and honorable





John B. Stenard



ancestry, the surname Stewart being one of the oldest and most distinguished in Scottish and English history. Its members in all generations have been among the builders of the States where they have resided, contributing in valued measure to the economic, moral, social, and political foundations of England, Scotland and the United States, to which latter country pioneering representatives of the family came at a very early date. The Stewart line is traced to the time of Cromwell, to a branch of the family as ancient as the Clan Stewart of Scottish history. At the time of the Protectorate a branch of the family in the direct line was represented by Adam Stewart, then living in the North of Ireland, who was born in Londonderry, Ireland, in 1756, of Scotch parents, and came to Pennsylvania in 1776, and by his grandson, Theodore Stewart, who removed to Chautauqua County, New York, in the nineteenth century.

This fine Scotch ancestry had its nearer representative in the person of John Stewart, grandfather of John Edward Stewart, who was born in New York State, June 17, 1761, and married, August 31, 1795, Keturah Davidson, born October 25, 1772. They had children: Huldah Ann, born August 22, 1796; Louis, born September 15, 1798; Dorothy, born October 20, 1800; John Milton, born December 21, 1805; Emeline, born March 23, 1808; Edward, of whom further; James W., born December 21, 1812; Sarah, born May 10, 1816; Asa B., born May 11, 1819.

Edward Stewart, sixth child of John and Keturah (Davidson) Stewart, born in Ridgeway, Orange County, New York, August 6, 1810, died in Arlington Heights, New Jersey, November 15, 1895, at the age of eighty-five years. He attended the public schools of his native district, meanwhile assisting his father with the work on the farm. His school years at an end, he set himself to learn the carpenter's trade, which he combined with farming, following both activities for a period in Middletown, Orange County, New York, where he was a contractor and builder. In his younger married life he caught the "western fever," and moved with his family to Iowa, locating at Muscatine, where he pursued his business of carpenter and builder. On their return to the East, the family lived in Brooklyn, New York, for several years, going thence to New Jersey, and making their residence in Arlington Heights, where he passed the rest of his life. His body rests in Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield, New Jersey. Mr. Stewart merited the high regard in which he was held for his marked ability and large capacity for successful business conduct. He was a staunch Republican, and affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, having been an elder of the Brooklyn body of that denomination, and occupying the same office in the church at Arlington Heights. He was devoted to the highest ideals of Christian living. He was deeply respected for his sterling qualities, and was known throughout the communities of his residence for his fondness for children, who were attracted to him in numbers by his kindly disposition and genuine interest in them. In the domestic circle he was the ideal husband and father, devoted to his wife and family. He married Maria Hoyt, of Stamford, Connecticut, who died at her home in Arlington Heights, New Jersey, in 1896, aged eighty-three years, and is buried in the family plot in Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield, New

Jersey. Mrs. Stewart was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Arlington Heights, being a sincere Christian woman and a most exemplary wife and mother. Children: John Edward, of whom further; and William Lewis, born August 18, 1843, was a soldier in the Civil War; lived at Arlington Heights, where he died in June, 1913; his wife was Lydia Burt.

John Edward Stewart, elder son of Edward and Maria (Hoyt) Stewart, was born in Middletown, Orange County, New York, August 19, 1840. His early education was received in the public schools of his native town and of Muscatine, Iowa, to which place his parents removed when he was in his teens. Thence he entered the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, New York, where he finished his studies. During his school years, when out of class, and during his vacations, he assisted his father with the management of the farm. After he completed his education, he was employed as a clerk in a store for some time.

Shortly after the Civil War broke upon the nation, Mr. Stewart, still a student at the Delaware Literary Institute, was fired with a patriotic zeal to enlist for service in the Union Army. Like a dutiful son, he wrote back to his parents in the Iowa home, begging their consent for him to heed the call of President Lincoln for volunteers, but with the full intention of enlisting anyway. The permission forthcoming, young Stewart enlisted on September 11th, 1861, in Company D, 44th New York Volunteer Regiment. He made a notable record as a soldier for bravery and efficiency and was awarded a commission as first lieutenant by President Lincoln himself, through his Secretary of War, Edward M. Stanton. His career in the army was marked by the stirring events in which he had a part.

He enlisted as a private and by meritorious work advanced to the rank of corporal in his company. Indeed, he did much work of a commissioned officer as he served for some time as acting adjutant of the regiment. During the time he was with the 44th New York Volunteers he took part in the following major engagements, besides many other smaller affairs: Yorktown, Hanover Court House, Gaines Mills, Savage Station, Malvern Hill, Groveton, Second Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg.

He had been in the Volunteer service but early in 1863 he had been marked for promotion into the United States Regular service but his regimental work was of such a character that he could not resign from the Volunteer service until after the Battle of Gettysburg. The lull in active work after this battle enabled him to resign from this service to enter the Regular United States service. He was appointed first lieutenant of the 9th Regiment, United States Colored Troops, November 10, 1863. While with the regulars he was in the following battles: Rappahannock Station, Mine Run, Laurel Hill, The Wilderness Campaign, Spottsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg.

In both the Volunteer and Regular Army enlistments he served with distinction from September 11, 1861, to December, 1864, the date of his honorable discharge.

One of the most highly prized documents left by Mr. Stewart in the possession of his family was that containing the commission of President Lincoln, appointing him



first lieutenant in the 9th Regiment of United States Colored Troops as a reward for his efficiency and courage at the Battle of Gettysburg. The appointment signed by Secretary of War Stanton, follows:

WAR DEPARTMENT

March 5, 1863.

Sir:—You are hereby informed that the President of the United States has appointed you First Lieutenant of the Ninth Regiment of United States Colored Troops, in the service of the United States, to rank as such from the first day of November, 1863.

Immediately upon receipt hereof please communicate to the Department through the adjutant-general of the army your acceptance or non-acceptance, and with your letter of acceptance, return the oath herewith enclosed, properly filled out, subscribed to, and attested, and report age, birthplace, and your permanent residence. You will report for duty in person to Major General R. C. Schenck, commanding Middle Department, Baltimore, Maryland.

(Signed) EDWARD M. STANTON.

LIEUTENANT JOHN E. STEWART,

9th Regiment, United States Colored Troops.

Again turning his attention to the business world, Mr. Stewart accepted a position with Andrews, Sanford & Smith as bookkeeper, the firm being engaged in the manufacture and importation of millinery in New York City. In 1869 he organized the firm of Stewart, Haring & Warren, manufacturing stationers, having their place of business on lower Broadway, New York, Mr. Stewart making his residence in Brooklyn. Subsequently the name of the firm was changed to Stewart, Warren & Company, and their headquarters were moved to Howard Street, New York. This partnership continued in force until 1905, in which year he disposed of his interest in the concern, and removed from Plainfield, New Jersey, to which he had transferred his residence from Brooklyn, to Springfield, Massachusetts.

Upon locating in Springfield, Mr. Stewart organized the John E. Stewart Company, with its offices and plant at No. 213 Worthington Street, subsequently removing to the present location at No. 367 Worthington Street, where the company for more than twenty years has continually enhanced its reputation as high-class manufacturing stationers and printers, its work being classed at the very forefront of products of that trade. Mr. Stewart was president and treasurer of the company, and its guiding spirit, until the time of his death, at his home on Avon Place, Springfield, October 10, 1925. His body was conveyed to Plainfield, New Jersey, for interment in the Stewart family plot in Hillside Cemetery.

Despite his numerous business responsibilities, and the demands made upon his attention and energy by other associations, Mr. Stewart gave himself with fine coöperative spirit to the various interests that carried their appeal successfully to his heart. He was patriotic to the depths of his being; a Republican in political faith, but never the politician—a strong admirer and supporter of Lincoln, Grant and Roosevelt. He kept fresh the memories of his Civil War service by active membership in the Grand Army of the Republic, having been affiliated with E. K. Wilcox Post, No. 16, Springfield, of which he was a past commander, and a former member of Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, Plainfield, New Jersey, of which he had been adjutant and quartermaster. He also belonged to the Loyal Legion, New York Commandery, composed of members who were officers in the Civil War. His religious fellowship was with the Old First (Congrega-

tional) Church of Springfield, whose historic and spiritual atmosphere he cherished and enjoyed.

John Edward Stewart married, August 7, 1867, at Binghamton, New York, Rev. Charles Keyser officiating, Lina (Paulina) Elizabeth Bromley, born in Whitestone, New York, August 10, 1839, died at her home in Springfield, Massachusetts, May 15, 1920, daughter of Roswell Avery Randall and Mary (Budd) Bromley. She was descended from Luke Bromley, who came from England and settled in Warwick, Rhode Island, afterward removing to Westerly, Rhode Island, where he made his residence. His son, Luke, born in 1665, married Harriet Stafford, of Warwick, and married (second) Tamson Packer. His son William, born September 12, 1693, married, November 16, 1714, Elizabeth Dewey, daughter of Israel Dewey. William Bromley, son of William and Elizabeth (Dewey) Bromley, was born February 8, 1719, and died at Stonington, Connecticut, October 21, 1775. He married Elizabeth Brown, and their son, Simeon Bromley, born in Westerly, Rhode Island, February 17, 1752, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and a member of the State troops of Rhode Island, being a pensioner on the United States government under the act of 1831. He married, February 2, 1775, Ann Burdick, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Babcock) Burdick, of Westerly, Rhode Island. Their son, Squire P. Bromley, was a soldier in the War of 1812. He married Maria Randall, daughter of Oliver and Dolly (Avery) Randall, of Norwich, New York. Their son, Roswell Avery Randall Bromley, born July 17, 1815, who died near Whitestone, New York, March 25, 1843, was a cloth dresser. He married, November 8, 1835, at South Berlin, New York, Mary Budd, born in Ohio, May 7, 1819, died near Whitestone, New York, February 23, 1843, leaving three children: Elnathan, born September 15, 1837; Lina (Paulina) Elizabeth, born August 10, 1839, who married John Edward Stewart of this review; and Mary L., born February 17, 1843, died in Iowa in 1881. Mrs. Stewart was one of those charming women in all the circles in which she moved—cultured, of refined tastes and devoted to her home, loyal to her friends—who leave a precious memory as the richest legacy of their lives. She enjoyed her fellowship with the people of the Old First Church, and numbered her friends by the hundred, who were drawn to her by her Christian character and womanly qualities. Her body reposes by the side of her husband in beautiful Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield, New Jersey. Children: 1. Jessie Maria, born in Brooklyn, New York; married Ira H. Evans, a well known real estate operator, and a veteran of the Civil War, died in San Diego, California, April 19, 1922. 2. Edward William, born in Brooklyn, New York, has devoted his life to the management of ranches in Colorado and other sections of the West; married Albina R. Hottin, of Springfield, daughter of Sanford and Emma R. (Holt) Hottin, and has one child, Lina Virginia. 3. Robert Bromley, born September 7, 1878, at Plainfield, New Jersey, died in Washington, District of Columbia, May 24, 1887. Mrs. Jessie (Stewart) Evans and her brother, Edward W. Stewart, are making their home temporarily in Springfield following the death of their father.

Men identified with the progressive business interests





*James H. Newton.*





Mrs. Susan Wadsworth Taft Newton



and the general forward movement of the city of Springfield have been pleased to acknowledge that the stay of John Edward Stewart among them was all too short. His high standard of business ethics, his personal charm, left their benign influence upon the commercial, social and religious sides of the community, which he loved as a good citizen worthy of the name.

**CHARLES HENRY TOWER**—Famous in the annals of American history is the long-established family of Charles Henry Tower, for its representatives helped establish and build up the New England colonies, were always ready to fight for freedom and justice, and participated in the early French, the Revolutionary, and the Civil Wars. Moreover, these men of fine old stock, sturdy and hardworking, were in the habit of using their hands in some trade or occupation of immediate benefit to the community. These traits came down from his forebears to Charles Henry Tower, who in his eighty-nine years and until retirement, was in some way connected with the tinning and plubing trade. The Tower family in America was established by John Tower, born in Hingham, England, in 1609, who came to this country in 1637, and settled in Hingham, Massachusetts, where he died February 13, 1701-02, at the age of ninety-two years and nine months. He married Margaret Brook, February 13, 1638-39, in Charlestown, Massachusetts. The great-grandfather of Charles Henry Tower, Cornelius Tower, was born February 5, 1701-02. He served in the old French war in the regiment of Colonel Thomas Clapp, and in Captain Josiah Thatcher's company. In 1759 he was in Halifax. Cornelius Tower married Hannah Higgins, publishing his intentions April 1, 1732.

Their son, Isaac Tower, grandfather of the subject of this record, was born in Cohasset, Massachusetts, May 10, 1744, and died in Chesterfield, Massachusetts, March 7, 1826. He served in the American Revolution as sergeant in Captain Obadiah Beal's Company, at Dorchester, on March 4, 1776, and previously served in the company of Captain Job Cushing, in Colonel Groaton's regiment. In times of peace he was a substantial farmer. Isaac Tower married, January 9, 1770, Mary Sprague, who was born in Hingham, June 14, 1752, and died in Chesterfield, April 27, 1826. To them were born sixteen children, among them was Elijah Tower, whose birth occurred in Chesterfield, May 22, 1787. He was a farmer and was also trained to the trade of masonry, which he followed in combination with farming. He married, February 14, 1827, in Chesterfield, Elvira Russell, born November 30, 1792, daughter of Solomon and Sarah (Brown) Russell. Children: Lucy Sprague, born November 8, 1827; Charles Henry, born August 23, 1829; Harvey Russell, born October 19, 1831; and Lucy Elvira, born December 21, 1833.

Charles Henry Tower, son of Elijah and Elvira (Russell) Tower, was born in Chesterfield, Massachusetts, August 23, 1829, as above noted. He was educated in the district schools of Chesterfield and learned the trade of tinsmith and copper worker in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, when he was some twenty years of age, being thus occupied from 1848 to 1851. The next two years found him working at his trade in Richmond,

Virginia, to which he returned, after a four year interval, in 1856, to continue until 1861. Meantime he had joined the Richmond Light Infantry Blues in August, 1859. When the Civil War began, he enlisted in Company A, 46th Virginia Infantry, Confederate Army, and fought throughout the war. Wounded in the head at Hatcher's Run, March 29, 1865, he was in a Richmond hospital until he obtained his parole, May 10, 1865.

These varied experiences might be said to have brought Mr. Tower to the actual beginning of his business career. He entered the plumbing and tinning business in Holyoke in 1865 as head of the firm of Tower Brothers, operating thus until 1876, and alone from 1876 to 1880. For the next twelve years he was associated with the firm of Phelps and Tower, and from 1892 to 1900 again ran his business alone. From 1900 until his retirement in May, 1909, Mr. Tower was associated with C. F. Sullivan and Company. Although greatly interested in politics, Mr. Tower was a staunch Democrat and held no public offices. He was very popular, however, as evidenced by his long Masonic association. He joined the Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1854. In Holyoke he was a life member of the Mt. Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Mt. Holyoke Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Holyoke Council, Royal and Select Masters; Connecticut Valley Lodge, No. 28, Knights of Pythias; and Massasoit Commandery, No. 273, Knights of Malta. Remaining loyal to his interest in the Southern cause, Mr. Tower was a member of the R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, Richmond, Virginia. His club was the Bay State of Holyoke. He attended the Congregational Church. Mr. Tower died in Holyoke, November 18, 1918, and was interred in Forestdale Cemetery.

Charles Henry Tower married, in Holyoke, December 29, 1868, Sarah Young, born May 11, 1844, in Huntington, Massachusetts, daughter of James and Agnes (Allen) Young. Her father studied for the ministry in Scotland, but abandoned that pursuit and migrated to America about 1836, and was here employed in railroad work. Mrs. Tower survives her husband and is still active and alert at the age of eighty-two. To Mr. and Mrs. Tower was born a son, James Wallace Tower, October 4, 1871, in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He was educated in the public schools and adopted the profession of a civil engineer. Mr. Tower practices his profession in New York City, and is also president of the Tower Genealogical Society. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and the Boston Society of Civil Engineers. He has never married.

Charles Henry Tower was a virile type of man, independent, vigorous in thought and action, and in the habit of making his own decisions. With a genial and kindly nature, he made hosts of friends, and his home life was happy and hospitable.

**JAMES HALE NEWTON**—When a man's manifold activities in the field of banking, building, and general business win for him the title of "Grand Old Man," his place as leader is firmly established. Thus was



James Hale Newton regarded in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He was of a long-established New England family, which originated in England. The pioneer ancestor was Richard Newton, who settled in Massachusetts in 1638, and afterward was admitted as freeman of the colony. For many years he lived in Sudbury, then settled in Marlborough, where with eight others he founded the township, and died there when nearly a hundred years old, August 24, 1701. By his wife, Anna (or Hannah) Newton, he was the father of nine children, among whom was Moses, born March 26, 1646, who became an active defender of Marlborough against the Indian attacks of King Philip's War. He married (first), October 27, 1667, Joanna Larkin, by whom he had eleven children, including James Newton, born in Marlborough, January 15, 1683, who died in Southborough, November 29, 1762, having married, as his second wife, Rachel Greeley, who gave birth to Joseph Newton, July 15, 1728. Joseph Newton moved with his family to Hubbardstown, where he died, having married Experience Drury, of whom a son was born named Ebenezer Newton, in Southborough, December 8, 1770. He moved to Greenfield, where he was an honored and successful citizen, who married Mary Howe and was the father of four children, including James Newton.

James Newton, father of the subject of this record, was born July 21, 1801, in Hubbardstown Township, Massachusetts, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, August 19, 1891. For several years he lived in Hubbardstown, then moved, in 1835, to Greenfield, where he and his father bought large tracts of land, and he continued to reside there and built the "Newton house" near Green River in 1840. He also erected a saw-mill in 1848. He married, February 10, 1824, Esther Hale, born in 1799, who died June 7, 1885, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Laura, born February 15, 1825, died November 26, 1865, having married Israel B. Cross, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 2. Sarah. 3. Daniel Howe, who married Mary A. Cogswell, of Essex. 4. Joseph Drury, who married Prudence H. Alvord, of Shelburne. 5. Susan. 6. James Hale, of further mention. 7. Moses, who married Maria B. Arms, of South Deerfield. 8. Ebenezer. 9. Esther, who married Elias B. McClellan. 10. John Carter, who married Lela F. Vulte, of New York. 11. Solon, deceased.

James Hale Newton, representing the seventh generation of his family in America, was born in Hubbardstown, Massachusetts, son of James and Esther (Hale) Newton, January 13, 1832. His educational career was typical of the man, illustrating his ambition, perseverance, and energy. After a preliminary course in the Greenfield public schools, he went at the age of fifteen, as a clerk in a country store for two years. He then entered Williston Academy, then attended Deerfield Academy for a time, and completed his college preparatory work at Westminster, Vermont. He taught school and worked at whatever presented itself in order to make money to pay his way through college. After a year and a half at Amherst, a fire destroying the students' dormitory, he entered Dartmouth College, where he graduated in 1859 with Phi Beta Kappa honors. He was a member of the Psi Upsilon Society, and in that as in all his college associations he retained the liveliest interest until his death.

His education complete, Mr. Newton embarked on his

mature career, electing the profession of teaching. For five years he was principal of the Thomas Grammar School in Worcester. In this work he became famous throughout the city because of the excellent discipline prevailing in his school and the high standard of scholarship maintained. In 1864 he moved to Holyoke and embarked in business along with two brothers, organizing and incorporating the Hampden Paper Company. For two years Mr. Newton was business manager and treasurer, then sold his interest. To enumerate all the enterprises inspired or encouraged by a man whose creative ability was unlimited would be virtually to write an important chapter of the history of Holyoke. James H. Newton organized seven great paper mills, actually performing the work of drafting them on paper, financing them, incorporating them, and building their plants—everything from plan to finished product was his handiwork. This gigantic achievement included: The Franklin Paper Company, the Albion Paper Company, the Newton Paper Company, the Wauregan Paper Company, the Norman Paper Mill, and the Chemical Paper Company. Several of these were taken over by the American Writing Paper Company and are still functioning. Besides the creative work, Mr. Newton excelled as an executive of the plants in operation, winning by his just and fair-minded attitude toward employees the same coöperation his students had given in his pedagogic days. In 1869 Mr. Newton invented and patented a process for making cloth paper for collars. The process consisted of running cotton cloth through the paper-making machine at the same time with the paper pulp, thereby forming a layer of paper of suitable texture and thickness on one side and firmly attached to the cloth. This was the first successful combination of that character. The Franklin Mill was fully employed in this industry, until 1873, when a more modern method proved superior to that in use, and the mills were devoted to making paper for use in the new method elsewhere in operation.

The untiring energies and endless genius of this man were not exhausted by these herculean industrial labors. He was active in organizing several Holyoke banks: 'The Mechanics', of which he was for twelve years president; the City Bank, and the People's Savings Bank. From 1873 to 1882 he was on the directorate of the Third National Bank of Springfield. In 1884, in association with others, he organized the Home National Bank of Holyoke, of which he was president for thirty-two years, until January 17, 1916. This is now merged with the Hadley Falls Trust Company.

A third field of activity claimed Mr. Newton's devoted attention—that of civic affairs. He was chairman of the school committee from 1865 to 1868; represented his district in the State Legislature for the year 1877; served on the Board of Public Works for the year 1897; aided in the organization of the Holyoke City Hospital, which he afterward served as director, and of the public library, of which he was a trustee and president. Endowed by nature with the tastes of a student, possessing high intelligence and broad culture, Mr. Newton threw himself enthusiastically into every movement for promoting cultural opportunities in Holyoke. He was chairman of the parish committee of the Second Congregational Church for six years and superintendent of its Sunday school for a year. Always keenly interested in college affairs,

he was president of the Dartmouth Western Massachusetts Alumni Association for two years. For a year he was president of the Connecticut Valley Congregational Club. As a form of philanthropy which proved highly beneficent, he used his real estate opportunities to erect a number of tenements and cottages for working people, with liberal concessions in the matter of payment. Mr. Newton became a Republican in politics when that party superseded the Whigs, and he remained loyal, though never bigoted.

Mr. Newton died at his home in Holyoke September 21, 1921. He had been active and interested in current affairs to the very last, in spite of his burden of nearly ninety years.

He married (first), November 23, 1863, Susan Wadsworth Taft, daughter of Calvin and Eliza (Taft) Taft, and she died in Holyoke in 1900. She was a member of the Congregational Church. Calvin Taft assisted in financing two Holyoke industries—the Franklin and Albion Paper companies. To Mr. and Mrs. Newton were born the following children: Edward Taft; Frederick Hale, deceased in 1911; Eliza Taft, who resides in Holyoke; and James Bertram, also of Holyoke. Mr. Newton married (second), in 1904, Emily Norcross, an associate teacher of Latin at Smith College, who survives him.

A builder in the most comprehensive and idealistic sense, James Hale Newton built banks, paper mills, material prosperity for a city, growth in population, wealth and power for a small New England town, and the civilizing institutions of the present-day democracy. Holyoke to-day is, indeed, a monument to this powerful one of its creators. A local newspaper describes the personality and appearance of the man so well known to his fellow-citizens thus:

Clarity of thought, soundness of judgment and sturdy will distinguished him as a business man; responsive generosity and tireless interest in public affairs marked him as a citizen, while his warm heart and genial, sunny temper made him beloved in all private relations. Mr. Newton's activity of mind and keen interest in affairs never slackened; indeed, it was hard to think of him as old, for his heart and mind were ever fresh and vigorous, and his superb physique was little altered by age. He retained always a touch of the olden simplicity in his dignified bearing and courteous gentleness of manner. One felt in him the foundation spirit of our earlier New England, all the while his mind kept abreast of the swift currents of modern thought. Among all his strongly marked characteristics, which made him strongly individual even in this individualistic New England, none was more notable than the blending of resolute firmness in his mature convictions with absolute open-mindedness for new ideas.

**ALBION BRAINARD ALLEN**—For more than three decades a resident of Amherst, Hampshire County, and one of this town's most active and substantial business men, Mr. Allen's operations as a builder have contributed very materially not only to the development of his own community, but to that of numerous other New England towns. On his father's side he is a member of an old family whose name is very frequently met throughout the United States, where it is represented by many distinct and separate families. Its use arises from the Christian name Allen or Alan, which is very ancient and has many variations in spelling, a characteristic which the family name also possesses. There are no less than fifty-two coats-of-arms of separate and

distinct families of Allen in the United Kingdom, besides twenty others of different spellings. There were more than a score of emigrants of this surname from almost as many different families who left England before 1650 to settle in New England and many of their early descendants have been identified with the formative period of New York history, from which region many able and worthy representatives of the family have come to many parts of the United States.

Albion Brainard Allen is a representative of the eighth generation in descent from one William Allen, through the latter's son William, the second William's son John, and John's son William. This William Allen of the fourth generation is thought to have been a cousin of Ethan Allen and of Major General Ira Allen of the Revolutionary War, the latter one of the founders of the University of Vermont at Burlington, Vermont. William Allen, who had come from Massachusetts to Vermont at an early date, had nine children, one of whom, Isaac Allen, was the great-grandfather of Albion B. Allen.

Isaac Allen was born July 4, 1766, and lived in Northern New York, where he died at Beekmantown, February 24, 1845. He married Sally Bedlow, who died September 13, 1851. They were the parents of ten children: Sally; Ira B., of whom further; Eri; Hannah; Chloe; George W.; Erastus; Ann Eliza; Isaac C.; and Nathaniel H.

Ira Bedlow Allen, born in Northern New York, December 20, 1792, was a farmer and also operated a lime kiln. He fought in the War of 1812 and died at Champlain, New York, April 3, 1885, having married early in life, Zerniah Tennant, born in Shelburne, Massachusetts, died in Champlain, New York. They were the parents of seven children: 1. Mary, married — Barber. 2. Chloe, married Arthur Douglass. 3. Sarah, married James Douglass. 4. Cornelia, married Austin Leonard. 5. Lydia, married — Stearns. 6. Esther, married Nathaniel Brainard. 7. Ira Tennant, of whom further.

Ira Tennant Allen was born in Chateaugay, New York, in 1825. His father acquired land by grant in Mooers, New York, and was a pioneer settler of that region. His property of some 100 acres was cleared by him in the pioneer manner, the trees being cut down and burned, he and his family living in a log cabin. His only son, Ira, farmed this land during his earlier life, but later went to Worcester, Massachusetts, where he worked at the machinists' trade for the Washburn Company. Still later he engaged there in the grocery business. He was a deeply religious man and founded the Free Will Baptist Church in Allensburg, New York, established its Sunday school and acted as its superintendent. In 1896 he removed to Amherst, Massachusetts, where he died, November 30, 1902. He married Jane Wakefield, born in Thompson, Connecticut, in 1827, died in Amherst, May 30, 1911; a daughter of David and Maria (Harris) Wakefield. They were the parents of five children: 1. William, who died in infancy. 2. Nellie M. 3. Sarah E., married William J. Fisher. 4. Albion Brainard, of whom further. 5. George S., at times associated in business with his older brother and married to Elizabeth Davis, their two children being Albion Davis and Elizabeth.



Albion Brainard Allen was born in Mooers, New York, July 23, 1864, and was educated in the select schools of his native region. He worked on his father's farm and in the hop yards until he was twenty-two years old, teaching school at times beginning with his sixteenth year and also learning the carpenter's trade. At the age of twenty-two he attended the State Normal School, at Potsdam, New York, where he took the classical course. He then taught for a year at the Normal School and later had the school at Allensburg, New York. Eventually he became interested in building, architectural work and engineering.

In 1892 he removed to Amherst, Hampshire County, and there formed, with his younger brother, George S. Allen, the firm of Allen Brothers. They engaged in building and construction work, much of their work being for the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for which they built bridges, power houses and railroad stations over the entire system. In 1911 he withdrew from this work and removed to Millers Falls, Franklin County, where he became president and treasurer of the Art Stone Company, manufacturers of artificial stone. In 1914 he severed his connection with this company, returned to Amherst and resumed again his building and contracting business in association with his brother, the latter, however, withdrawing later since which time Mr. Allen has carried on the business for himself. His operations from 1914 on have been very extensive, and many important buildings in various parts of New England have been erected by him during the last decade, including the majority of the buildings of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst; the Chemical Laboratory, several fraternity houses, and other buildings at Amherst College; State Bridge and Hospital at Springfield, Vermont; Roosevelt School at Keene, New Hampshire; a large school at Gardner, Massachusetts; bridges erected by the State of Massachusetts at Ashland and Lester; and his own residence in Amherst which was designed by himself as early as 1904. During the World War he was a member of the Federal Advisory Board of Vocational Education.

In spite of the heavy demands on his time and energy made by his extensive business activities, Mr. Allen has found it possible to give much attention to public affairs. A man of strong civic pride and deeply interested in the welfare of his community and its inhabitants, he has put his great energy and ability and his wide knowledge and experience freely at the service of his fellow citizens. He has served for ten years as a member and as chairman of the Amherst School Board, for three terms as a member and, at times, as chairman of the Finance Board, and has also been chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners, being associated in civic affairs with the late Congressman-elect George B. Churchill. In 1924 he was elected a representative to the State Legislature, where he became a member of the committee on street railways.

Mr. Allen married (first), in 1904, Mary Belle Hager, of Westminster, Worcester County, daughter of Joseph and Arabella (Sargent) Hager. After his first wife's death in 1911 he married (second), in 1914, Edna E. Shepard, of Westminster, Worcester County, daughter

of Dr. W. H. H. and Jennie (Hill) Shepard. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are the parents of one child, Roger Shepard Allen, born April 11, 1918. The family home is located at No. 125 South Pleasant Street, Amherst.

**DANIEL PATRICK SHEEHAN**—The grandfather of Mr. Sheehan was Daniel Sheehan, a resident for years of Chicago, Illinois, where he died. He had two sons, John and Daniel, and the latter also died in Chicago.

John Sheehan, son of Daniel Sheehan, was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1840, died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in June, 1900, aged sixty years. His education was acquired in the schools of his native land. He came to the United States in 1857, landing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he remained six months. He later came to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he remained but a short time. Eventually he settled in Hatfield, where he resided until his death. Mr. Sheehan worked for others for a time. He was a hard-working man, and made friends. For a time he worked in Bradstreet for fifty cents a day, walking back and forth a distance of several miles. Finally he bought a farm of some ten acres, and in addition hired land upon which he raised tobacco. He married Ellen Fahey, born in Ireland, died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1915, aged seventy-six years. They were the parents of: 1. Ellen, who died in infancy. 2. Edward J., who died in 1923, leaving seven children, a resident of Westfield, Massachusetts. 3. John L., who lives in Hatfield and has two children. 4. Mary, deceased, who married Dennis McGrath of Hatfield, and left seven children. 5. Margaret, who married Dennis Whalen, of Hatfield, Massachusetts. 6. Thomas, deceased. 7. Daniel P., of whom further.

Daniel Patrick Sheehan, son of John Sheehan, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, December 20, 1876. He was educated in the Hatfield public schools. He has always lived on the home farm, where he was born, and where his father lived and died. He has added to the farm extensively, and has forty-five acres planted to tobacco; sixty acres of hoed crops, besides fifteen acres of hay. He is one of the progressive farmers of the region. Mr. Sheehan was superintendent of streets of Hatfield for five years and had the disbursement of many thousands of dollars. He is a member of the American Order of United Workmen, and Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Northampton.

On October 9, 1901, Mr. Sheehan married (first) Mary Hallfelder, of Hatfield, daughter of John and Cooney (Stenglein) Hallfelder, who died December, 1916. He married (second) June 15, 1920, Mary Agnes (Higgins) Fitzgerald, of Unionville, Connecticut, widow of Robert Edward Fitzgerald, who had one son, Robert Edward Fitzgerald, born August 27, 1911. She is the daughter of Thomas and Winifred (Keaney) Higgins. Children of the first marriage: 1. John Francis, born June 15, 1904, who was graduated from Smith Academy in 1922. 2. Constance M., born November 15, 1905, attended Conie College at Northampton. 3. Catherine Helen, born May 19, 1911. 4. Thomas Edward, born September 22, 1912. 5. Donald Henry, born January 25, 1915. Children of the second marriage: 6. William Joseph, born June 27, 1922. 7. Mary Winifred, born November 25, 1923, died in infancy.



**GORDON ROLLIN JOSLYN**—No name is more prominently and actively associated with the automobile mercantile industry in Western Massachusetts than that of Mr. Joslyn, who is the executive head of the Franklin County Dealers' Exchange, and who within a very few years has expanded the garage and agency interests of which he has charge throughout a territory that is not bounded by the county.

Mr. Joslyn performs the business in which he has made himself a leader thoroughly and well, and centralizing his forces as president of the Joslyn Motor Company at Greenfield, he has found therein the rewards of a life-long career in which he has mastered the one vocation to which he has always devoted himself. Veteran of the World War, Mr. Joslyn received therein due honors for expert ordnance service; and deeply interested in the progress of Greenfield in all civic, business and social matters, he possesses the soldier's and the loyal civilian's zeal in all movement towards the community's prosperity. He is of an old race of valiant and renowned ancestors of the name Joslyn, of the following of William of Normandy, in England, and of those who came overseas as American colonists, and all bearing the stamp of aggressive and accomplished leaders in every stage.

The known history of the Josselyn (Joslin, Josslyn) family antedates the time of Charlemagne, whose daughter married Count Joceline. One of the descendants of this union was Sir Gilbert Jocelyne, who accompanied William, Duke of Normandy, in his conquest of England in 1066, and became the founder of the Joslin family in England. He received from William extensive territorial grants in the county of Lincoln, including the lordships of Sempringham and Tyington. His son Gilbert devoted himself to a religious life, and founded the order of Gilbertines, and was canonized by Pope Innocent III, in 1202. The younger son, Thomas, married Maude, daughter and co-heiress of John Hyde, of Hyde Hall, and grand-daughter of Baron Sudeley, by which marriage the family obtained the estate which has ever since remained in its possession. One of the descendants married Anne, the heiress of the Percys, and became Duke of Northumberland. Another was a signer of the *Magna Charta*; another is the present Earl of Roden.

(I) Nathaniel Josselyne was born in 1452, and was a brother of Sir Ralph, the Lord Mayor of London, and Sir Thomas, of Hyde Hall, from whom descended Lord Newport, Viscount Josselyn and Earl of Roden.

(II) James Joslin, seventh son of Nathaniel Josselyne, was born in England in 1497, and he was the first to spell the name Joslin; previously the spelling varied according to the whim of the writer.

(III) Robert Joslin, sixth son and youngest child of James Joslin, was born in England, probably about 1560. He married Martha Cleveland, and they were the parents of Thomas Joslin, immigrant ancestor of the Joslin (Josselyn) family in America.

(IV) Thomas Joslin, son of Robert and Martha (Cleveland) Joslin, was born in England about 1591, and came to America in the ship "Increase" in April, 1635, landing at Hingham, Massachusetts, with his wife Rebecca, son Nathaniel four daughters, Rebecca, Eliza, Dorothy and Mary, and Elizabeth Ward, a servant. Later, an elder son, Abraham, who had been left at

school in England, joined the family. Thomas Joslin was a proprietor of the town, 1637, was elected to various town offices, and was a selectman in 1645. He and Nathaniel Joslin sold their land at Hingham, March 11, 1653, to George Land and Moses Collier, and removed to Sudbury, now Wayland, later, with others, settling in Lancaster, Massachusetts. In 1654 he and his son Nathaniel had lands located on the west side of what is now Main Street, a little north of the center.

At the time he settled in Lancaster, the town was on the western outpost of civilization. Thomas Joslin died before the attack by the Indians in 1675; and his son Nathaniel and his family managed to escape to Marlborough. The grandson Abraham was married, and had an infant child; they took refuge in the Rowlandson Garrison, which he helped to defend until they could no longer hold it, and he with others perished in the conflict. His wife and child were taken captives and carried into the wilderness, where they were both subsequently put to death. Thomas Joslin died in 1660, his will was dated May 9, 1660, and proved March 20, 1661. He bequeathed to his wife Rebecca, sons Abraham and Nathaniel, daughters Rebecca Nichols and Elizabeth Emmons, son-in-law Roger Sumner, grandson Abraham Joslin. His own signature fixed the spelling of the name as Joslin, though variously spelled in records. Thomas Joslin married, in 1614, in London, Rebecca Marlowe. She married, second, William Kerly, of Lancaster. Children of Thomas and Rebecca (Marlowe) Joslin: 1. Rebecca, born in 1617, married Thomas Nichols, died in Hingham September 22, 1675. 2. Abraham. 3. Joseph, born 1621, married, and had children. 4. Dorothy, born 1624. 5. Nathaniel, of whom further. 6. Elizabeth, born 1629, married, June 21, 1652, in Boston, Edward Yeomans (Emmons). 7. Mary, born 1634, married Roger Sumner, great-great-great-grandfather of Senator Charles Sumner.

(V) Nathaniel Joslyn, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Marlowe) Joslyn (Joslin), born in 1627, in England, died 1694, was an early settler in Lancaster, Massachusetts; he married Sarah King, of Marlborough, Massachusetts. Their children: Nathaniel; Sarah; Dorothy; Peter, of whom further; Elizabeth; Rebecca; Martha; Nathaniel.

(VI) Peter Joslyn, son of Nathaniel and Sarah (King) Joslyn, was born at Lancaster February 22, 1665, died April 8, 1759. He was a man of prominence in civil, military and religious life, in Lancaster; he was a captain of militia, and a deacon in the church. He married (first) Sarah Howe, by whom he had two children, who were massacred by the Indians; he married (second) Joanna Whitcomb; (third) Hannah Farwell. His children: Peter, of whom further; Joanna; Sarah, Rebecca; Deborah; John; Abigail; Dorothy.

(VII) Peter Joslyn, son of Peter Joslyn, born at Lancaster in 1700, died 1771, married Alice Woods. Their children: Peter; Alice; Nathaniel, of whom further; Hester; Joseph; Samuel.

(VIII) Nathaniel Joslyn, son of Peter and Alice (Woods) Joslyn, born in Lancaster, November 11, 1729, died May 26, 1806. He married (first) Martha Fairbanks; (second) Sarah Bennett; (third) Mary —.

(IX) Joseph Joslyn, son of Nathaniel Joslyn, born March 18, 1753, at Lancaster; died March 7, 1819. He

removed to Weathersfield, Vermont, in 1781, and to Waitsfield, Vermont, in 1806. He married Dorothy Osgood. Their children: Joseph; James; Luke, of whom further; William; Ezra; Nathaniel; Dorothy; Betsy; Hooker; Minerva; Cyrus; Emily.

(X) Luke Joslyn, son of Joseph and Dorothy (Osgood) Joslyn, was born December 10, 1778, at Lancaster, went to Waitsfield, Vermont, in 1805, and died in May, 1834. He married, in December, 1805, Lydia Graves. Their children: Samuel Anderson, of whom further; Almira; Aurilla; Louise; Calvin Jewett; Fanny Spofford; Luke.

(XI) Samuel Anderson Joslyn, son of Luke and Lydia (Graves) Joslyn, was born January 17, 1808, at Waitsfield, Vermont, and died March 7, 1883. His vocation was that of farmer. He went to Missouri in 1866, in company with a colony from Vermont. He was one of the pioneers of the West, owning some two hundred and sixty acres of land twenty miles from the railroad, where he built a log cabin and raised corn and wheat. He married Almira Dale, of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, who died in 1897, aged eighty-two years. Their children: 1. Almira Fidelia, who married George Weeks, deceased. 2. Rollin Orlando, deceased. 3. Ferora Celestia, deceased. 4. Evelyn Marietta, married (first) Henry Hazelton, (second) Samuel Parker. 5. Fannie Louise, married Wilburt Joslyn. 6. Wilder Josiah, of whom further.

(XII) Wilder Josiah Joslyn, son of Samuel and Almira (Dale) Joslyn, was born March 21, 1858, at Brownington, Vermont, and he resides at Orleans, Vermont; there he attended school, and also in Missouri, where he went with his parents at eight years of age to live in a log cabin. He left school at fifteen years of age. At nineteen years he returned to Orleans, there to make his home to the present. He first learned the trade of wheelwright, and for four years afterwards was in the farming line. Then, learning the carpenter's trade, he has continued therein thirty-three years, and as a contractor the past twenty-six years. He has been a member of the special police force for twenty years, and has served as town grand juror. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Modern Woodmen of America; and he has served as treasurer of the Congregational Church since 1902. He married, January 1, 1887, Ella M. Todd, of Westfield, Vermont, born May 28, 1869, a daughter of Edward M. and Lucy M. (Ward) Todd. They had one son, Gordon Rollin, of whom further.

(XIII) Gordon Rollin Joslyn, son of Wilder Josiah and Ella M. (Todd) Joslyn, was born July 28, 1895, at Orleans, Vermont, where he attended the public and the high schools. He began selling automobiles at the age of sixteen years, and has since been identified with the automobile industry. From 1912 to 1920 he resided in Boston, where he was engaged in selling Ford and Buick cars, wholesale and retail. In the fall of 1916 he went to Greenfield, Massachusetts, in association with the Greenfield Buick Company, and remained with that concern until 1920, when he organized the Joslyn Motor Car Company, and was agent for the Jordon and Chevrolet cars. On January 1, 1923, he incorporated the Joslyn Motor Company, of which he is the president, and Morgan J. Sherman treasurer. They are proprietors of the Mansion House Garage, and Franklin County agents

for the Packard and Jordan automobiles. Mr. Joslyn is also president of the Franklin County Automobile Dealers' Exchange, Incorporated.

Mr. Joslyn enlisted for the United States Government in the World War, in December, 1917, and was assigned to Fort Slocum, New Rochelle, New York; then to Camps Upton, New York, and Raritan, New Jersey, three months each, when he went to the Erie Proving Grounds, in Ohio. The cost of the construction of Camp Erie was \$25,000,000, a camp equipped with twenty-five miles of its own railroad and twenty-five blast furnaces. Mr. Joslyn had the testing of guns, and was motor expert. He was mustered out at Plattsburg, in February, 1919, as second lieutenant in the Ordnance Department. He is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Kiwanis Club; Chamber of Commerce; Greenfield Club. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Joslyn married, January 1, 1917, Gladys Mildred Winget, of Orleans, Vermont, a daughter of John and Catherine Alberta (Beslite) Winget. Their children: Gordon Rollin, Jr., born December 19, 1921, at Greenfield; Shirley Ray, born March 8, 1924, at Greenfield.

**HON. ORLANDO CURTIS BIDWELL**—In the exacting and wide-reaching profession of the law, Hon. Orlando Curtis Bidwell, of Great Barrington, stands among the leaders in Berkshire County. His large natural ability was supplemented by careful preparation and his entire career has been guided by a lofty idealism, which marks his every step of progress. As a servant of the people, as well as in his professional capacity, Mr. Bidwell has made an honorable and admirable record, while his affiliations with organized movements bear definite and constructive results. He is a son of Marshall S. and Sophia L. (Bidwell) Bidwell, his father a merchant and farmer throughout his active lifetime, died in 1902, and the mother also died in 1902.

Orlando Curtis Bidwell was born in Monterey, Massachusetts, March 17, 1862. He attended the public schools and is a graduate of Lee High School, class of 1882, and his graduation from Williams College occurred in 1886, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Taking up the study of law under capable preceptors, Mr. Bidwell began his professional career in Elmira, New York, in 1889. About one year later he was admitted to the bar of Massachusetts, as well as the New York State and Federal courts, and locating in Great Barrington in 1890, he has practiced here ever since. Mr. Bidwell has gone forward along general lines of activity from the beginning and large interests have been placed in his hands from time to time, giving his name wide influence in the profession. Mr. Bidwell has made his influence felt in the world of finance as trustee of the Great Barrington Savings Bank, which he has also served as attorney for seventeen years. A Republican in his political affiliations, he has held various offices in the town and districts of his residence and in 1918 took his seat, by vote of his townsmen, in the House of Representatives of the State of Massachusetts. His three subsequent reelections retained him in office during four legislative sessions and during this period he has served as a member of the Judiciary Committee, chairman of the Committee







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of Agriculture, also as a member of the Committee on Third Reading. Fraternally he is affiliated with Cincinnati Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Great Barrington; also Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar. He is president of the Monterey Coöperative League, a welfare community organization of Monterey, where he has a summer home, and was president for several years of the Fish and Game Club, of Great Barrington. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church.

Orlando Curtis Bidwell married, June 4, 1891, at Salamanca, New York, Helen Higley, daughter of Rev. Henry M. and Annette (Bliss) Higley. Mr. and Mrs. Bidwell are the parents of four children: Margaret L., an artist of New York City; Marshall S., concert organist and teacher of organ at Coe's College, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Gertrude S., secretary to Dr. Bakeland, head of the Bakelite Corporation, of New York; and Helen Louise, a graduate of Wellesley College, class of 1924, now taking a post-graduate course in hygiene and physical culture.

**DR. JOHN BAPTIST PHILIP SAINTE-MARIE**, city physician of Pittsfield, who was reelected to that office in 1924, is a native of Chicago, Illinois, son of Elie Andrew and Rose Anna (Cyr) Sainte-Marie. When John Baptist Philip was two and one-half years old, the family moved to the city of Montreal, Canada. He was given a finished classical education at the Jesuits' College of Quebec, and then entered the medical department of La Val University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1896 with the degree of M. D. Dr. Sainte-Marie was appointed house physician, at different times, of three hospitals in Montreal. He entered upon the practice of medicine in Montreal and had an active career in that city. He was president for five years of the St. John the Baptist Society of Montreal, Western Division; was vice-president of the Montreal Literary Society; vice-president of the Union Catholic Society, founder of a branch of the Artisans of Francois Society of Montreal.

Dr. Sainte-Marie moved, in 1916, from Montreal to Taunton, Massachusetts, where he practiced his profession until December, 1921, when he moved to Pittsfield. In 1923 he was elected city physician, and reelected in February of the current year, 1924. He is also a member of Hillcrest Hospital staff.

Dr. Sainte-Marie is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the St. John the Baptist Society, of which he is the medical examiner; the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Loyal Order of Moose, Foresters of America, of which he is the medical examiner; the Lafayette Club, Notre Dame du Bon Conseil and the French Roman Catholic Church. His recreation is chiefly of a literary nature; and he devotes considerable time to writing.

Dr. Sainte-Marie married, November 4, 1896, Virginia Trudeau. They are the parents of five children: Jeanne, Cecilia, Gaston, John and Theresa. The son Gaston is in service in the United States Navy.

**JOHN WESLEY RIDDELL**, whose death occurred on April 27, 1910, took from the community of Greenfield a worthy citizen and one who had contributed much

towards its development and upbuilding. He was born in Charlemont, Massachusetts, a nineteenth century representative of a family of prominence.

The Riddell family is of Scotch origin, the name having been variously spelled as Ridel, Riddle, Riddel, Riddell, Ridley, and Ridlum, but all of the names were derived from the same source, the dale or valley of the River Rye, or Ryedale, whence the family first took their name, that being the place of residence of the stock at the time the name was assumed as a surname. A picture of the ancient Riddell Castle, which was located at Ryedale, is all that is now extant. A branch of this original Scotch family settled in the North of Ireland. About the year 1704 four brothers of the name of Riddel came to America from Edinburgh, Scotland, and settled in Charlemont, Massachusetts, where their burial place is shown.

(I) Captain Samuel Riddell, a descendant of one of these brothers, served in the Revolutionary War. He married, the Christian name of his wife being Gene, and they were the parents of seven children: William, of whom further; Curtis, Cordelia, Fannie, Park, Samuel, and Thomas. All of these children, with the exception of Samuel, went West, locating in Wisconsin.

(II) William Riddell, son of Captain Samuel and Gene Riddell, was born April 17, 1797, at Charlemont, and died at Greenfield, in 1887, at the age of ninety years. He was a farmer, and served as deputy sheriff for a number of years, and was a man of marked ability and outstanding public spirit. He married (first), October 2, 1830, Phoebe Thayer, born in 1808, died December 27, 1841, daughter of Ebenezer and Phoebe Thayer. He married (second) Sarah A. Atherton. Of the first marriage was born John Wesley, of whom further, and whose name heads this biography.

(III) John Wesley Riddell, son of William and Phoebe (Thayer) Riddell, was born August 10, 1835, in Charlemont. He was a farmer in the early part of his career, and then he became a builder and contractor, having bought a large farm in the village of Greenfield, which he later cut up and sold for building lots. These have since become the homes of substantial and progressive citizens, and his contribution to the development of the community is one of permanent value. Three of Greenfield's streets, Hastings, Heywood, and the Riddell, were also built by Mr. Riddell. Mr. Riddell was actively engaged in the development of the community when he died, and its further improvement has been carried on by his widow and the son since that time. Other interests had engaged his attention, for while still a young man he engaged in the building of the railroad through the Hoosac Tunnel, and was also identified with the construction of the railroad between Wilmington and Readsboro, Vermont. He was a prominent member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, and he was an attendant of the Unitarian Church.

John W. Riddell married (first) Eliza Townsend Smith, the daughter of Lemuel and Priscilla (Nichols) Smith, and they were the parents of five children, as follows: 1. Sarah. 2. William. 3. Carrie P., who married, in July, 1884, Noah S. Roberts, and they were the parents of five children: i. Charles, born in Searsburg, Vermont, and married (first) Gertrude Graves, by whom

he had one child, Frederick. Mrs. Roberts died, and he married (second) Mary Yoch, of Norristown, Pennsylvania. ii. Amy, who married Howard Storer, and was the mother of one child, Harold. iii. Dorothy Allen, married LeRoy Smith, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, and had two children: Margery, and Wesley Riddell. iv. Rebecca Nichols, born May 10, 1897, married Robert I. March. v. Neil Stetson, born in October, 1903, married Emily Thompson, of Shelburne Falls. 4. Julia, deceased. 5. Stella, deceased. Mr. Riddell married (second) Julia E. Smith, of Colerain, Massachusetts, who died in 1892, a daughter of Samuel Smith. They were the parents of Hugh Smith, of whom further. He married (third), March 10, 1896, Helen M. Robertson.

(IV) Hugh Smith Riddell, son of John Wesley and Julia E. (Smith) Riddell, was born August 30, 1877, in Greenfield. Attending first the public schools there, he later entered Williston Seminary, from which he was graduated with the class of 1897. Employed by his father for a time, he later secured a position with Goodell & Pratt, at six dollars a week, and there he continued fourteen months, gaining large experience, if not large monetary returns. He then became identified with Swift, Coates & Company, where he was active for eleven years in the capacity of salesman. His next experience was in the employ of the Greenfield Light and Power Company, first as solicitor, and later as commercial manager. He devoted a period of eleven years, also, to his connection with this concern, and meanwhile, in 1912, he purchased a farm of sixty acres. This property he kept under his general supervision, while active in the employ of the light and power company, and in 1921 he bought his present place. The first farm he disposed of in 1921, and has now for some years devoted his time wholly to farming. His present property comprises about five hundred and seventy-eight acres, and is considered one of the best conducted and most productive farms in a very considerable region centering in Greenfield. Mr. Riddell directs the most approved farming operations, and his equipment is the most thorough-going anywhere in use. He has also for some years been interested in village property. After the death of his father, he settled the estate, which comprised a village farm and other property, and Mr. Riddell had the farm cut up into building lots, selling a large portion, but still owning many which he is developing, and on which he is carrying on building operations. Mr. Riddell was one of the founders of the Farmers' Grain Association, and had been a member of the board of directors of this organization for five years. A Republican in politics, he served as overseer of the poor three years, but ordinarily he prefers that others be in charge of public affairs. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; and his religious fellowship is that of the Congregational Church.

Hugh Smith Riddell married, November 6, 1900, Annie P. Hawkes, of Charlemont, Massachusetts, a daughter of Edward Dexter and Ann Eliza (Sears) Hawkes, and they were the parents of a daughter, Weino, born June 11, 1905, died November 10, 1924.

**ARTHUR BURDETTE DANIELS**, the distinguished president of the L. L. Brown Paper Company of Adams, stands among the leaders in his field of industrial

progress in New England, and as a leading business executive of Western Massachusetts is affiliated with numerous important interests. He has reached his present outstanding position by the force of his own initiative and devotion to worthy purpose. Mr. Daniels is a son of Amos Dixon and Helen Lucretia (Cross) Daniels, his father was for many years a hotel proprietor and, during the later period of his life, active in association with the New Home Sewing Machine Company, of Orange, Massachusetts, in the capacity of general agent.

Arthur Burdette Daniels was born in Ashfield, Massachusetts, October 21, 1861. Receiving his early education in the local public schools he gained only the advantages of the high school course, then entered the employ of the L. L. Brown Paper Company, of Adams, of which he is now president. The faithful and steadfast purpose which has carried him to this high level of industrial progress is one of the commendable instances of high achievement which it is the privilege of the biographer to record on these pages. Mr. Daniels served first as bookkeeper, entering the organization in 1878, and fourteen years later he was elected treasurer and general manager of the company. He continued active in these responsible capacities until 1919, when he was elected president of the corporation. The L. L. Brown Paper Company holds leading rank among paper manufacturers in New England and its importance to the city of Adams is universally recognized. Mr. Daniels is further interested in industrial progress as one of the founders of the Knickerbocker Portland Cement Company, of Hudson and New York City, of which he was for many years treasurer and later president. He is a director of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company of Pittsfield; a director and corporator of the Columbian National Life Insurance Company, of Boston; a director of the Greylock National Bank, of Adams; a director and corporator of the American Investment Securities Company, of Boston, and a director of the American Paper Exports Incorporated, of New York. A Republican in his political convictions, Mr. Daniels has few other affiliations except more or less closely in line with his work. Fraternally he holds membership in the Masonic Order. He is a member, and was formerly president, of the Writing Paper Manufacturers' Association, of New York, and the American Paper & Pulp Association, also of New York. His social affiliations are with the New York Athletic Club; the Adams Colonial Club, of Adams; the Park Club, of Pittsfield, and the Berkshire Club, of North Adams. He attends the Congregational Church.

Arthur Burdette Daniels married at Adams, November 8, 1882, Ida A. Millard, daughter of George Fairchild and Elizabeth Ann (Mather) Millard, and they are the parents of three children: Bessie Helen, born February 20, 1884, wife of Theodore R. Plunkett; Arthur Millard, born February 13, 1887; and Rupert Burdette, born August 11, 1888.

**WALTER A. SWIFT**—To interpret the law for his fellow-men, to help them out of their tangles, to offer constructive suggestions to them in initiating new enterprises, to do this well keeps a man busy and brings him rewards over and above material success. With a keen mind, ambitious, and having the opportunity to prepare himself well for such a career, Walter A. Swift chose the



profession of law in Springfield, Massachusetts. He was born in that town, August 16, 1897, the son of John A. and Margaret A. (Coyle) Swift. His father, born in Ireland, serves the city in the capacity of sergeant in the police department. His mother was born in Middlefield, Massachusetts.

After learning eagerly all that he could in the excellent public schools of Springfield, Walter A. Swift graduated from the Central High School there in the class of 1916. He took his legal training at Georgetown University, securing his degree of Bachelor of the Law with the class of 1923. In 1924 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. The same year he began practice in his own office at No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, and the following year moved to No. 289 Main Street, where he obtained larger quarters, and is building up an admirable clientele. Those whom he has served think highly of his ability and he is generally looked on as a young man of promise. As he thinks for himself, he is an Independent in politics. He is a member of the Holy Name Church, and is an active member of the Knights of Columbus. During the World War he was a member of the United States Army, not attached to any one company. Mr. Swift is a fraternity man, of the Gamma Eta Gamma, and is affiliated with the Hampden County Bar Association.

#### HORACE EVERETT BOYNTON, D. C., Ph. C.

—In the younger group of professional men in Hampshire County, Massachusetts, Dr. Horace Everett Boynton is taking a leading position and his activities are reflecting credit not only upon himself but upon the school of healing of which he is a representative. A native of the State of Massachusetts, but for some years a resident of New Hampshire, Mr. Boynton is a member of a family long prominent in New England. He is a son of John Boynton, and a grandson of Joshua Boynton, the family tracing back through many generations of American ancestry to the Boynton family distinguished on the northwest coast of England.

John Boynton, father of Horace E. Boynton, married Louise C. Ham, who died in the year 1923; she was a daughter of Reuben Ham, also a prominent citizen of Massachusetts. John and Louise C. (Ham) Boynton were the parents of six children: John Edward; Ernest Wheeler; Frank Augustus; Mable Louise; Horace Everett, of further mention; and Laura Grace.

Horace Everett Boynton was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, December 27, 1896. Following his elementary studies, he attended high school at Plymouth, New Hampshire, and as a young man mastered telegraphy. Mr. Boynton's first experience was in the employ of the White Mountain Telegraph & Telephone Company and he became one of their expert operators. Breaking health compelled him to seek other employment, and he became identified with the Draper-Maynard Company, a widely important sporting goods concern. Believing that wider opportunities lay before him in another field of endeavor, Dr. Boynton entered the Palmer University of Chiropractic, in Davenport, Iowa, in 1920, and by sacrificing all vacation periods covered the three years' course in eighteen months. Coming to Northampton, Massachusetts, in the year 1922, he opened offices at No.

39 Main Street and developed a very extensive and lucrative practice, and is now located at No. 6 Crafts Avenue. His success in his chosen profession has demonstrated the importance of the theories of this modern branch of the healing art, and the people have recognized his position as its representative. Dr. Boynton is fraternally affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton, Massachusetts, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Plymouth, New Hampshire. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Dr. Horace Everett Boynton married, in Plymouth, New Hampshire, June 24, 1916, Minnie Eastman, daughter of Alonzo Eastman, granddaughter of Simeon Eastman, and great-granddaughter of Galeon Eastman, this family tracing directly back to the "Mayflower." The mother, Flora (Dalton) Eastman, is also a member of a distinguished New England family. Dr. and Mrs. Boynton have one son, Ralph Everett, born in Plymouth, New Hampshire, July 30, 1917.

**EDWARD FRANKLIN WARNER**, dealer in farm implements and cultivator of the ancestral farm of three hundred acres, where he passed his days, at Cummington, Massachusetts, was born on the homestead property, November 16, 1844, and died there March 27, 1911. He was the son of Franklin John Marvin and Vesta Wales (Reed) Warner. The Warner family, of ancient English origin, has had many honored representatives in England and America. More than twenty families of the name have coats-of-arms of different designs. Important branches of the name live to-day in the counties of Kent, Norfolk, Suffolk, Warwick, York, England; in Ayrshire, Scotland; and in Ireland.

(I) Andrew Warner, immigrant ancestor in America, was born in England about 1600. He came to America in 1632, and was a proprietor of Cambridge in 1633. He was admitted a freeman, May 14, 1634. In 1635 he was living in Cambridge on the northeasterly side of Eliot Street, about midway between the westerly end of Winthrop and Brighton streets. He owned also several other lots in Cambridge, but sold his property there to Captain George Cooke, December 30, 1636, and removed to Hartford, Connecticut. He removed to Hadley, Massachusetts, about 1659, and was one of the first settlers. He died there December 18, 1684.

(II) Daniel Warner, son of Andrew Warner, was born about 1640. He married (first) a lady who died September 19, 1672. He married (second) Martha Boltwood, who died September 22, 1710, daughter of Robert Boltwood. He lived in Hatfield, and died there April 30, 1692.

(III) Daniel Warner, son of Daniel Warner, was born in Hatfield in 1666, and died in Hardwick, Massachusetts, March 12, 1754, aged eighty years. He resided for a time in Hatfield and owned land. His later years were passed in Hardwick, where some of his children had settled. He married (first), in 1688, Mary Hubbard, born in 1669. He married (second), in 1714, Thankful Billings. He was the father of eight children.

(IV) Joseph Warner, son of Daniel Warner, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, June 18, 1710, died in Cummington, Massachusetts, April 20, 1799. He removed from Hatfield to Hardwick prior to 1747. Soon after

1770 he came to Cummington, where he was moderator of the first town meeting. He led a company in Colonel Timothy Ruggie's regiment, to the relief of Fort William Henry, August 9, 1757, during the French and Indian War. In 1761, as captain of the Second Hardwick Company, Colonel John Murray's regiment, he enlisted for the invasion of Canada. He married (first), in 1738, Mary Hubbard, born in 1719, died in 1779. He married (second), in 1781, Mrs. Rebecca Spooner, born in 1718, who died in 1812. Ten children were born to the first marriage.

(V) Joseph Warner, son of Joseph Warner, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, July 2, 1743, died in Cummington, Massachusetts, June 8, 1818. He lived for a time in Hardwick, but moved to Cummington. He was chosen lieutenant in 1774, to serve in the company of Minute-Men, pledged to rise to arms at a minute's notice. When news of the battle of Lexington was brought to town, this company, under command of Lieutenant Warner, marched to Lexington. After a service of seven days the company enlisted in Captain Abel Thayer's company, Colonel John Fellows' regiment, and Joseph Warner was commissioned lieutenant of the company. He was commissioned captain on March 22, 1776, and placed in command of the Fifteenth Company, Second Hampshire County Regiment. On August 16, 1777, he was placed in command of a company in Colonel Benjamin Ruggles' regiment. He served at the battle of Saratoga. Besides his actual service in the field, he loaned the town money to pay its soldiers. He held various town offices, and was interested in the affairs of the church. He married, in 1764, Mary Whipple, born in 1745, died in 1813.

(VI) Joseph Warner, son of Joseph Warner, was born in Cummington, Massachusetts, September 29, 1788, died May 10, 1869. He was a farmer, and resided on the homestead farm in Cummington. He was elected on August 14, 1819, lieutenant of a company in a regiment of cavalry, Fourth Division, Massachusetts Militia. He received his commission January 31, 1818, and it is still preserved in the family. He was elected on March 31, 1819, captain of a company in the Regiment of Cavalry, 2d Brigade, 4th Division, Militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He married, in 1812, Olive Holbrook, born in 1790, died in December, 1879. Children: Lydia Owen; Francis Joseph; Franklin John, of whom further; Sumner Holbrook; Mary Ann; and Lavinia Swan.

(VII) Franklin John Marvin Warner, son of Joseph and Olive (Holbrook) Warner, was born in Cummington, Massachusetts, March 12, 1818, died July 5, 1888. He was educated in the public schools; cultivated the farm and dealt in agricultural implements. He married, January 1, 1843, Vesta Wales Reed, born in Plainfield, Massachusetts, December 15, 1820, died January 21, 1909. She was a daughter of Joshua and Susanna (Noyes) Reed. Children: Edward Franklin, of whom further; Worcester Reed, a prominent man of Tarrytown, New York; he is a retired manufacturer and very prominent in civic affairs of Tarrytown and Cleveland, Ohio; he gave the community house to the town of Cummington and equipped it at an expense of around \$75,000; Delia Holbrook, a graduate of Mount Holyoke College, where

she taught to the day of her death; Susanna Lavinia, who married Charles D. Seely; and Charles Francis.

(VIII) Edward Franklin Warner, son of Franklin J. M. and Vesta Wales (Reed) Warner, passed his life on the farm bought by his great-great-grandfather, and was born in the house built by his ancestor in 1779. Mr. Warner received his education in the schools of Cummington, and lived all his life on the ancestral estate, where he conducted successfully a farm of some three hundred acres, and did general farming. He also dealt extensively in farm implements and machinery, yet he found time to take a deep and active interest in town affairs.

He married (first), January 1, 1867, Susie Woods Robinson, born in 1849, died March 20, 1867. He married (second), July 4, 1869, Ellen Lovell, of Cummington, Massachusetts, born October 5, 1851, daughter of Jacob and Laura Ann (Barrus) Lovell. On her mother's side she is a lineal descendant of Thomas Hinckley, Governor of the Plymouth Colony. One child was born to this marriage, Ethel Susie Warner, born in Cummington, April 9, 1875, died January 7, 1925. She was a graduate of the Northampton High School, class of 1893; and of Smith College, which granted her the degree of Bachelor of Arts upon her graduation in 1897. She married, in Cummington, August 30, 1905, Charles Merton Phinney, born in Chester, Massachusetts, October 4, 1872, son of Charles T. and Julia (Crowe) Phinney. They resided in Chester until the death of Mrs. Phinney's father, after which they made their home in the Warner homestead, on the farm bought by the ancestor, in 1771, and in the house he built in 1779, before which the family had lived in a log cabin. Mr. Phinney is a successful stock raiser, still making his home on the Warner homestead. Mrs. Phinney was secretary and treasurer of the Chester Center Library Association, 1907-1911. She was active in church and social work; was secretary and treasurer of the Woman's Club, the Ladies' Aid Society and Ladies' Missionary Society; was a member of the Congregational Church and of the Highland Congregational Club of Cummington. She was especially beloved by the community for her kindness and sweetness of character, and her loss was mourned by a wide circle of friends.

**HERBERT EMERSON HOLDEN**, manufacturer of window frames and house finishings in North Amherst, Massachusetts, was born June 29, 1880, in Shutesbury, Massachusetts. The name he bears, Holden, Holdin, Holding, or Houlding, is of ancient and distinguished quality in England. It was a place name doubtless. Coats-of-arms are borne by various branches of the family.

Richard Holden, immigrant ancestor of the family in America, was born in England in 1609, and came to this country in the ship "Francis," sailing from Ipswich, England, April 30, 1634, and settling first at Ipswich, Massachusetts, where he owned land. Justinian, his brother, born in 1611, crossed the ocean a year later and settled in Watertown, whither Richard removed soon after. A family record in manuscript, written about 1800, says that the immigrants had brothers, named Adam and William; and an uncle, James Holden, "one





*Herbert E. Holden.*





of the Lords of England," who secured their release by the sheriff who had arrested them for attending a "dissenting meeting," on condition that they would not repeat the offense in that country. Richard Holden lived in Cambridge, adjoining Watertown, for a time; and Justinian also settled there. Richard Holden was a proprietor of the adjacent town of Woburn as early as 1658. He sold his property in Watertown in 1655 to J. Sherman. He was admitted a freeman, May 6, 1657; and in that year he removed to Groton, where he owned nine hundred and seventy acres of land in the northeasterly part of the town, now in Shirley, part of which was occupied in recent years by Porter Kittredge. His land extended on the west bank of the Nashua River from a point near Beaver Pond to the northward. He passed his last years with his son, Stephen, to whom he gave his real estate on March 23, 1691, calling himself "aged, infirm and a widower." He died at Groton, March 1, 1696.

Richard Holden married, in 1640, Martha Fosdick, who died at Watertown, December 6, 1681, daughter of Stephen Fosdick, of Charlestown. Mr. Fosdick bequeathed to Holden a forty-acre lot in Woburn. Children: 1. Justinian, born 1644; resided in Billerica. 2. Martha, born January 15, 1645-46; married Thomas Boyden. 3. Stephen, born July 19, 1648, killed by a fall from a tree in Groton, in 1658. 4. Samuel, settled in Groton and Stoneham. 5. Mary, married Thomas Williams. 6. Sarah, married, December 20, 1677, Gershom Swan. 7. Elizabeth. 8. Thomas. 9. John, who died young. 10. Stephen, born about 1658.

(I) Lyman Holden, grandfather of Herbert Emerson Holden, served in the Civil War, entering the service when he was more than fifty-five years old. He was a farmer in civil life. He died in New Salem, Massachusetts. He married Lucy Sylvester, and they were the parents of two children: Benjamin Franklin, of further mention, and Harriet.

(II) Benjamin Franklin Holden, son of Lyman and Lucy (Sylvester) Holden, was born in Wendell, Massachusetts, in 1840, died in Amherst, in July, 1907. He lived in Willington, Shutesbury, Ware, and Amherst, Massachusetts. He followed farming most of his life; he also operated a grist mill in Willington. He married, in 1861, Hannah Augusta Joslyn, born in Dana, Massachusetts, living in Cushman, Massachusetts (1925), at the age of eighty years. She was the daughter of Peter and Hannah (Newcomb) Joslyn. They were the parents of eight children: Edmund; Harriet, married a Mr. Blair; Effie, married Jeremiah Stickwell; Eva, since dead; Henry; Herbert Emerson, of further mention; Grace, married Arthur Hatt; Edith, since dead, who married Lee Weaver, of Pelham.

(III) Herbert Emerson Holden, son of Benjamin Franklin and Hannah Augusta (Joslyn) Holden, was educated in the schools of Ware and Amherst. When fourteen years old he went to work in a box factory in Amherst. He passed three years learning the wood-working business. He became proficient and engaged in the business for himself. He established a wood-working plant in North Amherst; and a lumber yard in Northampton, on North King Street. He manufactures window frames and house furnishings; and handles large quantities of asbestos shingles. He has operated steam

mills in cutting lumber for his trade. His activities cover a wide range, including Hampshire, Hampden, and Franklin counties. In the course of his varied activities, Mr. Holden employs many persons. He is a member of the Sons of Veterans.

Mr. Holden married, in 1905, Mary Ella Warren, of Philipston, Massachusetts, daughter of Levi and Emma (Joslyn) Warren. Mr. and Mrs. Holden are the parents of seven children: Hazel, Elmer, Robert, Florence, Marguerite, Helen, and Nelson Holden, all born in Amherst. Mr. Holden's address is North Amherst, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES FREDERICK MINOTT**—The Minotts are an old Massachusetts family who, however unlike most of the original New England settlers, are of predominating Dutch and French origin. To mention only the immediate ancestry we know that the grandfather of Mr. C. F. Minott, of Greenfield, was of French origin, while the grandmother was of Dutch descent. Their children were: 1. Henry. 2. Aaron. 3. Charles. 4. William H. 5. Frank. The grandfather was engaged in the time-honored and old-fashioned trade of well-digging.

William Horatio Minott, father of Charles F. Minott, was a native of Jamestown, New York, born in 1826, and died in Springfield in 1902. As a boy William H. Minott lived in a log cabin with a dirt floor and had to cut logs to burn in the fireplace. As a young man he came to Massachusetts and enlisted in the Civil War in Company F, Twenty-second Connecticut Regiment, for nine months' service. He drove an eight-mule team, was injured and spent some time in the hospital. He married, in Connecticut, and for a time worked in the carpet mills in Thompsonville, Massachusetts. Later he located in Springfield and accepted work in the United States Armory, at the same time taking up house painting. He followed that trade up to the time of his death. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife, Sarah Jane (Tate) Minott, was born in the North of Ireland, in 1837, and died in 1920. She was of Scotch descent, being a daughter of Mrs. Ann (Cornell) Tate. The children of the marriage are: 1. Charlotte, who died in infancy. 2. Sarah, who died in infancy. 3. Charlotte, who married Charles A. Holmes, of Springfield. 4. Sarah. 5. Effie, who died in infancy. 6. William, who died in 1923. 7. Charles F., of whom further. 8. Annie. 9. Mary, who married F. J. Roos.

Charles Frederick Minott is a native of Springfield, born July 22, 1866. Educated in the public school of Springfield, he learned, after completing his general education, the printer's trade and accepted work for Curtis B. Wells, remaining with that firm for six years. After this he entered the service of the Springfield Printing & Binding Company, and having continued with them for some time went West and was located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for a period of eight years and then returned to the employ of Springfield printers, remaining there for eight years. He then went to Boston. In 1910 he came to Greenfield. In 1911 he went into the printing business on his own account. Six months later he incorporated his business under the name of the Minott Printing & Binding Company, Inc., of which Mr. Minott is president

and manager, and his son Ivan C. is treasurer. Mr. Minott has a veritable twentieth century establishment, equipped especially for the manufacturer's needs with the most modern machines and type faces, with all operations performed on the same floor. Among their specialties are all kinds of shop and factory forms, office forms, ruled blanks and record forms, shipping orders, invoices and order blanks, stuffers, booklets, parts catalogs. The products go not only all over Vermont, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, but also over the Canadian border. Mr. Minott is a big employer of labor and has had charge of men since seventeen years of age.

Mr. Minott married (first), March 14, 1891, Estelle Rich, born in New York State, and died 1901, a daughter of Thomas W. and Mathilda Sylvia (Berry) Rich. Married (second), in September, 1904, Elizabeth Genung, also a native of New York State. The children of the first marriage are: 1. Ivan Charles, born May 1, 1892, in Jesup, Iowa, educated in the public school of Springfield and Medford, is associated with his father in the printing business, and is treasurer of the Minott Printing & Binding Company, Inc. He is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; a Companion of the Royal Arch Chapter of Greenfield; of the Council, the Commandery, Knights Templars, Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, the Greenfield Club, and the Kiwanis Club. On October 7, 1913, he married Hazel Monteith, of Detroit, Michigan, a daughter of Robert J. and Charlotte (Keatly) Monteith, and with her has children: i. Ivan C., Jr., born August 21, 1914. ii. Russell Joseph, born October 21, 1921. iii. Jacqueline, born December 18, 1923. 2. Irene, born October 20, 1893, at Sycamore, Illinois; married Herbert F. Whitmore, of Bloomfield, New York. 3. Sylvia, born January 16, 1895, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa; married Raymond H. Spencer, of Greenfield, and with him has children, Sylvia Estelle and Verne. The children of the second marriage are: 1. Richard, born January 6, 1907, at Medford. 2. Foster, born April 4, 1909, at Medford. 3. Dorothy, born March 27, 1911, at Medford. 4. Roswell, born March 16, 1913, at Greenfield.

**EDSON WINTHROP STRONG**—The Strong's of Hatfield, Massachusetts, are one of the oldest New England families of English origin. Elder John Strong, son of Richard Strong, was born in Taunton, Somersetshire, England, in 1605, whence he removed to London, and afterwards to Plymouth. Having pronounced Puritan sympathies he sailed on May 20, 1630, from Plymouth to America and settled at Dorchester. On March 9, 1634, he took the freeman's oath at Boston, Massachusetts. In 1635 he removed to Hingham and later to Taunton, where he remained as late as 1645, as he was deputy to the General Court in Plymouth in the years 1641, 1643, 1644. From Taunton he removed to Windsor, Connecticut, and in 1659 to Northampton, where he lived for forty years. He had a tannery in that place and on June 13, 1663, was ordained an elder of the church. He married (first), in December, 1630, and (second) to Abigail Ford, who died July 6, 1688, at the age of eighty. Elder John Strong died April 14, 1699, at the age of ninety-four and was

father of sixteen children, one of whom was Thomas B., of whom further.

(II) Thomas B. Strong, son of Elder John Strong, was born about 1631. He married and among his children was Waitstill, of whom further.

(III) Deacon Waitstill Strong, son of Thomas B. Strong, was born January 18, 1703, died February 22, 1767. He was a farmer at Northampton, Massachusetts, where he was made a deacon in 1743, and later moved to Southampton. He married, November 23, 1736, Esther Root, and had a son Waitstill (2), of whom further.

(IV) Waitstill (2) Strong, son of Deacon Waitstill Strong, was born October 24, 1746, and died September 13, 1835, at the age of eighty-eight. He was a farmer of Southampton and removed in 1803 to Huntington, Massachusetts. On March 20, 1774, he married Rhoda Clark, a native of Northampton, and had a son Horatio, of whom further.

(V) Horatio Strong, son of Waitstill (2) Strong, was born March 19, 1785, in Southampton, Massachusetts, and died at Hatfield, August 3, 1857. On June 31, 1813, he married Sarah Elwell, of Westhampton, who died August 13, 1874. He was a drum major in the War of 1812 at Boston. He settled in Boston after the war and was the father of five children: 1. Parmenas Lysander, of whom further. 2. Amarah Elwell, born June 11, 1818. 3. Horatio, born June 9, 1820, died November 10, 1892. 4. Sarah Anne, born December 12, 1823, married January 4, 1844, Ebenezer Dwight, died June 5, 1847. 5. Rowena, born April 14, 1826, married (first), December 16, 1846, Edward Phelps Billings, who died November 6, 1848; married (second), May 28, 1850, Osborne W. Cleveland, of Williamsburg.

(VI) Parmenas L. Strong, son of Horatio Strong, was born November 12, 1815, died January 24, 1901. He married, September 16, 1840, Miranda, daughter of Thomas Frary, of Hatfield, who was born December 14, 1813, and died February 9, 1890. The children of this marriage were: 1. Alvin Lyman, of whom further. 2. John Marshall, born May 24, 1848. 3. Sarah Jane, born October 28, 1851; married, December 28, 1881, George E. Searle, of Easthampton. 4. Harriet Maria, born May 23, 1858.

(VII) Alvin Lyman Strong, son of Parmenas L. Strong, was born April 30, 1843, and married, November 1, 1866, Anna B. Searle, of Huntington, who was born September 22, 1843. He was a member of the Company K, Fifty-second Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, in the Civil War, and the father of four children: 1. Gertrude Alice, born August 26, 1867; married, January 1, 1891, Frank E. Milendy; she died April 13, 1897. They were the parents of one son, Roland A., born August 5, 1894, died May 23, 1899. 2. Edson Winthrop, of whom further. 3. Eugene Searle, born September 10, 1873; married Anna Knight, and has one son, Royce Knight, born June 20, 1905. 4. Mabel Maria, born August 9, 1877.

(VIII) Edson Winthrop Strong, son of Deacon Alvin L. and Anna B. (Searle) Strong, was born December 5, 1869, at Hatfield, and after obtaining his education in the local schools and at Smith Academy went to the home farm, where he remained for fifty-five years. In 1913 he



built a new residence. He takes a great interest in public affairs. He was superintendent of water works fourteen years; is chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and was on the Board of Assessors for eleven years. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and for years has been treasurer of the Men's Club of his church.

Edson W. Strong married (first), March 31, 1898, Hattie Maria, daughter of Henry W. Bardwell, who died January 29, 1903; he married (second), June 2, 1922, Clara B. Bardwell, who is a sister of the late Mrs. Strong. There is one son by his first marriage, Ralph Bardwell, born February 19, 1901, and lives in the family home.

**SILVIO MARTINELLI**—As a pleader before the courts at Springfield, Mr. Martinelli represents the highest interests of his profession, and in civic matters he has proven a capable and popular official. He is the son of Clayton Martinelli, a lumber dealer, who was born in Italy, and Rosa (Nicoli) Martenelli, a native of Italy.

Silvio Martinelli was born August 3, 1883, in Italy, where he attended the high school, afterwards graduating at the American International College, with the class of 1907, and he received his degree of Bachelor of Laws at the Valparaiso, Indiana, Law School in the class of 1910. He was admitted to the Indiana bar in 1910, and to the Massachusetts bar in 1912, when he established his offices at Springfield. Active in the interests of the Republican party, Mr. Martinelli was a member of the city government from 1914 to 1916, and he served as police commissioner in 1919-21. He served as attorney for the Italian Consulate in Western Massachusetts for over twelve years, and was appointed public administrator in 1923 by Governor Cox. Mr. Martinelli's fraternal affiliations are with Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a member of the Hampden County Bar and the American Bar associations; the Oxford Country Club; Springfield Trapshooting Club, and the Italian Brotherly Union.

Silvio Martinelli married, August 8, 1912, May T. Moriarty, born in Springfield, daughter of Thomas Moriarty, a native of Ireland, and Margaret (Keating) Moriarty, of Springfield; and they are the parents of two children: Rosemary, born April 7, 1920, and Silvio Thomas, born July 29, 1925.

**DENNIS J. KILLEEN**—Dentistry has now for a long time been recognized as a scientific profession which requires for its skillful and legitimate practice, prolonged and thorough theoretical studies, which to a very large extent coincide with the medical curriculum, followed by a period of practical training in dental clinics under the eyes of professors and teachers. Fortunately nearly all of the States of our Union have now enacted laws insisting on and protecting the rights and interests of a profession, which while of overwhelming importance to the public health and working efficiency of the individual citizen, is still more quack-ridden than any other calling. One of the best known schools of dentistry in the United States is the Philadelphia Dental College of the Temple University, where Dr. Dennis J. Killeen graduated in 1910 as a doctor of dental surgery.

A native of West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, where

he was born October 23, 1882, a son of John, a mechanical engineer, and Margaret (Conway) Killeen. He received his early education in the public and high schools of Dalton, Massachusetts. After obtaining his degree he started the practice of his profession in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he has continued up to the present time, being one of the best known dentists in Pittsfield, with a large and steady clientele, who appreciate his conscientious work and his strict observance of the best traditions of the medical profession.

In politics Dr. Killeen is a member of the Democratic party, but has never found time for the holding of public office, and in religion a member and attendant of St. Agnes' Roman Catholic Church of Dalton. He is connected with Columbia Council, No. 411, Knights of Columbus, of Pittsfield; and also holds membership in the Lions Club of Pittsfield.

**FRANK LYMAN GOLD**—A man of wide and varied activities, each of which he has carried on successfully after he had gained full knowledge of the field of business into which he was entering, the story of Frank Lyman Gold is full of interest.

(I) He belongs to a notable old New England family, whose founder was Joseph Gold, born in London, England, who came to America when he was nineteen years old. According to family records, he served for seven years in the Revolutionary War, lived for a time in Northbury, Connecticut, and died in Roxbury, Vermont, in 1829. He married, in Northbury, Patience Goode-nough, who died in 1826. One of his children, Joseph, is of further mention.

(II) Joseph Gold, son of Joseph Gold, married, and his son, Miner, is of further mention.

(III) Miner Gold, son of Joseph Gold, was born in Pelham, Massachusetts, in 1802, and died in Belchertown in May, 1882. He was a scholar, teacher, and good business man, and taught mathematics at Amherst College, besides writing an arithmetic text used in New England schools. Miner Gold married Olivia Conkey, who died in 1878, and among their children was a son, Theodore, of further mention.

(IV) Theodore Gold, son of Miner and Olivia (Conkey) Gold, was born in Pelham, Massachusetts, in 1837, and died January 4, 1889. After his marriage he moved to Belchertown, Massachusetts, where he operated a saw mill, turning out shingles and lumber. In partnership with Mr. Knight, with the name of Knight & Gold, he carried on extensive lumber operations. The firm was highly respected, and Mr. Gold so good a business man that he became superintendent of highways. He was a very religious man, an active member of the Congregational Church, led the choir and was superintendent of the Sunday School. He married, February 6, 1868, Almira T. Cook, born in Pelham, Massachusetts, daughter of Nathaniel and Bethiah (Ward) Cook. One of their children was Frank Lyman, of further mention.

(V) Frank Lyman Gold, son of Theodore and Almira T. (Cook) Gold, was born in Belchertown, Massachusetts, June 4, 1884. He was educated in the town schools, including high school, for a time attended Mr. Harmon School for Boys in Northfield, Massachusetts, and after two years of work in a dry goods store at Amherst, in

order to pay his way, attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College there in 1904-05. His first step in what was to prove so varied a business career was that of teaching. In Branford, Connecticut, he taught physics, chemistry, bookkeeping, shorthand, and typing for a term of four years. In Torrington, Connecticut, he next taught in the high school for two years, in the commercial department. His next endeavor was in Paterson, New Jersey, where for four and a half years he taught accounting and economics in the first school in the United States to touch on the latter subject. Meantime he was studying commercial accounting and financing at New York University. In 1917 he began to put his special training to practical use and joined the accounting section of the Ordnance Department of the United States Government, which work took him to France in February, 1918. Stationed at St. Nazarre until June, 1918, in that month he returned to this country and became associated with Stone & Webster at the Base Department. An opening in the Aircraft Bureau in New York next attracted him, where he was field man and senior cost accountant in the production department, the work of which took him to Philadelphia to settle contracts in 1919. His next enterprise was installing a cost accounting system for the Delaware Hard Fibre Company in Wilmington, Delaware. After a period of service with Wiegner & Rocky, public accountants, he established his own business under the name of The Accounting and Engineering Company, in Philadelphia, in 1920. Selling out in 1922, he became a contractor and built several fine residences in Philadelphia, where he owns much valuable real estate. In April, 1924, he returned to his native city of Belchertown, where he established an extensive automobile business, equipped with an especially fine garage. He handles the Chrysler, Lincoln and Ford cars for a wide area of Western Massachusetts, including much of Hampshire and Hampdon counties, where he keeps a number of salesmen on the road. The firm name is the Belchertown Motor Sales Company, Inc., and Mr. Gold is secretary and treasurer. Extensive lumber and wood lots furnish Mr. Gold further opportunity for business. He is the owner of a very fine residence. Mr. Gold belongs to Ridgely Lodge, No. 51, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Torrington, Connecticut. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Frank Lyman Gold married (first), May 17, 1914, Theresa Green, of Torrington, Connecticut, and their children were: Frank Herman and James Russell. He married (second) Ann (Tucker) Dorey, who had by a former marriage two children: Albert and Malcolm Dorey.

**ROBERT W. ADAM**—No name in Western Massachusetts represents more faithful service to the people or more honorable activities in a position of large trust than does that of the late Robert W. Adam, of Pittsfield, who served as treasurer of the Berkshire County Savings Bank for a period of forty-six years. This man of brilliant mentality and devoted spirit was one of the most accessible men of his time, always meeting rich or poor alike with the cordiality of the true brother of mankind, while at the same time his courtly manner and distinguished presence marked him as a prince among men.

Born in that rugged section of Connecticut, which might well be called the lower Berkshires and highly educated in the institutions of his native New England, Mr. Adam became a distinguished lawyer, then after some sixteen years of practice in that profession, entered the world of finance. Thus in two outstanding realms of vital importance to the world, he distinguished himself as a man of ability and strength and his name reflects honor upon the city of which he was so many years a resident.

Robert W. Adam was born in North Canaan, Connecticut, September 28, 1825, and died at his home in Pittsfield, June 11, 1911. His elementary studies were covered in the local schools and he covered the liberal arts course at Williams College, from which he was graduated in 1845. Coming to Pittsfield within the year, he took up the study of law under the distinguished preceptorship of Messrs. Rockwell & Colt, who as a leading early firm of lawyers trained many young men for the bar. Admitted in 1849, Mr. Adam began practice in Pittsfield immediately and soon gained a wide and influential clientele. Many opportunities were offered him to bear a leading part in public affairs, but prominence of this nature never appealed to him, although when public service became a duty, he ably and gladly bore a part. He served at one time as a representative to the General Court and in the local public service, he did excellent and important work, as president of the Board of Aldermen. His outstanding service to his time, however, was his tenure of office of treasurer of the Berkshire County Savings Bank, to which office he was elected in 1865. In this position of honor and large responsibility, Mr. Adams became one of the most influential men of this county and his wise administration of the affairs of the institution counted largely for its growth and prosperity. It was said that while he served in this office "the business of the bank increased thirteen fold." He was interested in various branches of community endeavor: professional, civic, benevolent and commercial. He was a stockholder in the Agricultural National Bank, also the Berkshire Mutual Fire Insurance Company and other concerns, including as well the Pittsfield Coal Gas Company. It was to his duties as treasurer of the Berkshire County Savings Bank, however, that Mr. Adam devoted the best years of his life and his most arduous labors.

This institution was founded in February of 1846 and throughout its history has faced the local park. It was founded and established on the south side of the park, on the present site of the Berkshire Athenæum. About twenty years later the institution was removed to the building then occupied as a town hall and to the room more recently used as the office of the city clerk. A further removal placed the bank in a building of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, on the west side of the park, where it remained for nearly thirty years. The present simple, yet dignified building, six stories in height, was ready for occupancy, and on September 1 of that year the bank first occupied its own building. Its growth and importance has carried it to leading rank, not only in this section, but in the State. "The Pittsfield Journal" for Saturday, July 1, 1911, which comprised the 150th anniversary edition, celebrating the founding of the city of Pittsfield, said of this institution:



Its depositors include more than one person out of every six in the county; its deposits nearly equal in amount the combined deposits of the other seven banks in Pittsfield; its millions are at the disposal of him who wishes to borrow the smallest sum to enable him to own his home and of him whose needs are many hundredfold greater; its grey-covered pass-books are to be found in the household of every well-regulated family for miles about.

The Berkshire County Savings Bank is sixty-five years old, nearly the allotted span of human life. In all these years, it has had but two treasurers, surely an honorable record. James Warriner was chosen to that office at the outset, and filled it for nearly twenty years. His portrait, showing his fine Puritan features above his dress of the olden time, looks down upon the thousands who come and go before it in the office of the bank. No depositor in the bank can remember when he was not accustomed to see at his desk the familiar face of Robert W. Adam, chosen to be treasurer in August, 1865. Of late illness has laid her heavy hand upon him; but his fellow trustees were not willing that there should be any break in his long continued, faithful service in the interests of every depositor, young or old, near or remote. And no break did come until his death on June 18th.

The personality which bore so strong an influence on the progress of the city of Pittsfield in and through this institution was most fittingly and most happily told in Boltwood's "History of Pittsfield," published in 1916, as follows:

Conscientious in the performance of professional duty, he did not allow it to possess him completely. Mr. Adam was of the sort that loves a trout brook, a stretch of hilly woodland, a winding country road. He was an affectionate and constant comrade of worthy books and the yield of his own diffident pen was charming and felicitous. His wit was proverbial in Pittsfield. He was a master of the art of amiable banter, and his humor would sparkle and shine suddenly from behind a screen of grave courtliness. In business transactions, in public or in social life, and in his church, Mr. Adam's obvious desire was not only to see the right thing done, but also to see the right thing done amicably, and to meet him was to be conscious of a serene and sunny influence.

Robert W. Adam married, in 1852, Sarah P. Brewster, and they were the parents of one son, William L., who has served as treasurer of the institution since the death of his honored father.

**FRANK HULL WRIGHT**—Active in the practice of law for the past two years and now already demonstrating great ability, Frank Hull Wright, of Great Barrington, stands among the thoroughly progressive and noteworthy men of his day and his future opens bright before him. In every phase of his work he gives to his clients the value of his tireless industry in study and research, as well as his natural ability and practical training. Mr. Wright is a son of Frank Hull and Frances (Siggins) Wright, his father one of the widely famed lawyers of Great Barrington over a period of many years, having been admitted to the bar about 1882, from which time until his death, in 1918, he was active in practice. The elder Mr. Wright was a man of great ability and distinguished presence, whose important activities reflected large credit upon the community as well as upon his own name.

Frank Hull Wright was born in Great Barrington, February 7, 1898. Following his elementary study Mr. Wright covered the high school course in Great Barrington, then studied law under able preceptors from 1918 until 1922, when he was admitted to the bar of his native State. He has since gone forward along general lines

of practice and in his ever-widening activities his success is definitely assured. Interested in all that makes for community or general progress, Mr. Wright supports the Republican party and is a well-known member of the Republican Town Committee, of Sheffield, his place of residence. Fraternally he is affiliated with Cincinnatus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Monument Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

Frank Hull Wright married, in Bristol, Tennessee, August 6, 1915, Rose L. Devine, daughter of John and Rosa Devine.

**FRANK J. CONLIN, D. D. S.**—A leading figure in the progress of dental science in Western Massachusetts is Frank J. Conlin, whose excellent preparation and practical experience have carried him to high rank in his chosen field of professional effort. Dr. Conlin gives constructive work to every phase of his advance, and his usefulness is well appraised in the fact of his success. He has done much to encourage dental hygiene among the people, and his present wide practice includes many of the foremost citizens of Pittsfield and vicinity. He is a son of Edward F. and Mary J. (Nicholson) Conlin, both living, and for many years residents of Pittsfield.

Frank J. Conlin was born in Pittsfield, September 16, 1885. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following two years in high school, he went to New York City, where he completed the high school course. Later attending New York Preparatory School, he also became a graduate of that institution, then took up his professional preparations at the Philadelphia Dental College, from which he was graduated in 1913, with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. In September of the same year Dr. Conlin began practice in Pittsfield, and he has risen to outstanding rank in the dental profession. During the World War, Dr. Conlin enlisted for service and was commissioned first lieutenant of the Medical Corps. He now serves in the Medical Reserve Corps with the same rank. In the organized advance of the dental profession, Dr. Conlin takes a constructive part as a member of the American Dental Association, the Massachusetts Dental Society, of which he is a member of the Executive Committee, and he is also on many other working committees of this organization, and the Western District (Massachusetts) Dental Society, of which he is secretary. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the fourth degree, the Father Mathew Total Abstinence Society, and he is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Frank J. Conlin married Elizabeth V. O'Leary, and they are the parents of two children: Margaret Elizabeth and Frances Mary.

**MALCOLM CRAWFORD**, well known in Hatfield, Massachusetts, as a farmer and skilled mechanic, comes of a family that has been in New England for many generations, its records tracing back to 1730, almost two hundred years ago.

(I) James Crawford, immigrant ancestor of the family, came to America in 1730 from Londonderry, Ireland, in 1730, and settled in Newtown, Massachusetts. He



later went to Union, Connecticut, where he bought land and was a large land owner. Although he came from Ireland, James Crawford was of Scotch extraction, and he married Elizabeth Campbell, also of Scotch origin. Their children, all born in America except the oldest, were: Margaret; Robert; James, of further mention; John; William, Hugh, and Jane.

(II) James (2) Crawford, son of James and Elizabeth (Campbell) Crawford, was born in Union, Connecticut, in September, 1733. In 1769 he moved with his family to Westminster, Vermont, and in 1798 or 1799 to Putney, Vermont, where he died in 1807. He was a soldier in the American Revolution. He married, in 1755, Grace Carpenter, born in 1734, as Ashford, Connecticut, and they were the parents of Chester, Frances, Anne, Theophilus, of further mention; Sarah, Lydia, and Elizabeth.

(III) Theophilus Crawford, son of James (2) and Grace (Carpenter) Crawford, was born April 25, 1764, died January 10, 1856, in Putney, Vermont. He was an influential citizen of his community and served as justice of the peace, high sheriff, and representative to the State Legislature. He married, on October 26, 1788, Annis Johnson, born 1766, died in May, 1851; and they were the parents of David, Sally, Henry, Gratia, James, Mark, of further mention; Fanny, Lydia, Theophilus and Annis.

(IV) Mark Crawford, son of Theophilus and Annis (Johnson) Crawford, was born at Putney, Vermont, October 20, 1800, died there May 10, 1860. Like his father, he was a prominent citizen, and in 1851 to 1852 served in the State Legislature. He married, on December 30, 1828, Judith Hunt Mason, died August 24, 1884, and they were the parents of: Henry, born 1829, died 1842; Charles, born 1832, died 1855; Noah Mason, born 1834, died 1835; John Mason, born 1836; Eliza Maria, born 1841, and Henry, of further mention.

(V) Henry Crawford, son of Mark and Judith Hunt (Mason) Crawford, was born in Putney, Vermont, January 12, 1844. He married, on February 14, 1872, Lydia Maria Lowell, and they were the parents of Hugh, Malcolm, of further mention, and Annis. Henry Crawford did an extensive farming business, keeping as many as one thousand sheep at one time, fifty or sixty horses, and a large herd of cattle. He grew tobacco and also did general farming. At one time he served as selectman of the town, and up until the time of his death in 1919, took a very active part in all public affairs. Henry Crawford was held in high esteem by his friends and neighbors and is well remembered throughout the community. His wife died in 1916.

(VI) Malcolm Crawford, son of Henry and Lydia Maria (Lowell) Crawford, was born in Putney, Vermont. He attended school in Erie, Pennsylvania, for a time, and then was a student at Black River Academy, where President Coolidge was a fellow-student. Later he studied at the Glenwood Classical Seminary at West Brattleboro. After leaving school, Mr. Crawford was connected with the grocery business for a short time, and then went into the tobacco business and was engaged in raising and packing tobacco. He came to Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1900, and went into the office of the Porter Machine Company as bookkeeper, later learning the machinist's trade and going into the shop as a skilled mechanic, engaged in the manufacture of lathes. After

twelve years with the concern, Mr. Crawford left to become a farmer for a number of years, but later returned and is at present associated with the concern in the capacity of skilled mechanic. Mr. Crawford is well known and liked in the community, and is a prominent member of the Masonic order, being affiliated with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton; Northampton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and member of the Council, Royal and Select Masters; Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar, and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, Massachusetts. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Northampton.

Mr. Crawford married, April 6, 1909, Antoinette Morton, of South Deerfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Jackson and Antoinette (Morton) Stebbins. As a child, Mrs. Crawford was adopted by her mother's people and took the name of Morton.

**JOSEPH ROSENBLUM** is one of the most extensive onion operators in the United States, a man who has established the onion market, who has brought order to certain commercial conditions, and who has brought success not only to himself but to the scores of producers who are most vitally concerned. He is a power to be reckoned with in American commercial and financial circles, and has achieved this high position solely through his own ability, probity and perseverance. The State of Massachusetts, looking to her men of agricultural industries for the most favorable reports that she is accustomed to pass along to the country's agricultural chiefs in the compilation of their statistics for the elucidation of the interested farming world in general, asks nothing better than to know of the individual effort and progress of such a specialist as Joseph Rosenblum, onion-raising, storing and shipping operator at South Deerfield. It is not an old story, that of Mr. Rosenblum's successful onion-growing venture in the Connecticut Valley, only a few years over a decade as to its duration, but it is a story of a forthright and practical business man who has made the most and the best of his careful investigations of a Massachusetts opportunity, and at a point where the culture of onions is most favored by natural advantages and circumstances.

Starting out in the courage of his convictions, and assuring himself as to the completeness of his survey of the South Deerfield prospects, Mr. Rosenblum has achieved those rewards of production and distribution upon an extensive scale that are properly his, due to his characteristic energy, coupled with his fair dealing with the public. Though Mr. Rosenblum is the owner of large onion ranches in other sections of the country, that at South Deerfield is his noteworthy Massachusetts plant, and its repute and that of its proprietor is at least country-wide.

Aaron Rosenblum, who was born in 1846, in Warsaw, Russia, and who died in New York in 1898, was a man of superior attainments. He received his education in schools in Leipsic, and he had five languages at his command. He came to the United States when he was but sixteen years of age, and when he had been here two weeks, he cast in his lot with that of the Union Army,



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and serving to the close of the war, received his honorable discharge. He then began the manufacture of house slippers and felt boots, in New York City. He lived in Chicago for awhile, where he engaged in business, and returning to New York, spent the remainder of his days in that city. He was at all times intensely American and patriotic, and upon his arrival here he lost no time in securing his naturalization and his franchise as an American citizen. He was a Free and Accepted Mason of the thirty-second degree, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and an adherent of the Jewish faith. He was married, in 1869, to Henrietta Schwab, who was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1849, and who was living in 1925, aged seventy-six years. Their children were: Abraham; Samuel; Lewis; Harriet, deceased; Joseph, of whom further; Gertrude; and a child who died in infancy.

Joseph Rosenblum was born September 21, 1885, in New York City, and he attended the Brooklyn schools, besides further educating himself in night schools. He was first employed in a printing establishment, where he received two dollars and fifty cents a week, so continuing for two years. He was afterwards employed for a short time in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then removed to Chicago, Illinois, where he was associated with the interests of the Hayward Brothers Wakefield Company. He next went into the amusement business, and was an actor, traveling with a company on the road. When Mr. Rosenblum was nineteen years of age, he went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he was associated with the wholesale woolen business, in which he continued up to 1907, when the panic of that year so affected his interests that he relinquished his activities in that line and returned to New York, where he joined his brother in the produce business, and with whom he remained four years, as one of his head salesmen. In 1913 he came into the Connecticut Valley, for the purpose of investigating conditions as to onion-raising, storing and shipping, and as a result he decided to establish headquarters at South Deerfield. Since 1915 he has been at the head of the enterprise, incorporating later under the firm name of Joseph Rosenblum, Inc., and the South Deerfield Onion Storage Company, Mr. Rosenblum being president of both companies. South Deerfield is the main office location of all his activities in this region as well as of his interests in Texas, Indiana, Colorado, Idaho, and California. "Current Affairs," in an illuminating article outlining the extensive business affairs concerning this successful young man, states that:

Mr. Rosenblum handled 2,500 carloads of onions a year, with 300 carloads in storage at one time. He owns a 4,500-acre onion ranch in Texas, and is interested, further, in a 30,000-acre ranch in that State, and 1,000 acres in Indiana; while he finances additional ranches in California, where the Japs do the labor, because it is cheaper to raise onions in the South and West than it is to hire labor in the Connecticut Valley of industrial New England, where factory prices must be offered laborers to keep them on the farms. Importing onions from Egypt and Spain, Mr. Rosenblum has exported onions to Europe and South America. He has been instrumental in revolutionizing the methods of marketing and handling onions. He was the first to start marketing onions in 100-pound sacks instead of by the bushel. To-day, onions are usually marketed in this way. Mr. Rosenblum has made his reputation largely on the quality and grade of onions which he ships under brands.

In 1924 Mr. Rosenblum established the firm of Joseph Rosenblum, Inc., of New York, with branch offices at Laredo, Texas. This concern has just terminated one of the most successful onion deals ever known in the history of the onion business, and it was made possible by close and careful observation of crop conditions, period of movement and restriction of daily shipments, also the quick action of buying on terminal markets, thereby forcing the market to advance when it was known for a certainty that shipments were going to be restricted, and during a period of ten days, about eight hundred cars were bought by Mr. Rosenblum and his associates.

The firm of Joseph Rosenblum, Inc., is very enthusiastic over the possibilities of the Texas onion deal as proven by this past season, provided that shipments are restricted to around seventy-five cars daily and with an acreage of not over ten thousand acres. Mr. Rosenblum is ably assisted by R. C. Schanck, vice-president of Joseph Rosenblum, Inc., and who is well known to the produce trade, especially in Southwest Texas, where he has been located for a number of years in looking after the firm's interests.

In making a review of the whole onion situation throughout the United States, Mr. Rosenblum stated:

Taking as the starting point and beginning of the season of the onion industry, the period when the Northern onion crop is ready to be harvested is usually around the first of August and thereafter. There is a production annually in the Northern States, including the winter crop grown in California, of around twenty-five thousand car loads of onions. This figure includes the early grown and onions shipped to nearby markets. About two-thirds of this quantity is usually shipped and consumed during the months of September, October and November, and the balance of this crop is stored for winter supply, which covered the period of December, January, February, March, and the first part of April. Of the two-thirds above mentioned that are usually shipped out quite a quantity of these reach the small towns, where the wholesale grocer usually puts away his winter supply in his own storage.

At the time the Northern crop starts to move to market, the daily shipments run from one hundred and twenty-five to two hundred cars per day, depending entirely upon the production. During the months of September, October, November, December, January, February, March and April, there is consumed throughout the United States on an average of one hundred cars of onions per day at fair average prices. During the months of May, June, July and August the normal daily supply is approximately sixty to seventy-five cars. The weather conditions have a bearing as to the amount consumed, consumption being greater in cold weather. The Northern grown onions are usually kept in common storage, and they usually have to be disposed of by or before April first, as they will not keep any longer. When the crop in the North is normal, these onions are usually all disposed of by April 10th of each year, and the buyers must come to the State of Texas for their supply, as the crop grown in that State comes at a time when no other State has any available supply. The State of Texas must produce a sufficient amount of onions to supply the United States during the months of April, May, and the greater part of June.

Taking as a figure that the requirements of the United States from the first day in April until the 15th of June be on an average of seventy-five cars per day, it would mean that there would be required a supply of 5,625 car loads of onions. Around the first of April—this depends on the crop in the North—usually there is approximately six hundred cars of Northern onions available in cold storage. There is produced in California approximately seven hundred and fifty to eight hundred cars. There is imported into the United States, particularly so when conditions warrant it, approximately a thousand cars. This covers onions coming from Spain, Bermuda, South American points, and the largest quantity coming from

Alexandria, Egypt. This would leave approximately a supply of 3,300 cars to come from the State of Texas. If the acreage in the State of Texas does not exceed 9,000 acres, the production not too great and the shipments regulated so as not to exceed seventy-five to eighty cars per day, distributed properly throughout the United States there will be no occasion for any such conditions as have existed here in the past, of price declining from a high level down to nothing or starting at nothing and going up to a high level. A market could be established at a fair price to the consumer as well as to the grower and all interested parties. The market could be stabilized and the prices maintained, depending entirely upon the quantity, grade and kind of onions, the grower and shipper have to offer.

The great trouble with the handling of the Texas onion deal in the past has been that the growers and shippers have tried to produce a crop to be marketed in the least possible time. The consequences have been, and particularly here in the Laredo district, that most of the crops were harvested before maturity and every grower tried to outdo his neighbor by seeing how quickly they could load their cars of onions and complete the harvesting from one to two cars per day, and within ten days reach the point of one hundred cars daily or more. The shipper started out offering the first cars at high prices, and offered cars from week to week at lower levels, knowing that the supply and movement would increase daily, which would have a tendency of depressing the market, trying to effect sales in advance or sell something that do not own in anticipation of purchasing at a lower price at the time that shipment is to be made. The consequence of this is that the purchaser, realizing the situation, refuses to buy, knowing that if he purchased a car at a given price it would be considered high and that before the car was half disposed of, another car would arrive to his competitor at a lower price and naturally his competitor could sell his car at the price the first party's cost and make a profit. The trade in general has been very cautious for the past three years and has waited for the onions to arrive at destination and for the market to seek its level by natural sources of supply and demand, and then purchase from time to time on this basis.

If the growers in the State of Texas were not to grow an acreage greater than required demand, and the yield was a normal one, and the shipments were regulated, the confidence would be restored with the buyers in all markets and would bring about a more profitable situation, to the growers and all interested parties; but the great trouble has been, and no doubt will be, that after a successful year all the growers, as well as others, will try to plant as many onions as they possibly can, thereby increasing the acreage, and the supply being far greater than the demand, there will thereby be brought about a reputation of previous experiences. In the event that Texas produced five hundred to a thousand cars more than the normal supply, to maintain a fair average market it would pay the growers to only ship their best grade of onions and not to harvest or ship their off-grades, such as biolors, splits, doubles or anything that may be inferior. By doing this they would naturally reduce the supply with practically no loss to them and sell what they shipped on a profitable basis, as on an average there is fifteen to forty per cent. of off-grades, depending entirely upon the season and conditions under which the crop was grown.

Mr. Rosenblum has at all times proven his interest in public affairs. During the World War, for example, he shipped large quantities of onions and potatoes for the use of the United States Government, and on the smallest possible margin, with no thought of profiteering. Aside from this, also, he was one of the large investors in Liberty bonds, and he was active in all the drives for money, men and munitions at the time. He was chairman of a national committee representing the National Onion Growers of the United States of America, who went to Washington during President Harding's administration, to bring about the tariff on onions. He is a close friend of Channing Cox, Governor of Massachusetts in 1924, a member of the Coolidge Club, and a staunch Republican. He exhibits a deep interest in everything that pertains

to the welfare of town, State and Nation. His fraternal affiliations are with Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at South Deerfield, and he is a thirty-second degree Mason of the Scottish Rite, and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; a member of the Knights of Malta; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, at Greenfield; the Northampton Kiwanis Club; Greenfield Chamber of Commerce; and Springfield Automobile Club. He is a former president and a member of the Board of Directors of the South Deerfield Board of Trade, and is president of the Men's Club at South Deerfield.

Joseph Rosenblum was married, May 20, 1905, to Lillian Emma Heimann, of Brooklyn, New York, a daughter of Arnold Ferdinand and Hansina Charlotte (Lydike) Heimann. Her father came to the United States when he was twelve years of age, and settled in Brooklyn; her mother came here at the age of eighteen years. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenblum are the parents of: Florence Charlotte Rosenblum, born December 10, 1908, at the present time (1925) a student at the Lasell Seminary, at Auburndale, Massachusetts.

**JOHN B. CUMMINGS**, of Pittsfield, in legal circles in Western Massachusetts, holds a prominent position and with wide experience in various affairs added to large natural ability, he has risen to noteworthy rank in his profession. Mr. Cummings' public service has given his name more than passing significance to the city, county and State, and he is one of the outstanding men of the day in Pittsfield. He is a son of Peter and Julia (Reagan) Cummings, both now deceased, his father a blacksmith by occupation.

John B. Cummings was born in Pittsfield February 17, 1878. His education was begun in the local schools, and he later studied in the law office of Harrison H. Chaff, where he covered preparatory work in the classics and the law. He went to the Philippine Islands and entered the Insular Post Service, and served in that connection until he rose to the position of postmaster and later postal inspector, his stay in the islands covering a period of three and one-half years. Mr. Cummings then returned to Pittsfield and read law in the office of Crosby & Noxon. He was admitted to the bar in 1905, but continued in the same office as an associate with the old firm, also with its successors, Noxon & Eisner. In 1907 Mr. Cummings opened his own office and began an independent practice, but, in April of 1908, he formed a partnership with Judge Burns, this being prior to the elevation of that distinguished lawyer to the bench. In 1913 the firm became Burns, Cummings & Rosenthal, then in September of 1921, when Judge Burns was elected to the judiciary, the firm became Cummings & Rosenthal, its present form.

The public service of John B. Cummings began with his election to the Common Council of Pittsfield in 1907, in which body he was active for three years. His ability and devotion to the public good brought his name into more than usual prominence in the community and eventually led to his election as a member of the Massachusetts State Legislature. Serving in the Assembly of the State in the year 1910. Mr. Cummings made a record



which was universally commended and of which his constituency was proud. After that year he was not active in public affairs until 1919, when he was made a member of the Pittsfield Board of Education. Each subsequent term he has been reelected to this position and now serves on the executive committee of the board. Mr. Cummings is a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association; the Berkshire County Bar Association; and is identified with the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church.

John B. Cummings married Emily Walsh, of Hinsdale, September 25, 1912, and they are the parents of two children: John Walsh and Rosemary. They reside at No. 370 West Street, Pittsfield.

**GEORGE EDWARD ADAMS**, president, treasurer, and general manager of the H. K. Smith Company, of Springfield, engaged in selling the Ford automobiles and tractors and the Lincoln car, also a Ford product, is the head of one of the most successful concerns with regard to sales and equipment, for his offices, show rooms and service station are among the most completely equipped in Western Massachusetts. Mr. Adams was born in Brattleboro, Vermont, December 8, 1880. His father was Le Roy Franklin Adams, and his mother Ella (Crosby) Adams. The branch of the Adams family to which he belongs is one of the oldest in New England.

(I) He traces his ancestry to Robert Adams, who was born in England in 1602, and died October 12, 1682, at the age of eighty years. He came to Ipswich, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1635, accompanied by his wife, Eleanor (Wilmot) Adams, and their first two children. He was a tailor. The family settled in Salem, where he was a resident in 1638-39. He removed to Newbury in 1640 and became a prominent citizen and acquired a large farm and other property. His wife, Eleanor, died June 12, 1677, and he married, on February 6, 1678, Sarah (Glover) Short, widow of Henry Short. She died in Newbury, October 24, 1697.

(II) Jacob Adams, son of Robert and Eleanor Adams, was born September 13, 1651, and died in Boston, Massachusetts, in November, 1717, while in attendance of his duties as a representative of Suffield at the General Court. He removed to Suffield, now in Connecticut, in 1681, and was one of the most prominent and influential early settlers. He was a member of the General Court in Boston from 1711 to 1714 and again in 1717. He became very prosperous in worldly affairs, and was held in high esteem by his fellow-townsmen. His will was recorded in Boston and in Northampton, the county seat of Hampshire County. He married, April 7, 1677, Anna Allen, born January 3, 1658, daughter of Nicholas Allen, of Dorchester, Massachusetts.

(III) John Adams, son of Jacob and Anna (Allen) Adams, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, June 18, 1694, and resided in the city of his birth. He married (first) Abigail Rowe, July 26, 1722, daughter of Sarah (Remington) Rowe or Roe; (second), July 12, 1732, Martha Winchell.

(IV) Captain Simeon or Simon Rowe Adams, son of John and Abigail (Rowe) Adams, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, in November, 1724, and died in Marl-

boro August 1, 1803. In 1783 he bought a farm in Marlboro, Vermont, and removed there soon after the purchase. He was a soldier in the French and Indian wars, during which struggle he was twice captured and taken prisoner to Canada, each time being exchanged and returned. He was known popularly as Captain Simeon Adams, and there is a tradition that his wife, Susanna Adams, drove British officers out of her house in the Revolution. She was Susanna Underwood, born in Westfield, Massachusetts, September 22, 1747, died in Marlboro, Vermont, September 14, 1845, aged ninety-eight. They were married in Suffield, Connecticut, in January, 1766.

(V) Captain Simeon Adams, son of Captain Simeon or Simon Rowe and Susanna (Underwood) Adams, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, January 8, 1776, and died in Marlboro, Vermont. He married, in August, 1797, Lucy Mather, born February 26, 1780, died March 31, 1860, daughter of Major Timothy Mather.

(VI) Lucius Franklin Adams, son of Captain Simeon and Lucy (Mather) Adams, was born in Marlboro, Vermont, June 8, 1816, and died May 2, 1881. He married, May 2, 1841, Clarinda Winchester, daughter of Charles P. and Patty (Basset) Winchester.

(VII) Le Roy Franklin Adams, son of Lucius F. and Clarinda (Winchester) Adams, was born in Marlboro, Vermont, April 23, 1846, and died in Springfield, Massachusetts February 4 1910. He attended the schools of the district where he was born, and when school days ended he removed to Brattleboro, Vermont, where he engaged in the grain business for years. Later in life he removed to Springfield and there continued to engage in the grain business for the remainder of his active career. He was widely known and highly esteemed in each of the communities where he lived; and always contributed his full quota of time, energy and means for the advancement of the public welfare. He was a member of Brattleboro Lodge, No. 102, Free and Accepted Masons, and all the Scottish Rite bodies, having received also the thirty-third degree. He is also a member of Lu Lu Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His religious affiliation was with the Brattleboro (Vermont) Congregational Church, which he served as a member of the board of trustees. Le Roy Franklin Adams married, October 23, 1872, Ella Crosby, of Marlboro, Vermont, who died in January, 1890, daughter of Edward and Betsy L. (Jones) Crosby; they were the parents of six children: Walter Crosby, a banker of Brattleboro, Vermont; George Edward, of further mention; Parker Sumner; Ruth Lovisa; married Guy W. Downer, of Springfield; Ella Crosby; married Dr. George Schadt, of Springfield; Crosby, who after a long residence in Holyoke is now living in New York City.

(VIII) George Edward Adams, son of Le Roy Franklin and Ella (Crosby) Adams, attended the public schools and was graduated from the Brattleboro High School in the class of 1900. His school days ended, he became engaged in the grain business with his father, and the connection was maintained until the death of his father, which occurred in 1910. They did a wholesale business from 1900 until 1907, when its character was changed. He established himself as a Ford dealer at No. 99 Lib-



erty Street, Springfield, August 15, 1908. He sold out this business to the Automobile Sales Company in October, 1919. After a year, in November, 1920, he bought the agency of Harry R. Smith, at No. 830 State Street, Springfield. He thereupon built his own show rooms and service station at No. 648 State Street, and from the beginning has prospered. He does a large business in Ford cars and in tractors, more recently adding the Ford-made Lincoln Car. He has built up a large, growing concern, which he organized under the name of the H. K. Smith Company, and of which he is president, treasurer and general manager. His establishment stands at the head of the automobile selling, repairing and service stations in Western Massachusetts. He employs a force of fifty persons, and is the sole owner. Mr. Adams is a Republican of long standing; a member of the Masonic fraternity, having received the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite; a member of the Nayasset Club; of the Automobile Dealers' Association, being treasurer; of the Winthrop Club and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. His religious affiliation is with the Long Meadow Congregational Church.

Mr. Adams married, October 14, 1903, at Brattleboro, Vermont, Margaret C. Averill, daughter of George C. and Nellie (Chubbuck) Averill, and they are the parents of three children Marion E., born in Brattleboro, August 6, 1904; Rosamond C., born in Springfield, April 29, 1909; Le Roy F., born in Springfield, October 1, 1910.

Mr. Adams stands high in the community as a progressive citizen always ready to give of his time, energy and substance to advance all worthy matters pertaining to the public welfare—a notably successful business man, and a valued friend and associate.

George C. Averill, father of Mrs. Adams, was treasurer and principal stockholder of the Ashuelot Paper Company, and at one time was president of the Vermont National Bank. He was born in Thomaston, Connecticut, a son of the Rev. James Averill. At the age of sixteen he became a clerk and bookkeeper in the First National Bank at Greenfield. After eight years he became teller of the First National Bank of Northampton, Massachusetts. In 1885 he went to Brattleboro and was teller of the Vermont National Bank for one year. He succeeded George S. Dowley as cashier in 1886. He was made president of the bank in 1897, and served until 1915, when he resigned. Since 1915 he was an active force in the affairs of the Ashuelot Paper Company, near Hinsdale, New Hampshire, and made daily trips to the plant until his death, July 21, 1917. He was treasurer of the county of Windham; of the Brattleboro Home for the Aged; and the Austine Institution for Deaf and Blind Children; a trustee of the Brattleboro Retreat; and a director of the Connecticut Valley Street Railway, and various other corporations. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Odd Fellows. His wife, Nellie (Chubbuck) Averill, of Boston, died July 25, 1915. Besides his daughter, he left a son, Richard C. Averill.

**ALFRED JOEL NIMS, D. D. S.**—The most active and useful membership in his community that Dr. Nims has held as a dental practitioner for the long period of forty-five years, has always justified the honors of the

bestowal of place and preferment upon him by his fellow-townsmen at Turners Falls. His life has spoken in no uncertain terms through the practice of his profession, in which he has never failed as an exponent of the results of the most advanced thinking in dental science; while in his civic and social relationships Dr. Nims on a number of occasions has served his fellow-townsmen as an executive official and in a very distinguished way. Few men in this part of the State have been established longer in the profession of dentistry; few have a larger circle of clients and friends.

He is a son of Ebenezer and Sarah G. (Brown) Nims. Ebenezer Nims was of French Huguenot descent, and the name was originally spelled De Nimae. He was a son of Joel Nims and grandson of Reuben, who was the son of John, Jr., son of John, who was the son of Godfrey, who emigrated from England at an early date, and is supposed to have settled at Deerfield, between 1665 and 1667. The family was very intimately associated with the Indian wars through the region of South Deerfield. Joel, the youngest son of a second wife, and father of Ebenezer, was born in Shelburne Falls, Franklin County, December 29, 1782. He was a farmer, and also kept a hotel after his father's decease. As a man he was highly respected, and for many years was a member of the Congregational Church. He married (first), November 29, 1782, Betsy ——. Their children: 1. Abner. 2. Direta. 3. Mary. His first wife died December 7, 1812, and he married (second) Lovena, daughter of Reuben Bardwell. Their children: 1. Joel B. 2. Reuben, born August 15, 1817. 3. Charles, born July 31, 1820. 4. Ebenezer, born September 30, 1822. 5. David W., born May 6, 1824. Ebenezer Nims received his education in the schools of his birthplace, and he went to Rowe to live with a cousin, remaining in that town twenty-nine years. He then bought a farm at Charlemont, resided there five years, sold out and removed to Shelburne, and purchased the farm where he died. He was a member of the Baptist Church. His wife, Sarah Brown, whom he married November 28, 1844, was a daughter of Alfred Brown, of Rowe. Their children: 1. Sarah L. (Sears). 2. Frances E. 3. Mary E. 4. Henry D. 5. Alfred J., of whom further. 6. Arthur B.

Dr. Alfred Joel Nims was born at Rowe August 6, 1857. His parents removed in his boyhood to Charlemont, later to Shelburne Falls, where he received his education in the public schools and at Shelburne Academy. Afterwards, pursuing a college course, he matriculated at the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated with the class of 1879. Working his way through college, and graduating at twenty-one years of age, he was the youngest member of his class. While at college, he performed dental work for resident Philadelphia dentists, and in this way, also, established his apprenticeship for his profession. He then went to Turners Falls, where he opened his offices, there to continue his practice for forty-five years.

Dr. Nims maintains the principles of the Republican party by his vote; he is very active in civic affairs, and was a member of the Republican Town Committee four years. For some time he officiated as president of the Village Improvement Society, was also interested in the work of having seven hundred trees planted throughout





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the village, Dr. Nims taking charge of them until the State had established its Department of Forestry. He was also chairman of the Public Library Association, and a member of its board of directors eighteen years. Many responsibilities of local action during the World War were given him; he was foremost in the work of the drives for Liberty loans, served as chairman of the Public Safety Committee during the war, and opened the Red Cross station in this district. Dr. Nims' fraternal affiliations are those of Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Springfield Consistory, thirty-second degree; was once president of the Peskeompskut Club, and a member of the Rotary Club. He has served as clerk of the Baptist Church for thirty-six years.

Dr. Nims married, February 14, 1884, at Leominster, Addie E. Lawrence, who died October 11, 1919. They were the parents of: Alice Mary, who died in 1909, at the age of twenty-four years; and Clara B. Nims.

**HARRY G. WEST**—With an ardent patriot of the American Revolution as his ancestor, who invested his all from the sale of his farm in wagons loaded with food to help feed General Washington's army, Harry G. West, of Pittsfield, can point with pride to Abel West, whose name and fame are emblazoned high in the annals of the family, who have been residents of Pittsfield for one hundred and twenty-five years.

Abel West was born in Vernon, Connecticut, in 1747. He had arrived at early manhood when the Revolutionary War broke out. As was his wont on the Sabbath, he was a member of the little congregation which had assembled for its weekly service, when into their midst rushed a courier with the stirring announcement that the enemy British were aboard their fleet off New London; they were preparing to land and attack the Colonials, and men and all available help were needed at once. The minister, fired with patriotic zeal, stayed the regular church service and urged all the men present to take up arms and make haste at once to help their compatriots in their efforts to stem the enemy flood come with the avowed purpose of sweeping away their liberties. Young Abel West was lame; he had only a single-barreled fowling piece for a weapon, but handicapped as he was physically and by poor fighting equipment, he was on hand as soon as the others. Governor Trumbull observed his lameness and his weapon, and he assured the would-be soldier that he could be of greater service to his country by remaining at home and raising food for the army than by going to the front and participating in the fighting. Young West at once saw the point and logic of the Governor's argument, and with blood tingling with the ardor of the new-born liberty-loving movement, he retraced his steps homeward. He put the old fowling piece back in its place in the rack and resumed his occupation of farming with the solemn plea of the Governor ringing in his ears. Word soon came from the front that Washington was experiencing great difficulty in procuring food for his soldiers. Abel West heard the disturbing news; again he demonstrated that inherent characteristic of self-sacrifice, and resolved to act at once; he sold his farm, and with the proceeds bought open wagons, loaded them with food, all that he

had left in this world's goods, and set out for the south to go to the assistance of Washington's famished army. While passing through New Jersey he was met by a courier riding at top speed and shouting that Lord Cornwallis had surrendered, and the Revolutionary War was over. The Colonials had won their independence. The Governor took all the food that Abel West had off his hands, paid him for it in Continental money, which was worthless, and the farmer-patriot returned home impoverished and remained a poor man for the rest of his days. He married Hannah Chapman, and had a son, Abel (2), of whom further.

Abel (2) West, son of Abel and Hannah (Chapman) West, came to Pittsfield in 1800, a poor boy, and went to work for Colonel Simon Larned for ten dollars a month. In 1817 he bought a farm of eighty acres on West Street. From time to time he added to his domain and made notable improvements. He lived there until his death in February, 1871. Shortly after his removal to the "West Part" of Pittsfield, Mr. West was elected district school committeeman, and was reelected for many succeeding years. He was the Representative for Pittsfield in the Massachusetts Legislature of 1842, the town in those days sending but one member to the Great and General Court, which procedure was deemed extraordinary. In his politics Mr. West was a Whig. He married Matilda Thompson, and had a son, Gilbert, of whom further.

Gilbert West, son of Abel (2) and Matilda (Thompson) West, was a prominent man in Pittsfield, being for a number of years on the Board of the Fire Department, and for more than thirty years librarian of the First Congregational Sunday School. He married Elizabeth Goodrich, and among their children is Harry G., of whom further.

Harry G. West, son of Gilbert and Matilda (Thompson) West, was born in 1862. He married Mary F. Waite, born in Pittsfield, daughter of Dr. Lorenzo Waite. They are the parents of three children: Frances Elizabeth; Gilbert Lorenzo, and William Bradford.

**CHARLES FAIRHURST**—One of the most promising of the younger men of the legal profession in Massachusetts is Charles Fairhurst, of Greenfield, junior partner of the law firm of Davenport & Fairhurst. Although a young man Mr. Fairhurst has presented cases before the Supreme Court of the State, before the District Court, and the Federal Court, and is associated with one of the ablest lawyers in Western Massachusetts.

Thomas Fairhurst, father of Mr. Fairhurst, was born in Bolton, England, in 1861, and died in Somerville, Massachusetts, November 15, 1920. He received his schooling in his native town, and when he was twenty-one years of age came to Canada. Soon after his arrival in the New World he left Canada and came to the States, where he entered the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, which was at that time engaged in the construction of the road. Later he was identified with the Old Colony Road, and he ultimately went with the Boston & Maine Railroad, which connection he maintained to the time of his death, serving as chief clerk and accountant in the freight department, where he ren-

dered faithful and efficient service. He was an exceptionally well read man and possessed a remarkable aptitude for mathematics. He made his home in Somerville, Massachusetts, in the eighties, and lived there to the time of his death. He was essentially a home-loving man and was much loved by his associates. He was a member of the Veteran Railroad Men's Association, and his religious interest was with the Episcopal Church, of which he was a communicant.

Thomas Fairhurst married Sarah Ann Halton, who was born near Bolton, England, and died in Somerville, Massachusetts, in 1899, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Ethel, who married Hartley Remsen. 2. Frank. 3. Charles, of whom further.

Charles Fairhurst, son of Thomas and Sarah Ann (Halton) Fairhurst, was born in Somerville, Massachusetts. He received his early school training in the schools of Boston and Somerville. He had early chosen law as his future field of activity, and the fact that the necessary educational advantages could only be secured through his own efforts did not daunt him. He attended high school for two years, and then in 1911, when he was sixteen years of age, he found employment in the office of the American Surety Company of Boston, as office boy. Until 1917 he remained with that company, filling various positions, and during the last four years of that period he was a student in Northeastern College Law School, using his evenings and Saturdays and Sundays studying law. In 1917 he was graduated from Northeastern College, *cum laude*. Though he received the highest mark in his class he was popular in the law school and president of the graduating class. In September, 1917, he was admitted to the bar. In October of the same year he located in Greenfield, Massachusetts, and entered the law office of William A. Davenport, one of the ablest lawyers in Western Massachusetts, and on January 1, 1919, he was admitted to partnership with Mr. Davenport. He has conducted cases before the highest courts in the State, and among his professional colleagues he is generally regarded as one of the ablest of the younger members of the bar in this part of the State. Along with his professional activities, Mr. Fairhurst takes an active part in local public affairs. He is a member of the school committee, has served as moderator of the town meetings since the adoption of the new representative form of government some three years ago, and he also represents his precinct in the town meeting. Fraternally, he is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Connecticut Valley Consistory, and a Shriner, affiliating with Melha Temple, Springfield; Pocumtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield; the Orientals, and with Greenfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Greenfield Club, the Country Club, the Kiwanis Club, and the Charlemont Sportsman's Club; his religious affiliation is with St. James Episcopal Church.

At the time of the entrance of the United States into the World War, Mr. Fairhurst made application for war service and underwent some ten examinations. He applied for service in the aviation and balloon section and tried for the navy, but in each instance was placed in the deferred class.

Charles Fairhurst married, April 21, 1921, Laura M. Crockett, of Milford, Massachusetts, daughter of Major Elbert M. Crockett. Mr. and Mrs. Fairhurst are the parents of one daughter, Marion, born July 14, 1922.

**EMORY WILLIAM BROWN**—On his paternal side descended from one of the first settlers of the town of Rowe, Massachusetts, and son of an honored citizen of Greenfield, who served through two enlistments in the Civil War, and with his wife was killed in a railroad accident, Emory William Brown has for the past forty-three years been connected with the Millers Falls Company, Millers Falls, Massachusetts. He acquired a complete knowledge of the milling department and now (1924) is the head of that department with a force of thirty-eight men at work under his supervision. He is a member of Bay State Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and a member of the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite Masonry.

Noah Brown, paternal ancestor, was one of the first to record a settlement in the town of Rowe. He acquired title to one hundred and fifty acres of unbroken upland, which he cleared and cultivated. He evidently was a man of affairs, for he held numerous town offices. He married Judith Short.

Joseph R. Brown, grandfather of Emory William Brown, was born in Rowe, June 7, 1788, and died in 1865, at the age of seventy-seven years. In his youth he was of an enterprising turn of mind, and bought of a dealer a stock of goods which he peddled from house to house. He afterward bought a farm and devoted his attention to farming and stock raising. He was an ardent Whig, later an equally ardent Republican, and a member of the Unitarian Church. He married (first) Sally McLoud, who died at the age of thirty-five years; he married (second) Antis R. Donaldson: His children, by the first marriage: 1. Joseph Frank, of whom further. 2. Maria; married John L. Higgins. 3. Delia; married Lorenzo Stockwell. 4. Newton. 5. Sarah; married William Sherman. Children by second marriage: 6. Esther D.; married (first) Amasa White; married (second) Chester Fairbanks. 7. Louis N., living (1924) in Deerfield, Massachusetts, aged eighty years.

Joseph Frank Brown, father of Emory William Brown, was born in Rowe March 20, 1829, and was killed December 21, 1903, in a railroad accident at Zoar, in the town of Charlemont, Massachusetts. He had received his education in the district schools of his home community and went to work as a farmer. When he was twenty-seven years of age he journeyed to Illinois, where he became superintendent of a large farm. He next returned East and in 1862 he enlisted for service in the Civil War. He was assigned to Company B, 52d Massachusetts Regiment. His term of enlistment covered eleven months, during which he participated in the siege of Port Hudson. Upon his discharge he returned home and re-enlisted, this time with the Massachusetts Light Artillery. He participated in the memorable siege of Mobile. He was honorably discharged from the service in June, 1865. Again he took up the vocation of farming and followed it successfully until his death. He also became much interested in job printing and in a wholesale and retail



stationery business in Greenfield. He was a strong prohibitionist, and took an active part in the political affairs of the town, serving on the Board of Selectmen, and also assessor, overseer of the poor, constable and tax collector. He was the local agent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and a United States census enumerator for his town in the decennial census of 1890. Fraternally, he was a member of the North Adams Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and in religion was a member of the Unitarian Church and chairman of its parish committee. He married, September 14, 1854, Mary E. Stockwell, born September 11, 1838, daughter of Samuel and Content (Walker) Stockwell, who with her husband was killed in an accident December 21, 1903. Their children: 1. Frank H., born February 15, 1856, died January 21, 1921. 2. Emory William, of whom further. 3. Newton H., born June 25, 1866, died in 1922. 4. Fred L., born October 2, 1868, died January 16, 1869. 5. Herbert Samuel, of whom further, born July 10, 1870. 6. Gertrude Kitty May, born August 31, 1873; married (first) Henry A. Bates; married (second) Charles E. Houghton. 7. Errol C., born March 27, 1878.

Herbert Samuel Brown, brother of Emory William, was a partner in the wholesale and retail stationery business of F. H. Brown & Co., of Greenfield, for seven years, and for a quarter of a century has been a traveling salesman for Carter, Rice & Co., of Boston, wholesale paper merchants. He was promoted to sales manager of the firm in 1925. He married (first) February 15, 1894, May Alice Plimpton, of Townsend, Vermont, who died February 27, 1907; he married (second), April 23, 1908, Mary Estelle Chalmers, of Topsham, Vermont; he married (third), November 15, 1919, Mary Alice Vandervoort, of Sidney, New York. His children, all by the first marriage: 1. Louise D., born January 13, 1895; a graduate nurse from the Franklin County Hospital, Greenfield, she served in the World War, having gone overseas on the "Leviathan" September 30, 1918, and remained in service in France until June, 1919; she married Harold J. Cade, of Greenfield, and has children: Richard H. and Robert Allen. 2. Forest P., born July 30, 1897, is in the United States Navy, being pay clerk on the mine layer "Shawmut," having enlisted in the navy as yeoman in 1917; married Anne P. Tempest, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 30, 1922 and has children: Forest P., Jr., born June 30, 1923; and Mary Elinor, born August 16, 1924. 3. Mildred E., born June 17, 1899; married Frank J. Yetter, June 25, 1919, and has two sons: Frank J., Jr., born December 10, 1921; Sidney Arthur, born September 14, 1924.

Emory William Brown was born in Rowe, September 5, 1858, and educated in the schools of that town. He married, November 22, 1881, Rose Annie, daughter of William and Francina (Perry) Amidon. They have a son, Earl A. Brown, born October 11, 1885, who is at the head of the finance department of the Millers Falls Company; he married, in 1907, Rose Annie Miller, and they have one child, Lovell Miller, born January 9, 1910. Mr. and Mrs. Emory William Brown have their residence in Millers Falls.

**FREDERIC H. RHODES**—From junior clerk to president of a large insurance concern, and owing his promotion to nothing else but inherent capacity and gifts of an exceptionally high kind coupled with energy, perseverance and tenacity in following a certain guiding line, such is in brief the career of Frederic H. Rhodes, president of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company of No. 7 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Frederic H. Rhodes is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he was born July 14, 1878, a son of Robert M. and Mary S. (Witherspoon) Rhodes. He received his education in the public schools of his native town, and in the Pittsfield Business College. After leaving school he started to work for the Berkshire Life Insurance Company on December 19, 1892, as a junior clerk, and in 1905 was promoted to the rank of manager of an office. In 1910 he again received a promotion to the post of general agent for the company in New York and New Jersey, where he continued until August, 1923, when he went to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, as vice-president of the concern, and was elected president January 21, 1925. In politics Mr. Rhodes is a member of the Republican party, and in religion a member of the Congregational Church. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the Pittsfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and is Past Master of the Crescent Lodge, No. 576, of the Masonic order. He belongs to the following clubs and associations: Chamber of Commerce of Pittsfield; New York Athletic Club; Hardware Club; Advertising Club, and the Wingfoot Golf Club, all of New York; Park Club, Country Club and Rotary Club, all of Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Frederic H. Rhodes married, June 7, 1900, Georgie O. Wilson, daughter of William J. and Mary C. (Shaw) Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes are the parents of five children: 1. Paul W. 2. Virginia. 3. Barbara. 4. Frederic H., Jr. 5. Charles H., twin of Frederic H., Jr. The family home is at No. 164 Bartlett Avenue, Pittsfield.

**GEORGE S. WICKHAM, M. D.**—Bringing to his profession a large ability, supplemented by a tireless energy and directed by his splendid preparation, Dr. George S. Wickham, of Lee, stands among the noteworthy physicians of Berkshire County. Active in practice only since the recent war, Dr. Wickham has established his name in this section as that of a thoroughly able and forward looking professional man, and in his future his friends are confident that the community will be greatly benefited. Dr. Wickham is a son of Nicholas and Ellen (Smallwood) Wickham, his father died in February, 1909, but his mother is still living. They were the parents of five children: John, now pastor of St. Brendan's Church in New York City; Joseph, professor of English at New York City College; Thomas, a noted surgeon of Boston; Helena, wife of Dr. Thomas Hennelly, of Pittsfield; and George S., of further mention.

George S. Wickham was born in Lee, January 25, 1893. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his



birthplace, he graduated from the Lee High School in 1909, from Holy Cross College in 1914, and from Harvard Medical College in 1918. Dr. Wickham gained his institutional experience at the Boston City Hospital, serving his internship during the years 1918 and 1919. During this time he was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps, and in October of 1919 he opened his office in Lee. He has since gone forward with definite success and in rising to his present position he has amply demonstrated his fitness for his work and his appreciation of its responsibilities. Dr. Wickham is interested in every phase of present day progress, is a member of the Lee School Committee, also serving as school physician, and is associate medical examiner of the Third Berkshire District. He holds membership in the Lee Club, the Berkshire Medical Society and the Berkshire Harvard Club. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church.

**ANDREW SHEPARDSON**—His lifetime spent in the town of his birth, Andrew Shepardson, who passed away but a few short years ago, left behind him a name respected in the community for his industry and his upright character. A son of David and Emily (Grout) Shepardson, he was the fourth of seven children as follows: Zorabia, Martha, Osmer, Andrew, of whom further; Henry, James and David.

Andrew Shepardson was born March 9, 1842, at Warwick, Massachusetts, and was educated in the district schools of his native town. On the completion of his education he found employment driving teams, and remained in that occupation all his life, which he spent in Warwick, dying there on April 23, 1920. He was a public spirited man, and always took an active part in community affairs, making for himself a place in the affectionate esteem of his fellows.

Andrew Shepardson married Elmira Hammond, daughter of Joel and Sena (Higgins) Hammond (see Hammond VI), and they are the parents of one child, Flora, who married Lucas Leslie Shovan, and they were the parents of two children: Grace, there being also a son, Willie, by a former marriage.

(The Hammond Line).

(I) Thomas Hammond, the first American ancestor of Elmira (Hammond) Shepardson, was one of the early settlers of Newton, Massachusetts. He was the son of William and Mary Hammond, of Melford, England, and grandson of John and Agnes Hammond, of the adjacent town of Lavenham, England. He was baptized at Melford, county of Suffolk, England, with his twin brother John, September 2, 1603. He was a first cousin of William Hammond, who settled at Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1636. The marriage of Thomas Hammond to Elizabeth Carson, daughter of Robert and Prudence (Hammond) Carson, and maternal granddaughter of Robert and Elizabeth Hammond, of Wheltham, where she was born before 1604, took place in Lavenham, November 12, 1623, and their first child Thomas, was born there about 1630, and accompanied his parents to America in 1635. Thomas Hammond was one of the first settlers of Hingham, Massachusetts, and had land granted to him there

in 1636, and was admitted a freeman, March 9, 1636-37. He served on the Grand Jury in 1637. His two younger children were born in Hingham, the elder ones having been born in England. With several other Hingham pioneers, Thomas Hammond removed to a locality near the boundary line of what are now Newton and Brookline, Massachusetts, five of them settling in that vicinity, Mr. Hammond's homestead in Newton being near the pond afterwards called Hammond's Pond. He became one of the wealthiest men of his day, and when he died, in 1675, his unsigned will was admitted to probate. His estate, according to the inventory, amounted to nearly eleven hundred and forty pounds. An interesting relic of Elizabeth (Carson) Hammond, in possession of George W. Hammond, of Yarmouthville, Maine, in 1902, is a silver coin, which she herself was allowed to coin when visiting the mint of England as a young girl. Thomas and Elizabeth (Carson) Hammond were the parents of four children: Thomas, of whom further; Elizabeth, Sarah and Nathaniel.

(II) Thomas Hammond, eldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Carson) Hammond, was born in England about 1630, and died in Newton, Massachusetts, October 20, 1678, having inherited his father's estate in that town. The homestead at Newton remained in the family for a number of generations, and then passed into the hands of Judge John Lowell. Thomas Hammond married, December 17, 1662, Elizabeth Stedman, probably a sister of Nathaniel Stedman, who married his sister, Sarah Hammond, and they were the parents of seven children, among them Eleazer, of whom further. The mother died in 1715, at Newton.

(III) Eleazer Hammond, seventh child and fifth son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Stedman) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, November 13, 1677, and died there in 1760. He was a selectman of Newton in 1741, and his will was dated May 1, 1760, and mentions his children and others. His widow's will was dated April 4, 1764. Eleazer Hammond married, April 29, 1703, Hannah Harrington, who was born August 9, 1682, and died in 1775, a daughter of John and Hannah (Winter) Harrington, of Watertown, Massachusetts. They were the parents of eight children among them Ephraim, of whom further.

(IV) Ephraim Hammond, seventh child of Eleazer and Hannah (Harrington) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, March 15, 1719-20. He married, in 1741, Martha Steel, and they were the parents of twelve children, among them Samuel, of whom further.

(V) Samuel Hammond, fifth child of Ephraim and Martha (Steel) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts February 2, 1748, and died at Wardsboro, Vermont, January 4, 1842. He was one of the party of patriots who threw the tea overboard in Boston Harbor. He was a private in Captain Hopestill Hall's company, Colonel Lemuel Robinson's regiment, January 31, 1776. According to the roll he was then living in Roxbury. He also served in Captain Amariah Fuller's company, Colonel William McIntosh's regiment, in 1778, stationed at Roxbury. After the Revolution he removed to Wardsboro, Vermont, where he was one of the first settlers. The family erected





*George P. Dion*



mills at what is now West Wardsboro, called at that time Hammond's Mills. Samuel Hammond married, in 1770, Mary Rogers, daughter of John Rogers. She was born January 28, 1752, and they were the parents of seven children, among them Joel, of whom further. Peter Hammond, the third child of Samuel and Mary (Rogers) Hammond, lived to be one hundred and two years of age. When his parents went to Wardsboro, Vermont, in 1791, he was seventeen years old. He was left with his grandparents in Newton for a time, and his mother returned for him on horseback, a distance of one hundred and twenty-five miles, and the boy walked back with her. In later years he owned the Hammond Mills, and was by far the most prominent and influential man in the town; he was justice of the peace and postmaster for nearly twenty-five years; he cast his first vote for John Adams, and lived to be a Republican during and after the Civil War. He removed to Geneseo, Illinois, with his son in 1856, and for several years prior to his death had made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Martha H. Taylor. He died on the day that he was one hundred and two years old, and was taken to Wardsboro to be buried. Stewart Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, in Geneseo, presented him with a gold-headed cane on the anniversary of his becoming one hundred years of age. He had become a Mason in 1799. He married and had seven children.

(VI) Joel Hammond, son of Samuel and Mary (Rogers) Hammond, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, July 13, 1778, and died at Oneonta, New York, where he is said to have removed late in life. He married (first) Hannah Moon (Moore?) and they had seven children. He married (second) Sena Higgins, and they had one daughter, Elmira, who married Andrew Shepardson, above mentioned.

**GEORGE P. DION**—Many monuments to the artistic and architectural skill of George P. Dion engage the eye in Chicopee and vicinity. He has been closely identified with the various phases of building operations, inclusive of architecture, in his native city and elsewhere for more than forty years, and he takes rank as the oldest architect in point of number of years of practice in Chicopee. He has attained not a little renown as the designer of many important structures in this section, chief among them, perhaps, in point of beauty, type and usefulness, being the new Church of the Assumption (Catholic), built at a cost of \$250,000, and which was opened to the members of the parish on Easter morning, 1925. This edifice, situated on one of the most commanding sites in Chicopee, is declared by contemporaries of Mr. Dion to be the crowning achievement of his career as an architect. That this testimonial is correct may be gathered from a description given herewith of the church edifice itself.

Born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, January 1, 1871, George P. Dion is the son of Isadore and Delia (Dubour) Dion. His father a carriage maker and wheelwright, now deceased, was of French descent and born in St. Pie, Canada. His mother, now also deceased, was born in St. Hyacinthe, Canada. The son, George P. attended public and private schools of his native city and supple-

mented his studies there with a course in the International Correspondence School. Upon leaving school he learned the trade of carpentry and the building construction business which he followed in Chicopee until 1905, when he began to engage in business on his own account. In 1910 he added the practice of the profession of architecture. Aside from the Church of the Assumption, notable examples of Mr. Dion's skill are the public school, Chicopee Falls; the Belcher School, \$115,000; the Polish National Association club house, \$115,000, which was completed in four months; also parochial school for St. Stanislaus Catholic Association (Polish), of Chicopee, at a cost of \$185,000; and a large number of important business buildings, ranging in cost from \$15,000 to \$100,000 each and dwelling houses of excellent design and finish.

The new Church of the Assumption, said to be one of the most beautiful edifices of worship in New England, replaces the old wooden church that stood on Front Street, and which was destroyed by fire in 1912. The present edifice stands on the brow of the Springfield Street hill, on land which once belonged to the estate of the late Governor George D. Robinson. It is of the Italian Renaissance style. A professional interpretation of the most striking features and engaging details of the structure follows: A campanile towering eighty-five feet above the terraced porticos that lead to the interior, and which is dedicated to the soldier dead of the parish, is imposing in itself. But the true charm of the church is its interior. And of the interior, the altar, reaching from the floor of the sanctuary to the high-beamed ceiling is the work of master craftsmen. At its base it is Ionic in motif and fashioned from travertine, like the wainscoting in the sanctuary and the nave. The mensa tables and the portions on this level, made of Botochino marble, is a composite design of the Ionic and Corinthian of the upper, or clear, story of the altar. In a great panel above the tabernacle set above the mensa table is carved in beautiful relief the figure of Mary surrounded by Cherubim, depicting the "Assumption of the Virgin." An intimate and familiar touch is found in this relief, from the design of the architect, George P. Dion, of Chicopee, in that the face of his granddaughter has been reproduced on one of the cherubim. Two columns and six pilasters capped with Corinthian capitals support the upper structure. Set in deep niches and shown in their full relief by hidden lights are two statues of Pietra Chiara marble flanking the columns. The panel of the "Assumption of the Virgin" is done in three-quarter relief on the same marble. Hidden lights in the ceiling of the sanctuary reveal the altar in its full glory. Unlike the customary design, it is built as an integral part of the rear wall of the church. It was constructed in Italy, and a year and a half was consumed in its building and in the carving of its panels. Besides the panel of the "Assumption of the Virgin" in the upper portions, the altar is surmounted by a second panel of the "Coronation of the Virgin." Beneath the mensa table is the relief of the Agnus Dei. The reliefs of the two panels in the altar are copies of the paintings by Murillo. The fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary, which are located about the peristyle formed in the nave by

supporting columns which reach from the floor to the ceiling, are also reliefs of painting by Murillo. The reliefs of Stations of the Cross are also copies of his works. These reliefs are given an ivory finish and flooded with light from hidden sources, as are the carvings of the stations. In the sanctuary, the portions of the wall above the wainscoting of travertine, is a panel of gold-leaf design, mosaic-like in its treatment, which reaches about the semi-circular walls. Back of these walls, on either side of the altar are the sacristies, one for the acolytes and their robes and the other for the priests, their robes and the altar decorations. The whole treatment of decorative nature in the nave is of blends of varying shades of cream. Overhead, the ceiling is beamed and its simplicity provides a harmonious background for the ornate capitals of the columns running in the peristyle. Running from the capitals, the ceiling is vaulted and the portion over the main body of the church, divided by the beamed portions, is tinted a pale summer blue, showing in faint contrast to the cream of the ceilings and the gold-leaf tips of the capitals of Ionic design. Above each column in the nave painted with gold leaf and in rich colors are the emblems of the Twelve Apostles stationed against the arched portion of the ceiling. In front, located in a balcony, is the organ and choir loft. Here the design of the nave has been carried out without interruption. The loft is reached from the vestibule separated from the nave by three swinging doors upholstered in leather. The pews, numbering enough to seat eight hundred worshippers, are of quartered oak brought out in a golden finish. Separating the sanctuary from the nave is the altar rail of Botochino marble joining in bronze gates weighing nearly eight hundred pounds. The fireproof door to the tabernacle set in the altar is also of heavy bronze castings. The altars on either side of the main altar are dedicated to St. Joseph and St. Anne. Statues of these two saints, carved from a solid block of Pietra Chiara marble, are set in niches and flooded with indirect lighting. Upon entering the church from the broad terrace before the portico, a corridor in the vestibule leads to the memorial chapel beneath the campanile dedicated to the soldier dead of the World War. The chapel contains a miniature altar, above which, on the wall is a picture of Joan of Arc, the patron saint of the French soldier. This work is that of an Italian artist of Boston. On another wall is the roster of the parish heroes who gave their lives in the World War, and below of those other members of the parish who fought in the war. The furnishings of the chapel are the gift of the Assumption Veterans of Foreign Wars. The mechanical details of the edifice are such as to form a fireproof and soundly constructed building. The framework is of steel, reinforced with concrete, with the exterior finish of sandstone trim against red tapestry brick. The campanile, connected by a corridor to the main structure, is, however, a separate unit. The front facade of the church, supported by four columns of Ionic design, contains a relief carved in three-quarter facings depicting again the "Assumption of the Virgin Mary." Below the panel is the inscription in Latin, *Sis Entranti Janua Cœli* (May this door be open to those who enter heaven). The pipe organ is

said to be one of the finest voiced instruments in a New England church. Later a full set of chimes covering two octaves can be added to the organ keyboard. The campanile has been so designed that the chimes may be installed in a bell vault. Rev. Frederick Bonneville has been pastor of the church for thirty-three years. The parish embraces about eight hundred and fifty families.

Mr. Dion, whose genius made possible the splendidly executed commission of designing the above church and having oversight of its construction, is a Republican in his political persuasion, and has served the city of Chicopee as alderman-at-large for two years. He is a member of the Chicopee Board of Trade, the Western Massachusetts Engineering Society, and the Kiwanis Club of Chicopee. His religious connection is with the Catholic Church of Chicopee.

Mr. Dion married, September 11, 1894, at Chicopee, Delia DeLisle, born April 5, 1872, in Chicopee, the daughter of Frank DeLisle, a native of Canada, and Sarah (Latour) DeLisle, a native of Vermont. Their children are: Walter Frank, born December 15, 1895, now a draftsman in association with his father; and Edna Georgiana, born April 21, 1897, married Earle E. Burns, and they are the parents of one child, Mary Edna, whose picture appears in relief upon the altar panel.

**MARVIN WHITMAN RAY**, a member of the Durkee & Ray Corporation, of which he was one of the founders and is also the treasurer, holds a prominent position in the mercantile life of his community. He is also actively interested in all movements for the progress and general welfare of the section, and his service in civic, fraternal and other organizations has earned for him the esteem of all who come in touch with him. He is a member of an old American family, being the representative in the sixth generation in direct lineal descent of the original pioneer who came to this country and settled here. The name itself is a very ancient one, as a personal name, coming from Ra or Rae, and perhaps derived originally from rae, the Scotch form of roe, a deer. In Anglo-Saxon times, Ra or Rae, and Ray were used as baptismal or Christian names, and the Gaelic form Mac Rae, McRae, and so forth, came into use, and the family became very numerous. Ray is the most common spelling, but Rae and Rea are still found in use. The estate of Gill, in the parish of Bromfield, County Cumberland, belonged to the family of Reay or Ray from the time of William the Lion, King of Scotland, who died in 1214. Tradition says that the original Ray was a faithful adherent of the Scottish monarch, by whom he was greatly esteemed for his extraordinary swiftness of foot in pursuing the deer, which, like that of the Homeric Hero, exceeded that of most horsemen and dogs, and so gave him the estate. The tenure was a peppercorn rent, with the stipulation that the name William should be perpetuated in the family. This was strictly observed from generation to generation until the latter half of the eighteenth century, when the William Reay or Ray in possession gave to the "hope of the house" the name John. From these Reays have sprung most if not all the Rays and Wreys of England, and also the Rays, Wrays, Reas and Raes, it is believed in the United



States. There were several Le Rays in the Hundred Rolls, and in England the family of Ray is prominent in Berwick, Lincoln, Suffolk, Derby and Gloucester. There are a number of coats-of-arms that have been borne by the various branches of the family.

In 1650, several pioneers of the name came to New England. Simon Ray settled at Braintree, where he died September 30, 1641. His son Simon Ray, settled at New Shoreham, Rhode Island, and is the progenitor of a numerous family of Block Island and vicinity. Caleb Ray settled in Boston, and died there, leaving a son, Caleb Ray, who was a member of the Second Church of Boston. A David Ray, baptized at Forfarshire, Scotland, signed the covenant at Charlestown, September 26, 1696. His son, Samuel Ray, born August 29, 1697, married, October 24, 1723, in Boston, Margaret Fullerton.

(I) John Ray left the English service and came to America and settled at what is known as Rays Point, Washington County, Maine. He married a lady by the name of Strout, and they were the parents of the following children: John, of whom further; James; William; Joseph; Dolly, and Betsy.

(II) John Ray, son of John and ——— (Strout) Ray, married Jerusha Lord, and their children were: 1. Charles W., of whom further. 2. Judson. 3. David. 4. John. 5. Ruby, married Henry Strout. 6. Betsy, married Warren Nash. 7. Nancy, married John Yeaton. 8. Mary Ann, married Elbridge Sawyer.

(III) Charles W. Ray, son of John and Jerusha (Lord) Ray, was born at Harrington, Maine, February 28, 1810, and died December 17, 1893. He married Mary Collins, born December 22, 1808, died November 17, 1891. Their children were: 1. Susannah, born July 10, 1834, died April 4, 1915. 2. Henry, born January 20, 1836, died April 19, 1913. 3. Lorenzo, born November 16, 1837, died February 12, 1875. 4. Marvin L., of whom further.

(IV) Marvin Lord Ray, son of Charles W. and Mary (Collins) Ray, was born at Harrington, Maine, May 17, 1840, and died June 22, 1923. He became a ship's carpenter and a cabinet maker, and worked in Boston for a number of years, subsequently farming in Harrington. He married Alice Curtis, born in Harrington, July 7, 1844, died July 12, 1913. They were the parents of three children: 1. Walter Scott, of whom further. 2. Annie L. 3. Florence.

(V) Walter Scott Ray, son of Marvin Lord and Alice (Curtis) Ray, was born August 9, 1864, at Harrington, Maine. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and then attended the Bryant and Stratton Business College in Boston. On the completion of his studies he became bookkeeper for the North Packing Company, where he remained but a short period; he then worked for the Adamant Cement Company; this was followed by his connection with the J. B. King Company and the Windsor Cement Company of Boston, where he held the office of secretary, and also worked in the capacity of traveling salesman. He is to-day the New England manager of this latter concern, and has represented them on the road for a period of thirty-five years, being still actively engaged in the furtherance of their interests. He is also associated with the U. S. Gypsum Company, and has a contracting interest in the business.

He is active in the civic and club life of the community, as well as in the Masonic fraternity, being a member in the latter organization of Winthrop Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Royal Arch Masons; and De Molay Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a member of the Boston City Club; and his church connection is with the Baptist Church, in which he is very active, and was president of the Young Men's Baptist Social Union.

Walter Scott Ray married, June 27, 1887, Mary Addie Alexander, born in Norwood, February 11, 1865, daughter of William and Nancy (Butterfield) Alexander, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Allen Marco, deceased. 2. Verna, deceased. 3. Marvin W., of whom further.

(VI) Marvin Whitman Ray, son of Walter Scott and Mary Addie (Alexander) Ray, was born February 22, 1897, at Winthrop, and attended school in his native town, in Andover, and the Brookline High School. He then entered Brown University, from which he was graduated in 1919. On the completion of his college courses, he went with the Converse Rubber Company to learn the rubber business from the bottom up. From there he went with the Alfred Hall Rubber Company, and subsequently with the Firestone Apsley Rubber Company of Hudson, Massachusetts, as assistant foreman. In 1922 Mr. Ray came to Greenfield, and in association with Mr. Durkee, established the Durkee & Ray Corporation, Mr. Ray being treasurer of the organization, which is one of the best equipped furniture and house furnishing establishments in Western Massachusetts. This firm has been very successful, and deservedly so, for Mr. Ray's past experience has developed in him all the latent executive powers that were his, besides his keen business judgment. He is a man of initiative, with a clear far-seeing vision, and he has the courage of his convictions, which is one of the greatest assets in modern business. The firm has moved forwards to substantial success, and besides his whole-hearted interest in his business affairs, Mr. Ray has found time to be active in public affairs, doing his civic duty, lending his services and support to all measures that are for the benefit of the community. He is also active in fraternal and club affairs, and holds membership in his college fraternity Beta Theta Phi; he is also a member of Beth Horan Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Brookline; of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; Franklin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Datus Strong Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Connecticut Valley Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a member of Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of the Kiwanis Club; Greenfield Club; Chamber of Commerce; and the Republican Town Committee.

Marvin Whitman Ray married, December 31, 1919, Gladys Gordon, of Brookline, daughter of Frederick Curtis and May (Morrell) Gordon, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Walter Gordon, born August 30, 1920. 2. Janet, born July 14, 1922. 3. Marvin Whitman, Jr., born May 30, 1924.

**A. OLIN SINCLAIR**—A man of determined and ambitious character, A. Olin Sinclair early planned the details of his career, and is now executing them with



vigor and success. He wanted to be a lawyer. This, he felt, would give scope to his desire to deal with facts and with men, would use all his powers in the solution of human problems, and in the initiation of desirable measures for human betterment. Born in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 10, 1894, A. Olin Sinclair is the son of Frederick O. Sinclair, born in Canton, Massachusetts, June 18, 1856, and his wife, Minnie W. (Decker) Sinclair, born in Deerfield, Massachusetts, December 14, 1862. His father, who died September 4, 1925, was connected for a long time with the United States Army as inspector.

A. Olin Sinclair received his early education in the excellent public schools of Springfield, following up the general course of the grammar schools with work in the Technical High School. As before stated, he wanted to be a lawyer. He therefore took the very practical course of reading law with E. P. Kendrick, No. 476 Main Street, Springfield. He worked so faithfully at this that he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, March 18, 1921, and ever since has been engaged in general practice. Mr. Sinclair is building up an admirable clientele. Those whom he has served think highly of his ability, and he is generally looked on as a young lawyer of promise. His knowledge of law makes him a valuable member of the City Council, where his term began in 1921, and which he will serve until 1926. During the war he served on the Legal Advisory Board. He is, though so young, a director in the Highland Coöperative Bank. Mr. Sinclair is a Republican, a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and a member of Christ Episcopal Church, for which he is also attorney. He is much interested in Masonry, being affiliated with Scottish Rite, and a thirty-second degree Mason, in the Hampden and Samuel Osgood Lodge, and a Shriner. He is a member of the Springfield Automobile Club, and the Winthrop Club.

A. Olin Sinclair married, April 21, 1923, Edith Merriam Fraser, in Springfield, Massachusetts, born February 10, 1897, she was the daughter of William T. and Elizabeth Fraser, of New Brunswick, Canada.

**DR. VANDERPOEL ADRIANCE**—The enormously increased demand for medical personnel of high character, especially well-trained physicians, and the vital importance of securing an adequate number of such men, caused the United States Government, during the World War, to enter into temporary contracts with leading physicians all over the country to secure their exclusive services. One of the surgeons who thus found himself incorporated in the vast machinery which was to lead the American and Allied forces to victory over a stubborn and redoubtable foe was Dr. Vanderpoel Adriance, a practicing surgeon of Williamstown.

A native of New York City, born May 13, 1869, a son of John Adriance, a lawyer, and Lucy Whitman (Sabin) Adriance. Dr. Adriance received his first education in the public schools of Williamstown, and then entered the Greylock Institute of South Williamstown, graduating from there in 1886. He afterwards attended Williams College, and in 1890 took the Bachelor of Arts degree from that institution. Having passed all his pre-

liminary studies he began his professional preparation by matriculating as a student of the famous College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City, which is the Medical Department of Columbia University, taking his professional degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1893. From 1896 to 1907 he practiced in New York City, and from 1908 to 1924 in Williamstown, where he also holds the position of trustee of the Williamstown Savings Bank. In politics Dr. Adriance is a member of the Republican party, but has never had time or inclination to aspire to political offices. In religion he is a member and attendant of the First Congregational Church of Williamstown. He is a trustee of the Berkshire County School for Crippled and Deformed Children; chairman of the Athletic Council of Williams College, and is one of the incorporators of the Sharon Sanitarium. During the World War, Dr. Adriance acted as one of the contract surgeons attached to the United States Army. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the Williamstown Masonic Lodge, of the Free and Accepted Masons; the Greek Letter College Fraternity, Chi Psi, of Williams College; the University Club of New York City; the New York Academy of Medicine; the State and County Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

On April 20, 1908, he married Mary Kellogg Tillinghast. Their sons are: Bryan Tillinghast Adriance and Vanderpoel Adriance, Jr.

**HENRY SEELEY TAYLOR**—Thirty-three years have passed since the death of Henry Seeley Taylor caused universal sorrow in the city of Pittsfield, yet many residents of the present day recall his fine face and distinguished figure, both in the clothing store of which he was long the head, and in his activities as a leading member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. As a business man Mr. Taylor was above reproach, his kindly courtesy and considerate interest in his customers having been only the outgrowth and evidence of an integrity which governed every act of his life. Friend of all, benevolent in a marked degree, and open hearted toward every worthy cause or movement, Mr. Taylor won his successful position in the business world through his tireless endeavors and excellent judgment, and those most closely affiliated with him in his business interests were most sincere in their praise and commendation of the man.

Henry Seeley Taylor was born in Bethel, Connecticut, August 18, 1828, and died in Pittsfield, September 6, 1891. His education was limited to the advantages of the common schools, and when only a young man he entered the business world. The family became residents of Monterey, Massachusetts, and he was seventeen years old when the family removed to Lenox. There he resided for a number of years, and it was in that community that he married. In 1855, Mr. Taylor became associated with his father-in-law, James S. Davis, in a business interest in Pittsfield, and together they opened a clothing store, which became even in the early years of its history a leading enterprise of its kind in this part of the State. Their location was on the site where now the England Block stands, and they continued active in partnership for twenty-one years. Mr. Davis then (1876) retired.





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and from that time until his death, Mr. Taylor was at the head of the business. With the retirement of his former partner Mr. Taylor received into the firm his two sons, Frank D. and Henry A. Taylor, who bore a worthy and constructive part in the progress of the enterprise. The death of Henry A. Taylor in 1885, left Frank D. Taylor the active head of the enterprise, for, although the father retained his interest in the business until his death, he practically retired from activity while his sons were associated together with him. The enterprise has now, for many years, been known under the title of H. S. Taylor & Sons, and in memory of its honored founder a standard of attainment is upheld which does credit to the history of the business. To the thousands of customers who have had satisfactory dealings with this concern in its various stages of progress, the firm name has become one of more than casual significance, for among all who know the present head of the firm or who recall its former members, their progressive attitude is honored and esteemed and the usefulness of the organization is universally recognized.

In the life of Henry Seeley Taylor two interests predominated, for among those who knew him best the importance of the one was equalled by his devotion to the other. While he was a business man of more than usual ability and was recognized as an able executive, his interest in the work of the local Methodist Episcopal Church was of equal significance in his life. His efforts for this organization were of the greatest importance to its progress, for he was a tireless worker in its advance.

Possessing a fine and flexible voice of unusual range and quality, Mr. Taylor sang in the choir of the Methodist Episcopal Church for more than a quarter of a century. He was long an officer of the church society, and his consistent Christian character was a wide influence for good among all with whom he came in contact. As a steward and the treasurer of the church for many years, Mr. Taylor worthily bore these burdens of official responsibility without remuneration of any kind whatsoever. For thirty years he never failed to attend Sunday school, except on two occasions. The death of his wife kept him at home on one Sunday, and his own serious illness the year before his death prevented his attendance. The death of Mr. Taylor was a great blow to the church organization, and in both his business circles and his church organization he was sadly missed. The record of his life, however, was one which cannot fail to inspire those who follow after to lofty achievement and unselfish endeavor. His name stands among those of the honored and revered citizens of Pittsfield.

Henry Seeley Taylor married Fannie M. Davis, daughter of James S. Davis, and they were the parents of two sons: Frank D., a biography of whom follows, and Henry A.

**FRANK DAVIS TAYLOR**—A distinguished figure in Berkshire County in the clothing trade is Frank Davis Taylor, who has for many years been at the head of the firm of H. S. Taylor & Sons, which was founded by his honored father. In various community and general interests Mr. Taylor also bears a worthy and constructive part, and he is numbered among the broadly

useful citizens of Pittsfield, his name also bearing distinct significance to present-day progress throughout Berkshire County. Mr. Taylor is a son of Henry Seeley (see preceding biography) and Fannie M. (Davis) Taylor, esteemed residents of Pittsfield in a day now gone by.

Frank Davis Taylor was born in Lenox, Massachusetts, January 20, 1853. The family removing to Pittsfield when he was two years of age, his education was begun in the public schools of this city, and from boyhood he was interested in the clothing establishment of which his father was the founder. Mr. Taylor was received into the firm in 1876, his father retiring at that time from active participation in its progress. Mr. Taylor's brother, Henry A. Taylor, also took a share in the interest, but his death in 1885 left Frank Davis Taylor the sole owner of the enterprise, and he has since been at the head. His period of independent activity thus spans nearly fifty years, and at this time Mr. Taylor has become one of the most noteworthy and respected business men of Pittsfield. The interest was founded by Henry Seeley Taylor in 1855, and is to-day the oldest business of its kind in Berkshire County, having existed for nearly seventy years. Frank Davis Taylor, as a leading business executive of Pittsfield, stands among the foremost men of this city, and his commercial prominence gave him, many years ago, an influential position in the local world of finance. He has long been a director of the Pittsfield National Bank, and a leader in many phases of community interests. Fraternally, Mr. Taylor is affiliated with Crescent Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Council, Royal Arch Masons, and Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar.

Frank Davis Taylor married Virginia Stallman, and they have three children: 1. Margaret. 2. Frances, who is the wife of L. H. Whitney; their three children are: Virginia, Elizabeth and Margaret. 3. John S., who married Elizabeth Dodd, and their three children are: Elizabeth, Frank and C. Virginia.

**JOHN LEO McLAUGHLIN**—There is a man in Pittsfield who is the living exponent of the principle put into practical use in that city, to wit: That a coöperative coal yard can be run successfully over a course of years, secure good coal for its customers, pay dividends to its shareholders and a patronage refund to its consumers, and at the same time disabuse the general public's mind of the idea that such a scheme of business cannot be made to pay. The man who has demonstrated the above salient facts is John Leo McLaughlin, manager of the Pittsfield Coöperative Coal Company, which has made history for itself, as well as the city that has been the scene of its operations for eighteen years. Mr. McLaughlin is the man at the helm of the coöperative company, and he has at his back 2,000 satisfied customers and seven hundred stockholders, whose number includes some of the most influential people of the city; and the record of the volume of business done through the yards is a quarter of a million dollars gross a year. These magnificent results are the fruition of a plan that had its inception in a seemingly minor labor difficulty which arose when eight coal team drivers asked their employer to increase their wages from \$9 to \$10 a week; and upon

his refusal of their demands, they immediately started the movement to better their living conditions through a coöperative coal yard.

John Leo McLaughlin, the Coöperatives manager, was born in Poughkeepsie, New York, May 30, 1868, and was educated in the grammar and high schools and Eastman's Business College of Poughkeepsie. His first regular employment outside his native city was with the Weil, Haskell Company, New York City, large wholesale gents' furnishing dealers, with whom he remained from 1890 until 1895. He then went to E. D. Depew & Co., importers and wholesale grocers, whose senior partner, E. D. Depew, was a cousin of Chauncey M. Depew, the noted former railroad president, United States Senator and orator. In 1911 Mr. McLaughlin transferred his activities to Lee, where he became partner in a large general store operated under the name of Quigley & McLaughlin. June 1, 1912, Mr. McLaughlin removed to Pittsfield, and on the invitation of the prime movers in the Coöperative Coal Company, he became its manager, which position he has since filled with remarkable success, as the record and standing of the company in the community attest. Mr. McLaughlin is active in numerous civic and fraternal organizations, and is prominent in business men's associations. He was a member of the Pittsfield City Council, 1915-16, and is one of the incorporators of the City Savings Bank of Pittsfield. He is a member of the Crane (Senator Crane) Memorial Board, a member and one of the incorporators of the St. Charles Educational Society, and of the Boylan Memorial Hospital, New England Retail Coal Dealers' Association, director Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, a director and past president (for three terms) of the Father Mathew Total Abstinence Society, member of the Knights of Columbus, and of the fourth degree of that order, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and is president of the Particular Council of Pittsfield.

Mr. McLaughlin married Anna B. O'Brien, whose mother, ninety-seven years of age and still active mentally and physically, lives with them. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin are the parents of four children: John Leo, Jr., educated in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools and the Catholic University of Washington, District of Columbia, and now is an electrical engineer at the General Electric Company; Elizabeth M., educated in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools and the Sargent School of Boston, whence she was graduated; William J., educated in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools, and now taking the course in advertising at Columbia University; and Winifred, a student in the Pittsfield grammar school.

Mr. McLaughlin may well be proud of the fact that no one man or group of men controls the Pittsfield Coöperative Coal Company. The stockholders are able to purchase coal and enjoy the refund of five per cent on the market price. These stockholders, who own from one to forty shares each, have only one vote apiece in the management of the company. When the eight original coal team drivers took matters into their own hands and determined to organize a coöperative coal yard they knew little of the administration end of the business. But it was not long before they exercised the good judg-

ment of employing a manager at an attractive salary to guide the destinies of the new concern when it had reached proportions too large for them to handle efficiently. The manager they hired is John L. McLaughlin, whose report for the six months ending January 1, 1924, showed a profit of more than \$6,000 on more than \$110,000 worth of business. Deducting all charges, the company carried over for reserve and expansion \$2,500, bringing the reserve account up to almost \$45,000. So it will be perceived that what the obdurate dealer eighteen years ago declared to be "all a bluff" has turned out to be virtually the largest retail coal business in Berkshire County. The company did not have plain sailing at the start. They were beset by lack of capital and lack of credit. They experienced great difficulty in getting coal. A large dealer, who had sold coal to Pittsfield retailers for years, refused to recognize the new company's certified checks. They eventually hit upon an old line-company who agreed to supply them with one thousand tons of anthracite, and since that memorable occasion they have always been able to command a supply of coal. The Coöperative specializes in hard coal, but handles in addition a large tonnage of bituminous. The stockholders include some of the richest citizens of Pittsfield, and incidentally a number of these are among the heaviest users of anthracite in the city. The concern is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, on whose board of directors there now is an active labor leader. The company stands by its customers through thick and thin, and, naturally, one of the concern's chief assets is the loyalty of its members and patrons. There is a decidedly democratic element in the make-up of the Coöperative's board of directors. The president of the company, who has but recently been elected, is Joseph Pfeiffer, a merchant. The treasurer, Frank J. Owen, is assistant actuary of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, and has held office in the Coöperative ever since it started. The list of other directors includes William H. Currier, an oculist; Representative William E. Staples, Clark J. Harding, bank cashier; William J. Joyce, letter carrier; Charles F. Reid, assistant secretary of the Berkshire Mutual Life Insurance Company; Edward Sammon, plumber; Patrick Fallon, barber, and Frank A. Farrell, shoe dealer. Staples, Fallon and Sammon were among the original incorporators. Treasurer Owen, in picturing the success which the Coöperative has enjoyed these many years, summed up the remarkable history of the company in these words: "Mr. McLaughlin has made good and more than fulfilled expectations."

**HON. WILLIAM A. O'HEARN**—A figure of the moment (1924) in the "Old Bay State" is Senator O'Hearn, who has formally entered the race for the second highest office in the Commonwealth. As a local servant of the people, as a representative to the Lower House of the State Legislature, and as a distinguished member of the State Senate Senator O'Hearn has proved himself worthy of the most unreserved confidence and highest esteem of the people of this State, and in his candidacy for Lieutenant-Governor both he and his friends feel great confidence of success. That he has countless friends in all parts of the State would argue



conclusively for his victory at the polls, and in his ever forward looking attitude and his intense loyalty to the sovereign people his sincerity is unquestioned and is universally recognized.

William A. O'Hearn was born at North Adams, March 8, 1887. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, he was graduated from Drury High School in the class of 1905. Taking up his professional preparations at Georgetown University, in Washington, District of Columbia, he was graduated from the law department of that institution in the class of 1909. At once establishing his office in the city of his birth and lifelong residence, Mr. O'Hearn entered upon the practice of the law with this excellent equipment, and from the beginning he has enjoyed marked success. His success at the bar and his exhaustive familiarity with legal precedent and practice early came to the general attention, and in 1914 he was made clerk of the Northern Berkshire District Court, serving in that capacity until 1919 with efficiency and faithfulness.

Meanwhile, Mr. O'Hearn's political activities had carried him to definite distinction. He was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives by his district and served in that body during the years 1911 and 1912. His excellent work, both for the Commonwealth and for the locality which he represented, was not forgotten by political leaders in subsequent years, and the voice of the people was quick and decisive in ratifying their nominations when Mr. O'Hearn was made candidate for State Senator. In the Upper House of the Massachusetts State Legislature, he was received as an influential colleague, and during his service there he was active on the committee of judiciary bills, also the committee of power and light, and his strong and forceful speeches carried wide influence in the Senate. Perhaps Senator O'Hearn's greatest power as an orator is in the faultless finesse, which marks his approach to any controversy. His logic is convincing, while at the same time his conclusions are accepted as those of the master mind. There can be no doubt that the underlying reason for the strength of Senator O'Hearn's influence on the platform lies in his sound American principles. These cannot better be expressed than by quoting his own words as follows:

I believe that public office is a public trust and not private property; that the citizen is the source of all governmental authority; that governments derive their just powers with the consent of the governed and that all citizens, insofar as is consistent with good order, be left free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement.

If my record on Beacon Hill, both as a member of the House of Representatives and as a Democratic leader in the State Senate for old-fashioned Americanism and for equal rights for all and special privileges for none is endorsed by the Democratic voters I will go before all the people of the Commonwealth at the November election, confident of success.

The Democratic party in the western part of the State is unanimous for Senator O'Hearn as candidate for Lieutenant-Governor. While the fact is recognized by both himself and his friends, that by far the larger population centers in the eastern part of the Commonwealth, the party leaders are unanimous in their enthusiasm for his candidacy. From the time when Senator O'Hearn sold newspapers on the streets, through his entire struggle

for his education and to his present successful position, Senator O'Hearn has always made friends, and his lofty idealism has always held them. He devotes himself largely to his work and to the service of the people, holding few affiliations with organized advance. He is, however, a member of the Alhambra, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Hibernians, Eagles, Moose, the Knights of Columbus and the Rotary Club. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church.

William A. O'Hearn married Katharine Doherty, and they are the parents of two sons: William A., Jr., and Robert J.

**MARTIN M. BROWN, M. D.**—The life work of Dr. Martin M. Brown has carried his name to wide significance, and in his present success he holds a leading position in medical and surgical practice in Western Massachusetts. Active in his profession for many years, and for thirty-three years a leading physician of North Adams, Dr. Brown has specialized within recent years in surgery, and is widely sought in this part of the State. A native of Vermont, and educated in a western institution, Dr. Brown is thoroughly representative of the best thought and achievement in his chosen profession. He is a son of Russell D. and Eliza (Millard) Brown. His father was a farmer and school teacher of Whitingham, Vermont, and for a number of years chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Whitingham, and was always a leading figure in progressive movements in the community. He died in 1917, at the age of eighty-three years.

Martin M. Brown was born in Jacksonville, Vermont, July 13, 1863. His education was begun in the public schools of Whitingham, and he later attended Drury High School, at North Adams, Massachusetts. Going to Chicago for his medical course, he entered Rush Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1888. His institutional experience was begun in the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago, where he served as house physician and surgeon during the years 1888 to 1890, inclusive. Later for one year he had charge of the Surgical Hospital at Ironwood, Michigan. It was in 1891 that Dr. Brown came to North Adams and established himself in practice. Following general lines for a number of years, he later devoted his attention principally to general surgery, and has now for eight years confined his efforts to this branch of the healing art and his important office practice.

Dr. Brown is also a leading figure in civic affairs, having been a member of the North Adams School Board for twenty years. He resigned from the responsibilities of this position in 1920, as the exactions of his practice permitted him scant leisure for outside work. During the World War he served as chairman of the Medical Advisory Board of District No. 1, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Fraternally he is affiliated with several bodies of the Masonic order, including Lafayette Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Composite Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. Paul Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a mem-



ber of the American Medical Association, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the Massachusetts State Medical Society, medical surgical staff, North Adams Hospital, also attending surgeon, the Medical Society of North Berkshire, ex-president of the District Medical Society, a member of the Kiwanis Club, of which he is vice-president, and the Berkshire Club. His religious affiliation is with the First Universalist Church, of which he was superintendent of the Sunday School for many years.

Martin M. Brown married, July 3, 1893, Mary Blakeslee, daughter of Lorenzo S. and Lestine (Beemis) Blakeslee. Mr. and Mrs. Brown were the parents of three children, all of whom died in infancy.

**JAMES ANDREW MAHONEY**, treasurer of the Eastern States Warehouse and Cold Storage Company of Springfield, is one of its well-known business men. He is the son of the late James Mahoney, who was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1840, was there reared and educated, and upon attaining his majority emigrated to the United States, locating in Loudville, town of Northampton, Massachusetts, where he secured employment in the lead mines. He also resided in Glendale, Easthampton, Massachusetts, for a number of years, and was honored and esteemed by his associates for his excellent characteristics. He was quiet and retiring in disposition, spending his leisure time in home pursuits. He married Mary Ryan, also a native of Tipperary, Ireland, born in 1844, who bore him eight children, as follows: 1. James Andrew, of whom further. 2. Cornelius V. 3. John. 4. Michael, superintendent of water works in Easthampton, Massachusetts. 5. Thomas, deceased. 6. Nellie, who became the wife of E. J. Sheehan, of Westfield, Massachusetts. 7. Margaret, who became the wife of Thomas Lynn. 8. Mary, deceased. The father of these children died at his home in Easthampton, Massachusetts, September 11, 1910, aged seventy years, his wife surviving him for several years, her death occurring in February, 1914, at the age of seventy years.

James Andrew Mahoney was born in Loudville, Northampton, Massachusetts, August 17, 1877. He attended the public schools of Easthampton, Massachusetts, whither his parents removed during his boyhood, and his entrance into business life was as a bookkeeper for Daniel J. Curtis, a contractor, whose place of business was in Springfield, Massachusetts. In 1901 he changed his position, then becoming bookkeeper for the Eastern States Warehouse and Cold Storage Company, later was promoted to the position of assistant treasurer, and in 1912 was advanced to that of treasurer of the concern, his present office. He is conscientious and faithful in the discharge of his duties, always endeavoring to advance the interests of the company with which he is associated. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Eastern States Warehouse and Cold Storage Company, and of the Third National Bank of Springfield; president of the Home Builders' Mortgage Corporation of Springfield. These offices also testify to his executive ability and business judgment, a combination which makes for success in every line of enterprise. He is a Catholic in religion, a Democrat in politics, and holds membership in the following organizations: Benevolent

and Protective Order of Elks; Knights of Columbus, of which he is a fourth degree member; Nayasset Club, Springfield Country Club and Longmeadow Country Club.

Mr. Mahoney married, September 17, 1901, Irene F. Savoy, residing in Springfield, but born in Winooski, Vermont, daughter of Joseph and Julia (Bacon) Savoy. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney, as follows: 1. Grace Mary, born July 11, 1903; graduate of Marymount College, Tarrytown, New York. 2. James Andrew, Jr., born February 14, 1907; attending Georgetown College, Washington, District of Columbia. 3. Philip, born August 26, 1915. 4. Charles, born June 4, 1919.

**FRANK LESLIE FOSS**—Among the well known men in the industrial, civic, fraternal and social life of Greenfield, Frank Leslie Foss holds a notable position, serving in official capacity in various organizations of advancement, and taking active part in the development of the section. He comes of old American ancestry that traces back to an even earlier lineage of Norway. The Foss family in America belonged to the nobility of Norway, bearing a coat-of-arms, the chief figure in both arms and crest being that of a fox. The name was originally Vos, which signifies fox, and was pronounced foss. The line comes through Denmark and England to America, and the first of whom any knowledge has been traced was a man named Lauritz, nothing further being known of him at this time. According to the custom of the age in that country, the name of the son was adopted from the baptismal name of the father.

David Lauritzen Foss, born in Norway in 1604, removed to Denmark when a young man, and died at Ribe, in that country, August 31, 1659. He was a minister of the gospel and was pastor of St. Catherine's Church at Ribe, in 1648; he was also a magistrate and afterwards provost at Ribe. He married there, September 10, 1636, Jansdatter Hundevard, born February 15, 1620, died September 16, 1684, daughter of Jens Lorensen and Catherine (Hasdatter) Hundevard. These records have been obtained from Denmark, and are a feature of the Foss genealogy in manuscript, now in the possession of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. Children born at Ribe: John, of whom further; Karine, Lauritz, Agatha, Magdalen, Lauritz Davidson, Jene, Antonius, Peter and Inger.

John Foss, American immigrant ancestor, son of David Lauritzen and Jansdatter (Hundevard) Foss, was baptized January 3, 1639, in Denmark, and became a seafaring man. Going to England with his brother Peter, he entered the British Navy as a ship calker. On the arrival of the vessel in which he sailed in the port of Boston, he decided to remain in this country, and tradition states that he went overboard in the evening and swam ashore. To avoid a forcible return to the service he immediately proceeded to the interior, and shortly settled in Dover, New Hampshire. He purchased a house in Exeter, New Hampshire, September 29, 1666, and sold it in April, 1671. In 1667, 1669, 1671 and 1688 he was a juror in Dover, and for some time lived in Rye, New Hampshire. His will was dated at Dover, December 17, 1699, and he died before January 8 of the following year. He married (first) Mary Chadbourne, born in





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1644, daughter of William and Jane Chadbourne. Her father came to America in the employ of Captain John Mason, to build a mill at South Berwick, Maine, and in 1657 was at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. With him, John Foss removed to Old Kittery, Maine, soon after settling in Dover. He was a prominent man in town affairs in Dover, and was married there (second) by John Wincool, a justice of the peace, January 25, 1686, to Mary (Fericide) Goss, widow of James Goss. He married (third) Elizabeth (Berry) Lock, daughter of William and Jane Berry, and widow of John Lock, who was killed on Dover Plains, June 26, 1696. His children were: John, Samuel, Joshua, Elizabeth, Mary, William, Walter, Hannah, Thomas, Hinkson, killed June 26, 1696; Humphrey, Jemima and Samuel. From these children have descended many lines of this old family, scattered now in many States of the Union. Down one of these avenues of generation was born Benjamin Hayes Foss, of whom further.

Benjamin Hayes Foss was born September 12, 1812, at Strafford, New Hampshire, and died April 25, 1874. He was a farmer in Strafford and married Mary Halmer Caverly, born November 13, 1808, died April 29, 1874, a few days after her husband's demise. They were the parents of one son: Frank B., of whom further.

Frank B. Foss, son of Benjamin Hayes Foss and Mary Halmer (Caverly) Foss, was born April 19, 1847, in Strafford, New Hampshire, and died April 11, 1922. He had a farm of some seventy-five acres in Strafford, which he cultivated all his life, dealing, however, principally in dairy products. Frank B. Foss married October 25, 1874, Mary E. Hall, born in Strafford, New Hampshire, August 13, 1855, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Frank Ernest, born January 13, 1876, died August 11, 1879. 2. Philip Leslie, born November 8, 1877, died August 25, 1879. 3. Ida May, born in 1879. 4. Frank Leslie, of whom further. 5. Florence Lina, born in 1882. 6. Raymond, born in 1886.

Frank Leslie Foss, son of Frank B. and Mary E. (Hall) Foss, was born February 10, 1881, in Strafford, New Hampshire. He received his education in the schools of his native town, completing his studies in 1899. He then worked at farming for a number of years, and in 1905 he came to Greenfield and obtained employment at tool making with Wells Brothers Company, where he remained for four years, the concern being now known as the Greenfield Tap and Die Corporation. In 1909 he went with the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company, at first doing inside wiring, and later becoming a draughtsman. In 1912 he was promoted to the position of purchasing agent, and in 1914 was made corporation clerk, both of which positions he holds up to the present time (1924). These offices carry with them much responsibility, and Mr. Foss's efficiency in handling them has made him of great value to the concern. He is active in the civic, fraternal and social life of the community and has served the town of Strafford for three years as town clerk. He is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, and also holds the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. Mr. Foss is a member of the Greenfield Country Club.

**MICHAEL J. GRIFFIN**—Through his training and gifts as an attorney, Mr. Griffin has established a place for himself in general practice at Springfield, where he is held in esteem for his thoroughgoing qualities as a counsellor, and in the courts. He is the son of James J. Griffin, a steam fitter, who was born in Ireland in 1848, and died March 25, 1924, and Catherine T. (Osborne) Griffin, who was born in Ireland in 1853.

Michael J. Griffin was born August 14, 1888, in Springfield, where he attended the public and high schools. He studied law at home, and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar May 8, 1922, establishing his practice in Springfield that year in his own name. A Republican in politics, his vote is given in that party's favor. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus; the Catholic Order of Foresters; and the Hampden County Bar Association; and he is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

**HOWARD W. HOSFORD**, who has risen from humble beginnings to the position of general manager of the Norwood Manufacturing Company, of Florence, a village of Northampton, Massachusetts, has also given of his valued services, technical knowledge and administrative capacity to his home city, having served four consecutive terms twelve years, as a member of the City Water Commission, a body whose offices and powers are of immense importance to the domestic, industrial and civic life as well as to the healthfulness of the community in general. In performing this duty to the city, Mr. Hosford has exhibited the dependable and efficient qualities demanded by the municipality in the administration of perhaps its most important department.

Mr. Hosford is the son of Charles L. and Harriett I. Hosford, and was born in Winsted, Connecticut, September 7, 1869. When he was in his early boyhood he removed with his parents to Haydenville, Massachusetts, where he attended the local schools. Upon leaving school he entered the employ of the Haydenville Manufacturing Company, and soon became proficient in mechanical drafting. He later was assigned to the sales force of that concern and made the New York office his headquarters, traveling from that point to meet the company's customers. He continued in that capacity until 1901, and in that year he was invited by his close friend, William Stevenson, then general manager of the Norwood Manufacturing Company of Florence, to join the sales force of that concern. This offer Mr. Hosford accepted, and he remained a member of the sales force for sixteen years. In 1917, owing to the death of Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Hosford was appointed his successor, as general manager. This appointment, carrying with it as it did heavy responsibilities, was made doubly exacting in its demands upon him in that crucial period, the World War, during which he entered upon the duties of his new office. That he acquitted himself with distinction and with satisfaction to the company there is ample testimony in the increased volume of the business done by the company, and in the remarkable growth of the plant and its productive capacity. The Norwood Engineering Company, one of the large industries of Florence, was incorporated in 1893, taking over the defunct Arthur Hill

machine plant, consisting of two small buildings. The Norwood Company's officers at that time were: Stephen B. Fuller, John Otis, Ira Dimmock, James D. Akins and William Stevenson, the last named then being the treasurer and general manager, to which latter office Mr. Hosford was appointed on Mr. Stevenson's death. Since 1917, under the concern's guidance by Mr. Hosford, the remarkable growth in the business has been chiefly due to his efforts. The company now employs two hundred men, and the plant covers an area of fifteen acres. It manufactures paper finishing machinery, water purification plants, and municipal water filtration appliances. In the years 1901-1914 the five large modern buildings were erected, thus increasing the efficiency of the plant.

Mr. Hosford is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Northampton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield.

Mr. Hosford married, September 19, 1893, at Florence, Lillian M. Van Slike, daughter of Nicholas and Henrietta Van Slike. They are the parents of a daughter, Gladys L., who became the wife of John H. Ames.

**ISAAC BURROWS SNOW**—Forty years of experience in the insurance business, preceded by several years of pioneer railroading in the West, represents the experience of Isaac Burrows Snow, who is now living retired in Bernardston.

Mr. Snow is a member of the Mayflower Society, being a direct descendant of Elder William Brewster, and of Stephen Hopkins, of the "Mayflower." Nicholas Snow, the immigrant ancestor of Mr. Snow's line, came to Plymouth in the ship "Ann" in 1623, and had a share in the division of land in Plymouth in 1624. In 1634 he settled in Eastham, Massachusetts, where he was prominent in town affairs, serving in various public capacities, including the offices of deputy to the General Court and assistant to Governor Prince (or Prence). He married, at Plymouth, Constance Hopkins, daughter of Stephen Hopkins, who came in the "Mayflower," and the line descends through their son Mark, who married Jane Prince (or Prence), daughter of Governor Thomas Prince; their son Nicholas; their son Jonathan; their son Isaac; their son Deacon Prence Snow, born in Rochester, Massachusetts, June 1, 1746, died April 23, 1828, removed to Bernardston, Massachusetts, in April, 1782, married Content Doty; their son, Deacon Thomas, who was the grandfather of Isaac Burrows Snow.

Deacon Thomas Snow, son of Deacon Prence and Content (Doty) Snow, was born in Rochester, Massachusetts, November 9, 1771, and died June 20, 1858. He married, January 20, 1801, Sybil Parmenter, who was born in 1778, and died in 1865, daughter of Elias Parmenter. Their children were: Thomas Anson; Ransel Sheldon; Sophronia Parmenter; Content Doty; Jonathan; Frances Newcomb; Edward Hoyt; Barnabas, of whom further; Sybil S., and Hamit L.

Barnabas Snow, son of Deacon Thomas and Sybil (Parmenter) Snow, was born May 18, 1818, and died in September 1899. He was a farmer in Bernardston, where his home, "Elmhurst," was located. He mar-

ried, April 22, 1845, Julia Louise Burrows, who was born in 1826. Their children were: Josephine; Isaac Burrows, of whom further; Julia Ida, and Frank H.

Isaac Burrows Snow, son of Barnabas and Julia Louise (Burrows) Snow, was born in Westminster, Vermont, June 28, 1850, and received his education at Powers Institute, in Bernardston. As a young man he went to railroading, serving as baggage master at Toledo, Ohio, for two years on the Wabash Railroad, as conductor, and later on the Kansas Pacific (now the Union Pacific) Railroad, in the land and emigration department. He was one of the pioneers in railroading in the western country, and conducted excursion parties. He was active in the settling of Kansas land grants, and as his activities in the West covered the period during which the Indians were troublesome, his reminiscences include a most interesting chapter of pioneer experience. He followed railroading nine years, but in 1879 became associated with the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, and organized the Kansas branch of that concern. He was manager eight years at St. Louis, Missouri. In 1889 he was made superintendent of agencies, with offices in Topeka and Chicago, and later made Chicago his headquarters, permanently in 1896, as that city was more central. For twenty years, while superintendent of agencies, he discharged the duties of that position with energy and efficiency, doing a large amount of pioneer work in opening up new fields of operation, including the Pacific Coast. He retired in 1909. In addition to his association with the Mayflower Society, Mr. Snow is a member of the Society of the Colonial Wars, and of the Sons of the American Revolution. Fraternally, he holds membership in Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; Franklin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Connecticut Valley Commandery, Knights Templar; and is a Noble of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is also a member of the Union League Club of Chicago, and of the Winthrop Club, of Springfield. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church of Chicago, which he has served for many years as trustee and deacon, and with the Forty-first Street Presbyterian Church of Chicago.

Isaac Burrows Snow married, September 9, 1874, Jeannie Knight, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Dr. T. Franklin and Frances (Morton) Knight. Mr. and Mrs. Snow became the parents of the following children: 1. Dr. Morton Snow, who was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, and after graduating from the University of Kansas with the degree of A. B., took up the study of medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, and received the degree of Medical Doctor. He is now head of the medical department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts; was a major surgeon in the 1st Illinois National Guard Cavalry. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of the Rotary, Nayasset, Springfield Country, University clubs of Springfield, and Winthrop Club. Mr. Snow married Elizabeth Stark, daughter of James Stark, and has two daughters: Katherine and Sybil. 2. George Burrows Snow, died at the age of eight years, September 22, 1892.



**GROVER CHESTER BOWMAN**—To be responsible for the proper and up-to-date management of modern schools, to endow them with an atmosphere which pervades both the teaching staff and the students, requires men of superior endowments who, as students have been in contact with high-class educational establishments of different types. In this respect Mr. Grover Chester Bowman, superintendent of schools of North Adams, has been singularly fortunate for having as a student, at a period of life when the mind is in a state for high receptivity and plasticity, come under the influence of the academic atmosphere of two of the most famous and ancient institutions of higher learning in America.

Mr. Bowman is a native of Covington, Indiana, where he was born on December 15, 1884, a son of Hershel Volney Bowman, a general agent of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad, and Cora Alice (Winders) Bowman. Mr. Bowman received his preliminary education in the public school of his native town and then became a pupil of the Tuscola, Illinois, High School, from which he graduated in the year 1902. Having completed his elementary studies, he became a student of Williams College, where, in 1906, he took the arts degree of B. A. and then matriculated as a graduate student, with advanced standing, of Yale University, graduating from there in 1912 with the degree of Master of Arts. After passing some time in the teaching profession and attaining a reputation as a pedagogue of force and originality with a keen love for his work, Mr. Bowman was nominated superintendent of schools in Connecticut and Massachusetts. He also holds the position of lecturer on educational subjects at Middlebury College and State Summer Normals, in Connecticut. In politics Mr. Bowman is a member of the Democratic party, and in religion is an attendant of the Congregational Church. He is a member of the Connecticut State Guards, and his fraternal and other associations include membership in the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Kiwanis Club and the Berkshire Club in North Adams.

On November 27, 1907, Mr. Bowman married, at North Adams, Matilda Bullett, a daughter of John L. and Hannah Bullett, and with her has three daughters: 1. Mary Elizabeth, born in 1909. 2. Margaret Louise, born in 1905. 3. Marion Eileen, born in 1922.

**EDWARD ANTHONY KENNEDY**, oculist and aurist, of Hillcrest Hospital, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, was born January 17, 1880, at Fairfield, Vermont, son of Thomas B. and Katherine (Horrigan) Kennedy. His father served through the Civil War and was severely wounded in one of the later battles. For many years he was active in the circles of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Edward Anthony Kennedy was educated in the public schools of St. Albans, Vermont, and the Medical School of the University of Vermont, whence he was graduated in the class of 1905 with the degree of M. D. He then entered the Massachusetts State Hospital at Monson, where, for five years, he was house physician, at the same time doing post-graduate work along medical lines. In 1910 Dr. Kennedy began the practice of med-

icine and surgery at Great Barrington. While there he continued his studies and to do hospital work until he gradually developed his practice as a specialist on the eye, ear, nose and throat exclusively. He was active in the civic affairs of Great Barrington. He was a member of the school committee and medical examiner for the Metropolitan, Postal and Prudential life insurance companies. During the World War he was chairman of Medical Advisory Board No. 3.

Dr. Kennedy moved, in 1923, to Pittsfield. While in Great Barrington he was a member of the staff of Fairview Hospital, and is now a member of the staff of Hillcrest Hospital, Pittsfield, as oculist and aurist. Dr. and Mrs. Kennedy are seventh degree members of the National Grange, and are active in the social affairs of that organization. Dr. Kennedy is a member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Berkshire County Medical Society, and holds certificates to practice in Vermont as well as Massachusetts. He is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity; the Knights of Columbus, of which he is a fourth degree Knight; Pittsfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; University of Vermont Alumni Association; Vermont Club of Pittsfield, Massachusetts; and is affiliated with the Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Kennedy married, in 1910, Mary L. Haines, of Athol. They are the parents of three children: Evora, Eunice and Antoinette.

**ARTHUR BERKMERE RICHARDS**, inheritor of a vast meat trade, and in later years a dairy farmer at Amherst, Massachusetts, was born in Cummington, Connecticut, May 23, 1864. The name he bears is one of the names of Welsh origin widely known and prominent in the United States, which originated in making a surname from the possessive form of the father's name. It signifies Richard's son. At least seventeen different coats-of-arms belong to the different branches of the family. A manor at Caernwyck, Marioneth County, Wales, was inherited by Sir Richard Richards, president of the House of Lords, and Lord Chief Baron of the Court of Exchequer. His ancestors possessed the estate in 1550. They claim the privilege of bearing the identical arms of Richard of East Bagborough, County Somerset. This was depicted on the tablet of the Hon. James Richards, of Hartford, who died in 1680, and may be seen in an ancient manuscript in the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library, halved with the arms of Governor Winthrop, whose daughter married a Richards in 1692.

William Richards, immigrant ancestor of this branch of the family in America, appears to have crossed the ocean in company with his brother, John, and sister, Sarah, who married George Pidcocke. He was taxed at Plymouth in 1632-1633. He removed to Scituate, January 6, 1636-1637, and forfeited his land at Plymouth. It was regranted to Nathaniel Sowther by the Plymouth authorities. Doubtless he was related to the famous Thomas Richards, of Dorchester and Weymouth, and may have been a brother. William Richards was pious and upright and highly respected. He was a successful trader. He removed from Scituate to Weymouth in



1645, or earlier; and in 1650 sold his homestead in Scituate to Gowen White for £75. He was constable in Weymouth in 1659, and one of the proprietors. He bought a house and various lots of land from Nicholas Whitmarsh, on July 6, 1658, and in 1660 drew a twenty-acre lot of common land. He sold land in Braintree, April 12, 1648. He married Grace, surname unknown. Her will, dated January 18, 1680, proved July 25, 1682, bequeathed to sons James, Benjamin, John and Joseph. Administration was granted on his estate to his second wife, Mary Richards, April 24, 1683. Children of William and Grace Richards: 1. John, married Sarah, surname unknown; died in 1695. 2. Joseph, married (first) Susan, surname unknown; (second) Sarah, surname unknown. 3. James, born at Weymouth, June 2, 1658, died March 8, 1711. 4. William, died in 1683, at Weymouth. 5. Benjamin, born May 19, 1660, died, unmarried, in 1683.

(I) Orestes Richards, grandfather of Arthur Berkmore Richards, died in Cummington, Massachusetts, in 1877, at seventy-five years. He lived for a time in Gloversville, Fulton County, New York. Afterwards he engaged in farming in Cummington, Massachusetts. He kept sheep and cows, and made and sold butter. He married Nancy Dawes, and they were the parents of Francis Orestes, of further mention, and Elizabeth.

(II) Francis Orestes Richards, son of Orestes and Nancy (Dawes) Richards, was born in Cummington, Massachusetts, and died there in 1895, aged sixty-seven years. He was a farmer in Cummington and conducted a meat business. He owned some four hundred acres of land and kept fifty head of cattle. At one time he lived in Gloversville, New York. His wife was Merriam (Turrill) Richards, of Cummington; she died in December, 1915, aged seventy-five years, daughter of Harvey Turrill. Children: Charles Augustus, Helen, Frank, Julia, Geneva, Arthur Berkmore, of further mention; Almon Mills, Herbert Stearns, two other children died in infancy.

(III) Arthur Berkmore Richards, son of Francis Orestes and Merriam (Turrill) Richards, was educated in the schools of Cummington. He left home at twenty-one years of age and went to Williamsburg, Massachusetts, where he worked in a market for a year and a half. He next went to Bellows Falls, Vermont, where he worked in a market for ten months. Returning home he worked for his father for a year and a half, and at the expiration of that time took over the meat business which his father had conducted for thirty-five years. He continued the business for twenty years, and its extent obliged him to employ several men and horses in making deliveries. His wagons sold meat in Goshen, Chesterfield, Worthington, Plainfield, Ashfield and Savoy. He owned several hundred acres of land devoted to pasturage. This enabled him to buy young stock and hogs, and fatten, kill and sell them. He owned the homestead farm his father had cultivated, and at one time owned a farm in Plainfield. He finally sold his farm lands and meat business and came to Northampton to live. He varied this by taking a trip to the Pacific Coast; and soon after his return to Massachusetts he bought a meat and grocery business in Easthampton which he conducted for five years. In 1915 he came to South Am-

herst and bought a small farm. He built himself a fine dwelling house upon the premises, and has occupied it ever since. He keeps several cows and sells the milk at his door. Mr. Richards attends the Congregational Church.

Mr. Richards married (first), in 1887, Vesta D. Packard, of Plainfield, Massachusetts. She died November 9, 1906; she was the daughter of H. Clark and Malona C. (Dawes) Packard. He married (second), February 11, 1909 Nettie Minerva Gardner, of Plainfield, New Jersey, daughter of Francis H. and Martha Adelia (Clarke) Gardner, natives of New York and Massachusetts, respectively. Children of first marriage: Ethelyn Elaine, bookkeeper of the Haydenriler Manufacturing Company of Haydenville, and Miriam Dawes, employed in the real estate and insurance office of W. R. Brown, of Amherst. The address of Mr. Richards is Amherst, Massachusetts.

**SAMUEL ARTHUR EYRE**—In both his civics and his industrial relationships with Northampton, Mr. Eyre has fulfilled the anticipations of his constituency and of his colleagues; and in his devotion to city official duties and those of mill overseership, he has won the confidence and good will of all with whom he is associated. He is the son of Harry Eyre, who was born in England, January 3, 1862, and Inez (Clark) Eyre, who was born in Northampton, June 23, 1867. Harry Eyre came to Northampton in 1886, where, prominent in Republican party affairs, he has served as secretary of the Republican City Committee for twelve years, that committee having been honored with President Calvin Coolidge as an associate. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Eyre are the parents of: 1. Harry George, born in 1891, died in infancy. 2. Inez May, born in 1892, a clerk in the bureau of aeronautics of the United States Government, at Washington, District of Columbia. 3. Samuel Arthur, of whom further. 4. Elsie Clark, born in 1898, married Thomas T. Newby, resides in Washington, and they have Thomas Harry and Olivia Jane. 5. Millicent Grace, born in 1903, married Granville Craven, of Northampton, and they are the parents of Betty Mae Craven. 6. Doris Elizabeth, born in 1912, attends Northampton High School.

Samuel Arthur Eyre was born February 22, 1895, at Northampton, where he attended the public schools. When he was sixteen years of age he was employed as a clerk in the stock department of the McCallum Silk Mills; and since 1911 he has made that steady degree of progress that has counted for his success, and that has led to his present position as overseer of the stock department of the mills. Mr. Eyre has been rightly chosen as a citizen of good judgment in local political matters. In 1923 he was elected a member of the Northampton Common Council; in 1924 he was made president of the Council, and in 1925 he received election as president of the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. Eyre's fraternal affiliations are with Northampton Lodge, No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Northampton Lodge, No. 560, Loyal Order of Moose, in which he has held all the offices; and Lodge No. 166, Sons of St. George. He is also a member of Northampton Chamber of Commerce; and honorary



*Samuel A. Eyre*





member of the Oxford Club, of Northampton. The family are communicants of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church.

**HENRY EDGAR MAYNARD**—The Maynards of this country can point with pride to a name of great antiquity. The name Manard or Maynard, appears in the Rolls of Battle Abbey, as among the Normans who came to England with William the Conqueror. John Maynard was appointed Governor of Breast Castle, in Brittany, July 28, 1352, by Edward, Prince of Wales. Sir Henry Maynard, the sixth in descent from John Maynard, mentioned above, was sheriff of Essex County, and was knighted by Queen Elizabeth. His son William, was created "Lord of Wicklow" in Ireland, May 30, 1520, by King James I. Lord William was made Baron of the Realm in 1620, by King Charles I. Whether any of these were ancestors of the Maynards in America is not known, but it shows the Maynard family as one of great prominence and antiquity in England.

John Maynard, immigrant ancestor of the Maynards in this country, was born in England about 1610. He was a farmer for most of his life, but had the trade of a malster. He was a proprietor first of Cambridge, Massachusetts, May 29, 1644. He removed to Sudbury, and was one of the proprietors of that town. He was a selectman there in 1646. The name was spelled in the records Maynard, Mynard, and Minor. He was one of the forty-seven petitioners who divided the Sudbury Meadows in 1638. He married (second), June 16, 1646, Mary Axtell, widow or daughter of Thomas Axtell, of Sudbury. He died December 10, 1672. His will was dated September 4, 1672, and was proved April 1, 1673. He bequeathed to his wife, Mary, sons John and Zechary, daughters Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Graves; Lydia, wife of Joseph Moores, and Mary Maynard. His children, born in Sudbury: John; Zechary; Elizabeth; Lydia; Hannah; Mary.

Christopher Maynard, grandfather of Henry Edgar Maynard, resided near Tolland, Connecticut, at what is now known as Chrystal Lake. His wife was Elizabeth Maynard. They had children: Daniel; James; Anderson; Eli, of whom further; Elias; Betsey; Amy; Christopher, Jr.

Eli Maynard, son of Christopher and Elizabeth Maynard, thought to have been born in New London, Connecticut, but according to another report at Tolland, in that State, April 11, 1816, died March 3, 1895, in Ellington, Connecticut. He was a farmer in that town for fifty years. He married Elvira Harriet Squaires, born in Mansfield, Connecticut, January 10, 1820. Her mother was an Evans. They had children: Charles Augustus; two children died in infancy, and Henry Edgar, of whom further.

Henry Edgar Maynard, son of Eli and Elvira Harriet (Squires) Maynard, was born in Enfield, Connecticut, September 17, 1848, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, May 18, 1905. He was in South Manchester, Connecticut, for a short time, and came to Easthampton, Massachusetts, where he remained a year or two. Thence he came to Northampton in 1872, where he served on the police force for twenty-two years. He was chief of

police for eighteen years, and at the time of his death was detective for the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway. He was a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Minnie Webber, born in Nova Scotia, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, September 19, 1919. Her people originally came from Holland. Their children: Wilbur Edgar, who is a conductor on the Massachusetts Central Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad; Mabel Alice, of whom further; Maud E., died in infancy; Mortimer Dewey, of Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Mabel Alice Maynard, daughter of Henry Edgar and Minnie (Webber) Maynard, was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, and educated in the schools of that city. She was graduated from the high school in 1892, and worked as a reporter on the "Hampshire Gazette" of Northampton for nine years. She later took up the study of music and went to Europe, studied French in Paris, and upon her return became a musical instructor, specializing in voice culture. In this she is now very successful, having a large clientele. The family residence is at No. 57 Center Street.

**LAWRENCE F. LYONS**, a member of an old New England family, gifted in his chosen profession of the law, interested in various lines of fraternal and organized advance, and a veteran of the World War, is a thoroughly representative figure in the progress of the day. With interests centering in Pittsfield, he is gaining an enviable reputation in Western Massachusetts, and his friends consider his future one of great promise. Mr. Lyons is a son of Thomas and Mary (McCarthy) Lyons, and the Lyons family has for many generations been prominent in the Connecticut River Valley in the village of Rockville. The elder Mr. Lyons devoted his life activity to the textile industry, and is now an overseer in a Pittsfield mill. The mother is deceased.

Lawrence F. Lyons was born in Rockville, Connecticut, August 31, 1897. His education was begun in Pittsfield, to which city the family removed in his infancy, and first attending St. Joseph's Grammar School, he was later graduated from St. Joseph's High School in the class of 1916. Devoting one year to a preparatory course at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., he gained his professional training at the law school of the same institution, from which he was graduated in 1920. Returning to Pittsfield, Mr. Lyons became identified with the prominent law firm of Hawkins, Ryan & Kellogg. This firm has since become known as Kellogg, Cande & Myers, and Mr. Lyons remained with the organization until very recently. Admitted to the bar in 1922, he began his independent activities in the law early in 1924, and although a short period has passed since then, the position he has already taken is definitely noteworthy. His colleagues are confident that his future will carry him to distinction and eminence, and he is looked upon as one of the leading young men of the day in this part of the State. Mr. Lyons enlisted for service in the World War in August, of 1918, but was not sent over seas. He was ready for the examinations for a commission when the armistice was signed, and received his honorable discharge in December of 1918. He is a member of the

Berkshire County Bar Association, the Pittsfield Junior Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a charter member, and is secretary for the years 1924 and 1925, St. Joseph's High School Alumni Association, of which he is president for a period of six years, the Father Mathew Temperance Association and the American Legion. His religious affiliation is with St. Charles' Roman Catholic Church.

**MELVIN HARVEY WALKER, JR., M. D.**, has been a medical practitioner in Pittsfield for nearly a decade. He is a native of Westboro, born October 21, 1886, son of Melvin H. and Ann (Moses) Walker; his father being a manufacturer in Westboro; and the mother now deceased. The son Melvin took the usual courses in the grammar grades and was prepared for college in the Westboro High School and Phillips Academy, Andover. He was graduated from Yale University in the class of 1909 with the degree of B. A.; graduated from Harvard Medical School in the class of 1915 with the degree of M. D. Dr. Walker began his actual career as a physician by serving as interne at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston and then entered upon the practice of his profession at Pittsfield in 1915. He is a member of the staff of the House of Mercy Hospital, Pittsfield.

Dr. Walker is a member of the Chi Rho Sigma fraternity of Harvard University, the Alpha Delta Pi fraternity of Yale University, the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Berkshire County Medical Society, charter member of the Kiwanis Club, and member of the Country Club of Pittsfield. He is affiliated with the Congregational Church.

Dr. Walker married, September 15, 1914, Helen Gates. They are the parents of two daughters, Ann and Pamela.

**JAMES CAMPBELL**, well known among the business men of Western Massachusetts, is a resident of South Deerfield, treasurer and manager of the Connecticut Valley Onion Company.

(I) John Campbell, grandfather of Mr. Campbell, was born in Invernesshire, Scotland. He was a tailor by trade, but in early life entered the army, where he remained for twenty-one years, serving at one time as a member of the King's Guards. He was with Wellington in the battle of Waterloo (1815), and after the expiration of his term of military service was given a grant of land in Nova Scotia as partial compensation. In 1818 he came to Nova Scotia and settled in Glenco, Pictou County, where he lived to the time of his death, which occurred in 1865, when he was seventy-five years of age. During the period of his residence in Nova Scotia he was engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, which he served as elder. John Campbell married twice. By his first wife he had seven children: Peter, Elizabeth, Katherine, James, William, Grace, Mary. He married (second) Elizabeth McDonald, and to this marriage were born: Donald, John, McRae, of whom further; Archibald, Jessie, Margaret, Mary. All of these children, except Peter, were born in Nova Scotia.

(II) John McRae Campbell, son of John and Eliza-

beth (McDonald) Campbell, was born in Glenco, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, in February, 1833, and died March 28, 1881. Like his father, he was engaged in farming, but in addition to his farming operations he also conducted a butcher business for many years. He was interested in local public affairs, and at one time served as collector of taxes. His religious affiliation was with the Presbyterian Church, which he served as a member of the board of elders. John McRae Campbell married Margaret Fraser, who was born in Callenden, Scotland, in 1875, and died in 1918, daughter of James and ——— (McLaren) Fraser. Their children were: 1. John, born January 3, 1857, married, August 3, 1882, Bessie Thompson, and has three children: John McRae, deceased; James Preston, and Archibald Richard. 2. Mary, married Rev. A. McLane Sinclair. 3. James, of whom further.

(III) James Campbell, son of John McRae and Margaret (Fraser) Campbell, was born in Glenco, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, January 21, 1870, and received his education in the public schools of his native town. When he was sixteen years of age he came to the States, and went to Providence, Rhode Island, where in 1886 he engaged in the wholesale fruit and produce business in the employ of the J. H. Preston Company, of Providence. This connection he maintained until 1908, holding during the last several years of his association with the company the responsible position of manager of the concern. In 1908 he removed to South Deerfield in the interest of the Preston Company, and there organized the Connecticut Valley Onion Company. In 1919 he purchased the stock of the other members of the company and since that time has been treasurer and manager of the concern. Mr. Campbell does an extensive business in the buying and selling of onions, and also includes tobacco, which he handles in addition to his main staple of trade. He handles between four hundred and five hundred carloads of onions each year, and in addition to these interests owns extensive tracts of land upon which he grows many acres of onions and tobacco. Mr. Campbell takes an active interest in the affairs of the district in which he lives, has served as chairman of the School Board in South Deerfield for several years, and is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of Mt. Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has the honor of being the second Worshipful Master. He has also been District Deputy of the Fourteenth Masonic District, Past Commander of Connecticut Valley Commandery, of Greenfield; Past T. P. Master of Greenfield Lodge of Perfection; Past Sovereign Prince of Greenfield Council, Princes of Jerusalem; and is affiliated with Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of Greenfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Greenfield Club, and of Greenfield Country Club.

James Campbell married, in Providence, Rhode Island, November 10, 1894, Florence A. Lincoln, of Providence, daughter of Charles and Sarah (Davis) Lincoln. They are the parents of two children: 1. Donald, born in Providence, in 1897, was graduated from Deerfield Academy, then Dean Academy, and finally from Massachusetts Agricultural College. He volunteered for service in the



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World War in 1915, before the United States had entered the conflict, went to France in the Ambulance Corps, and was on the Verdun front before the United States was in the war. He later joined the Red Cross Ambulance Corps under the Italian Government, and served in that connection to the close of the war. The Italian Government conferred upon him its war cross. He is now associated with his father in the produce business, and is president of the Connecticut Valley Onion Company. He organized the Campbell Cigar Company of South Deerfield, of which he is treasurer. He is a member of Mt. Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and is affiliated with Phi Sigma college fraternity. Donald Campbell married Frances Alice Williston, of Holyoke, daughter of Lorenzo Arthur and Alice (Ahearn) Williston. Mrs. Donald Campbell is a descendant of Joseph Williston, the line of descent being through Nathaniel, Israel, Israel, Lorenzo D., Lorenzo Newton and Lorenzo Arthur, father of Mrs. Campbell. Donald and Frances Alice (Williston) Campbell have one daughter, Patricia, who was born in 1921. 2. Dorothy, graduated at Deerfield Academy; Capon School of Northampton; post-graduate work at Boston University; at present secretary Deerfield High School.

**RAYMOND C. HARRIS**—The homely qualities of loyalty to one's employers, and steady, even-minded performance of duties year in and year out, a keen desire to be of service and useful in the position assigned them by birth and circumstances with no after thought but a cheerful and confident prospect into the future, these very simple yet not all too frequent traits of character which have sped on many good men slowly but surely—like the sailing vessel drives before the calm trade winds—to the desired goal, have also helped Raymond C. Harris, president of the Textile Roll and Supply Company, to attain his present position.

Mr. Harris is a native of Lawrence, Massachusetts, born November 24, 1884, a son of William O. Harris, treasurer of the Rodney Hunt Manufacturing Company, and of Elizabeth (Gennell) Harris, who died March 30, 1924, at the age of ninety-seven years. Mr. Harris came to Orange in March, 1906, from Malden, Massachusetts, and received his education in the schools of Malden and Boston. After completing his studies he entered the employ of the Rodney Hunt Manufacturing Company, of which his father was treasurer. Gradually he rose to the position of secretary of that concern and continued with them for seventeen years, having in addition charge of the Boston office. In May, 1919, Mr. Harris established the Textile Roll and Supply Company at Orange, of which he is now president. This firm manufactures all machinery used in the textile trade. In politics Mr. Harris is an independent, but he really keeps aloof from anything connected with it; in religion he is a member of the Congregational Church. His fraternal associations include membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has been through all the branches, and for four years has been a delegate to the Grand Convention.

On May 29, 1903, he married, at Boxford, Massachusetts, Florence Killam, and they are the parents of ten children: 1. Pearl Madeline, born February 19, 1904. 2. Donald Killam, born June 29, 1905. 3. William Clinton, born April 19, 1907. 4. Raymond Elbridge, born June 4, 1908. 5. Charles Warren, born November 14, 1909. 6. Virginia Florence, born June 8, 1913. 7. Richard Wilbur, born May 29, 1916. 8. Robert E., born September 5, 1918. 9. Geraldine, born August 6, 1920. 10. Bertha Loualla, born May 5, 1922.

**MARC JOSEPH TETREAU**—The main interest that centers in the industrious career of Mr. Tetreault is the dominating quality of perseverance, most exemplary throughout his life, whose success from the start was absolutely dependent upon his own efforts. His belief in performing well the work at hand is paramount, and his record of industry is one that exhibits a whole-some readiness to assume the task and the burden of many trades in order eventually to arrive at a hoped-for goal. When twenty-six years ago, he discovered the road to his vocation, it proved the beginning of a lucrative venture that should emerge in the present extensive horse mart at Greenfield, that has a repute for excellence that is not limited to the western part of the State. His square dealing with the public in all his business activities has brought the desired result of his independent and progressive establishment. He is a son of Isaac and Honorine (Lefebvre) Tetreault, both of Canada, the genealogy of three generations of the paternal line being as follows:

(I) John Baptiste Tetreault, who was born in Quebec, Canada, spent his entire life there as a farmer, and died in the town of Ely, Quebec, at the age of eighty-five years. His children were: John B.; Isaac, of further mention; Marcelle; Timothy; Joseph, and Salime.

(II) Isaac Tetreault, son of John Baptiste Tetreault, was born in St. Cesare, Quebec, Canada, in 1833, and died in Lawrenceville, Canada, in 1882. Accounted a man of good business qualifications, he conducted a farm and a general store at Stukely, Quebec. In politics, he was a Liberal. He married Honorine Lefebvre, of Laprarie, Canada, who died at Greenfield, Massachusetts, in 1902. They were the parents of: 1. Isaac, deceased. 2. Joseph, who lives in Penacook, New Hampshire. 3. Fred, who died in childhood. 4. Leopoldine, who died aged eleven years. 5. Adelard, deceased. 6. William, deceased. 7. Norbert, deceased. 8. Marc Joseph, of further mention. 9. Edmund, a farmer in Bernardston, Massachusetts. 10. Evangeline, deceased. 11. Ernest, who resides in Greenfield. 12. François, whose home is in Providence, Rhode Island.

(III) Marc Joseph Tetreault, son of Isaac Tetreault, was born at Stukely, in the Province of Quebec, Canada, June 26, 1869, and attended school at Lawrenceville, in Canada. On account of the death of his father, his school life was shortened, and from that time onwards his experience included a round of hard work at whatever he might find to do. Therefore, with his mother and her four children he emigrated to the United States in 1885, at first settling at Central Falls, Rhode Island, where for a short time he was employed in a cotton mill, after which

he worked in a grocery store in the same place, and drove a team of horses. He then went to Penacook, New Hampshire, where he chopped wood during one winter at the rate of sixty-five cents a cord, afterwards being in the employ of the Penacook Street Department for six months. He went to Charlemont, Massachusetts, where he drove a four-horse team eighteen months for George Blanchard; afterwards going to Penacook, New Hampshire. His brother, Adelard, was proprietor of a meat market in that town. He was in the employ of his brother for two years, after which he went to Suncook, where he established a market in his own name. Disposing of his business there in a year, he successively opened a store of his own in the same line at Central Falls, Rhode Island; disposing of his business there and again joining his brother Adelard, who had established another meat and provision store at Attleboro, Massachusetts. Mr. Tetreault came to Greenfield in 1896, and here he was in various ways concerned with industry, whether selling ice for the George Wright ice concern, engaged in house painting and paper hanging both for himself and others; or, in 1902 establishing his own store in the paints and paper line. It was about that year that he started to deal in horses, and it was not long before he had built up an extensive business. In 1917, he purchased his present large establishment of about thirty-one acres in the Greenfield Meadows, where he erected new stables and a very fine residence. Here he constructed his fine sales and exchange stables, and in the course of his business he has disposed of as many as 3,400 horses in the course of a year. He spends his winters in Florida, where he has purchased an extensive tract of land at St. Petersburg, which he has in the course of development, and which bids fair to bring him large returns for his investment. He is a member of the St. Jean Baptiste Society, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Tetreault married, April 27, 1898, Delia Mary Peon, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, a daughter of Edos and Aurelia (Lessard) Peon, and they are the parents of: 1. Anna May, who was born August 13, 1899, and who married Floyd E. Rice, of Greenfield. 2. Marion Rose, born January 24, 1901. 3. William Alfred, who was born September 6, 1902. 4. Josephine Emma, who was born February 21, 1911.

**HOWARD BROWN GIBBS**—In the midst of a lovely forest on an eminence overlooking the Connecticut Valley and the old town of Deerfield, is the school for young boys known as Eaglebrook Lodge, founded and owned by Howard Brown Gibbs.

The Gibbs family is an old English family, various branches of which were settled in the counties of Devon, Somerset, Warwick, and Kent, but the Devonshire branch is supposed to be the ancestors of most of the American families of the name. Among the personages bearing the name in England was Robert de Quibe (as the name was then spelled) who was sent by Louis XII as ambassador to Rome and was made a cardinal by Pope Julius II; James A. Gibbs, who was appointed poet laureate in 1667 by Leopold, Emperor of Germany; and Henry Hucks Gibbs, director of the Bank of England, and a

member of Parliament for the city of London. In this country such personages as Wolcott Gibbs, professor of chemistry and expert and scientific commissioner to Vienna; Dr. Robert W. Gibbs, of Charlestown, South Carolina, noted scientist and historian; George Gibbs, the mineralogist; James E. A. Gibbs, the inventor; Montgomery B. Gibbs, the eminent jurist and lawyer, and Joseph Willard Gibbs, Jr., professor of mathematics in Yale College, amply continue the renown of the ancient Gibbs family.

(I) James Gibbs, grandfather of Howard Brown Gibbs, was born in New Jersey, but removed to New York State, where he died before Mr. Gibbs was born. He was a professional musician. The only child that lived to maturity was Edgar W., of whom further.

(II) Edgar W. Gibbs, son of James Gibbs, was born in Groton, New York, and died in Marathon, New York, in 1918, aged sixty-seven years. He engaged in business as a merchant, operating a general store in Marathon, and in later years was also engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was an attendant of the Baptist Church. Edgar W. Gibbs married Emma Frances Tanner, of Free-town New York daughter of Lorenzo Dow and Emma (Haliday) Tanner. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Howard B. of whom further. 2. Anna B. who married Charles H. Dye, of Marathon, New York. 3. Mary Edna, who married A. D. Youmans, of Rochester, New York.

(III) Howard Brown Gibbs, son of Edgar W. and Emma Frances (Tanner) Gibbs, was born in Marathon, New York, November 26, 1875 and after attending the public schools of Marathon became a student in Cortland Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1898. He then continued his studies at Amherst College, graduating in 1902. From 1902 to 1911 he took special courses in Columbia University while engaged in teaching mathematics in Worcester Academy. In 1911-1912 he served as the efficient principal of the Powder Point School at Duxbury, Massachusetts, and in the fall of 1912 accepted a position as principal of the Allen School in West Newton, which connection he maintained until 1919, winning the esteem of both students and professional associates. During the term 1919-20 he was co-principal and instructor of mathematics in the Deerfield Academy, and from 1920 to 1922 was principal of the Allen-Chalmers Military School at West Newton. This wide and varied experience afforded ample preparation for the establishment of a school of his own, and in 1922 he founded the Eaglebrook Lodge in Deerfield, of which he is, at the present time (1925) the efficient and beloved principal and owner. The school is for young boys from eight to sixteen years of age, and is one of the most picturesquely situated schools in the country. Surrounded by a fine forest, high above the surrounding country, and commanding a view of the beautiful Connecticut Valley as well as the old town of Deerfield, it combines with fine historic associations the advantages of beauty of environment. The buildings are new, with every modern convenience and sanitation, and its material aspects are but the outward expression of the vital spirit which brought the school into existence. The entire plan of the institution is unique and was conceived



and built into a reality by Mr. Gibbs. Each year adds something to the development of the institution, and under the able management of Mr. Gibbs this beautifully situated and wisely directed preparatory school for boys is destined to become one of the noted institutions of the country. Mr. Gibbs has an able corps of instructors as assistants, and at the present time (1925) some forty-five boys representing fifteen different States and three foreign countries are enjoying the advantages of Eaglebrook Lodge. Mr. Gibbs is one of those instructors who consider the character development of the boys as being as important as their mental development, and the influence he exercises over his students is strong and wholesome.

Fraternally, Mr. Gibbs is a member of Dalhouse Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of West Newton, and he is also a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club, the New England Teachers' Association, and the Mathematical Teachers' Association, New England. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian Laymen's League.

Howard Brown Gibbs married, June 22, 1923, Judith Hemenway, of New York City, daughter of Myles and Martha (Grace) Hemenway. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs have one son, Julian, who was born in Deerfield June 23, 1924.

**HOMANS ROBINSON**—Fully equipped by temperament, natural endowments, and training for the great work of the law, Homans Robinson is already well launched on an honorable and useful career. Born in Springfield, Massachusetts, October 31, 1894, he is the son of Walter L. and Sarah (Homans) Robinson. His father, also a lawyer, was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, his mother in Englewood, New Jersey. Mr. Robinson has long been an active and enthusiastic Republican, and his son has followed in his footsteps in this choice of political party.

Homans Robinson completed the course in the grammar schools of Springfield, and graduated with the class of 1912 from Central High School there. Thus excellently prepared, he was a notably good student at Amherst, from which he obtained his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1916. His special legal training he got at Harvard Law School, securing his degree of Bachelor of Law in 1920. After his admission to the Massachusetts bar in 1921, he began a practice of his own at No. 500 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, and has continued to deal in general legal problems since that year. He is affiliated with Walter L. Robinson and Harlan P. Small, lawyers. During the World War Mr. Robinson gave active service to his country in the 303d Infantry and the 147th Infantry. He was one of the fighting members of the American Expeditionary Forces on the Flanders sector, that of the Vosges Mountains, of St. Mihiel, and of the Argonne. Mr. Robinson still wears the scar from a wound in Flanders. Since the war he has given much time and energy to civic affairs. A Republican, he was a member of the City Council of Springfield January 1, 1924, to January 1, 1926. A member of the Hampden County Bar Association, he keeps well abreast the progress of his profession. He is a member also of the Springfield Country Club, and of an Amherst College

fraternity, the D. K. E. His religious activities are connected with the Unitarian Church of Springfield.

Homans Robinson married, June 25, 1921, in New York City, Elizabeth Beacom, born in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, October 10, 1895. She was the daughter of James S. and Mary (Zimmer) Beacom, both born in Pennsylvania.

**HAROLD BURNETT KETCHEN**, prominent in business circles in Belchertown, Massachusetts, and associated with worthwhile achievements for the betterment of the city, is of a family long established in New England.

(I) Andrew Ketchen, the first American representative, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and died in Torrington, Connecticut, then called Wolcotville, in 1866. He came to America in 1822 to practice his trade of carpet weaving. After spending a short time in Seekonk, Rhode Island, he settled for the remainder of his life in Torrington.

(II) Andrew Gilmore Ketchen, son of Andrew Ketchen, was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, April 22, 1824, and died in Belchertown, Massachusetts, July 13, 1913. A carpet weaver like his father, he lived in Torrington and other New England towns. For fifteen years he had a business of his own in Torrington, weaving rag carpets. His last fifteen years were spent with his son, Arthur, in Springfield and Belchertown. He married (first) Caroline Mead, who died in May, 1867; (second) Eliza Hart.

(III) Arthur Robert Ketchen, son of Andrew Gilmore Ketchen, was born in Hartford, Connecticut, November 30, 1860. He was educated in the Torrington schools, and worked on neighboring farms as a boy. When he was twenty-three years old he became a fireman, later an engineer on the Boston & Albany Railroad, remaining thus employed for ten years. In West Springfield and later Springfield, he ran stores of his own for eleven years. After selling these advantageously he was foreman for a time in a brown stone quarry in Tariffville, Connecticut, and in 1908 he moved to Belchertown, Massachusetts, where he purchased the Crystal Spring farm and worked it for eight years. The railroad work called him back, and he was an engineer in the construction of the Hampden County Railroad, from which he was called by war work in the factory of the Scoville Manufacturing Company in Waterbury. Returning to Belchertown he has followed the trade of carpentering, having been engaged for three years on the State school at Belchertown, and has a small farm. Arthur R. Ketchen is a member of Harmony Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Waterbury, and has later joined the Vernon Lodge, of Belchertown. He is steward and secretary of the Methodist Church. He married (first), April 23, 1890, Clara Burnett, of West Springfield, Massachusetts, who died February 26, 1916, daughter of Samuel and Clarinda (Young) Burnett. He married (second), June 8, 1922, Mrs. George Witt. By his first wife he had a son, Harold Burnett, of further mention.

(IV) Harold Burnett Ketchen, son of Arthur Robert and Clara (Burnett) Ketchen, was born in West Spring-

field, Massachusetts, January 27, 1891. He attended school in West Springfield and Springfield, Massachusetts, and in Simsbury, Connecticut. Being a man of independence and initiative, he early began business for himself, engaging in construction work, operating locomotives, well drilling, farming. In 1913 he engaged in the automobile business, specializing in trucking. In 1917 he bought his present garage, one of the best in Western Massachusetts. For a time he ran Crystal Spring farm, purchased from his father, but soon sold it. As a dealer in Dodge cars, who runs a service station, he is well equipped to repair those cars and supply accessories. In addition he operates a bus line to Holyoke and one to Springfield, with comfortable high-class busses running on regular trips. Mr. Ketchen also transports children to and from school in busses. He is a member of the Board of Water Commissioners, and with Mr. Bothwell and Mr. Witt designed and built the Belchertown Water System complete. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

On April 19, 1917, Mr. Ketchen married Frances Lilly Gould, daughter of Henry and Blanche Agnes (Bridge-man) Gould. She is the granddaughter of Joseph Raymond Smart and Sarah E. (Corbet) Gould, and great-granddaughter of Joseph Gould, of England. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Ketchen are: Frances Elizabeth, born July 16, 1918; Gould, born July 14, 1919.

**ANSEL CLARK ERNEST STIMSON**—The Stimson family were settlers in the State of Vermont for generations before one of their members came to Massachusetts and founded a large family.

(I) Charles Stimson came from Dunnerstown, Vermont, to Northfield, Massachusetts. He was a cooper by trade and died in Northfield. He married Anna Robbins, and their children were: 1. Lucy. 2. Lydia. 3. William. 4. Polly. 5. Charles Ezra. 6. Jonathan. 7. Royal E. 8. Sarah. 9. Lucius, of further mention.

(II) Lucius Stimson was a native of Northfield, where he was born in 1825, and died at Erving, in 1909. He enlisted in the Civil War in Company "F," 52d Regiment of the Massachusetts Volunteers, and was nine months in the war, being present at the siege of Port Hudson. He was both practical and versatile, being at the same time a farmer, a stone mason and a carpenter. Most of his life was spent in Northfield, but later, when he retired he settled in Erving, Massachusetts. He took an active part in the civic affairs of the community, serving on the school committee and being a surveyor of highways. He was the husband of Lucia Ann Clark, of New Salem, Massachusetts, born in 1822, and died in 1911. They were the parents of ten children, of whom six died young, and the following survived to maturity: 1. Baxter S. 2. Lucia. 3. Lucien (twins). 4. Ansel Clark Ernest, of whom further.

(III) Ansel Clark Ernest Stimson was a native of Northfield, where he was born September 2, 1858, a son of Lucius and Lucia Ann (Clark) Stimson. He received his education in the public schools of Northfield, and after completing his studies, devoted himself to farming, lumbering and shoemaking. Until his twenty-eighth year he lived in Northfield. He then went to Orange,

Massachusetts, where he became foreman in the stitching room in a shoe factory. While staying at Orange he also interested himself in the insurance business, and in 1898 came to Greenfield, where he bought out an insurance agency and under the name of A. C. S. Stimson & Company, continued for a long time to be a successful business man of Greenfield and Franklin County.

On January 1, 1924, the business was incorporated under the name of A. C. S. Stimson & Son, Incorporated, of which Mr. A. C. S. Stimson is president, and his son, Myron C. Stimson is vice-president and secretary. They handle all kinds of insurance, life, fire, liability, etc., and cover any possible risks that can be made the subject of the insurance business. Mr. Stimson is an experienced man in that line of business, having been established thirty years. He occupies the position of director in the Coöperative Bank, the Homes Corporation, and is a member of the School Board. In politics he is a member of the Republican party and for many years has been secretary of the Republican Town Committee. In religion he is a member of the Unitarian Church. His fraternal and other associations include: The Republican Lodge, of the Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; a thirty-second degree Masons of the Scottish Rite; a Past Grand of the Social Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Orange, Massachusetts; a member of the Greenfield Club, and treasurer of the Kiwanis Club; and for fifteen years has been treasurer of the Unitarian Church.

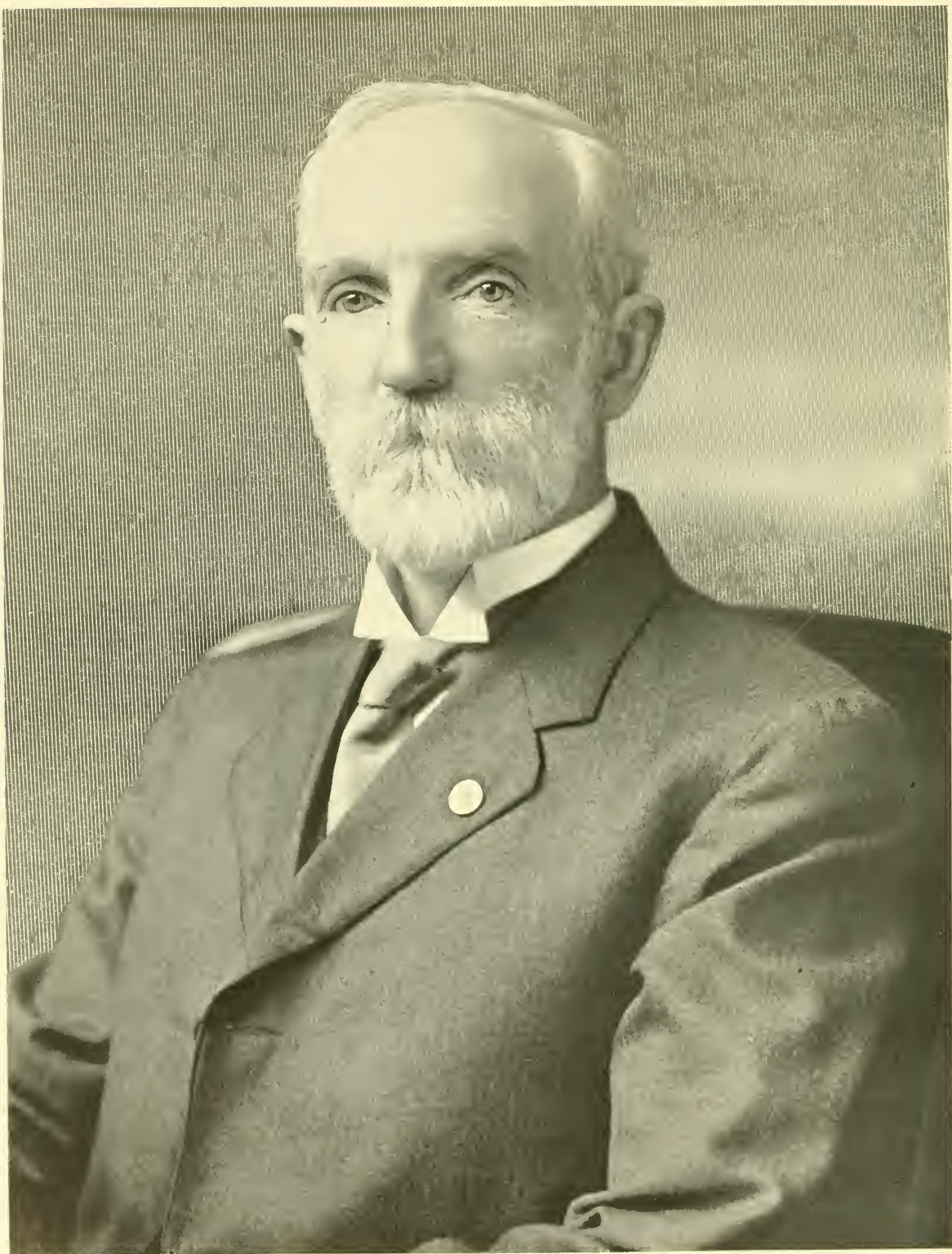
Ansel C. E. Stimson married, April 4, 1885, Julia Marie Chapin, of Northfield, a daughter of Myron Chapin, born at Belchertown, February 25, 1825, and died February 21, 1888, and Tamar (Wakefield) Chapin; and granddaughter of Daniel and Susannah (Keith) Chapin, who is a descendant of Deacon Samuel Chapin, of Springfield. Mrs. Stimson is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. E. Stimson are the parents of one son, Myron Chapin Stimson, born in Orange, August 16, 1891, and educated in the public schools of Greenfield. Though he first took up electrical engineering Mr. Stimson has for several years been connected with his father in the insurance business. He is a member of the Pocumtuck Lodge, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield, and attends the North Parish First Congregational Church. Myron Chapin Stimson married Edith Olive Royle, of Easthampton.

The Chapins are an old Massachusetts family whose ancestor, Deacon Samuel Chapin, had a son, Henry Chapin, born December 5, 1664, died 1718, married Bethia Cooley, who died in 1711. Their son, Benjamin Chapin, born February 2, 1682, died March 22, 1765, married (first) Hannah Colton; (second) Johanna Wariner. Their son, George Chapin, born December 13, 1722, died December 10, 1782; married, May 26, 1743, Thankful Sikes. She died March 6, 1797, leaving eleven children, the youngest of them Daniel. Daniel Chapin was born August 1, 1767, and married, February 4, 1793, Mary Perry, with whom he had six children: Daniel, Jr., Clements, Birch, Thankful, Hannah, a child who died in infancy. Daniel Chapin, Jr., born January 18, 1794, married, February 19, 1823, Susannah Keith, born April 3,







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1800. They had five children: Myron, Emerancy, Earl, George, Zadock. Myron Chapin, born February 25, 1825, died February 21, 1888. He married Tamar Wakefield, and they had a daughter, Julia Marie Chapin, who married Ansel Clark Ernest Stimson.

**CHARLES V. D. SIEGEL**—The city of Springfield, with its population of over 162,000, has need for many lawyers. Charles V. D. Siegel represents one of the younger members of the profession, having not yet reached his twenty-eighth year, and having been in actual practice for a period not exceeding five years. In this short time, however, he has shown marked ability for the work, and the future holds much promise for him.

Charles V. D. Siegel was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, March 5, 1898, and is a son of Morris Siegel, born in East Prussia, and his wife, Rose (Baime) Siegel, a native of Russia. The parents left their native homes, and upon arriving in this country settled in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where Morris Siegel engaged in business as a dry goods merchant. He is still (1925) a resident of this city and continues to conduct his mercantile enterprise which has brought prosperity to him.

Charles V. D. Siegel was reared in the healthful environment of Pittsfield, and was given a good education. His early studies were pursued in the public and high schools of Pittsfield, after which he continued studies at the Morningside Preparatory School, graduating from this school with the class of 1913. He then matriculated at the Georgetown University, Washington, District of Columbia, where he studied for two years, and was graduated from the University Law School with his LL. B. degree, class of 1918, among the youngest who ever graduated. In 1919 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, since which time he has been engaged in the practice of the law in Springfield, in which city he also makes his home. Mr. Siegel is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, the American Bar Association, Massachusetts Bar Association, and in politics he is a Republican. During the World War he enlisted for service and was stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he served as a member of the Officers' Training School. Mr. Siegel is a member of the B'nai B'rith, of Springfield, and formerly an officer and member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association of Springfield.

On May 30, 1920, occurred the marriage of Charles V. D. Siegel, in Springfield, Massachusetts, to Ida B. Rubinstein, born in Springfield, daughter of Kalman and Mary (Cohen) Rubinstein, both of whom are natives of Russia.

**ORLAND JONAS BROWN, M. D.**—Since 1870, Dr. Orland Jonas Brown has been steadily practicing his profession in North Adams, and his activities in the service of community, commonwealth and nation have created a debt of gratitude that they have been repaying in the honored esteem in which he is held. He has served his community as a health officer, his State in its Legislature, and as a surgeon in its militia, from which, after twenty years service he was retired with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and his long record is one of honor and brilliance in service.

Dr. Orland Jonas Brown was born February 2, 1848, at Whitingham, Vermont, son of Harvey Brown, Esq., and Lucina (Fuller) Brown. His father, who was a farmer, was a teacher in the public schools for eighteen consecutive winters, and also held many offices of trust in the farming community where he lived, at Whitingham, Windham County, Vermont, being selectman, overseer of the poor, etc., and representing his town in the Vermont Legislature for two terms. He was popularly known as Harvey Brown, Esq. Dr. Brown received his education in the public schools of his native town, and then spent two terms at Powers' Institute, Bernardston, Massachusetts. He commenced teaching in the public schools at the age of sixteen years, making a success of the pursuit, and earning sufficient money to pay for his educational expenses. In 1866 he commenced the study of medicine with Dr. J. L. Harrington, at Halifax, Vermont, and then took the full courses of lectures at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, and at the University of Vermont, where he was graduated in 1870, and followed this by taking another year's study in New York before opening his offices for practice. He later took special courses at Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, and a full post-graduate course at the New York Post Graduate Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1895. Dr. Brown has been very progressive, and has kept abreast of the times in the rapid strides that medicine and surgery have taken in the last half century. During all this period, since opening his offices, he has steadily worked and persevered at his practice, and he has won a splendid clientele, and a substantial success in his profession. He took two trips with the Raymond & Whitcomb Touring Company through old Mexico as their attending surgeon. He has been active in the civic life of his community, and is one of the incorporators of the North Adams Savings Bank. He is a Republican in his politics, and served as a member of the Massachusetts State Legislature for the year 1889. He has also given service on the committee on public health; was a commissioned medical officer in the Massachusetts State Militia for a period of twenty years, and was retired with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. He has been one of the State medical examiners for Berkshire County for the past forty-two years (1924); and was a member of the North Adams Board of Health for many years. While in the 2d Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, Dr. Brown served first as assistant surgeon and then as surgeon, being retired as above stated with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Lafayette Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; he also belongs to the Knights of Honor. He has been a deacon in the Universalist Church at North Adams for the past forty years, and superintendent of the Sunday school for a period of twenty-six years. He is a member of the Massachusetts State Medical Society; the Massachusetts Medico-Legal Society; American Medical Association; Association of Military Surgeons of the United States; Medical Association of Northern Berkshire; ex-president of the Berkshire District Medical Society; and he was a member of the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association for several years. He is on the board of directors



for the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and for years served as a member of the North Adams Board of Trade, and belongs to the Berkshire Historical Society.

Dr. Orland Jonas Brown married (first), November 22, 1871, Eva Hodskins, daughter of Sheriff William and Amelia (Blakeslee) Hodskins, of North Adams. She died October 14, 1873, leaving a son, William Orland, who died at the age of eighteen years. Dr. Brown married (second), September 13, 1876, Ida M. Haskins, daughter of Homer and Martha (Phelps) Haskins. She died in 1881, leaving two daughters, Agnes O. and Ida M., the latter dying in infancy. Dr. Brown married (third), December 16, 1884, Alice T. Stowell, daughter of Edward and Celestia (Stevens) Stowell. Dr. and Mrs. Brown adopted, in his infancy, a son, Alfred Goodwin Brown, born December 11, 1897.

**FRANK WHITMAN ROBERTS**—The surname Roberts is frequently encountered in the early records of New England. There were Revolutionary soldiers, farmers, business men, and seafaring men of that name, and their progeny is to-day scattered over the land, while many descendants of the older settlers of the name still adhere to the original soil. The seafaring men of generations past in New England were venturesome and enterprising persons, some of them whalers, others traders with the West Indies, whose islands then had even more glamorous and romantic atmospheres than they have to-day, although they are still glamorous and romantic.

Among those of the later generations of the Roberts name was William Roberts, thought to have been born in Middletown, Connecticut. He died in Feeding Hills, in the town of Agawam, Massachusetts. He is thought to have been the son of Simeon Roberts, of Middletown. He married (first) Beulah Hedges; and (second) Sarah Hedges. His children were: Isaac, of whom further; Horace, William, Henry, Eleanor, Betsy, Laura, Beulah.

Isaac Roberts, son of William Roberts, was born at Feeding Hills, Agawam, Massachusetts, March 3 1803, died at Feeding Hills in 1880. He was a farmer. He married, April 3, 1834, Cornelia Clark, born in Connecticut, October 29, 1810, died November 7, 1876. They had one child, Morton Samuel, of whom further.

Morton Samuel Roberts, son of Isaac and Cornelia (Clark) Roberts, was born at Feeding Hills, Agawam, Massachusetts, July 22, 1836, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, in August, 1922. He was a farmer. He married, September 10, 1856, Ellen S. Hedges, born at Feeding Hills, Agawam, Massachusetts, May 11, 1837, daughter of Henry and Phoebe (Tenant) Hedges. She was living in 1925. Their children: Lillian, born December 23, 1857; married Charles A. Wright, deceased. Frank Whitman, of whom further; Edward Henry, born December 14, 1862, died February 15, 1894; Stella Marion, born April 22, 1864 died October 8, 1878; Annie C. born March 22, 1868; married William Downes; Harrie Morton, Lewis Austin, Mary Jane; these three died young.

Frank Whitman Roberts, born at Feeding Hills, Agawam, February 23, 1860, was educated in the town schools, in the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield, Connecticut, and the Westfield Academy. When through with

his studies he went to work in the Hampden Watch Factory, in Springfield, Massachusetts. In 1885 he went into the jewelry business at Adams, Massachusetts, and continued in this for thirteen years. During the first years in this business he had a partner, Mr. Glover, the firm name being Glover & Roberts, but after five years he bought out Mr. Glover and continued the business alone until 1898, when he came to Northampton and established a jewelry business, conducting it until 1915, when he sold it out to Arthur P. Wood and went into the automobile business. Mr. Roberts in this business has handled several makes of cars, but he now represents the Willys-Knight car in Hampshire County. He has a service station, and handles automobile accessories. Mr. Roberts is president of the Hampshire County Used Car Exchange, Inc.; he is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of the Royal Arch Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Council, Royal and Select Masters; the Commandery, Knights Templar; the Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of Williamsburg Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is an attendant of the First Church, and a member of the Edwards Church Men's Club.

Mr. Roberts married, May 2, 1883, Mary A. Fales, born in Pelham, Massachusetts, daughter of William A. Fales. Their son, Albert Whitman Roberts, is with the National Equipment Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts. He married Bertha Graves, and they have four children: 1. Franklin. 2. William. 3. Clara, who married Harold Harris, and they have a daughter, Margaret. 4. Frank W., Jr., of Cleveland, Ohio, married Anna Beth Harris, of Montgomery, Alabama, and they have a daughter, Anna Beth.

**FRED M. MYERS**—The large service to his profession that Mr. Myers has rendered during his practice of the law, which has been for the most part at Pittsfield, has requited him with such returns as satisfactory clientage, and thorough and skillful performance of duty secure for their devotee. As a general practitioner, and in his present popular partnership, Mr. Myers is accorded place with the advancing group of attorneys in this part of the State who grace and honor their profession with unvarying maintenance of established high standards. He is a son of Henry W. and Jennie M. Myers, his father now being retired from business.

Fred M. Myers was born April 15, 1888, at Pownal, Vermont. His elementary education was received in the public and high schools of Bennington, Vermont, and taking the liberal arts course at college, he graduated second in his class at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts in 1909, and with his Bachelor of Arts degree. Preparing himself for his vocation in the law, he then graduated at the Harvard University Law School in the class of 1912, and was admitted to practice at the bar, the same year. Mr. Myers entered into the practice of his profession in the office of Clarence P. Niles, at North Adams, in 1912, and he there continued until 1913, when Mr. Niles and he removed to Pittsfield. He continued to practice law in association with Mr. Niles until the death of the latter in December, 1915. During a part of this time Mr. Niles was district attorney for



the Western District of Massachusetts, and Mr. Myers served as his assistant. Following the death of Mr. Niles, Mr. Myers formed a partnership early in 1916 with Frank H. Cande. In 1923, both attorneys became associated with Walter C. Kellogg, and the firm to-day has the title Kellogg, Cande and Myers, engaged in the general practice of law. Mr. Myers in politics favors the Republican party. He was appointed by Governor Coolidge January 15, 1919, as special justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire, which commission he still holds.

Mr. Myers' fraternal affiliations are those of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, with lodges at Pittsfield, and he is a member of the Park and the Kiwanis clubs, the Phi Beta Kappa society and the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. His religious fellowship is with the Baptist Church at Pittsfield.

He married, November 11, 1921, at Pittsfield, Ethel May Murgittroyd, a daughter of William and Edna Murgittroyd, and they are the parents of: Fred M., Jr., born September 4, 1922, and Barbara E., born May 4, 1924.

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**SAMUEL PARTRIDGE BILLINGS**, as deputy collector of internal revenue for Franklin and Hampshire counties, is rendering efficient service in local public office.

Mr. Billings traces his descent from Richard Billings, who was in Hartford, Connecticut, with his wife, Margery, in 1640. He removed to Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1661, and died there March 3, 1679. The line descends through their son, Samuel Billings, who married Sarah Fellows, daughter of Richard and Ursula Fellows. Their son, Samuel Billings, who married Hannah Church. Their son, Fellows Billings, born February 15, 1704, died June 29, 1784; removed to Conway during the Revolutionary War, in which conflict he served with the rank of lieutenant; was representative in 1757, and for ten years following. He married, November 27, 1735, Mary Eastman, daughter of Joseph and Mercy Smith Eastman. Their son, William Billings, of whom further, great-grandfather of Samuel Partridge Billings.

William Billings, son of Fellows and Mary (Eastman) Billings, was born July 20, 1744, and died November 8, 1812. He chose the legal profession, and after graduation from Yale College, in 1765, was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He took an active interest in public offices, serving as justice of the peace and as representative in 1769-70-72. He married Jerusha Williams, daughter of Colonel Israel Williams, of Hatfield, and they had a son Israel, of whom further.

Hon. Israel Billings, son of William and Jerusha (Williams) Billings, was born in Conway, Massachusetts, January 12, 1784, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, June 4, 1856. He was a graduate of Williams College, and was a lawyer of note, his offices being located in Northampton, though he resided in Hatfield. He served as representative to the Legislature, was county commissioner for many years, and was a man of wide influence. He married, January 4, 1816, Hepzibah Partridge, daughter of Samuel and Mabel (Dickinson)

Partridge, born December 11, 1796, and died August 21, 1865. Their children were: 1. Israel W. 2. Samuel P. 3. Charles W. 4. George D., of further mention. 5. Edward Coke, who was judge of the United States District Court of Louisiana.

George D. Billings, son of Hon. Israel and Hepzibah (Partridge) Billings, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, May 2, 1824, and died in 1890. As a young man he spent twenty years in New York City, during which time he served on the police force for a period of four years. He was engaged in the grain business for a time but in 1869 removed to Deerfield, Massachusetts where he followed farming. George D. Billings married May 2, 1860, Elizabeth Sophia Cowles, born January 9, 1839, and died May 2, 1900, daughter of Deacon Rufus and Jane Cowles, who came to Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1660, through John (2), Jonathan (3), Timothy (4), Ira Rufus (6), Deacon Rufus (7), born in 1805, died in 1878, married Olive Dickinson. Children of George D. and Elizabeth S. (Cowles) Billings were: Erastus S., Gertrude D., Samuel Partridge, of whom further.

Samuel Partridge Billings, son of George D. and Elizabeth Sophia (Cowles) Billings, was born in Brooklyn, New York, January 18, 1867, and was brought to Deerfield, Massachusetts, when he was two years of age. He received a good education in the schools of Deerfield, and then engaged in farming, but his sound judgment and general ability soon caused his services to be required in public capacity, and most of his life has been spent in public office. He served on the Board of Assessors for fifteen years as clerk of the board, and the bookkeeping and clerical work connected with the duties of that position occupied his entire time for nine months in the year. During the remaining three months he painted the exteriors and interiors of houses in Deerfield and vicinity, thus filling the entire year with useful activity. Since 1920 he has been deputy collector of internal revenue for Franklin and Hampshire counties, with offices in Greenfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Billings is widely known in and about Deerfield, and has a host of friends in that locality. He is a member of the Orthodox Congregational Church.

Samuel Partridge Billings married, May 31, 1894, Minnie Evelyn Harris, of Newark, New Jersey, daughter of Francis Williams and Sarah Elizabeth (Morton) Harris. Mr. and Mrs. Billings are the parents of four children: 1. Francis Samuel, born May 5, 1895; married (first) Isabelle O. Despin. She died March 18, 1923, married (second), October 4, 1924, Lena May Despin, sister of his first wife. He has one child by the first marriage, Francis Sidney, born February 19, 1923. 2. George Morton, born September 24, 1900; a graduate of Dartmouth College; is now (1925) associated with the Aetna Life Insurance Company, of Hartford, Connecticut. 3. Forrest Cowles, born July 8, 1907; is a student in Dartmouth College, class of 1924. 4. Dorothy May, born May 13, 1915.

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**EDWARD PARSONS SWAN**—Many years of success in a prosperous business enterprise have fairly earned for Edward Parsons Swan a place among the

well-established manufacturers of Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Swan is a descendant of an old New England family of English ancestry, which traces its origin back to a Dane of noble ancestry. The Swans have possessed land in the counties of Kent and Derby since the Norman Conquest, their possessions in the first named county including the manors of Swanscombe, Densted, Sutton, and Denton. Immigrants of the name came to New England at an early date, and their descendants have been active in the development of various sections of the country.

Josiah Swan, grandfather of Edward Parsons Swan, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1802, and died in Westfield, Massachusetts, May 22, 1873. He removed to Western Massachusetts and settled in Westfield, where he engaged in the business of whipmaking. Josiah Swan married (first) Sophia Olds, who was born in Southwick, Massachusetts, in 1803, and died November 1, 1848. He married (second) Sophronia Sackett. Children of the first marriage were: 1. Edward, of whom further. 2. Josephine, who married and lives in Dundee, Illinois. 3. Fannie, also married. 4. Myron, who died young.

Edward Swan, son of Josiah and Sophia (Olds) Swan, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1830, and died in South Deerfield, Massachusetts, in 1898. In early life he became associated with his father in the whip-making business, and in later years he became one of the organizers of the United States Whip Company, of Westfield. Later, he was engaged in the manufacture of whips in Southampton, Massachusetts, and traveled by team, selling his products. Still later, he removed to Sunderland, Massachusetts, where he operated a hotel owned by Timothy Parsons. About 1882 he again changed his place of residence, this time going to South Deerfield, Massachusetts, where he continued to reside to the time of his death. During this last period of his active career, he operated a mail route and sold fertilizers. During the early years of his life his religious affiliation was with the Methodist Church, but he later became an attendant of the Congregational Church. Edward Swan married Ann M. Parsons, of Worthington, Massachusetts, daughter of Timothy Parsons. She died December 31, 1912. Their children were: 1. Hattie, who died in infancy. 2. Edward P., of further mention.

Edward Parsons Swan, son of Edward and Ann M. (Parsons) Swan, was born in Southampton, Massachusetts, November 26, 1873, and after receiving his early school training in the public schools of Sunderland and South Deerfield, completed his academic training in Deerfield Academy. He then took a business course in Childs Business College, and some time after the completion of his business training, engaged in the manufacture of pickles in South Deerfield, operating under the firm name of E. P. Swan Company. Mr. Swan has a well-equipped plant, and gives careful attention to those details of sanitation and cleanliness which insure a wholesome product. His market includes all of the New England States and those westward as far as Ohio. Until a short time previous to 1925 he also owned a farm, but

this he has sold. He has extensive real estate interests in many Massachusetts towns and cities, and is extensively engaged in buying and selling real estate. Fraternally, he is a member of Mt. Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of South Deerfield; and of the Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Edward Parsons Swan married, April 16, 1908, Anna B. Black, of South Deerfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Sabin Black, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Hazel Anna. 2. Edna Mary. 3. Edward Parsons, Jr.

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**DR. JOHN HALLAM ROBERTS**—A man of fine education and scientific in the practice of his profession, that of a veterinarian, Dr. Roberts is one of the highly-esteemed residents of Northampton, Massachusetts. His forebears are from English stock.

Edward Roberts, the great-grandfather of Dr. Roberts, was born in England. He came to the province of Quebec, Canada, in 1816, and his wife's name was Hallam. His son, Samuel Roberts, was born in England in 1800, and died in Canada in the province of Quebec, in 1898, aged ninety-eight years. He was the eldest child of his parents, and came to Canada with them when sixteen years of age. He followed farming in Canada. He married Lydia Spear, born in Canada, died in 1894. Their children were: Edward, of whom further; Turner and Samuel.

Edward Roberts, born in Granby, Quebec, in 1840, died 1908, aged sixty-eight years, was a farmer, owning a place of some two hundred acres on Granby Hill. One of his features of this life was dairying. He was a liberal in politics, and was a member of the Episcopal Church. He married Ann Roberts, born in the province of Quebec, daughter of Lother Roberts. She died in 1923. Their children were: 1. William, who died in 1914, leaving a daughter, Isabella. 2. John H.

Dr. John Hallam Roberts was born in West Stafford, province of Quebec, March 22, 1867. He was educated in the schools of West Stafford and in Granby, Quebec. He attended McGill University, in Montreal, from which he was graduated as a veterinarian in 1878. McGill is considered one of the best universities of its kind in the world. Dr. Roberts remained at home for two years after his graduation, and came to Northampton in 1890 and began the practice of his profession, and has since been located here, covering a period of thirty-five years. Since 1893 Dr. Roberts has been district agent for the Department of Animal Industry of the State of Massachusetts. He is a member of the State and National Veterinarian Associations. In fraternal circles he is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of the Royal Arch Chapter; of the Council, and of Northampton Consistory, Knights Templar; of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, Massachusetts. He is also a member of the Northampton Club and the local Kiwanis Club, and a member of the McGill Graduates' Society of New York City. In religion he is a member of the Congregational Church.



Dr. Roberts married, October 25, 1895, Dora M. Horton, of Hadley, Massachusetts, daughter of Dwight and Amanda (Mason) Horton.

**HENRY HILL COUILLARD**—A life of most stirring adventure was that of Mr. Couillard, remarkable, too, in that his experiences shared in succession with events of the Mexican War, the African slave trade, and with gold mining in California, eventually led to his later activities in the ownership of many hotels, and to his cattle raising and general farming business. In wanderings that were almost limitless at a time when sea rovers went upon desperate voyages, and when impressment in sordid and piratical servitude were not uncommon, Mr. Couillard throughout the early part of his career participated in a thrilling round of incidents, both by sea and land, such as might completely fill a book of adventure in recounting them. In hoteldom in New England his experiences were fully as eventful, and in varied but successful ownership of many hostleries he was one of the best known managers and proprietors in this part of the country; while as a farmer he proved as practical and capable in the cultivation and the direction of his agricultural and cattle raising interests. Within a lifetime few have shared so great a variety of incident and change; and withal few may have emerged therefrom as Mr. Couillard did, eventually crowned with honors and industrial success.

A son of John Grant and Annie (Dwinell) Couillard, Henry Hill Couillard was born May 1, 1828, in Exeter, Maine. When eight years old he was employed in a hotel, his work as a boy including selling rum and molasses when customers called for it, and in payment he received his food and very little clothing. A year later he began his ventures when he started afoot on his way to Minot, Maine, a distance of one hundred and five miles, and with a capital of ten cents. When he was eleven years of age he was employed by Thomas Joslyn in a tin-cart business, after which he went to Enfield, Massachusetts, where he was employed by Dr. Gray, a physician and surgeon. Later, he was located in Springfield, where he worked for Dr. Eli H. Patch, who for more than fifty years maintained a livery stable in that city.

With the breaking out of the War with Mexico, young Couillard became inspired with the adventurous spirit, and he enlisted in the Marine Corps at Charlestown Navy Yard, April 4, 1846. The fifty-four gun frigate on which the corps was placed left the harbor under sealed orders, and it was generally supposed that the destination was some Mexican port; but that was not the case. The orders of Commodore Reid sent the vessel to the west coast of Africa, and there she and other vessels cruised back and forth watching for ships loaded with negroes, and destined to become slaves in the Southern States, if they ever lived to reach there. From the coast of Africa the ship sailed for the Maderia Islands, to Gibraltar, thence to Naples, where the vessel was stationed three months, giving the marines an opportunity to study the old Roman city of Pompeii, buried by the Vesuvius eruption A. D. 79, the ascent of the volcano being made by Mr. Couillard. Other ports were visited, but after

three years of service, the marines came home and landed at Norfolk Navy Yard.

Mr. Couillard was anxious to see his mother again, and he was likewise disappointed not to have had a chance to share in the Mexican War. He and another ship's corporal, Ned Powers by name, made formal application to be discharged, but the application was denied. Thereupon they both deserted, climbed a plank to the top of the Navy Yard wall, jumped down on the other side in the night and got aboard a steamer. The next morning they were in Baltimore, Maryland, and a few hours later in Washington, District of Columbia, when they went direct to the office of the Secretary of the Navy, John Y. Mason, of Virginia. He gave a written order to the men and told them where to take it. What it was they did not know, but they realized later, when they reached the proper officer and were roundly censured for their courage in approaching Mr. Mason. Even with the order of the secretary, there was red tape to be overcome, but in due season a special discharge was granted both men.

Mr. Couillard came home, and after an experience in several cotton factories located at Ashfield, Massachusetts, began making matches by hand, but as he was able to sell but 24,000 for one dollar, it was not a specially profitable business. In 1855, he located at Shelburne Falls, but a little later he started for California, by way of Panama. It would require a small volume to relate the full story of Mr. Couillard's career in California. He went to the northern mines, but failed to strike anything rich until he returned to San Francisco. He decided to return East, and when his friends asked him if he had dug gold in California, he told them he "dug for home at the first opportunity."

Soon after Mr. Couillard's return from California he became associated with the hotel business, and owned and operated more than twenty-five hotels in Winchester, Keene and Chesterfield Lake, New Hampshire; Eagle Bridge, New York; Sadawga Springs, Vermont; Shelburne Falls, Greenfield, Charlemont, Ashfield, Conway and Hoosac Tunnel, Massachusetts. He later purchased the Converse property in Greenfield, which he eventually sold to the Franklin County Public Hospital, and he donated to the hospital \$5,000 of the purchase price. Afterwards, he was owner of the Nims or Lowe Farm, at Greenfield Meadows, said to be the most productive farm in Franklin County; but in later years he sold his farm property, and purchased the so-called Chapin place, at Old Deerfield, where he resided to the time of his death. He had always been a lover of good horses, and in his time had owned more than five thousand, many of them having been very fast. He had owned hundreds of cattle, and it is stated that while he was living at Baptist Corner in Ashfield, he milked thirty cows one morning, and before night had sold or traded every one of them. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and made substantial gifts to the organization.

Mr. Couillard married (first) — Colton. He married (second) April 2, 1903, Harriet M. Smead, of Greenfield, a daughter of Charles Warren and Sarah Elizabeth (Scott) Smead, whose ancestors were of the



first comes to Dorchester, Massachusetts, her line of descent being as follows:

(I) Widow Judith Smead, of Dorchester, 1636. She married (first) John Denwin (?), in 1620; (second), in 1634, ——— Smead.

(II) William Smead, born in 1635, died before 1704; married Elizabeth Lawrence.

(III) Ebenezer Smead, born in 1675, died in 1753; married Esther Catlin.

(IV) Jonathan Smead, born in 1707, died in 1783; married Mehitable Nims.

(V) Lemuel Smead, born in 1739, was a Revolutionary soldier, died in 1812; married Sarah Nims, daughter of Thomas Nims, a Revolutionary soldier, and Esther (Martindale) Nims.

(VI) Thomas Smead, born in 1768, died in 1837; married Rebecca Hinsdale, daughter of Ariel Hinsdale, a Revolutionary soldier.

(VII) Warren Smead, born in 1815; married Abigail Graves Sage, daughter of George Rodney and Thankful (Graves) Sage; Thankful (Graves) Sage a daughter of Job Graves, a Revolutionary soldier.

(VIII) Charles Warren Smead was born in Greenfield, June 6, 1841, and died June 8, 1916. He was a prosperous farmer and livestock dealer, and a lifelong resident of Greenfield where he came in 1872, his farm being at Greenfield Meadows. He was a highly respected townsman, and was widely known for his sound judgment and his success in business. He married, December 25, 1866, Sarah Elizabeth Scott, of Vernon, Vermont, and they were the parents of: Mrs. Harriet M. Couillard, of Greenfield; and Mrs. James Neild, of Greenfield. Mr. Neild was the sixth child of Thomas and Anna (Rowlinson) Neild, both of English birth; he was born at Albion, New York, March 3, 1884, learned the trade of wool grading in England, and followed his trade at Jamestown and Utica, New York, and at Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he has continued since 1906. In 1917 he made his home at Greenfield, where he has a farm of ten acres, and where he is prominent in the social and religious life of the community.

Henry Hill Couillard died April 3, 1905, at Deerfield, Massachusetts, aged seventy-six years eleven months. A poor boy with no advantages, he rose to a degree of success that was remarkable and he held the admiration and respect of all who knew him.

**JAMES NEILD**—The Neild family came from the North of England. Thomas Neild, a native of Halifax, Yorkshire, England, a stone cutter by trade, now living in Jamestown, New York, was born on February 9, 1854, and came to America in 1882, locating first at Albion, New York, where he procured work in his trade. He later moved to Holley, New York, and in 1893 came to Holyoke, Massachusetts, and entered the mill of the American Thread Company, working there for four years. After this he returned for a time to England, but later came back to America and settled in Jamestown, New York, where he has since been engaged in mill work. Soon after his arrival in this country he became an American citizen, joined the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and became an active member of the Meth-

uist Church. Thomas Neild was married to Anna Rowlinson who, like himself, was of English birth; a native of Windhill, England, born March 9, 1850, and died in 1892. There were five children of the marriage: 1. Frank Rowlinson, born in England. 2. Sarah, born in England. 3. James, of whom further. 4. Clara. 5. Florence. Thomas Neild married a second time and there is one son, John, of the second marriage.

James Neild, son of Thomas Neild, was born in Albion, New York, March 3, 1884, educated in the schools of Holley, New York, came to Holyoke, Massachusetts, and went to work for the Farr Alpaca Company. When fifteen years of age he went to England and remained there four years in order to learn the trade of wool grading and sorting. After his return to America he worked in the mills of Jamestown, New York, and Utica, New York, but finally returned to the Farr Alpaca Mills in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he has been active for eighteen years as a wool sorter. For the past seven years Mr. Neild has made his home in Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he has a farm of some ten acres. He is a member of the Greenfield Club; of the Republican Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, a companion of the Greenfield Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons, and with his family attends the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Neild married, June 6, 1905, Sadie Lucinda Smead, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, a daughter of Charles W. and Sarah E. (Scott) Smead. Charles W. Smead was a prosperous farmer and a dealer in, and well-known expert of live stock, who died at the age of seventy-five. He was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, on June 6, 1841, a son of Warren and Abigail G. (Sage) Smead, and a descendent of William Smead, one of the original settlers of Deerfield, who went to that town from Dedham in 1652. Mrs. Neild is a Daughter of the American Revolution; also a member of the Colonial Daughters of America; and has a sister, Mrs. Harriet M. S. Couillard, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, two uncles, Dwight E. and C. Albert Smead, of Shelburne, and two nephews.

**ROBERT SHEPHERD KNEELAND**—Prominent in the business life of Springfield, Massachusetts, as a lawyer of attainments, who enjoys the good will of the community-at-large as well as of his compeers in his own profession, is Robert Shepherd Kneeland, engaged since 1911, in a general law practice under his own name. He is the son of Frederick N. and Adelaide Frances (Dyer) Kneeland, both of Massachusetts, the father a banker.

Robert Shepherd Kneeland was born at Northampton, Massachusetts, April 26, 1883. He received his preliminary education in the public and high schools of Northampton, after which he entered Amherst College, graduated there in the class of 1905 with the degree of A. B., and three years later from the Harvard Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In 1908, immediately after graduation, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, and entered the office of Judge William G. Bassett and Judge Edward L. Shaw, in Northampton. In 1911 he commenced his practice in Springfield, where





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he has continued ever since, gradually building up for himself a successful practice that testifies to the quality of his services. He is a member of the Beta Theta Pi and the Phi Beta Kappa fraternities, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, the Hampden County Bar Association, and the Massachusetts Bar Association. Politically, Mr. Kneeland is a Republican, and his religious affiliations are with Faith Church, of Springfield.

Mr. Kneeland married, October 4, 1911, Anna Peters, of Watertown, New York.

**JOHN WILLIAM KENNEY, D. D. S.**—The profession of dentistry has a thorough and capable exponent at Northampton in Dr. Kenney who with his present-day methods and valued experience is accounted one of the foremost men in his line in this part of the State, where he has been in successful practice since 1902. He has the highest regard of the public in their appreciation of his skill, as well as of dental offices and laboratory that are unrivalled in the excellence of their equipment.

Four generations of this branch of the family have now resided in Massachusetts, his grandfather who came from Ireland, having lived both in Pittsfield and in Hinsdale, where he was a farmer to the time of his death. Dr. Kenney's father, Patrick L. Kenney, who was born in Ireland, died in Pittsfield, in December, 1923, where he had located as a young man; he was employed at the Williamsburg Mills at the time of the disastrous flood in that township, and he was an overseer in the Pontusick Mills at Pittsfield for many years. He was a quiet and home-loving man. He married Elizabeth Hopper, who was born in Pittsfield, and now resides there at the age of seventy-six years, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Duffy) Hopper, Thomas Hopper having been a native of England. Patrick L. Kenney's children were: Margaret, Catherine, who married William Plunket; John W., of whom further; Thomas, a physician in Northampton.

Dr. John William Kenney was born February 7, 1877, in Pittsfield, where he attended the public schools. He prepared for his profession at the Philadelphia Dental College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in the class of 1902, with his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. Establishing himself in his profession at Northampton that year, he has so continued to the present. Dr. Kenney's fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and with the Northampton Club.

Dr. John William Kenney married, in 1908, Rose C. Tarrant, of Norwich, Connecticut, daughter of Nicholas Tarrant; and they are the parents of: John, Richard, Rosemary, Robert.

**GEORGE HENRY FLETCHER**—The name of Fletcher has been known in the United States since 1630, and has been borne by many prominent citizens, the Fletchers having generally been leading people in the various communities where they have dwelt. Originally the name was written Fledger, and was the name of the trade of the makers of arrows, or as some authorities think, of the affixing the feather to the arrow,

fledging it. In French the word *Flequier* has also the same meaning, and some have inferred a French extraction. The traditions, however, all concur in making the early ancestors of most of the Fletchers here of English or Welsh stock, and Yorkshire, one of the northern counties of England, as the spot whence they early emigrated to America. The name has been and still is of frequent occurrence there. Of this present family, the grandfather of Mr. Fletcher was Pelatiah, of whom further.

(I) Pelatiah Fletcher was born in Pepperell, Massachusetts, at the end of the eighteenth or the beginning of the nineteenth century. He was a farmer, and lived for a number of years in Groton, where he took active part in public life, serving as a selectman, and as a Representative to the State Legislature. He married Susan Hamlin, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Henry H., of whom further. 2. Dana. 3. Carrie.

(II) Henry Hathaway Fletcher, son of Pelatiah and Susan (Hamlin) Fletcher, was born in Westford, June 11, 1831, and is still living (1924), at the age of ninety-three years, in Greenfield. He spent his early life in farming, subsequently working in a market and store in Westford, whence he came to Springfield, where he conducted a market opposite the Massasoit Hotel for a period of eight years. From there he went to Chicago, where he spent two years, returning to Pepperell he resided with his father until the death of the latter. In 1864 he came to Greenfield, and for eight years ran a restaurant under the Mansion House, later purchasing the place where he now lives, on High Street. This tract comprised some thirteen acres of land, on which he kept cows, and sold milk for seven or eight years. He has been retired for a number of years, having been an active member of the community, and an attendant at the Unitarian Church.

Henry Hathaway Fletcher married (first) Emily Reed; (second) Georgianna Jones; and (third) Almira Newton. His children were: 1. Lulu Allen, deceased, who married Jerome Waite, and had two children: i. Andrew. ii. Agnes. 2. George H., of whom further.

(III) George Henry Fletcher, son of Henry Hathaway and Georgianna (Jones) Fletcher, was born in Greenfield, October 28, 1876. He received his education in the schools there, and then learned the machinist trade, following which he worked for the Goodell Pratt Company, of Greenfield, for ten years. He then went to Russell, where he acted as clerk in the store of Mr. Rogers, and was also assistant postmaster of the town up to 1919, when he returned to Greenfield. Here he worked for Mr. Harris in the market business, until 1922, when he formed a partnership with Mr. Louis J. Donaldson, under the firm name of Donaldson & Fletcher, of the Greenfield Market Company, in which they have continued to be associated, since that time. Mr. Fletcher is active in all matters of general public interest that tend towards the progress and welfare of the community, and like his father is an attendant of the Unitarian Church.

George Henry Fletcher married, December 30, 1895, Mary Isabelle McMaster, of Springfield, daughter of Mahlon K. and Mary (Whalen) McMaster, and they are the parents of one daughter: 1. Marian Georgianna,

born in 1898, who graduated from the Greenfield High School, and is now assistant treasurer of the Greenfield Savings Bank.

**STEPHEN JOSÉ VANDERLICK**—Of the younger group of Northampton attorneys, who through energetic effort and by abilities well proven in training and in natural gifts have won deserved popularity, Mr. Vanderlick has established his offices as a general practitioner, and entered upon his professional career under excellent auspices. He is a descendant of an industrious Polish ancestry, who for generations were natives of Lipno, in Russian Poland. There his great-grandfather, Michael Vanderlick, was born March 25, 1800, and died in March, 1860; his wife's name was Kathirim, and their children were: Josephine; Joseph, of whom further; Henry; and Anthony.

Joseph Vanderlick, Mr. Vanderlick's grandfather, was born May 17, 1820, in Lipno, where he died January 5, 1898. He married Mary Malintac, who was born April 25, 1825, and died December 3 1895, and they were the parents of: Stanley, of whom further; Frank, and Maria.

Stanley Vanderlick, Mr. Vanderlick's father, was born August 23, 1850, in Lipno, and he followed farming throughout his life. Coming to the United States in 1898, he located at Hatfield for a time, later removing to Northampton, where he conducts a well-kept farm. He married, July 20, 1883, Antonia Skunicki, who was born September 3, 1860, in Lipno, daughter of Joseph and Josephia (Battacz) Skunicki, and their children were: 1. Anthony, who married Agnes Czerwicz, and whose children are: Sophia, Joseph, Michael and Stanley. 2. John, who married Clementine Tundryn, and whose children are: Helen, Frank, Dorothy and Coraline. 3. Stephen José, of whom further. 4. William. Stanley and Antonia (Skunicki) Vanderlick came to the United States with their children in 1898.

Stephen José Vanderlick was born October 22, 1893, in Lipno, Russian Poland, and came to the United States with his parents when a child. He attended the public schools of Northampton and Hatfield, and graduated at Cushing's Academy, at Ashburnham, in 1916. Mr. Vanderlick prepared for his profession at the Albany (New York) Law School, where he graduated in 1919, with his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar in 1923, and since then has practiced in Northampton. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus, and the Northampton Naturalization Club.

Stephen José Vanderlick married, June 28, 1924, Marion Hiney, of Albany, daughter of Thomas and Mary F. (Quinn) Hiney.

**ISAAC MILLS**—Descended from a sterling New England ancestry, Isaac Mills was born in Southwick, Massachusetts, January 29, 1826, the son of John Mills, who was a notable figure in that region and the State, and served as United States District Attorney and State Senator. Isaac Mills attended the private schools of Mr. Lawton and Mr. Lombard, where many leading citizens received their early training. For a time he also attended Monson Academy, but was not graduated from that institution. He entered business life as a railroad

clerk in the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad office at Bridgeport, Connecticut. From that position he went to Scranton, Pennsylvania, remaining for a time, and later returned to Springfield, to which his father had removed when Isaac was but ten years old. In Springfield he became a junior partner in the firm of Deane, Packard & Mills, car builders.

About that time Mr. Mills married Ann L. Palmer, the oldest daughter of Edward Palmer, a prominent man of his day. Mr. Palmer was the manager of transportation from Springfield to Hartford, and captain of the steamboat "John Cooley," in 1831. In 1846 he sold out his steamboat interest to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and bought an interest in the coal business with Mr. Ashley. Mr. Mills entered the employ of his father-in-law, and thus became connected with the business that long bore his name. This business had been started in 1833 by James Robb. In 1866 Mr. Palmer died and Mr. Mills bought the business which he conducted until his death.

While Mr. Mills kept out of politics, despite many solicitations, he always had and exhibited that interest in public affairs which a good citizen owes to his State and country. He was inclined to be liberal and independent in politics, but entered the Republican party when it was founded, and became a Mugwump. He regarded Grover Cleveland as the best type of public servant of his period, and generally Mr. Mills in recent years took his choice among candidates. He formerly attended the First Church up to 1874, when he became an attendant of the South Church, Springfield. He died February 18, 1892, at his home on Crescent Hill, Springfield.

The passing of this fine man was a sore grief to all who knew him well, and throughout the city the sense of loss was felt and expressed. The figure of Isaac Mills conveyed the impression of a sturdy, reliable and kindly manhood, and it was familiar to all Springfield. His local associations ran back to his boyhood, and the roots of his acquaintance struck deep into Springfield life. He was a modest man who had a shrewd hold upon a sound philosophy that gave him a grasp on certain satisfying things in life. Within the round of his business labors and the circle of his exceptionally happy home life he was content to remain. No attempt to draw him into public office could avail, and the appeal came to be abandoned as hopeless. Mr. Mills and the late Governor Trask were intimate friends. Mr. Mills was honest and reliable, and had no enemies. He liked a good horse and loved to speed him. He was a kind and devoted husband and father. He is survived by two daughters, Emily and Elizabeth Howard Mills. A son died in infancy. Mrs. Roswell G. Shurtleff was the only sister of Mr. Mills, and there were two brothers, Enos Mills, of Springfield, and John Mills, a contractor, of Chicago, all now deceased.

**CHARLES WESLEY NOBLE** was born at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, October 31, 1874, son of J. Wesley Noble who died May 31, 1917, and who was president of the firm of Noble, Milne Company, Incorporated. He attended the public schools of his native place and then became an apprentice in the craft of plumbing and heat-





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ing, and is treasurer of the firm founded by his father, who was a Civil War veteran. Mr. Noble is fraternally associated with the Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Sons of Veterans; and the Park Club.

Charles W. Noble married Ada Frances Moulton. They are the parents of three children: 1. Marjorie, who married Reginald K. Webster. 2. Doris. 3. Wesley.

**JAMES F. EGAN**—Possessed of brains, initiative, energy, and capacity for thorough and profound study, James F. Egan has already made a name for himself as a dependable young lawyer. He has a wide circle of acquaintances whom he has impressed with his quality, and he is constantly extending his clientele.

James F. Egan, son of James and Winifred (Tighe) Egan, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 20, 1896. His father, a hard-working and reliable brick mason, was born in Ireland, September 4, 1866, and his mother was born there May 3, 1868. James Egan, senior, died in 1922, after a long and useful life.

James F. Egan received his early education in the public schools of Springfield, and graduated from Commercial High School with the class of 1915. With his love of study and his promising academic work, he decided on further education and secured a degree of Bachelor of Arts at Holy Cross College, graduating with the class of 1921. From there he advanced to Harvard Law School, obtaining his degree of Bachelor of Law in 1924. That same year he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He began his legal career with general law practice in the office of William G. McKechnie, No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. During the World War Mr. Egan interrupted his career by offering for service, and he became an ensign in the Navy. He maintains his membership in the American Legion. He is also a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and in politics is Democratic. Mr. Egan, a member of the Holy Family Church, is an enthusiastic Knight of Columbus. It is rare to find a young man who has so continuously devoted himself to worthwhile and progressive movements in his city, in his profession, and in his religion.

**HUGH BEVERLY RONEY, M. D.**, a progressive and successful physician of Pittsfield, whose preparations for his profession were made in leading educational institutions and whose success well appraises his ability, is interested in local and general progress, and in his profession he has attained an enviable position. He is a son of Gifford and Victoria (Lott) Roney, the father now deceased, the mother a resident of Pittsfield.

Hugh Beverly Roney was born at Colborne, Canada, January 20, 1886. He received his early education in the public schools of his birthplace and spent two years in the high schools of Newburgh, Canada, after which he entered upon a preparatory course in the Centenary Seminary at Hackettstown, Canada. His choice of a profession made, he entered Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia where he graduated in the class of 1909 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He gained his institutional experience in the Cumberland Street Hospital, of Brooklyn, New York, where he was house phy-

sician for eighteen months, Dr. Roney coming to Pittsfield directly from that institution, and in November of 1910, he established himself in the general practice of his profession. In this line Dr. Roney has achieved a noteworthy position in professional circles in Western Massachusetts and in his present prominence he bears a definite influence for general as well as local progress. During the World War he served as a member of the Volunteer Medical Service Corps of the United States Army but was not sent overseas. He is a member of the American Medical Association; the Massachusetts Medical Society; and the Berkshire County Medical Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with Crescent Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and Jerusalem Commandery, Knights Templar. Dr. Roney is a well known figure in social circles holding membership in the Park Club, also the Country Club, both of Pittsfield, and he is a member of Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church.

Dr. Roney married, September 20, 1911, Grace Widdefield, of Owen Sound, Canada, a daughter of Judge C. H. Widdefield, a very prominent jurist of Toronto, Canada. Dr. and Mrs. Roney have one adopted son, Robert. They reside at No. 72 Commonwealth Street, Pittsfield.

**EDWARD NEWTON FRARY**—One of the pioneers of New England, John Frary came from England and settled in Dedham, Massachusetts, and was one of the founders of the church there. He subsequently moved to Medford and died at an advanced age on June 14, 1695. His wife's name was Prudence. Their children: Theophilus, Samson, Mary, John, Eleazer, of whom further; Isaac, and Samuel.

(II) Eleazer Frary, son of John and Prudence Frary, was born in 1640, settled in Hatfield, Massachusetts, died December 19, 1709. He married, on January 25, 1666, Mary Graves, daughter of Isaac Graves. They had seven children.

(III) Isaac Frary, son of Eleazer and Mary (Graves) Frary, was born March 2, 1686, married on December 8, 1715, Lydia Parsons, daughter of Jonathan Parsons.

(IV) Lieutenant Elisha Frary, son of Isaac and Lydia (Parsons) Frary, was born August 18, 1729, died July 8, 1801. He removed to Sharon, New York, in 1798. He married Miriam Warner, and they had eleven children.

(V) Isaac Frary, son of Lieutenant Elisha and Miriam (Warner) Frary, was born August 22, 1763, died February 4, 1850. He bought the Belding Mills and lived on the Frary place, formerly owned by Eleazer Frary. He married Sarah Munson, daughter of Solomon Munson, born 1760, died 1845. They had eight children.

(VI) Isaac Frary Jr., son of Isaac and Sarah (Munson) Frary, was born March 30, 1797, died March 7, 1866, was a farmer. September 14, 1825, he married Mary Knowles, and they had children: Solomon Munson, of whom further; Clarissa, Marietta, who married J. T. Bannister; and Charles.

(VII) Solomon Munson Frary, son of Isaac Jr. and Mary (Knowles) Frary, was born in Whately, Massachusetts, July 18, 1826, died in 1876 in Whately. He was a farmer and tobacco grower and lived in New York State for a few years and raised tobacco. His life was spent largely in Whately. He married, August 25, 1853, Martha Achilles, born in Oak Orchard, New York, November 7, 1828, died in Bernardston, Massachusetts, in 1915 daughter of Albert and Nancy Achilles. Their children: Eugene M., a clergyman; born April 26, 1854, died in 1924; Charles A., born 1856, died 1862; Etta C., born May 28, 1859, married Allen Wells, deceased; Ernest A., born January 15, 1862; Edward Newton.

(VIII) Edward Newton Frary, son of Solomon and Martha (Achilles) Frary, was born in Oak Orchard, New York, July 29, 1865. He came to Whately, Massachusetts, with his parents when a year and a half old. He was educated in the schools of Whately. Up to eighteen years of age he worked as a farmer and then he learned the tinning and plumbing trade. He entered the plumbing business with his brother in South Deerfield, Massachusetts, when nineteen years of age, under the firm name of Frary Brothers, and thus continued for ten years. He then went into the acetylene gas business, establishing plants for the product in public buildings and private residences throughout New England. He put in town plants in Georgetown, Massachusetts; Essex, Deep River, and Chester, Connecticut, with more than ten miles of pipe. He later brought out a patent lighting system for use on automobiles, known as the Frary Lighting System, which was used from Maine to California. The Springfield and Holyoke Fire Departments used it on all their apparatus as standard equipment, as did the Stanley Steamer Automobile and the Knox Automobile Company. It was an acetylene light that was later displaced by electricity. Mr. Frary later went into the tobacco business, manufacturing cigars in Northampton. Eventually he began the growing of tobacco, and was the founder of the Northampton Tobacco Company in 1918, of which he is president. Mr. Frary had thirteen acres in tobacco in Hadley. The corporation now occupies twenty-five acres of land for tobacco growing in Northampton that formerly was the Fair Grounds, and on which is located their warehouse. They have a large area of land in West Farms upon which they raise tobacco. They own and operate about one hundred acres of land, growing and packing their own tobacco, and they are large employers of labor, keeping many employed the year round. Mr. Frary has been a resident of Northampton for about fifteen years. He is a member of the First Church.

On October 10, 1888, Mr. Frary married Elsie Estella Elder, born in Sherbrook, Canada, daughter of John Elder, born in 1825, died in 1896, of Granby Massachusetts and Emily (Washburne) Elder born in 1833, died in 1920, born in Belchertown, Massachusetts, and granddaughter of William Elder, born in 1791, who married Anna Chamberlain. Mr. and Mrs. Frary are the parents of two children: Marjorie Eugenia, born March 9, 1896, married March 28, 1918, Raymond Crittenden, of Woodbridge, New Jersey, and they have children: Kenneth Raymond, born November 1, 1920, and

Donald Edward, born March 7, 1924. The second child of Mr. and Mrs. Frary was Edward N. Jr., born September 6, 1903, died in infancy.

**CECIL C. GAMWELL**, prominent coal merchant and real estate operator of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, rose from office boy in a shoe shop to one of the largest coal merchants and property owners in Pittsfield, as well as stockholder in banks, and holds an important place in the business and financial life of Berkshire County, Mr. Gamwell is the son of Lorenzo H. and Emeline (Varney) Gamwell, and was born in Pittsfield July 22, 1854.

He attended the public schools of his native city, and his first employment after leaving school was as office boy at the Robbins & Kellogg Shoe Company, later going to Rice, Robbins & Company as bookkeeper. In 1887, when he was twenty-three years of age, he bought a horse and wagon, hired a small place at the rear of the present array of fine buildings, of which he is the owner, and made a start in the coal business. He had little capital in those days, but he was long on credit. That was in 1877, to-day he is the owner of many business blocks, three branches and yards of his coal business, and gives employment to fifty persons. He covers a large territory with the distribution of his products, which include, besides coal: brick, lime, cement, sand, gravel, plaster, wagons harness, horse goods, fur coats, trunks, baggage, etc. Mr. Gamwell was one of the first residents of Pittsfield to have a telephone installed in his place of business; to-day he has his own private exchange with switchboard making connections with all departments of his business. Mr. Gamwell built the first brick building on Railroad Street (now Columbus Avenue); to-day he is owner of many fine brick structures the larger ones being 50 by 150 feet, 40 by 135 feet, 70 by 105 feet, and 50 by 120 feet, each three stories in height. Besides the business of dealing in coal, etc., which he has conducted in his own name for forty-eight years, he has vested interests in manufacturing concerns and banks. He is a trustee of the Berkshire County Savings Bank. Mr. Gamwell now has under contemplation an ambitious plan looking toward extensive improvements on a fifty-acre tract of land within the corporate limits of the city of Pittsfield. When this plan is brought to fruition Mr. Gamwell will have added a very large amount of valuable real estate to his present large holdings, and the city itself will have materially benefited through additional revenue derived from increased assessable improved property.

Mr. Gamwell is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce; Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; the Park Club; and the First Baptist Church, Pittsfield.

Mr. Gamwell married Virginia Church, of Pittsfield. They are the parents of five children: 1. Clarence L., married Bertha Metcalf, and they have two children, Elaine and Sumner. 2. Cecil C., Jr., married Madelyn Worth, and they have four children, Barbara, Rosemary, Virginia and Cecil C. III. 3. Mabel, married





*Cecil C Gamwell*





W. H. Rockwell. 4. Florence Virginia, married Howard Coggeshall and died in 1908, leaving two children, Cecil Calvert and Virginia. 5. Pamela, married William Oliver, and they have two children, Pamela and William.

**ALEXANDER MONTGOMERY**—Unique among the business institutions of Hadley, Massachusetts, is the Montgomery Company Incorporated, rose growers, the firm consisting of Alexander Montgomery, president, and his two sons, Alexander William Montgomery, general manager, and Robert James Montgomery, treasurer. Each of these three men has a long record of experience behind him, and the concern, which has been deservedly successful, holds a place of high honor in the trade and has frequently been represented on the officers' lists of florists' organizations. The Montgomerys are descendants of an old Scotch family with a tradition of farming and gardening that goes back for many generations. Originally however, the Montgomery family came into Scotland from Normandy, and the name was spelled *Montgomerie*.

(I) Alexander Montgomery, grandfather of Alexander and great-grandfather of Alexander William and Robert James Montgomery, lived and died in Wigtownshire, Scotland; and the records show that he was the son of Alexander and the grandson of still another Alexander Montgomery, and that he devoted his entire life to farming. He married Robina Lockhart, of Limeburn, Scotland; and their children were: a daughter, who died young; William, of further mention; John; Alexander; Elizabeth; Jane; and Robert. The last named emigrated to America, and settled in Hanover, Massachusetts, where his descendants now live.

(II) William Montgomery, son of Alexander and Robina (Lockhart) Montgomery, was born in Wigtownshire, Scotland, in 1824, died in Wellesley, Massachusetts, March 14, 1898. He was a farmer and gardener in Scotland, and in 1885 came to the United States to join his son Alexander, who had come over several years previously, and worked with him until two years prior to his death. He married Elizabeth McFarlane of Wigtownshire, Scotland, died 1893, and they were the parents of the following children: Alexander, of further mention; Robert; John; William; Elizabeth, married Benjamin Davidson; Catherine, married William Mair; Jane, married James Bryden; Margaret, married John Lamont; and Robina, married Robert Miller.

(III) Alexander Montgomery, son of William and Elizabeth (McFarlane) Montgomery, was born in the south of Scotland, in Wigtownshire, August 18, 1848, and was educated in the schools of his native town. When he left school he served an apprenticeship as gardener to the Earl of Galloway, for whom he worked six years; and after that experience, went to Edinburgh where he continued to work as a gardener for some time. He then went to England, following his trade there also, and finally came to America in 1872. He settled in Massachusetts, first spending six years at Dover, and then going to Natick. Up until the year 1881 he worked as gardener on private estates, but in that year he went to the Waban Rose Conservatories as manager for Edward M. Wood, proprietor of the concern, and served in the capacity of manager there until 1917, a period

of thirty-six years. This was a commercial enterprise, and under Mr. Montgomery's skillful management proved very successful. In 1917, after his long and valued service with the Conservatories, he came to Amherst, Massachusetts, to make his home and to be with his sons, who were engaged in rose growing in Hadley, Massachusetts, under the name of the Montgomery Company, Incorporated; and here he spends his time busily engaged every day in the work that he loves to do. He is president of the concern. Mr. Montgomery was a director in the Waban Rose Conservatories and in the Henry Wood Sons Company, paint manufacturers; and he is a member of the American Florist and Gardener Association, and past president of the American Rose Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons of Natick, is a Knight Templar, and member of the Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Boston; and he is a member of the Calidonian Society, of the Presbyterian Church in Scotland, and of the Congregational Church in America. During his long life Mr. Montgomery has made a host of friends, who hold him in very high regard; and his has been a successful life in many senses of the word.

He married Elizabeth Hill, born in Girvan, Ayrshire, Scotland, April 24, 1855, daughter of William Hill; and they have five children: Alexander William, of further mention; Robert James, of further mention; William Edwin of Natick, who married Florence Hanna, and has one son, Wallace; Catherine, married Hallet E. Jones of Natick; and Ann, married Dr. Ewald G. Baum.

(IV) Alexander William Montgomery, son of Alexander and Elizabeth (Hill) Montgomery, was born in Dover, Massachusetts, August 20, 1875, and received his education in the schools of Natick and at the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, from which he graduated in the class of 1898. After leaving college he was associated with his father in the Waban Rose Conservatories at Natick, until 1910, when, in company with his brother Robert J., he came to Hadley and established the firm of the Montgomery Company Incorporated, rose growers, of which he is general manager. The concern owns some fifty-two acres, four acres of which are under glass; and they specialize in cut roses, selling both in the Boston market and locally. This is one of the best-equipped and best managed enterprises of the sort to be found in the State, and its reputation is very high, both among local customers and in the trade. Alexander William Montgomery is a member and vice-president of the American Florist Society, and a member of the Horticultural Society; he also belongs to the Amherst Golf Club and Amherst Country Club, and fraternally is affiliated with the Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst.

He married, in 1899, Margaret Wade, born in Scotland, and they have four children: Grace, Marion, Doris, and Alexander.

(IV) Robert James Montgomery, son of Alexander and Elizabeth (Hill) Montgomery and brother of Alexander William, was born in Natick, August 23, 1878. He received his education in the schools of Natick and in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, graduating from the latter institution in 1901. For nine years



after leaving college he was superintendent of a paint mill in Wellesley, Massachusetts. He joined with his brother in 1910 in the organization of the Montgomery Company Incorporated, and has since been associated with the concern in a major capacity, serving as treasurer. He is a member of all the florists organizations, of the Amherst Golf Club, and Amherst Country Club, and is affiliated with Meridian Lodge at Natick, Free and Accepted Masons, holds the thirty-second degree, in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and belongs to the Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Boston.

He married, in 1912, Anne Menter, of Keene, New Hampshire, and they have one daughter, Anne Elizabeth, born in 1914.

**JAMES P. MORIARTY**—To succeed in the legal profession a man must have broad general knowledge, highly specialized training, an acute mind, and ability to study hard. To begin on so exigent a career presupposes ambition and energy, qualities that James P. Moriarty showed early in his career. He determined to educate himself thoroughly for the profession which above all others he chose to pursue, and he wisely specialized on one branch, counselling credit firms. James P. Moriarty was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, December 27, 1899, son of Thomas J. and Catherine (Griffin) Moriarty. His father was foreman in the plant of the Fiske Rubber Company.

James P. Moriarty was given every encouragement in his love of study and was sent to excellent schools. His early education he acquired from the public schools, supplemented by high school work in the parochial schools. Holy Cross offered his next opportunity; and his legal training was procured at Boston University Law school, from which he graduated with the Degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1921. In January, 1922, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He immediately engaged in the general practice of law at No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, where he has continued ever since. As he specializes in credit work, he is counsel for numerous credit firms, to whom he gives such satisfaction that his clientele is steadily increasing. The somewhat larger field of corporation law Mr. Moriarty is also developing. His career, like that of many another young man, was interrupted by the patriotic demands of the World War. He enlisted in the Infantry of the United States Army, and later entered a Reserve Officers' Training Camp, stationed at Holy Cross College, Worcester. Mr. Moriarty is a member of the Roman Catholic Church, and an excellent example of the present generation of well-trained, popular, and energetic young men who show such promise.

**HUGH J. DOWNEY**—With enlarging zones of practice wherein Dr. Downey has made his abilities as a physician and his value as a citizen evident and welcome for the past decade, he has likewise established a wide range of enduring friendships because of an optimistic personality and his advanced methods and usages of the profession, at his medical office and home in Pittsfield. He is a son of Hugh J. and Sarah (McCann) Downey.

Hugh J. Downey was born in Manchester, New Hampshire, December 5, 1882, and the family removed to Adams, Berkshire County, during Mr. Downey's childhood. He there attended grammar and high schools and afterwards, in preparation for his chosen vocation, matriculated at the Baltimore Medical School, now incorporated with the University of Maryland, where he graduated in the class of 1910, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Mr. Downey left in June, 1924, for six months of special and post-graduate studies at the University of Dublin, Dublin, Ireland. He was resident physician at Grace Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, for two and one-half years, and then began the practice of his profession at Pittsfield. He is a member of the staff of the Boyland Memorial Hospital, a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society and the Berkshire County Medical Society, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Pittsfield. He is a communicant of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church. Dr. Downey married Isabelle Anson, of Adams, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of Kathleen and Hugh J. Downey, Jr.

**GEORGE GUY ROSS**—To point with pride to the fact that the blood of King Charles I of Scotland on his paternal side, and of the royal Stuarts on his maternal side courses in his veins is the privilege and right of George G. Ross, well known and successful sporting goods dealer of Greenfield. But with equal pride does he point to the fact that of his more immediate forebears his father and grandfather were honest farmer folk, who were not ashamed to acknowledge that the earth yielded of her fruit to their labors whereby they were enabled to rear their families in goodly comfort and a homely culture to the point where sons and daughters could go out to meet the world and make their way successfully. The heritage, both ancient Scottish and truly American, has without doubt had its influence in securing for Mr. Ross not a few of the assets which have given him a substantial foundation as a leading business man of the town of Greenfield, where he caters to a discriminating public. He has lived in Greenfield since 1885, when he began to learn the printer's trade. He followed that trade in Greenfield for five years, and in 1890 went to Chicago, Illinois, and took charge of the National Printing House of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Strange as it may seem, he abandoned the printing trade for railroading, having returned to the East in 1892. He entered the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad, first as a fireman on the Hoosac Tunnel division of the Fitchburg Railroad, a subsidiary of the Boston & Maine, and later being promoted to engineer. Giving up railroad life, he entered the employ of his father-in-law, George G. Yetter, in the latter's dry goods store in Greenfield. He remained in that connection for seventeen years, and at the end of that period he started in business for himself—the selling of high-grade sporting goods—and has called to his establishment a large number of consistent and satisfied customers, as well as receiving a goodly volume of business from the transient trade. Mr. Ross's fraternal activities are confined to the Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield.

George Guy Ross was born January 16, 1868, in Underhill, Vermont, and was educated at the schools of that town. His father John Ross, native of Underhill, born in 1824, died in Greenfield, January 16, 1896, at the age of seventy-two years, was the son of Jacob Ross, descendant of King Charles I of Scotland was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and died in Underhill. He was a farmer. He married Anna Williams, of Stuart ancestry, and they had six sons: Thomas, Alexander, Jacob, William, John, and one other. Five of the sons served in the Union Army in the Civil War. John Ross, the father of George Guy, returning from the war engaged in farming and followed that vocation until 1885, when he left Vermont and came to Greenfield to make his home with his son, living in that town until his death in 1896. His wife was Lucinda Gile, of Underhill, born in 1830, daughter of Peter and Eleanore (Howe) Gile, the latter of Enfield, New Hampshire. She died August 9, 1906, at the age of seventy-six years. Their children: Ira, deceased; Nellie, deceased; Ashton D., of Fitchburg, Massachusetts; Jennie, deceased; George Guy, of Greenfield; Merton W., of Chicago, Illinois.

George Guy Ross married, June 2, 1897, Frances G. Yetter, daughter of George G. and Frances (Sissler) Yetter. They are the parents of three children: John A., Frances A. and Helen E.

**FREBUN ELWIN WHITE**—The immigrant ancestor of this family, Captain Thomas White, is believed to have come to America with Captain Gorges, in 1623 as the latter came to Weymouth, Massachusetts, in that year. Captain Thomas White was born in England and died in Weymouth, Massachusetts, in 1679. He was admitted a freeman March 3, 1635, and lived in Weymouth the rest of his life. He was deputy to the General Court from 1637 to 1657, and again in 1671, and held other offices of trust and responsibility. His children, born at Weymouth: Joseph, Hannah, Samuel, Thomas, Ebenezer, of whom further. Captain Thomas was one of the first settlers of Weymouth, and commanded a military company there, a post of distinguished honor and responsibility.

(II) Captain Ebenezer White, son of Captain Thomas White, was born at Weymouth, Massachusetts, and married in 1651, Hannah Philips, daughter of Nicholas, Jr., and Abigail Philips, and they had nine children, one of whom was Samuel, of whom further.

(III) Deacon Samuel White, son of Captain Ebenezer White, was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, in 1676, died in 1757; married, about 1700, Ann Pratt, daughter of Matthew Pratt, Jr., and Sarah (Hunt) Pratt. They had nine children, one of whom was Ezekiel, of whom further.

(IV) Ezekiel White, son of Samuel White, was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, January 1, 1712, removed to Chesterfield, Massachusetts, in 1777. On April 18, 1744, he married Abigail Blanchard, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Vinson) Blanchard. They had ten children. Ebenezer, of whom further, served in the War of the Revolution.

(V) Ebenezer White, son of Ezekiel White, was born at Weymouth, Massachusetts, April 1, 1761, died Sep-

tember 17, 1831. He married (first) Calista Partridge, who died February 29, 1808, aged forty-five years; and (second) Hannah Ripley, who died June 3, 1836, aged seventy-one years. He had nine children, all by his first marriage, one of whom was John, of whom further.

(VI) John White, son of Ebenezer White, was born October 26, 1799, died February 20, 1871. He married Sarah Curtis, and they had children: Josiah, of whom further; Augusta, Sally, Nancy, Hannah, Augusta (2). He was a stone mason by trade, and farmed at Williamsburg.

(VII) Josiah White, son of John White, was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, died in Goshen, Massachusetts, June 12, 1888, aged sixty-eight years. He was a stone mason by trade, and went to the adjoining town of Goshen about 1865, where he farmed and did an extensive lumbering business. He was a member of the school board, taught singing school, and led the church choir in singing. He married, in 1846, Sarah Bradford Thayer, of Williamsburg, Massachusetts, who died in March, 1913. Children: Josephine, Isabelle, Harriet, Frebun E., of whom further; Wilbur, Melvin, Charles, Bertha, Mariette.

(VIII) Frebun Elwin White, son of Josiah White, was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, February 18, 1853, and educated in the schools of Williamsburg and Goshen. He went to Goshen with his parents when a boy, and worked at home with his father as a young man. He came to Williamsburg in early manhood and worked at the forge in the cutlery works in town for twenty years. About thirty-five years ago he bought a village farm of some fifteen acres in Williamsburg, where he has since lived. He bought out an express business in Williamsburg and conducted it for eighteen years, he also kept cows and sold milk. He is now retired from active life, and is still a strong, virile man. Mr. White is known as a rugged, stalwart citizen, whose word is as good as his bond, and he is held in the highest respect and esteem by his townspeople. Mr. White has been a member of the American Order of United Workmen.

Mr. White married, in 1875, Julia E. Webster, of Goshen, Massachusetts, and she died in February, 1915. She was a daughter of Robert Franklin and Mary (Partridge) Webster. They had children: 1. Reginald Elwin, who married Ida Warner, and has children, Warren, Marjorie, Dorothy and Reginald, Jr. 2. Marian Franklin, deceased, who married John Walter Nash, and left twelve children. 3. Alice Parsons, who married Arthur Tilton. 4. Carroll Frebun, who married Myrtle Ingram and has children: Doris and Kenneth.

**PERLEY OSCAR FOLSOM**, active in business and politics at Cushman, Massachusetts, in the town of Amherst, was born in Marshfield, Vermont, March 28, 1882. The name he bears appears first in history in the first half of the fourteenth century. John Foulsham, of Foulsham, was prior of a Carmelite Monastery in Warwick, England. He was a prominent ecclesiastic, and his brother, Richard Foulsham, was even more prominent. The word *foule* (fowl) signified bird, and the country seat of Foulsham probably took its name from its being the home (ham) of many fowles (birds).



(I) The first traceable ancestor of the immigrant, John Foulsham, is Roger Foulsham, of Necton, County of Norfolk, England, whose will is dated 1534.

(II) William Foulsham, son of Roger Foulsham, married Agnes Smith, alias Foulsham, of Besthorpe.

(III) Adam Foulsham, son of William and Agnes (Smith) Foulsham, owned lands in Besthorpe, Wymondham (Windham), Bunwell, Hingham and Hockford.

(IV) Adam Foulsham, son of Adam and Emma Foulsham, baptized in 1560, resided in Hingham and owned lands in Besthorpe. He died in 1630.

(V) Adam Foulsham, son of Adam and Grace Foulsham, known as Adam of Hingham, died in 1627. His will, made in that year, named three sons, John, Adam and Peter. His wife's name was Agnes.

(VI) John Foulsham, son of Adam and Agnes Foulsham, was baptized in Hingham in 1615. He was the first John Foulsham to come to America, and from him all the Folsoms in America are descended with the exception of one family found in South Carolina. The ship "Diligent," of Ipswich, England, John Martin, master, set sail from the mouth of the Thames on April 26, 1638, for Massachusetts Bay. She carried one hundred and thirty-three persons, among them John Foulsham, or Folsom, of Hingham, twenty-three years old, his young wife, and their two servants. His wife's parents, Edward and Mary (Clark) Gilman, of Hingham, three younger brothers, Edward not quite twenty-one, John and Moses, two younger sisters, Sarah and Lydia, who married Daniel Cushing in 1645, and three servants were fellow passengers. The Rev. Robert Peck, rector of the parish, with his family, were also on board. Trouble in religious matters appears to have been the immediate cause of their migration. Twelve of the families were from old Hingham, and all had embarked for the purpose of joining the colony in Hingham, Massachusetts, to which destination they proceeded, upon landing in Boston on August 10, 1638. John Foulsham received a grant of land in 1638, and soon built himself a house. This house, or another built soon after, was taken down in 1875. John Foulsham dwelt in Hingham for twelve or fifteen years, and was chosen one of the "seven or nine men chosen to order the prudential affairs of the town" in 1645. He and Captain Joshua Hubbard were given "Liberty of the two rivers, Rocky Meadow and Bound Brook Rivers, so far as the town hath property, to build and maintain a saw mill or mills." In trouble arising from the selection of a captain for the militia of Hingham, John Foulsham took a leading part in opposition to the Governor, and was fined with ninety others one hundred and fifty-five and one-half pounds, of which his share was twenty pounds, but he appears to have been exempted from the payment. About 1650 he removed to Exeter, New Hampshire, where his father-in-law had gone soon after 1647. He lived on the west side of the river, where the first settlements were made, but three of his sons lived in the east part of the town. His sons and grandsons owned much property on what was Rocky Hill. He was engaged as surveyor in running the lines between Exeter and Dover. The first authentic mention of his name in Exeter occurs in 1655. The name of "Goodman Folsom" appears in 1659 in the list of select-

men. He obtained a grant of land in 1660, and his sons all obtained similar grants in 1661. In 1662, he was a jurymen, and in July, 1665, one of a committee representing Dover, Portsmouth, Exeter and Hampton to consult on certain political grievances. In his last years he became involved unfortunately in pecuniary troubles, but his sons assisted him in retaining a home for himself and his wife, who lived ten years after his death in 1681. Their seven children were: Samuel, John, Nathaniel, Israel, Peter, Mary and Ephraim.

Jonathan Folsom, grandfather of Perley Oscar Folsom, was born in Canada, in 1819, and died in Vermont in 1894. His parents lived and died in Canada. Jonathan's early home was in Stanstead Plains, Canada. He came to Vermont when eighteen years of age, and located in the northern part of the State. His two brothers followed him to Vermont and located in Wheelock and Greensboro, where one of them died. The other brother was killed in the Civil War. Before the days of railroads Jonathan Folsom did teaming between Montpelier and West Burke, Vermont. He turned to farming as soon as changed conditions made it imperative. He married Sophronia Young, born in Croyden, New Hampshire, in 1817, died in Vermont in 1896, aged seventy-nine years. They were the parents of six children: Roxanna, Arvilla, who married Martin Chandler; Harlow, Joan, who married a Mr. Clark; Dennis Orville, George.

Dennis Orville Folsom, father of Perley Oscar Folsom, was born September 25, 1856, in Marshfield, Vermont, where he is living at the present time. He has been identified with railroading all his life. He was section foreman on the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad for many years, and was foreman of the Montpelier yards for years. For some thirty-seven years altogether he has been engaged in railroading. He married, May 17, 1878, Laura Bailey, of Peacham, Vermont, born February 25, 1862, at Green Bay, Peacham, Vermont, the daughter of Charles and Laura (Huntington) Bailey. Their children are: Perley Oscar, Grace, who died in 1898; Lyla, who married Frank Blondin, and Harley, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

Perley Oscar Folsom was educated in the schools of Montpelier, Vermont, and attended the Montpelier Seminary. Finishing his education he worked in a grocery store for two years. Afterwards he learned the trade of electrician, and followed electrical work for five or six years. He afterwards took up railroading, which he followed to the exclusion of all else ever since. He was associated with the Boston & Maine Railroad for a time, and was assigned to office work, first in Woodsville, New Hampshire; and afterwards in Concord, New Hampshire. He came to Cushman, Massachusetts, in 1914, with the Central Vermont Railroad. He is station agent and ticket agent, telegraph operator, postmaster, and justice of the peace. He also sells stoves, ranges and automobiles, acting as agent for the Haines car in the neighborhood. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst; Royal Arch Masons; and Greenfield Lodge of Perfection. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason; a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, and a member of its Arab Patrol. He is



also a member of Mount Gardner Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Woodsville, New Hampshire; of the Railroad Telegraphers' Association; of the New England Association of Railway Veterans, of Boston, Massachusetts; of the Gage Club; of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Cushman.

Mr. Folsom married, June 30, 1916, Ethel King, of Cushman, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry W. and Ellen (Perrin) King.

**JAMES FOSTER WELLS**—In the Vaux, or Bauk, or Bayeux, or de Vallibus family of France originated the De Welles family of Lincolnshire, barons by summons to Parliament. It is one of the most illustrious families known to history. The derivation is traced to the year 794, from which period its members held the highest rank personally and by royal intermarriages. It was founded in England after the Conquest by Harold de Vaux (a near connection of William the Conqueror) and his three sons, Barons Hubert, Ranulph and Robert, who were all surnamed de Vallibus. The descent is through the younger son, Robert, whose grandson, William, had four sons: Robert de Dalston, baron; Adam and William de Welles, of Lincolnshire, 1194; and Oliver de Vallibus, prior of Pentney Abbey. Adam de Welles died s. p., and his brother, William, thus became founder of that long line of noblemen of Lincolnshire, whose history is given in full by Dugdale in his standard work on "Baronage of England."

Among the different branches of the Wells family in America are varied traditions of origin, but they are not contradictory, nor are they inconsistent with one another. Thus the descendants of George, afterwards of Southampton, Long Island, Richard, afterwards of Salisbury, Massachusetts, and William, afterwards of Southold, Long Island, known as among the first settlers of Lynn, Massachusetts, 1638, claim that there were three brothers who came over from England together; also those from Isaac (of Barnstable, Massachusetts), Edward (of Boston), and Thomas (of Ipswich) have the same tradition. Also those of Hugh (of Hartford), contemporary 1636 to 1650, with Governor Thomas and John, his son; while the descendants of Joseph, of Boston, 1636, thence into Rhode Island about 1640, at Wickford, state that he was the first immigrant of the family, fled about 1629 from London to avoid religious persecution and to save his life, and was soon followed by his seven sons or brothers, who may reasonably be supposed to be all named above, viz., Isaac, Edward, Thomas, Richard, George, William and Hugh, although there is no evidence of their consanguinity.

It is said by Albert Wells, the historian of this family, that the account of the family ancestry is voluminous and very satisfactory, being of ancient origin (794), and of high rank in Normandy and England, with royal intermarriages for over seven centuries, when the title and estates merged into the Willoughby and Dymoke families. From this English source came over in 1636 Thomas Welles, who was the common ancestor of many of the family in this country. He was eminent among that band of worthies who planted in this western world the germs of civil and religious freedom. He

was not only Deputy Governor but the Governor of Connecticut. He was elected one of the six magistrates at first chosen at the organization of the government at Hartford, and annually reelected until his death, a period of more than twenty years. The magistrates at that time constituted the highest legislative and judicial tribunal in the colony. In 1639, on the full organization of the colonial government, Thomas Welles was chosen treasurer of the colony, the first ever elected. In 1643 he was chosen secretary of the State. In 1649 he was chosen as one of the two commissioners to represent Connecticut in the confederation of the New England colonies.

James Foster Wells, representing the eighth generation of his family, is a son of Alexius Wells, and grandson of Jonathan Wells, who lived in Williamsburg, Massachusetts. Jonathan Wells married a Graves, and was a farmer; they had children: William, Alexius, of whom further; Mary Ann, Sarah and Almy.

Alexius Wells was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, and died in Cummington, Massachusetts, in April, 1909, aged eighty years. He lived in Williamsburg until 1864, when he removed to Cummington, where he resided up to the time of his death. He had a farm of some two hundred and fifty acres, raised fruit and onions, and was the first to raise onions above the valley. He was a stone mason by trade and built the cellars for buildings that might be erected. He built the bank wall at Williamsburg by the railroad station. It withstood the flood at the time of the Mill River disaster. He served as a selectman for two years in Cummington, and was highway surveyor, having charge of all road and construction and repairs for many years. He married Lydia Wilcutt, of Chesterfield, born in 1832, now living, aged ninety-three years, daughter of Joel Wilcutt. They had children: Charles Alexius, Henry Gardner, Thomas Meekins, Marie Jeanette, who died in 1924, married Joseph Bates; James Foster, of whom further; William Graves, Darwin Russell and George Warner, who died in 1921.

James Foster Wells, born in Cummington, Massachusetts, August 1, 1864, received his education in the common schools of Cummington, and worked on his father's farm clearing away rocks and digging ditches. He left home when nineteen years of age and worked in the general store of Lyman D. James, of Williamsburg, for five years. Mr. James was a brother-in-law of Marshall Field. Mr. Wells went to Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1888, and here he worked for different concerns. For a short time he was in Boston, then went to Northampton and was engaged in the State Hospital there for two years. He then went to the village of Gilbertville in the town of Hardwick, where he worked in a grocery store for two years. He returned to Northampton in 1893 and spent two years in a grocery store. In 1895 he went to work for John A. Ross and remained with Mr. Ross for twenty years. In 1919 he bought out his employer, and for eleven years has been in business for himself as sole owner and proprietor of the Central Grocery. Mr. Wells attends the First Church and is a member of the parish.

Mr. Wells married, on July 20, 1892, Carrie Kingsley, of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Edward and

Josephine (Graves) Kingsley. They are the parents of the following children: 1. Edith Josephine, born in 1893, a graduate of Smith College, class of 1916; married John Hancock Babbitt, of Garrett, Indiana; they have one child, John Hancock, Jr., making four generations living at the present time. 2. Catherine Kingsley, who died in infancy. 3. Kenneth Kingsley, born in June, 1903, a graduate of the Northampton High School, now (1925) taking the mechanical engineering course at Cornell University.

**JOHN TIMOTHY POWERS** is one of the prominent business men, public officials and citizens of Florence, a suburb of Northampton, Hampshire County's capital. He is a leader in educational, recreational, political and fraternal circles. He has served as alderman from the Seventh Ward, and is a member of the Florence Recreation Commission. His business is groceries and provisions.

John Timothy Powers was born in Florence, the son of John Powers, who was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1828, and died on August 10, 1898. John Powers came to the United States when nineteen years old, settled in Hatfield, Hampshire County, and later went to Florence, where he lived until his death, near where he followed farming for years. His wife was Mary Hallorin, a native of County Limerick, Ireland, who died in Florence in 1884. There were eight other children beside John Timothy: 1. James, deceased. 2. Mary, married James Shannon. 3. Margaret, married Silas Berard. 4. Eliza, married William McCarthy. 5. Annie, deceased. 6. Alice. 7. Nellie, married Gerald Lynde. 8. Lucy, married James Cavanagh.

John Timothy Powers was educated in Northampton, where he was graduated from common and high school. On leaving school he was taken into the employ of the Florence Brush Company, where he worked in the office for two years. Subsequently he was with the Cutter, Plimpton Company, of Florence, a large dry goods concern, with which he stayed fourteen years. In January, 1905, he established in Main Street, Florence, the grocery and provision store on the site he has occupied for twenty years (1925). He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Mr. Powers married, April 20, 1898, Belle G. Sullivan, a native of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and the daughter of James and Mary (Lahey) Sullivan. Mr. and Mrs. Powers have three children: 1. Marcella. 2. Leroy, who married Agnes Welch, and has one son, Leroy, Jr. 3. Mary.

**MORRIS EDWARD SULLIVAN, D. D. S.**—Among the younger professional men of Franklin County who have come to the front in recent years, and in whom the home community takes justifiable pride, is Dr. Morris Edward Sullivan, of Turners Falls, who has practiced dentistry there since his graduation from the university. He is a native son of the town in which he now labors professionally, and from among the population he continues to number an increasing number of those who are pleased to acknowledge the finished skill of his ministrations in their behalf. The fact that Dr. Sullivan

knows his people, and that they in turn know him as one of their own, clothes the opportunity for service with that bond of near kinship which exists between those who minister and those ministered unto. The rise in favor which has attended the efforts of this young dental surgeon to be of the greatest possible service to the greatest number speaks well for his professional future.

Dr. Morris Edward Sullivan was born in Turners Falls, Massachusetts, May 16, 1898, the son of Timothy W. and Margaret (Murphy) Sullivan. His preliminary education was received in the public schools of Turners Falls, and he next entered the University of Louisville, whence he was graduated in the class of 1922 with the degree of D. D. S. In the year of his leaving the university he established his dental office in Turners Falls where he continues in practice.

Dr. Sullivan is a member of the Eastern States Dental Society, the Delta Sigma fraternity, and St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Sullivan married, February 15, 1922, at Turners Falls, Marie Catherine Conley, daughter of John and Marie Conley.

**DWIGHT MORRIS BILLINGS**, of Amherst, Massachusetts, treasurer of The Hills Manufacturing Company, producers of hats, was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, February 17, 1866.

(I) His ancestry in America probably goes back to Richard Billings, who received a grant of six acres of land in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1640. In 1659 he signed a contract with Governor Webster and others to remove to and settle at Hadley. The removal was made in 1661, and he lived in that part of the town which became Hatfield. He died March 3, 1679. He married Margery, surname unknown, who died December 5, 1679.

(II) Samuel Billings, son of Richard and Margery Billings, resided in Hatfield, and died there February 1, 1678. He married, in 1661, Sarah Fellows, daughter of Richard and Ursula Fellows. She married (second), October 9, 1678, Samuel Belden, Jr., and died February 5, 1713. Children: Samuel, of further mention; Ebenezer, born October 29, 1669; Sarah, died July 15, 1674; Richard, born April 7, 1672; John, born October 11, 1674, killed by Indians July 15 1698; Sarah, born October 18, 1676.

(III) Samuel Billings, son of Samuel and Sarah (Fellows) Billings, was born in Hatfield, January 8, 1665. He married (first), November 18, 1686, Hannah Wright, who died November 18, 1687; (second), Rebecca Miller, widow, born March 26, 1661, daughter of John and Sarah (Heald) Miller. Children: Samuel, Sarah, born March 15 1697; Joseph, of further mention; Zechariah, born November 29, 1702; Benjamin, born January 18, 1705.

(IV) Joseph Billings, son of Samuel and Rebecca (Miller) Billings, was born in Hatfield, November 15, 1700, died there about 1783. He was one of a company organized to fight the Indians. He married, January 7, 1726, Elizabeth (Colton) Kellogg, born April 5, 1686, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Colton, of Springfield.

(V) Joseph Billings, Jr., son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Colton-Kellogg) Billings, was among the company of



about seventy men who, in 1763, petitioned the Governor of New Hampshire for a grant of land. Others among them were his father, his father's brothers, Samuel, Zechariah, and his cousin, Benjamin, Jr. A royal charter of George III was issued through Governor Benning Wentworth on August 17, 1763, which gave them 23,040 acres on the borders of Lake Champlain, to be incorporated into the town of Swanton, yielding and paying therefor, for the space of ten years from December 25, 1763, annually, if demanded, the rent of one ear of Indian corn; also one shilling, to be paid annually forever by each proprietor for every hundred acres he owns, settles or possesses. This interesting charter begins: "George the Third—by grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, defender of the Faith, etc.," and ends: "By his Excellency's Command, B. Wentworth, Province of New Hampshire, August 17, 1763." The names signed to this charter as grantees include those of the four brothers, Joseph, Benjamin, Zechariah and Samuel Billings; Joseph Billings, Jr.; Benjamin Billings, Jr., also Asa, David, Silas and Samuel Billings. Joseph Billings, Jr., was possibly later of Windsor, Vermont, but no Billings was among the original land owners of Windsor.

(VI) Rufus Billings, son of Joseph Billings, Jr., was a resident of Windsor, Vermont, and had a son, Ethan F., of further mention.

(VII) Ethan F. Billings, son of Rufus Billings, was born in Windsor, Vermont, January 27, 1807, died September 11, 1848. He was a blacksmith by trade. He married Clarissa M. Marsh, daughter of James Marsh, of Rockingham, Vermont. Child: Charles Ethan, of further mention.

(VIII) Charles Ethan Billings, son of Ethan F. and Clarissa M. (Marsh) Billings, was born December 5, 1835, in Windsor, Vermont. His parents moved to Weathersfield, Vermont, when he was young. The removal appears to connect Dwight Morris Billings with these ancestors. His grandfather was born in Weathersfield, and in Weathersfield his parents lived.

(I) Thomas Billings, the grandfather, lived and died in Weathersfield Bow, Vermont. He married Amy Maria Haskell, and they were the parents of James Bradshaw, Gilbert, John Haskell, of further mention, and Madaline.

(II) John Haskell Billings, son of Thomas and Amy Maria (Haskell) Billings, was born in Weathersfield Bow, Vermont, July 26, 1818, died in Bridgeport, Connecticut, May 24, 1874. As a boy he went to New York with his uncle, Stephen Haskell. Afterwards he went to St. Louis, Missouri, and was in the banking business with Haskell & Company from 1845 to 1855, when he returned to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he resided until his death. He was a successful banker and broker. He married Julia Ann Hubbell, of Bridgeport, Connecticut, daughter of Charles Benjamin Hubbell, of that city, December 24, 1844. She died May 2, 1901. Charles Benjamin Hubbell was a prominent citizen of Bridgeport, and at one time mayor of the city. The children of John H. and Julia Ann Billings were: John H., Jr., since dead; Julia Hubbell, married Wilbur Brook Smith, of Bridgeport, Connecticut; and Dwight Morris, of further mention.

(III) Dwight Morris Billings, son of John Haskell and Julia Ann (Hubbell) Billings, was educated in the schools of Bridgeport and Norwalk, Connecticut. When a lad he went to New York in December, 1885, and entered the employ of C. H. Tenney & Company, hat manufacturers. He sold goods for this firm and continued his association with it until 1896, when he came to Amherst, Massachusetts, as treasurer of the Hills Company, hat manufacturers, the office he has held ever since. The Hills Company was established in 1828 by Leonard M. Hills, and was carried on as a partnership until 1877, when it was incorporated by Henry F. Hills. The plant burned down in 1880. It was rebuilt forthwith, and many additions have been made until it is one of the largest and best equipped plants in New England, employing as many as three hundred and fifty persons. The product is sold throughout the United States and Canada, Porto Rico, South America and Mexico. Mr. Billings is a member of Pacific Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, having taken the York and Scottish Rite degrees. He is a Past Master of Pacific Lodge, and Past High Priest of the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He is a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield.

Mr. Billings married, November 25, 1891, Lillie Brinkerhoff, of Jersey City, New Jersey, daughter of William and Melissa (Clark) Brinkerhoff. The ancestor of Mrs. Billings, Joris Brinkerhoff, came to America in 1638 from Holland. Her father, William Brinkerhoff, is a member of the Holland Society of New York and resides in Jersey City, New Jersey. Mrs. Billings was regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a member of the Colonial Dames. She died October 12, 1915, at Amherst, Massachusetts. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Billings are: 1. Dwight Brinkerhoff, a graduate of Amherst College, class of 1916; volunteered in the World War—first in the American Field Service, in France, then, in February, 1918, entered the Aviation Service of the United States Army and was discharged in May, 1919, as junior grade lieutenant; assistant treasurer of the White Motor Company, of Cleveland, Ohio; he married, June 14, 1924, Constance Williams, of London, Ohio. 2. Elizabeth Brinkerhoff, a graduate of Smith College.

**MARION KNOX CASE**—The family name of Case is found as far back as the book of the Hundred Rolls in the thirteenth century. It is supposed to have been derived from the Latin word *casa*, meaning house or cottage. The Case family has a long record of good work and accomplishment both in England and America. Marion Knox Case has followed in the footsteps of his forefathers, and is a thorough-going business man, who has made a success of his undertakings. The founder of the Case family in America was John Case, who emigrated from England in 1635 and settled in Hartford, Connecticut.

There were several generations following John Case in which the name William was prominent. The fifth of the name of William married Abigail Belle. Their son, Jonathan, was born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, in



1773, and died in Bristol, Ontario County, New York, in 1855. It was hard traveling in those days and the country in that section was sparsely settled, and it was a difficult task for Jonathan Case to move his family into New York State, clear the land, build a house and make it habitable, in that, then, uninhabited region. The country grew up around him, though, and the incoming settlers selected Jonathan Case to be justice of the peace. He was a staunch member of the Baptist Church. His wife was Lucy (Simmons) Case, who bore him fourteen children. Of these, thirteen married, and twelve had children of their own. The tenth child, Sebra Lawton Case, was born in Bristol, New York, in 1810, and died in 1901, aged ninety-one years. His son, Schuyler Woodward Case, was born in Bristol, New York, in 1842, and died in Belding, Michigan, in 1913. He was a farmer and lumberman. In the Civil War he was a corporal in Company C, 4th New York Heavy Artillery, and served through the battle of the Wilderness, and was with Grant's army at the siege of Vicksburg. For three years he was in the army, and was discharged June 5, 1865.

Marion Knox Case, son of Schuyler Woodward Case, was born in Belding, Michigan, January 10, 1877. He received his early education in Luther, Michigan, a lumber town, and when thirteen years of age he left school and went into the silk mills of Belding Brothers & Company. The time he has spent in the company's employ has been profitable both to himself and to it. The officials of the company, recognizing his ability, have advanced him consistently. Mills of the company are located in California, Connecticut, and Massachusetts, besides the four large plants in Michigan. Mr. Case is now manager of the mill in Northampton, Massachusetts, one of the highest positions in the gift of the company's owners. He came to Northampton in 1924, and has made many friends there. He is prominent in the Free and Accepted Masons, and in the affairs of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Case married, in 1901, Marguerite Barron, who was born in Alabaster, Michigan. She is the daughter of Alexander and Rose (Brisbaise) Barron, who came from Northern Ireland, and who were members of an old and distinguished family. Mr. and Mrs. Case have a son, William Knox Case, born February 19, 1915.

**CHARLES JEROME KING**, postmaster at South Amherst, Massachusetts, and leading merchant in the town, was born at Wynantskill, a village near Troy, New York, February 14, 1875. The family has made its home in the vicinity of Suffield, Connecticut, for successive generations since the first immigrant ancestor set foot in America, and the fact that the father of Charles Jerome King was born in Suffield seems to establish his descent from the first Kings to live in the United States. Although the origin of the name is uncertain, students incline to think it was derived from the practice of holding mock pageants and ceremonies in the olden times. The person assigned to the part of king took that surname forever after. The Kings are descended from early English stock. Some thirty-eight coats-of-arms are listed as belonging to the family, while fifteen others are borne by families who spell

the name Kinge. Other forms of spelling are Kynge and Kyng. The coat-of-arms borne by the American ancestors who founded the family in New England is: Sable, on a chevron or, between three crosses-crosslet of the last, three escallops of the first. An esquire's helmet surmounts the shield. The King family was seated in the vicinity of Ugborough, Devonshire, England, as early as 1389. Fowelscombe in the parish of Ugborough, an estate of large extent, has been the property of the King family for a long term of years, although the manor house is out of repair and untenanted, in the early part of this century. William and James King, who came to America, go back to the medieval days.

(I) Thomas Kynge was born at Ugborough before the parish registers were opened in 1538, and probably was the father of William King.

(II) William Kinge, son of Thomas Kynge, married Margaret, surname unknown.

(III) William Kinge, son of William Kinge, married Christina Lapp, September 27, 1621.

(IV) William Kinge, son of William Kinge, was born about 1622 in Ugborough, where he was married, about 1642, to Agnes Elwill, who was buried April 7, 1662. He became interested in the fisheries of the American coast, and was lost on the Newfoundland Banks. Children: William, baptized December 31, 1643; James, of further mention.

(V) James King, son of William Kinge, was baptized at Ugborough, November 7, 1647. Coming to New England he settled first at Ipswich, where he married (first), March 23, 1674, Elizabeth Fuller, born at Ipswich, May 31, 1652, died June 30, 1715, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Emerson) Fuller. Elizabeth Emerson's mother received certain household goods as gifts from Queen Elizabeth, and among them was a piece of fine linen cloth which descended to Elizabeth (Fuller) King. She in turn gave it to her daughter, Agnes King, the wife of John Austin. James King was one of the original proprietors of Suffield, Connecticut, where the family removed after the birth of their first child. The grant he received on October 30, 1678, consisted of sixty acres on High Street, "next south of the school lot." He built a house which served as the family homestead for a long term of years; and he had other grants of land. He was elected tythingman in 1685 and 1695, selectman in 1701; surveyor of highways in 1702; he served on a committee to build a school house; in 1709 he was town clerk; in 1710 sealer of weights and for five years thereafter. He was a cooper by trade. He married (second), February 27, 1716, Hannah Loomis, died 1720, widow of Sergeant Samuel Loomis. James King gave away most of his property before he died on May 13, 1722, at Suffield. His will, dated May 10, 1722, was proved on August 30, following. The children of James and Elizabeth (Fuller) King were: 1. James, born in Ipswich, March 14, 1675, died July 15, 1757; married, June 22, 1698, Elizabeth Huxley. 2. William, born January 4, 1679, died September 30, 1680. 3. Agnes, born July 15, 1682, died January 7, 1733; married, October 5, 1699, John Austin. 4. Benjamin, born November 20, 1683. 5. Benoni, born December 5, 1685, died June 17, 1686. 6. Joseph, born June 15, 1687,



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died January 23, 1688. 7. Joseph, born May 10, 1689, died March 6, 1756; married (first), May 2, 1717, Mary Jesse, widow; (second), June 2, 1740, Hannah Devotion. 8. Mary, born April 30, 1692, died May 8, 1769; married (first), November 8, 1711, Victory Sikes; (second) John Harmon. 9. William, born September 29, 1695, died January 8, 1774; married (first), June 29, 1717, Bethia Bedlake; (second), February 2, 1770, Anne Adams, widow.

(VI) Benjamin King, son of James and Elizabeth (Fuller) King, was born in Suffield, November 20, 1683, and died in 1733. He was a farmer, and lived in Suffield until after his father's death in 1722. He removed thereafter to Stafford, Connecticut, where he had three hundred acres in farm lands. His will was dated November 20, 1732, and his estate was appraised, November 30, 1733. He married, in Suffield, April 24, 1712, Remember Hall, born in Taunton, Massachusetts, March 20, 1689, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Bourne) Hall. Children, the first five born in Suffield, the others in Stafford: 1. Agnes, born January 22, 1713, died in 1714. 2. Agnes, born June 22, 1715. 3. Benjamin, of further mention. 4. Samuel, born October 4, 1719, died June 15, 1745; married, August 23, 1743, Hannah Bush. 5. Elizabeth, born May 16, 1721; married, May 14, 1740, Benjamin Thomas, Jr. 6. Joseph, born December 22, 1724; married, May 5, 1748, Abiah Old. 7. Moses, married, February 9, 1758, Hannah Bement. 8. Mary, married, August 8, 1751, Eleazer Talcott.

(VII) Benjamin King, son of Benjamin and Remember (Hall) King, was born in Suffield, September 11, 1717, and died in Enfield, Connecticut, March 6, 1777. He removed to Enfield prior to 1740, and had a blacksmith shop there, and a farm, where Longmeadow, East Longmeadow and Wilbraham join Enfield and Somers, the last two places in Connecticut. He married, in Enfield, September 26, 1741, Sarah Pease, who died February 24, 1800, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Spencer) Pease. Children, born at Enfield: 1. Benjamin, born November 6, 1742, died in 1842, at one hundred years; married (first) Huldah Hills; (second) Hepzibah Pease; (third) Mindwell Terry. 2. Abigail, born September 15, 1744; married Isaac Hills. 3. Joel, born June 30, 1746, died January 2, 1813; married, June 5, 1775, Lucy Pierce. 4. Amos, born June 9, 1748, died December 11, 1831; married, in 1772, Lucy Perkins. 5. Obadiah, born October 28, 1749; married, July 24, 1774, Zilpa Prior. 6. Jonah, born February 23, 1752; married, May 18, 1775, Susanna Hale. 7. Micah, born May 18, 1754; married Sarah, surname unknown. 8. Nahum, of further mention. 9. Elizabeth, married, February 7, 1788, John Gold. 10. Sarah, born May 17, 1762; married, December 4, 1788, Julius Terry.

(VIII) Nahum King, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Pease) King, was born January 9, 1757. He was a wagon maker at Enfield, and also a blacksmith and farmer. He died there March 5, 1812. He married, January 21, 1779, Sarah Bugbee, born in 1757, died January 10, 1826. Children, born in Enfield: 1. Nahum, born January 9, 1780, died January 10, 1826; married, June 20, 1798, Eleanor Hale. 2. Jabez, of further mention. 3. Horace, born September 7, 1783,

died October 4, 1847; married, September 5, 1802, Mary Treat. 4. Henry, born November 24, 1785, died December 1, 1822; married, December 15, 1808, Esther Terry. 5. Sally, born March 7, 1788, died January 12, 1862; married, November 15, 1804, Sylvester Lusk. 6. Mary, born September 7, 1792, died August 25, 1826; married (first), February 28, 1811, George Parsons; (second) James H. Bartlett. 7. Adolphus, born July 21, 1795, died December 6, 1844, unmarried. 8. Seth, born March 7, 1798, died January 3, 1882; married, February 9, 1824, Marcia Bugbee. 9. Hannah, born January 8, 1801, died December 22, 1894; married, April 1, 1819, Jonathan Bartlett.

(IX) Colonel Jabez King, son of Nahum and Sarah (Bugbee) King, was born in Enfield, Connecticut, September 17, 1781, died March 4, 1869. He manufactured wagons and plows, sending thousands of plows to New Orleans and other southern markets for use on the cotton plantations. He was successful in business, public spirited and liberal, prominent in public affairs and holding many offices. He served as county commissioner, Representative and State Senator. He was colonel of militia and fond of military activities, although he never was engaged in actual hostilities. He was on the way to the front in the War of 1812, when peace was declared. He was fond of music, and led the choir of the Congregational Church, of which he was for years a member. His children were born and married at the house at Enfield which he built in 1811, and which his descendants still occupy. He married, in Enfield, December 24, 1801, Rebecca Terry, born December 9, 1780, died September 28, 1865. They were the parents of eleven children.

The great-grandfather of Charles Jerome King was killed in the War of 1812. He married Rachel Applebee, and they had children: Charles; Jerome William, of further mention; Cordelia, who married a saddler; and Jerusha. The widow married (second) Ebenezer Fitch, and had John, Abbie and George E. Fitch.

Jerome William King died in Holliston, Massachusetts, October 22, 1887, aged seventy-eight years. He was four years old when he lost his father in the War of 1812. He was a farmer and lived alternately in Connecticut and Massachusetts. He resided for a time in Hatfield, Massachusetts, but his later years were passed in Holliston, Massachusetts. He was married three times. His wife, Cordelia (Clapp) King, of Southampton, Massachusetts, was the mother of his only child, Jerome E. King, the father of Charles Jerome King, of further mention.

Jerome E. King was born in Suffield, Connecticut, February 29, 1836, and died in the National Soldiers' Home at seventy years of age. He passed the early years of his life in Suffield, but afterwards lived in New York State where he was engaged in farming. He was in the Union Army in the Civil War, serving in Company F, Thirty-Seventh Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted in 1862 and served until the close of the struggle. He married (first) a Miss Graves, of Hatfield, sister of Thadeon Graves, and they had one daughter living, Mary. He married (second) Lena Schultz, of New York State, and they were the parents of three children: Jennie, Carrie and Charles Jerome, of further mention.

Charles Jerome King was educated in Troy, New York, and attended the Mount Herman School at Northfield, Massachusetts. He farmed as a young man; worked in a hat shop; joined the United States Navy Marine Corps, February 9, 1900, and was in China at the time of the Boxer Rebellion. He was in the Philippines: in the Samoa Islands at the time of the massacre of Company C Ninth Infantry, United States Army, where his company was sent to apprehend the murderers; was in the naval service five years; and was honorably discharged, February 8, 1905, holding at the time the rank of corporal of the Marine Corps. He worked on the Boston Street Railway for a time; then went to Oregon, where he was employed on a ranch for a year. He worked in a woolen mill for a time; he operated a farm at Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, for two years; and after that ran a dairy farm at South Amherst, Massachusetts, for a year and one half. In 1910 he entered the employ of Mr. Merrick, who conducted a general store in South Amherst. In 1915 he was appointed postmaster, and in 1919 he engaged in business for himself in South Amherst where he conducts a general store, and is also postmaster. He is also one of the park commissioners and one of the cemetery commissioners, justice of the peace, fire chief, and Past Commander of the local post of Sons of Veterans. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst; the Royal Arch Chapter, of Amherst; and the Greenfield Lodge of Perfection. He is a member of the South Amherst Congregational Church which he serves as auditor.

Mr. King married, May 20, 1905, Grace Francese Shaw, of Shelburne Falls, daughter of Elijah and Mary E. (Philips) Shaw. They are the parents of four children: Kathleen Grace, born July 25, 1907; Donald Jerome, born November 6, 1909; Francese May, born January 8, 1912; and Sherwin Davis, born December 15, 1915. Mr. King's address is the post office, South Amherst, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE HERBERT BURNHAM**—Walter Le Veutre came to England at the time of the Conquest, in 1066, in the train of his cousin-german, Earl Warren, son-in-law of William the Conqueror. He was lord of the Saxon village of Burnham and others, and from Burnham, where he lived, he was known as De Burnham. He took his surname from this town. The name is often spelled Burnam, Bernam, and Barnham, as well as Burnham, and in the old Anglo-Saxon, Beornham, Byrnhom, and in other forms. In the old Norse the name is Bjorn, which in Anglo-Saxon is Beorn, and Burn (a bear), meaning, according to Ferguson, "chief, hero, man." There were towns of this name in both Somersetshire and County Sussex before the year 900, and the family has been distinguished ever since. The ancient coat-of-arms is:

Arms—Sable, a cross between four crescents argent.

The Burnhams of both Old and New England trace their ancestry remotely to A. D. 1010, when their ancient patronymic was de Burnham, and it so continued until 1080, when the prefix de was dropped. And they are descended from Walter le Veutre. Such, in brief, is the

origin of one of the ancient families of England, and one which in New England dates from the early Colonial period, from the year 1635, when three immigrant brothers—John, Thomas and Robert Burnham—came from England and sat down in that part of the mother town of Ipswich then known as Chebacco Parish, and which now is the town of Essex, in the county of the same name, and the Colony of Massachusetts Bay. These immigrant brothers were sons of Robert and Mary (Andrews) Burnham, of Norwich, Suffolk, England.

(I) Daniel Burnham was probably a descendant of John Burnham, many of whose descendants lived in the western part of Massachusetts, but none of the family historians have established the ancestry. The records are insufficient for the purpose. He was born in 1743 and settled in what is now the village of Montague City in the town of Montague, where he died October 11, 1783, aged forty years. He was a soldier in the Revolution from Montague, a private in Captain Thomas Grove's company of minute men, Colonel William's regiment, on the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775; also in Captain Reuben Polly's company, Lieutenant Colonel Samuel William's regiment, from December 16, 1776, to March 19, 1777. Children: Reuel; Silas; Daniel, of whom further; Moses.

(II) Daniel Burnham, son of Daniel Burnham, was born in Montague, in 1778, and died there March 28, 1851. He married (first), February 1, 1802, Lucy Dodge, doubtless a descendant of the Utley family of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. He married (second), June 1, 1839, Laura Hovey Russell. Children, born at Montague: 1. Roderick R., born February 1, 1804; married, January 1, 1833, Nancy Wilmarth; died December 21, 1854. 2. Daniel, born November 14, 1805, died September 3, 1834; married, July 19, 1825, Sarah H. Gardner, and had two children, Elihu and Silas. 3. Alvira A., born March 22, 1807; married, June 13, 1825, Bela Burnett. 4. Lucy, born February 14, 1809; married Joel S. Shumway. 5. John E., born October 14, 1810, died January 22, 1820. 6. Utley, born July 1, 1812. 7. Andrew, born September 16, 1814, died May 2, 1820, killed by lightning. 8. John, born November 11, 1816, died February 19, 1835. 9. Alonzo, born August 10, 1821; lived at Montague; married there, May 16, 1852, Herriet M. Littlejohn. 10. George W., of whom further. 11. Sarah, born December 3, 1824; married L. B. Grout. Child of second wife: 12. Daniel W.

(III) George W. Burnham, son of Daniel and Laura Hovey (Russell) Burnham, was born at Montague, Massachusetts, March 13, 1823, died in South Hadley, Massachusetts, May 2, 1874. He was a harness-maker in South Hadley, where he lived at the time of his death. He married, September 21, 1853, Cordelia A. Wilcox, born March 21, 1833, in Halifax, Vermont, died in South Hadley, Massachusetts, 1904. Children: Fred E.; Julia L.; John R.; George H., born 1860, died 1863; Hattie A., born 1862, died 1863; George Herbert, of whom further.

(IV) George Herbert Burnham, son of George W. and Cordelia A. (Wilcox) Burnham, was born at South



Hadley, Massachusetts, June 30, 1864. He was educated in the public schools of South Hadley, and when he had finished his studies he went to Florence, Massachusetts, to work for the Florence Sewing Machine Company, where he remained three years. He then opened a carriage paint shop in Northampton, Massachusetts, in which he did business for three years. From about 1888 he carried on an extensive business in buying and selling carriages, sleighs, and harness. He also had a livery, in which he turned out some of the best horses obtainable. In 1909 he began to deal in automobiles. He sold the Jackson, Rambler, and Nash. In 1920 he sold out his livery and carriage business, and since that time has handled the Studebaker automobile exclusively for Hampshire County. He is vice-president and director of the Hampshire County Used Car Exchange. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Burnham married, August 4, 1885, Addella M. Brewer, born in Farmington, Province of Quebec, Canada, daughter of Edwin B. and Jennie (Carson) Brewer. They had one daughter, Hattie May, who died April 28, 1902.

**DANIEL LYNCH**—Among Northampton's most useful and practical citizens, Daniel Lynch, expert brick mason, contractor and builder, has performed a work of permanent value to the material interests of the city in the course of the quarter of a century that he has been engaged in business on his own account; and the city and its neighborhood have profited in the result of good workmanship. Honest dealing and sound common sense have invariably characterized his enterprises as a builder, as well as his sterling counsel in matters relating to civic economics and community betterment. Of his industrious and zealous race he was taught industry and zeal in all his undertakings. His grandfather, John Lynch, lived and died in Ireland; and his children were: Edward, of whom further; Timothy; Mary; Kate; Honora; Margaret; Jeremiah.

Edward Lynch, son of John Lynch, was born in County Kerry, Ireland, and died in Northampton, September 1, 1911, aged about ninety years. A carpenter by trade, he came to the United States in 1890, and lived in Northampton to the time of his death. He married Bridget Herlihy, who was born in County Kerry, and died there in 1880, daughter of Daniel and Mary Herlihy. Their children were: Timothy, who died young; John, who also died in his early years; Daniel, of whom further; Mary, who married a Mr. Whelan; and Margaret, who married John Healy, who is now deceased.

Daniel Lynch, son of Edward Lynch, was born in 1861, in County Kerry, Ireland, where he attended school and was employed as a farmer in his youth. He came to Northampton in 1883, and after working at farming for a short time, he learned the trade of brick-laying, and was employed by John Marther ten years. He worked for the firm of Whelan and Chase five years, and in 1900 he established his own business in general contracting in cellar excavating, stone and brick work, and plastering. Mr. Lynch has erected many residences in Northampton; he has transacted much business in the real estate line in this city, and has had

much to do with the upbuilding and the general growth of the community, which has also included the construction of four houses on Lasell Street, one of which was sold to Smith College and removed to the college grounds; he also built the fine brick residence in which he lives, on Crescent Street. Outside of Northampton he has done the mason work for a large schoolhouse in Amherst; and he bought land in Hatfield, where he built several residences. During the World War, Mr. Lynch went to Chester, Pennsylvania, where he was in charge of many laborers engaged in brick-laying and ship-construction work.

Active in civic affairs, Mr. Lynch was several times a candidate as a Democrat for office in a strong Republican Ward. On a certain occasion when the question was presented for a new bridge across the Connecticut River between Northampton and Hadley at a cost of half a million dollars, Mr. Lynch opposed the proposition in an article that appeared in the Northampton "Gazette" and that contained so much good logic and sense that the project of a new bridge was effectually killed, and the old bridge is still doing duty. Mr. Lynch has the honor of being a warm personal friend of the President of the United States, Calvin Coolidge. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus; and he is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Daniel Lynch married, in June, 1894, Julia O'Connor, who was born in Northampton, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Hogan) O'Connor. Their children: 1. Mary, who was born March 4, 1895, and married, in July, 1924, John L. Shanley. 2. Edward, born October 4, 1896, took a course in civil engineering; and afterwards turned his attention to the study of law, graduating in the Law School of the Catholic University at Washington, District of Columbia, June 11, 1924, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He is a firm believer in industry, as well, and having learned his father's trade, he is an expert brick-layer. Mr. Lynch is well-known as a basket-ball player, and has received due recognition in that line in the columns of the press, and in the "Cardinal," the Catholic University magazine. Also prominent in football, he has received the appellation, "the Ace." During the World War, he was assigned to service with the United States Navy, and located at Hingham, Massachusetts. 3. Margaret, born February 19, 1898. 4. David, born May 7, 1904, graduated in the Law School of the Catholic University at Washington, District of Columbia, when he was twenty-one years of age. 5. Julia, born June 18, 1906.

**JOSEPH RAYMOND HAMPSON**—The work in which Joseph Raymond Hampson is engaged is eminently vital and important to the welfare of the people and the progress of the civic body. Mr. Hampson has had wide experience in this general field and has executed many large and important contracts, both for private individuals and for the United States Government. His outstanding success in these various achievements has given his name unusual recognition for a man still looking forward to many years of useful and progressive activity. He is a son of Louis and Viola (Lasher) Hampson, former residents of New York State.



Joseph Raymond Hampson was born in Tivolo, Dutchess County, New York, February 5, 1890. His education so far as formal school attendance is concerned, was limited to the elementary school course, which he completed at the age of fifteen years. The technical preparations which fitted him in a minute and comprehensive way for his large responsibilities was secured by exhaustive study under the most discouraging circumstances and without the inspiration and aid of the formal group or the highly specialized instructor. Mr. Hampson is by nature a student and on his very self reliance his success is largely founded. He still constantly studies engineering and construction subjects, both general and special, is particularly interested at all times in the problems which are overcome by others in his general field in the accomplishment of noteworthy or difficult feats of engineering. Mr. Hampson began his career in the engineering department of the city of Waterbury, Connecticut, shortly following the completion of his public school course. From the first he availed himself of every possibility of technical study along the lines of his work and with this practical application of his theoretical knowledge, as it was gained day by day, he rose rapidly in the organization until at the age of eighteen years he was made construction engineer for a large firm, in charge of the layout of buildings for the Scoville Manufacturing Company of Waterbury; the importance and true significance of this position in the hands of so young a man may only be fully recognized when it is understood that the Scoville Manufacturing Company is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world, employing several thousand hands. At the age of twenty-one years Mr. Hampson became identified with the Tracy Brothers Company, a leading eastern contracting firm, and in this connection he accomplished work amounting in value to fully \$7,000,000, all along construction lines. It was in this connection that he first came to Pittsfield, his mission here having to do with the erection of various structures built by Tracy Brothers Company, the Miller Building, the Kresge Building, the Kennedy Building, the Waite Building, St. Steven's Parish House, and the Pomroy School.

The activities of the World War in their many and varied ramifications required just such men as Mr. Hampson had proved himself to be, and early in the period of the United States intervention in Europe, he was construction engineer for the Fred T. Ley Company in the Bristol Ship Yards. This work was done under the control of the Emergency Fleet Corporation and upon its completion Mr. Hampson went to Mobile, Alabama, as plant engineer for the Concrete ship yards in that city. He then returned to New England as construction superintendent for the United States Housing Corporation, in Waterbury, Connecticut. These commissions are only representative instances of the many things accomplished under Mr. Hampson's direction, for the construction work he supervised for the Government amounted in value to a sum considerably in excess of \$20,000,000.

Following the armistice Mr. Hampson determined to enter business in an independent way and locating in Pittsfield he organized the present company in February

of 1919. Under the title of J. R. Hampson & Company, Incorporated, the interest has gone forward in a remarkable way. The concern is officered as follows: Mr. Hampson, president and treasurer; Norman E. Hildreth, vice-president and clerk. The company has done a large amount of construction work in the comparatively few years which have since elapsed and among their important contracts which have been successfully completed may well be mentioned: the plant of the Berkshire Woolen Company, the Capitol Theatre, the Holmwood residence and a group of buildings for the Massachusetts Industrial Farm. Also the Berkshire Loan and Trust Bank building, which is one of the finest structures in this part of the State. Mr. Hampson is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce; the Rotary, and Park clubs; and fraternally he is affiliated with Harmony Lodge, No. 42, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; Springfield Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Joseph Raymond Hampson married, March 29, 1921, Clara Browne, and they have one child, Elizabeth Browne.

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**FREDERICK BRIDGMAN SHAW**, farmer, of South Amherst, Massachusetts, was born April 16, 1876. The family to which he belongs is one of the oldest and most noted in New England.

(I) The immigrant ancestor was Abraham Shaw, who came from Yorkshire, England, in 1636. He was admitted as a freeman, March 9, 1636-37, and at the time was a proprietor of Watertown. When his house there was burned down in October, 1636, he moved to Dedham. He signed the famous compact, and was elected, September 6, 1638, a constable of Dedham. Abraham Shaw moved to Cambridge, where he became a town officer. He received a grant of "Coal or iron ore which may be found in any common land in this country's disposing." The grant was dated November 2, 1637, and it is presumed he made a search for minerals at a time when the earth in New England was expected to yield great mineral wealth. He was permitted to erect a corn mill, February 12, 1636-37. He married Bridget Best. He died in 1638, and left a will bequeathing to his children, through his eldest son, Joseph. His son John, with Joseph, received his lot at Dedham. He also owned coal mines in Halifax, England. Edward Allen administered the estate. Children of Abraham Shaw: Joseph, who settled in Weymouth; John, of further mention; Mary, born about 1638; Martha, born about 1638 (probably twins); Susanna, married Nicholas Bryam, and moved to Weymouth.

(II) John Shaw, son of Abraham and Bridget (Best) Shaw, was born in Halifax, England, about 1630. He married Alice Phillips, of Weymouth, where he passed his active life. He was deacon of the church at Weymouth. He died March 21, 1718. His children, all born at Weymouth, were: John, of further mention; Elizabeth, born February 26, 1656; Abraham, born

October 10, 1657; Mary, born May 24, 1660; Nicholas, born March 23, 1662; Joseph, born April 15, 1664; Alice, born July 6, 1666; Hannah, born April 7, 1668; Benjamin, born June 16, 1670; Abigail, born July 15, 1672; Ebenezer, born April 24, 1674.

(III) John Shaw, son of John and Alice (Phillips) Shaw, married Hannah Whitmarsh, who died May 4, 1736. Their children, born at Weymouth or Bridgewater, were: Hannah, born December 16, 1680, died young; Abraham, born February 14, 1685; Hannah, born April 26, 1687; John, born January 20, 1690; Mary, born May 5, 1691; Benjamin, born July 25, 1693; Joseph, of further mention.

(IV) Joseph Shaw, son of John and Hannah (Whitmarsh) Shaw, was born at Weymouth, and died November 13, 1744. He married, at Weymouth, Mary Blanchard, November 13, 1716. Their children were: Ebenezer, of further mention; Abraham, born September 8, 1720; Abigail, born December 27, 1721; Mary, born July 14, 1723; Susannah, born March 3, 1726; Alice, born April 22, 1728.

(V) Captain Ebenezer Shaw, son of Joseph and Mary (Blanchard) Shaw, was born at Weymouth, April 23, 1718, and died at Abington, Massachusetts, November 21, 1796. He was a lieutenant in Captain Cobb's company at Lexington, when the alarm was sounded April 19, 1775; and also a captain in the War of the Revolution. He married, September 2, 1740, Ann Colson, who was born at Weymouth, January 1, 1725, and died at Abington, February 15, 1799, daughter of John and Susannah (Lincoln) Colson. They were the parents of Ebenezer, of further mention.

(VI) Ebenezer Shaw, son of Captain Ebenezer and Ann (Colson) Shaw, was born at Weymouth, September 30, 1741. He married, December 11, 1765, Sarah Porter, born August 22, 1746, daughter of Richard and Ruth (Whitman) Porter. They were the parents of Silas, of further mention.

(VII) Silas Shaw, son of Ebenezer and Sarah (Porter) Shaw, was born at Abington, March 31, 1767, and died at Amherst, April 28, 1848. In 1793 he married Lucy White, who was born in 1775, and died April 2, 1838, daughter of Micah White. Their children were: Lucy, Giles, Henry, Sarah, Whitman, Elizabeth, Ebenezer, Cushing, of further mention; Roland, Abigail, Nancy, Maria, Almira, Haxton, Spencer, Edward and Edwin.

(VIII) Cushing Shaw, son of Silas and Lucy (White) Shaw, was born at Hawley, February 24, 1804, and died in South Amherst, August 14, 1873. In Hawley he was engaged in the manufacture of potash. He removed to Huntington where for a time he engaged in farming. He then moved to Northampton where he operated a hotel on what is now Pleasant Street. This hotel was destroyed by fire, entailing a heavy loss. He afterwards came to a small farm in South Amherst, where he lived to the time of his death. He married Betsy Sanford, and their children were: Frederick C., William, George, Alfred, Charles Alvin, of further mention; and Julia.

(IX) Charles Alvin Shaw, son of Cushing and Betsy (Sanford) Shaw, was born in Buckland, Massachusetts, April 20, 1846, died in Amherst, Massachusetts, January

8, 1922. He came to South Amherst in 1866, and tilled a farm. He was also a lumberman, storekeeper and postmaster. As a young man he worked in Easthampton and attended Williston Seminary and Ames Business College, of Poughkeepsie. In 1871 he owned and operated the first steam saw mill in this section of country. He followed lumbering successfully for a number of years. In 1880 he engaged in the grocery business in South Amherst. He bought the brick building in which his store was conducted, and which is now owned by his son. He conducted a store and was postmaster in South Amherst until 1907. He went to California in 1886 and passed some time there. Returning he bought the farm in South Amherst, now occupied by Mr. Barton, and lived there until 1910, and in 1915 he bought the farm property adjoining his store, and lived upon it until the time of his death. During his lifetime, he bought and cleared much land, and was active in promoting the welfare of the community. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and was clerk and treasurer of the society. He married Fannie R. Bridgman, of South Amherst, Massachusetts. She died June 11, 1911. She was a daughter of Edward and Elizabeth May (Blodgett) Bridgman. Children: Frederick Bridgman, of further mention; Ethel Elizabeth, and Charles Harlan.

(X) Frederick Bridgman Shaw, son of Charles Alvin and Fannie R. (Bridgman) Shaw, was educated in the town schools and the high school of South Amherst. He attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College, from which he was graduated in 1896. He learned telegraphy and for a period of years was a railroad and commercial telegraph operator. He was operator and station agent for the Boston & Maine Railroad in Amherst for a year. For a time he was operator for the Western Union Telegraph Company in the Parker House, Boston. He was in the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad, and the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, as telegraph operator for a period of years. For a time he was manager of the Postal Telegraph Company and later of the Western Union Telegraph Company in Taunton, Massachusetts. He was for a time in the business of the "Taunton Daily Gazette." He returned to Amherst in 1910, and since his father's death has conducted his farming interests and looked after his property interests in South Amherst. Mr. Shaw is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Taunton; a member of the Congregational Church, and active in the civic life of the community.

Mr. Shaw married, November 10, 1901, Josie B. Harris, of St. Johns, New Brunswick. They are the parents of five children: 1. Charles F., born July 11, 1902, died February 29, 1912. 2. Alfred Raymond, born February 7, 1904. 3. George William, born January 23, 1906. 4. Francis Ethelwyn, born January 26, 1908. 5. Ralph Sheldon, born January 9, 1910. Mr. Shaw's address is South Amherst, Massachusetts.

**CLIFFORD CARROLL HOWES**—The Howes family of Massachusetts belong to the oldest families settled in New England, and the last three generations as represented in some of its members are as follows:

(I) Francis Edwin Howes, grandfather of Clifford



Carroll Howes, died in North Adams, Massachusetts, at the age of ninety-three years. He was a carpenter by trade. He married Julia A. Church. The children of the marriage were: 1. Julia, who married Martin Holbrook. 2. May, who married Fred Knapp. 3. Edwin P., of whom further. 4. Amelia, who died at the age of eleven years. 5. Hattie, who died at the age of two years. 6. Horace Howes.

(II) Edwin P. Howes, father of Clifford Carroll Howes, a native of Hancock, Massachusetts, where he was born October 12, 1850, died at Leyden, Massachusetts, in May, 1919. He was a farmer in early life, and went to Haydenville, Massachusetts, where for ten years he worked in a brass shop. He later lived in the town of Florida, Massachusetts, where he farmed. In 1894 he came to Leyden, Massachusetts, where he ran a general store up to the time of his death. He served on the Board of Assessors and Selectmen, but did not take a great interest in politics. In religion he was a member and attendant of the Methodist Church of which he was treasurer at the time of his death. He was also connected with the Grange. On September 24, 1874, he married Risphe Minerva Brown, born July 18, 1855, in Florida, Massachusetts, a daughter of Sumner and Clarissa (Burnett) Brown. The children of the marriage are: 1. Ethel M., who married Algene Wheeler and their children are: John H., Candice M., Leslie L., Edwin F., Blanche L., Francis W. Of these John H. Wheeler married Helen Mullett and they have one child, William Algene. 2. Edwin P. Jr., a blacksmith in the village of Leyden; has also served the town as town clerk and treasurer for many years. 3. John Lorenzo Sumner. 4. Blanche E., died at the age of nineteen. She was married to Harlow Bliss and they had one child, Blanchard O., who married Pauline Hough, and they have one child, Duane Blanchard Bliss. 5. Spencer C., who married Gwenlillian A. Tavender and they have two children: Gwladys Ethel and Jean Mary. 6. Clifford Carroll, of whom further. 7. Orrin, who died in infancy.

(III) Clifford Carroll Howes, a native of Florida, Massachusetts, born April 23, 1892, came to Leyden, Massachusetts, with his parents in his early boyhood. He received his education in the public schools of Leyden, Massachusetts, and after completing his studies worked in his father's store in Leyden, Massachusetts, and since his father's death had sole charge of the store at Leyden Center. He is also in the employ of the Government of the United States carrying mail and passengers between Leyden and Greenfield, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and is connected with the Grange.

On April 7, 1919, he married Edith Mary Tavender, born at Aberdare, South Wales, a daughter of George Isaac and Harriet Elizabeth (Roberts) Tavender, who arrived in America in 1916, her father being a coal miner in Yorkshire, England. Mr. and Mrs. Howes are the parents of three children: 1. George Edwin, born March 31, 1921. 2. Harriet Minerva, born December 19, 1922. 3. Clifford Orrin, born August 24, 1924.

**HARRY LEE WILLIAMS**—The family name of Williams is of great antiquity in England and Wales and is derived from the ancient personal name William. Like many other possessive names, it arose from the Welsh custom of adding to a man's name the name of his father in the possessive form as William John's, from which quickly came Jones, David Dichard's, Thomas David's (Davie's, Davis) and kindred forms.

Sir Robert Williams, ninth baronet of the house of Williams of Penrhyn, was a lineal descendant of Marchudd ap Cynan, Lord of Abergeleu in Denbighshire, of one of the fifteen tribes of North Wales that lived in the time of Roderick the Great, King of the Britons, about A. D. 849. The seat of the family was in Flint, Wales, and in Lincolnshire, England. Oliver Cromwell, the Protector, was a Williams by right of descent, and was related to Richard Williams, who settled in Taunton, Massachusetts. Alden de Cromwell lived in the time of William the Conqueror, and from him descended in succession ten Ralphs de Cromwell, the last dying without issue. The seventh Ralph de Cromwell married Amicia, daughter of Robert Berer, member of Parliament. Robert Cromwell was a Lancasterian, killed in the wars of 1461. His son, William Cromwell, left a daughter, Margaret, who was ancestor of both Cromwell and Williams. John Cromwell, son of William Cromwell, married Joan Smith, and had a son, Walter Cromwell, who married a Glossop. Katherine, daughter of Walter Cromwell, married Morgan Williams, fifth from Howell Williams. Sir Richard Williams, son of Morgan and Katherine Williams, born about 1495, married Francis Murfyn. After reaching mature years he took the name of Cromwell under the patronage of his mother's brother, Thomas Cromwell, and lived in Glamorganshire, Wales. Sir Henry Cromwell, son of Sir Richard Cromwell, alias Williams, was called the "Golden Knight" of Hinchbrook, Huntingdon, and married Joan Warren. Robert Cromwell, alias Williams, was of Huntingdon, a brewer, and married Elizabeth Steward. Their first child was Oliver the Great Protector, who used the alias in his youth, his name appearing on deeds as Oliver Williams, alias Cromwell. Howell Williams, Lord of Ribour, was progenitor of the Williams family of Wales. Morgan Williams, son of Howell Williams, married Joan Batten. Thomas Williams, son of Morgan and Joan Williams, was of Lancashire and died in London. John Williams, son of Thomas Williams, married Margaret Smith, and died in Mortlake, 1502. John Williams, son of John and Margaret Williams, born 1485, married Joan, daughter of Henry Wykis, of Bolley's Park, Certney, and sister of Elizabeth Wykis, who married Thomas Cromwell (brother of Katherine) secretary to Henry VIII, Lord Cromwell of Oakham, Earl of Essex. Richard Williams, son of John and Joan Williams, born in 1487, settled at Monmouth and Dexter, died 1559. John Williams, son of Richard Williams, was of Huntingdonshire, near Wotton under Edge, Gloucester, died 1577. William Williams, son of John Williams, was also of Huntingdonshire; and married (first), November 15, 1585, Jane Shepard, (second) December 4, 1603, Jane Woodward. His first child by the second marriage was Rich-





Harry L. Williams



ard Williams, who settled at Taunton. The Williams families of America descend from more than a score of different ancestors. That several of them were related to Richard Williams, of Taunton, seems certain.

One of the descendants was Willard Williams, born 1806, died in Charlemont, Massachusetts, June 25, 1846. He married Lydia W. Thomas, born May 2, 1806, died January 19, 1899. They had two daughters: 1. Rilla, who married Simon Crittenden. 2. Julia, who married Hiram E. Upton.

Another descendant was Eros Williams, born 1827, died February 23, 1865, who was a soldier in the Civil War, and died in the service of his country. He married Sarah L. Bishop, who was a native of Charlemont, Massachusetts, born in 1832, and died in May, 1913. She married (second) J. Warren Potter. The children of first marriage were: 1. George L., of whom further. 2. Rilla, who died early. 3. Ned R., deceased. 4. Lucy L., who married H. Martin McLoud. Her children by the second marriage were: 1. Florence R. Potter, who married Charles W. Binell. 2. Lawson B. 3. J. Warren.

George Lawson Williams, son of Eros and Sarah L. (Bishop) Williams, is a native of Sugar Grove, Illinois, born May 16, 1857. He married, September 2, 1883, Bertha Maria Davenport, of Rowe, Massachusetts, a daughter of Jonathan Gleason and Mary Calman (Warner) Davenport. She married (second) Edwin Chandler Vincent. The child of the first marriage is Henry Lee, of whom further; the child of the second marriage is Philip Gleason Vincent, born June 7, 1900.

Harry Lec Williams, son of George Lawson and Bertha Maria (Davenport) Williams, is a native of Rowe, Massachusetts, born February 1, 1885. He received his education in the schools of his native town. During vacations and for a year after he worked in the woodturning factory of George H. Frary in Charlemont. He later came to Greenfield, and learned the mason's trade, working at his trade in different places, finally establishing a business of his own. Previous to that he had associated himself with Mr. Parody and for five years carried on a contracting business under the firm name Williams and Parody, mason contractors. Later he continued the same business under the name of H. L. Williams and Company, but since 1914 has been the sole proprietor of the concern. Some of the notable buildings in connection with which his firm was given the contract to do the mason work are the new Odd Fellows' Building, the Mohawk Chambers, the Burnham block in Greenfield, the new high school building in South Deerfield, the Esluck Mills in Turners Falls, the electric light plant and many others. He has been a large employer of labor, employing eighteen to twenty men and has had as many as thirty-six men on his pay roll. All who knew Mr. Williams agree that his success is well-deserved and owing not only to his business capacity but to his high character and personal qualities as a man. Mr. H. L. Williams is a member and attendant of the Methodist Church of Greenfield. His fraternal and other associations include membership of the Republican Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of Greenfield, and he is a thirty-second degree mason of the Scottish Rite, member of the Melha Temple, Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, of the Pocom-

tuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Green River Encampment, Captain Davis, and the Orientals, in all of which he has held high office. He is also a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

On March 27, 1906, he married Mary J. Shaw, of Ansonia, Connecticut, a daughter of George W. and Caroline (Slocombe) Shaw. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of one daughter: Blanche Louise, born July 27, 1908.

**JOHN E. NILSSON**—An esteemed resident of Ludlow, Massachusetts, John E. Nilsson was born in Indian Orchard, in that State, November 15, 1884, the son of Jacob, a machinist, and Anna (Jenson) Nilsson. He attended the public schools and the High School of Springfield, and the Mechanical Arts High School of that city, and after his studies took a clerical position in the office of the Chapman Valve Manufacturing Company of Indian Orchard, where he remained for eight years. He then entered the Steven Duryea Plant in the production department.

Here he remained till 1912, when he became associated with A. H. Bartlett, at No. 53 Smith Street, Ludlow, in the printing and wholesale stationery business, where he still remains. On the death of Mr. Bartlett, in October, 1920, the business was incorporated under the name of A. H. Bartlett Inc., and continued under this name until in December, 1924, it became the A. H. Bartlett Co., and as such continues. In addition to his other business interests, Mr. Nilsson is one of the trustees of the Ludlow Savings Bank, and Secretary of the Finance Committee of the town of Ludlow, which office he has held since 1922. Mr. Nilsson is a Mason, being a member of Bingham Lodge, of Ludlow; also Unity Royal Arch Chapter of Chicopee Falls; Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and he is also a member of Rebekah Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; James W. Harmon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and Court Indian Leap, Independent Order of Foresters of America. He belongs to the Ludlow County Club, the Ludlow Fish and Game Association, and is vice-president of the Ludlow Athletic and Recreation Association. He is a member of the Union Church and is one of the parish committee.

On August 23, 1911, at Ludlow, Massachusetts, Mr. Nilsson married Katherine Bartlett, daughter of A. H. and Nellie (Joy) Bartlett. They are the parents of a son, Edwin John, born October 5, 1914.

**FRANK ANDREW BRANDLE**—Northampton is favored in its pharmaceutical interests with Mr. Brandle's long association in the drug store business here, both during the period while he was in others' employ, and particularly since he established his own pharmacy in 1901, the thorough reliability and excellence of his methods receiving general acknowledgement. Mr. Brandle's training and study have been continuous since he entered upon his chosen business career; and as a result his pharmacy is second to no other in this part of the State. He is the son of Jacob Brandle who was



born in 1836, in Germany, and died December 2, 1879, in Northampton, son of George and Rosa Brandle. Coming to the United States in his boyhood, he was employed in New York City for a short time, later residing several years in Providence, Rhode Island. He learned the tailor's trade at which he worked several years, and he engaged in business at Northampton, where he died at forty-three years of age. He was a member of the German Society of Harigari.

Jacob Brandle married, in Providence, Rhode Island, Caroline Held, who was born in Chicago, Illinois, and died June 16, 1919, in Northampton, daughter of Joseph and Rose (Mack) Held. She married (second) Charles Sanderson. The children of Jacob and Caroline (Held) Brandle: Flora I.; Frank A., of whom further; Rose E., who married Robert Dickinson, of Whately.

Frank Andrew Brandle was born November 24, 1873, in Northampton, where he attended the public and the high schools, after which he started upon his druggist career. At first he was in the employ of the Kingsley drugstore, at Northampton, where he thoroughly learned the business and continued twelve years, when he began his studies at the New York College of Pharmacy, where he graduated in 1900, with his degree of Graduate in Pharmacy. In 1901, he purchased a business in Northampton, and has there conducted his well-known pharmacy to the present.

Mr. Brandle's fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council of Royal and Select Masters, the Commandery of the Knights Templar, all of Northampton; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Williamsburg Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and the Northampton Club. He is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Frank Andrew Brandle married, October 26, 1904, Sophia Hosmer Kellogg, who was born in Hartford, Connecticut, daughter of Bela Haskell and Elizabeth Fitch (Walcott) Kellogg; and they are the parents of Caroline Elizabeth, born February 7, 1908; and Ruth Kellogg, born July 25, 1910.

(The Kellogg Line).

Mrs. Brandle's ancestors were among the early comers to New England, and shared in the settlement of many of the townships, and they are thus traced to the last of the line in England and the first to arrive in America: Phillippe Kellogg, who was probably the son of Thomas Kellogg, was living, September 15, 1583, in Bocking County, England, and he had ten children. Martin, a son, was baptized in Great Leigh, Essex County, England, November 25, 1595, and he died in Braintree, England, in 1671, a weaver or cloth worker. He married Prudence Bird, and they had seven children, one of whom was Joseph, of whom further.

(I) Lieutenant Joseph Kellogg was born in Great Leigh, England, April 1, 1626, and died in 1707. The immigrant ancestor of the family, he at first settled at Farmington, Connecticut, where he was living in 1651. He removed to Boston in 1675, and thence to Hadley,

where he had charge of the ferry between Hadley and Northampton, and kept a tavern, and he and his sons had land grants in Hadley. He was a sergeant of militia and was in command of the Hadley troops in the famous Turners Falls Fight at the time of the King Philip War, May 18, 1676. He married (first), in England, Joanna (surname unknown), who died in Hadley September 14, 1666; he married (second) Abigail Terry, who was born in Windsor, Connecticut, September 16, 1646, daughter of Stephen Terry; and there were nine children of the first marriage, and eleven of the second. One of his sons was Nathaniel, of whom further.

(II) Nathaniel Kellogg, son of Lieutenant Joseph and Abigail (Terry) Kellogg, was born October 8, 1669, in Hadley. He was a lieutenant of the militia, and one of the largest tax-payers of the town. He married, June 28, 1692, Sarah Boltwood, born in Hadley October 1, 1672, daughter of Sergeant Samuel and Sarah (Lewis) Boltwood; her father was slain by Indians at Deerfield; her mother was a daughter of William Lewis, the first recorder of Farmington, Connecticut. They had nine children, one of whom was Ebenezer, of whom further.

(III) Captain Ebenezer Kellogg was born in Hadley, May 31, 1695, and died August 7, 1766. He was a captain of militia in 1731, and an innkeeper at Amherst. He married (first), December 13, 1716, Elizabeth, born March 15, 1691, widow of Philip Panthorn, and daughter of John and Mehitable (Dickinson) Ingraham. He married (second), intentions published September 18, 1756, Mrs. Sarah Stevens, of Stow. There were three children by the first marriage, one of whom was Ebenezer, of whom further.

(IV) Ensign Ebenezer Kellogg, born about 1722, at Amherst, died while he was in the Revolutionary Army, at Ticonderoga, November 22, 1776. He was an ensign in the 8th Massachusetts under Colonel Choate at Louisburg, in 1745, and he served in Captain Dickinson's and in Captain Aaron Haynes' companies, in the Revolution. He was twice married. He married (second), January 13, 1751, Sarah Clapp, who was born October 4, 1733, daughter of Preserved and Sarah (West) Clapp. They had a son Jonathan, of whom further.

(V) Jonathan Kellogg, born at Amherst, October 24, 1760, and died February 28, 1853, was a cordwainer. He was in Captain Alvord's Company in 1780, and married, June 5, 1783, Mary Holland, of Pelham; she died March 5, 1823. They had a son Ira B., of whom further.

(VI) Ira B. Kellogg was born January 27, 1786, in Brattleboro, Vermont, and died November 16, 1843, in Montague; he was a shoemaker and saddler. He married, January 25, 1808, Ruth Dickinson, who was born June 18, 1790, and died September 18, 1875, in Springfield, daughter of William and Thurza (Warner) Dickinson. They had eight children, one of whom was Dwight, of whom further.

(VII) Dwight Dickinson Kellogg was born January 12, 1809, in Amherst, and died January 3, 1861. He married, in 1831, Mrs. Roxanna (Goodell) Dickenson, widow of Hosmer Dickenson, daughter of Andrew Goodell and Martha (Haskell) Goodell; she died in Chatham, New York, November 2, 1889, aged seventy-

five years. Their children: Bela Haskell, of whom further; Marion Bradford; Helen Maria; Harriet Martha.

(VIII) Bela Haskell Kellogg was born September 18, 1832, at Amherst, and removed to Hartford, Connecticut, in 1853, thence to New Haven in 1884, and afterwards to Northampton. He married, September 18, 1858, Elizabeth Fitch Walcott, born February 18, 1834, died June 30, 1895, daughter of Dr. George W. and Mary Fitch (Kinne) Walcott. Their children: Clifford Walcott; Minnie Florence, married Frank E. Santy; Clara Louise, married Dr. George Dickinson Thayer; Sophia Hosmer, married Frank Andrew Brandle.

**GEORGE EDWARD REED**—Laundry interests in Western Massachusetts have a most satisfactory representative in the Amherst Laundry Company, of which George Edward Reed is the president, and whose prominent place in Amherst industry he was the means of securing, through a far-sighted and successful endeavor to establish an up-to-date plant. Mr. Reed is an expert man in his calling; he has spent practically all his career in the one line of business; and he is highly regarded by his associates and by the general public. He is of Vermont parentage and ancestry, his grandfather, David Swan Reed, a farmer, having spent his entire life in that State, and who had children: Frank; Fred; Clark; and Edward D., of whom further.

Edward D. Reed, father of George Edward Reed, who was born in Dummerston, Vermont, kept a hotel for some time in West Gardner, Massachusetts, but he disappeared while Mr. Reed was a small boy, and his whereabouts had not since been reported. He married Ida S. Norcross, who was born in West Dummerston, Vermont; she married (second) Lorenzo McCrillis. Edward D. and Ida S. (Norcross) Reed had one son, George Edward, of whom further.

George Edward Reed was born January 10, 1880, in Brattleboro, Vermont, and with the removal of his parents to Massachusetts, he attended the public schools in West Gardner. For awhile he was employed in a meat market, but he soon afterwards went to work in a Brattleboro laundry, and from there he removed to Springfield, Vermont, where he began to engage in the laundry business on his own account. After three years there he disposed of his property and business, and came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he again engaged for six or seven years in the laundry business. From Greenfield, he removed to Amherst, where he took over the Amherst cooperative laundry, and in January, 1921, the business was incorporated under the name of the Amherst Laundry Company, of which Mr. Reed is president, and Henry G. Ives, treasurer. Originally, this concern occupied a wooden building, which within recent years was replaced with a fine brick structure, equipped with modern and up-to-date machinery, the plant being reputed as among the finest in this part of the State. The business covers a wide area, and some thirty-five people are employed. Fraternally, Mr. Reed is affiliated with Wantastiquet Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and its Oasis Encampment, at Brattleboro; and he is a member of the Amherst Busi-

ness Men's Association. His religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

George Edward Reed married, July 31, 1902, Maud Allian Crosier, of Brattleboro, Vermont, daughter of Timothy and Emily (Johnson) Crosier. Their children are: Roger Edward, born February 12, 1907; and Ivan George, born May 12, 1908.

**HENRY JOSEPH DAY**—Taking into full consideration the varied and incessant activities of his long and useful life, it would not be an easy task to discover an experience similar to that of Mr. Day who at his Montague home, in his advancing age is remarkably well preserved, and still a man of business activity. Soldier of the Civil War, and participant in many of its leading battles, veteran in the tanning industry in this part of the State, practical farmer, dairyman and store-keeper, he possesses exemplary characteristics of physical endurance and perseverance, while his keen mentality continues to be an unfailing asset to his later days. A citizen of worth and honor, he shares the industrious heritage of a rugged ancestry. The following constitutes the leadership of the three generations of the branch name in this country.

(I) Michael Day, who was born in England, came to America in the English army, and died of camp fever in the War of 1812. He married ——— Salisbury, and they were the parents of 1. Joseph, of whom further. 2. Ellen.

(II) Joseph Day was born in Claverack, near Hudson, New York State, in 1809, and it was a prideful statement of his that he was born in the same year with President Abraham Lincoln. He died in Montague in 1895. Mr. Day went to Connecticut in his early years, and residing at Lyme, he grew up in that district, and went thence on whaling voyages to the Indian Ocean. He went to Montague in 1840, and remained in that town to the time of his death. He was employed in boating up and down the Connecticut River until the advent of the railroad; he was well known, too, as a pedestrian, and when engaged in boating upon the river, he remained behind to perform other work after having loaded the boats, when he proceeded to walk to Hartford, Connecticut, a distance of sixty-five miles. He had also been a farmer, and was a hard-working industrious man.

Mr. Day had not held any political office, though his interest in all civic matters was thorough. He was a Republican in political adherence. He married Hannah Heflin, who was born in 1821, and died in 1900, a daughter of James and Mary (Shepard) Heflin. Their children: 1. Mary. 2. Henry J., of whom further. 3. James, who died in Andersonville Prison during the Civil War. 4. Charles, who lives in Hartford, Connecticut. 5. George, who lives in South Manchester, Connecticut. 6. Hattie, who married Heman Heflin.

(III) Henry Joseph Day was born at Montague, January 8, 1843, and after receiving his preliminary education at the public schools of his birthplace, he took the course at Deerfield Academy, at Deerfield, walking to and from the Academy and his home daily, in 1860 and 1861, at the time when V. M. Howard was principal of the institution. He completed his academical work at



the age of eighteen years, and enlisted for the Union in the Civil War, August 18, 1862, in Company F, 52d Massachusetts Regiment, under General Banks in Louisiana and at Port Hudson, and was mustered out of the service August 13, 1863. He was at the battle of Baton Rouge, and at the taking of Port Hudson was largely engaged in skirmish duty with his company. Just before the war, he had been employed at the tannery for awhile, and he returned to that employ after the War, having charge of a stationary engine, and becoming apprenticed to the tanners' trade. He had previously had charge of an engine at Greenfield, and later worked at the tanning vats four years. In 1868, Mr. Day began his farming activities, and for fifty-two years carried on those interests, retiring in 1920. Starting with a farm of some seventy acres, he continued to add thereto until eventually he was the owner of more than three hundred acres of tillage and woodland. He originally raised tobacco, but he sold milk in Montague for a half century, and he furnished the colony at Lake Pleasant with milk when that resort was first started. Having worked continuously upon his farm from his twenty-fifth to his seventy-eighth year, he sold his farm in 1920. Having been eminently successful, he is one of the largest tax-payers in Montague, having recently purchased a store in the village. Among the fifteen buildings he has constructed, are a garage and a blacksmith shop; and he states that as part of the unlooked-for round of his experience he has had to combat three fires upon his property. He has spent winters both in Florida and at Lynn, and has had the pleasure of motoring with his family over the Mohawk Trail and Jacob's Ladder, a ride of one hundred and sixty-five miles. He was road commissioner at Montague for two years. His fraternal affiliations are those of Bay State Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Montague, of which he has been a member fifty-one years. When sixteen years of age, he joined the Sons of Temperance, and later, the International Order of Good Templars. He is a member of Armstrong Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and has served as its secretary; and he has attended the reunions of his regiment in Washington, District of Columbia; at Saratoga, New York; at Portland, Maine; and at Boston. He is a generous supporter of the work of the church.

Mr. Day married (first) Grace Collins; (second), October 12, 1907, Abbie C. Homan, of Marblehead. There is one child by the second marriage, Helen Louise, born February 6, 1914.

**ALBERT PARSONS**, expert in agriculture, cattle raiser, and dairy farmer of North Amherst, Massachusetts, was born June 1, 1883, in North Amherst, the son of Howard Albert Parsons. The family name of Parsons is derived from the Latin word *persona*, a mask. In early times actors wore a mask of wood to project their voices, a suggestion of the speaking-trumpet and telephone of later years. The actor came to be called after the mask he wore *dramatis personae*. The word had a two-fold meaning. In ecclesiastical language it was referable to a man of dignity, and bestowed upon one who had a benefice or living, who committed the

cure of souls to a vicar. Thus actors and parsons derived their names from the same root. The early form, the parson's son, or the parson's John, was finally abbreviated to Parsons. The heraldic designs of this family were:

Arms—Gules, two chevronels ermine between three eagles displayed or.

Crest—An eagle's leg erased at the thigh or, standing on a leopard's face, gules.

Among those of the family in America most conspicuous for their attainments have been the learned Theophilus Parsons, Chief Justice of Massachusetts; Andrew Parsons, Governor of Michigan; Lewis P. Parsons, Governor of Alabama; and General Lewis B. Parsons. The oldest known Parsons of record, under the herald's visitations, was John of Cuddington, A. D. 1284. In the roll of possessions of the Abbey of Malmesbury is the name of William le Parsons, 1307. It was of the south, rather than the north of England. Thomas Parsons was in the squirarchy and gentry of England and lived at Great Milton, Oxfordshire.

(I) Philip Parsons, immigrant ancestor, was among the first settlers of Enfield, Connecticut. He came from England, in 1690, already skilled as a tanner and cordwainer. He was a farmer also and he made a great deal of money in the purchase of real estate, until he was considered wealthy. His wife's Christian name was Anna, and their children were: Philip; Nathaniel, of further mention; Shubael; Thomas; Sarah; and Ebenezer.

(II) Nathaniel Parsons, son of Philip and Anna Parsons, was born at Enfield, March 11, 1709-10. He or a son of the same name fought as a soldier in the French and Indian War in 1758 in Lieutenant David Parson's company, under General Phineas Lyman, Third Company, First Regiment. He bought land on the Scantic River, January 26, 1728-29; and various other property at Enfield. Another Nathaniel Parsons appears to have lived at Enfield at the same time. He moved to Somers, Connecticut, and his wife Mary died there in her eighty-second year. They had a son, Stephen, born February 20, 1730-31. Nathaniel Parsons, son of Philip Parsons, married Alice Collins, January 29, 1735-36. Alice (Collins) Parsons was born March 14, 1716, the daughter of the Rev. Nathaniel Collins, minister of the Enfield Church, who was graduated from Harvard College in 1697; married, in 1701, Alice Adams. She was the daughter of the Rev. William Adams, of Dedham, Massachusetts; and died February 19, 1755. The Rev. Nathaniel Collins was born June 13, 1681, died February 6, 1758. He was the son of the Rev. Nathaniel Collins who was born at Cambridge, Massachusetts, March 7, 1642, and died at Middletown, Connecticut, December 28, 1684; was graduated at Harvard College in 1660; and was ordained minister at Middletown, Connecticut, November 4, 1666. He was married August 3, 1664, to Mary Whiting, daughter of William Whiting. Deacon Edward Collins, father of the Rev. Nathaniel Collins, Sr., appearing in Cambridge as early as 1638; was deacon of the first church there. He was admitted a freeman, May 13, 1640; lived many years on Governor Cradock's plantation, which he finally purchased. He was deputy to the General Court for many years; died





*Albert Parsons*



in Charleston, April 9, 1689; aged eighty-six years. Alice (Adams) Collins was a descendant of Henry Adams, the immigrant, of Braintree, Massachusetts, ancestor of John Adams, and John Quincy Adams, presidents of the United States. Alice (Bradford) Adams, wife of the Rev. William Adams, was the daughter of Major William Bradford and of Alice (Richards) Bradford, a granddaughter of Governor William Bradford, and his wife, Alice (Carpenter) Bradford. Governor Bradford, the most distinguished of the "Mayflower" Pilgrims, was a son of William Bradford, of Yorkshire, England. Children of Nathaniel and Alice (Collins) Parsons, born in Enfield: Nathaniel; Asa, born February 4, 1742; Edward, born in 1745; died in Springfield; Ebenezer, born in 1748; William, born in 1750; Shubael, of further mention; and Alice.

(III) Shubael Parsons, son of Nathaniel and Alice (Collins) Parsons, was born in 1752, died at Enfield. He married and was the father of Eben, of further mention.

(IV) Eben Parsons, son of Shubael Parsons, was born in Enfield, Massachusetts, January 3, 1788, died November 5, 1844. He was a wagon and plow maker, making plows and shipping them mainly to the South. He married (first), November 27, 1811, Anna Hall, who died February 4, 1823. He married (second) Maria Reynolds Parsons, June 22, 1826. Children of first marriage: Lucy Ann; Albert, of further mention; Anna Livina, Filena. Children of second marriage: Endora Reynolds and Edward Field.

(V) Albert Parsons, son of Eben and Anna (Hall) Parsons, was born in Enfield, Connecticut, in 1817, and died in January, 1883. He was associated with his father in the manufacture of wagons and plows; and afterwards was in business with Ephraim Potter under the firm name of Potter & Parsons, which in time became Parsons & Potter, engaged in the manufacture of wagons and plows. They also did blacksmithing and painting. Mr. Parsons was active in the Congregational Church of which he was deacon for many years. He married Helen Maria Reynolds, of Longmeadow, Massachusetts, born April 26, 1826, died October 3, 1864, daughter of George and Eunice (Patten) Reynolds. Children: 1. Eliza Helen, born January 6, 1847; married Samuel Wilson. 2. Emily Reynolds, born November 26, 1848; married John Newton Colton. 3. Howard Albert, of further mention. 4. Henrietta Amelia, born July 28, 1862; married Edgar L. Peck.

(VI) Howard Albert Parsons, son of Albert and Helen Maria (Reynolds) Parsons, was born in Enfield, Connecticut, December 20, 1860. He was educated in the schools of Enfield, Connecticut, and Wilbraham (Massachusetts) Academy. He attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College for a short time. After leaving college he conducted a greenhouse, raising plants and vegetables. He came to Amherst, Massachusetts, in 1879, and settled on a farm in North Amherst, where he has lived ever since. He owns and operates a farm of some forty acres. He keeps a herd of twelve cows, raises milk and apples and gathers cream for the Amherst creamery. He is a member of the Grange, and of

the North Congregational Church, of which he is deacon. He was superintendent of the Sunday School for twenty-five years. He married, April 5, 1882, Hattie Maria Harrington, of North Amherst, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel Emerson and Sabrina Emeline (Warner) Harrington. They were the parents of five children: 1. Albert, of further mention. 2. Emma Harrington, born August 15, 1885; librarian at Easthampton, Massachusetts, and for a number of years with the library at Amherst College. 3. Samuel Raynolds, born June 23, 1888; professor in the University of Arkansas, holding the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. 4. Edward Field, born November 25, 1897; a medical missionary in Tehchow, China, near Peking; he married, June 20, 1923, Marion Elizabeth Tucker, of Washington, District of Columbia; they have a son, John Tucker Parsons, born September 16, 1924. 5. Clarence Howard, born July 16, 1904; a student in the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

(VII) Albert Parsons, son of Howard Albert and Hattie Maria (Harrington) Parsons, was born in North Amherst, Massachusetts, June 11, 1883. He was educated in the schools of North Amherst, and at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, from which he was graduated in 1903. After graduation he remained at the college for some time under Dr. Lindsay. His work consisted of testing cows for butter fat records for the cattle clubs, using the Babcock test; also was inspector of the Babcock machines of the creameries of Massachusetts and gathered stock feeds for State analysis. He afterwards went to the Hood farm in the environs of Lowell, Massachusetts, established and conducted by C. I. Hood, since dead, owner of a noted herd of Jersey cows. He went from the Hood farm to Waverly, Massachusetts, where he continued for a time. In 1907 he went to Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, where he remained for five years as head of the Agricultural Department of the Kamehameha Schools. While in Hawaii he went to one of the other islands, breaking up land for homesteads. Returning to the United States, he went to Dover, Massachusetts, where he was manager of the Twin Ash Farm, owned by C. C. Pierce. He continued in Dover until 1913, when he came back to North Amherst and bought a milk route, and in 1917 bought a farm where he maintains a herd of blooded Ayrshire cows. He has devoted himself ever since to raising milch cattle and buying and selling milk. He is a member of the North Congregational Church and has served as clerk of the church since 1919.

Mr. Parsons married, June 30, 1909, Marion Sawyer, born in Malden, Massachusetts, daughter of Eugene Neville and Harriet Ann (Parker) Sawyer. Mrs. Parsons is a descendant of Thomas Sawyer, one of the first settlers of Lancaster, Massachusetts.

Tradition says that three brothers emigrated to America from Lincolnshire, England, sailing in a ship commanded by Captain Parker, and that their names were William, Edmund and Thomas Sawyer. They arrived in 1636, although Savage does not find William and Thomas until 1643. The fact that the Rowley records show that a tract of land was set off to Thomas Sawyer and another to Edward Sawyer in 1643, one of



the boundaries of each lot being upon the ocean side, shows that the three brothers were William, Edward and Thomas, and that they came early in 1643 or just previous. Edmund came over seven years earlier and whether he was a brother of the others cannot be ascertained, but all agree that Thomas Sawyer was in Lancaster a few years after living at Rowley, and his descendants multiplied by the thousands.

Thomas Sawyer was born in England in 1616 and died in 1706. The line of descent is through: (II) Thomas, Jr.; (III) William; (IV) Deacon Josiah; (V) Josiah, Jr.; (VI) Rufus; (VII) Addison; and (VIII) Eugene N. Sawyer. The biography of the first two ancestors follow.

Thomas Sawyer was among the first emigrants to Lancaster. Richard Linton, Lawrence Waters and Thomas Bell had gifts of land in what was afterwards Lancaster as an inducement to settle there, Thomas Sawyer coming later. He was one of the nine persons in 1653 who organized the town, and gave it the name of Lancaster. He was a blacksmith and tiller of the soil, and one of the most conspicuous of the citizens. His farm was in the present grounds of the Seventh Day Adventists, between North Lancaster and Clinton. His house was just behind the house now or lately owned by John A. Rice of Lancaster. There is a stone to mark his grave in the old graveyard at Lancaster. This house was in the most central part of the Indian raid. He seems to have escaped with all his numerous family, with the exception of his son Ephraim, who was killed at or near the house of his grandfather, John Prescott. Thomas Sawyer's garrison proved a safe defense against the French and Indians. There was among their numbers a high French officer who it is said was mortally wounded while in the fight which much exasperated them. Lancaster remained desolate for some three years, and where the family of Sawyer resided during that time is not evident, but it is certain that they soon reappeared and helped rebuild the town, and he took a prominent part in its growth and prosperity during the next thirty years. It is now believed that John Sawyer of Lancashire, England, was the father of these three brothers who came to America.

Thomas Sawyer took the oath of allegiance in 1647, and was on the list of proprietors in Lancaster in 1648. He was one of the first six settlers and one of the prudential managers of the town in 1647. He was admitted a freeman in 1654. He was a blacksmith by trade, and his house was on the east side of what is now Main Street, South Lancaster, next south of the home of his father-in-law, John Prescott. He was one of the leading men of the town all his life. He had command of one of the garrisons at the time of King Philip's War. There were only five full-fledged freemen in the town of Lancaster in 1654—Edward Breck, Richard Smith, William Kereley, John Whitcomb and Thomas Sawyer. He died September 12, 1720, aged about ninety years. His will was dated March 6, 1705-06, and proved April 12, 1720. He bequeathed to wife Mary, sons Thomas, Joshua, James, Caleb and Nathaniel, and daughter Mary Wilder. The latter testified that she had her father and mother during eight or nine months while her bro-

ther Thomas was in captivity. Her name and that of her mother was generally spelled Marie. Thomas Sawyer married Mary, daughter of John Prescott, a blacksmith, who came from Sowerby in the parish of Halifax, England, West Riding of Yorkshire, where he married Mary Blatts, a Yorkshire girl. He was born in Lancashire, and came to Lancaster, Massachusetts, in 1645-46, for the purpose of building up the town. He took the oath of allegiance in 1652. His family escaped the massacre and returned to the town in 1682. Children: Thomas, of further mention; Ephraim, killed by Indians at Prescott garrison; Mary; Elizabeth; Joshua; James; Caleb; John; Elizabeth; Deborah; Nathaniel.

Thomas Sawyer, Jr., son of Thomas Sawyer, was born July 2, 1649, died September 5, 1736, at Lancaster. His will bequeathed to four sons and two daughters, and twelve pounds to purchase a communion vessel for the Lancaster Church. He was the first white child born in Lancaster. His capture by the Indians forms one of the most familiar stories of the Colonial period in Massachusetts. At the time of his capture he was living in the garrison with his father's family. Queen Anne's War was making the lives of the colonists unsafe, especially on the frontier. Indians made frequent attacks, and massacred men, women and children. On October 16, 1695, Thomas Sawyer, Jr., his son Elias, and John Bigelow, of Marlboro, were at work in his saw mill where they were surprised and captured by the Indians. They were taken to Canada and Bigelow and young Sawyer were turned over to the French to ransom but they kept Thomas Sawyer to put to death by torture. Sawyer proposed to the French Governor that he should build a saw mill on the Chamblay River in consideration of saving his life from the Indians and giving the three captives their freedom. The French needed the mill and were glad of the opportunity. But the Indians had to be reckoned with. They insisted on burning Thomas Sawyer at the stake. They knew him and knew he was a brave man not afraid of torture and death. The crafty French Governor defeated their purpose by a ruse to the church. When Sawyer was tied to the stake a French friar appeared with a key in his hand and so terrible did he paint the tortures of purgatory, the key of which he told them he had in his hand ready to unlock, that they gave up their victim. Indians fear the unseen more than the real dangers, and doubtless the friar took care not to specify what he would do in case the *auto-do-fe* was carried out. Sawyer built the mill successfully, the first in Canada it is said. He and Bigelow came home after seven or eight months of captivity, to their delighted people. Elias Sawyer was kept a year longer to run the mill and teach the others to run it. The captives were treated well after the French found them useful to them. Thomas Sawyer married (first), 1670, Sarah, surname unknown; (second), 1672, Hannah, surname unknown; (third), 1718, Mary White. Children: Mary; Hannah; William; Joseph; Bazaleel; Elias.

Mr. and Mrs. Parsons are the parents of four children: Howard Albert, born in Honolulu, Hawaii, April 2, 1911; David Bartlett, born in Dover, Massachusetts, June 19, 1913; Richard Warner, born in North Amherst,





*Charles P. LaFrière*



Massachusetts, June 18, 1916; and Elizabeth Kaiulani, born in North Amherst, Massachusetts, October 11, 1918. The address of Albert Parsons is North Amherst, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES P. LA RIVIERE**, city clerk of Chicopee since 1922, was born in St. Albans, Vermont, April 20, 1877, the son of Henry and Felanice (Perrins) La Riviere. His father was a machinist by trade, and was employed in the Overman Wheel Company in Chicopee and Chicopee Falls. The family moved to Chicopee when Charles P. was fourteen years old, and he was educated in the public schools of Chicopee, while he attended night school in Chicopee Falls after he had begun to work for himself. He was for three years in the draughting department of the Overman Wheel Company; then with Spaulding & Pepper, manufacturers of bicycle tires for a year and a half, and was one year and a half in the Chicopee Falls Machine Shop. He again returned to the draughting department of the Overman Wheel Company, and continued in that connection until the business was closed up, about a year and a half. His next employment was as draughtsman for the J. T. Stevens Arm and Tool Company. He also acted as accountant and did general office work. He is a trustee of the Chicopee Falls Savings Bank, and represents Ward No. 5 on the Chicopee School Board. After ten years with the Stevens Arms and Tool Company he became timekeeper for the Fisk Rubber Company, and continued for one and a half years. He was in business under the firm name of La Riviere & St. Marie, dealers in general furnishings, shoes, and the like in Chicopee Falls, at No. 108 Main Street. He was elected city clerk in 1922, reelected in 1925 for a three year term, and continues to fill that office. He has been financial secretary for the Foresters of America, Court Daulac, No. 113, for twenty years; member of the Knights of Columbus, Elder Council of Chicopee Falls; of Navajo Tribe, No. 95, Improved Order of Red Men, of Chicopee, of which he is Past Sachem and one of the organizers; and is a member of the St. Jean Baptiste Society, of which he has been a member since he was sixteen years old. He is a member of the Laurier Club, and of the Kiwanis Club, of Chicopee Falls. He attends the Roman Catholic Church of St. George.

Mr. La Riviere was married, April 26, 1899, in Chicopee Falls, to Corinne L. Maynard, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Chamberlain) Maynard, long residents of Chicopee Falls. They are the parents of Edna, born December 8, 1900, who married Philip Ologny; he served in the World War and was overseas about three years. He held the rank of lieutenant in the Vermont Division; also a son, named Norman, who was born November 20, 1911. The business address of Mr. La Riviere is the City Hall, Chicopee. His house address is No. 24 Fulton Street, Chicopee Falls.

**EDWARD HEATH WILSON**, business man of exceptionally high qualities, passed out of this life November 23, 1923, thus breaking the partnership in the firm James & E. H. Wilson, Inc., which had existed since 1902. At the time of his death he was holding the office of vice-president, this position now having been

taken over by his nephew, Charles H. Wilson, a biography of whom appears elsewhere.

Mr. Wilson was born in Pittsfield, December 9, 1846, the son of Solomon and Mary Elizabeth (Dunham) Wilson. His father, Solomon Wilson, was superintendent of L. Pomeroy's Sons Company, woolen manufacturers, also of Pittsfield. The education of Edward H. Wilson was obtained in the public and high schools of Pittsfield, in which city he grew to manhood. At the age of eighteen he entered upon his business career by becoming an employee of the Pittsfield Woolen Company, acting in the capacity of clerk and later becoming bookkeeper. This was the mill that in 1904 was purchased by the James & E. H. Wilson Company and which is now being operated as an auxiliary to their original mill at Taconia. Mr. Wilson remained with this firm for about five years, then opportunity of a better position presenting itself, he left Pittsfield and entered the employ of Walter Brown, wool commission merchant of New York City. This was about the year 1869 and from that time until his death he remained a resident of Brooklyn, New York, although at his death his business interests were in Pittsfield. In 1874 he started in business for himself, opening his office at No. 105 Reade Street, New York City, and under the title of Edward H. Wilson, he did business as a wool broker and dealer, continuing in this until 1898. In the year 1902 he formed a partnership with his brother, James Wilson (q. v.) of Pittsfield, and under the name of James & E. H. Wilson they conducted a business of woolen manufactures. In 1917 Charles H. Wilson was admitted a partner, and in 1922 the firm incorporated, Mr. Wilson of this review being then made vice-president, which office he was holding at the time of his demise.

Mr. Wilson was a member of the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church of Brooklyn, and was a Republican in politics.

On June 18, 1901, Mr. Wilson was united in marriage with Ellen Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of Captain Hugh Hamilton and Martha (Harper) Thompson, the ceremony taking place in Brooklyn. There were no children of this marriage.

**JAMES WILSON**—Representing one of the extensive woolen manufactories in the United States is James Wilson, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. As president of this organization which to-day is doing business under the title of James & E. H. Wilson, Inc., he is handling large responsibilities.

The location of this factory is on the Housatonic River below Pontoosuc Lake, and in the early settlement of the town this same site was occupied by an iron forge. In 1856 this property was purchased by the Taconic Manufacturing Company, who built a mill and began the manufacture of union cassimeres. This business continued until 1873, when operations suspended and the factory remained idle for a number of years or until 1880. At this time it was leased and operated by James Wilson, of Pittsfield, and Michael Glennon, of Dalton, who began the manufacture of union cassimeres, employing in their plant at that time about one hundred and twenty-five hands. Mr. Glennon later retired from the firm and his successor was Arthur Horton, who was ad-

mitted to the firm in 1886, the firm name then becoming Wilson & Horton. This partnership continued until 1900, when Mr. Wilson bought out the interest of Mr. Horton, and the firm continued its operations until 1917 under the title of James & E. H. Wilson. In this year Mr. Charles H. Wilson was admitted to partnership, and in 1922 the concern was incorporated under the name of James & E. H. Wilson, Inc., James Wilson becoming president, Edward H. Wilson, vice-president, and Charles H. Wilson, treasurer (see biographies of Charles H. and Edward H. Wilson). The output of this factory is woolen and woolen-and-worsted cloth, the annual production being approximately 1,000,000 yards. During the World War this concern was one of the many called upon to serve, and from October, 1914, to December, 1915, it turned out about 125,000 military blankets and 750,000 yards of uniform cloth for some of the European armies. In the year 1904 the factory was greatly enlarged by an additional building, and also by its purchase of the property known as the Bel Air Mills, a short distance south of the original mills. These are now operated as an auxiliary to the main mill.

James Wilson is a native of Pittsfield, having been born in that city September 23, 1848. He is the son of Solomon and Mary Elizabeth (Dunham) Wilson, also residents of Pittsfield, and the father also interested in the woolen industry, being associated with L. Pomeroy's Sons, woolen manufacturers of Pittsfield.

Mr. Wilson received his education in the public schools of Pittsfield, then began his career as a business man. In 1865 he was an employee of the Western Massachusetts Fire Insurance Company, of Pittsfield, but in 1866, upon suspension of operations, he went with the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of Springfield. In 1867 he formed a partnership with Jarvis N. Dunham, of Pittsfield, who was previously the secretary of the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and together they worked as agents for the above company and others. They were successful in their undertaking and continued in this business until 1879, when the opportunity presented itself for Mr. Wilson to engage in the woolen industry. Mr. Wilson is a man always alert and wide awake and this looked to him a real opportunity which it has proved to be. In 1880 he made the change, entering a partnership with Michael Glennon, and leasing the property formerly known as the Taconic Mills. His business has changed partnerships as has been previously related, but he has continued to "carry on," until to-day (1925) he is at the head of a very large organization.

Having been born and reared in Pittsfield, Mr. Wilson has many friends in this section of the country and he is an influential and public-spirited citizen. He is a director of the Pittsfield National Bank, and of the Berkshire Mutual Fire Insurance Company. A Republican in his political views, he has held the office of town clerk of Pittsfield, and was at one time offered the nomination for mayor of the city of Pittsfield, by both the Republican and Democratic parties. His club membership includes the Park and Country Clubs of Pittsfield, and his church membership is with the First Congregational Church.

James Wilson was married, in Pittsfield, June 7, 1871, to Harriet Denning Strong, daughter of Rev. Edward and Margaret Scott (Sherman) Strong, and to this marriage have been born three children: Edward S., born June 9, 1872; Charles H., born October 15, 1877, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere; and Henry Norman, born May 3, 1886, died September 25, 1886.

**CHARLES HULBERT WILSON**—A man of character who has had a thorough business training under the tutorage of his able father is Charles H. Wilson, of Pittsfield. From the time he entered his father's woolen manufactory he has shown ability and a liking for his work and has risen rapidly from one position to another until he is now shouldering the responsibilities of the offices of treasurer and vice-president. The concern is now doing business under the title of James & E. H. Wilson, Inc., and are manufacturers of woolen materials (for details of the business see biography of James Wilson, preceding).

Mr. Wilson was born in Pittsfield, October 15, 1877, and has to his credit a very fine educational training. He was a student at Joseph E. Peirson's private school for boys, in Pittsfield, then was an attendant at the Hotchkiss School at Lakeville, Connecticut. From this school he went to Yale University, from which he graduated in 1900, receiving at the time his Bachelor of Arts degree. His school studies completed he returned home and in the same year of his graduation he entered his father's business, learning the business from the bottom up. He showed remarkable executive ability and therefore it is not strange that he should have attained to the high position of treasurer of the firm. In 1923, upon the death of his uncle, Edward H. Wilson, he was also elected its vice-president and he is handling the duties of this office with the same ability that has characterized all his other work.

Mr. Wilson is a director of the Pittsfield National Bank; the Pittsfield Morris Plan Bank; and is a trustee of the City Savings Bank. His political views are, like his father's, centered with the Republican Party, although he has never held any public office. Mr. Wilson is a member of the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, and he affiliates as a member of the following clubs: University, of New York; Yale, of Boston; and the Park, and Country, of Pittsfield.

Charles Hulbert Wilson married, in Pittsfield, April 4, 1913, Mrs. Lena Edge (Wyman) Sampson, of Augusta, Maine, daughter of Silas and Mary Jarvis (Houdlette) Wyman. They have had born to them three children, one of whom is now deceased. They are: Charles Hurlbert, Jr., born August 15, 1915, died August 17, 1915; Virginia, born December 20, 1916; and James (2d), born March 12, 1921.

**GEORGE BROWN WATERMAN**, postmaster of Williamstown, is a descendant of an old and prominent Massachusetts family, his paternal great-grandfather, John Waterman, who was born in Coventry, Rhode Island, May 18, 1755, came to Cheshire, Massachusetts, in the latter part of 1776 or 1777. During the first and second years of the Revolutionary War he was a sailor







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or privateersman annoying the commerce of Great Britain. After coming to Massachusetts he made his home for two years in the family of Captain Daniel Brown, remaining there in the absence of the captain while he was in command of his company at the Battle of Bennington, August 16, 1777. Mr. Waterman was enrolled as a minute man. In 1803 he moved to his farm adjoining the village of North Adams. During his youth he had received but a limited education, but he became one of the best informed men of his day, and was fortunate in numbering among his friends such men as Dr. William Towner, who practiced medicine in Cheshire before his removal to Williamstown, and Elder John Leland. Mr. Waterman served as a delegate from Adams to the State convention of 1820, for amending the constitution of Massachusetts, and previous to that time had been a member of the legislature. He was of a social disposition, and was kind to the poor and unfortunate. He moved to Williamstown in 1829, and his death occurred there May 28, 1830, at the good old age of seventy-five years. He married, about 1780, Anna Hall, a native of Stafford, Connecticut, and they were the parents of eight children all born in Cheshire, the eldest of the five sons being William, of whom further.

(II) Colonel William Waterman, son of John and Anna (Hall) Waterman, was born April 6, 1784, at Stafford Hill, Cheshire, Massachusetts, in a house that is still standing on the southern slope of that hill. He owned the Sand Springs, kept by his son, Henry B. Waterman, of whom further, near Williamstown.

(III) Henry Bucklin Waterman, son of Colonel William Waterman, was accidentally killed by a Troy & Boston Railroad train as he was crossing the tracks near the springs. He married Catherine Brown, a daughter of Joseph Brown of Goole, England, who was born there and learned the machinist's trade; and granddaughter of George Brown, who was the founder of the family in America, coming from England where he had been a linen manufacturer. He located at Schaghticote, New York, where he started a linen factory, and was there married. He conducted this factory until he reached an advanced age, when he retired from business and all active business pursuits. He died in 1846. His son, Joseph Brown, with others, was the founder of the Episcopal Church at Schaghticote. His death occurred in 1849. Henry Bucklin and Catherine (Brown) Waterman, had a son, George Brown, of whom further.

(IV) George Brown Waterman, to-day (1924) the Postmaster of Williamstown, was born July 10, 1862, son of Henry Bucklin and Catherine (Brown) Waterman. His education in the public schools of his native town was supplemented by study at Glen Seminary, a private school in Williamstown. At the age of seventeen he entered the business world, and was thereafter engaged in work at Valley Falls, Troy and North Adams. He came to Williamstown as manager for T. W. Richmond & Company's Coal office, and for nine years was also agent for the National Express Company of that town. In 1889 he formed a partnership with Fred E. Moore, the firm name being Waterman & Moore, and they purchased the property occupied by the old Union House and Methodist Church which they remodeled, the old church part was later occupied by the town hall. The

firm bought out the T. W. Richmond & Company's coal business at Williamstown, a branch of the North Adams firm, and to this added lumber, lime, cement, and building materials. In addition to his extensive business interests, Mr. Waterman has always found time to devote himself to the public interests, and he has been active in the political life of this section. In 1895 he was elected a representative from the First Berkshire District to the Massachusetts State Legislature, and again served in this capacity from 1915 to 1918. He was Chairman of Selectmen of Williamstown from 1907-8; a member of the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention in 1917; and for many years was a member of the board of registrars; and a member of the Cemetery Commission for a period of twenty-seven years. He is a member of the Board of Trade; of the Berkshire Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; and in his church connection is a member of the First Congregational Church of Williamstown, in which he has served as deacon for many years.

George Brown Waterman married, September 28, 1898, at Albany, New York, Frances Laura Brockway, only daughter of the late David Brockway, a native of Stephentown, New York, and a lawyer of marked ability. Mr. Brockway had studied his profession in Ballston Spa, New York, and practiced in Troy, and subsequently in Topeka, Kansas, where he retired from the practice of law, and whence he removed to Albany, New York, where his daughter was married to Mr. Waterman.

**THOMAS PATRICK HENNELLY**, advancing in the forefront with his profession in Western Massachusetts, specializing in its surgical department, and allying his methods with those of up-to-date discovery and incentive, is a surgeon and physician of widely recognized talents and ability. Established in his practice at Pittsfield for a period of sixteen years, the repute of his skill is not confined to this section, and among honors that have come to him are those of association with some of the foremost medical fraternities of State and Nation.

Thomas Patrick Hennelly was born in Waltham, Massachusetts, March 18, 1882, the son of Thomas and Margaret (Creavin) Hennelly, and received his education at the schools of his native place and at Boston College. He afterwards matriculated at Tufts College, and graduated there with the class of 1904, receiving his degree of Bachelor of Arts. In preparation for his chosen vocation, he graduated at the Harvard University Medical School in the class of 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Medicine. He then for some time enjoyed the advantages attaching to interne and house surgeon practice at both the Free Hospital For Women and the City Hospital in Boston, and meantime was appointed investigator for the Massachusetts State Board of Health. He began the practice of medicine in Pittsfield, in 1910, a practice that is for the larger part surgical. Since 1922 he has been a member of the Pittsfield Board of Health, and he is a member of the surgical and medical staff of House of Mercy Hospital, of Boylan Memorial Hospital and of Saint Luke's Hospital, and consulting surgeon and a trustee of the Berkshire School for Crippled Children, all Pittsfield



Institutions. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the American Medical Association, of the Massachusetts Medical Society, of the Berkshire County Medical Society and of the New York and New England Association of Railway Surgeons.

He is a member of Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus, of the Park Club, of the Father Mathew Temperance Association, of the Boylston Medical Club and of the Aesculapian Club of Harvard Medical School. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

During the World War Dr. Hennelly was a member of the Medical Advisory Board of Western Massachusetts, stationed in Central Berkshire County. He is medical examiner for The Travellers' Life Insurance Company; Home Life Insurance Company; The Saving Bank Life Insurance Company; Berkshire Life Insurance Company; John Hancock Life Insurance Company; and is surgeon for the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Dr. Thomas P. Hennelly married, in 1914, Helen Elizabeth Wickham of South Lee, and they are the parents of: Mary W.; Thomas P. Jr.; Margaret; Louise and Jane Hennelly.

**WILLIAM EDWARD STAPLES**—The same energetic characteristics that were the means of conquering all hardships that apparently stood in the path of Mr. Staples' career during the earlier part of his life have proven the dominant feature of his activities, and have accompanied him throughout an interesting course both of service and of leadership in the business and the political world. He is conceded to be one of the Western Massachusetts captains of industry and of civic advancement, who, beginning life with but few advantages of a material kind, overcame all difficulties by sheer hard work, pluck, and native resourcefulness, and achieved his present place of high esteem among his fellowmen. The community has been the gainer because of his enterprising relationships to the advancement of the business interests of Pittsfield. Not only has he frequently been accorded offices of trust in local business and politics, but in the State Legislature he continues to fulfill the highest anticipations of his many friends. He is a son of Chauncey Staples, who by occupation was a farmer, and of Bridget (Shannon) Staples.

William Edwards Staples was born in Adams, March 31, 1866, and he attended the Richmond district schools until he was about eleven years of age when, as his father had died while he was a child, it became incumbent upon him to go to work in cotton mills in Berkshire County. He came to Pittsfield in 1891, and found employment with the Stanley Company, now the General Electric Company, with whom he remained for eleven years, during which time he also took a correspondence course in electrical engineering in a Scranton (Pennsylvania) School. By these means he so fitted himself for other service that in 1902 he was appointed superintendent of the pumping station for the city of Pittsfield, and so served until 1919. In that year he was elected as alderman to represent Pittsfield's Seventh

Ward, and served upon such important committees as those of light and fuel, salary, accounts and police. In 1920 he was elected from the Fourth Berkshire District, to serve out the unexpired term of the late John Marshall in the Massachusetts State Legislature. He was reelected to the same office for the term 1923-24, and he has served with credit upon the light and power and the highways and motor vehicles committees. In the general election of 1924 he was candidate from the First Congressional District to the great and general court of Massachusetts (State Senate). Mr. Staples is one of the organizers, past president, and a member of the board of directors of the Pittsfield Coöperative Coal Company. Prudent foresight and wise conservation and direction of his property interests have enabled him to retire with a competency. He had been able to save but \$500 at the time of his marriage, but to-day his tenements and other property are worth \$80,000 and he has been enabled to give his children the advantages of high school and college training. He has always been an active Democrat and is chairman of the Seventh Ward Committee of the Pittsfield Democratic City Committee.

Mr. Staples was a delegate from the First Massachusetts District to the National Democratic Convention in New York City in June and July, 1924, at which John W. Davis, of West Virginia, and C. W. Bryan, of Nebraska, were the nominees.

Mr. Staples' fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus, and the Loyal Order of Moose; and he is a life-member of the Father Mathew Temperance Society, and a member of the Veteran Firemen's Association, having been an active fireman for two years. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and is a member of the Holy Name Society connected with its parish.

Mr. Staples married Margaret Hanrahan, of Adams, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of eleven children: 1. V. J. Staples, Doctor of Dental Surgery, who received his degree at Tufts Dental College, and is practicing in Springfield. He married Virginia Crokan, and they are the parents of Marjorie Staples. 2. Chauncey, who died at the age of seven and one-half years. 3. Anna, who died at one and one-half years. 4. Hazel, who married Joseph Curran, and who have two children: Robert and Betty Curran. 5. Mary, who married James F. Fitzgerald. 6. Margaret. 7. Dorothy. 8. Helene. 9. Irene. 10. William, who died April 14, 1924; he was in his twenty-second year and within six weeks of graduation at the University of Vermont. 11. Alberta.

**LOUIS L. KEEFE**—Born of a family that for generations has made its home in Massachusetts, Louis L. Keefe, to-day the mayor of Westfield, Massachusetts, was born in Ontario, Canada, but being of American parentage, is naturally a native born citizen. Reared and educated in Westfield, which has always been the family home, he started in his business career on the completion of his education, and after learning thoroughly the business that he had decided to follow, he very early made a start for himself, under his own name, and he has carried his establishment to a fine point of



efficiency and usefulness to his locality. A man of breadth of outlook, he always took an interest in public matters and affairs, and it has been a natural development that he has been called upon to serve his community in official capacity. This he has done officially for the past decade, in one capacity or another, until in 1923 he was elected to his present high position in the community, and reelected to that incumbency again in 1925. He is a man who is deeply interested in the progressive welfare of his city, and is affiliated with organized endeavor in many fields; he holds membership in civic, fraternal and church organizations, and is active in promoting the advancement of thought in all affairs that tend to the betterment of conditions and the human welfare of his center. Starting out in life with the high ambition to be of service to his fellowmen, through every adventure in the business world and in his social occupations, Mr. Keefe has not lost sight of his goal, and so he has been called to a larger service of his fellows. As Henry Van Dyke has so beautifully said:

Life is an arrow—therefore you must know  
What mark to aim at, how to use the bow—  
Then draw it to the head and let it go.

This Mayor Keefe has done, and he has earned his esteemed place in the hearts and minds of the people he is serving.

Louis L. Keefe was born September 17, 1870, at Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada, son of Cornelius and Ellen (Carey) Keefe. His father was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, and his mother was a native of Albany, New York, both deceased. His father was a well-known cigar maker in the city where the family have always made their home. The son was educated in the public schools of Westfield, and upon graduation, started in the plumbing and heating business. By the time he was twenty-six years old he was in business for himself, in which he has continued up to the present time (1925). Mr. Keefe is one of the leading Democrats in the State of Massachusetts, being elected as Mayor of his city in 1922, and reelected again in 1924. He was elected a member of the Board of Selectmen in 1916, where he remained four years. He can always be depended upon to take interest in everything which pertains to the civic uplift of the town, and no worthy cause suffers for lack of his attention. He is a most conscientious executive and has fostered many a movement to put Westfield in the vanguard of progress. He holds membership in the Loyal Order of Moose; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Improved Order of Redmen; and is prominent in the work of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of Westfield.

Louis L. Keefe married, on February 8, 1898, at Westfield, Annie C. Travers, a native of that city, daughter of Bernard Travers, born in Boston, Massachusetts. They are the parents of five children: 1. Alice. 2. Daniel. 3. Irving. 4. Robert. 5. Anna. All of the children were born in Westfield.

**CLARENCE HARLAND FISHER**—One of the Fisher families of Western Massachusetts are originally of Nova Scotian derivation and can be traced back to

David Fisher who came from England, settled in Nova Scotia, and had a son John Parr, of whom further.

(II) John Parr Fisher, son of David Fisher, appears to have been the first white child born in Stodick, Nova Scotia. His wife's name was Agnes and they had ten children: George, of whom further; Betsy, Robert, Martha, Nancy, Samuel, John C., William, Thomas, Hannah.

(III) George Fisher, son of John Parr Fisher, born in Nova Scotia, married May Ann Jenkins, who was born on board a ship. They had five children: Robert, of whom further; Belle, Lizzie, Jessie, and Louis.

(IV) Robert Fisher, son of George Fisher, was a native of Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he was born January 6, 1846, and died in Greenfield, October 13, 1918. He was a chairmaker by trade, working for one company in Gardner for thirty years and for another concern for five years. Later he was connected in business with his son George in Greenfield and in South Deerfield. He was a member of the Grange, and at one time also held membership in the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He was the husband of Lizzie E. Baker, a native of Baldwinville, died February 8, 1923, who was a daughter of George Holden and Roxena L. (Nichols) Baker, and was the mother of five children: 1. George Robert, of whom further. 2. Carrie, deceased. 3. Minnie, deceased. 4. Mabel R., who married Warren Dwyer. 5. Earnest, deceased.

(V) George Robert Fisher, son of Robert Fisher, was born in Baldwinville, on July 15, 1869, and received his education in his native town and in Gardner. Until his seventeenth year he worked for his father in the chainshop in Gardner, and also made himself useful to his father on the farm. After this he entered the retail dairy trade and bought a milk route in South Gardner, which he operated for two years. For the next three years he ran a bus line in Gardner concurrently with another one in Athol. Having sold out his business in Gardner, he moved to and settled in Athol, where for seven years he ran a livery stable and bus business. From Athol he came to Greenfield, where he conducted the American Horse Livery Company for fourteen years owning as many as twenty-four horses. In 1904 he changed the horses for automobiles, was the first man in Greenfield who kept automobiles for hire and also owned the first seven passenger car in the place. In February, 1911, he purchased the Piquot Garage in Athol, which he kept and worked for nine months when he sold it. In January 1912, he entered the garage business in South Deerfield, and at one time operated two garages in the village. He does an extensive livery business, has some very fine and high class cars running and employs about half a dozen men in his garage work. Upon the discontinuance of the Greenfield trolley car line Mr. Fisher stepped in to supply the deficiency by setting up a line of his busses which he began running on March 31, 1924. They run between Sunderland, South Deerfield, Deerfield and Greenfield, making eleven round trips a day and the effect of this change has been that the public are better served than they were in the times of the trolley line. Mr. Fisher is a member of the Tully Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of

Athol, the Green River Encampment and the Canton Davis of Greenfield, and also holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Improved Order of Red Men.

On February 13, 1888, he married Carrie E. Whittaker, of Goshen, Vermont, who is a daughter of Edward and Mary Whittaker, and they have a son Clarence H., of whom further.

(VI) Clarence Harland Fisher, son of George Robert and Carrie E. (Whittaker) Fisher, is a native of Gardner, where he was born on September 21, 1893, and educated in the schools of Greenfield and Athol. He has always been identified with the livery and garage business, and has been his father's right hand in many respects, being also an expert mechanic. He is now active in his father's garage in South Deerfield, where father and son do a most extensive automobile business, and have installed an excellent and convenient service of buses between Sunderland, South Deerfield and Greenfield. He is a member of the Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and is also a thirty-second degree Mason of the Scottish Rite. For seven years he has been a Captain of the Fire Department in South Deerfield and is also a member of the State Firemen's Association, and the Prudential Committee of the Fire District.

On August 31, 1910, he married Mary E. Young, of Greenfield, who is a daughter of Henry H. and Margaret (Bachus) Young.

**ARCHER ROBERTS SIMPSON**—A lawyer, well-established in Springfield, Massachusetts, and prominent in social and other circles, Archer Roberts Simpson was born in Dover, New Hampshire, May 6, 1885. He was graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, in 1907, entered Yale University, and was graduated from that institution in 1911, and then went to the Law School of George Washington University, from which he was graduated in 1915. He has now practiced law for ten years and is senior member of the firm of Simpson, Clason & Callahan. Mr. Simpson was a member of the Springfield City Council for four years, and its president for two years. During the World War he attended the Officers' School at Fort Monroe, Virginia. In Masonry he is a member of the lodges up to and including the Shrine. He is very active in club life, being a member of the Nayasset Club, the Winthrop Club, the University Club, the Exchange Club, the Springfield Country Club, and the Automobile Club. In religion he attends the South Church of Springfield. His parents are Joseph Archer Simpson, who is a merchant, and Inis (Roberts) Simpson.

On November 17, 1915, Mr. Simpson married, at Hightstown, New Jersey, Ethel Gordon, daughter of Forman H. and Elizabeth (Perrine) Gordon. They are the parents of a daughter, Barbara Simpson, born January 19, 1923.

**MYRON JAMES FARR**—The surname of Farr is believed by many to be identical with Farrar, and there is considerable reason for the supposition as persons of both names appear simultaneously in the different localities of New England. It is derived from a Latin

word meaning iron and was probably used as a place name before it came into use as a family name. It was first known in England from Gualkeline (or Walckeline) de Ferraris, a Norman of distinction attached to William, Duke of Normandy, before the conquest of England in 1066. From him all of the name in England and America appear to be descended. His son Henry de Ferrars appears on the roll of the Battle Abbey among the principal companions of the Conqueror, and as the first of the family in England. When the general survey of the realm recorded in the Domesday Book was made in the fourteenth year of the Conqueror's reign, Henry de Ferrars was one of the commissioners appointed to compile the work. He bore for his arms:

**Arms—Argent, six horse shoes pierced sable.**

The first of the name in New England was George Farr, who settled in Salem in 1629, coming with Higginson; was admitted freeman in 1635, settled finally at Lynn, and left eight children. Most of the families spelling the name Farr are descended from Stephen Farr.

His descendant, Daniel Farr, born in February, 1744, died in 1798, settled in Chesterfield, New Hampshire, in 1761, and married Lucita Walton. He came from Storr, Massachusetts, and was a soldier in the Revolution.

His grandson, Joseph Farr, a native of New Hampshire, was a school teacher for a number of years and later became a farmer. He died at the age of forty-eight years in Windham, Vermont, and had nine children, one of whom was Micah.

Micah Farr, a native of Chesterfield, New Hampshire, born in March, 1800, died in 1861. He removed to Windham, Vermont, and was a farmer. He married Sally Stearns, a native of Windham, born November, 1799, and died 1879. They were the parents of the following children: James L., of whom further; George A.; Sarah E., who married Mr. Ranson; W. Carpenter.

James L. Farr, born on December 7, 1831, at Windham, Vermont, died at Greenfield, Massachusetts, on October 25, 1895. He spent the early years of his life in his native town, where he was educated in the district schools. For nine years he followed the profession of farming, but after that sold his farm and removed to Westminster, Vermont, where he remained two years. Later he spent two years in Grafton, Vermont, returning from there to Windham for a six years' stay. From there he moved to South Vermont, where he remained three years. In 1876 he came to Greenfield, where he passed several years farming, confining himself mostly to dairying. While in Windham, Vermont, he served on the Board of Assessors, and during his stay in Greenfield, always took an active interest in anything pertaining to the welfare of the town. In politics he was a Republican, in religion a member of the Congregational Church. He married (first), in 1856, Mary H. Stiles, of Grafton, Vermont, who died in October, 1871. He married (second) Mrs. Julia (Dunklee) Banks, of Sunderland. A child of the first marriage, Mary A., died aged fourteen years, and a son, Myron J., of whom further. A child of the second marriage, Vinnie M., is deceased.

Myron James Farr was born December 2, 1861, in







Frank E. Dow.

Windham, Vermont, son of James L. and Mary Hortensia (Stiles) Farr. He received his preliminary education in Windham, Vermont, and Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools, and afterwards studied at Powers Institute, Bernardston. After leaving school he started farming, dairying, and selling milk for a few years. In the year 1895 he saw a favorable chance and associated with F. L. Burnham, his father-in-law, and two years later in 1897, he bought out Mr. Burnham's business and continued alone. In 1899 he sold out his lumber business and entered the service of the Franklin County Lumber Company as a member of this company and also as a director and yard foreman, remaining with them in this capacity for twenty-three years. Since this time he has bought a farm on the outskirts of the village and is again farming. For the past three years Mr. Farr, who takes a keen interest in all public affairs, has been selectman of Greenfield. In religion he is a member of the First Congregational Church, in which he is deeply interested, being treasurer of the building committee in raising a fund of \$30,000. His fraternal associations include membership of the Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Green River Encampment, Canton Davis; member of the Glen Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen. Mr. Farr has held all the offices and honorary posts of the Odd Fellows Lodge to which he belongs.

Myron James Farr married, April 11, 1888, Lizzie Mabel Burnham, a daughter of Frederic L. and Katherine (Tracy) Burnham, born September 15, 1867, died June 13, 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Farr were the parents of five children: 1. Alma Hope, born May 8, 1889, a graduate nurse, now a district nurse. 2. Mary Edna, born November 23, 1890. 3. Rollin James, born June 14, 1896, was educated in the schools of Greenfield, and graduated from the high school. During the World War he rendered national service after qualifying in the Wentworth Institute in Boston, making a specialty of automobile repairing; since the war he has had charge of the Reo automobile service station in Greenfield; Mr. Farr married, August 4, 1919, Eunice Emeline Peterson. 4. Lizzie, born June 4, 1898, died in infancy. 5. Mabelle Vinnie, born January 7, 1906.

**FRANK EDWARD DOW, M. D.**—Dow is one of the oldest family names known in England. It goes back to the beginning of the use of family names. The American family traces its ancestry back to:

(I) John Dow, who died at Tylner, Norfolk County, England, in July, 1581, and mentioned in his will two brothers, William and Thomas, and three children, Thomas, John and Edith.

(II) Thomas Dow was born in Tylner, and lived afterward in Runham, Norfolk. He married Margaret (surname unknown) and had children: Henry, of further mention; Christopher; and two daughters.

(III) Henry Dow, son of Thomas Dow, was born in County Norfolk, England, and lived at Runham. He married Elizabeth and their children were: Thomas, of further mention; Henry, born about 1608, and settled in Hampton, New Hampshire; and Edward; Mary; Francis; and William.

(IV) Thomas Dow (2), son of Henry Dow, was the immigrant ancestor, an early settler of Newbury, Massachusetts, admitted freeman June 22, 1642. He bought a house and land in Newbury in 1648, and removed to Haverhill, where he died May 31, 1654. His nuncupative will was dated May 29, 1654, and proved February 2, 1656. He married Phoebe (surname unknown), and they were the parents of John, of further mention; Thomas; Stephen; Mary; and Martha.

(V) John (2) Dow, son of Thomas (2) Dow, was born about 1640, married October 23, 1665, Mary Page, and had a son, John, ancestor of the Atkinson, New Hampshire family of Dow.

(VI) John (3) Dow, son of John (2) Dow, was born in 1672 and married, May 23, 1696, Sarah Brown; they had a son John (4), of further mention.

(VII) John (4) Dow, son of John (3) Dow, was born at Haverhill, August 19, 1707, settled with others at Atkinson, New Hampshire, formerly a part of Haverhill, Massachusetts. He married Mehitable Haines, June 23, 1728, and their children were Abraham, of further mention; Job; John; Moses; James.

(VIII) Abraham Dow, son of John (4) Dow, was born about 1730, and settled in Salem, New Hampshire, formerly a part of Haverhill. He was released from church taxes in 1774 because he belonged to the Church of England. He was selectman in 1768 and 1797; justice of the peace, 1789-1790. In 1781 he was a witness before a trial conducted by the Committee of Safety. He married Susanna (surname unknown); their children born at Salem were: Thomas (3), of further mention; Susanna, and Mehitable.

(IX) Lieutenant Thomas (3) Dow, son of Abraham Dow, was born at Salem August 19, 1753. He was a soldier in the Revolution; selectman of Salem, 1797-1798. He kept a tavern in the house owned afterward by Seth M. Pattee. He married, December 2, 1773, Elizabeth Jones at Salem. Their children were: 1. Abraham, born March 10, 1775. 2. Child, October 17, 1776. 3. Abraham (2), October 23, 1777. 4. Rachel, born February 24, 1780. 5. Evan, born December 5, 1781. 6. Child, August 9, 1783. 7. Betty, born September 9, 1784. 8. Susanna, born March 12, 1786; married a Miss Hoyt. 9. Amos, born May 7, 1787. 10. Moses, born March 3, 1789. 11. Relief, born March 25, 1791. 12. Jones, born April 27, 1792. 13. Hezekiah, born July 18, 1794. 14. Relief (2), born June 29, 1796. 15. Louisa, born August 18, 1798, died July 24, 1865; married November 29, 1827, Samuel A. Ketchum.

John Dow, grandfather of Frank Edward Dow, was born in Atkinson, New Hampshire. He was an educator, and lived in West Chester, Pennsylvania. His wife's maiden name was Bartlett, and they had as children: Elizabeth, Helen, John, of further mention; and Job.

John Dow, son of John Dow, was born in Atkinson in 1844 and died in Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1912, at the age of sixty-eight. He was well educated; was graduated from Atkinson Academy, and went to West Chester, Pennsylvania, early in life. He was in the grocery business, with meats and provisions as a side line and became an owner of some property. His



later years of retirement were passed in Lynn, Massachusetts. He was interested in military affairs; a member of the Wooldridge Cadets; of the 8th Regiment, Company I, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, holding the rank of Sergeant. He was a member of Bay State Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Lynn; and a communicant of the Central Congregational Church. He married Mary Phoebe Little of Hampsted, New Hampshire, and they were the parents of Ethlyn, who married John T. Rogers of Lynn, Massachusetts; John Carlton, Frank Edward, of further mention, and Rena.

Frank Edward Dow, son of John Dow, was born in Lynn, February 5, 1882, where he was educated in the public and high schools and Tufts Medical College, receiving his diploma from the latter in 1910, and post graduate work in the Dimmer Clinic, Allgemeines Kraukenhaus, Vienna, Austria, 1925. He has specialized in Ophthalmology, and began practice in Boston. He moved to Northampton in 1911, and has been in practice in that city ever since. He was commissioned captain during the World War, and assigned to medical research work, in the Air Service Department at Hazelhurst Field, Mineola, Long Island. He is a member of the American Medical Association; the Massachusetts Medical Society, the New England Ophthalmological Society; The American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto Laryngology; Member American Medical Association of Vienna, Austria; the Medical Veterans of the World War Association, and of the Military Surgeons of the United States. He is president of the Kiwanis Club of Northampton; President of Hampshire County Medical Society 1925-26; chairman of the City Planning Board, 1917 to 1924; chairman of the Medical Advisory Board, 1917-1918. He is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Perfection Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Masons; of the Alpha Kappa Kappa college fraternity; of the Northampton Club, and others.

Dr. Dow is Ophthalmologist at the Colby-Dickinson Hospital; consulting Ophthalmologist at the Veterans' Hospital, No. 95, at Northampton. He was director of the Community Symphony Orchestra for eight years and for eight years assistant in the department of music at Smith College.

He married, September 22, 1909, Marion Dole, of Roxbury, Massachusetts, daughter of John Woodman and Harriet H. (Wilde) Dole. Their children are Eleanor, Richard Woodman, Harriet and Barbara Dow.

**CHARLES S. FERRY**—The firm of Charles S. Ferry & Son, lumber dealers of Pittsfield, which has been conducting one of the largest concerns of its kind in Western Massachusetts, was established by the late Charles S. Ferry, in 1886. In the rapid growth of Pittsfield during the past years this firm played a most important part, because it supplied the lumber and the builders' materials for much of the construction work that has been done in Pittsfield and the surrounding country. It is over three and a half decades since Charles S. Ferry took over the business from Wadhams Brothers, who had conducted it for a number of years, and established the firm of C. S. Ferry & Son.

Charles S. Ferry was born in 1825, in Chicopee, Massachusetts, and died at Salt Lake City, March 30, 1899. He was for over thirty years a lumber dealer and planing mill proprietor in Springfield, Massachusetts, and his business is to-day being successfully carried on by his sons, the firm consisting of C. K. Ferry, president, and F. G. Ferry, treasurer, the firm name, however, remaining unchanged. The yards are located on Center and Church streets, and cover in all about 85,000 square feet of ground and floor space, the plant consisting of the main storage shed and offices of the firm, and another large shed directly opposite, on the east side of Center Street. The firm handles hard and soft wood lumber, shingles, laths, doors, blinds, window sashes, mouldings, glass, builders' paper, ruberoid roofing, and so forth, and does a large local trade, which keeps busy on the delivery end, several teams and auto trucks. Large quantities of lumber are also shipped by rail to points throughout Western Massachusetts.

Charles K. Ferry, successor to his father, is ably carrying on the business in association with his brother, Fred G. Ferry, and the concern is ever moving forward to ever more substantial success, under their modern methods and capable management.

**HORACE A. SMEAD**—The name of Smead is one of more than passing importance in the western part of Massachusetts, and indeed in this general part of the State it has long been prominent. Mr. Smead has been active in farming interests throughout his entire lifetime and now in the sunset of life he is enjoying well earned leisure.

Jonathan Smead, great-great-grandfather of Mr. Smead, was born in 1735 and was a pioneer of Greenfield, locating in that community when the Indians were still frequent visitors to the white settlements. He was active in agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Greenfield until his death, which occurred in 1814.

Jonathan (2) Smead, son of Jonathan Smead, was born in 1773 and reared on the home farm, where he spent his lifetime; he passed away August 25, 1850. He was considered one of the important farmers in this section, owning a three hundred acre farm of rich fertile soil, of which he tilled a very considerable portion. Both he and his wife were members of the Congregational church and were universally esteemed in the community.

Jonathan (3) Smead, son of Jonathan (2) Smead, was born on the home farm April 8, 1812, and in 1838 built the present house. He married and settled on the home farm, remaining with his father, and in 1846 the homestead was divided between he and his brother, Charles Lewis Smead; Jonathan receiving the west portion of the farm and Charles Lewis the east. Jonathan Smead died January 21, 1866, at the age of fifty-three years. His wife, Lucy B. (Adams) Smead, was born February 28, 1813, at West Haven, Rutland County, Vermont, and was a great-granddaughter of Rev. Edward Billings, the first clergyman of Greenfield. She lived to be seventy-eight years of age, passing away December 1, 1891. They were the parents of five children: Charles L.; Jonathan H.; Horace A., of whom further; Sarah P.; and Edwin B.



Horace A. Smead, son of Jonathan (3) Smead, was born in the Smead family homestead, February 6, 1842. Receiving his education in the local schools, he has been active throughout his lifetime in farming interests, only a few years ago turning over the principal endeavors of the place to his sons. A man of sincere spirit and purpose, his activities have always been useful and he has borne a worthy part in the local progress.

**J. HERBERT L. SMEAD**—A well known figure in business circles in Erving, and in social and civic interests in Orange, is J. Herbert L. Smead, whose lifelong activities have been of a practical nature and whose present success as the manager of the Heywood-Wakefield Company in Erving, places him among the thoroughly outstanding men of the day. Mr. Smead is a son of J. Henry Smead, who died, March 17, 1924, at the age of eighty-five years and who throughout the greater part of his lifetime was an employee of the New Bedford Post Office. The mother, Sarah Adell Smead is also now deceased and both these families are prominent ones in this State.

J. Herbert L. Smead was born in Greenfield, November 8, 1870. Receiving his education in the local public schools, he removed to New Bedford, Massachusetts, with the family as a lad and there learned the printer's trade. In 1896, he became a resident of Gardner where for twenty-eight years he was associated with the chair industry. He started as a bookkeeper with the old Heywood plant and remained with the Heywood interests permanently. When he was detailed to his present responsibilities a few years ago, he was serving as treasurer of the Washburn & Heywood Chair Co., and assistant secretary of the parent plant in Gardner. When the Heywood-Wakefield Company established their new chair factory in Erving, Mr. Smead was made manager of this enterprise, which is one of the most important in the village of Erving. This expression of the confidence of the concern in Mr. Smead's ability and judgment was a very definite appraisal of his worth and his success in the founding and development of the interest has well justified the step. The Erving plant comprises a spacious modern structure of fully 60,000 square feet of floor space, exclusive of office and out-buildings. Its establishment in this community means much to the prosperity and progress of the village and as the local head of the Heywood interests Mr. Smead holds the unqualified esteem and confidence of all.

J. Herbert L. Smead married, November 30, 1899, Alice M. Sawin, and they are the parents of three children: Robert S.; Helen N.; and Elsie A.

**JOHN ROWLEE FAUSEY**—To the general advancement of the interests of the public schools of Massachusetts, and particularly of Springfield and West Springfield, Mr. Fausey has devoted the larger part of his career as a teacher and superintendent, and with results that are recorded as having enlarged the bounds and increased the value of the educational institutions in those communities where he has taught and held official position.

John Rowlee Fausey, son of James Seldon and Caroline Helen (Blauvelt) Fausey, was born March 19, 1870,

in Elmira, New York, where he attended the public school, and he afterwards graduated at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, New York, in the class of 1893. In 1893-1895 and 1896-1897, he was a student at Syracuse University, where he later received his degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. Fausey at once entered upon his career as an educator, and during 1898-1899 he was both teacher and principal at Galeton, Pennsylvania; at Norwalk, Connecticut, in 1899-1902; and at Norwich, Connecticut, in 1902-1905.

Mr. Fausey went to Springfield as principal of the Howard Street School of that city in 1906, and he continued in that position until 1912, when he went to West Springfield as superintendent, so continuing to 1918. From 1918 to 1923, he served as superintendent at Winchester, Massachusetts. In 1923 he was recalled to the West Springfield superintendency, which he has held to the present.

John Rowlee Fausey married, December 26, 1899, in Syracuse, New York, Lena May Corbin.

**WILLIAM EDWARD BENSON**, who is at the head of a flourishing real estate and insurance business in Greenfield, is the descendant of a family originally settled in Vermont.

His grandfather, John Ellis Benson, was born in 1809, in Brookline, Vermont, and died in 1892 in Brattleboro, Vermont. He lived in different places in Vermont and for a time lived in Quebec. He was engaged in the milling trade and before his death had settled in Brattleboro, Vermont, where he lived with his son George.

William A. Benson, son of John E. Benson, was born May 14, 1842, in Windham, Vermont, and died March 27, 1911, in Greenfield. He was educated in the public schools of Townsend, Vermont, enlisted in the Civil War in Company "A," 7th Vermont Volunteers, and served during the latter part of the war on guard duty in New Orleans. Soon after the conclusion of the war he settled in Greenfield, and worked for a time in a manufacturing plant in Montague, and later entered the employ of the manufacturing firm Cutler, Lyons & Field. In his later years he was engaged with his son William Edward in the wood and coal business. He was an expert checker player, was a member of the Grand Army, of the Sons of the American Revolution, and an attendant of the Baptist Church. He married Julia Ann Cooley, of North Sunderland, born March 5, 1854, a daughter of Lyman H. Cooley, born December 5, 1820, and Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew and Annie Pierce (Dunnakin) Cooley, and granddaughter of Herman and Nancy (Bartlett) Cooley, of Springfield, and they were the parents of two children: 1. Nellie Elizabeth, died May 17, 1902, who married Julius M. Johnson. They were the parents of a daughter, Nellie Marion Avis Johnson, born May 4, 1902, who married June 19, 1921, at Lowell, Malcolm Loveland. 2. William Edward, of further mention.

William Edward Benson, son of William A. and Julia Ann (Cooley) Benson, was born in Grafton, Vermont, April 25, 1879. He was educated in the schools of Marlow, New Hampshire, and Greenfield, Massachusetts, graduating from the high school in the latter place in 1898. After the completion of his education he went

to Boston, where he worked as a bookkeeper for two years, afterward returning to Greenfield, where he went into the oil business dealing in kerosene and gasoline, and later established himself in the coal and wood business. In 1921 he went into the real estate and insurance business in which he has been very successful. His real estate transactions cover a wide range, his business not being confined to Massachusetts, but extending to all the New England States. Among the many interesting documents William Edward Benson possesses is a deed dated 1771, some four years prior to the Revolutionary War. He is at the head of the Benson Oil and Gasoline Company, a wholesale and retail concern, and is president of the company as well as of the real estate and mortgage company. Mr. Benson is also a member of the Town Finance Company; of the purchasing committee in connection with the new high school, and is a keen mason. He is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; a Companion of the Royal Arch Chapter; a Knights Templar; and also belongs to Melha Temple, Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; and to all of the Scottish Rite bodies. Mr. Benson also belongs to the Order of the Sons of Veterans.

On September 18, 1901, Mr. Benson married Florence R. Hicks, of Rome, Massachusetts, a daughter of Adna and Mina (Hicks) Hicks. Mr. and Mrs. Benson are the parents of three children: 1. Evelyn Florence, born October 24, 1905. 2. Mildred Leone, born May 4, 1907. 3. Ruth Lillian, born March 7, 1910.

**GEORGE A. PREDIGER**, a distinguished figure in the profession of law in Berkshire County, who has, largely by his own endeavors, risen to high rank in his chosen field of activity, has been engaged in practice in Pittsfield for thirty-six years, devoting his attention to general lines. He is a son of Henry and Margaret (Meusel) Prediger, his father a prominent shoe merchant of Pittsfield and esteemed by his contemporaries in every line of business endeavor.

George A. Prediger was born in Pittsfield, July 5, 1865. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the Pittsfield High School in 1882. Then taking up the liberal arts course at Muhlenburg College at Allentown, Pennsylvania, he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1886 and that of Master of Arts in 1889. Meanwhile returning to his native city, in 1886, he entered the office of the late E. M. Wood in July of that year and read law under the preceptorship of this prominent jurist. Judge Wood had invited him to take this step before he entered college and under this able and distinguished lawyer Mr. Prediger gained inspiration for his future career. In 1887 he also took up further studies at the Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated. Mr. Prediger received his degree of Bachelor of Laws from Boston Law School on June 6, 1888, which was before the age limit set by this institution. Admitted to the bar of his native State on July 6 of the same year, Mr. Prediger entered practice with his preceptor, Mr. Wood, and practiced with him until 1894, when he opened his own office and has continued alone ever since. Following general lines of practice many im-

portant cases and interests have been entrusted to him and both as a trial lawyer and in the capacity of counsel, he has gained eminent repute in Western Massachusetts. Many of Mr. Prediger's friends have sought to induce him to become a candidate for important political offices, but such honors he has declined, serving only as a member of the school committee and the Board of Health. He takes a deep interest in all that pertains to public welfare and his influence is always cast on the side of progress and right. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Berkshire County Bar Association and the Commercial Law League of America. He is affiliated with the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, Mystic Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Knights of Pythias, the Masonic, and Park clubs.

George A. Prediger married, November 23, 1893, Laura M. Butz, who was a first honor graduate in her class at the Ladies Seminary at Allentown, Pennsylvania, who died March 21, 1913. They were the parents of four children: Arnold, who was born in 1895, and died in 1903; Miriam, who was born in 1898 and died in 1919; Lillian, an honor student at Pittsfield High School and an honor student at Smith College, now a teacher in the Junior High School, in Pittsfield; and Eva, a first honor student at Pittsfield High School, and graduate of Smith College, class of 1924.

**WILLIAM EDWARD COONEY**—Both the hotel and the general real estate interests of Northampton have benefited very materially during the past forty years through Mr. Cooney's association with a development and management of both departments of activity, as his capable methods have been such as to bring substantial results to the community. In earlier years, an all-round printer of widely recognized ability, Mr. Cooney also observed and shared in the growth and advancement of this part of the State through the newspaper and publishing field, and his family have always been known for thorough workmanship in all their undertakings. His grandmother, Ellen (Hanley) Cooney, was the first of this branch to come to the United States; she died in Haydenville, Massachusetts, about 1880. Her husband, Michael Cooney, grandfather of William E. Cooney, lived and died in Ireland. His children were: Michael, of whom further; Elizabeth, who married Michael Keating; Katherine, who married Michael Hearn; Ellen, who married John Fogerty; Mary, who married a Dady; Johanna, who married a Davin.

Michael Cooney, who was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, died in Haydenville, in the town of Williamsburg, Massachusetts, in 1885. He attended school in Ireland, and came to the United States when he was nineteen years of age, stopping first in Brooklyn, New York, and thence coming to Leeds, Massachusetts, where he was employed for awhile in the Musgrave Woolen Mill. He then went to Haydenville, to work in the Japan Button Shop, and he was afterwards employed by the Haydenville Brass Company as a truckman. He married Rosanna Martin, who was born in Kings County, Ireland, and died in Northampton in 1892, aged sixty years. Their children were: Michael E., deceased, who left sons, Michael E. and William





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F.; Margaret, deceased; Ellen, died in 1924; Rosanna, deceased, who married William J. Larkin; William Edward, of whom further; Catherine, deceased; Elizabeth, who married Thomas H. Gilfoil, deceased; Mary, deceased; Annie, who married John T. Keating, a lawyer, deceased.

William Edward Cooney was born November 13, 1855, at Haydenville, in the town of Williamsburg, Massachusetts, where he attended school. When he was fifteen years of age, he came to Northampton, where he was employed in the printing office of the old "Free Press," and where he remained four years. He then removed to Springfield, where he was employed as compositor on the "Union" and the "Republican," so continuing two years, when he returned to Northampton, where he became associated with the office of the Star Printing and Engraving Company, and had charge of that office two years. It was at that time that he became interested in the hotel business, and for several years he had the management of the old Nonatuck Hotel. In 1905 he built the Hampton Hotel, which he afterwards sold, and for some years he has been retired. Meantime, he had been actively engaged in real estate enterprises, and he was the means of developing and building up sections of Northampton. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Nonatuck Savings Bank.

William Edward Cooney married, November 18, 1874, Catherine Roach, born in Ireland, February 5, 1854, daughter of John and Mary (Powers) Roach; and they were the parents of five children: 1. Michael E., born December 4, 1875, who met with an accidental death at the age of twenty-two years; he was a student of Holy Cross College, at Worcester, and was a contractor and a brick manufacturer. 2. Martin James, born January 20, 1881, died March 14, 1883. 3. William A., born February 18, 1884; was educated at the Northampton High School and Williston Seminary, and afterwards was given his degree in dentistry at the Medico Chirurgical and Dental College at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; is now a dentist with offices at Northampton; he married Maude Brown of the State of Maine and has two children, Bernardine and Ann. 4. Austin B., born October 18, 1886; is employed at the Northampton post office; married Emma Bouthelotte, of Northampton. 5. Bernard Joseph, born May 10, 1893; attended the parochial schools, and is engaged in the real estate business at Northampton; he entered the World War in the United States Army, in August, 1918, was assigned to southern camps, and served in the infantry, in the Quartermaster's Corps, until he received his discharge in April, 1919. He married Ruth Davidson, of Campobello, New Brunswick. Mr. and Mrs. Cooney celebrated their golden wedding on March 18, 1924; a banquet at Boyden's was a prominent feature. Both are members of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Northampton.

**ARTHUR C. WENTWORTH**, treasurer of the Springfield Coöperative Bank, was born in South Berwick, Maine, November 13, 1871. His father was Charles K. Wentworth and his mother Ellen M. (Plumer) Wentworth. His father was born on a farm

at Berwick, Maine, in April, 1836, and followed farming for a number of years, afterwards living in South Berwick until his death in November, 1906. His mother was born in January, 1841, at South Berwick, Maine, and died in May, 1924.

The Wentworth family derives its name from the lordship of Wentworth in the wapentake of Stafford, County of York, England, where lived Reginald de Winterwode at the time of the Conquest. Genealogists agree that the word is of Saxon origin, meaning white farm or court, taking its style from the soil composed of chalk or whitish clay.

William Wentworth was baptized in the parish of Alford near the city of Lincoln, Lincolnshire, England, March 15, 1616, and is believed upon the evidence to be identical with Elder William Wentworth, the first of the Wentworths of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. He was from the same parish in England as the Rev. John Wheelwright, who came to this country in 1636. He was banished from the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1637 on account of a sermon he preached in Boston, and settled with a company of followers at Piscataqua Falls, New Hampshire, who called their town Exeter; William Wentworth was one of the company. When the jurisdiction of Massachusetts was extended to include Exeter, Wheelwright and many of the colonists moved to Wells, Maine. William Wentworth appears to have lived in Wells from 1642 to 1649, and was constable in 1648. He moved to Dover, New Hampshire, about 1649, and lived there the remainder of his days. Between 1652 and 1659 he was the grantee of land amounting to several hundred acres. He was best known as ruling elder of the church at Dover, which resulted in his officiating as preacher many years of his life. He was instrumental in saving from destruction Heard's garrison, one of the five in Cocheco, June 28, 1689. Although it was a time of peace an unusual number of Indians gathered at Cocheco, which was a trading post, and this excited suspicion. The evening of June 27, the squaws asked permission to sleep by the kitchen fires, which was unusual. In the darkest hour they opened the doors to admit the Indians. Elder Wentworth was awakened by a barking dog and found the Indians entering his abode. Alone and seventy-three years old, he pushed them out, shut the door and falling on his back, held it until the inmates came to his assistance. Two bullets passed through the door above his head. This was the only garrison saved. Twenty-three persons were killed and twenty-nine carried away captive. His inventory shows ninety-seven pounds, sixteen shillings, four pence, the value of his estate when he died March 15, 1697. He had conveyed a large part of his real property to his sons before he died.

After graduating from Berwick Academy, Arthur C. Wentworth took a position as clerk in the city ticket office of the Boston & Maine Railroad in Boston, and through promotion became chief clerk. He came to Springfield in 1905 and was city passenger agent of the Boston & Maine Railroad for six years. He then engaged in the tourist and steamship business, which he still conducts. In 1912, he was elected treasurer of the Springfield Coöperative Bank. He is a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and all

the Scottish Rite Bodies, including the Consistory, of which he is treasurer, and where he received his thirty-second degree; also all the York Rite bodies. He is a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is chairman of the board of trustees. He is also a member of the North Congregational Church; the Rotary Club; the Automobile Club, and Springfield Country Club. He is a trustee of Berwick Academy, of South Berwick, Maine, from which he graduated.

Mr. Wentworth married, October 19, 1898, Annie H. Thompson, daughter of John J. and Nellie E. (Potter) Thompson. His address is Springfield Coöperative Bank, East Court Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**EDWARD LOUIS O'BRIEN**—Of Northampton's younger members of the bar who have established themselves under the successful auspices of a high regard for the profession and a thorough training for its practice, Mr. O'Brien, whose earlier plans as a practitioner were temporarily interrupted by his World War activities, has entered upon a field of broad prospect, and one in which his capabilities are measuring up to the demands of the hour.

His interests in Northampton and its advancement are those of the active, loyal and progressive citizen, who is prompt to share in the civic issues of the times. He inherits his industrious qualities from an honored ancestry of farmers and tradesmen. His grandfather, Richard O'Brien, the first-come of his family to the United States, was a successful farmer; he was born in 1822, in the parish of Grange, Tipperary, Ireland, and he died in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, in 1875. He came to the United States in 1850, and lived in Cheshire, Cummington, and Williamsburg, where he engaged in farming. He married in 1853, at Adams, Johanna O'Brien, who was born in 1833 in Tipperary, Ireland, came to the United States in 1853, and died in 1907. Their children: James Henry, of whom further; Ann, who married James Welch; William; Katharine, who married Thomas Brazil; Mary, who married Michael Riley; Richard; Alice; Nellie; Frank.

James Henry O'Brien was born May 22, 1854, in Cheshire, and he worked at his blacksmith trade in Heydenville many years; but for several years he has made his home in Northampton, where he is employed at the Clark School. He married, January 23, 1881, in Florence, Mary Ann McGrath, who was born October 10, 1857, in Hadley, daughter of William and Margaret (Conary) McGrath. William McGrath was born in County Waterford, Ireland, and he came to the United States in 1850, locating at Hadley. The children of James H. and Mary Ann (McGrath) O'Brien: 1. Richard M., born November 22, 1882, is treasurer of the Park Street Trust Company, of Hartford, Connecticut. He married, November 17, 1919, Catherine Norville, and they have a daughter, Carol. 2. William J., born June 23, 1885, is a graduate of Harvard University. During the World War, he was associated with the Knights of Columbus in southern camps. He was Knights of Columbus secretary at Le Mans, in France, in 1919, and was thence transferred to Is-sur-Telle. Returning home in September, 1919, he has since been

engaged in educational work, and is now vice-principal of the Trenton, New Jersey, High School. 3. Margaret E., graduate of Smith College, is now teaching in the Traveler's Insurance Company, at Hartford, Connecticut. 4. George L., born February 9, 1893, is sales manager for the Plimpton Manufacturing Company, at Hartford, Connecticut. Serving in the World War, he was stationed at Camp Devens from 1917 to 1919, and was senior master sergeant in charge of supplies. He married, June 2, 1924, Helen Lobdell. 5. Edward Louis, of whom further. 6. Thomas M., born March 13, 1900, a graduate of Washington University, Washington, District of Columbia, is a salesman for the Rourke-Eno Paper Company, of Hartford, Connecticut. He married, March 2, 1923, Roberta Dobbins.

Edward Louis O'Brien was born December 7, 1894, at Haydenville. He attended the Northampton High School, afterwards graduating at Williston Seminary, at Easthampton, with the class of 1916. He matriculated at the Catholic University, Washington, District of Columbia, and he graduated in the law department with the class of 1919. He was admitted to the bar in 1920, and has since been in practice at Northampton. Mr. O'Brien enlisted in the World War November 23, 1917, and attending the Aviation School at Cornell University, was assigned to Camp Dix, and thence to Ellington Field in the Air Service at Houston, Texas; he was a cadet in the Aviation Department. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of whose Northampton lodge he is secretary; the Knights of Columbus, of whose Northampton Council he is chancellor; the American Legion; and the Chamber of Commerce.

**FRANK AUSTIN BOND**, a distinguished figure in commercial affairs in Western Massachusetts, who in his position as a widely known cotton broker, is in close touch at all times with relevant affairs, both in New England and in the South, and his expert attention to his work is a constructive influence of more than passing significance. Mr. Bond is an able and efficient executive and is a son of John A. and Anna Belle (Kimbell) Bond. His father, who died in 1922, was a prominent hotel proprietor of North Adams and was for many years a member of the city council and chairman of Berkshire County Commissioners. The mother is still living.

Frank Austin Bond was born in North Adams, March 11, 1889, and following his early attendance at the public schools he graduated from Drury High School in the class of 1908. His classical course was covered at Cornell University, from which he graduated in the class of 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Upon the completion of his studies, Mr. Bond identified himself with the cotton brokerage business and has continued since along this general line of activity. He now represents Anderson, Clayton & Company, of Houston, Texas, in New England, and this important affiliation places him among the leaders in his field in the East. Mr. Bond is a trustee of the Hoosac Savings Bank of North Adams and a member and at this time (1924) president of the North Adams Chamber of Commerce.

A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Bond has







*C. H. Jeannotte*

for some years been chairman of the Republican City Committee of North Adams and during the years 1917 to 1920 inclusive, he served as a member of the school committee. He is further active in public affairs as trustee of the Public Library and lends his influence to every worthy movement. During the World War, Mr. Bond enlisted for service, October 7, 1917, and was active until December 31, 1918. He was first a private at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, and later a first lieutenant. He was first with the 15th Depot Brigade and was then transferred to the Replacement Camp at Camp Gordon, Georgia, as a member of the Second Regiment. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons and all bodies of the Masonic Order, including the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a member of the North Adams Country, the Berkshire, the Kiwanis and the Cornell, New York City and New England clubs. His religious affiliation is with the First Congregational Church, of which he is a member of the finance committee.

**ALFRED CHESTER DALE**—Having come from South Dakota to Massachusetts a little more than twenty-five years ago, when he was thirteen years of age, Alfred Chester Dale, of Pittsfield, is to-day secretary of the Dale Brothers' Laundry, Inc., whose branch in that city is only one of five which the corporation operates in this State. The remarkable expansion of the Dale Brothers' business covers a wide range of territory in two States and in four counties, not to mention the overlapping of much of the contiguous area.

Mr. Dale was born in Wilmot, South Dakota, April 17, 1882, and removed to Springfield in 1897. In that city Mr. Dale's father and his brother began to engage in the laundry business and it was but a comparatively short time until they had become favorably known and firmly established. Starting on an humble scale, they kept pace with the increase in business with more commodious and better quarters and improved machinery. Later they enlarged the field of their operations by establishing an additional laundry in Springfield. Soon they found that there was a demand for their class of work in other cities and towns, and opened a laundry in Ware, where they catered to the people of that industrial community and its vicinity in Hampshire County, their first laundry, in Springfield, being in Hampden County. With these three laundries in good running condition, a fertile field, just a little below the State line in Connecticut seemed to offer another promising opportunity for further expansion, and Dale Brothers opened a branch in Thompsonville, Hartford County, Connecticut. From the Springfield base there were at this time four laundries in full swing on a profit-making basis under the ownership and management of the Dale Brothers or men who had been trained in the parent laundry to become efficient superintendents of the branches. It was in 1920 the incorporators of the Dale Brothers' Laundry, Inc., surveyed the field in the vicinity of the county seat of Berkshire, and upon a favorable report having been brought in, they determined, in 1920, to open a branch of their establishment in the city

of Pittsfield. In that year Alfred Chester Dale came to that city as secretary of the corporation and manager of the Pittsfield branch. The company leased a modern building with a ground area of fifty-five by seventy feet, the building being three stories high, with a basement. The Pittsfield branch gives employment to twenty-five persons, and the company's patrons are not only numerous in the city of Pittsfield proper but also in the district dominated by that city. The concern is one of the recognized "fixtures" of the shire city of the Berkshires.

Mr. Dale is also prominently connected with fraternal organizations. He is a member of the Springfield Masonic bodies; Hampden Lodge, Bela Grotto of the Enchanted Realm, and the Order of Eastern Star. Mrs. Dale also is a member of the Eastern Star and she is a Past Matron of the Order of the Amaranth.

Mr. Dale married Grace N. Shipman, of Hadley, a member of an old and distinguished New England family, tracing her ancestry direct to John Alden, of early Bay State Puritan fame. Mrs. Dale's father and Grandfather Shipman have filled, in their respective terms of office, the position of postmaster of Hadley almost without interruption since the year 1864.

**REV. CHARLES HENRY JEANNOTTE**—The devoted service of Rev. Father Charles Henry Jeannotte of North Adams, as pastor of Notre Dame of the Sacred Heart Church is a record of faithful endeavor, which has commanded the respect and admiration of the people of this community. In his tireless activities for the progress of his congregation, both in the spiritual and material welfare, Father Jeannotte has endeared himself to the people who belong to this parish and his contemporaries in local advance have acknowledged his sincerity and recognized his achievements. Father Jeannotte has been a member of the Roman Catholic clergy for many years, having served for upward of half a century the progress of the church. He is a son of Pascal and Rosalie (Chagnon) Jeannotte, his father was a farmer and a worthy citizen of the Province of Quebec, Canada.

Charles Henry Jeannotte was born in Beloeil, Province of Quebec, November 12, 1854. His education was begun in the local parochial schools and he attended the Seminary de Monnoir, his ordination to the holy priesthood occurring, August 26, 1877. For about eight years following that date he served on the faculty of the above seminary, then was active in his holy offices in the church in Quebec for about two years. Coming to the States in 1887, Father Jeannotte was appointed to Holyoke as assistant curate of the Church of Precious Blood, but was shortly after, in June of the same year, appointed pastor of St. Joseph's Church at Shelburne Falls. Serving that parish for nearly four years, he assisted largely in the erection of the church edifice, devoting his tireless endeavors to the forwarding of the movement which eventuated in the erection of that handsome edifice. In 1891, Father Jeannotte was appointed to Fitchburg, as pastor of St. Joseph's Parish, a newly organized congregation, which was necessarily in a struggling condition since it had only begun its



history. There he was instrumental in the erection of another fine church edifice and he remained in charge of this church for three years and a half. In 1894, Father Jeannotte was called to North Adams, to succeed the lamented Father Leduc, whose death, immediately prior to his coming, removed from the work of the church one of the most devoted spirits of his time. Thus Father Jeannotte became pastor of the leading Roman Catholic Church of North Adams, Notre Dame of the Sacred Heart, and his first work was to build a school. The classes of the parochial school had been held in the basement of the church building. Accomplishing the erection of the fine educational structure in 1896, Father Jeannotte received the commendation of the entire community. This parish was organized in 1871 and during the fifty-three years of its existence has had only three pastors. The first was Rev. Father Crevier, who came to the parish, January 4, 1871, and is still living, one of the most venerable and beloved priests of the church in the East. In his service in the present parish, Father Jeannotte has won the affection and esteem of the entire community and among his people he is looked upon as indeed a spiritual leader and guide. One of the most cherished memories of his long and honored career is a tour in Europe, when as a young priest he visited the holy city of Rome and was received by Pope Leo XIII.

**JOHN ARCHIE CROSIER**—The practical every-day history and proceedings of the district court of Hampshire County is the field of activity in which Mr. Crosier has been engaged as clerk since 1904, and during which period he has been a witness of the many remarkable changes that have taken place in the legal personnel and procedure. The most familiar leading figure in this long-established court, and one of the most erudite men in the profession as regards the local judicial customs and usages, Mr. Crosier is an official held in regard and honor in county and State by his colleagues and by the public in general. Industry, patriotism, and probity in all their business and social affairs have marked the generations of his family, whose early scions had much to do with establishing and with preserving the national fabric. The line of descent from the early comers is thus set forth:

(I) Joseph Crosier was the immigrant ancestor; he is recorded as having resided in Dorchester, Roxbury and Dedham.

(II) Lieutenant John Crosier, his son, who lived in the vicinity of Boston and was a blacksmith by trade, was born in 1750. He responded to the Lexington "Alarm" April 15, 1775, and was a lieutenant under Washington in the War of the Revolution. In 1788 he removed to Peru, Massachusetts, where he became one of the early settlers, and was a man of considerable prominence. Later he migrated to Euclid, Ohio, and he was also one of the pioneer settlers of that State, where he died May 2, 1823, aged seventy-three years. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married, in 1775, Fannie Whiting, of Dedham, born in 1753, daughter of Joseph and Lucy (Fisk) Whiting, and they were the parents of: John, of whom further; Joseph; Jason; Andrew; Paul; and Lucy.

(III) John Crosier was born in 1778 and died in 1859.

He married Susan Randall, who was born in 1778, and died December 8, 1843. They had one son, John, of whom further, and six daughters.

(III) John Whiting Crosier was born in 1812, in Peru, and he died there in 1868. He was a farmer. He married (first) Emily Smith, by whom he had one son, Leavett E., of whom further. He married (second) Julia Booth, and had one son, George, of Dalton, and four daughters.

(IV) Leavett E. Crosier was born in 1837, in Peru, and died in September, 1921, in Northfield. A carpenter by trade, and a contractor and builder, he removed to Northampton, where the years of his greatest activity were spent. Here he built many residences, and he erected some of the buildings in Mount Holyoke. The last years of his life were spent in Northfield with his son, Homer H., where he died at the age of eighty-four years. He was a quiet, retiring, home-loving man; and he was a prominent member of the Congregational Church. He married Agnes W. Gibson, who was born in Biggar, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and she died in Hadley, in 1901, aged sixty-three years, daughter of Rev. Hugh and Grace (Hamilton) Gibson. Rev. Hugh Gibson was one of the first pastors of the Brooklyn (New York) Tabernacle. Grace (Hamilton) Gibson was a direct descendant of the Duke of Hamilton. The children of Leavett E. Crosier and Agnes W. (Gibson) Crosier: Homer H., of Northfield; Louis E., of Hadley; John Archie, of whom further.

(V) John Archie Crosier was born October 24, 1877, in Northampton, and he was graduated at Hopkins Academy, at Hadley, with the class of 1895. For two and a half years he was employed as a carpenter and painter; he then turned his attention to the law, and becoming associated with the office of Judge John W. Mason, at Northampton, he studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1901; and he practiced law with Judge Mason from that date to 1904. Mr. Crosier was then appointed clerk of the District Court of Hampshire County, which office he has held continuously since. His fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arch Chapter; William Parsons Council, Royal and Select Masters; Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar; and he has taken sixteen degrees in the Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; he is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. His religious faith is that of a Christian Scientist.

John A. Crosier married, May 25, 1904, Helen E. Smith, daughter of George T. and Lucy (Cornwell) Smith. They have one son, John Archibald Hamilton Crosier, who was born April 30, 1905; he attended the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, taking the course in chemical engineering.

**DANIEL DOYLE O'BRIEN**—Sharing a successful practice in law in Northampton, and established in its increasing activities upon his own well-founded effort and ability, Mr. O'Brien is a member of that enterprising group of men in the professions and in business in this city who join their interests for the general civic welfare, and the promotion of all well-directed movement that indicates progress for the community.

Gifted as a pleader in the courts, and possessing a thorough and very practical knowledge of all branches of the law, he is one of the leading men of the city who in their practice have followed their high estimate of the precepts of the profession. He is of a hardy stock who have done much in the course of their trades to build and to beautify the Northampton of the present day. His grandfather, Michael O'Brien, son of John and Ellen (Doyle) O'Brien; was born in 1815, in County Kerry, Ireland, and died October 27, 1895, in Holyoke. Coming to the United States in 1854, and settling in Massachusetts, he worked for a time on the State Hospital at Northampton; and later locating at Holyoke, he shared in the building of the dam. He at first lived on Cross Street, later building a house on Race Street, where he resided to the time of his death. He was employed in gardening in the later years of his activity, but for five years prior to his death he was an invalid. He married, in Ireland, Nora Gallavan, who was born in 1814, in County Kerry, and died December 24, 1891, in Holyoke, daughter of Jeremiah and Helen (Cummings) Gallavan. Their children, all born in Ireland: Hannah, who married Jeremiah Brennan; John, of whom further; Mary, who married John Sullivan. The two elder children, Hannah and John came to the United States with their father, while Mary and Margaret came two years later, with their mother.

John O'Brien, son of Michael and Nora (Gallavan) O'Brien, was born in 1842, in County Kerry, Ireland, and died January 1, 1911, in Northampton. Coming to the United States with his father in 1854, he attended the schools of Northampton, and he spent the larger part of his life in that city. For many years he had charge of the estate of Judge William G. Sterling; he was a reliable, trustworthy man, and from time to time had the oversight of different properties in the community. He married Mary Doyle, who was born in 1842, in County Kerry, Ireland, and died July 23, 1918, in Northampton, daughter of Daniel and Ellen Doyle. Their children: Nora; Helen, who married Michael Doyle; Annie, John, Margaret, Daniel D., of whom further; Grace, who married Edward Hines, of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Daniel Doyle O'Brien son of John and Mary (Doyle) O'Brien, was born February 21, 1884 in Northampton, where he attended the public and high schools. He matriculated at Holy Cross College, at Worcester, where he graduated with the class of 1903, and with his degree of Bachelor of Arts. He prepared for his profession in the Law School of Columbia University, where he graduated in 1909, with his degree of Doctor of Laws. He was admitted to both the Massachusetts and the New York bars, and after practising in New York City for a short time he established offices in Northampton, where he still continues. He is a Past Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus; and a member of the Foresters of America.

Daniel D. O'Brien married, January 26, 1917, Helen Walsh, of Williamsburg, daughter of Henry and Mary (Dwyer) Walsh; and they are the parents of: John Walsh, born November 12, 1918; Maureen Doyle, born September 8, 1920; Aileen Dorothy, born March 18, 1922.

**SAMUEL MATHER RUSSELL**, one of the large growers of vegetables for the Boston market was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, December 27, 1866. He is a descendant of the pioneers of the family which in scholarship, attainment and leadership, ranks among the first in the United States. The name ever has been distinguished in Massachusetts, and it occurs frequently in all the New England States.

As early as 1826 forty-seven members of the family had been graduated from the various New England colleges. In England, likewise, the family is numerous and noteworthy. Lord John Russell, third son of the sixth Duke of Bedford, was Prime Minister in 1846-1852 and in 1865-1866. Lord William Russell, the famous martyr, beheaded in Lincoln's Inn Fields, July 21, 1683, in the reign of Charles II, was a son of the first Duke of Bedford. His younger brother, George Russell, was in Boston in 1679; and was admitted a freeman in 1680, but probably returned to London before the execution of his brother. The Rev. John Russell, of Wethersfield was graduated at Harvard College in 1645 and was installed pastor of the church at Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1659. It was in his house in Hadley that Whalley and Goffe, two of the regicides who sentenced Charles I to death were concealed for a long time and where they were supposed to have died. James Russell of Charlestown, Massachusetts, born in 1640, was a judge and treasurer of Massachusetts. Judge Chambers Russell of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, who was graduated from Harvard in 1731, belongs to this branch of the family. There are many other notable Russells in the early history of the colonies. Almost twenty persons of the name are found among the seventeenth century immigrants to New England.

Elijah Russell, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, thought to be a descendant of the martyr, Lord William Russell was the father of Hezekiah Russell, born in Wethersfield in 1739; died in Northampton Massachusetts, August 2, 1816, aged seventy-seven years. He was an officer in the War of the Revolution. He married January 8, 1767, Abigail Clark, who died December 12, 1819, at seventy-eight. They were the parents of Hezekiah, Jr., and Seth (twins), born October 11, 1767; Ashbel, born in 1769; Seth, born in 1771; Thaddeus, born in 1774; John and Martha (twins) born in 1776; Abigail, born in 1779; Nancy, born in 1782. Hezekiah, Jr., died June 24, 1856. He was married, December 29, 1791, to Eunice Mather. Their children were Samuel M. and John.

Samuel M. Russell, son of Hezekiah, Jr., and Eunice (Mather) Russell, was born in 1793; died November 26, 1870. He was a pump manufacturer in Boston. He came to Hadley and occupied the farm owned by his grandson, Samuel M. Russell. Here he made pumps and farmed the land. He married Alice Burt, who died February 25, 1873. Their children were Samuel; and Eunice, who married Henry Lyman. Samuel Russell was born in Hadley in 1822, and died April 7, 1882. He was a farmer, cultivating the farm of his father before him and growing tobacco. He married (first) Jennette Diantha Chapin, who was born in Hartland, Vermont, in 1832, and died on February 12, 1878, daughter of Harvey and Sarah Chapin. He married (second) Aurelia



Forsythe. One child of the first marriage died in infancy. Of the second: 1. Eunice Maria, married Eli Bryant, and died February 7, 1925. 2. Hattie, since dead, married Justin A. Wright. 3. Alice S., married (first) Lewis E. Richardson, since dead; married (second) Fred Oscar Mack. 4. Samuel M., of whom further.

Samuel Mather Russell, the youngest son of Samuel and Aurelia (Forsythe) Russell, was educated in the town schools and Hopkins Academy. He always farmed on the home acres, following his father and grandfather. The original farm contained about seventy-five acres; but land has been added by purchase until it now consists of some hundred and fifty acres. Mr. Russell has specialized in asparagus, of which he has some twenty acres and which he crates and ships to the Boston market by truck.

Mr. Russell married, September 21, 1893, Sarah Etta McQuestion, daughter of John and Rose (McClure) McQuestion. They are the parents of: 1. Ernest Samuel, born September 1, 1894. He was educated in the public schools, Hopkins Academy and the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst. He taught for one year at the Smith Agricultural School, in Northampton; and later became a member of the A. W. Higgins Company of South Deerfield, Massachusetts, dealers in commercial fertilizer. He is treasurer of the company. He was married in June, 1917, to Dorris Manson, of South Hadley, and they are the parents of: Jeannette Elizabeth, born December 2, 1919; and Stuart Manson, born July 27, 1924. 2. Grace Etta, born January 4, 1898. She married Lawrence Randall, and they are the parents of Winthrop Adams, born September 16, 1920, and Russell Chapin, born June 26, 1923.

**F. EMMETT DWYER**, progressive and outstanding professional man of Pittsfield, and one who has gained general recognition in the work of undertaking and funeral directing, in which for the past six years and more he has been active, stands at the head of a long established business, of which his father was the founder. Mr. Dwyer has demonstrated his large natural ability, and in his forward looking spirit the people feel that he is giving to his work sincere and devoted attention. Mr. Dwyer is a native of Chatham, New York, a son of Simon P. and Katherine (McNamee) Dwyer.

F. Emmett Dwyer was born in Chatham, New York, September 8, 1898. His education was received in the local institutions, and he is a graduate of Pittsfield High School, class of 1917. Early choosing as his life work the interests in which his father was active, Mr. Dwyer assisted his father during his leisure time while still in high school, then made special preparations for activity in the same realm, entering the Boston School of Embalming. The death of Simon P. Dwyer closed a life of eminent usefulness at a comparatively early age on January 31, 1919, and since that date F. Emmett Dwyer has been at the head. This interest was founded by Simon P. Dwyer in 1904, and he conducted it along the most approved and progressive lines, his natural ability having been combined with a deep appreciation of the responsibilities of his work. In the progress of the

enterprise since it was taken over by the younger man it has continued to meet the needs of the people with the same efficiency and worthy spirit. In 1919 Mr. Dwyer secured his present commodious and richly furnished quarters, remodeling the building to meet the requirements of his profession, and personally choosing and overseeing the decorations and furnishing. He has fine display rooms, and the usual departments including a morgue. His motor equipment for funeral corteges is acknowledged among the finest in this part of the State, and Mr. Dwyer receives the patronage of many of the foremost families. He is a member of the Massachusetts Undertakers' Association, the Knights of Columbus, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Total Abstinence Society, the Foresters of America, the Kiwanis Club, the Berkshire Auto Club, and the Holy Name Society. He attends St. Charles Roman Catholic Church.

**WALLACE E. STODDARD**—The internal and administrative work of a large business concern is a section of the organization of such paramount importance and so vital to the success of an enterprise that specially trained and very capable men find secure and remunerative posts as secretaries, cashiers, bookkeepers, in addition having the consciousness of contributing in their own effective and indispensable way to the well-being and prosperity of the business. A man whose services in an administrative capacity and as supervisor of labor and finances has always been much appreciated by the concerns with which he has been connected, and who now holds several positions of trust is Wallace E. Stoddard.

Wallace E. Stoddard is a native of Vernon, Vermont, where he was born on January 3, 1872, a son of Fayette W. and Sarah Augusta (Allen) Stoddard. He received his first education in the public schools of his native town, in Brattleboro High School, Brattleboro, Vermont, and in Eastman's Business College. After completing his education he started his business career with the Draper Corporation in Hopedale, Massachusetts, where he acted in the capacity of paymaster. His later positions were with the Williamstown Manufacturing Company, the North Pownal Vermont Manufacturing Company, in charge of their offices; as superintendent of the Greylock Mills; secretary to W. B. & C. T. Plunkett; purchasing agent of the Berkshire Cotton Manufacturing Company; assistant treasurer of the Berkshire Cotton Manufacturing Company, and treasurer of the Silver Creek Company, Belzoni, Mississippi. In all these positions Mr. Stoddard has given excellent proof of his superior capacity for administrative and painstaking, conscientious attention to detail and effective coördination of forces. Mr. Stoddard also holds the position of vice-president of the Williamstown Savings Bank.

In politics Mr. Stoddard is a Republican, and in religion a member and attendant of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, of Williamstown. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the Williams Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Williamstown, of which he is a Past Master; the Composite Chapter of







Patrick Ahearn



Thomas J. Ahearn

North Adams, of which he is a Past High Priest; and the St. Paul Consistory, Knights Templar, of North Adams, of which he is a Past Commander; member of the Colonial Club, and the Forest Park Country Club, and National Association of Cotton Manufacturers. On account of his public sympathies and interest in all causes pertaining to the civic progress of the town in which he is located, Mr. Stoddard enjoys the universal esteem of his fellow citizens.

Wallace E. Stoddard married, September 22, 1896, at Williamstown, Laetitia L. Irwin, daughter of John and Mary Irwin. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Stoddard are the parents of one daughter, Helen I. Stoddard, born November 3, 1903.

(The Allen Line).

(I) Edward Allen, pioneer ancestor of Sarah A. (Allen) Stoddard, was born in England about 1670, came to Nantucket in 1690, married Ann Coleman, daughter of Joseph and Ann Bunker Coleman in 1692. He had seven children, and was one of the prominent figures of the island. He died there in 1741.

(II) Nathaniel Allen, son of Edward and Ann (Coleman) Allen, was born February 24, 1700; married, May 2, 1732, Mercy Skiff, daughter of Nathan and Mercy Skiff, of Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard. The Skiffs were descendants of Governor Carver, the Chipmans, John Tilly and Joseph Howland, all of the "Mayflower." He died in 1776.

(III) Joseph Allen, son of Nathaniel and Mercy (Skiff) Allen, was born April 1, 1737; married, December 4, 1753, Hephzibah Coffin, daughter of Robert and Susanna Coffin. He left the island and settled on the mainland, dying in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, in 1804.

(IV) Robert Allen, son of Joseph and Hephzibah (Coffin) Allen, born in Newport, Rhode Island, November 10, 1767; married Rhoda Cady in 1786. In 1806 he moved to Wallingford, Vermont. He was a prominent cattle buyer, and was known throughout Vermont, Massachusetts and New York. He had eight children. He died in Wallingford, Vermont, in 1856.

(V) Robert Allen, son of Robert and Rhoda (Cady) Allen, born in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, April 16, 1805; married, October 25, 1832, Eliza Paine Doolittle, daughter of Roswell and Clarissa (Burt) Doolittle. He was very prominent in church affairs throughout Southern Vermont. He died in Vernon, Vermont, in 1889.

(VI) Sarah Augusta Allen, daughter of Robert and Eliza Paine (Doolittle) Allen, born in Jamaica, Vermont, October 30, 1846, married Fayette W. Stoddard, of Vernon, Vermont, January 18, 1869. She died in Vernon, Vermont, February 18, 1905.

**THOMAS FARRELL AHEARN**—As the head of the prominent undertaking firm in Northampton with which three generations of his family have now been associated, Mr. Ahearn continues these policies established by the concern at the outset of adopting distinctively modern methods in the exacting usages of his profession, and of meeting the requirements of neighborhood and community in all matters that pertain to thoroughness and excellence in the direction of funerals. With this aim in view, Mr. Ahearn has brought to his aid the

practical results of his training in schools and general experience, and his plant is equipped with every convenience for the methodical work of the undertaker of to-day. Of a family known for industry and for able workmanship in their various callings, he is a representative of three generations of the branch of his name who have resided in the western part of the State.

(I) James Ahearn, grandfather of Mr. Ahearn and the son of Maurice and Honora Ahearn, was born in Keleagh, County Cork, Ireland, October 2, 1810, and died October 17, 1899, in Sunderland, Massachusetts, where he first settled when he came to the United States in 1852. He then resided at Mount Toby on the Shepherd estate, where he was engaged in preparing lumber. He later removed to the Plumtrees section of Sunderland, where he was a farmer to the time of his death. He married Joanna Barry, who was born December 5, 1815, in Ballyquirk, County Cork, Ireland, and died in Sunderland, Massachusetts, daughter of Patrick and Margaret Barry. Their children: Maurice; Patrick, of whom further; Thomas; Margaret; James; Honora; Catherine; John; William Robert.

(II) Patrick Ahearn, son of James and Joanna (Barry) Ahearn, was born October 14, 1844, in Ballyquirk, County Cork, Ireland, and died December 18, 1922, in Northampton. He came to the United States at an early date. Mr. Ahearn made an effort to enter the service in the Civil War, and he enlisted for that service, but on account of his age he was rejected. He went to Northampton to live during the period of the war, and he was in the employ of Silas M. Smith and Company in the furniture and undertaking business, so continuing for twenty-six years, after which he operated in the livery business for a time. In 1890, he bought out a furniture business, and in company with his son, Thomas F., under the firm name of P. Ahearn and Son, he conducted the furniture and undertaking business to the time of his death. He married Elizabeth Farrell, who was born January 29, 1843, in Ireland, and died February 18, 1913, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Bird) Farrell. Their children: Elizabeth G., who died in June, 1892; Thomas Farrell, of whom further; James S.; Charles, who was drowned in 1886; Julia M., who married James A. Gibbons; John Bird, of Providence, Rhode Island; Anna, deceased, who married William Kiley; Henry, who resides in Holyoke.

(III) Thomas Farrell Ahearn, son of Patrick and Elizabeth (Farrell) Ahearn, was born April 3, 1870, in Northampton, where he attended the public schools. He was then employed in a grocery for a short time, and later in a clothing store. In 1892, Mr. Ahearn attended the Oriental School of Embalming, in Boston, where he graduated and received his diploma, becoming associated with his father in the funeral directing and the furniture business. They later disposed of their furniture department, but under the name of P. Ahearn and Son continued as undertakers until the death of Patrick Ahearn, in 1922; and at that time Mr. Ahearn took his son, Robert J. into partnership with him, and since then the firm name has been the P. Ahearn Company. Mr. Ahearn's fraternal affiliations are with the Ancient Order of Hibernians; at fourteen years of age he was a member of the Father Mathew Temperance Society; he is a



charter member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus; and of the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and a member of the Rod and Gun Club. He is a notary public.

Thomas Farrell Ahearn married, December 31, 1902, Rose L. Riley, who was born in Hartford, Connecticut, daughter of James E. Riley, born in 1853, and died in 1911, and Johanna (Houlihan) Riley, and grand-daughter of Philip and Rose (Gallagher) Riley, born in Ireland. The children of Thomas F. and Rose L. (Riley) Ahearn are: Robert James, born December 2, 1903, a graduate of St. John's College, and now associated with his father in business; and Roy Thomas, born October 9, 1907, and now a student in St. Anselm's College, Manchester, New Hampshire.

**CLYDE WHEATON YOUNG** was early identified with a movement to protect members of the Masonic Order from pecuniary disaster accompanying illness and accident. A commercial enterprise, this was based on actual statistics, a sound basis. Its value has been shown by the rapid growth of the company. Mr. Young has played an important part in this development, which he now directs as president. Clyde Wheaton Young was born in Columbus, Ohio, May 20, 1885, son of Joseph W. and Alice (Morton) Young. His father is a manufacturer of regalia in Springfield, where he does a thriving business. Clyde W. was educated in the public schools of his native city and finished his education in 1904 at the high school in Springfield, where his parents had come to live in 1901. His first position was as clerk with the Monarch Accident Insurance Company, under its name of "Masonic Mutual Accident Company" as then known. Throughout all these years he has been a part of the company's growth. In the beginning a secretary, clerk, stenographer, and policy writer constituted the office force. Slow of growth in the beginning, it outgrew its quarters in 1912 and again in 1918. In 1921 it became a stock company, and in 1924, the year its name was changed to the "Monarch Accident Insurance Company," it acquired a building of its own. Upon the death of the president in 1925, the Board of Directors looked to Clyde W. Young, who knew every detail of the company's business, who had given the whole service of his adult life to its interests, and who had proved himself an able secretary and treasurer, to become the new president. He is proving a vigorous and effective officer, and is a director as well. He is also on the Board of Trustees of Wesson Memorial Hospital, is a member of all bodies of Masons, including both York and Scottish Rites, and is a member of Melha Temple Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Springfield. His Clubs are the Nayasset and the Blandford Country Club, and the Casualty Insurance Club of New York City. He is a member of the Wesley Methodist Church.

Clyde W. Young married, June 12, 1912, Mildred Keyes, daughter of James W. and Emma (Knowlton) Keyes. Their children are: Mirriam A., born in Springfield, March, 1913; Eleanor F., born January, 1916.

**FRANCIS EDWARD DOLAN**—A well known figure in Turners Falls is Francis Edward Dolan whose long activity in the paper industry has been superceded by his independent business prominence as a retail shoe dealer. Mr. Dolan is an eminently practical man whose endeavors have carried him to success and building his prominence on strict integrity and a desire to fill responsibility efficiently and well, he is considered one of the able and substantial men of the day.

He is a son of Bernard Dolan, who was born in Ireland in 1852 and died in this country in 1914. He was a paper manufacturer by occupation, and a son of Patrick Dolan who died in Kansas at the age of one hundred and nine years. Bernard Dolan married, in Lee, Massachusetts, Catherine Hagarty, who was also born in Ireland and they were the parents of five children: William J., deceased; Margaret M., wife of M. J. Kelly; Bernard, Jr.; Catherine and Francis Edward.

Francis Edward Dolan was born in Turners Falls, April 25, 1885, and received a practical education in the local public schools. As a young man he entered the employ of the Keith Paper Company in the shipping department and beginning as a clerk he remained for twenty-one years in that branch of the company's plant, rising to the head of the department. In September of 1923, Mr. Dolan established his present business, opening a shoe store on Avenue A and in the comparatively short period which has since elapsed he has developed an important and ever growing interest. His policy of meeting the every day needs of the people with dependable merchandise at reasonable prices gives him the universal esteem and confidence of the people and he numbers his patrons among the leading citizens of his community as well as among the industrial workers. Mr. Dolan has long been interested in local progress, his participation in civic endeavors marking him as a man of commendable public spirit. He has served as chairman of Prudential Committee of the local fire district for the past fifteen years. A Democrat in his political convictions, Mr. Dolan has long been a worker in the Party and for the past six years has served as a member of the Board of Registrars. He is first vice-president of the Turners Falls board of trade and a leader in every civic movement which promises to benefit the people. Fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus, of which he is a trustee; also with the Ancient Order of Hibernians. His leisure interests include out door sports, and he keeps in close touch with base-ball, having been a member of a base-ball team in his youth.

Francis Edward Dolan married, September 24, 1912, in Turners Falls, Joanna B. Riley, daughter of Michael H. Riley who for many years was a leading hotel proprietor of Greenfield, but is now looking after his interests in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Dolan have five children: Bernice L.; Eleanor F.; John R.; Francis E., Jr. and Catherine J.

**ARTHUR JAPHET CHAPIN**—In mercantile interests and in varied branches of the public service Arthur Japhet Chapin of South Ashfield is bearing a worthy part in the progress of his day and his en-

deavors are constructive in a marked degree. A native of this community and now in the prime of life, Mr. Chapin is recognized as one of the thoroughly representative and outstanding citizens of his day, his varied interests link his name with many local endeavors and in every phase of current progress, he lends his influence to the advancement of worthy effort.

The Chapin family is one of importance in New England, Deacon Samuel Chapin, the immigrant ancestor of this line having come to Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1642.

(II) Japhet Chapin, son of the immigrant was born in 1642 and saw action in the great fight at Turners Falls in 1676. He was considered a leading man of his day, until his death, which occurred in 1712. He married (first) Abilivah Cooley; (second) Dorothy Root.

(III) Thomas Chapin, son of Japhet Chapin, the next in line, was born in 1671 and died in 1755. He married Sarah Wright, they had a son, Japhet (2), of further mention.

(IV) Japhet (2) Chapin, son of Thomas and Sarah (Wright) Chapin, was born in 1697 and died in 1786, at the great age of eighty-nine years. He married Thankful Dickenson, they had a son Nathan, of further mention.

(V) Nathan Chapin, son of Japhet (2) and Thankful (Dickenson) Chapin, was born in 1735 and removed from Chicopee to Ashfield, where he died at the residence of his son, Japhet, in the locality known as Buckland in 1830, at the age of ninety-six years. He served in the War of the Revolution and married Mary Smith.

(VI) Japhet (3) Chapin, son of Nathan and Mary (Smith) Chapin, was born in Springfield, August 31, 1759, and died April 22, 1833. For many years a resident of Buckland, he served as deacon of the church in that community and for twenty years held a commission as justice of the peace. He married Lucy Ware, who was born in 1766 and died in 1852. The children of this union were: Luciva; Darius; Mary; Japhet; Cythia; Japhet; Orlando; Cynthia; and Luther, of further mention.

(VII) Luther Chapin, son of Japhet and Lucy (Ware) Chapin, was born in Buckland, May 24, 1809, and died in Ashfield in 1894. By trade a carpenter and turner, he acted as boss carpenter at the age of eighteen years and was lieutenant of a company of artillery in Buckland, also was elected captain in 1841, serving for two years thereafter, until his honorable discharge. For a time he conducted a grist mill, but later in life followed farming. He served for some years as a member of the Board of Education and attended the Baptist Church. He was considered one of the worthy and notable citizens of his day, an ornament to the community and a man of useful activities. He married (first) on December 4, 1845, Malvira M. Swan and they were the parents of the following children: Eunice; Luther D.; Lydia D.; Norris E.; and Edward M. He married (second) ——— and the three children of this marriage are: Mary E.; George H.; and Arthur Japhet, of further mention.

(VIII) Arthur Japhet Chapin was born in Ashfield, August 16, 1860. Educated in his native place, Mr. Chapin followed farming activities for about ten years,

then for a time was engaged in carpenter work. In 1893, he entered business in South Ashfield, conducting a general store and has since been active in this community along the same line of endeavor. The building in which he founded his interest was more than one hundred years old when he established the business, but Mr. Chapin has remodeled and improved it in many ways, until he has a model and up-to-date establishment. He was appointed postmaster in 1893, an office which he has held continuously since. This very remarkable record of more than thirty-one years of service in the office of postmaster, despite many changes of administration in the nations capitol is an excellent appraisal of the worth of the man and the appreciation of the people. Furthermore his first appointment was under a Democratic administration, while he is a Republican in his individual political convictions. Mr. Chapin maintains farming interests of more than slight importance and is considered one of the prosperous and important men in this community. He is a leading figure in church activities and for many years has sung in the Episcopal and Congregational Church choirs of this community.

Arthur Japhet Chapin married, May 18, 1887, Amanda Howes, of Ashfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Frederick and Minnie (Hall) Howes and although Mr. and Mrs. Chapin have no children of their own, they have brought up and educated eight boys.

**ROBERT JAMES DECKER**—When we think of tobacco in its various forms, as cigars, cigarettes or "the pipe that sootheth," we are apt to think of the Orient, of far and distant lands like Egypt, Greece, Bosnia, or on our Western Hemisphere of Havana, Porto Rico, or of our own product of Virginia, famous the world over. That there is a considerable amount of the fragrant weed grown in our Northern States and distributed by a large industry is a fact known not so widely as it deserves. Among the packers and growers of tobacco in Massachusetts, an important place, both as to bulk of trade and quality of product, is taken by John C. Decker, a native of Hatfield, Massachusetts.

John C. Decker, son of Gottlieb Decker, was born in South Deerfield, Massachusetts, May 3, 1855. He received his preliminary education in the public schools of Hatfield and Deerfield, Massachusetts. Until seventeen years of age he worked on his father's farm and later, as is the custom in his locality, accepted work on other farms by the month. Later he became interested in tobacco raising and when he thought himself justified to translate his knowledge into practice he bought a farm, in 1887, in the village of South Deerfield, where he has raised tobacco ever since. From the year 1880 he has been a packer and grower of tobacco, and for the proper storage and maturing—two eminently important factors in the scientific pursuit of the tobacco business—he built upon his property in the village a large ware-house, as well as a fine residence. For some time he carried on the tobacco business under his own name, and later he took in his two sons, and the firm's name became John C. Decker & Sons. The business has since been incorporated, and at the same time Mr. Decker has retired from active life.

John C. Decker married Mary A. Walsh, of Holyoke,



Massachusetts, born in 1856, died on January 13, 1918, who was a daughter of Michael D. and Bridget (Hayes) Walsh. Mr. and Mrs. Decker are the parents of the following children: 1. Charles J., who died December 26, 1918, aged thirty-five years. He was actively engaged in the tobacco business until the time of his death. 2. Caroline Lucy. 3. Robert James, of whom further. 4. Mary Ellen, who married Samuel Delano, of Springfield, Massachusetts. 5. Bessie, who died, aged seven years. 6. Frederick M.

Robert James Decker is a native of South Deerfield, Massachusetts, where he was born on January 7, 1887, a son of Robert James and Mary A. (Walsh) Decker. He received his education in the schools of South Deerfield, and the Northampton Commercial School, and throughout his life has been a farmer, packer and dealer in leaf tobacco. From 1908 to 1912 the name of the firm was John C. Decker & Sons, but from 1912 to 1918, the business was carried on under the firm name of C. J. and R. J. Decker, a partnership consisting of Mr. Decker and his brother, Charles J. Decker. Since his brother's death the business has been incorporated under the name of C. J. and R. J. Decker, Inc., of which Mr. Decker is president. An idea of the size of the plant may be obtained by stating that Mr. Decker owns and controls more than one hundred and fifty acres of tobacco, some eighty acres of which is shade grown. He employs about a hundred people in the summer time and in the winter gives employment to some sixty or more in his packing house. Apart from his extensive interests in the growing and packing of tobacco, Mr. Decker always finds time to interest himself in civic affairs, being at the present time a selectman of Deerfield and an overseer of the poor and member of the Board of Health. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Improved Order of Red Men.

Robert James Decker married, June 29, 1910, Nellie Lawlor, at Palmer, Massachusetts, a daughter of Maurice and Catherine Lawlor. Mr. and Mrs. Decker are the parents of the following children: 1. Catherine Lawlor, born June 18, 1911. 2. Helen Roberta, born June 20, 1916. 3. Frances Aniceta, born October 20, 1918. 4. Robert James, Jr., born in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, July 5, 1920. The first three children were all born in South Deerfield, Massachusetts.

**EDGAR MARVIN GRAVES**, born and reared in the town of Greenfield, is working his way to fame as a business man of this town. More often than otherwise the young man will leave his native hearth to seek his fortune in a larger town or city, when, if he had used his eyes he would have seen opportunity beckoning him at his very door. This was not the case with Edgar M. Graves, however, for he saw opportunities in his own town and made use of them until to-day he is recognized as the owner of a prosperous electrical business.

The Graves family is one of the most ancient in England, and is represented by many men of honor and distinction. Of interest to his family and friends is the line of ancestry here traced:

(I) Thomas Graves, born in England before 1585, came to New England with his wife, Sarah, and five children, the youngest of whom at that time was about

sixteen years of age. They settled in Hartford, Connecticut, where Thomas was a property holder in 1645. Being over sixty years of age, he was exempted from training in the militia. In September, 1661, he moved to Hatfield. His death occurred in November, 1662, and his son, Isaac was appointed administrator of his estate in Massachusetts, and Nathaniel in Connecticut. Of his marriage were born the following children: Isaac, John, of further mention; Samuel, Nathaniel and Elizabeth.

(II) John Graves, son of Thomas and Sarah Graves, was born in England about 1645, came to Hartford with his parents. Later he settled in Wethersfield, where, on May 18, 1654, he became a freeman. He was several times selected to run the boundary lines between Wethersfield and the adjoining towns. Some time later, with his wife and five children he accompanied his father and Brother Isaac to Hatfield, and with his brother was killed by the Indians, September 19, 1677, while they were engaged in the building of a house for John Graves, Jr. The Indians came suddenly upon them and gave them no chance to save themselves. Mr. Graves married (first) Mary Smith, daughter of Lieutenant Samuel Smith, of Wethersfield; (second) Mary (Bronson) Wyatt, daughter of John Bronson and widow of John Wyatt, of Haddam, Connecticut. The children of John Graves were: John, Mary, Isaac, Samuel, of whom further; Sarah, Elizabeth, Daniel, Ebenezer, Bethiah and Nathaniel.

(III) Samuel Graves, the third son of John Graves, was born about 1657, at Wethersfield, Connecticut. He removed with his parents to Hatfield, from which place they went, about 1725, to Sunderland, where he died March 11, 1731. By his wife, Sarah, who died October 15, 1734, he had the following children: Sarah, born July 1, 1687; Jonathan, born October 27, 1689; Abraham David, born December 9, 1693; Noah, of whom further; Mehitable, born December 19, 1696, and Samuel, born January 30, 1697.

(IV) Noah Graves, son of Samuel and Sarah Graves, was born December 19, 1695. He came with his father to Sunderland, where he died on March 17, 1773. He was twice married; (first) to Rebecca Wright, who died in 1744, and (second) to Widow Rachel Newton. Among the children of his first wife was Benoni, of whom further.

(V) Benoni Graves, son of Noah and Rebecca (Wright) Graves, was born February 16, 1736. He served as a soldier in the War of the Revolution. In 1764 he married Mary Clark, and among their children was Elijah, of whom further.

(VI) Elijah Graves, son of Benoni and Mary (Clark) Graves, was born February 18, 1770, and died September 13, 1839. He married, February 27, 1803, Resign Hatch, who was born in 1781.

(VII) Luther Graves, son of Elijah and Resign (Hatch) Graves, was born April 11, 1811, in Sunderland, and died in Greenfield April 17, 1890. He married Louise Smith, of Dover, Vermont, and to them were born the following children: Charles E., Kate L. and James Luther, mentioned below.

(VIII) James Luther Graves, son of Luther and Louise (Smith) Graves, was born in Greenfield May 14,





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1847, and died February 25, 1906. Mr. Graves was a mechanic by occupation, and for some fifteen or twenty years was engaged with the Warner Manufacturing Company, in the drop forging department. Previous to this he had learned the plumber's trade and had worked at this for a time. During the Spanish-American War his services were of value in the armory in Springfield. He married, December 16, 1873, Emma Kelley, born in Gill, of this State, and the daughter of Giles Norman and Martha (Caldwell) Kelley. Children: Edgar Marvin, of further mention; Ruth Martha, and George Luther.

(IX) Edgar Marvin Graves, son of James Luther and Emma (Kelley) Graves, and the subject of this biography, was born in Greenfield, Connecticut, September 7, 1890. In the public schools of this town he received his education and then started his business career by entering the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company, of which he was the superintendent of meters. He remained with this company until 1921, when he bought out the Cook Electrical Company, of which today (1925) he is the sole owner. He is doing an extensive business in electrical construction work, installing systems, and retailing all kinds of electrical appliances. His business has been successful from the beginning, and with his handling it is taking on a larger scope.

Mr. Graves is a respected citizen of the community, and is associated with the Masonic organization, being a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Lodge of Perfection, of the Scottish Rite; and the Princes of Jerusalem. In religion he is an Episcopalian, being a member of the church of that denomination.

Edgar Marvin Graves married, November 12, 1918, Rachel Elizabeth Hanson, of Northwood, New Hampshire, daughter of Josiah and Vienna (Stone) Hanson. To them have been born one child, Barbara Jane, born May 17, 1923.

**WILLIAM B. PARMELE**, of North Adams, prominent in the progress of Western Massachusetts, in connection with the production and distribution of lumber, is bearing an eminently practical part in present day affairs, and as a forward looking executive his work is counting definitely for the general welfare. Mr. Parmele is an able and efficient executive, and his usefulness is well appraised by his success. He is a son of G. N. and M. E. (Speaker) Parmele, both natives and long residents of the State of New York.

William B. Parmele was born in East Bloomfield, New York, September 12, 1859. His education was begun in the local schools and completed at Canandaigua Academy, also of this State. Coming to North Adams as a young man, Mr. Parmele associated himself with the S. B. Dibble Lumber Company, and throughout his entire career he has continued with this concern. This is a long and worthy record of consistent purpose and tireless endeavor, and his work has counted largely for the progress and extension of the company's interests. Beginning in a subordinate capacity and familiarizing himself with the details of the business, Mr. Parmele rose steadily in the organization until he now serves as

treasurer of the concern. He is not widely affiliated with affairs outside the business world, but is a member of the Berkshire Club and attends the First Congregational Church.

William B. Parmele married, May 20, 1884, at North Adams, Alice G. Bixby, daughter of W. H. and Mary Bixby.

**RAYMOND P. MOREAU**—Among the eminently progressive and outstanding young men of Western Massachusetts is Raymond P. Moreau, whose business activities in Turners Falls have demonstrated his ability and carried him to a successful position. Mr. Moreau is a progressive and forward looking business executive, and is a son of George and Marcelline (Devino) Moreau, his father active in the paper industry until his retirement.

Raymond P. Moreau was born in Turners Falls, Massachusetts, June 22, 1896. His education was received in the local schools, and as a young man he entered the Montague City Machine Shop, where he was active until 1916. Then determined upon striking out for himself in a practical realm of advance, Mr. Moreau purchased a desirable property at No. 83 Fifth Avenue and there established a trucking business. At the beginning his equipment comprised one two-horse team and a Ford truck. Although his progress was interrupted by his service in the World War, he went forward with energy and faith in the future, and his endeavors have been rewarded with large success. With the growth of the interest he found it necessary to seek larger quarters, and purchased the modern brick building on Avenue A, where his business interests now center. From a small beginning the enterprise has extended to a point where Mr. Moreau now keeps busy at all times four large motor trucks and two fine horse-drawn vehicles. He also contracts to furnish passenger busses, controlling twenty of these modern vehicles of the most approved and comfortable type. In addition to his business ability Mr. Moreau is gifted with a genial spirit, which enables him at all times to make friends, and in his progress he has reflected credit upon the community, as well as upon his own name.

In 1918, Mr. Moreau enlisted in the United States Navy for service in the World War, and until November, 1919, was active on convoy duty, principally in the region of the North Sea. Thus bearing a part in the stirring events of the time he has given his name permanent significance to the record of his country in that struggle. Mr. Moreau is a member of the Turners Falls Council, Knights of Columbus, and of St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church.

Raymond P. Moreau married Irene Couture, daughter of Frank and Irene Couture. Mr. and Mrs. Moreau are the parents of one child: Marcelline Rose, born in Turners Falls.

**NELSON L. JARVIS** is known throughout the United States through his association with Jarvis & Jarvis, one of the leading concerns in the country in the field of rubber tired castors. Mr. Jarvis, who is senior partner in the firm, is known as one of the prominent men of Palmer. He is a trustee of the Palmer



Savings Bank, and is active and well known in civic and fraternal circles.

Nelson L. Jarvis was born in Malone, New York, September 23, 1883, the son of Bernard Jarvis, a native of New York State, who was a carpenter, and Virginia (Boyea) Jarvis, both deceased. Mr. Jarvis obtained his education in the public and parochial schools of Connecticut and New Jersey State. At fourteen years he began to work in the cotton mills at fifty cents a day. He then went to work in a grocery store, after which he was offered a position as freight clerk, where he was employed four years. He was ambitious for advancement, and after prolonged study and concentration he procured a position as bookkeeper in a manufacturing concern, and feeling capable of greater responsibilities he formed a partnership with Frank J. Jarvis, under which they began the manufacture of rubber tired wheels and casters. In 1921 they added a line of service wagons for hotel, restaurant, hospital and household use, making them complete in addition to the former line, and these two lines they still continue. Through this added department the partners are now among the best known makers of that kind of product and have a large trade with hospitals and hotels. Jarvis & Jarvis, with headquarters in Palmer, have representatives in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago.

Nelson L. Jarvis is a member of the Palmer Council of the Knights of Columbus, the Royal Arcanum of Palmer, the Palmer Rotary Club and the Palmer Business Men's Club. He and his family attend the St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church in Palmer, where the family resides at No. 210 South Main Street.

He married Viola Ellen Dauplaise, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Handfield) Dauplaise, in South Manchester, Connecticut, November 3, 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis have one daughter, Constance Viola, born June 7, 1919, in Palmer.

**ALBERT S. COOLIDGE**, entering upon his career as a teacher of chemistry, and with Harvard University, his *alma mater*, as his field of action, is fulfilling his purpose of making research in that science his life work. With collegiate attainments in the study of his specialty, and possessing an inherent interest therein, he finds the rewards of interpretation in the classroom of problems that are of utmost value to humanity at the present hour. He is a son of Frederic S. Coolidge, M. D., and Elizabeth (Sprague) Coolidge.

Albert S. Coolidge was born in 1894, in Chicago, Illinois, where he attended a private school. He then matriculated at Harvard University, where he graduated with the class of 1915, and with his Bachelor of Arts degree; he received the Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1924. In 1917 he began teaching chemistry at Harvard. A Socialist in politics, he votes for that party ticket.

Mr. Coolidge married, in September, 1915, Margaret Stewart Coit, a daughter of John T. and Mary Coit; they are the parents of three children: John C. and Frederic S., twins; and Elizabeth S.

**EDWARD JAMES WALPOLE**—A very substantial business has been built up in real estate and insurance by Mr. Walpole since he first established himself

in Northampton, and he has made his own field and secured his increasing patronage through his personal enterprise and capabilities. A veteran of the World War, and a citizen whose belief in the progressive present of Northampton is demonstrated both in his own business and in the broad stand he takes in civic matters, Mr. Walpole is a sterling representative of the leading men in his line in this section of the State. He is of a persevering, energetic race, who as teachers, farmers and general merchants have done their share in giving the progressive tone to the communities. There exists in Romsey, England, a certain record of the Walpole family that is dated as of Winchester, England; and this branch of the family went to Kilkenny, Ireland, with Protector Cromwell's troops. The Walpole name is one of the basic English names whose spelling rarely changes; it might have been spelled Wallpole, on occasions; but to-day it has reverted back to the original spelling, Walpole.

(I) Thomas Walpole, grandfather of Edward J. Walpole, was born in Ireland, and died in 1894, in Haydenville, Massachusetts. He came to the United States in 1850, and went to Chesterfield, this State, where he had charge of the Edwards estate. He was a great reader, and at one period in his life he had been a school teacher. His last years were spent in Haydenville, where he died. He married Margaret Lynch, who died in 1910, and they were the parents of seven children: Frank, of whom further; Elizabeth, who married John O'Neil, deceased; Mary, who married John O'Neil, of Easthampton, deceased; Jane, who married Charles Warner, of Middletown, New York; and three children who died in early life.

(II) Frank Walpole, son of Thomas and Margaret (Lynch) Walpole, was born in 1844, in County Kilkenny, Ireland, and died in 1916, in Haydenville, Massachusetts. Coming to the United States with his parents early in life, he attended the Chesterfield schools. Throughout his life he lost no opportunity to become the well-read man. He worked on a farm and in a country store, and drove cattle to Albany, New York, for the Edwards estate. Coming to Leeds, Massachusetts, in 1876, he was employed by a Mr. Ross as a flour salesman, but he eventually bought a farm in Haydenville that he conducted to the time of his death. He married Catherine Lawler, of Williamsburg, daughter of Michael and Catherine (Knowles) Lawler, the parents coming from Kilkenny, Ireland. The children of Frank and Catherine Walpole were: Mary, who married Frederick Shaw; Rose, deceased; Mark, John, William, Margaret, who married Edward Larkin; Frank, Charles, Edward James, of whom further; Robert, deceased; Leonard. The first three children were born in Leeds, the rest were born in Haydenville.

(III) Edward James Walpole, son of Frank and Catherine (Lawler) Walpole, was born January 19, 1894, at Haydenville, where he attended the public schools. He was then employed by the Bay State Brass Company, where he continued for a year; then consecutively as a clerk in the Curran Brothers' grocery store, and for William J. Sheehan, in Haydenville; for the Purrington Company in Florence; three years and five months in the brush shop, under contract with the Oliver Smith







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will. When he was twenty-one years of age he went to Hartford, Connecticut, where, for a short time, he was employed by the Underwood Typewriter Company, the National Biscuit Company, and the Pratt and Whitney Company. Returning to Northampton, he represented the Scranton School of Correspondence for Northampton and Westfield. In 1915 he established his real estate and insurance business in Northampton, where he is also a justice of the peace and auctioneer.

Enlisting in the World War in June, 1918, he went to Camp Dix, whence he sailed for England. His position was in the Personnel Department, of Headquarters, and he received a sergeant's pay. His duties required his visiting major-general's headquarters throughout France. He received his discharge from the service in February, 1919. He is a member of the American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

**FRANK D. STAFFORD, M. D.**—In professional advance in Western Massachusetts, Dr. Frank D. Stafford, of North Adams, holds a noteworthy position, and his success has carried him to high rank in his chosen field of medicine, and in various other lines of progressive effort his influence is felt in a marked degree. Dr. Stafford has been active in practice for forty-six years, and both in medicine and surgery he is considered one of the most highly skilled practitioners of this section. He is a son of Joel C. and Jane (Stroul) Stafford, his father a prominent farmer of Vermont.

Frank D. Stafford was born in Stamford, Vermont, August 15, 1856. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he later attended high school at Williamstown, Massachusetts, then took up his professional studies at the University of Vermont Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1878. His first experience was in Whitingham, Vermont, where he practiced for fourteen years, then in 1892 he moved to North Adams where he has since been active with definite and ever wider success. From an early period in his career Dr. Stafford displayed marked skill in surgery and with the passing of the years he has gone forward to an outstanding position in this realm. As one of the oldest and most successful practitioners in this part of the State, he holds enviable rank in medical and surgical practice, and is honored and beloved of the people. Dr. Stafford has long been interested in the world of finance as a stockholder in the North Adams Savings Bank, and in civic affairs he has been eminently distinguished by his fellow townsmen. A Republican by political affiliation, he was elected representative from Whitingham, Vermont, to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont in 1888, and served for a term of two years. Since his residence in North Adams, his position in the affairs of his party has been equally important, and in the years 1903 and 1907 he was elected mayor of the city of North Adams, in which office he served for four years. Dr. Stafford is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Masons, and other bodies. He is a member of the Rotary Club, and of the Universalist Church.

Frank D. Stafford married (first), in 1882, at Whitingham, Vermont, Flora B. Ballou, daughter of Hosea B. and Adelia (Murdock) Ballou. He married (second),

in 1921, at North Adams, Eva F. Swift, daughter of Dr. Flavia and Fannie (Ballou) Swift.

**DWIGHT GILMORE**—As manager of the Court Square Theatre of Springfield, Massachusetts, Mr. Gilmore continues something of a family tradition. To give amusement of a high order to a community is a very real civic service, and Dwight Gilmore has high ideals in that direction, which he is more and more bringing to realization. The Court Square Theatre was built by Mr. Gilmore's uncle, Dwight O. Gilmore, and thrown open to the public September 5, 1892. Another family caterer to public amusement was E. G. Gilmore, founder of Gilmore's Garden in New York City, and one-time owner and manager of the Academy of Music on Fourteenth Street in that city, in the days of glory for that old institution. Mr. Gilmore's branch of the family is traced to Captain Nathaniel Gilmore, of Stafford, Connecticut, whose grandson, Charles N. Gilmore, in the pursuit of his railroad duties, found his way to the State of Iowa. In Des Moines his son, Dwight, was born.

(I) Captain Nathaniel Gilmore (as the name was then spelled) was born in Stafford, Connecticut, where he became especially well known as a military man. His commission as captain of a troop of cavalry in the State Militia, which is preserved by his descendants, was signed by Governor Jonathan Trumbull, and Samuel Wyllis, secretary. Captain Nathaniel Gilmore married and had sons: Harry, a physician of Brookfield, Massachusetts; William, iron master of Stafford Furnace and colonel of militia; and Nathaniel, of further mention.

(II) Nathaniel Gilmore (as he spelled the name) was born in Stafford, Connecticut, where he died in 1843. For many years he was famous as the proprietor of the hotel at Stafford Springs, a regular and unique stop for meals on the old New York and Boston stage route between Sturbridge, Massachusetts, and Vernon, Connecticut. By his first wife, Elmira, he had children: John P.; William M.; and Sarah Elmira. He married (second), May 25, 1834, Charlotte Olmsted, and their children were: Charles N., of further mention; Dwight O., who died in 1918, a large real estate owner of Springfield; Edwin G.; and Esther Ely.

(III) Charles N. Gilmore, eldest son of Nathaniel and his second wife, Charlotte (Olmsted) Gilmore, was born in Stafford Springs, Connecticut, in 1835, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1912. When he was eight years old, his father died and his mother moved to her native town of Monson, Massachusetts. There Charles N. attended schools and picked up odd jobs to help his mother maintain the family. When little more than a boy, he went to Bellefontaine, Ohio, and by the time he was twenty-one was so expert a railroad man that he was rated an engineer and given an engine of his own. The rest of his life he spent at railroad work. After several years with the Illinois Central Railroad, he went to Des Moines, Iowa, in 1874, where he built more than half of the Des Moines & Fort Dodge Railroad. At the time of his death he was superintendent with the Rock Island Railroad. In spite of his high and dignified repute in the railroad world, Mr. Gilmore was a man of simple tastes, much sought after socially, who loved

above all things hunting and fishing. He was a Mason, affiliated with Chicago lodges.

Charles N. Gilmore married Nellie A. Green, daughter of Albert Green, of Danbury, Connecticut. They had two children: Dwight, of further mention; and Louise G., who married Harry D. Rawson, an architect of Des Moines, Iowa, and who has two children, Charles Gilmore and Mary Scott Rawson.

(IV) Dwight Gilmore, only son of Charles N. and Nellie A. (Green) Gilmore, was born in Des Moines, Iowa, January 16, 1880. There he received his education in the public schools, noted for their liberality and thoroughness. For ten years after completing his schooling he was an employee of the Rock Island Railroad Company, but at twenty-six he moved to Springfield, in 1906. There he lived for two years, acting as treasurer of the Court Square Theatre, built and owned by his uncle. Returning to Des Moines, he spent five more years in the employ of the Rock Island Railroad. Again he returned to Springfield, Massachusetts, which has since been his home. There he is an important man in financial, as well as amusement circles. His wide experience of men and things, combined with his dynamic personality, has brought him many positions of responsibility. He is manager of the Court Square Theatre; treasurer of the Taber-Prang Art Company; trustee of the Five Cents Savings Bank; and director in the Union Trust Company. He also has large real estate interests. Mr. Gilmore is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His clubs are the Winthrop, Nayasset, Golf, and Springfield Country Club.

**SAMUEL KINGSLEY HIGGINS**, stock and bond broker in Springfield, Massachusetts, until his death, November 26, 1923, was born in Galesburg, Illinois, March 4, 1863, the son of Samuel K. and Harriet M. Kingsley Higgins. His father was in the retail dry goods business. Samuel K. Higgins attended the public schools at Galesburg, and was graduated from Knox College. Having obtained a practical business education he became a travelling salesman for the cigar department of Thurber, Wyland Company, of New York City, where he continued for several years. He was next with the McClure Publishing Company, still later with "Judge" as manager of the circulation department. He, however, found the stock and bond business more attractive, and established the firm of S. K. Higgins & Company in Springfield, where he continued to the day of his death. Mr. Higgins was a member of the Masonic fraternity in Galesburg of the United Workmen of the World, and of the Congregational Church.

He married, February 12, 1901, in New York City, Mollie B. Walsh, daughter of William T. and Margaret E. (Bishop) Walsh. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins are the parents of Mollie B., Margaret E., Ruth I., and Dorothy K. Mr. Higgins, by a former marriage, was the father of Samuel K., Jr., Harold H., Harriet M. and Lillian B., now Mrs. E. J. Enock.

**JOHN JOSEPH WOODLOCK**—Long associated with the furniture and undertaking business in Greenfield, and enjoying that desirable reputation for a thorough understanding of the requirements of his calling

that his father had won in his own business activities before him, Mr. Woodlock represents his profession most satisfactorily to this community and a large surrounding district. During the forty years that he has been a citizen of Greenfield Mr. Woodlock has won a host of friends for his broad comprehension and sympathies, and that he stands at the head of his vocation in this part of the State is due largely to the fact that he regards the performance of his duties in the light of sacred interest and obligation. His funeral directing headquarters have present-day equipment and methods; and the wishes and concern of his patrons are uppermost in his plan and thought. He is of a race well proven in industry and good citizenship. The first Woodlocks, so it is recorded, were found in Ireland when the Lord Protector Oliver Cromwell, was in power. The great-grandparents of John Joseph Woodlock were John and Bridget (Ryan) Woodlock, who lived and died in Ireland, and their son, John Woodlock, a farmer was born in Ireland, and died in Liverpool, England. His first wife was ——— Hefferman, by whom he had a son, John. He married (second) Margaret Hayes, and they had Cornelius, of whom further; Matthew, who died young; David, Bridget, Thomas, Michael, Margaret, Mary, Johanna, Matthew.

Cornelius Woodlock was born May 11, 1835, in Schanballyduff, County Tipperary, Ireland, and resides in Greenfield. He was a farmer in Ireland, and he removed to Canada in 1883, and to the United States in 1884, and at once located in Greenfield, where for many years he was a stone mason and contractor. He had a partner a few years, a Mr. Alexander, and the business was carried on under the firm name of Woodlock & Alexander. Mr. Woodlock has been retired for some fifteen years, but while in active association with his business, lay the foundations and the stone work of many of the houses in Greenfield. He married, May 2, 1860, Mary Hickey, who was born in 1835, in County Tipperary, Ireland, and died August 19, 1887, in Greenfield. Their children: Bridget, who married James Grogan; John J., of whom further; Philip Francis; David; Catherine, who married John Bulman; Margaret, dietitian at the Franklin County Hospital; Mary, who married Michael W. Lynch; Ellen M.; Anne, who married William Gorey; Josephine.

John Joseph Woodlock was born March 1, 1864, in Cashel, County Tipperary, Ireland, where he attended the public schools, and for a time was employed as a salesman in a hardware store. In 1883 he removed to Canada, where he remained a year, and while there he sent for his parents, removing with them to Greenfield in 1884. There he was employed for ten years as a machinist with the firm of Wiley, Russell Company, after which he became associated with the firm of E. E. Pierce, furniture dealers and undertakers, where he remained four years, after which he went with Green & Vosburg, in the same line. Mr. Woodstock later established his own furniture and undertaking business, under the firm name of J. J. Woodlock & Company, and at the same headquarters that he now occupies in the old Odd Fellows' Building on Main Street, now owned by Nims & Thompson.

As a young man Mr. Woodlock was greatly interested in athletics, and had the distinction of holding the world's



record for amateur high and broad jump. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Woodlock married, October 17, 1900, Mary A. Bulman, daughter of Cornelius and Margaret (Casey) Bulman, and they are the parents of: 1. Marion Elizabeth, graduate of Boston University and Simmons College, and engaged in welfare work in Boston. 2. John C., graduate of the College of Embalming, and associated with his father in business. 3. Paul Bulman, at present a student at Dean Academy, Franklin, Massachusetts.

**NEWTON DANIEL CROSSMAN**, merchant, and postmaster at different times of two New England cities, was born in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, December 6, 1848. The Crossman family to which he belong bears an unusual name among the early immigrants. Two distinctive branches appear to have existed in England. One family lived at Cresse, in Cornwall, and traced descent from John Croseman, contemporary of the reign of Henry VIII. Their arms were as follows:

Arms—A sable field with chevron or, between three goats' heads erased, argent.

Another Crossman family, living in Somersetshire, had arms:

Arms—Argent, a cross ermines between four escallops sable.

Crest—A demi-lion ermine holding an escallop sable.

The escallop shells indicate that their ancestors had made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The ermine cross would seem to have some connection with the patronymic.

Tisdale Crossman, father of Newton Daniel Crossman, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1803, died in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, in 1890, aged eighty-seven years. He was a farmer and manufacturer. He made chopping trays by hand. He was a member of the Congregational Church. He married Joanna Thurber, of Mendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts. She was born in 1808, and died in 1888, aged eighty years. She was the daughter of Whitaker Thurber. They were the parents of five children: 1. Sarah, married David Hamilton. 2. Abbie, married (first) Rollin Cowles, killed in the Civil War; she married (second) George Berry. 3. Charles, since dead. 4. Hattie, since dead, who married Franklin Kellogg. 5. Newton Daniel, of further mention.

Newton Daniel Crossman was educated in the public schools of Shutesbury, his native town. He farmed in Shutesbury and took care of his father and mother. He took orders for groceries for neighbors, and in 1890 engaged in the mercantile business, in Shutesbury. He was appointed postmaster February 25, 1892, at Shutesbury by Postmaster-General John Wanamaker in the last year of the Harrison administration. He continued in the mercantile business, which included dry goods and groceries, in Shutesbury for eighteen years. In 1909 he came to North Amherst, where he established a general store. He was appointed the same year postmaster at North Amherst by Postmaster-General Frank Hitchcock in the administration of President Taft. Mr.

Crossman has been actively engaged in business in North Amherst since that time. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and the Congregational Church.

Mr. Crossman married, in April, 1872, Susan Wood, of Shutesbury, daughter of Alan G. Wood. They are the parents of two children: Allie C. Wood, married Colfax Johnson; and Frank Crossman, of Hubbardston, Massachusetts. Mr. Crossman's address is North Amherst, Massachusetts.

**FRANK H. GOODRICH**—In a vitally important field of distribution Frank H. Goodrich, of Pittsfield, holds a leading position. Giving to the development of his interest the original viewpoint and the tireless energy which carry a man to noteworthy rank in any field, Mr. Goodrich has prospered largely, and is counted among the thoroughly progressive and outstanding men of Western Massachusetts. He is a son of Frank H. and Ella L. Goodrich, for many years residents of Springfield and North Adams, his father a well-known commission merchant.

Frank H. Goodrich was born in Springfield July 30, 1878. Securing only the advantages of a public school education, he came to Pittsfield in 1904. Having gained some practical business experience in his native city, he at once filled a responsible position with an organization, and three years later struck out for himself in an independent enterprise. This was in the wholesale fruit field, and this business has developed into one of prominence and wide reaching importance. Mr. Goodrich now owns a handsome building, which bears his name, at No. 103 West Street, and here he maintains his headquarters. The building is two stories in height, with basement, and includes cold storage rooms, ripening rooms, also landing and shipping platforms, built into the structure. He has a most modern and complete mechanical equipment for the handling of large cases and heavy stock, also maintains a large fleet of motor trucks to meet the demands of his suburban and rural trade. He is now one of the foremost figures in the wholesale fruit trade in this part of the State, and both as a business man and as a citizen he commands the esteem of all. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Mystic Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; Melba Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Pittsfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is a member of the National League of Commission Merchants.

**HENRY S. KEYES**, comptroller of the Rolls-Royce of America, Incorporated, one of the most progressive business men in New England, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, October 2, 1875, the son of Henry W. and Janet (Leslie) Keyes.

His father was shipping clerk for the Chapman Valve at Indian Orchard, Massachusetts, and the son, after finishing his studies in the public schools and the high school in Springfield, entered the employ of the same concern. He became office manager and was placed in charge of sales at the early age of seventeen years. He



remained with his first employers till 1905, a period of thirteen years. From Indian Orchard he went to Chicopee Falls as cost accountant for the Stevens-Duryea Company, and remained until 1915, another ten years. His successes were to be even more pronounced, and the New England Westinghouse Company of Chicopee Falls and Springfield employed him as works accountant. He continued in this post until 1919, a period of four years. The Westinghouse Electrical Manufacturing Company of Springfield made him works accountant likewise, and he remained with this large concern until the spring of 1921. At that time he joined the Rolls-Royce of America, Incorporated, as auditor. He was appointed comptroller in January, 1925, and continues in that office. Mr. Keyes is a Past Master of Indian Orchard Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, of Springfield; of Springfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters; and of Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a Republican in politics and served for three years as a member of the Springfield Common Council.

Mr. Keyes married, in Springfield, August 30, 1899, Bertha Streeter, daughter of Merrill E. and Mary (Maloy) Streeter. Mr. and Mrs. Keyes are the parents of three children: Doris, born in Springfield, September 22, 1902; Merrill, born July 2, 1904; and Janet, born October 6, 1909. The family belongs to the Evangelical Church at Indian Orchard. His business address is Page Avenue, and his house address No. 72 Virginia Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JAMES FRANCIS MULLINS**—Tobacco raising is the chief industry of the country about Hatfield, Massachusetts, and the prosperity of the tobacco growers keeps the town alive and thriving. James Francis Mullins was an important member of this community. His two tobacco farms were models, and his energetic, level-headed management of his business contributed to his own success and to the welfare of the town. He was born to the business, for his father, James Mullins, had also been a tobacco-grower.

James Mullins, son of James Mullins, who lived and died in Ireland, and his wife Helen, was the only surviving child of six born to his mother and father. He was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1843, came to the United States when he was about thirty years old, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1914. James Mullins farmed for others for some years and finally purchased property on Chestnut Street, where he successfully raised tobacco for himself. James Mullins married Catherine Boyle, who was born in Hatfield, and died, in 1922. She was the daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Merrick) Boyle, and granddaughter of Patrick and Mary (Mahar) Boyle. The children of James and Catherine (Boyle) Mullins were: 1. Catherine, deceased. 2. Patrick. 3. James Francis, of further mention. 4. Marcus, who died at Camp Devens in 1918, after eight months' service in the Machine Gun Corps. 5. John W.

James Francis Mullins was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, February 4, 1884, and died there June 5, 1925. He was educated in the public schools of Hatfield and at

Smith Academy. At an early age he began farming, becoming an independent buyer and packer of tobacco. At twenty-six he went into business for himself, and at forty-one he owned two large farms on which he raised thirty-five or forty acres of tobacco, which he stored in large warehouses on his home place for packing. A man of wide interests, who was ambitious for his community and who loved his fellowmen, as they loved and respected him, he was generally mourned when he died so young. He was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 997, of Northampton, and the Knights of Columbus. He was a director on the Building Committee of West Hatfield.

James Francis Mullins married, November 29, 1911, Anna B. Doppmann, daughter of Lawrence and Eva (Betsold) Doppmann, of West Hatfield, Massachusetts, and granddaughter of Adam and Barbara Marie (Vollinger) Doppmann. Adam Doppmann was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1828, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1892. Lawrence Doppmann, Mrs. Mullins' father, was born in Bavaria, October 31, 1853, came at an early age with his parents to America, and has lived in Hatfield ever since. The children of James Francis and Anna B. (Doppmann) Mullins are: 1. Catherine Eva, born in 1912. 2. Charles Lawrence, born November 7, 1913. 3. Margaret Louise, born July 24, 1916. 4. Anna Mary, born June 17, 1918. 5. Dorothy Grace, born September 13, 1920. 6. Gladys Elizabeth, born January 13, 1922. 7. James Marcus and Janet Frances (twins), born May 24, 1923.

**EMILE J. ERARD**, founder, secretary and manager of the grocery business in Springfield, Massachusetts, which uses the style of the Hampden Wholesale Grocery Company, Incorporated, was born in Canada, February 18, 1881. His father was Noah Erard, since dead, a native of Canada, and a farmer. His mother was Georgianna (Lupien) Erard, since dead, also a native of the Dominion.

Mr. Erard attended the public schools in Canada, and the Commercial College in Montreal. He came to the United States in 1896, going first to Bristol, Connecticut, and from there coming to Springfield, Massachusetts, since his home. His advent in the last city occurred on January 1, 1900. He worked for several retail grocers from 1900 until 1908. In 1908 he engaged in the retail grocery business for himself, and continued to conduct his own store for the eleven years ending with 1919. He is now doing business at No. 1990 Chestnut Street, as the Hampden Wholesale Grocery Company, Incorporated. Mr. Erard is secretary and general manager. Charles E. Alden is president, and Frank A. Walters, treasurer. Mr. Erard is a Republican in politics. He was a member of the Common Council of Springfield in 1914 and 1915, and again in 1917 to 1922 inclusive. He has been a city alderman since 1923, and his term of service includes the years 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, and 1927. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and of St. Thomas's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Erard married, in Springfield, October 21, 1908, Corinne L. Boyer, of Springfield, daughter of Mose and Ludivine (Dionne) Boyer. Mr. and Mrs. Erard are the parents of three children: Emile J., born in Springfield,



*James Mullins.*





July 2, 1909; Frances G., born in Springfield, February 2, 1914; and Florine, born in Springfield, December 12, 1921. Mr. Erard's business address is No. 199 Chestnut Street, and his residence is at No. 15 Pratt Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOHN PATRICK TEAHAN**, Alderman of the city of Northampton, Massachusetts, and freight agent for the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, was born in that city October 29, 1896, son of Patrick and Mary (Clifford) Teahan. He was graduated from St. Michael's High School of Northampton and Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Massachusetts. Upon completion of his course at Williston, he entered the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad, and has risen through successive steps to the position of freight agent at Northampton, an office of considerable importance and responsibility.

Mr. Teahan is an important factor in the Democratic councils of Northampton and the vicinity. He is secretary of the Northampton Democratic City Committee, and in 1923 was Councilman from Ward One. He now (1924) is Alderman from Ward One, and an important figure in the affairs of the City Government. He is a member of the City Committee on Finance, chairman of the City Property Committee, member of the Committee on Standing Rules and Orders and of the Committee for Soldiers and Sailors Relief. Mr. Teahan served in the World War as a member of the staff of Rear-Admiral Moffatt of the United States Navy, 1918-19.

He is a member of the Northampton Council, Knights of Columbus, a Fourth Degree Knight of the Archbishop Williams Assembly, Springfield, Massachusetts; and in 1921 and 1922 was Deputy Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He is also a member of the American Legion and the Foresters of America. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Northampton.

Mr. Teahan married, September 11, 1922, Georgianna St. Dennis of Leeds, Massachusetts, daughter of Edward and Matilda St. Dennis. They are the parents of one son, John Patrick Teahan, Jr., born in 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Teahan live at No. 22 Hooker Avenue, Northampton.

**GEORGE MORTIMER HOPKINS**—Associated throughout his career with the business and mercantile life of Williamstown, Mr. Hopkins who is prominent in both the activities of the furniture business and in the profession of funeral director, has always been a foremost factor in the promotion of community interests and the general upbuilding of the township. He is the son of Elisha Hopkins, a contractor, who was born in Rhode Island, and Elizabeth Eliza (Coope) Hopkins, who was born in Claverack, New York.

George Mortimer Hopkins was born November 22, 1842, in Williamstown, where he attended the public schools. He began his business career as a carpenter and a building contractor, and so continued until 1889, when he established his present furniture and funeral directing business. At the time of the Civil War, he enlisted in the 27th Massachusetts Regiment of Infantry,

but did not serve owing to the refusal of his parents' consent.

Mr. Hopkins' fraternal affiliations are with Williamstown Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a Past Master; Composite Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of North Adams; St. Paul Commandery, Knights Templar, of North Adams; Springfield Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Lodge No. 487, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of North Adams; and the Blackinton Lodge, Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is also a member of the Williamstown Board of trade, and an associate member of Hopkins Post, Grand Army of the Republic. His religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

George Mortimer Hopkins married, July 4, 1865, at Hoosick, New York, Charlotte A. Thurber, daughter of Joseph and Electa (Brooks) Thurber; and they are the parents of: Albert William, born September 3, 1866; Annie Elizabeth, born September 9, 1868, and married Edwin L. Allen; Arthur Elmer, born December 14, 1871.

**JAMES BURNAY BRIDGES**—The family of Bridges is a very old one, the first representative of it to come to this country being Edmond Bridges, who came from London, England, in 1635, at the age of twenty-five years, and settled at Lynn. He died at Ipswich on January 13, 1685. He married Alice.

The second generation is represented by Edmond Bridges, who lived from 1637 to 1682, and married Sarah Towne, of Salem. They had five children.

The line was carried down in the third generation by Caleb Bridges, born in 1677. He settled in Framingham and married Sarah Brown. They had nine children.

Their son, Caleb Bridges, was born in 1708, was dean of the church in Spencer in 1768. He married Elizabeth Stanhope, and they had six children.

Their son, Isaac Bridges, lived from 1734 to 1821, was a soldier in the French and Indian War, and was wounded at Crown Point. He lived at Spencer, Brookfield, Barre, Oakham, New Braintree and Deerfield, in which latter place he died. He married Mary Mixter, who died in 1816. They had nine children.

Their son, Isaac Bridges, of the sixth generation, was born in 1771, and died at Moriah, New York, in 1860. He lived in Hardwick, Massachusetts, and Craftsbury, Vermont, prior to 1812, and was at Deerfield in 1817. He married Deborah Cobb, who died in 1860. They had six children.

The seventh generation was represented by Benjamin Franklin Bridges, born April 14, 1797, at Hardwick, and died at Deerfield, in 1892, at the age of ninety-five years. He was a clothier by trade, and owned and operated a mill at Sunderland for many years; he disposed of this mill and bought a farm in Deerfield, where he lived the remainder of his life. He attended the Baptist church. He married (first), December 27, 1821, Eunice Clark, who died in November, 1831. He married (second), December 4, 1832, Harriet Hubbard. By the first marriage there were the following children: Jonathan, born 1822; Marcia Ann, born 1824; Jonathan

(2), born 1826; Mary Mixter, born 1827; and Elizabeth, born 1831. The children by the second marriage were: 1. Martin K. 2. Benjamin F., born in 1836, who was warden in the Massachusetts State Prison for twenty-four years, and who died in 1923; he was a general in the Massachusetts Militia. 3. Harriet, born in 1838, married Edward Clary. 4. A son, born in 1840, who died when three days old. 5. Josephine, born in 1844, married William Thayer. 6-7. Marcellus and Pharellus Dean (twins) born in 1846. 8. Hubbard C., born in 1849, died in 1872. 9. Elizabeth E., born in 1851, died in 1865. 10. James B., of whom further. 11. Rose E., born in 1856. 12. A son, born in 1861, died when five days old.

James Burney Bridges, of the eighth generation in direct descent from the first American forebear of the name, was born September 10, 1854, at Deerfield, son of Benjamin Franklin and Harriet (Hubbard) Bridges. He was educated in the public schools of Deerfield, and on the completion of his education at the age of eighteen years, he entered the pocket-book shop of Hamilton & Bridges, where he worked for a year. He then went into the hay and grain business, in company with his brother, General Benjamin Franklin Bridges, under the firm name of B. F. Bridges, Jr. and Brother. They later handled lumber and coal, and the partnership continued until General Bridges was appointed Warden of the States Prison by Governor Russell at which time Mr. James Burney Bridges took in Eugene F. Bridges, son of General Bridges, as a partner, and from that time until 1920 the business was carried on under the name of J. B. Bridges & Company. In 1920 he sold out this business and since then has handled coal only. Mr. Bridges was made deputy sheriff of Franklin County in 1893, and served as deputy and special sheriff for twenty-three years. In 1916, he was appointed by Governor McCall to fill out the unexpired term of Edson J. Pratt. The following fall he was elected to the office of high sheriff of Franklin County, to which office he has been repeatedly reelected. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Bridges had the hearty endorsement of Chief Justice John A. Aiken, of Greenfield, and members of Franklin County bar, and of the great Corporation of deputy sheriffs with whom he has served. Sheriff Bridges is vice-president and director of the Produce National Bank of South Deerfield, of which he was one of the organizers; and he has been chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners for twelve years. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in his religious affiliation belongs to the Congregational Church.

James Burney Bridges married Ida M. Brooks, of Leyden, Massachusetts, daughter of Jonathan and Mary Adeline (Carpenter) Brooks.

**A. PARK SHAW**—A name of prominence for many years in Pittsfield is that of Shaw, and A. Park Shaw holds a leading position in motor car activities in this city and county. A young man of definite and already proved ability, Mr. Shaw is meeting the needs of the motoring public in an efficient and commendable way and his future is unquestionably one of large success. He is a son of A. W. and Harriet (Sumner) Shaw.

His father, who was for many years a prominent real estate dealer of Pittsfield, is now superintendent of the poor.

A. Park Shaw was born in Pittsfield, October 19, 1895. His education was procured in the grammar and high schools and Pratt Institute, with the degree of M. E., in 1915, after which he entered the business world and was with the General Electric Company for two years. Gaining experience in automobile activities, Mr. Shaw began the handling of second hand cars in 1919 and was engaged along that line for about two years. He then secured a position as salesman, handling Ford cars in the employ of Smith and McCarthy, then early in 1921 he and a progressive associate took up the present activities. The interest was first incorporated under the name, The T. T. M. Company, and in 1924 moved to its present very large quarters and the name changed to South Street Motors Corporation, the officers being A. Park Shaw, president and treasurer and A. B. Treadwell, secretary. The company controls Central Berkshire County for the Chevrolet Car and also represents the Hupmobile throughout the entire county and the Willys St. Clair over the western part of Berkshire County. With branches in Lee, Lenox, Dalton, Hancock and Hinsdale their interests center at No. 163 South Street, Pittsfield. In this location they have a plant 182½x165 feet in ground dimensions and handsomely fitted up for the display of these cars, and a service station on Tasonic Street 75x60 feet. As one of the progressive young men of Berkshire County, Mr. Shaw commands the esteem and confidence of all with whom he comes in touch and is looked upon as one of the coming men in automobile distribution. He is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, both the Junior and Senior divisions and is a well known member of the Crescent Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is also a member of the Park Club, the Shire City Club, Pittsfield Golf Club, and the Berkshire County Automobile Club.

A. Park Shaw married Marion Taylor and they are the parents of one son, A. Park, Jr. The family residence is at No. 110 Bartlett Avenue, Pittsfield.

**ROBERT PETER EASLAND**, president and treasurer of the Sun Printing Company of Pittsfield, was born in West Stockbridge, November 13, 1884, son of E. Arthur and Laura (Forrow) Easland, residents of Pittsfield now for some years. In Mr. Easland's native town of West Stockbridge there stands the oldest home in that community, and is known as the Morgan Arnold Place, at West Center, near the Alford line where John George Easland, the ancestor of Robert Peter Easland, was the first settler in 1753. He was of French descent. He came up to the hills from New York, built a log cabin, and in 1790 erected a frame house, which now is a part of the summer home of Captain Smith of the United States Navy. At that time this farm was a part of Livingston Manor, New York, but through a relocation of the boundary line, it became a part of Massachusetts. E. Arthur Easland, who came to live in Pittsfield in 1918 was the last direct descendant of the first settlers to till the soil that his ancestors had tilled. The first real group of settlers came over from





*Robt. H. Eastland*





New York State and from Mount Washington, in this State, in 1766.

Robert Peter Easland attended the West Stockbridge grammar schools, and for two years was a pupil of the Great Barrington High School, and two years at the Sedgwick Institute. In 1903 he entered the employ of the Sun Printing Company at Pittsfield as its book-keeper. He was elected clerk and a director in 1908. In 1909 he was elected treasurer and reelected a director. Within a short time there was added to his duties the position of assistant to the president of the company. On the death of the president, Theodore Lathrop Allen, Mr. Easland was elected president and treasurer.

Mr. Easland is a member of these Masonic bodies: Mystic Lodge, of which he is a past master; Berkshire Royal Arch Chapter, Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters, Berkshire Commandery No. 22, Knights Templar, of which he is past commander; and Melha Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce and the Park Club of that city, Kiwanis Club and Shire City Club.

Mr. Easland married, in April, 1920, May Isabelle Delavan, of Pittsfield, born in West Lebanon, New York. They are the parents of a daughter and son, Janet Easland, and Robert Peter Easland, Jr.

**JOHN COOLEY ROBINSON**, treasurer of the Connecticut Valley Realty Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Longmeadow, Massachusetts, June 20, 1865. His father was Josiah Cooley Robinson, a lumber dealer. His mother was Flavia Isabella (Moseley) Robinson.

Mr. Robinson attended Adams Academy, and was graduated from Williams College in the class of 1886. For about fifteen years he was in the cement industry in the West. He is a director of the Chicopee National Bank, and the West Springfield Trust Company. He is vice-president of the Springfield Mortgage Corporation, vice-president of the Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, director of the City Library Association, and of the Springfield Cemetery Association; a member of the Nayasset Club, the Colony Club, the Springfield Country Club, and the Williams Club of New York. He is a member of the Unitarian Church.

Mr. Robinson married, September 14, 1887, in Sandusky, Ohio, Cora Eugenia Mack, daughter of Isaac Foster and Mary Louise (Foote) Mack; they are the parents of two children: Mary Foote, born June 1, 1888, now Mrs. Douglas V. Wallace; and Richard Mack, born August 3, 1894. Mr. Robinson's business address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield. His house address is No. 53 Ridgewood Terrace, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**RAYMOND M. MOWRY**, architect, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in his home city November 11, 1889. His father was Adelbert Frank Mowry, and his mother Isabelle Auburn (De Land) Mowry. The father was a mechanical engineer, and a member of the Rhode Island State Militia.

Mr. Mowry attended the primary, grammar and Technical high schools of Springfield, developing his talent

for art and architecture, which he chose for a career. He joined the office staff of H. L. Sprague, architect, in Springfield, upon the completion of his studies, and continued for eighteen years with that noted member of the profession. He engaged in business for himself a year ago, in 1924, and continued with success to practice his profession. Mr. Mowry is of the Republican faith in politics, but not active in party affairs, and never has sought nor held public office. He is a member of the First Church, of Longmeadow, which he and his family attend.

Mr. Mowry married, April 30, 1912, in Suffield, Connecticut, Evelyn M. Darracott, daughter of George M. and Jennie (Smith) Darracott. They are the parents of six children, born in Springfield: Barbara, born April 13, 1913; Doris, born January 26, 1915; Norman Irving, born January 1, 1917; Robert De Land, born April 9, 1918; Olive, born December 29, 1919; Louise, born May 7, 1921. The Mowry house is No. 120 Nevins Avenue, Longmeadow, and Mr. Mowry's place of business is No. 25, Harrison Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES HAMILTON SLOCOMB** is the son of Edward M. Slocumb, who, born in Wrentham, Massachusetts, now living in Newark, New Jersey, came to Greenfield in early life and was a member of the Greenfield Fire Department and Hose Company, which in the early days held the championship of the world. He was married to Adeline Washburn, and with her had three children: 1. Charles Hamilton, of whom further. 2. Lillian, who married John S. Coates, of Greenfield. 3. Edward M., Jr., a dentist in Detroit, Michigan, who fought in the Cuban War with Captain Frederick E. Pierce.

Charles Hamilton Slocumb was born in Greenfield, February 9, 1869, and was educated in the public schools of his native place. Having left school at the age of fifteen years he accepted a position as clerk in the Greenfield Post Office which he held until 1892, when at the age of twenty-three he was made assistant postmaster. He held this position under Postmasters Darwin F. Hamilton, Charles Keith, Captain Anson Withey, a Civil War veteran, General Frederick E. Pierce, who saw service in the Cuban War, and Nicholas J. Lawler. During the Spanish-American War Mr. Slocumb was acting postmaster, having been appointed to that position again in August, 1923, and on January 16, 1924, was appointed postmaster of Greenfield by President Coolidge. At the time of Mr. Slocumb's entrance into the post office there were on the staff only three clerks besides the postmaster, and the business done by the office did not exceed \$14,000. Under Mr. Slocumb's supervision the office organization is made of thirteen clerks, one sub clerk, eleven regular carriers, three substitute carriers, a rural free delivery carrier. The business done since 1923 amounts to no less than \$113,000, and the office is housed in a magnificent new building, one of the best equipped in the State. Mr. Slocumb is a partner in the Greenfield Paper Box Company which, since 1916, has been engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes used largely locally, they employing about twenty workers. Mr. Slocumb is a member of the Republican

Lodge, the Greenfield Club, the Country Club, and attends the Unitarian All Souls' Church.

On April 15, 1893, Charles Hamilton Slocomb married Elizabeth Aldrich, of South Deerfield, a daughter of Charles P. Aldrich, who was postmaster at South Deerfield and Representative to the State Legislature, and later selectman in Greenfield. Mrs. Slocomb was a graduate of Dickenson Seminary, at South Deerfield, a member of All Souls' Church, where she sang in the choir up to the time of her death, April 5, 1905. On June 25, 1910, Mr. Slocomb married (second) Bertha M. Wolcott, at Greenfield, a daughter of Charles T. and Phoebe (Pronty) Wolcott. Mrs. Slocomb is organizer at All Souls' Church, and has been instructor at Smith College and the Capen School at Northampton, and at Miss Porter's School, "The Elms," at Springfield.

**GEORGE F. MILLER**—In holding the distinction of being the oldest business man active in North Adams to-day (1924), George F. Miller is widely recognized. His forty-six years of activity in his present office is a record of high achievement and constant usefulness over a long period of time. This is not, however, the entire span of his career, he has for nearly sixty years been identified with insurance business, having written his first policy in 1865. A man of lofty ideals and always alert to the interests of the people who seek protection through his agency, Mr. Miller is universally esteemed, and his name bears great significance to the welfare and prosperity of this city and this region. He is a son of Joseph and Susan (Shaw) Miller. His father was a leading carriage manufacturer of Greenwich, New York, many years ago, and a well-known figure in civic affairs in that community, where he held various local offices.

George F. Miller was born in Schaghticoke, New York, January 16, 1847. Receiving his education in the public schools of Greenwich, he found his first business experience in a store at Lansingburg, New York, now known as North Troy. His employer acted as an agent for an insurance company along with his commercial interests, and Mr. Miller being the best penman in the store, was requisitioned as the writer of the policies. Thus it was as early as 1865 that his identification with insurance business began. Coming to North Adams in 1867 Mr. Miller was first employed as clerk in the office of E. R. Tinker, then the local revenue agent, and for more than three years he continued in that connection. Meanwhile, he kept in close touch with insurance affairs, which were, at that period, in the early stages of their development. In 1870 Mr. Miller established himself as an insurance executive, and from that time until the present he has been active along these lines. In 1878 Mr. Miller began the occupancy of his present office at No. 62 Main Street, North Adams, and in 1885 he formed his present affiliation with the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company which maintains its home offices in San Francisco. He has made a specialty of fire insurance from that time until the present, and in every branch of insurance which he handles he is meeting a very definite and vital need in a very efficient and progressive manner. A recent issue of the "Fireman's Fund Record" which is devoted to the interests and inspiration of the members of this great organization, gave

a record of Mr. Miller's usefulness and published two portraits of him, one as he appeared when he took up their work and one as he appears to-day. The "North Adams Herald," under date of June 19, 1924, said of him:

Mr. Miller is in his 78th year and is hale and hearty for a man of his years. Ever since he came to this city he has been prominent in the business life of the place and is one of its hardest workers. He is one of the first of the business men on the street in the morning and stays until closing time.

He is one of the best penmen in the city, his writing resembling copper-plate engraving. For many years he was secretary of the Hoosac Valley Agricultural Society, and his work on the books is considered most beautiful.

Mr. Miller was keeping books long before there were typewriters, and at a time when all correspondence had to be done by hand, and his penmanship was always marked by its neatness and precision.

Mr. Miller has served in the City Council, and many years ago, before the town became a city, was chairman of the Board of Assessors. Fraternally, he is prominent, being a charter member of all Masonic bodies in North Adams, the Lodge, Chapter and Commandery. He is the only surviving charter member of the Commandery, with which he has been affiliated for more than fifty years, and of the fifty-three charter members of the Chapter he is the only one now living. Mr. Miller became a Mason in 1869, before Greylock Lodge was organized, and opened the books for the lodge in North Adams when it was instituted. He attends the Episcopal Church.

George F. Miller married, in North Adams, November 23, 1876, Della A. Adams, daughter of Jasper H. and Harriet (Sheldon) Adams, and they are the parents of one daughter, Elsie, a graduate of Durey High, and Dora Hall, Wellesley.

**FRANK CHAMPION KEEGAN**—His course of training in a school of practical experience in the department of electric light and power has brought Mr. Keegan in close affiliation with a number of long-established public utilities in both western and eastern sections of the State of Massachusetts, wherein his services as accountant and official have substantially aided in the business progress of such concerns. His duties as assistant treasurer of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company in their value and efficiency are in series with similar positions in other establishments in which his methods have been distinguished for accuracy and thoroughness. In both the business and social worlds, he has made and maintained enduring friendships, and he is held in high esteem in the fraternal orders in which he is a prominent member. He is a son of George and Emily (Champion) Keegan, the two generations of paternal ancestry from the time of establishment in America being as follows:

(1) John Keegan was born in the county of Roscommon, Ireland, in 1837, and coming to the United States he settled in Springfield, in 1862, and was employed in the Springfield Armory until a short time before his death, which occurred in 1902. He married Margaret Keegan, who died in Springfield at the age of seventy years. They were the parents of: George, of whom further; Harry, Nellie, who married William Walker; Margaret, who married William Murray.







*John J. Bettsold*

(II) George Keegan was born in Springfield January 23, 1862, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace, and for a while he was employed in the Newell Button Factory. Removing to West Pittsfield he was there employed for two years in the woolen mill of Baker Brothers, and afterwards for twenty years he was an employee of Crane Brothers in their Westfield paper mill, where he obtained his expert knowledge of the manufacture of paper. During the three years that followed he was in the employ of L. L. Brown at his Adams paper mill, after which he went to Turners Falls, where he became associated with the Keith Paper Company, so continuing for the past sixteen years, and where he is now foreman of the manufacturing department. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Keegan married, September 15, 1886, Emily Champion, who was born in England, a daughter of Joseph and Harriet (Croak) Champion, and who had come to the United States in 1874; and they were the parents of: 1. Frank Champion, of whom further. 2. Norman, deceased. 3. Gertrude, who married Charles Hosmer. 4. George, an electrician associated with the Turners Falls Electric Light and Power Company.

(III) Frank Champion Keegan was born in Westfield March 7, 1890, and his elementary education was received in the public schools of his birthplace. Graduating at the Turners Falls High School with the class of 1911, he matriculated at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, where he graduated with the class of 1916. He then entered the employ of the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company as an accountant, and after his World War service he received the appointment of cashier for the Gas and Electric Light Company at Newburyport, a concern that is part of the holdings of the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company. He remained there in that capacity from December, 1918, to March, 1920, when he became associated with the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company as assistant treasurer, which office he continues to hold.

In 1917, at the call of the World War, Mr. Keegan entered the service of the United States Government, and being assigned to Camp Devens, he remained there until September, 1918, where he received the appointment of sergeant of his company; thence he went to Camp Zachary Taylor, at Louisville, Kentucky, in the Artillery Officers' Corps, and there he received his discharge from the service in November, 1918. His fraternal affiliations are those of Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Turners Falls, and of the Royal Arch Masons; and he is a member of the American Legion, and of the Greenfield Club, Kiwanis Club, and secretary of the Country Club. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Keegan married, June 10, 1919, Helen Wadleigh, of Hampton Falls, New Hampshire, and they are the parents of: Frank C., born October 20, 1921; and Howard Wadleigh, born November 17, 1923.

**JOHN JOSEPH BETSOLD**—Hatfield, known for its excellent agricultural and general business enterprises, takes pride in the industrial record of its citizen-

ship. John Joseph Betsold has spent his entire life here, and as a farmer and citizen he has been a leading and very influential factor in the general prosperity and the progressive interests of the township, serving in office as a conscientious, generous and broad-minded official, and in his business affairs sharing to a very considerable degree in securing Hatfield's high standing among the agricultural communities of the State. He is the son of John Betsold, who was born in Germany in 1828, and died in Hatfield, November 7, 1897, aged sixty-nine years. Coming to the United States in 1853, he located at Hatfield, where he worked for others many years, and resided to the time of his death. He married, in Germany, Barbara Pocket, who was born in Germany in 1831, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, November 26, 1902, aged seventy-one years. They had children: John Joseph, of whom further; Frank L., and Mary, deceased.

John Joseph Betsold was born March 18, 1869, in Hatfield, where he attended the public schools, and has always followed farming and tobacco growing as an occupation. He has come up from small beginnings to be one of the most substantial men of this township. He is the owner of some forty acres of land in the home section of his property, besides fifteen acres in the Northampton Meadows, and two hundred and fifty acres of woodland, and he is one of the large and successful tobacco growers in this part of the State. Mr. Betsold has always been active and prominent in town affairs; he served as a member of the School Board for nine years, and on the Board of Selectmen for four years; and he was a member of the fire department twenty years, and is now a member of the Sinking Fund Commission. He served on the building committee at the time of the building of the new Centre school house, in 1914, and he paid all the bills incident to its construction. On a memorial tablet in the building that contains the names of the members of the committee, Mr. Betsold's name stands next to that of Jonathan E. Porter, which heads the list. This school building is one of the finest to be found in the State in a village the size of Hatfield. Mr. Betsold is rightly accounted one of the solid, substantial citizens of the town, and he bears an honored name; he has lived for thirty-three years on the farm he now occupies, and which he has acquired entirely through his own efforts.

John Joseph Betsold married, October 3, 1892, Eva Doppman, who was born December 6, 1865, in Germany, daughter of John Doppman; she died October 16, 1915. Their children: 1. John, born October 3, 1893, died February 1, 1915. 2. Barbara, born November 4, 1895, married Joseph Kiley, of Northampton, and they have a daughter, Marguerite. 3. Mary C., born September 10, 1901. 4. George, born November 8, 1905.

**FRANK M. WEST**, box manufacturer of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born June 27, 1855, in Monson, Massachusetts, the son of George L. and Amanda (Clary) West. The father was a wood worker, and became associated with his son in the Springfield box industry. The Wests of pioneer New England were of a disproportionately large number. They appear to have been characterized by a bold and enterprising spirit. Edward West is mentioned as living in Lynn in 1637;



Francis West in Duxbury in 1643; John West in Saybrook in 1635; John West in Saco in 1640; Nathaniel West in Newport in 1644; Robert West in Providence in 1641; Thomas West in Salem in 1634; and Twyford West in Boston, 1635.

Frank M. West was educated in the public schools of Springfield. He found his first employment after leaving school with H. M. Conkey & Company, of Springfield. This concern ran a planing mill, and Mr. West was employed as a wood worker for a year. He followed this by working for a year as clerk in a local store. Returning to the planing mill he worked for two years, and went to the western mining country where he remained for two years. Returning to Springfield he was employed by the Chapman Valve Manufacturing Company of Indian Orchard, for a short time. He engaged in the box manufacturing business on July 16, 1878, with a factory on Worthington Street, Springfield, and the business was continued at that address until 1901. From 1901 to 1922 it was conducted at its second address on Liberty Street, Springfield. Mr. West sold out his interest in 1920 to the New England Box Company, and became manager and director of the concern. The business was moved to West Springfield in 1922, and continues at that address, the factory and offices being on Lowell Street. Mr. West is a director of the Third National Bank of Springfield, and a trustee of the Eastern States Exposition. He is treasurer of the Hampden County Aid to Agriculture. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and the Rotary Club of Springfield. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

Mr. West married, in Springfield, in 1898, Helen A. Pierce, daughter of Samuel L. Pierce. They are the parents of two children: Marion, born February 20, 1900; and Barbara, born February 14, 1907, at Springfield. He has lived in Springfield since 1863. His office address is on Lowell Street, West Springfield. His house address is No. 300 Forest Park Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**ALBERT LEROY HALFORD**—A representative business man and enterprising citizen of Ludlow, Mr. Halford has attained success in the hardware line through his personal abilities and progressive ideas. He is the son of Albert H. and Lura (Packard) Halford. Albert H. Halford, who was a merchant in Springfield, was also prominent in Masonic affairs, having held all offices in the local lodge and served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-third Masonic District.

Albert Leroy Halford was born in Springfield, September 17, 1877. He attended the Ludlow public schools and graduated from the Springfield High School with the class of 1896. He then entered Amherst College, and graduated from there in 1900, with his Bachelor of Arts degree. From 1900 to 1904, Mr. Halford was associated with the Dexter P. Lillie Company of Indian Orchard; and from 1904 to 1912 he was in the employ of the Hodges Fiber Carpet Company, also of that village. In 1913 Mr. Halford became treasurer and manager of the Halford Associates, a hardware business of Ludlow, and has since held that position. He

is a member of the board of trustees of the Ludlow Savings Bank, and of the investment board of that bank. He is also a member of the finance committee of the town of Ludlow.

Mr. Halford's fraternal affiliations are with Brigham Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Ludlow Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Ludlow Country Club, of which he is vice-president. He attends the Union Church of Ludlow.

Albert Leroy Halford married, September 25, 1906, in Worcester, Mary Thayer.

**HAROLD M. COXEN**—The cotton textile industry has commanded the attention of Harold M. Coxen, of North Adams, throughout his entire career thus far, and in his constructive endeavors and eminent usefulness this realm of production has realized definite benefit. A native of the State of Massachusetts, reared in the traditions of industrial achievement and trained for his special field of activity, Mr. Coxen has won high rank in his chosen industry. He is a son of Charles H. and Rebecca W. (Wing) Coxen, his father being a prominent merchant of New Bedford.

Harold M. Coxen was born in New Bedford July 15, 1884. Following his elementary studies he attended the New Bedford High School and thereafter took a special course at the New Bedford Textile School where he gained a thoroughly comprehensive technical preparation for his life work. Since the completion of his studies Mr. Coxen has been active in the practical branches of the cotton textile industry, gaining in the early years of his experience a practical foundation for success by applying his technical knowledge to the production departments of the industry. He has now for some years been treasurer of the Hoosac Cotton Mills of North Adams, and in this very responsible position he has borne a worthy and constructive part in the progress of the concern. Few interests outside his work claim Mr. Coxen's attention, but for some years he has served on the City Council of North Adams. He is a member of the Masons, is president (1924) of the Berkshire Club; and attends the First Universalist Church.

Harold M. Coxen married, October 17, 1905, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, Edith C. Allen, daughter of George C. and Emma B. Allen, and they are the parents of one daughter, Natalie, born March 19, 1908.

**CHARLES FRANKLIN CLARK**—Of those industries that we are properly accustomed to denominate as of country-wide celebrity, the chair-manufacturing of Western Massachusetts, and, allied therewith, the industry of producing the stock therefor, are preëminent. Charles Franklin Clark, now of Greenfield, proved a life-long and indispensable ally to the chair-makers, when his mill at Halifax, Vermont, was at its best, and was one of the most prolific in turning out the product. Reliable and always resourceful in his specialty, Mr. Clark for close onto forty years was a continuous purchaser of lumber from districts where suitable material grew, for the purchase, and in turn, dispensed his product to the chair-making concerns, while he also manufactured tennis rackets in large quantities. He is a respected and industrious townsman of Greenfield, where

he again resumed former activities, but this time in the purchase of lumber in behalf of his son Harry, who is in business in Vermont. Mr. Clark's is an old and interesting family, whose paternal line through four generations may thus follow:

(I) Julius E. Clark was born in Halifax, Vermont, in 1789, and he witnessed the growth and progress of Halifax, Vermont, township, even through Civil War days. He died there December 25, 1866, aged seventy-seven years. He married Rebecca Lamb, born in Halifax, Vermont, 1795, and she died December 5, 1879, aged eighty-four years. Their children: Lemuel; Mary, who married Joseph Rice; Aaron L., of whom further.

(II) Aaron Lamb Clark was born at Whitingham, Vermont, in 1830, and died in Colerain, Massachusetts, in 1914. He was a farmer, and went to Halifax, Vermont, from Whitingham when a young man, and his life was practically spent at Halifax. After the death of his second wife, he went to Colerain to live with his son, Edward W., and he died there, but he was buried at Halifax. He kept a herd of thirty or forty cows, and was a successful farmer. He was an attendant of the Universalist Church. Mr. Clark married (first) Mary Gleason, of Halifax, Vermont, who died in 1873, a daughter of Newton and Antis (Mixer) Gleason; (second) Arethusa Fosberg Brown. Children of the first marriage: 1. Emma, who married Charles Smith. 2. William, who died in infancy. 3. Antis, deceased, who married Frank Jeffords. 4. Charles Franklin, of whom further. 5. William E., a farmer in Buckland. 6. Joseph, deceased. 7. Edward, a farmer in Colerain. 8. Nellie, who married Arthur Peterson. 9. Walter, who is a deputy sheriff at Charlemont.

(III) Charles Franklin Clark, son of Aaron Lamb and Mary (Gleason) Clark, was born in Halifax, Windham County, Vermont, May 11, 1859, and he received his education in the schools of his birthplace. Afterwards he was employed in a mill for the manufacture of chair-stock, at Halifax, so continuing until he was twenty-two years of age, and a few years later his father-in-law took him in his business and then for thirty-eight years operated the plant in his own name, for the manufacture of chair-stock, lumber, and tennis rackets. For awhile the plant was carried on under the title Stone and Clark, when Mr. Clark's father-in-law, Elias Stone, shared in the business; afterwards, when Mr. Clark took his son into the firm with him, the concern was conducted under the title C. F. Clark and Son. While in business Mr. Clark handled hundreds of thousands of feet of lumber annually, including both hard and soft wood, the hard wood being used in the manufacture of chair-stock, which was sold to chair-manufacturing plants in Gardner, Wakefield, and Baldswinville; while tennis rackets were sold in Chicopee, Massachusetts, and Pawtucket, Rhode Island. On account of ill-health, Mr. Clark sold his business in 1916, in which year he went to Greenfield to reside, and where he is now engaged in the purchase of lumber for his son, who is in business in Brattleboro, Vermont. During the years of his greatest activity as a manufacturer, Mr. Clark bought many farms and lumber lots from which he cut the lumber, operating steam mills in the process. During his residence in Halifax, Vermont, he served as

a member of the board of selectmen. His fraternal affiliations are those of Unity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Jacksonville, Vermont. He is an attendant of the Baptist Church, and a member of the Men's Club.

Mr. Clark married, January 21, 1881, Mary T. Stone, of Halifax, Vermont, a daughter of Elias and Jennie (Rice) Stone, who is a descendant of Simon Stone, through three generations of the Christian name Elias. Their children: 1. Bertha, married, June 7, 1906, Hoyt Barber, of Brattleboro, Vermont, and whose children are Blanche L. and Cherolyn M. 2. Harry E., of whom further. 3. Della May, who married Ray Tarbox, hotel proprietor, of Marlboro, New Hampshire, and whose children are: Marjorie M. and Charles Frank. 4. Blanche J. Mr. Clark's four children were born in Halifax, Vermont.

(IV) Harry E. Clark, son of Charles F. and Mary T. (Stone) Clark, received his education at Halifax, Vermont, at the Shelburne, Massachusetts, High School, and at Bliss Business College, North Adams. He was in company with his father in the chair-stock and lumbering business for seven years, under the name C. F. Clark and Son, and operated portable mills for his father, in the manufacture of tennis rackets. He later took over the manufacture of rackets, and established plants at Manchester and Ludlow, Vermont. In July, 1923, he set up a plant at Brattleboro, Vermont, for the manufacture of tennis rackets, to which he has since devoted all his time, and in which he is very successful, employing about a dozen men. His fraternal affiliations are those of Unity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Jacksonville, Vermont; of the Council, Royal Arch Masons; of the Commandery, Knights Templar; and of Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Rutland, Vermont.

He married Cora King, of North Truro, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of Corrinne, born in November, 1919.

**HAROLD ELMER SHAW**—One of the members of the prominent Shaw family of Massachusetts is Harold Elmer Shaw, prosperous automobile dealer in Northampton and prominent throughout Hampshire County as a business, fraternal and society man. Mr. Shaw is the founder of the well known Shaw Motor Company, and a former president of the Hampshire County Dealers' Used Car Exchange, Inc. He is the grandson of the famous John J. Shaw, who was a manufacturer and State legislator of Wales, Massachusetts.

Harold Elmer Shaw was born in Palmer, Massachusetts, August 8, 1887. His father is Wallace Shaw, a native of Wales, this State, having been born there on November 27, 1865; he is a mill worker, railroad man and automobile engineer, also a popular fraternal man, and now a resident of Williamsburg, Massachusetts. The mother is Margaret A. (Clair) Shaw, of Pottsdam, New York. Mr. Shaw has two brothers, Frederick W. and Glenn R.

Mr. Shaw was educated in the public schools of Palmer and Springfield, and on leaving school learned the automobile trade. He later became associated with the Stevens, Duryea Company, an automobile concern in



Chicopee Falls, in Hampden County, and was with this firm for eleven years, working in various branches and departments and finally becoming traveling claim and credit man. After he had been in the employ of this company but a short time, Mr. Shaw was entrusted with the important task of giving all automobiles their road tests. In 1915 he came to Northampton, and with a Mr. Hickman, formed a partnership that was known as Hickman & Shaw, and they were agents for the Dodge Brothers Motor Car Company for three years in the county capital. Mr. Shaw was compelled by illness to retire from business for about two years. When he had fully recovered he organized the Shaw Motor Company, in 1922. He has one of the finest and largest garages in the county to-day, and very beautiful show rooms—all located in King Street, in Northampton. He is the Northampton agent for the Packard, Chrysler and Maxwell automobiles, and has a flourishing business.

Mr. Shaw was president of the Hampshire County Dealers' Used Car Exchange, Inc., up to August, 1924, and at the present time is a director in the company. He has the exclusive agency for the Packard exchange system in Hampshire County. He is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, of the Free and Accepted Masons in Northampton; Northampton Council, Royal Arch Masons; Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Springfield, and he is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; of De Soto Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Springfield, and of the Agawan Encampment of this order in Springfield. He is extremely active and important in every one of these organizations.

Mr. Shaw married, in Chicopee Falls, November 10, 1910, Elizabeth M. Stewart, a native of Chicopee Falls, and the daughter of George and Elizabeth (Black) Stewart. They have one son, Glenn Frederick, born September 17, 1911.

**FRANCIS L. JONES** started to work at the age of eight years, but through kindly home influence, has overcome the handicap of a lack of early educational advantages, and has become a prominent and respected citizen of his community. His family is well and favorably known in Palmer, Massachusetts, and the section surrounding. When the call to arms came at the opening of the Civil War, his father and four of his uncles joined the Union forces and served creditably throughout the struggle.

Francis L. Jones, son of Ira L., and Jennie Thresher Jones, was born in Greenwich, Massachusetts, April 5, 1870, and was one of seventeen children. His schooling stopped when he was eight years of age, and he began to make his own way in the world. When he was nineteen years of age he went to Boston, Massachusetts, where he became a carpenter's apprentice, learning the trade in the employ of McKay brothers. He was with the McKay firm for three years, and then transferred his activities to Bondsville, Massachusetts, where he entered the employ of Potter Brothers, lumber dealers and building contractors. With this firm he remained seven years, advancing to the position of foreman before he ended his term of employment with them. Removing

to Greenwich, New Hampshire, he established a contracting business, and carried on his affairs successfully for eight years. Then, leaving, he came to Palmer, Massachusetts, in December, 1905, to engage in the same line of business. Success has followed him, and he is one of the best known builders and contractors in this section. Some of the most imposing buildings have been erected under his supervision. He has built the Congregational and the Episcopal Churches of Palmer, and among others the Buck's Oil Plant in Worcester, Massachusetts. He is deeply interested in the civic betterment of his community, and has a large circle of friends. He has been a member of the Fire Department of Palmer for seventeen years, and is Commander of the Sons of Veterans. For the past six years he has been master of the Palmer Grange, and is a member of the Federated Men's Club of Palmer. He and his family are attendants at the Congregational Church.

Mr. Jones married, June 28, 1894, at Greenwich, Massachusetts, Mabel L. Granger, daughter of William and Florila (Vauger) Granger. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are the parents of two children, Philip F., born in Greenwich, June 12, 1902, and Freida M., born in Greenwich, December 11, 1904.

**EDWARD ALFRED BREOR**—This family came from France originally. The ancestor was Charles Brouillard, born in France in 1668. He came to Montreal, Canada, in 1688 and is thought to have been the progenitor of all of that name in Canada. The name has been changed to Breor by some of his descendants. In Abbe Tonquay Genealogy of the French people, Charles Brouillard is the only one of the name that appears in the entire work.

John Breor, the grandfather of Edward Alfred Breor, lived and died in Canada. He had children: Alfred E., of whom further; James; John; Prudent; Mary; Jane; and Joseph, all deceased.

Alfred E. Breor, son of John Breor, was born in St. Ami, Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1846, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, November 21, 1920. He came to Massachusetts in 1862 and went to Medford, where he worked at brick-making for two years. He came to Hatfield in 1864, where he resided up to the time of his death. For a few years he worked for others, but in 1878 he bought a farm and was thereafter a successful grower of tobacco and onions. He had a farm of some sixty-five acres, all in tillage, and one of the best in town. He was still active at the time of his death. He was a man of sterling character and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. He married Catherine Dalton, born in Ireland, died in Hatfield, September 1, 1924, daughter of John and Mary (Londrigan) Dalton. They had children: Mary J., deceased; Alfred, deceased; Edward Alfred, of whom further; Louisa A., married John Mullain, of Holyoke, Massachusetts; Arthur R., (q. v.); Maud, deceased; Constance C., married Patrick Mullany, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, and they have a daughter Mary.

Edward Alfred Breor, eldest son of Alfred E. Breor, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, January 21, 1873. He acquired his education in the public schools of Hatfield, and was always a farmer. He has always been a



grower, buyer and packer of tobacco. For five years he was manager of a large farm in South Deerfield, Massachusetts, and later was an agent for S. Rossin & Sons of New York, large dealers in tobacco. For a number of years he has been associated with A. & S. Hartman, of Hartford, Connecticut, as agent. They are large tobacco buyers and dealers, with extensive warehouses in Hartford. Mr. Breor has from seventy-five to one hundred persons in his employ and has had a wide experience in the tobacco field and in handling men. He is a man of the strictest integrity and stands high in the estimation of the people with whom he is associated, as well as with his townsmen. Mr. Breor served on the Board of Selectmen for five years, and was chairman of the board for three years. He is a member of the Order of Red Men; and Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Northampton.

Mr. Breor married, May 8, 1901, Mary Flemming, of Whately, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas and Johanna (Hafey) Flemming. They are the parents of Catherine, deceased; Alfred Edward, born November 11, 1903; Constance Elizabeth, born October 17, 1909; Robert Thomas, born in 1912; and Edward Francis, born July 31, 1920.

**ARTHUR RICHARD BREOR**—The Breor family originally came from France. The first ancestor of record was Charles Brouillard, who was born in France in 1668. He came to Montreal, Canada, in 1688, and is thought to be the progenitor of all of the name in Canada. Some of his descendants changed the name from Brouillard to Breor. In the Abbe Tonquay Genealogy of the French people Charles Brouillard is the only one of the name mentioned in the entire work.

John Breor, the grandfather of Arthur Richard Breor, lived and died in Canada. He had children: Alfred E., of whom further; James; John; Prudent; Mary; Jane and Joseph, all of whom are deceased.

Alfred E. Breor, son of John Breor, was born in St. Ami, Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1846, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, on November 21, 1920. He married Catherine Dalton, who was born in Ireland and who died in Hatfield September 1, 1924. She was a daughter of John and Mary (Londrigan) Dalton. Their children were: Mary J., deceased; Alfred, deceased; Edward Alfred, (q. v.); Louise A., who married John Mullain, of Holyoke, Massachusetts; Arthur R., of whom further; Maud, deceased; Constance C., who married Patrick Mullany, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, and they have a daughter, Mary.

Arthur Richard Breor, son of Alfred E. Breor, born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, September 1, 1883, on the homestead where his father lived. He was educated in the public schools and at Smith Academy. When he was through with his studies he went into the market of Graves & Pellisier, in Hatfield, where he remained for twelve years. He then followed farming on the homestead where he was born, and where he has since lived, for some five or six years, where he raised tobacco and onions. In 1920 he was appointed Deputy Sheriff for Hampshire County, and in 1922 he was made Chief of Police of Hatfield. To these exacting and responsible offices he has since devoted his entire time. He is a

faithful and efficient officer and a courteous gentleman at all times. Officer Breor was chairman of the school board for six years and was a member of the building committee that had to do with the erection of the new school building in Hatfield in 1914. He is a member of Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Northampton.

Mr. Breor married, June 16, 1909, Gertrude E. Powers, of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Richard and Ellen (Toresall) Powers. They are the parents of Arthur Richard, Jr., born in 1910; Elizabeth, born in 1913; and Paul, born in 1919.

**EDWARD KELLY**—Responsibility has been the portion of Edward Kelly throughout his entire active life, and for more than forty years he has borne a worthy and progressive part in business and civic affairs. He has done much to forward the progress of his native town of Great Barrington, Massachusetts, and in every branch of activity with which he is, or has been, connected he endorses all worthy effort and supports the general good. Mr. Kelly is a son of Michael and Julia (Dwyer) Kelly, his father a blacksmith and carriage manufacturer for many years, but later in life prominent as a real estate broker and operator.

Edward Kelly was born in Great Barrington September 18, 1866. Receiving his early education in the elementary and grammar schools of his birthplace, he graduated from the Great Barrington High School in the class of 1883, and his first work was in the field of railroad and express activities. He was also engaged in the local telephone service and went forward along these allied lines until the close of the year 1902, soon thereafter becoming sewer commissioner and later assessor. With the opening of 1906 Mr. Kelly took up his duty as town clerk, to which he had been elected by his fellow townsmen, and from that time until the present (1924) his energies have been commanded by public service in one office or another. He has served the town of Great Barrington as treasurer, collector of taxes, assessor and selectman, and in every phase of his work in these varied lines he has revealed the true spirit of the public servant and the fine executive ability of the man of affairs. The people of Great Barrington feel that their interests are well cared for in his hands, and he has done much to benefit the community and to forward local progress. Mr. Kelly has few affiliations, devoting his time and energies wholly to the duties placed in his hands by his friends and neighbors. He is a devout Catholic and a regular attendant upon the services of the Roman Catholic Church.

Edward Kelly married, in Lee, Massachusetts, April 3, 1893, Ellen M. Purcell, daughter of Michael and Mary (Murray) Purcell. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly are the parents of five children: Eleanor, born February 19, 1894; Edward, born July 23, 1897; Gertrude, born February 16, 1900; Margaret, born June 4, 1902; and Richard, born June 28, 1911. The Kelly family residence is at No. 64 Cottage Street, Great Barrington.

**JOHN FRANCIS MARIZ**—A man who by his devotion to his business in real estate matters has made his name and methods very favorably and popularly

known throughout the western part of the State, as representing reliability of the highest type, John Francis Mariz, long established in Northampton, is an all-round business man who thoroughly knows his territory and his patrons. From the outset of his career he has made it a point to carry on business in the public interest, and that principle has been maintained by him in all his valued associations with civic and community projects. He has made a place for himself well at the head of his profession because of his geniality, his loyalty to his business statements, and his personal attention to the requirements of the home-maker. His industry in his own line is like to that of his parents, who by concentration of their energies and enterprise became celebrated for grape culture. John Mariz, his grandfather, who married Theresa —, came to the United States with his son James, and died in New York.

James Mariz, father of John Francis Mariz, was born in 1834, in Trent, Austria, and he died in Northampton May 6, 1914. With his family he lived for some years in the Tyrol region, where Mr. Mariz was interested in grape culture and farming with his father, and in the industry of raising silk worms. In 1874 the family of father, mother and eight children came to this country, where there was then thought to be a large field for those engaged in the rearing of silk worms. They at first lived in Connecticut, at Turnersville, Saugatuck, Westport and Bridgeport, but in 1885 they came to Northampton, where they afterwards made their home. Their silk worm industry here flourished for a time, but the work had to be abandoned, as the frost got the better of the mulberry trees. At different times most of the younger members of the family were in the employ of the Belding Brothers, makers of silk; and Mr. Mariz, true to his early instincts and activities, devoted much of his time to the culture of grapes at his home in Valley Street, where he had one of the finest vineyards in this part of the country. He was an expert in the growing of fruit, and he had done much work in improving the orchards of Western Hampshire, by grafting different varieties of fruit trees. He married, April 26, 1857, Mary Pontalti, who was born in 1834, in Trent, Austria, and died September 23, 1907, in Northampton, daughter of Joseph and Dominica T. Pontalti. They were the parents of: 1. Theresa, who married Innocent Peia; he died in 1901 and left two daughters: Mary M. and Marguerite Cecelia, who married John J. Tanzey. 2. John Francis, of whom further. 3. Joseph D. 4. Julia, who married Henry Neeser. 5. Frank C., deceased. 6. Angelina, who married Salvatore Rege. 7. Virginia, who married August Pizzini. 8. Elizabeth, deceased. 9. Marina, deceased.

John Francis Mariz was born July 12, 1865, in Trent, Austria. Coming to the United States with his parents in 1874, he attended night schools, and to a considerable degree educated himself. As a boy he worked in the silk mills in Turnersville, Connecticut, and in Jersey City and Hoboken. He came to Northampton in 1885, and for several years was employed in the Belding Company silk mills, after which he was employed by a fireproofing company in Boston. He worked successively at the State Asylum in Northampton, where he was an attendant in 1891-92; in the grocery business at North-

ampton for a short time; and for the Travelers' Insurance Company. In 1899 Mr. Mariz established himself in the real estate business at Northampton, where he has been actively engaged in realty and insurance matters since that time, with the same headquarters that have become a business landmark, and with the interests of his business extending through Hampshire, Hampden and Franklin counties. He is especially interested in horticulture, and owns a small acreage at his place in Florence, and a large summer home near Williamsburg, comprising some seventy acres. A Republican in political matters, he has always taken a very active part in the town affairs. He is a member of the Republican City Ward Committee, and was instrumental in establishing the park on Bridge Street. He was a member of the City Council in 1901-1902; was assistant assessor, and has been a justice of the peace for twenty years. He has been a delegate to Republican conventions. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Improved Order of Red Men; the Credit Men's Bureau, and the Loyal Order of Moose of the World.

**EDWARD THOMAS O'NEIL**—Following in the steps of his father and grandfather, Edward Thomas O'Neil, of Williamsburg, Massachusetts, is well known throughout the vicinity as a skillful and prosperous farmer. He has always lived and worked on the old O'Neil homestead, which he manages in an up-to-date manner, specializing in dairying and orcharding. The O'Neil family is of Irish extraction.

(I) Michael O'Neil, the grandfather of Edward Thomas O'Neil, was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, in 1815, and died in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, June 16, 1872. He came to America about 1840, and for a number of years lived in New York State; and one of his first interesting experiences in this country was working on the Erie Canal during its construction. In the year 1865 he and his son John came to Williamsburg and located on the farm since occupied by his descendants, moving to the farm in April of that year on the day of the assassination of President Lincoln. Here Michael O'Neil lived and labored for the remainder of his life. He married Margaret McDonough, born in Ireland, died in Williamsburg April 16, 1890, and they had three children: John, of further mention; Mary, married to Thomas Brazell, and died December 18, 1880; Lucy, married James Welsh, and died April, 1877.

(II) John O'Neil was born in Utica, New York, April 21, 1843. He came to New York with his parents in 1865 and settled on the farm which he afterwards carried on successfully up to the time of his death. The farm originally consisted of some forty acres, but he added to it gradually until at the time of his death, August 6, 1918, he owned some hundred and forty-five acres. John O'Neil was highly regarded in the community and took a prominent part in local affairs. He served as selectman of the town of Williamsburg for no less than nineteen years, was one of the trustees of the Smith Charities, and active as a member of the American Order of United Workmen.

He married, November 23, 1867, Elizabeth Walpole, born in Kilkenny, Ireland, May 27, 1849, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Lynch) Walpole. Her parents







*Timothy J. Sullivan.*

came to the United States in 1852, when she was but three years of age, and settled here, her father dying in Haydenville, Massachusetts, July 10, 1894; and her mother February 10, 1914. John and Elizabeth (Walpole) O'Neil were the parents of eight children: 1. Michael Edward, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, born March 10, 1870, he married (first) Josephine McCarthy, and (second) Jennie Scanlon, and by his first marriage is the father of John, Edward, Alice and Elizabeth; by his second, of Patricia. 2. John, a farmer in Easthampton, born June 30, 1872, he married Annie Lynch and had a daughter, Elizabeth. 3. Mary, born June 9, 1875, died in 1909. 4. Lucy, born February 21, 1878, died May 8, 1912. 5. Frank, born August 29, 1880, of West Springfield, he married Elizabeth Conner, and is the father of four children: John, Edward, Mary and Claire. 6. Margaret, born July 1, 1884, married Robert McGrath, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, mother of two children, Francis and Mary. 7. Edward T., of further mention. 8. James Andrew, born September 27, 1889, at present in the office of the Ludlow Associates of Ludlow, Massachusetts. He was in service during the World War and was located in Washington. He married, February 12, 1918, Mary Cecilia Flynn, and they have two children, Florence and Marion Lucy.

(III) Edward Thomas O'Neil was born in Williamsburg May 2, 1887, and was educated in the public schools of his home town. From his boyhood up Mr. O'Neil has taken the keenest interest in the home farm. He is the only one of his father's children left on the old homestead, which is managed by him in a thoroughly modern manner. He has a dairy of eighteen high grade cows, and also does an extensive orcharding business. Mr. O'Neil is well known and liked throughout the entire community in which he lives.

**TIMOTHY J. SULLIVAN** is the name familiarly borne by two of Springfield's most successful business men, father and son. Timothy J. Sullivan, Sr., president of the Sullivan Coal Company of Springfield, was born in West Springfield in 1864, a son of Thomas and Ellen (O'Leary) Sullivan. His father, Thomas Sullivan, was a section foreman for the Boston & Albany Railroad at Mittineague, Massachusetts, a small village in the environs of Springfield.

Timothy J. Sullivan, Sr. was educated in the public schools and the high school in West Springfield. He entered the service of the Boston & Albany Railroad early in life and was roadmaster for twenty-five years, gaining a wide acquaintance throughout the towns and cities of a large district, becoming successful in his calling. He established the Sullivan Coal Company in 1905. It was located first on Liberty Street, but the expanding business caused its removal in 1918 to No. 436 Taylor Street. It is wholly confined to delivering bituminous and anthracite coal to householders and individual consumers, and is the largest retail coal business in the city of Springfield. Timothy J. Sullivan, Sr., is president of the company, although he has retired and takes only an incidental interest in the management. He was water commissioner of West Springfield about 1900. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order

of Elks, and in religion is a Roman Catholic, worshipping with the congregation of the Cathedral.

Mr. Sullivan married, in June, 1887, in Mittineague, Mary Murphy, daughter of Edward and Johanna (Buckley) Murphy, of that place. Timothy Joseph, Sr., and Mary (Murphy) Sullivan are the parents of ten children, as follows: 1. Thomas, born September 25, 1888, deceased. 2. Timothy Joseph, Jr., of further mention. 3. Helen, born February 4, 1892; married, November 18, 1920, Charles H. McMahon, and they have two children, William Edward, born January 21, 1924, and Robert Buckridge, born June 17, 1925. 4. Mary, born October 11, 1893; married, October 20, 1920, Edward King, and they have three children, Mary Agnes, born October 6, 1921; Edward, Jr., born August 20, 1923, and Donald, born March 3, 1925. 5. Agnes, born October 6, 1895, married Morris W. Maloney September 1, 1921, and they have two children, Elizabeth, born October 12, 1922, and Jean, born August 2, 1925. 6. Cecelia, born February 8, 1898. 7. William, born September 13, 1900. 8. Edward, born July 30, 1902. 9. Margaret, born October 23, 1904. 10. Alice, born June 19, 1907.

Timothy Joseph Sullivan, Jr., was born in West Springfield July 17, 1890. After attending the public schools he finished his studies at the Central High School in Springfield, and at an early age associated himself in business with his father. He has been nineteen years in the coal office, and is treasurer of the Sullivan Coal Company, conducting its affairs himself. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Springfield, the Knights of Columbus, and the Foresters of America. He holds membership in the Tuesday Club, the Lions Club of Springfield, the Oxford Country Club, the Mount Tom Country Club of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and is a member of the Roman Catholic Church and congregation of the Cathedral of St. Michael.

He married, January 28, 1918, Clara A. O'Neil. The business address of Timothy J. Sullivan, Jr., is No. 310 Main Street; his house address is No. 186 Park Drive, Colony Hill, Springfield, Massachusetts..

**FRANK N. MOORE**—Long in positions of responsibility and trust in Ludlow, Massachusetts, Frank N. Moore was born in Ware, in that State, October 31, 1871, the son of Charles F., who was a farmer and carpenter, died in February, 1924, and Julia M. (Dunbar) Moore.

Frank N. Moore received his education in the elementary and high schools of Ware, after which he took a course in Child's Business College of Springfield. After leaving school he became a clerk in the post office at Ware for a year. He entered the employ of the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates as a clerk, and so well did he perform his duties that he was promoted from one position to another, becoming assistant paymaster and in charge of tenements, and supply clerk; in all, being with this company for twenty-five years. In January, 1918, Mr. Moore became treasurer of the Ludlow Savings Bank, which was incorporated in 1888, and that position he still holds, he is also a member of the board of trustees of that institution. For twelve years he was a member of the school committee of Ludlow, for several of these years being its chairman. He is a mem-



ber of Court No. 58, Foresters of America, has held all the offices and was financial secretary for many years; the Springfield Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, of which he has held all offices, and took the Past Sachem's degree in Boston; Ludlow Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and is a director and treasurer of the Ludlow Country Club. He attends the Union Church of Ludlow.

On June 18, 1893, Mr. Moore married Mary A. Trombly, daughter of David and Isabella (Swanbrick) Trombly.

**ALLEN CHURCHILL WARNER**—Away back in the days when Britain was a savage country the name Warner appears. In these days there were some tribes who lived in the southwestern part of what is now England, and who were more cultured than the savage races who surrounded them. These civilized peoples had to be constantly on the alert against the barbarians, and it was necessary for them to have outposts to guard against sudden attack. These outposts, selected for their quick mentality and physical ability, were called "warners." Since then the name has been well known in England and America, and one of the members of the family now living in New England is Allen Churchill Warner. He is a successful business man there.

Mr. Warner's forebears have lived in Massachusetts for many years. The Warners were early emigrants from England to America, and have been prominent in politics and in the professions, and in other honorable callings. The immigrant ancestor of this line came from England to Massachusetts in 1637 and settled at Ipswich. The grandfather of Allen Churchill Warner was Job Warner, who amassed a competency by farming. His property was located in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, where he lived to a ripe old age. He married Rhoda Miller, and their children were: Lorenzo, Ernest, William J., of further mention; Elvira, Cordelia, Luthera and Nancy.

William J. Warner followed in the footsteps of his father in his younger days, and was a tiller of the soil. He was born in Williamsburg in 1812, and after making a success of his farming endeavors he decided to take up other pursuits, and so moved to Florence, Massachusetts, about 1866, and engaged in the contracting and building business. He also was interested in his town's advancement, and did good work as city councilman. He was a church-going man, and was active in the affairs of the Congregational Church. He married Ruth Whiting, of Ellington, Connecticut, daughter of David Whiting, who lived to the advanced age of ninety-seven years. The children of William J. and Ruth (Whiting) Warner were: Emily Viola, who married Joseph Edward Allen; Allen Churchill, of further mention; and Luther H.

Allen Churchill Warner was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, September 13, 1858, but was brought to Florence, Massachusetts, while still in his early youth, when his parents moved to that city. He was educated in the public schools of the latter town, and after learning the trade of carpenter he branched out to make his own living. He was successful at his trade and worked

at it continuously, augmenting it with work as a contractor. With the exception of two or three years spent in the employ of the Corticelli Silk Company he spent all his time as a carpenter and contractor until 1903. In that year he saw an opportunity to expand his activities and went into the wood and coal business, and has engaged in it since, with great success. Mr. Warner has also been active in politics, and the people of his city showed their confidence in him by electing him to the City Council. He is also active in fraternal circles, and is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Northampton; a member of the Congregational Church, and of the Men's Club of that church.

Mr. Warner married, April 26, 1882, Nellie M. Cunningham, daughter of James and Mary Cunningham. Mr. and Mrs. Warner's children were: 1. Howard A., who married and had children: Helen Louise and Ruth Elizabeth; he died in 1922. 2. William J., who married Minnie Kohler, and their children are Janet and Allen Churchill.

**GEORGE EBERLEIN**—For generations the Eberlein family in Germany has maintained the Eberlein Blacksmith Shops, which were founded by one of their forebears in 1788. Every generation has produced one sturdy and efficient blacksmith, who loves his trade and manages the shops so well that their excellent reputation continues. George Eberlein himself began to learn smithing when he was ten years old, and had mastered it by his fourteenth year with German thoroughness, and he has greatly benefited by his knowledge since he came to America. William Eberlein, his grandfather, died in Germany in 1876. His son, William Eberlein, was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1840, dying there in 1893. He served in the German army during the wars from 1866 to 1870. Like his father and four brothers, he was a blacksmith. William Eberlein married Marie Ahles, a native of Bavaria, who died in 1912. Their son was George Eberlein, subject of this sketch.

George Eberlein was born in Bavaria, Germany, November 10, 1866. He received his education in the schools of his native town, learned the trade of blacksmith and also of machinist, and at twenty entered the German army for his term of service. This he completed in two years, the only soldier out of 9,500 to finish the required service so expeditiously. For a time thereafter he worked in his father's shops, and in 1889 was given charge of the machine shop of George Dabbalt. In March, 1890, he migrated to America, settling in Hatfield, Massachusetts. For eleven years he worked with the Porter Machine Company in Hatfield, then bought his present property on Main Street, where he built a small shop twenty by thirty feet and started his own business. This has flourished, and his business in horseshoeing and building tobacco trucks, dump carts and farm wagons has been so extensive that he has increased the shop to forty by seventy-five feet and had to employ many men. Sometimes he built from forty to ninety tobacco trucks a season. On this property George Eberlein had a store market, cider mill and paint shop, which were destroyed by fire at great loss in 1920.





*George Eberlein*



In their place he has built a cement garage, and contemplates entering the automobile business. In 1920 on a visit to Germany for his health Mr. Eberlein became interested in bringing over some young men to enjoy the opportunities in this country, and he has been instrumental in so assisting some twenty-five. In addition to his other activities, Mr. Eberlein owns a good deal of land in the village, on which he raises tobacco. In 1900 Mr. Eberlein was naturalized and became a citizen of the United States, and for fifteen years he was policeman for the Electric Road, followed by five years of service as constable.

George Eberlein married, April 25, 1890, Maria Soller, born in Germany, from his native State of Bavaria, who came to America at the same time as Mr. Eberlein. They were married in America, and are the parents of five children born in this country: 1. George, Jr., who continued his education at Syracuse University and is now an instructor in the schools of Cleveland, Ohio. 2. John, who died November 10, 1919. 3. Charles John, of Hatfield, who is in his father's shop; he married Anna Follinger, and is the father of one child, Charles J., Jr. 4. Joseph, who is employed by the Holyoke Street Railway Company. 5. Mary.

**CHARLES S. BROWNING**—A successful druggist of Ludlow for nearly a half century, Charles S. Browning is also treasurer of that town and one of its prominent citizens. He is a banker, and active in all important public affairs. Charles S. Browning was born in Chicopee, July 7, 1854, the son of John C. and Joanna (Peck) Browning, both natives of Colerain, Franklin County, Massachusetts.

Charles S. Browning was educated in the public schools of Chicopee. When he was sixteen years old he entered the employ of his brothers, A. W. and L. C. Browning, druggists, at Windsor Locks, Hartford County, Connecticut, where he remained two years. For another two years he was employed as a druggist in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and in October, 1880, he purchased an interest of C. F. Grosvenor, forming a partnership, and they conducted a drug store in Ludlow. They operated this store together with success for about ten months and then Mr. Browning bought out his partner. He has since continued as proprietor and operator of the Browning drug store and is now accounted one of the successful pharmacists in Hampden County, having been in business forty-five years in all. Mr. Browning is a trustee in the Ludlow Savings Bank. He was town auditor for three years and in 1905 he was elected town treasurer of Ludlow and has held this position since, a period of over twenty years. Mr. Browning is a member of Brigham Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he and his family attend the Methodist Episcopal Church in Ludlow. His place of business is at No. 43 North Street in that town.

Mr. Browning married (first), in 1881, Carrie H. Crowningshield, who died in September, 1922, and (second) Edith H. Crowningshield, daughter of George Caleb and Vrona Crowningshield; George C. Crowningshield died in the Andersonville Confederate Prison during the Civil War. Mrs. Browning, second, was a niece of the first Mrs. Browning.

**JAMES RATHBONE**, prominent citizen of Palmer, Massachusetts, is associated with his brothers in the enterprise known as A. B. & J. Rathbone, manufacturers of pinion rod and pinion wire.

He was born in Warrington, England, August 24, 1887. His education was acquired in the public schools of his native town, and after leaving school he served an apprenticeship at a mechanical trade. He came to the United States in 1905 and located immediately at Palmer, and in association with his brother, Andrew B. Rathbone, he started manufacturing pinion wire and special cold-drawn shapes. This manufacture began in a barn in the rear of his residence, but the business grew amazingly, and the firm moved to the old broom factory on Park Street, near the Boston & Albany Railroad freight house. Later the expansion of patronage forced the firm to build, and they erected a concrete building about three hundred feet long by eighty wide for their purpose. As business increased, in 1918, Thomas P. Rathbone and Frank P. Rathbone were asked to join the firm in order to keep up with the demand for the product. All the brothers had passed through a mechanical training under their father, and all were born in England. Andrew B. was the originator of the small business of A. B. & J. Rathbone that has grown so notably.

James Rathbone is a Mason, belonging to Thomas Lodge, of Palmer; he is a member of Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Commandery, No. 6, Knights Templar; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Palmer Rotary Club and the Quaboag Country Club of Monson. In religion he is a member of the Second Congregational Church. His parents, Andrew and Eliza (Daintieth) Rathbone, are both living in England, where his father is a manufacturer.

James Rathbone married Lillian Lyon, daughter of Edward B. and Hattie (Wright) Lyon, at Bridgeport, Connecticut. They have four children, all born in Palmer: Edward D., born August 10, 1913; Frederick C., born in 1916; James, Jr., born in 1920; and Ruth E., born in 1923. Thomas P. Rathbone married Ada Burroughs, of London, England, and their children are: Constance M. and Margaret. Frank P. Rathbone married Annie Wilkinson, of Warrington, England. Their children are: Eleanor, Alice and Jessie.

**EDWARD F. GROARK**—Insurance has for many years held the attention of Edward F. Groark, whose usefulness in this realm in Western Massachusetts is widely recognized. With interests centering in North Adams he covers a considerable territory in this immediate section and his work is contributing definitely to the progress of the community. Mr. Groark's practical ability and progressive attitude are constructive influences in the local progress as well as in his own success. He is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Feign) Groark, esteemed citizens of New Haven, Connecticut.

Edward F. Groark was born in New Haven, September 11, 1878. Receiving his early education in the local public schools he was graduated from the New Haven High School in the class of 1896. Upon the completion of his studies he secured a position in the account-



ing department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad offices, in New Haven, and there gained valuable experience in the business affairs. He was still a young man when he entered the employ of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as their agent in New Haven, then later became assistant manager of their interest at Lowell, Massachusetts. From that point he was transferred to Burlington, Vermont, where he also served as assistant manager, until October of 1922, when he was placed in charge of the North Adams agency in the capacity of manager. In his rise in this organization Mr. Groark has revealed the qualities of energy and natural ability which have meant much to the progress of the people and of the company in these localities. His usefulness in North Adams is a definite force for the welfare and economic security of the people and he is counted among the worthy and outstanding business executives of the day. Mr. Groark is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Columbus; and his social affiliations include membership in the Berkshire Club. He attends St. Francis' Church.

Edward F. Groark married, in New Haven, Connecticut, May 22, 1897, Alice Hale, and they are the parents of six children: Alice, a school teacher, at New Haven; John, a graduate of Holy Cross School, who entered Harvard University in September, 1924; Margaret, a senior at New Rochelle; Edward, a freshman at Holy Cross; Charles, a senior at Drury High School, in North Adams; and Harry, entering Drury High School.

**HAROLD BUTLER EWING**, proprietor of a successful automobile repair business and sub-agent for the Hudson, Essex, and Dodge automobiles in Easthampton, Massachusetts, is well known and liked in Easthampton. His family is of Scotch-Irish extraction, the Ewings having come originally from Scotland into Northern Ireland in the time of Cromwell.

(I) John Ewing, the great-grandfather of Harold Butler Ewing, lived and died in Northern Ireland.

(II) Alexander Ewing, son of John Ewing, was born in Northern Ireland, April 23, 1822, and died in Easthampton, June 23, 1910, at the age of eighty-nine. He was a well educated man and a civil engineer in his native land. In 1848 he came to the United States and settled immediately in Easthampton, where he lived to the time of his death. For many years he worked at the Williston Mills in Easthampton, first as teamster and later as watchman, holding this last position over a long period. He bought a farm in the township of Northampton before the Civil War, and lived there, taking an active part in local affairs, particularly in the Methodist Church, where he was a member of the board of trustees and superintendent of the Sunday School. He married, in Ireland, Mary Ann Butler, born August 14, 1807, died September 4, 1885, and they had three children: John B., born in Ireland; Thomas; Alexander Mathew, of whom further.

(III) Alexander Mathew Ewing, son of Alexander and Mary Ann (Butler) Ewing, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, July 14, 1854, and died December 11, 1912. He was educated in the public schools, and all his life devoted himself to farming on the home

place which his father occupied. For some twenty-three years he collected milk for the Easthampton Creamery Association. Mr. Ewing was a quiet, home-loving man, highly respected by his neighbors and by all who knew him. He married, in August, 1883, Esther Ann McCandless, born in North Ireland, daughter of John and Eliza (Baldrick) McCandless, whom she had accompanied to America in 1873; they had five children: 1. Margaret Louise, who married James A. Miller, of Montreal, Canada. 2. Harold Butler, of whom further. 3. John Wesley, a sketch of whom follows. 4. Raymond Alexander, born May 4, 1892; an artist doing illustrative work; during the World War he served in the Engineering Corps and took part in several of the most important engagements of the war, notably at St. Mihiel and the Argonne; in the latter he was wounded and spent six weeks in a Paris hospital in consequence; he was discharged with the rank of sergeant of the first class; he married, June 21, 1923, Louise Howe, of East Milton, Massachusetts, daughter of George B. and Helen (Hardy) Howe. 5. Stanley Mathew, born September 27, 1899; now employed with the Standard Oil Company; he married, August 20, 1917, Harriet Fisk, of Mount Vernon, New York, daughter of William Allen and Ann Laura (Matthews) Fisk, and they have two children: Robert Stanley, born June 13, 1918, and Ruth Janet, born March 3, 1923.

(IV) Harold Butler Ewing, son of Alexander M. and Esther A. (McCandless) Ewing, was born in the homestead at Northampton, Massachusetts, June 26, 1886, and educated in the public schools of Northampton. When he finished school he found employment in the bicycle and automobile business, and after gaining practical experience in this field went into the automobile business for himself in 1920, being agent for a number of makes of cars, maintaining a service station and doing an extensive automobile repairing business. He has met with marked success in this undertaking.

He married, March 30, 1908, Laura Chamberlain, of Oakdale, Massachusetts, daughter of Frank and Grace Chamberlain; they have three children: Grace Esther, born August 10, 1909; Harold Butler, Jr., born February 5, 1911; Dorothy, born May 13, 1918.

**JOHN WESLEY EWING**, well known in the vicinity of Northampton, is a successful farmer, carrying on the home farm on which his father and grandfather lived and worked for so many years. He is the son of Alexander Mathew and Esther Ann (McCandless) Ewing, and brother of Harold Butler Ewing (q. v.), in connection with whose sketch a full account of Mr. Ewing's father and grandfather are given.

John Wesley Ewing was born in the town of Northampton, December 22, 1887, and was educated in the local public schools. He early became familiar with the duties and responsibilities of farm life, and until the death of his father, December 11, 1912, worked in close association with his father on the home farm. Since that time he has carried on the undertaking for himself, and as his father did before him, he collects milk for the Easthampton Coöperative Milk Association. He is an active member of the Grange and of the Methodist Church, and is highly regarded in the community.







*A. T. Boom*



He married, June 22, 1916, Vera Kingsley Stimson, of Northampton, daughter of Albert Henry Warren and Sadie (Kingsley) Stimson; and they have one son: David Wesley, born October 9, 1922.

**AUGUSTUS KEEFER BOOM, M. D.**, holding a noteworthy position in Western Massachusetts, has done much both along private lines of practice and in the public service and as a leading physician of Adams he is considered one of the foremost men in his profession in this section. Giving to the world his highest endeavors, his progress governed by lofty ideals, and his ever forward looking attitude, Dr. Boom has made his influence strongly felt in various lines of current endeavor, as well as in his professional work. He is a member of an old and honored family of America, originally from the Netherlands, Matthews and Johannes Boom having come to this country early in the eighteenth century. Dr. Boom is a great-grandson of Nicholas Boom, who was a member of Captain Nicholas Van Rensselaer's company in the Revolutionary War. James Boom, the doctor's father, was a prominent man of his day, and his mother, Lucy (Selby) Boom, was also a member of a prominent family.

Augustus Keefer Boom was born in Albany, New York, May 13, 1866. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, Dr. Boom later attended the medical department of Wooster University, Cleveland, Ohio, which was later absorbed by the Western Reserve University. His graduation from this institution occurred in 1888, and on November 9, 1888, he opened his office at Adams. From the beginning his success seemed assured, and he soon developed a very extensive and lucrative practice. For a number of years Dr. Boom served on the surgical and medical staff of the North Adams Hospital, and for the last quarter of a century he has been a member of the staff of the Plunkett Memorial Hospital, of Adams, Massachusetts, and of the Board of United States Pension Examiners. He is also active as civil service medical examiner for Adams, and is a member, and was at one time chairman, of the local Board of Health. Dr. Boom has also served on the Board of Selectmen for twelve years, and was chairman during the years 1907, 1909, 1912 and 1921. Interested in every phase of local endeavor, he served at one time as assistant engineer of the Adams Fire Department. He is a Republican in his political affiliations, but never a politician in the accepted sense of the word. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is Past First District Deputy for Western Massachusetts, and was at one time District Attorney for Vermont, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is Past District Deputy, the Turn Verein and of the Quoit Club. He is also a member of the American Medical Association, and past president of both the Berkshire District of the Massachusetts Medical Association, and the Northern Berkshire Medical Society.

Augustus Keefer Boom married, January 26, 1887, Maria de Rouville, of Albany, New York, daughter of Anton and Harriet (DeBlacy) de Rouville, both natives of Holland. Dr. and Mrs. Boom are the parents of two children: Florence de Rouville and Hazel Muriel.

**CHARLES S. POTTER**, treasurer and manager of the Hampden Lumber Company of Springfield, and prominent in the civic life of Springfield and vicinity, is a man who holds a high place in the regard of his fellow citizens. Influential in business and social spheres he has been called also to accept the responsibilities of public office, and as president of the City Council of Springfield won general recognition for his efficient and public-spirited administration. He can be counted upon to search out and consistently follow a businesslike, constructive policy in any matter of public welfare to which he gives his support. He is the son of Timothy D. and Laura (Morgan) Potter, the father a lumber merchant of high standing, with whom his son was long associated in business. The elder Mr. Potter was born at Wilbraham, Massachusetts, April 12, 1840, into an old and respected New England family. Up until his death in 1922, he was president of the Hampden Lumber Company and played an active and influential part in the life of Springfield, which will long be remembered by his many friends and acquaintances.

Charles S. Potter was born at Palmer, March 24, 1872, and received his education in the public schools, Wilbraham Academy, and Springfield High School. After leaving school he found his first employment in the Home Agency Office of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company of Springfield, where he spent five years at clerical work, accumulating practical business experience of office routine. He then became associated with his father in the A. C. Dutton Lumber Company of Springfield, this connection lasting for a period of four or five years and terminating at the founding of the present Hampden Lumber Company in 1902. Timothy D. Potter became president, and his son manager, of the new concern, which bought out the estate of Philip H. Potter and commenced business in lumber material of all kinds, George S. Lewis of Holyoke, being also associated with the enterprise in a major capacity from the date of its organization. This firm, which deals extensively in sashes, interior and exterior finish and other lumber material, has had a steady and substantial growth and is one of the leading lumber concerns of the vicinity. As organized at present (1925), George S. Lewis is president and Mr. Potter treasurer and manager; and under his supervision the same policy that insured success during his father's lifetime is being continued, with gratifying results.

Mr. Potter plays a noteworthy part in the civic life of Springfield, being always ready to give generous endorsement and support to every good movement for local development. He served as a member of the Board of Aldermen, and member and ex-president of the City Council. His clubs are the Nayasset, Rotary, Automobile, Manchonis, and Springfield Country Club; and fraternally he is affiliated with the Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Morning Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Scottish Rite bodies, including the thirty-second degree; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

He married (first), June 1, 1898, Jennie E. Parrosh; she died in March, 1919; (second), November 17, 1923, Katherine E. Reid; by his first marriage he has one child, Barbara Larene, born September 10, 1904.

**PATRICK FRANCIS CUNNINGHAM**—Son of a father whose worthy name he bears, and whom he has emulated in the trade of mason-builder, Patrick F. Cunningham has come to be one of the most important of the contractor-builders in the Greenfield region. As senior member of the well-known firm of Cunningham & Liston (William J. Liston), he has, together with his partner, left the impress of skill and excellence of workmanship upon many public, quasi-public and private buildings in the capital town of Franklin County, and in towns within a radius of twenty-five miles of Greenfield. Mr. Cunningham's firm has made an enviable reputation for itself and seeks consistently to maintain it, honesty of material, durability of construction and attractiveness of design being the elements that have spelled success for their numerous business enterprises.

Patrick Francis Cunningham, Sr., father of Patrick Francis Cunningham, was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1845, and died in Turners Falls, in 1910, at the age of sixty-five years. At the age of eighteen years he came to America, landing in Boston. Perhaps his most notable work as a stone mason and builder was his part in the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel on the Fitchburg Railroad, now a feeder of the Boston & Maine system. From Boston he came to live in Turners Falls, and in that town he followed his chosen trade, always as foreman of the works. Coming to America with him were his brothers, William and David. Mr. Cunningham, Sr., married Mary Murphy, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Buckley) Murphy, born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1847, and died in Greenfield, November 4, 1919, at the age of seventy-two years. Children born to them: 1. Catherine, married Thomas F. Barry, brush manufacturer, of Newark, New Jersey, and has children, Ruby May, Daniel C. 2. Mary, married George Campbell, a paper maker, in Turners Falls, and has children, Madeline, Lynett, George and William. 3. Patrick Francis Cunningham, of Greenfield. 4. Ellen (deceased), married Philip Neddo. 5. Elizabeth, married Leo Robert Duress, manager of the Greenfield Baking Company, and has children, Donald C., born in May, 1908, and Winthrop L., born in January, 1912.

Mr. Cunningham was born in Turners Falls April 22, 1872, and received his education in the schools of that town. He early began to learn the trade of brick mason, and after entering upon his career of journeyman he followed the trade in Turners Falls until 1911, when he came to Greenfield, and here he continued to work at his trade for ten years. In 1921, having determined to enter the status of employing contractor, he formed a partnership with William J. Liston, and the firm became Cunningham & Liston. A gratifying volume of business came to them almost immediately upon their launching out as contractors. They have since done an extensive business; evidences of their exemplary work are to be seen in Greenfield and a large vicinity in school houses and other public buildings and numerous residences. They employ a force of ten journeymen and assistants, and the firm is virtually never without a commission to be executed for exacting patrons. Mr. Cunningham has practically devoted all his time to the

development of his business, and has eschewed public office and membership in fraternal organizations. He has never married.

**WILLIAM JOHN LISTON**—Descended from Scottish ancestors, whose children took root in Ireland, and a number of whom emigrated to the United States, where they have played their part well in the building of a strong foundation of the republic, William John Liston, junior member of the firm of Cunningham (Patrick F.) & Liston, of Greenfield, himself has earned the tribute together with his partner, of being "an honest builder"—the firm itself being one of the most widely known in the mason builders' and contracting line in the town of Greenfield and the district coming within the influence of the capital of Franklin County. Their business and reputation have grown so remarkably in the comparatively few years of the partnership's existence, that their services in the building line now are in demand from points within a radius of twenty-five miles of Greenfield.

John Liston, the grandfather of William John Liston, was born in Limerick, Ireland, of Scotch ancestry, in 1841, and died an accidental death in Turners Falls June 30, 1897. His father died when he was a young child. His mother married (second) Patrick Hayes, and they came to America about 1849, bringing her children, Richard, James and John, with her. John lived in Deerfield until about 1882, when he removed to Turners Falls, where he worked as a teamster, and it was in the performance of this work that he was fatally injured by falling from his loaded wagon. He married Mary Behan, born in Russell, Massachusetts, October 15, 1839, and died April 1, 1915, daughter of Patrick Behan, born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1798, died June 30, 1878; and Mary (Walker) Behan, born August 20, 1809, died in 1874. Their children: John, Mary, William H., of whom further; Lizzie.

William H. Liston, father of William John Liston, was born in Deerfield, Massachusetts, July 9, 1869, the son of John and Mary (Behan) Liston-Hayes. He was a brickmaker by trade, and after attending the Deerfield public schools and Deerfield Academy, he went with his parents, when he was thirteen years of age, to Turners Falls, where he acquired a thorough knowledge of his trade and followed it for many years. In 1915 he forsook his trade and left Turners Falls, coming to Greenfield to live, and to enter the employ of the Greenfield Tap and Die Corporation, with which concern he has since remained. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He married, September 5, 1893, Elizabeth Carroll, daughter of Timothy and Margaret (Horrigan) Carroll, of Montague City. Their children: William John, of whom further; Paul, who has a daughter June; and Elizabeth.

William John Liston married, January 29, 1917, Alphada Desrosier, daughter of Homer Desrosier, of Turners Falls. Their children: Florence, born at Turners Falls, December, 1917; Edward, born at Turners Falls, August, 1919; and Claire, born at Greenfield, August, 1921.







James T Brown

**JAMES T. BROWN**, manager of the Hotel Worthy, Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Luzerne, New York, February 24, 1885. His father was William E. Brown, and his mother Jennie I. (Taylor) Brown. The father was engaged in the mill business at Norwich, and also conducted a tannery. The family removed from the New York village where the early years of Mr. Brown were passed, to Norwich, Connecticut, when he was twelve years old. There the boy attended the public schools. He completed his studies to become a hotel employe, and his chosen occupation he has followed steadily through life. After many successful ventures he became manager of the Hotel Worthy, Springfield, in 1922, and has continued in that capacity ever since. He is also manager and director of the Worthy Inn, at Manchester, Vermont, a place he has filled since 1919. In October, 1924, Mr. Brown became the lessee of the Hotel Draper, at Northampton, Massachusetts, adding that noted resort to his other properties. Mr. Brown is a member of the Oxford Country Club; and of the Masonic Club. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Masonic fraternity, in which he has received the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite. He is a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and of Bela Grotto, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Mr. Brown married, in Providence, Rhode Island, January 3, 1908, Julia F. Lyon, step-daughter of John Lyon and daughter of Mary Lyon. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are the parents of Muriel E., born December 7, 1910; William E., born November 7, 1913; James T., Jr., born June 11, 1919; and Robert M., born November 4, 1921. Mr. Brown's address is Hotel Worthy, Worthy Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**CLEMENT L. LAWLEY**—A noteworthy figure in the present-day advance of Florence, Massachusetts, is Clement L. Lawley, who has been active in this community for many years, and, in fact, has spent his entire career thus far in the local postal service. Mr. Lawley is interested in various branches of fraternal and community advance, and commands the esteem and confidence of all. He is a son of George M. and Silvia M. (Stockwell) Lawley.

Clement L. Lawley was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, February 21, 1887. The family removing to Florence in his childhood, he first attended the local schools, then covered a high school course in the Northampton High School, his graduation occurring in the year 1905. As a young man Mr. Lawley entered the Florence Post Office and has now for upwards of two decades been active in this connection. This record is the more remarkable for the fact that changes of political administration have taken place in the National capital, and thus Mr. Lawley's life is appraised by his long service in this office. During the World War he was active on the various Liberty Loan committees and other branches of the home endeavors of the period. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Lodge No. 61, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he has been secretary for nine years, also the Encampment, of which he is Past Chief Patriot. He is further identified with Williamsburg

Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Bokar Sanktorum O. O. H. and P. He is a member of the Florence Methodist Episcopal Church.

**ORIN J. NEVINS**—Of the old guard in the lumbering industry in the western part of the State, Mr. Nevins, who for some years has been retired from active participation in his former calling, was a promoter of the manufacture of that product at a time when many similar industries were helping to make history in their field. He witnessed the progress of lumber at its best, both at Holyoke and Turners Falls, and in the prime of his life he was associated with some of its outstanding successes, sharing, too, in the progress of invention that brought the processes to their present high standard. Veteran of the Union Army in the Civil War, he shared, then and later, in the practical advancement of every patriotic cause. A saying has been passed down in his family that since 1620 there has never been a criminal, a millionaire or a pauper in the family. He is the son of Dexter Nevins, a farmer and cattle dealer, of Maine, and of Cordelia Hillman, daughter of Uriah Hillman, a Martha's Vineyard whaling captain.

Orin J. Nevins, was born at Farmington, Maine, December 28, 1842, and received his education in the local district schools. He was employed on his father's farm until the Civil War, when he entered the service of the United States Government. In 1871 he went to Holyoke, where he became associated with the lumber industry; and eventually he went to the Comstock Mill, at Turners Falls, 1880, of which he was the general manager for many years. At the time of his retirement, in 1914, he was with the Connecticut Valley Lumber Company, at Mount Tom. He was also engaged in the building and selling of residences.

At the beginning of the Civil War Mr. Nevins enlisted in Company G, 9th Maine Volunteers, and joined his regiment at Chapin Farm, near Richmond, Virginia. That winter, under General Butler, the regiment lay siege to and captured Fort Fisher; crossing the State of North Carolina to Raleigh, they then joined General Sherman in his march to the sea, at Goldsboro. Mr. Nevins received his discharge August 15, 1865, and returned to Maine. His fraternal affiliations are with Mechanics' Lodge, No. 66, of Orono, Maine, the Free and Accepted Masons, and Edwin E. Day Post, No. 174, Grand Army of the Republic, of Greenfield.

Mr. Nevins married, April 3, 1866, Laura J. Merrill, now eighty years of age, a daughter of Asa Merrill, of Orono, Maine, and they are the parents of: Justin S., Bertha and Gertrude (Mrs. Hickok).

**DENIS ANDREW SULLIVAN**—The name Denis Andrew Sullivan has become familiarized throughout the western part of the State to the proprietors of business generally, to the heads of various institutions, and to home-makers for the large and substantial share that Mr. Sullivan has had in modern construction in both city and country since 1898, when he founded his present contracting firm at Northampton. Mr. Sullivan, who was born and bred here, has a thorough understanding of the residential and business requirements in the builder's calling, and his workmanship invariably has



upon it the stamp of reliability and completeness his work everywhere in the townships of this section being recognized both for durability and for general attractiveness. A leader in Northampton's business and civic interests, Mr. Sullivan is an influence for progress both in city and country. He is the son of Cornelius Sullivan, who was born about 1842 in County Kerry, Ireland, and died in 1887, in Northampton, aged forty-five years; he had a brother Matthew and a sister Helen, both of whom, now deceased, came to the United States. Cornelius Sullivan, coming to America at an early date, located at Northampton, where he engaged in basket making, and died a comparatively young man. He married, in this country, Mary Dunn, who was born in County Kerry, Ireland, and who in 1925 is still living, the daughter of James and Johanna Dunn; their children: Denis Andrew, of whom further; Anna, who married John McGee; James J., Mary, who married Edward Hawley, of Hartford, Connecticut.

Denis Andrew Sullivan was born July 8, 1873, in Northampton, where he attended school until he was fourteen years of age, when he began working in the silk mills, so continuing until he was eighteen years old. He then learned the carpenter's trade with Joseph Hibbard, and in 1898 he established his own contracting and building business, in which he has been very actively engaged to the present time. At the outset he formed a partnership with James Twohig, and for two years did business under the firm name Twohig and Sullivan, after which, for another two years he was in business alone. In 1920 he received his son, Neil J. Sullivan, into partnership, and since then the firm name has been D. A. Sullivan & Son. Mr. Sullivan is the builder of many structures for all purposes in Northampton, and other cities and towns, and in the rural districts of Western Massachusetts, among the leading buildings being: Northampton High School Building, St. Joachim's Church at Chicopee, the Roberts Block, Water Department building, Kresge Block, Contagious Hospital and Todd's Store at Northampton; he made extensive alterations in the First National Bank Building and the Co-operative Bank Building; he built the Williams Street School, the Telephone Exchange, the Filene store and the C. E. Childs Garden House. Mr. Sullivan also constructed the Ray Stannard Baker residence in Amherst, Professor Marshall's residence in Amherst, Judge Edward L. Shaw's residence in Northampton, Miss Georgia Phinney's residence, Dr. Dumphy's residence, as well as many other of the best residences in the city. He also built the fire station and the residence of Brown and Stevens, as well as the Rock Hill culvert and the North Street road. Mr. Sullivan served as a member of the Northampton Board of Assessors two years. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Company I, Veterans' Association, and a member of the board of directors of the Father Mathew Temperance Society.

Denis Andrew Sullivan married, April 21, 1897, Catherine Meehan, of Florence, daughter of James and Bridget (Scully) Meehan, and they are the parents of: 1. Neil Joseph, born May 11, 1898, and is a member of the firm of D. A. Sullivan & Son, contractors and builders. Mr. Sullivan served in the Marine Corps of the

United States Navy in the World War as a machine gunner; and was stationed in France until the close of the war. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Columbus; the American Legion, and the Oxford Club. He married, October 16, 1922, Viola May Sheridan, of Florence, daughter of Thomas and Johanna (McGee) Sheridan; they are the parents of a daughter, Eileen. 2. James Bernard, born June 4, 1901. Graduated from Northampton High School in 1918, and from the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania with the class of 1922. He is now in business at Auburn, Michigan. He was a member of the Students' Training Corps during the World War. 3. Katherine Elizabeth, born December 10, 1903. She graduated from Northampton High School in 1921, and from "Our Lady of the Elms," in Chicopee, in 1923. She is a teacher in the public schools in Northampton. 4. Dorothy Anne, born July 25, 1904. She graduated from the Northampton High School in 1922, and from "Our Lady of the Elms" in 1924. She, too, is a teacher in the Northampton public schools. 5. Donald Denis Sullivan was born March 23, 1909, and is a student at Northampton High School.

**ISRAEL NEWTON**—The Newton family of Orange is one of the oldest New England families on record, the first American ancestor of whom we have positive knowledge having come to the shores of New England in the early autumn of 1639. He was one of the four men who came with Roger Ludlow, deputy governor, who had obtained a commission from the General Court of Connecticut to begin a plantation at Poquonock. Thomas Newton moved to Newton, Long Island, in 1636, and in 1645 was chosen as representative from Fairfield to the General Court.

Deacon Israel and Lois T. Newton had an only son Asa, who reached the age of manhood, and on January 23, 1777, married Lydia Worthington, a daughter of Colonel Elias Worthington, of the same town, who was born October 22, 1760. They were the parents of nine children: 1. Elias W., born November 16, 1780. 2. Asa, born October 3, 1782. 3. Rhoda, born January 28, 1785. 4. Lydia, born January 21, 1788. 5. Sally, born April 2, 1791. 6. Israel, of whom further. 7. Louisa, born January 23, 1796. 8. Joel W., born May 29, 1799. 9. Laura M., born February 15, 1802.

Israel Newton, born February 11, 1794, was a farmer and a deacon of the Congregational Church for fifty years. He was a native of Colchester, Connecticut, where he died. On January 14, 1819, he married Harriet Turner, and they had seven children: 1. Abby, born October 11, 1821. 2. Asa, born July 9, 1824. 3. Maria, born August 9, 1827. 4. Matthew Turner, of whom further. 5. Lydia Louise, born November 28, 1831. 6. Lyman, born February 27, 1836. 7. Israel, of whom further.

Matthew Turner Newton, M. D., born June 4, 1829, received his education in the district schools of Colchester, Connecticut, and after attending Bacon Academy, matriculated as a student of Yale University, where he graduated in 1851 with the degree of M. D. He began medical practice at Salem, Connecticut, and in





*Israel Newton*



1853 was elected a member of the State Legislature from Salem. In July of the same year he removed to Suffield, Connecticut, where he continued the practice of medicine with considerable success and attained a wide reputation as a skillful physician. On August 15, 1856, he married Louise A. Austin, a daughter of Samuel Austin, and they were the parents of two children: 1. Charles Newton, born January 18, 1858. 2. Emma Louise Newton, born September 20, 1865. Dr. Newton died July 24, 1909.

Israel Newton, born at Colchester, Connecticut, May 6, 1839, moved to Suffield, at the age of twenty years, and here conducted for thirty years a general store. In 1881 he came to Orange, where for eighteen years he was connected with the Home Sewing Machine Company and for twenty years occupied the position of clerk of the District Court at Orange, and for twenty-five years that of justice of the peace at Orange, and also was trial justice in Connecticut. Israel Newton is a veteran of the Civil War and belonged to the Army of the Potomac, 22nd Connecticut Volunteer Regiment. He has been clerk of the First Baptist Church at Orange for seventeen years, and is Commander and Senior Vice-Commander of Orange Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. Newton married (first), July 11, 1866, at Suffield, Connecticut, Georgiana Reid, a daughter of Samuel N. and Louise M. Reid. The children of this first marriage are: 1. Lulu Maria. 2. Hattie Reid. 3. George Reid, who for twenty years has been connected with the Atlantic Coast Line Company. He married (second), October 19, 1892, Mary Dexter, a daughter of George W. Dexter, and they are the parents of one daughter, Grace (Newton) Anthony.

**CARLTON E. NAY**, treasurer, secretary and a director of the Monarch Accident Insurance Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Westford, Vermont, January 11, 1881. His father was Elisha A. Nay, a farmer; and his mother, Lucy (Maxfield) Nay. He attended the public and high schools of Milton, Vermont, and at an early age engaged in business with Swift & Company at Burlington as bookkeeper, where he continued for eight years. He followed this with a period in the mercantile business in Underhill, Vermont, where he was engaged for six years. Afterwards he came to Springfield in 1916, and was bookkeeper for the Nayasset Club for four years. He became bookkeeper for the Monarch Accident Insurance Company at No. 14 Maple Street, Springfield. He was advanced to assistant treasurer in 1923; and two years later, in the spring of 1925, he was made treasurer and secretary of the company, and he continues to discharge the duties of those posts. He was elected a director of the company soon after his last promotion. Mr. Nay is a member of McDonald Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Jericho, Vermont; of Burlington Chapter Royal Arch Masons, Burlington, and of the Faith Congregational Church, Springfield.

Mr. Nay married, in Jericho, Vermont, Clara E. Brown; daughter of Burke G., and Elizabeth Flowers Brown. They are the parents of Russell B., born at Burlington, January 16, 1904, and Lucille S., born July 31, 1909. His business address is No. 14 Maple Street,

Springfield; and his home address at No. 100 Belvidere Street, Springfield.

**CHARLES FULLER MOSHER**, a leading business executive and engineer of Western Massachusetts, who holds a responsible position with the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company, and is prominently identified with worthy lines of useful and progressive activity, is a man of high achievement, whose work is his principal interest and whose attitude toward life and its responsibilities is that of the serious but ever forward looking spirit. He is a son of William D. and Lillian A. (Fuller) Mosher, both parents residents of North Adams for many years.

Charles Fuller Mosher was born in North Adams, Massachusetts, October 16, 1879. His education was begun in the public schools of North Adams, and pursuing courses of advanced study, he entered the electrical field. Gaining practical experience in the power plants of the Hoosac Valley and Berkshire Street railroad, he became identified with the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company in 1906. He was placed in charge of the generating plants of this concern and was active thus for a period of eight years, and has since 1914 served the company in consultant and supervisory capacities, still being thus affiliated. Since 1912 Mr. Mosher has served as superintendent of stations in charge of operation, maintenance and new construction of generating and sub-stations for the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company. In addition to his other affiliations, he furnishes consultant and supervisory service to a few smaller central station plants in Massachusetts. His work is definitely that of the expert, and his force and ability are well appraised in the measure of success which he has achieved. Mr. Mosher was made a trustee of the Greenfield and Montague transportation area in 1924 for a two years term and outside his profession maintains a keen interest in local civic affairs, identifying himself with other progressive citizens in furtherance of all worthy enterprises.

Charles Fuller Mosher married, July 19, 1905, Emma Eugenia Watson, of North Adams.

**WILLIAM RILEY FARNSWORTH**—Many a New England lad has started working life on the paternal farm, but in growing up preferred to devote himself to commercial pursuits, either working on his own account or occupying leading positions with a large concern, able to pay an adequate remuneration for the proper kind of executive. A man whose career has more or less followed these lines was the late William Riley Farnsworth, for many years director of the Montague Paper Mills in Turners Falls.

Born on December 26, 1846, at Convey, as a son of John and Martha Farnsworth, Mr. Farnsworth at the age of eleven, worked on his father's farm, but afterwards entered the employ of George Peabody, building constructor, a business in which he remained until he was thirty years of age, when he accepted an appointment as sales director and consulting engineer of the Montague Paper Mills. In this position he continued until his death in October, 1919. While in the building busi-



ness he erected the famous Turners Falls dam on the Connecticut River, which to this day is regarded a very good specimen of hydraulic construction. In politics Mr. Farnsworth was a Republican, and a member of the Board of Selectmen and the Water Commission. He was very prominent in all civic movements, extremely popular with everybody, the friend of all and the enemy of none. He was a member of the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons and held the exalted thirty-second degree, which is the highest degree but one of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

In August 16, 1868, he married, at Turners Falls, Alice L. Shorman, and with her was the father of four children: George, Hiram, Robert, John.

**ALBERT ARTHUR JARVIS**—Among the Western Massachusetts men who have provided by means of commodious garages and repair stations of the most up-to-date type for the great demands of the automobile business of the present hour, and who are also thus looking out for the future increase of the business, Mr. Jarvis has made a wise selection for the enterprise on these lines that he has established at Greenfield. He has business attainments of a first-class order, and has had a training and experience as a machinist with concerns of long establishment in this part of the State, and is eminently capable, as he has well proven himself to be, to direct the affairs of his thoroughly equipped garage.

The name Jarvis was originally Gervais; and Pierre Gervais, from whom this family descended, came from Bordeaux, France, in 1645, and died in Quebec, Canada, in 1665.

Joseph Gervais, son of Pierre Gervais, lived and died in Canada, and married Marie Plauffe. Their son Robert grandfather of Albert A. Jarvis, was born in Canada in 1826, and died April 3, 1900, in Holyoke, Massachusetts. By trade he was a mason, but he later worked at farming. He came to the United States during the Civil War, and for a time he lived in Vermont, afterwards removing to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he worked as a farmer for a Mr. Nims; he went to Holyoke from Greenfield, where he resided to the time of his death. He married Sophia Longley (Langlais), who died in Holyoke in 1902; she was born in Canada, daughter of Anthony Longley. Their children were: Rosa; Joseph; Henry, of whom further; Napoleon; George; Lizzie. The two eldest children were born in Canada.

Henry Jarvis, son of Robert and Sophia (Longley or Langlais) Jarvis, was born August 14, 1861, at Brandon, Vermont, and attended the schools at Greenfield. His life has been spent at Greenfield, and at Turners Falls, where he has followed the business of lumbering and teaming. His father helped to build the dam at Turners Falls, more than fifty years ago. He married, January 1, 1877, Margaret Young, who was born in Keyesville, New York, daughter of Elijah and Julia (Robinson) Young. Their children were: Henry; Anna, who married William G. Schau; Mabel, who married W. S. Banta, of Richmond, Virginia; Jennie, who married George Koch, at the Whites Coal Farm; Eva, who died at sixteen years of age; Albert Arthur, of whom further; Alfred; Rosa, who died aged nine years; Lester.

Albert Arthur Jarvis, son of Henry and Margaret (Young) Jarvis, was born November 15, 1890, at Turners Falls, where he attended the public schools. When he was fourteen years of age he went to work in the Russell cutlery at Turners Falls, where he remained a year. He later did teaming four years, and then went to tool-making in the Miller Machine Company's plant, at Millers Falls. Removing to Greenfield, he worked for the Wells Brothers, and later for the Wiley Russell Company, in the making of taps and dies. He left the shop in 1916, and taking up automobile work, was employed in the Mohawk Cadillac Garage, and with J. C. Clifford & Son, on Chapman Street. In 1918, Mr. Jarvis began to do automobile work for himself, and in 1923, he opened his present commodious garage, where he has ample room for the storage of many cars, and where he does all kinds of automobile repair work.

He married, August 30, 1910, Anna Hercig, born August 30, 1893, in that portion of Deerfield, that is now a part of Greenfield, daughter of Albert and Amilia (Ackerman) Hercig. Her father, Albert Hercig, was born in Berne, Switzerland, in 1858, a son of Jacob and Farina (Miller) Hercig, came to the United States in 1883, and located at Greenfield. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis: Marguerite, deceased; Mildred Rose, born August 4, 1912; Robert Arthur, born May 22, 1916; Clinton Albert, born March 10, 1920.

**CHARLES FRANKLIN SLATE**, prominent in Northfield and esteemed in every circle in which he moves, he has for the past two years served as postmaster of this community, and in his thoroughly efficient administration the people are recognizing and appreciating the hand of the capable and forward looking executive.

Mr. Slate is interested in every branch of local and general progress and in his endeavors for the public good he has long filled a useful part in the community. The Slate family has been identified with American progress for about two centuries and the name is an honored one in the history of this country.

(I) Daniel Slate was born in England in 1708 and came to America as a young man. He lives in both Norwich and Middletown, Connecticut, then in 1745 removed to Bernardston, Massachusetts. His death occurred in Gill, February 10, 1789, at the age of eighty-one years, and his wife Mary, died there March 10, 1795, at the age of eighty-three years. They were the parents of twelve children.

(II) Captain Joseph Slate, son of Daniel and Mary Slate, was born in Norwich, Connecticut, February 22, 1734, and died November 26, 1818. He came to Bernardston from Norwich May 19, 1763, and built a log cabin which he occupied until his death. Captain Joseph Slate became widely prominent in civic affairs and was chosen to various town offices. He served in a local office in 1767 and was selectman from 1779 until 1782, was widely noted in military affairs and served for five years in the French and Indian War. He was also active in the War of the Revolution, bearing a worthy and distinguished part, although past his prime, being forty-two years of age when the war broke out. Captain Slate married, on May 5, 1758, Mary White, of Colchester, Connecticut, who was born in 1738 and died in 1827, at



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the age of eighty-nine years. They were the parents of eleven children.

(III) Samuel Slate, son of Captain Joseph and Mary (White) Slate, was born March 28, 1775, and became a worthy and esteemed citizen of his day, although little is found in early records regarding his activities. He married, October 7, 1795, Bathsheba Risley, of Gill.

(IV) Samuel W. Slate, son of Samuel and Bathsheba (Risley) Slate, was born in Bernardston, in 1808, and died in Montague City, March 12, 1891. He married Anna C. Rich, and they were the parents of two children: Samuel N., of whom further; and Sidney R.

(V) Samuel N. Slate, son of Samuel W. and Anna C. (Rich) Slate, was born in Fort Covington, New York, in 1835, and died at Turner's Falls October 25, 1901. He saw distinguished service in the Civil War, enlisting August 24, 1862, in Company F., 52nd Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. First stationed at Camp Miller, Greenfield, he participated in the Banks Expedition and arrived at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, December 17, 1862. There assigned to the 2nd Brigade, 4th Division, 19th Army Corps he took part in the demonstration against Port Hudson on March 14, 1863. He was also active in the operations at Irish Bend, April 13, of the same year and in the siege of Port Hudson from May 30 until July 9, 1863, distinguishing himself particularly at Jacksons Cross Roads, July 30, 1863. The 52nd Regiment was the first to set sail up the Mississippi River after the surrender of the Confederate forces at Vicksburg and Port Hudson. Mr. Slate was mustered out of the service with his regiment at Greenfield. Following his return to civilian life he became active as a mill-wright and mechanic at Turners Falls and for some years his principal work was the setting up of the Marshall engines. Previous to mill-wright and mechanic he took up carpenter work and was active in Northfield, Massachusetts, and Keene, New Hampshire, but in 1889 returned to Turners Falls where he resided until his death, a period of about twelve years. For many years Samuel N. Slate was an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic and he supported every movement of a progressive nature and of civic, benevolent or other commendable purpose. He married Emma A. Whitney, of Warwick, who was born September, 1843, daughter of Franklin Whitney. They were the parents of the following children: William G., a farmer of Northfield, who has one daughter, Gladys; Edward S., of Montague City, who married Ethel G. Emery, and has one son, Edward S. J., born July 25, 1904; Nellie M., wife of Charles Carter, of Haverhill, Massachusetts; and Charles F., of whom further.

(VI) Charles Franklin Slate, youngest child of Samuel N. and Emma A. (Whitney) Slate, was born in Northfield, January 30, 1878. Receiving his early education in the public schools of Keene, New Hampshire, he also attended school in Northfield and Turners Falls. Upon the completion of his education he secured a position in the Rod Factory in Montague City, where he was active for a time, then entered the employ of the street railway in Greenfield. There he worked for about ten years, then in 1910 came to Northfield. For a number of years after taking up his residence in this community Mr. Slate was employed in the Northfield Seminary but

in 1922 he was appointed postmaster of Northfield and since that time he has devoted his attention wholly to the duties of his office. He has given to his work characteristic energy and the large natural ability with which he is endowed. His progressive ideas and willingness to oblige are also factors in his success as postmaster and have won him general commendation and appreciation. Mr. Slate is well known in fraternal circles and is a member of Harmony Lodge, of Northfield, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mechanics Lodge, of Turners Falls. He is also identified with the various other bodies of the Scottish Rite of this order and is further a member of the Northfield Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, and the Sons of Veterans. He attends the Congregational Church.

Charles Franklin Slate married, October 31, 1900, Grace F. Bowman, of Turners Falls, daughter of James and Luthera (Smith) Bowman.

**ALBERT HENRY WARREN STIMSON**—After a rich experience in the business world, Albert Henry Warren Stimson, of Northampton Massachusetts, since 1909 has followed farming and become not only one of the prosperous farmers of the vicinity but a man active in community affairs and highly regarded by all his fellow citizens. He is the descendant of a very old New England family, which traces back to early Colonial days.

(I) The surname Stimson is in its origin identical with Stephenson, Stevenson and Stimpson, and in its various forms is common in England and Scotland and of very ancient usage. The first members of the family of whom there is record in America are James and Naomi Stimson who were to be found in Reading, Massachusetts, in 1638.

(II) Dr. James Stimson, son of James and Naomi Stimson, was a resident of Reading. He married, in 1661, Mary Liffingwell, and they were the parents of twelve children. James Stimson was a physician.

(III) Dr. James Stimson, son of Dr. James and Mary (Liffingwell) Stimson, and like his father a physician, was born in 1669. There is proof that he moved from Lynn, Massachusetts, to Tolland County, Connecticut, prior to 1716, and on June 21, 1720, he received a grant of county land from the General Assembly. He was the first resident physician of that vicinity. He married (first) Sarah Upton, (second) Hannah Stearns, and was the father of six children.

(IV) Ichabod Stimson, son of Dr. James Stimson, born January 22, 1713. He married, February 28, 1740, Mary Park, and was the father of six children.

(V) Joseph Stimson, son of Ichabod and Mary (Park) Stimson, was born in Tolland, Connecticut, January 12, 1746, and died July 1, 1810. He settled in Monson, Massachusetts. He married, in 1771, Rebecca Williams who died in August, 1828. They had eleven children.

(VI) Rufus Stimson, son of Joseph and Rebecca (Williams) Stimson, was born in Tolland, Connecticut, February 20, 1781, and died January 18, 1821. In 1810 he with his brother Noah came to Palmer, Massachusetts. He married Polly Fuller, who died January 15, 1863, and they were the parents of five children: Rachel,



Horace, Pauline, Joseph Williams, of whom further, and Rufus A.

(VII) Joseph Williams Stimson, son of Rufus and Polly (Fuller) Stimson, was born at Palmer, Massachusetts, in 1812, died there at the age of seventy-four years, having been a farmer all his life. He married Lucia Whitaker and they had eight children: Horace Williams, of whom further; Pelina, Jennie, Ida, Martha, Mattie, Henry and Warren.

(VIII) Horace Williams Stimson, son of Joseph Williams and Lucia (Whitaker) Stimson, was born in Palmer, Massachusetts, November 8, 1840, and died there in 1913. He was a contractor and builder, and very prominent in local affairs; also he was a veteran of the Civil War and active in the Grand Army of the Republic. He married, March 28, 1867, Harriet A. Hunt, of Palmer, daughter of Harding and Abigail (Hubbard) Hunt; they were the parents of eight children: Rufus Whitaker born February 20, 1868; Cyrus Flint, born April 1, 1870; Joseph Hayden, born November 18, 1871; Albert Henry Warren, of whom further; Harriet L., born 1877, deceased; William H., born 1880, deceased; Helen, married John Shott; and Silas Newton.

(IX) Albert Henry Warren Stimson, son of Horace Williams and Harriet A. (Hunt) Stimson, was born in Palmer, Massachusetts, October 14, 1873. He received his education in the public schools of Palmer and Monson. For several he was engaged in stone construction work, and in this connection built many dams for water power and put in the stone foundation for the Sagawa Hotel in Lynn, among other projects of a similar nature. He had charge of Senator Prescott's estate in Grafton, Massachusetts, for a period of four years, for one year had charge of the town farm and was with the Boston Street Railway Company for several years. In 1895 he came to Northampton and carried on an extensive business in the contracting line, specializing in sidewalks, curbing and the like. Since 1909 he has devoted himself to farming raising particularly corn, potatoes and tobacco, with about ten acres in tobacco each year. Mr. Stimson takes a prominent part in local affairs, being a member of the City Council from Ward Four, and active on the traffic and transportation committee. He is a director in the Easthampton Milk Association; a member of the Grange, of the Sons of Veterans, and of the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

He married, November 26, 1895, Sarah E. Kingsley, of Becket, Massachusetts, daughter of Joseph and Sarah P. (Wells) Kingsley; they have three children: 1. Newell Charles, born October 19, 1896; he married Marion Edwards, and they have two children: Newell James, born May 7, 1920, and Dorothy Louise, born October 28, 1924. 2. Vera Kingsley, born March 12, 1898; married John Ewing, and they have a son, David W., born October 9, 1922. 3. Joseph Williams, born August 14, 1900; he married Josephine Sherman, and they have two children: Joseph W., Jr., born March 16, 1922, and John Warren, born June 6, 1923.

**WILLIAM P. HAYES**, practicing lawyer in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Springfield March 27, 1866, the son of John and Margaret A. (Hayes) Hayes. He was educated in Springfield, attending the primary,

grammar and high schools. He was graduated from Boston University Law School in 1889 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, *magna cum laude*. In 1890 he engaged in the practice of law for himself, and never has had a partner in business in the thirty-five years which have followed, since he opened an office in Springfield in July of that year. His recognition was immediate, and success came at an early day. He was a member of the Springfield Common Council in 1893 and 1894; was mayor of Springfield in 1900 and 1901; was a State Senator in the Massachusetts Legislature in 1907; district delegate to the Democratic National Convention held at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1904, and delegate-at-large to the Democratic National Convention held at Baltimore in 1912, representing the State-at-large, as one of its "Big Eight." Mr. Hayes attends the Holy Family Church in Springfield, of the Roman Catholic faith.

Mr. Hayes was married, in Springfield, June 5, 1894, to Mary L. Curtis, and they are the parents of the following children: Gertrude M., William D., Anna Margaret, Ruth E. and John C., all born in Springfield. Another daughter, Marie C. (Hayes) Sampson, died in Springfield, on February 24, 1925. Mr. Hayes' office address is No. 423 Main Street, his residence No. 100 Westford Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**GRACIA MARIA PEIRCE**—The Peirce family, at least that branch of it which has been indigenous to New England soil for nearly three centuries, is believed to have descended from John Pers, who came from Norwich, Norfolk County, England, to New England in 1637, being accompanied by his wife, Elizabeth and their four children. They made the voyage either on the "John and Dorothy" of Norwich or the "Rose" of Yarmouth. A register of certain emigrants to New England has the following item: "April the 8th, 1637. The examination of John Pers, of Norwich, weaver, aged 49 years, and his wife, Elizabeth, aged thirty-six years, and four children—John, Barbre, Elizabeth and Judith, and one servant, John Gedney, aged 19 years, are desirous to passe to Boston, New England, to inhabit." This John Pers is identified by Bond and Savage with the John Peirce, of Watertown, Massachusetts, who was a weaver and appears to have arrived in America in 1637, and whose wife was Elizabeth, and had children John, Elizabeth and Judith. If this identification is thus established some of his children must have preceded him to New England, and the four named above were probably the youngest of the family. Elizabeth, without doubt, was ten years older than she here is represented. She is said in the county records to have been "aged about 79" at the time of her death in 1667.

John Pers (or Peirce) was a freeman of Watertown, Massachusetts in 1638 having been one of the original proprietors of that town. He was born in 1588, and died August 19, 1661. He owned considerable land in Watertown. His wife Elizabeth was born in 1601 (1591?), died March 12 1666-67. Children: 1. Anthony, born in 1609, in England. 2. Esther, born in England; married, in 1636, Joseph Morse, Jr.; children: i. Joseph, born April 30, 1637, married Susanna Shattuck. ii. John, born February 28, 1638-39, married Ann Smith and Abigail Stevens. iii. Jonathan died in May, 1643. iv. Jon-

athan, born November 7, 1643, married Abigail Shattuck. v. Esther, born May 7, 1646, married Jonathan Bullard. vi. Sarah, married Timothy Cooper. vii. Jeremiah, married Abigail Woodward and Sarah Woodward. viii. Isaac. 3. Mary born in England, died January 26, 1704-05; married Clement Coldam, of Lynn and Gloucester, Massachusetts; children: i. Judith, died February 28, 1650. ii. Elizabeth, married Francis Norwood. 4. Robert, born in England, about 1620; married before October 16, 1646, Mary Knight; children: i. Judith, born September 30, 1651, died May 30, 1689. ii. Mary, born January 21, 1653-54, married, October 14, 1672, John Walker. iii. Nathaniel, born December 4, 1655, married, December 27, 1677, Hannah Converse. iv. Elizabeth, born March 6, 1658-59, married, February 24, 1681-82, Samuel Wilson. v. Jonathan, born in February, 1662-63, married, November 19, 1689, Hannah Wilson. vi. John. vii. Benjamin. viii. Joseph, born May 1, 1672, married Ruth, surname unknown. 5. John, born in England; married Elizabeth, surname unknown; children: i. and ii. John and Elizabeth (twins), born June 16, 1643, both died young. iii. John, born November 23, 1644, married Ann Huthwitt. iv. Joseph, born September 12, 1646. v. Thomas, born May 3, 1649. 6. Barbre, born in England, may have died on the passage over, as nothing further is known of her. 7. Elizabeth, born in England; married, in 1643, John Ball, Jr., and had children: i. John, born in 1644, married Sarah Bullard. ii. Mary. iii. Esther. iv. Sarah, born in 1655. v. Abigail, born April 20, 1658. 8. Judith, born in England; married, January 30, 1644-45, Francis Wyman.

(I) Moses Peirce, great-great-grandfather of Gracia Maria Peirce, and thought to be a descendant of John (Pers) Peirce, the immigrant, was born in 1718. He lived in Middleboro, Massachusetts, and died in 1802. He married ——. Children: William, Moses, Joseph and David, of whom further.

(II) David Peirce, son of Moses Peirce, went to live in Prescott, Massachusetts. He served in the Revolutionary War, and died on the way home from the war. He married Martha Canada, of Colerain, Massachusetts, and had children: Alexander, Alden, John and Caleb, of whom further.

(III) Caleb Peirce, son of David and Martha (Canada) Peirce was born April 15, 1771, died in Prescott, Massachusetts, May 11, 1829. He was a well-known school teacher (now retired) of North Amherst, Massachusetts. He was a farmer. He also served the State as a notary and the town as an assessor. He married (first) Nancy Aldrich, who died February 1, 1817. He married (second) Sophia Abbott, who died December 27, 1880. Children of first marriage: Pomeroy, Natalie, Appleton, Moisselle, Caleb, Jr., Nancy, Madison, Clesson, Martha and David. Children of second marriage: Cheney, Henry, Joel Foster, Charles A., George L. and John A., of whom further.

(IV) John A. Peirce, son of Caleb and Sophia (Abbott) Peirce, was born in Prescott, Massachusetts, in September, 1828, and died in Amherst, Massachusetts, March 12, 1902. He had lived in Prescott and Shutesbury, Massachusetts, and later took up a residence in Amherst, where he lived on East Main Street. In the younger years of his life he was engaged in the palm

leaf hat trade, and this occupation necessitated his spending considerable time traveling. Eventually he entered the grain business at Coldbrook, Massachusetts, where he was engaged in that line for twenty years, while he retained his residence in Amherst. He was a member of the Universalist Church at Amherst and participated actively in its affairs. He married Amelia Maria Hannum, of Pelham, born January 1, 1829, died May 4, 1911, daughter of Grove Wright and Amelia Brown (Newell) Hannum. Their children: 1. Alice F., born October 7, 1854, died February 15, 1913; married William C. Bliss, and they have two children: Mildred F. and Edward L. 2. Amelia L., born September 20, 1856; married George L. Clark, and has one son, Leverett M. 3. Ella L., born February 23, 1860; married Gordon W. Stewart, now deceased. 4. Sophia Abbott, born August 22, 1862; married Henry D. Clark, and has children, Elizabeth, Grace, deceased; Chester, Luther, deceased; Eloise, Maria, Harry. 5. Gracia Maria, born September 26, 1867.

Amelia L. (Peirce) Clark, Ella L. (Peirce) Stewart, Sophia Abbott (Peirce) Clark and Gracia Maria Peirce are all graduates of high school, and have contributed most excellent service to their generation as school teachers. Miss Gracia Maria Peirce is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is now retired from the profession of teaching, and has her residence at North Amherst.

**WILLIAM C. SIMONS**, pioneer investment broker of Springfield, Massachusetts, and for the past forty or fifty years intimately associated with the business life of the city, is well known in Springfield, where his reputation both as a man of business integrity and a public-spirited, progressive citizen is of the highest order. He is the son of Cicero Simons, of Springfield.

William C. Simons was born at Springfield on September 5, 1849. He received his education in the public schools and Williston Academy, Easthampton. His first position was with the Dean Steam Pump Company, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, but after a few years spent in the employ of this concern, he launched out in business for himself as the first broker in Springfield. Since then he has had a long and honorable business career in this field, in which he is still engaged, the firm now being conducted under the name of William C. Simons, Inc., of which Mr. Simons is president, and his son, John W. Simons, treasurer.

Mr. Simons served for a number of years as a member of the Springfield School Board, and has otherwise been active in local affairs. He is a member of the Nayasset Club, the Colony Club, and the Springfield Country Club. By religious conviction he is an Episcopalian, and serves as senior warden in the Springfield Episcopal Church.

Mr. Simons married Mary E. Gunn, daughter of Elisha and Mary (Kimberley) Gunn. Mr. and Mrs. Simons have three children: 1. Mary Gunn, now Mrs. Mary Gunn (Simons) Hixion, born in November, 1883. 2. John W., a biography of whom follows. 3. Philip W., born in March, 1892.

**JOHN W. SIMONS**, treasurer of the investment house of William C. Simons, Inc., of Springfield, Massachusetts, is well known in the business and social



spheres of Springfield. He is the son of William C. and Mary E. (Gunn) Simons, the father the president and senior member of the afore-mentioned concern. (See preceding biography.)

John W. Simons was born in Springfield, in June, 1886. His education was received in the public schools of Springfield, in Groton School, from which he graduated in 1905, and in Harvard University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1909. Immediately after leaving college he entered the security department of Stone & Webster, in Boston, holding this position for about two years. He then became associated with his father as Springfield correspondent and representative of Lee, Higginson & Company, Bankers and Brokers, of Boston. Although maintaining connections with the Boston firm, the Springfield business has always been a private enterprise, owing its substantial growth and prosperity to the initiative and sound business judgment of its local officials, and in 1921 it was incorporated under the name of William C. Simons, Inc., the elder Mr. Simons becoming president and his son treasurer of the reorganized concern.

During the World War Mr. Simons interrupted his business career to enlist in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army. He was commissioned first lieutenant in July, 1917, and sailed overseas in November of that same year. After being in France for a year of service, with headquarters at A. P. O. 702, Paris, he received a captain's commission in November, 1918, about the time of the armistice. In April, 1919, he received his honorable discharge, having made a record of which he may well be proud and gained a broad experience in the service. Mr. Simons is a popular member of a number of social clubs, including the Springfield Country Club, the Longmeadow Country Club, the Nayasset Club of Springfield, the Springfield University Club, and the Harvard Club of Boston. His religious affiliations are with the Episcopal Church. Mr. Simons has one child, Mary Elizabeth Simons, born in Springfield, on January 24, 1917.

**JOHN WILSON**—The family of Wilson, of Greenfield, is of Scotch origin. Robert Wilson, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, having been the father of Mr. John Wilson, who is the founder and senior partner of the firm of John Wilson & Company, of Greenfield. Robert Wilson was born in Glasgow in 1839, and died in New Cummock, Ayrshire, Scotland, in 1870, in the part of the country that Robert Burns, at the early age of thirty-one years, made famous the world over. He was general manager of the Bank Colliery at New Cummock, was a hard worker and had to apply his managing skill under difficult circumstances, having a hard set of men to deal with. As a boy he grew up in the collieries, was first a foreman and later became general manager, and as such had the management of some five or six large mines. He took a deep interest in all things that would lead to the betterment of conditions for the miners, and was instrumental in furnishing entertainments for their benefit, possessing himself a fine tenor voice and being a musician of note. At these gatherings Burns' poems were read to the men, and there were other kinds of entertainment for them. He took no in-

terest in politics, and in religion was a member of the established church of Scotland. He was married to Mary Martin McKay, of Glasgow, Scotland, who died in her native place in 1888. The children of the marriage were: 1. John Wilson. 2. Sarah, who married James Carson, of Glasgow, Scotland, and with him had four children: James, Mary, William, Robert. 3. David Wilson, deceased. 4. Robert Wilson, deceased. Robert Wilson was a manufacturer of rubber goods and died on ship board on his way to Australia. After the death of John Wilson's father, his mother married a second time P. F. Craigie, and with him had children: Mary Craigie, James Craigie, William Craigie.

John Wilson was born in Glasgow, Scotland, February 26, 1860, and received his education in the public schools of his native city. At the age of twelve he had completed his school studies and was apprenticed to learn the dry goods business, working for four years in a general store in Glasgow. At the end of that period he went into a department store in Glasgow, which gave him larger opportunities to learn the business. There he remained until 1882, when he accompanied one of his former employers in Glasgow to Liverpool, England, and worked for him in a department store there for two years. Still looking for better and larger opportunities he came to America in 1884, locating in Springfield, Massachusetts, where for eight years he was general superintendent in the dry goods store of Smith & Murray. In 1892 Mr. Wilson went to Thompsonville, Connecticut, and established there a small general store for himself, remaining there until 1896, when he went to Greenfield, where he opened a small store which by degrees expanded. It has grown to such an extent that to-day, twenty-eight years later, Mr. Wilson is the owner of what is universally acknowledged to be the best department store in Franklin County, and far the best in Western Massachusetts. There is more than twenty-five thousand feet of selling space, and he employs some fifty sales people at all times, and during the holidays nearly double that number. He draws the trade from a wide area, and his great success being due to superior ability, high intelligence and initiative coupled with ceaseless energy is well deserved and natural. Mr. Wilson is the owner of a farm of some one hundred acres at Greenfield Meadows, and for a number of years specialized in Guernsey stock. He has been a director of the Franklin County National Bank, now the Franklin Trust Company, and was with it during its organization. During the World War he was actively engaged in war work and was chairman of several committees directing the loan drives, and has letters from the Governors of the Federal Reserve Banks, Governor Alfred L. Aiken and Governor Charles A. Morse, in connection with planning the loan drives in 1917 and 1918. Through the instrumentality of Mr. Wilson a good demonstration, given in Greenfield at the proper time resulted in thousands of dollars being raised for the cause of national safety and defence. In politics Mr. Wilson is Republican, and in religion a member of the Second Congregational Church of Greenfield. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, being connected with the Republican Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of Greenfield, and is also a thirty-second degree Mason, both York and Scottish





*John Wilson*



Rites; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, Massachusetts, and is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to the Republican Town Committee of Greenfield, and to the local Chamber of Commerce, being one of its most active members and founders.

He married, in 1889, Idella May Foth, of Springfield, Massachusetts, a daughter of Albert Foth. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are the parents of one daughter, Alice Brisco Wilson.

**ERNEST MOORE BOLLES**, boot and shoe dealer, in Amherst, Massachusetts, was born in Amherst, March 12, 1876. He was the son of Lemuel Nelson Bolles. The Bolles (Bowles) family goes back to the Norman Conquest of England. One name "Bolls" is found on the Roll of the Butte Abbey, as given by Hollingshead. Duchesne, from a charter in that abbey, gives a list of the conquerors in England under William of Normandy, among them the name of "Bools." The names, Boll, Bol, Bole and Bolle occur frequently in Domesday Book. One family named Bolles, of long standing in the county of Lincoln, was resident there as early as the reign of King Henry III, when Alaire, or Alaine Bolle, of Swineshead, was Lord of Swineshead, and Bolle Hall, in the county of Lincoln. Its principal seat seems to have been Bolle Hall, in Swineshead, until the close of the reign of Edward IV (A. D. 1483), when the elder branch of the Bolles became settled at Hough, near Alford, in Lincolnshire, while a younger branch established itself at Goosberkirke, now Goosberton in the same county. From this younger generation came the baronets of Scampton, Lincolnshire; and the American Bolles families presumably, although there is no account of their English descent.

(I) The first one of record in this country is Joseph Bolles, of Winter Harbor, at the mouth of the Saco River, Province of Maine, where he was engaged in trade in 1640. In that year the records of the General Court of Maine contain this passage: "Joseph Bolles, hath presented to the Grand Inquest Thomas Heard for being drunk . . . and threatening him with many violent words, to break open his store. He (the delinquent) further declareth that he received his drink at the house of William Scadlock." Mr. Bolles afterwards removed to Wells, Maine, where he was town clerk from 1654 to 1664. His dwelling house and the first volume of the town records were burned by the Indians at the time of his tenure of office. Joseph Bolles, born in 1608, died at Wells, Maine, in the fall of 1678. His will, dated September 18, 1678, was admitted to probate in November, 1678. "His inventory made and appraised by us the 29th of November, 1678. William Symonds—Joseph Storer," enumerates "houses, lands and meadows belonging to the home-lots appraised by us underwritten at four hundred and eighty pounds," and his whole estate was appraised at £842 1s. 6d. He was both grantor and grantee of numerous pieces of land. At his death his real estate, reduced by divers grants to his children, was appraised at £530. He was a man of high character, universally respected and honored. Commissioners of Massachusetts held a court at Wells in July, 1653, and

appointed him clerk of the writs, with power to grant warrants, attachments, etc. In 1660, the King having restored to the Gorges family what had been usurped by Massachusetts, Archdale, Gorges' agent, went to Maine with commissioners for various persons, and among others, Mr. Bolles, as councillors and magistrates. In 1664 Sir Ferdinand Gorges, grandson of the original patentee, commissioned "sundry of his loving friends, including Mr. Bolles, as deputies and commissioners for the government of the Province of Maine." In all cases where the name is found written by his own hand it is spelled Bolles; but copyists, recording officers, and others, not the family, spelled it capriciously Bauls, Bowls, Bowels, Boals, Bolls, Bools, Boolls, Booles, Bowalls. John A. Bolles, genealogist of the family, authority for the history of the early generations, conjectures that Joseph Bolles married a daughter of Morgan Howell, land-owner at Cape Porpoise, who bequeathed to Mrs. Bolles and her children, all his estate and property, and appointed her executrix of his will November 12, 1666. The whole family of Mr. Bolles survived him, and his widow was living in 1684, after which there is no record. The following family record appears in the handwriting of Mr. Bolles in the Wells town records. "The ages of Mr. Joseph Bolles, born February, 1608; and Mary Bolles, his wife, in March, 1624: 1. Mary Bolles, their daughter, born August 7, 1641. 2. Thomas Bolles, his eldest son, December 1, 1644. 3. Samuel Bolles, March 12, 1646. 4. Hannah Bolles, November 25, 1649. 5. Eliza Bolles, January 15, 1652. 6. Joseph Bolles, March 15, 1654. 7. Sarah Bolles, January 20, 1657. 8. Mercy Bolles, August 11, 1661."

(II) Samuel Bolles, third child of Joseph and Mary Bolles, was born in Wells, March 12, 1646. It appears by the town records that in 1668 the inhabitants of Wells granted him three hundred acres of land, on condition that he should improve the same within a year. He removed to Rochester, Massachusetts, in later years. "One of his descendants informs me," writes the family chronicler, "that after being burnt out in Maine by the Indians three times, he moved first to Clark's Island in Boston Harbor, and next to Rochester, Massachusetts, where he changed land with Samuel Hammond, and that his house was about two miles north of Mattapoisette Village." He and his wife were living in 1713. In June, 1712, they conveyed to Henry Flint, of Cambridge, six hundred acres of land, situated in New Dartmouth, *alias* Sheepscot, commonly known by the name of Dyer's Neck, or Nassacmac, which said neck of land, says the deed, was formerly granted by Robin Hood Sagamore of the said Nassacmac, unto William Dyer, father of said Mary. In 1713 they conveyed to Samuel Hammond, of Rochester, three hundred and ten acres of land, lying in the township of Wells. Dyer and his son, Christopher, were killed and scalped by Indians at Dyer's Neck. Neither record nor tradition gives the date of the death of Samuel Bolles. He married Mary Dyer, the daughter of William Dyer, of Sheepscot, Maine, and they had three children: Joseph, Samuel, and Jonathan, of whom further.

(IV) Jonathan Bolles, son of Samuel and Mary (Dyer) Bolles, was born in New Hampshire, December 19, 1728, and died in 1829 in Rockingham, Vermont. He



married, in 1758, Elizabeth Randall. He removed to Richmond, New Hampshire, and later to Vermont. They were the parents of twelve children.

(V) Lemuel Bolles, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Randall) Bolles, was born in Richmond, New Hampshire, July 20, 1777, and died in Vermont, August 21, 1827. He married Mary Chamberlain, at Keene, New Hampshire, born May 8, 1778, died January 8, 1837. They were the parents of seven children.

(VI) Nelson Bolles, son of Lemuel and Mary (Chamberlain) Bolles, was born April 7, 1817, and died April 7, 1883. He was a farmer of Newfane, Windham County, Vermont. He married, November 18, 1841, Emeline Putnum, born May 24, 1821, died February 27, 1896. Children: Etta Amelia; Lemuel Nelson, of whom further; Mary; Ella E.; Samuel Putnum; George W.; and Effie Evangeline.

(VII) Lemuel Nelson Bolles, son of Nelson and Emeline (Putnum) Bolles, was born in Cambridgeport, Vermont, April 7, 1849, and died in Amherst, Massachusetts, December 28, 1891. He came to Amherst, Massachusetts, in 1876, and was in the meat and grocery business until his death. He was a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married, in February, 1874, Emeline A. Banning, of East Hartford, Connecticut, daughter of Erastus M. and Almira (Hall) Banning. Children: Ernest Moore; Edward, who died young; Jessie, who died young; and Grace, who married Willis Fay, of Amherst, Massachusetts.

(VIII) Ernest Moore Bolles, son of Lemuel and Emeline A. (Banning) Bolles, was educated in the public and high schools of Amherst. When his school days ended he went to work in the shoe store of James E. Stinson, of Amherst, and continued in his employ for six or seven years. He also was employed in a shoe store in Hartford, Connecticut, for a short time. In 1897 he engaged in the boot and shoe business for himself in Amherst, and has continued there ever since. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of the Royal Arch Chapter; and of Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar; of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is a Christian Scientist in religion.

Mr. Bolles was married, on August 18, 1903, to Charlotte Elizabeth (Wheeler) Ladd, born in Hatley, Province of Quebec, Canada, daughter of Amos and Lydia (Emery) Wheeler; and widow of Leon Ladd, of Laconia, New Hampshire. She is the mother of Everett Harlan Ladd, who married, on September 11, 1923, Grace Eddy, of Milford, Connecticut, daughter of Charles A. and Amy (Bliss) Eddy. They have two sons: Harlan Bolles Ladd, born July 28, 1924; and Norman Bliss Ladd, born January 4, 1926. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moore Bolles are the parents of a daughter, Audrey Bolles, a student at Tufts College, born August 21, 1908. The business address of Mr. Bolles is No. 8 Main Street; his house address is No. 52 Lincoln Avenue, Amherst, Massachusetts.

**PATRICK M. MORIARTY, M. D.**, previous to the World War, began the practice of medicine in Springfield, that has been continued with pronounced success

in Chicopee, where his professional abilities and his proven skill have received recognition throughout an extensive district. Doubtless the most active years of Dr. Moriarty's training were those spent with the United States Army Medical Corps in field and hospital service in France and Germany, where, with his professional comrades, he gave unceasing aid to his comrades in arms. A prominent and thoroughly equipped physician, he has the highest regard of his medical associates and the general public.

Dr. Patrick M. Moriarty, a son of Maurice Moriarty, a funeral director, who died in 1900, and Mary (Griffin) Moriarty, was born March 17, 1891, in Bondsville, and he attended the Palmer public schools, and was graduated from the high school there in 1908. After a year in Williston Academy, he prepared for his profession in the Medical School of Georgetown University, where he was graduated in 1913, with his degree of Doctor of Medicine, and he then served as an interne at Hampden Hospital. Dr. Moriarty commenced his practice in general medicine in Springfield, where his headquarters were established from 1914 to 1917, and he then removed to Chicopee, where he has a large practice and is a member of the Mercy Hospital staff.

Enlisting in the World War with the United States Medical Corps as first lieutenant, July 25, 1917, Dr. Moriarty went overseas as a captain in the 76th Division in July, 1918; and later, with the 4th Corps, he was stationed in Germany; he received his discharge July 1, 1919. His professional affiliations are those of the Hampden District Medical Society; American Medical Association; Springfield Academy of Medicine; and the Phi Chi Medical Fraternity; and he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Patrick M. Moriarty married, September 22, 1915, Elizabeth Bowen, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Mahoney) Bowen, and their children are: Barbara; Clarissa; Robert; and Katherine.

**HARRY EMERSON BICKNELL**—Among the foremost in that group of Northampton's public-spirited men who have directed the duties of special trust and responsibility, Harry Emerson Bicknell, former mayor of the city, and one of the leading business men of the community and of this section of the State, has made his way to the front in civic and social position by means of his well-proven abilities to share in the higher activities in community progress and government. In the course of his public service, Mr. Bicknell has made most satisfactory and thorough response to the many calls that have been made upon him, and city business and city advancement upon general lines have benefited through his readiness to be of use, as citizen and official, to his constituency and his times. He is of a race of patriotic, industrious, and progressive men and women, who have participated in the town and community growth of Massachusetts from the earliest days.

The immigrant ancestor of the Bicknell name was Zachary Bicknell, who came to America in 1635. One of his descendants was John Bicknell, who was born in 1740, in Hingham. He married (first) Mary (surname unknown); (second) Mary Porter. Of the first mar-



Harry E. Bicknell





riage there were three children: John; Mary; and Naomi. The children of the second marriage were: Ruth; Joanna; Experience; Zachary; Thomas; Elizabeth; Hannah; Mary.

Luke Emerson Bicknell, father of Harry Emerson Bicknell was a descendant of one of these children, and he was born in 1840, in Windsor, and died in 1888, in West Cummington. Serving through the Civil War, he was a second lieutenant in the Andrews Company of Sharpshooters, and was present at the Battles of Antietam and at Gettysburg, where he was badly wounded and received his discharge from the service. After the war he went West, where for a short time he established a flour mill in Michigan, and later on he engaged in the grain business in Iowa. He eventually returned East and located in Windsor, Massachusetts, and for years he conducted a store on Windsor Hill. From there he removed to West Cummington, where he had a village store, and where he was the postmaster at the time of his death. He was a member of the Unitarian Church. He married Lucretia Tower Pierce, of Windsor, daughter of Almon T. and Betsy (Tower) Pierce. Mrs. Bicknell being eighty-three years of age in 1924. Their children: 1. Clara E., who married Alphas H. Allen, deceased. 2. Mabel, deceased, who married Dr. A. M. Belden, deceased. 3. Fred O., of Charlemont, who has a son, Luke E. 4. Harry E., of whom further. 5. Benjamin H., assistant treasurer of the United Shoe Machinery Company, with his offices in Boston and lives in Malden. 6. John, now in Ceylon, of the American Missionary Board, and President of Jafna College, and he has a son John. 7. Raymond, of West Cummington.

Harry Emerson Bicknell was born December 26, 1870, at Windsor, and he went to West Cummington with his parents when he was but a few months old, and where he attended the district school. After the death of his father, he carried on the business at the store and acted as postmaster of West Cummington for a number of years; he was also justice of the peace, notary public, and a member of the school board. He was also appointed by Governor Greenhalge to take complaints, issue warrants, and fix bail in criminal cases. He remained in West Cummington until the fall of 1897, when he went to Winsted, Connecticut, where for three years he engaged in the book, news and stationery business. In March, 1900, he removed to Northampton, where he became proprietor of the furnishing goods department of the Green Shoe Store, in the Columbian Building on Main Street. In 1903 he became proprietor of the entire establishment taking over the shoe department, and which he has conducted very successfully ever since. He has been especially active in all city affairs; and he is a faithful adherent to the principles of the Democratic party. Mr. Bicknell was a candidate for mayor in 1909, 1910 and 1915; and a candidate for county commissioner in 1912. He was elected mayor of Northampton in 1921, and served during the years 1922 and 1923, being reelected by the largest majority in the history of the city, carrying every ward by a substantial majority.

His fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; he is a thirty-second degree Mason; a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic

Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; and he is an officer in all the different bodies; he is Past Exalted Ruler of the Northampton lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; member of the Knights of Pythias; Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Loyal Order of Moose. He was presiding officer at the organization of the Public Forum at the Academy of Music in 1916; past president of the Northampton Club; president of the Chamber of Commerce; member of the Sons of Veterans and the Sons of the American Revolution.

Harry Emerson Bicknell married in October, 1891, Cora S. Buck, of Cummington, Massachusetts, daughter of Lucius E. and Salina Buck; and they are the parents of: 1. Grace, who married Robert Spencer; their children: Marion, who is now deceased; Frank; Gladys. 2. Alice, who married Edgar Maynard; their children: Harry E.; Gertrude; Robert.

**PORTER FARWELL**—The products of paper manufacture, such as the newspaper itself, and the popular magazine, and to a large extent the book world, have benefited to no small degree by means of the development of the process of paper-making from wood pulp, by Porter Farwell, veteran in his specialty, and perhaps one of the oldest men in the United States still actively engaged in the production of paper. Associated throughout his life with the experimentation of the process whose outcome has proven of so great value as a benefaction, and with the organization and the superintendency of mills that have been established for its practical operation, Mr. Farwell is reckoned among the staunch business men in his line who have followed its progress from the beginning, and have enthused the task with their best energies. With his home at Turners Falls, where he was for years a paper mill superintendent, he is the president of the Ryegate Paper Company, at East Ryegate, Vermont, with unabated vigor continuing the industry in which he is a leading expert.

He is a son of John and Catherine (Putnam) Farwell, who were also the parents of: John D., Samuel P., Daniel P., Abraham, Maria, Mary, Lydia and Martha.

Porter Farwell was born in Ischua, New York, May 8, 1848, and he received his education in the schools of his birthplace and in New York Academies. He then gave his attention to employment on his father's farm, so continuing until he was twenty-one years of age. A year afterwards, in 1870, he removed to Pleasant Grove, Iowa, where out of virgin prairie land he developed a farm of nearly five hundred cultivated acres for a brother; with horses and plow he broke forty acres. The following spring he planted on his farm over one hundred acres of wheat and sixty acres of corn. Completely equipping the property with cattle and all the requisites of a modern farm. Meantime, a brother-in-law, George E. Marshall, an expert in the manufacture of paper from straw, rags and other material became interested in ground wood pulp. Mr. Farwell, in 1872, was induced to join him in the development of the ground wood industry, which was in its infancy at that time, thus establishing the beginning of his career in that field which became noteworthy with the progress of time.

In September, 1872, Mr. Marshall went to Turners Falls and there established The Montague Paper Company. After a considerable amount of experimenting the ground wood process was at length brought into successful working order, Mr. Farwell was appointed general superintendent, 1874, and so continued till this firm was absorbed by the International Paper Company, 1898, and he then continued with this company in the same capacity till November, 1908, and the company became the pioneers in the manufacture of paper of which the greater percentage was ground wood pulp. Most favorable returns accompanied their efforts from the first, and the mill soon began furnishing paper for the leading newspapers of every city in the United States; and it was this firm that introduced the roll paper to the printing world.

Before he severed his connection with the International Paper Company, however, Mr. Farwell, with others, organized the Ryegate Paper Company at East Ryegate, Vermont, which manufactures specialties in the paper line, and of which Mr. Farwell is president, and his son Raymond is manager. In 1913 Mr. Farwell was elected vice-president of the Crocker National Bank at Turners Falls; then, having served an unexpired term as president of that institution, he was reelected as such, so continuing to the present, 1924. His fraternal affiliations are those of Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Greenfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Greenfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Greenfield Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is a member of the Baptist Church of Turners Falls board of trustees.

Mr. Farwell married, September 15, 1874, in New York, Alice F. Burlingame, daughter of John and Arvilla Burlingame, and they are the parents of: Catherine A., Raymond E. and Elizabeth R. Farwell.

**MORGAN JAY SHERMAN**—The broad business training that has been the experience of Mr. Morgan Jay Sherman during the past decade and a half, and which supplemented his liberal education, culminated in 1923 in his present position as treasurer of the Joslyn Motor Company in Greenfield, where he is to-day (1924) held in high regard and esteem by his fellow townsmen. His energy and initiative united with his concentrated attention to his business affairs promises to lead him to a place of eminence in the business world, where he has already acquired a degree of success. He comes of a long line of American ancestry that traces further back to an English origin, the Sherman family having been located in England as early as 1635, when a family of this name was living in Shropshire. The name is derived from the occupation of some progenitor, being the name of the trade of cloth dresses or shearer of cloth. The arms of the Yazley family of Sherman are:

Arms—Or, a lion rampant sable charged on the shoulder with an annulet for difference between three oak leaves vert.

Crest—A sea lion sejant, per pale or and argent, guttee de poix, finned or.

The earliest American progenitor of the Sherman family of whom we have information was Thomas Sherman, who had three sons, and died in 1550.

(I) Asa Sherman, great-grandfather of Morgan Jay Sherman, lived at Rhinebeck, New York, and married Margaret Van Eltin, of Dutch descent, born in 1805, and who died in 1885. Their children were: Sabra, who married Mr. De Wolfe; Caroline, Lucinda and Morgan Jay, of whom further.

(II) Morgan Jay Sherman, son of Asa and Margaret (Van Eltin) Sherman, was born at Rhinebeck, New York, in 1830, and died at Walpole, New Hampshire, in 1902, at the age of seventy-two years. He was in the hotel business all his life, and operated the Cheshire House in Keene for a number of years. He also had hotels at Hartford, Connecticut; Walpole, New Hampshire, and in Washington D. C. He retired from active participation in business life some ten years before his demise. He married Sarah Stanford, born in Keene, New Hampshire, in 1830, died in 1914, daughter of Elisha Stanford. Their children were: George E., of whom further; Grace F., deceased; Kate, who married John Jenkins, of Ossining, New York; Lizzie Van Eltin, married L. A. Bradbury, of Washington, District of Columbia.

(III) George E. Sherman, son of Morgan Jay and Sarah (Stanford) Sherman, was born in Walpole, New Hampshire, November 14, 1863. He was educated in the schools of Keene, and on the completion of his studies entered the hotel business as had his father before him. He has operated hotels in Boston, Massachusetts; New York City, and for two years ran the Hotel Coaley in Springfield; for the past fourteen years he has been in charge of the Brooks House, in Brattleboro. Mr. Sherman served the Commonwealth as Representative to the Legislature from Walpole, New Hampshire, for two terms, and has always been active in matters that were for the welfare of the community. He is a member of Social Friends Lodge, of Keene, Free and Accepted Masons, and holds the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a member of Aleppo Temple of Boston, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

George E. Sherman married Minnie Gates at Walpole, daughter of Charles Gates, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Morgan Jay, of whom further. 2. Lawrence Gates, who married Elizabeth Hildreth, and they are the parents of two children: Hildreth Gates and Lawrence Gates. 3. Katherine. 4. Roger Van Eltin. The mother, Mrs. George E. Sherman, died December 23, 1923.

(IV) Morgan Jay Sherman, son of George E. and Minnie (Gates) Sherman, was born March 31, 1891, at Walpole, New Hampshire. He received his education in the schools of his native town, and then attended Phillips Exeter Academy at Exeter, New Hampshire, being graduated from the latter in 1909. On the completion of his studies he entered the employ of the Keene Gas and Electric Company, remaining with this concern for three years, when he went with the Laconia Gas and Electric Company for two years. He left there to take charge of the Brooks House in Brattleboro, Vermont, which was under the proprietorship of his father, and after two or three years he began selling automobiles in Brattleboro. In 1913 he became associated with the Mosher garage, remaining in this connection for two



years, and subsequently selling cars in Vermont and Massachusetts, having headquarters for a time in Boston. In 1923 he went into business with the Joslyn Motor Company of Greenfield, and upon the incorporation of this company was made treasurer; since which time the corporation has extended its policy, and are agents for the Packard and Jordan cars, and are the proprietors of the Mansion House Garage in Greenfield. During the great World War Mr. Sherman enlisted in November, 1917, and was located in Washington, District of Columbia, attached to the Procurement Division of Motor Equipment. He received his honorable discharge February 1, 1919, as sergeant of ordnance. He is a member of Columbian Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Brattleboro, Vermont, and of the Lodge of Perfection. He is also a member of the Greenfield Club and of the Country Club. In his religious connection he is a member of the Episcopal Church. Mr. Sherman is one of the live young business men of this community, and his activities in all matters for the general welfare have earned for him the respect and esteem of his fellows. He is moving steadily forward to a splendid success in his ventures, and following in the steps of his forebears, promises an added heritage to the sum of service rendered his community, State and Nation.

Morgan Jay Sherman married, June 6, 1922, Helen Martin, of Brattleboro, Vermont, daughter of Judge James L. and Jessie L. (Dewey) Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are the parents of one daughter, Katherine Grace, born April 10, 1923.

**CHARLES MORRIS (C. MORRIS) CALHOUN**, clerk of the courts of Hampden County, Massachusetts, was born in Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, July 20, 1877, the son of Charles K. and Mary (Morris) Calhoun. He is the cousin of the late Robert Oliver Morris, clerk of the courts from 1872 until the day of his death, April 13, 1925, being more than half a century in that office. Robert O. Morris was born October 18, 1846, in the old Morris home on Maple Street, Springfield. He was the son of George Bliss and Elizabeth (Lathrop) Morris, members of old New England families. Judge Oliver B. Morris, his grandfather, was for many years Judge of Probate for Hampden County, and a leader in the civic and social life of Springfield.

Edward Morris, the immigrant ancestor of the family in this country, came from the vicinity of London, and settled in Roxbury, Massachusetts, afterwards becoming one of the first settlers of Woodstock, Connecticut. His mother was the daughter of Wells Lathrop, a pioneer paper manufacturer of South Hadley, and his great-grandfather, the Rev. Joseph Lathrop, was for many years pastor of the First Congregational Church in West Springfield, and until his death in 1820 one of the most eminent clergymen in New England. In his younger years Mr. Morris was an active and enthusiastic oarsman, at one time pulling one of four oars in the J. M. Thompson Boat Club, one of the most famous in the history of Springfield. He also was the owner of the first single scull ever on the Connecticut River. In the sixties he took part in many regattas of historic interest, which drew thousands of spectators. In later life he

made the study of birds his hobby, and became an authoritative writer on them. He received his early education in the schools of Springfield and then attended Wilbraham Academy. After a few months passed in Boston in a clerical post, he returned to Springfield and studied law under the tutelage of his father, who for twenty years was clerk of the courts of Hampden County. During his father's last illness he acted as clerk of the courts *pro tempore*, and was appointed to succeed his father at his death in 1872. He was admitted to the Hampden County bar, and was one of the most respected members of the Hampden County Bar Association, which for many years he served as secretary.

Charles Morris Calhoun, his cousin, was educated in the public schools of Springfield, and at an early age became an assistant to his cousin, receiving the appointment in 1900, at twenty-three years of age, and has remained in this office ever since, a period of a quarter of a century. He is a member of Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; member of Winthrop, Nayasset, Springfield Country and the Longmeadow Country clubs, and attends the First Congregational Church. He is also a member of the Connecticut Valley Historical Society.

Mr. Calhoun married, on April 12, 1913, Marion Tanner, daughter of Mrs. Lydia M. Tanner, of Springfield. Mrs. Calhoun died in December, 1918.

**ALBERT OSCAR MERRIAM**—A resident of Greenfield for many years, and active in the business world of the community, Mr. Merriam takes a keen interest in the growth and development of the section, and lends his aid in all matters that pertain to its progress and welfare. He comes of a long line of American ancestry, and before them of English forebears, the name as a surname occurring in England as early as 1295 in County Sussex, and frequently afterwards in County Kent. This surname is derived from two ancient Saxon words, *Mirige* and *Ham*, meaning pleasant or merry home, the ancient spelling having been *Merryham*, *Meriham*, *Merihan*, and the family was formerly quite numerous in England in the county of Kent, but within the present century there are few or practically none of the name living there. A branch of the family was living in Pembrokeshire two decades or so ago, but the name occurs rarely in England now.

William Merriam lived in Hadlow, County Kent, England, his will dated and proved in 1635. He was a man of means and some prominence, having real estate at Hadlow, Goodhurst, Yalding and Tudely, all villages near Tunbridge, Kent. He lived and died in England, and his one son, Joseph, came to New England in April, 1638, in the ship "Castle," which he and others had chartered.

(I) Joseph Merriam made his home in Concord, and was admitted a freeman March 14, 1639. He died leaving his widow and several children, among them Joseph.

(II) Joseph Merriam, born about 1629, died in Concord, Massachusetts, April 20, 1677. He married, July 12, 1653, Sarah Stone. Among their children was John.

(III) John Merriam, son of Joseph and Sarah (Stone)



Merriam, born August 30, 1662, died May 21, 1727. He lived at Cambridge Farms, was assessor, selectman, etc. He married, November 14, 1688, Mary Wheeler. Among their children was Ebenezer.

(IV) Ebenezer Merriam, as the name was then spelled by the family, son of John and Mary (Wheeler) Merriam, born March 2, 1705-6, lived in Lexington and Oxford, Massachusetts, in the early part of the eighteenth century. He married (first) Esther Gleason, (second) Elizabeth Locke.

(V) Ebenezer Merriam, son of Ebenezer and Esther (Gleason) Merriam, was born March 28, 1734, and married Phoebe Locke, of Oxford.

(VI) Joel Merriam, son of Ebenezer Merriam, was born at Oxford, April 9, 1775, and died January 4, 1846. He married (first), March 7, 1800, Sarah Merriam, daughter of Jothan Merriam. He married (second) Phoebe Pratt. His children were: Eliza, Almira, Erastus, Sarah B., Joel W., of whom further; Jotham A., Lysander and Lucy A.

(VII) Joel Williamson Merriam, of the seventh generation, was born January 25, 1811, at Oxford, and died September 12, 1856, in Greenfield. Mr. Merriam married Freedom Holton, born in Westbrook, Maine, and died October 20, 1891. They were the parents of eight children: 1. Sarah Jane, born July 27, 1834, died December 21, 1917; she married Edwin Lucy. 2. Oscar, born January 16, 1836, died March 1, 1843. 3. George, born May 21, 1838, died March 1, 1843. 4. Ophelia E., born May 3, 1841, died November 12, 1911; she married Ellsworth Fairman. 5. George V., of whom further. 6. Oscar E., born November 24, 1844, died January 11, 1871. 7. Melissa Ann, born April 3, 1846; married (first) Andrew Adams; (second) John Hastings. 8. Lillian Isabelle, born September 6, 1854, died February 13, 1913; married (first) Arthur Hicks; (second) Harry Thwaites.

(VIII) George Valentine Merriam, fifth child of Joel Williamson and Freedom (Holton) Merriam (note change in spelling), was born January 4, 1842, at Greenfield, and died June 6, 1902. He served during the Civil War for a period of nine months, in the 52d Regiment, but was wounded and taken prisoner. He was later discharged for disability, and was invalided for a year. On his recovery he became in time a successful builder and contractor, and he built the first brick shop in the town, the Silver plant on Federal Street. He was a large employer of labor, and was held in regard and esteem by his employees. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and in his religious connection he belonged to the Methodist Church.

George Valentine Merriam married (first) Emma Hibbard; (second) Ella Francis Hall, who died in 1889; he married (third) Ada Wood. The children were: Of the first marriage, Florence, who married Richard J. Forsythe. Of second marriage, George, deceased; Albert O., of whom further; Maud, who married Frank E. Farland.

(IX) Albert Oscar Merriam, son of George Valentine and Ella Francis (Hall) Merriam, was born April 26, 1879, in Greenfield. He received his education in the public schools of Greenfield, attending the sessions during the

winter, and while still a boy, working on a farm during the summers. Later he learned the trade of bricklaying, and worked for a time in the building business, for his father. He then went into business for himself as a builder and contractor, and has been following this line of activity successfully for the past thirty-three years (1924). He employs a force of from fifteen to twenty men all the year round, and besides building many residence blocks and garages, he has built the Merriam Apartment block, the High Street Apartment block, which latter he himself owns, and the apartment block in which he resides. Mr. Merriam has not only been successful in his work, but he has earned as well the esteem and regard of the community, where he is well known, for his many activities in the civic, fraternal and religious life of the section. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and an attendant and supporter of the Methodist Church. He is a progressive thinker, and lends his support to all movements that tend towards the development and progress of the locality. Scion of an old American family who have helped in the upbuilding of this land, he is doing his civic and national duty, helping in his generation in the forward march of the republic and the upkeeping of its ideals.

Albert Oscar Merriam married (first), in 1900, Nora Shea. He married (second), in 1912, Anna Sauter. He is the father of one son, of his first marriage, George, who was born in 1903, in Greenfield. He is a mason by trade. He married Geneva Partridge, and they are the parents of a son, George, Jr., born in 1921.

**GEORGE LEMUEL COOLEY**—A descendant of one of the old American families, tracing his lineage to Benjamin Cooley, who served as a selectman in Springfield at the time of Miles Morgan and John Pyncheon, Mr. George Lemuel Cooley has himself a record not alone of civil service to his country, but as a veteran of the Civil War, 1862-1865, when he served for three years during that conflict. He was with the Army of the Potomac and saw service at many of the battles now familiar in history. And on his return to civilian life, he again served his country and his section, taking up his life of farming, and holding various offices under his local government.

(I) Benjamin Cooley, emigrant ancestor of the Cooley family of New England was, with his wife, Sarah, in Springfield, then called Longmeadow, at a very early period. He served for thirteen years as selectman with Miles Morgan and John Pyncheon in Springfield, and he died August 17, 1684, his wife Sarah following him within a week, her death taking place August 23, 1684. Among their eight children was Daniel, of whom further.

(II) Daniel Cooley, son of Benjamin and Sarah Cooley, was born May 2, 1651, and died February 9, 1727. He married Elizabeth Wolcott, daughter of Simon Wolcott, of Windsor, sister of Governor Roger Wolcott. She died January 31, 1708, and he married (second), in 1709, Lydia, widow of Jonathan Burt. Among his seven children was Simon, the third child of the first marriage, of whom further.

(III) Simon Cooley, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Wolcott) Cooley, was born March 6, 1687, and died



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September 21, 1746. He was among the forty-one first settlers of Sunderland, his first house lot being No. 20, west side, which he sold in a few years to Captain Ebenezer Billings, and bought the Nathaniel Green lot, No. 8, east side, and there kept a tavern. This is the lot on which the well-known Leonard Tavern was kept for many years. He married (first), in 1709, Elizabeth Gunn, daughter of Deacon Samuel Gunn, who died in 1744. He married (second) Jerusha, widow of Daniel Russell. She died before March, 1781. Among his eleven children was Abner, second child of the first marriage, of whom further.

(IV) Abner Cooley, second child and eldest son of Simon and Elizabeth (Gunn) Cooley, was born in 1713, and died in 1788. He was one of the early settlers in "Plum Trees," a section of the town of Sunderland, Massachusetts, and he built in 1757 the residence known as the Pierce House. He married, in 1736, Jerusha Graves, who died in 1801.

(V) Lieutenant Simon Cooley, son of Abner and Jerusha (Graves) Cooley, was born in 1754 and died in 1797. He married Anna Stowell.

(VI) Charles Cooley, son of Lieutenant Simon and Anna (Stowell) Cooley, was born September 1, 1790, and died November 10, 1870. He lived in the family homestead and here followed farming. He married Mary Stowell, of Petersham, Massachusetts, daughter of Lemuel Stowell, and they were the parents of ten children: 1. Eliza Angela. 2. Simon Foster. 3. Charles Austin. 4. Dexter Stowell. 5. Persis Maria. 6. Avery William. 7. Fanny. 8. Edwin Avery. 9. Clorissa Cordelia. 10. George Lemuel, of whom further.

(VII) George Lemuel Cooley, son of Charles and Mary (Stowell) Cooley, was born November 6, 1839, in Sunderland, Massachusetts. He was educated in the schools of his native town and at Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, New Hampshire, also two terms at Amherst Academy. He served for about three years in the Civil War, having enlisted in July, 1862, in Company F, 37th Massachusetts Regiment. He was with General McClellan at the defense of Washington; was with the Army of the Potomac; served under Burnside at Fredericksburg; in the spring of 1863 he was at Mary's Heights and Salem Church under Joe Hooker; he was for two days at the battle of Gettysburg, and he then went back to Virginia, following Lee down to the Rappahannock Station. He put in the winter at Brandy Station, in Culpepper County, under Joe Hooker, and in 1864 fought through the battles from the battle of the Wilderness down to Petersburg, under Generals Grant and Meade, being active in the battle of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House and Cold Harbor; after Petersburg, his corps was sent to Washington to help defend the city. He was present at Lee's surrender, and received his honorable discharge from the service June 20, 1865. He then returned to the old homestead, comprising some one hundred and fifty acres and followed farming, being of the fourth generation to occupy this family place. He raised principally tobacco and onions, along with general crops, and also did some dairying. His first vote was cast for Abraham Lincoln, and he also voted for him at his reelection. In his locality he always has been an active citizen, taking

interest in all local affairs for the progress of the community. He served on the school committee; was assessor and selectman one year, and held besides other minor town offices. He is a member of E. M. Stanton Post, No. 147, Grand Army of the Republic, of Amherst; and for more than fifty years, since 1872, has served as deacon in the Congregational Church. He is one of the most esteemed and honored citizens of the locality, and his services to town, State and country have well earned him this reward of a life lived fully for others.

George Lemuel Cooley married (1) November 21, 1866, Abbie Smith, daughter of Hoyt and Content (Dodge) Smith. She died April 30, 1890. He married (2), December 28, 1892, Abigail H. Wright, of Manteno, Illinois, daughter of Elnathan and Harriet Allen (Prince) Wright (see Wright line XII). Children by first marriage: 1. Nellie Davis, deceased. 2. Fred Smith, an educator in the State College of Montana for seventeen years. He married, October 4, 1893, Grace Content Smith, daughter of Fred H. and Priscilla (Williams) Smith, and their children are: i. Esther Bell, born July 26, 1894. ii. George Atherton, born February 12, 1896, who married Marjorie Burgess, and they have a daughter, Dorothy Grace. iii. Elizabeth. iv. Laura. 3. Mary Emma, deceased. 4. Edith Maria, deceased, married Robert Allen Cooley, and they were the parents of three children: i. Charlotte, married Gray Dickinson, and they were the parents of twins, Charlotte and Shirley. ii. Robert Allen, died. iii. Genevieve. 5. Esther Rose, married Professor William M. Cobleigh, of Montana. By second marriage: one son. 6. Edwin Prince, of whom further.

(VIII) Edwin Prince Cooley, son of George Lemuel and Abigail H. Wright, was born July 25, 1895, and educated in the schools of his native town of Sunderland, and Amherst, and subsequently attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College for two years. During the great World War he entered the service of the United States in January 1918, and was at Camp Upton, Long Island, from where he went across to France. He met a heroic death in the engagement where two hundred men were ordered across the river to take a town occupied by the Germans, and in which, after gallant fighting, they were all but seventeen killed, wounded or taken prisoner in the engagement. This noble son of a line of gallant ancestors, shed an added lustre on the family name. He lies honored as a symbol of America's manhood.

#### (The Wright Line).

This surname belongs to a numerous and very ancient English family, the ancestry of the American family having been traced for several generations in England, the family having borne arms as follows:

Arms—Azure two bars argent in chief three leopards' faces or.

Crest—Out of a ducal coronet or, a dragon's head proper.

(I) John Wright, the progenitor, lived at Kelvedon, County Essex, England. He had two sons, the eldest, John, of whom further.

(II) John Wright, son of John, was born at Kelvedon, and lived at Wrightsbridge, County Essex. He



married Avis Rooke; of their two sons John, the elder, of whom further.

(III) John Wright, son of John and Avis (Rooke) Wright, married (1) ——— Emfell; (2) Bennet Greene. Among the four children was the second son, Samuel, of whom further.

(IV) Deacon Samuel Wright, son of John Wright, was probably born at Kelvedon, England, not later than 1600. He was an early settler in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he was a juryman December 12, 1639, and from the first, one of the leading citizens. He was deacon of the church in Springfield in 1639, and after the return of the minister to England, he was appointed to "dispense the word of God" in his place. He married Margaret, and among their ten children was the third child, Samuel, of whom further.

(V) Samuel (2) Wright, son of Deacon Samuel Wright, was born about 1629-30; he settled in Northfield, Massachusetts, where he was selectman in 1656; he was also on a committee to transcribe the town records; and was town measurer. He was killed by the Indians at Northfield during King Philip's War, September 2, 1675. He married, November 24, 1653, Elizabeth Burt, daughter of Henry Burt. Among their children was Samuel, of whom further.

(VI) Samuel (3) Wright, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Burt) Wright, was born in Northampton in 1654, and died in 1734. He married Sarah Lyman, and among their children was the third child, John, of whom further.

(VII) John Wright, son of Samuel (3) and Sarah (Lyman) Wright, was born in 1687, and died in 1749. He married Sarah Clark.

(VIII) Elnathan Wright, son of John and Sarah (Clark) Wright, fought in the War of the American Revolution.

(IX) Phineas Wright, son of Elnathan Wright, represents the ninth generation and the sixth since the first American settler.

(X) Captain Elnathan Wright, son of Phineas Wright, married, in 1803, Charlotte Wright.

(XI) Phineas Milton Wright, son of Captain Elnathan and Charlotte (Wright) Wright, was born in 1809, and died in 1888. He married Abigail Howes.

(XII) Elnathan Wright, son of Phineas Milton and Abigail (Howes) Wright, was born in 1831, and died in 1883. He married Harriet Allen Prince, and they were the parents of Abigail H., who married George Lemuel Cooley, as above stated.

**A. W. ESLEECK**—Associated with the names of the founders of various industries, who have earned a highly valued claim to the enduring recognition of the districts in which they have operated, that of A. W. Esleeck, who established the Esleeck Paper Mills at Turners Falls, has place in that special domain of the history of the paper manufacturing enterprise, in the business world.

Mr. A. W. Esleeck was born March 28, 1848, at Galveston, Texas, son of John Read and Ruth (Perry) Esleeck, his father having followed the occupation of builder and contractor; the father moved North while the son was an infant. The son early started out to make his own way in the world, and coming North, he

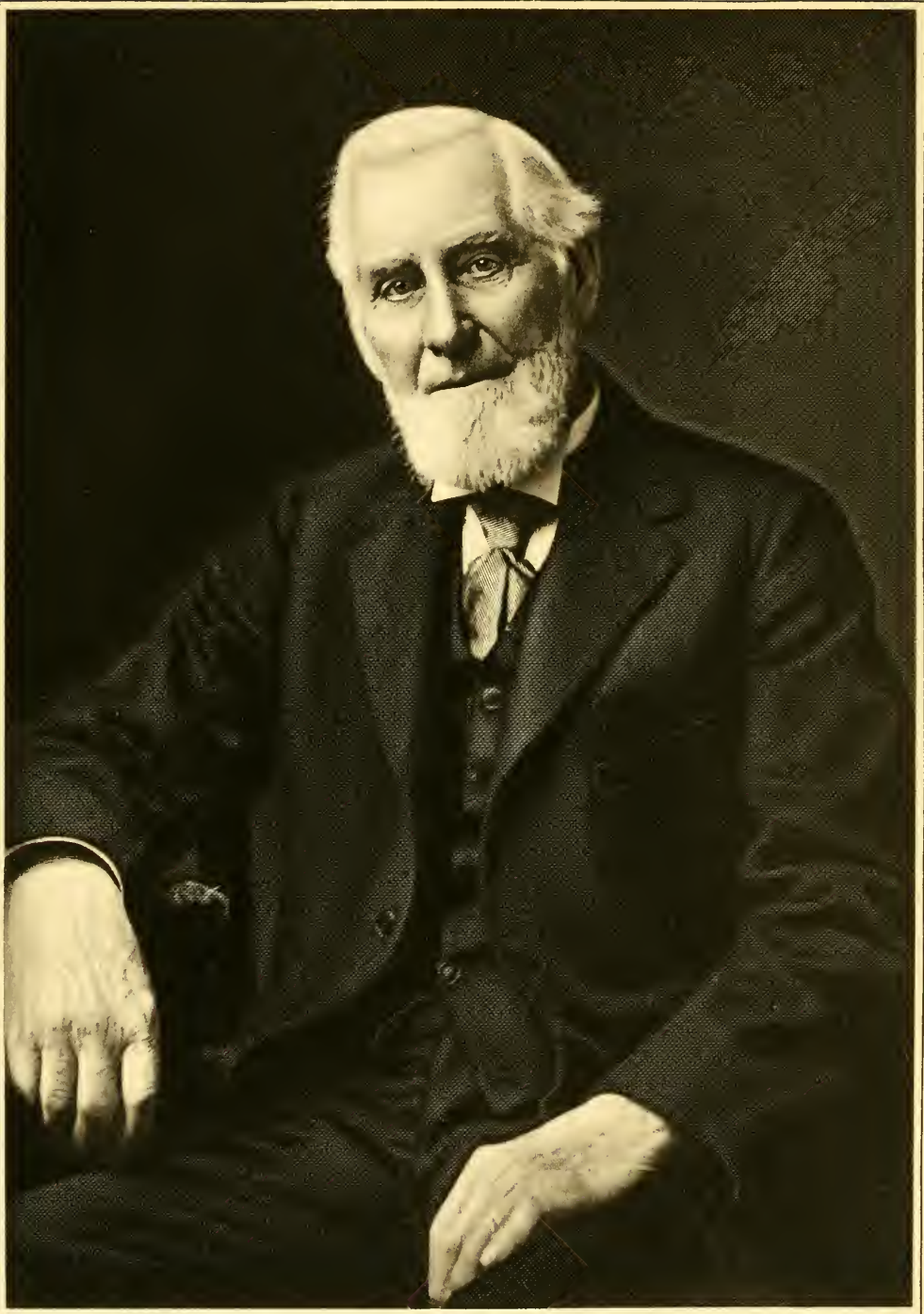
was at first employed as a clerk in the wholesale boot and shoe store in New York City. Later he went to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he became associated with the Valley Paper Mills of Holyoke, in the capacity of bookkeeper, and subsequently as treasurer. In 1888, he became connected with the Beebe & Holbrook Company as treasurer and remained there for ten years, purchasing in 1898 the Nonatuck Paper Company, that he later sold to the American Writing Company. In 1900 he became interested in Turners Falls, believing this to be an ideal place for mill location, and thereupon the Esleeck Paper Mill was started in that year, which has grown to its present proportions. The plant with its complete renovation of the buildings represents to-day the up-to-date product of that manufacturing concern, the present buildings covering approximately 120,000 square feet of floor space, and being equipped with the latest improved machinery, the power being controlled by steam, water and electricity. The mill turns out a high grade of onion-skin paper in the various trade colors and the output has increased from 5,000 to 14,000 pounds daily. This splendid industry, on which many of the families in the vicinity depend for their homes and their support, is a monument to the genius and industry of Mr. Esleeck. The fact that he worked his own way up from the bottom of the ladder to this top rung of success, means not only his own substantial prosperity, but it means an understanding and a sympathy with his workers; and this he has ably demonstrated by his generosity to his employees in many and diverse ways. In 1900 Mr. Esleeck was elected a member of the Massachusetts State Legislature. He has served his community ably in various capacities, being a member of the Board of Trustees of the Mechanics Savings Bank of Holyoke; was president of the Holyoke Young Men's Christian Association at the time of the completion of the new building; and his fraternal affiliations are with the several bodies of the Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Esleeck is well known for his many philanthropies, and he holds an honored and esteemed place in the affections of his employees, the community, and his constituents.

A. W. Esleeck married (second), September 15, 1910, Martha R. Robins, daughter of Henry Ephraim and Martha (Bird) Robins, of Rochester, New York. His first wife died, leaving a daughter, Ruth Trask, who is now the wife of Professor Loring H. Dodd, of Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts.

**FRANK CHARLES MAGRANIS**—A business and social leader, Frank Charles Magranis is one of the foremost automobile dealers and garage operators in Northampton, the county-seat of Hampshire County. He is active and well known in the social, civic, and fraternal affairs of nearly a dozen municipalities of the county, and being a self-made man, deserves the more credit for his achievements. He has served on the board of assessors of Long Meadow, Hampden County, and has been an energetic participant in political and community events of all kinds. Mr. Magranis has also achieved not a little success and fame as a builder of residences, many a fine home standing to-day as a monument to his success and skill as a building contractor.

Frank Charles Magranis was born in South Hadley,





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Massachusetts, August 20, 1882, of American and English ancestry. His father was Charles W. Magranis, the son of Francis Magranis, a native of England, who came to America at an early day. Francis Magranis lived for a time in Lynn and Boston, finally locating in South Hadley, where he lived to the time of his death, and where he carried on the business of a first-class cobbler and made high-grade boots and shoes.

Charles W. Magranis, son of Francis Magranis, was born in South Hadley Center about 1848, and died in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, in 1918. He was a farmer all his life, and peddled out the milk and the produce raised on his farm. He lived in various cities, for a number of years was a resident of Springfield, later going to West Granville, where he farmed for ten years. Later he lived in Southampton, and then went West, to Nebraska, where for a time he carried on farming operations. He returned again to the East and was living in Williamsburg, when death came. He was a member of the Congregational Church; and belonged to Amity Lodge, No. 172, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Springfield. He married Sarah Dickinson, of South Hadley Center, the daughter of Allen and Sophia (Bardwell) Dickinson. Mrs. Magranis was a descendant of Nathaniel Dickinson, who was born in England, and coming to America at an early day, lived in Watertown, Hadley and Hatfield, Massachusetts, and in Wethersfield, Connecticut. The line of descent is carried down through his son, Samuel, who married Martha Bridgeman; their son, Ebenezer, who married Hannah Frary; their son, Abner, who married Sarah Smith; their son, Jehu, who married Eleanor Pomeroy; their son, Erastus, who married Sally Allis; their son Allen M., who married Sophia Bardwell, which brings the line to Sarah, their daughter, who married Charles W. Magranis, as previously noted.

Frank Charles Magranis, son of Charles W. and Sarah (Dickinson) Magranis, and the subject of this biography, received his education in the public schools of Springfield and West Granville, after which he went to night school, and later took a course in a correspondence school, this haphazard education being supplemented by assiduous reading, with the result that he is now a completely educated man, mostly through self-teaching. His first experience in the business world was acquired as a small boy by assisting his father on the farm, his main duty the peddling of milk in Springfield. When he was sixteen years of age Mr. Magranis went to West Granville, where he apprenticed himself to learn the builder's trade, at which time he earned eight dollars a month, his board being included. At various times he was in the employ of Elmer Mansur, D. H. Warner, A. G. Chapman, and John Scott, all builders of county-wide reputation at one time or another. For two years he was with the Hampshire Lumber Company, in Springfield, and later was employed by various other concerns. Eventually, Mr. Magranis essayed the building and contracting field as an independent venture, and as the builder of residences he soon became singularly successful and wealthy. Although his operations were confined mainly to Long Meadow and Springfield, his reputation spread to all parts of the county. One of the finest specimens of his work is his home in Long Meadow.

After many years in this field, Mr. Magranis abandoned it in order to enter the public garage business, which with the growing popularity of the automobile offered fortunes to such men as Mr. Magranis—those with vision, ability, business acumen, and enterprise. In this he was again successful and has remained in the automobile field ever since. He first bought the Colonade Garage on Sumner Avenue, Springfield, and later the William H. Carpenter and Nelson Elmer properties on the same avenue, opposite his first venture, on which was the Raymond Garage, and operated both garages for several years. He then sold the Colonade Garage to Clark & Breck, and changed the name of the Raymond Garage to the Sumner Garage, which he operated for five years. In 1920 he sold out the Sumner Garage enterprise and moved to Northampton, and in the Hampshire County seat conducted a garage business behind the county courthouse. He later purchased property lying along the railroad right of way, on King Street, Northampton. He developed this property, dividing it up into five lots, and in 1922 he built his present garage and automobile display rooms. He organized the F. C. Magranis Company, of which he is now the treasurer, and George D. Beaudry is president. The company's garage, with show rooms, is one of the finest in Western Massachusetts, and it has been unusually successful in the handling of Cadillac, Hudson, and Essex automobiles and White trucks for all of Hampshire County.

Mr. Magranis is treasurer of the Hampshire County Dealers' Used Car Exchange, Inc., and he is a director in the Northampton Hotel Association. Fraternally he is a member of Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield, also a member of the Eastern Star Lodge; Amity Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Springfield, and the Rebekah Lodge; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Northampton; and he is a member of the Fish and Game Club. His church affiliation is with the Congregational denomination.

Frank Charles Magranis married, in September, 1907, Gertrude A. Miller, a native of Southampton, daughter of Francis A. and Adelia (Powers) Miller. To this marriage have been born three children, one of whom died in infancy; the others are: Viola Doris, born May 26, 1908; and Donald Miller, born April 24, 1916.

**AUGUSTUS J. FISHER**—In the olden days when the system of education in some of the country districts was not quite developed and teaching was not yet the highly specialized profession it is to-day, many citizens before devoting themselves to business or other pursuits and without having undergone a special training for pedagogic work taught school for some period before devoting themselves to other pursuits and thus satisfied a very keenly felt want in various localities in some of the country districts. Augustus J. Fisher, who later entered a commercial career, began as a teacher.

Mr. Fisher is a native of Royalston, Massachusetts, born April 14, 1836, a son of J. Fisher, of Royalston, who was a pump worker and also did aqueduct logging, that is, boring logs to make them form water pipes often many miles long. He married Ruth Walker, a

daughter of Moses Walker and a native of Royalston, where he also died. J. Fisher was a son of David Fisher, Jr., and Sophia (Thayer) Fisher. Augustus J. Fisher received his first education in the public schools of his native place and in Brattleboro, Vermont, Academy and having completed his own studies, taught school himself for four winters and also conducted a singing school. In 1886 he went into business and opened a dry goods store in Orange, which he continued for thirty-one years and sold out when he accepted the position of town assessor. Mr. Fisher was one of the trustees of the Orange Savings Bank, and five years ago was made president and member of the bond investment committee. For forty-two years Mr. Fisher has been a member of the Orthodox Church. When he came to Orange in 1859, the whole place consisted only of three hundred and forty-three houses, whereas to-day the number of the houses has increased to 1,282 and is still growing. He is a member of Orange Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Mr. Fisher married (first) in 1863, H. A. Jennison, who died in 1880. Married (second) Emma C. Richardson, a daughter of John S. and Lydia W. (Colamore) Richardson, the latter named a daughter of Dr. Anthony Colamore, of Pembroke. Mrs. Emma Fisher died in 1922.

**JOHN W. B. BRAND**, banker and director in several large business corporations in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Norwich, Connecticut, March 25, 1872. His father was Christopher A. Brand, and his mother, Elizabeth Tracy (Bulkeley) Brand. Mr. Brand attended schools in Rome and Syracuse, New York, also Colchester, Connecticut, and began active life in the post office in Colchester, Connecticut, beginning at the age of seventeen and remaining for six months. Six months followed in the employ of a rubber company in Colchester.

At eighteen, Mr. Brand left Colchester for the broader opportunities offered him in Springfield, destined to become his home for the future years. Here he was engaged as office boy and junior clerk by the Springfield Institution for Savings and he worked through the grades of bank work until he was appointed assistant treasurer in 1903, and treasurer in 1912. He was elected a trustee in 1915, offices he still retains. He is also a director of the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and of the Morris Plan Company of Springfield. He is a member of the Long Meadow Country Club, and the Colony Club, the Nayasset Club, the Springfield Country Club, and Christ Church, Episcopal.

Mr. Brand married Maud Bemis, daughter of Arthur I. and Anna (Parker) Bemis, April 26, 1899, at Springfield. They are the parents of Eleanor, born in 1901; and Judith W., born in 1906. Mr. Brand's address is Springfield Institute for Savings, Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**WILLIAM ALBERT BROWNELL**—The Brownell family came to America more than two hundred and fifty years ago. It is well known in New England, and has borne a long and favorable reputation for uprightness and service to that part of the United States in

which it is located. It has also connected itself by marriage to some of the first families in New England, and its ancestry is traced to the Pilgrims who arrived on these shores in the "Mayflower."

William Albert Brownell, one of the prominent members of the family, was born in Gowanda, New York, July 21, 1870. His grandfather was Horatio Nelson Brownell. He married Jane Bevier, daughter of Josiah and Isabel (Brinkerhal) Bevier. Josiah Bevier was born February 9, 1783. He was the son of Captain Andries Bevier, who was a native of France, and who came to America and fought in the American Revolutionary Army. Horatio Nelson Brownell had a dry goods store and grocery in Owasco, New York. He later went to Genoa, and from there to Moravia, New York, where he died. He had three children: Josiah Roland, of whom further; Adele, and William.

Josiah Roland Brownell, father of William Albert Brownell, was born in 1837, and died in 1880. He married Ella Henry, who was born February 10, 1842, and who died March 18, 1920. He studied pharmacy and opened a drug store in Buffalo, New York. He always considered Gowanda, New York, as his home, however, and when he died he was buried there. He served with distinction in the Civil War. His wife was the daughter of Elisha W. and Phoebe (Waterman) Henry, and was the sister of Hiram Henry, the noted minstrel, who had an international reputation for fun-making, and who was known everywhere as "Hi Henry." He claimed to be a descendant of Patrick Henry. The children of Josiah R. and Ella (Henry) Brownell are: William Albert, of whom further; and Florette Ellis.

William Albert Brownell attended the schools of his native town, Gowanda, New York, until he was ten years old, when his father died. He then had to devote most of his time to earning his own living, but being studious and ambitious he continued his education by attending night school. He first obtained work in a printing establishment, but gave that up in 1885 to go to Amherst, Massachusetts, to learn the plumbing and heating business. There he remained for ten years, afterward coming to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he was employed until 1901. Realizing the advantages of operating his own establishment, he went into business for himself in that year as a plumbing and heating expert, and also opened a hardware store. Both businesses have prospered, and his contract work in the plumbing and heating line is growing at a rapid rate. Mr. Brownell is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, also the chapter, council and commandery, of Northampton, and holds the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Mt. Holyoke Encampment, and has held all the offices within the gift of these two orders. He is also a member of Williamsburg Lodge, No. 67, Knights of Pythias; a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Club; the Edwards Congregational Church, and of the Men's Club, and the Northampton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Brownell married, on October 31, 1890, Isabella M. Maltman, and their children are: Hiram H., who married Nellie Conole, and they have two children: William H., and Elaine; William R., who married Ruby



Sprout; Archibald H., Donald E., Della E., Agnes M., and Evelyn F. The sons of Mr. and Mrs. William Albert Brownell are associated with their father in business.

**GEORGE STEELE COOK**—A member of one of the oldest families in America, a man with a public career of long standing and one of the most successful business men in Springfield, George Steele Cook is one of the most prominent citizens of Hampden County and Western Massachusetts. He is a foremost Republican of the county, is chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, was once president of the Board of Aldermen of Springfield, and is a well known clubman. He is a patriot comparable to the staunchest.

George Steele Cook was born in West Springfield, March 22, 1880, the son of William F. Cook, an intimate friend of President Calvin Coolidge. The Cook family came to Cambridge in 1635. William F. Cook was a member of the State Legislature when the President was a member of that body, and seventeen years ago he told his son, George Steele Cook, that "of all the young men in the Legislature, Calvin Coolidge has the best mind and is the best Legislator," and thus in an indirect way prophesied a great future for the man who is at the present time (1925) in the White House. William F. Cook was a successful coal, wood and ice merchant in West Springfield; and died in 1915. The mother of George Steele Cook was Florence B. (Steele) Cook, who died in 1885. George Steele Cook was educated in the graded and high schools of West Springfield, and was graduated from the West Springfield High School in 1898. For some years he was associated with his father in the fuel and ice business during vacations and for one year following graduation from high school. In 1899 he entered the employ of the S. D. Viets Company of Springfield, wholesale and retail dealers of grain and masons supplies, and in 1911 went into business for himself. In 1919 he incorporated his enterprise under the name of Cook Builders Supply Company, Incorporated, with a capital of \$30,000, which was later increased to \$50,000. Mr. Cook became president and general manager of the company and holds both positions to-day. The firm to-day is one of the most successful of its kind in Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Cook was twice elected to the Board of County Commissioners, the first time in 1920, and again in 1924; he is now chairman of the board. He was a councilman for two years and was on the Board of Aldermen of Springfield four years; he was president of the board the last two years. During the World War he was active in all kinds of home war drives, including the Liberty Loan, Red Cross, and others.

Mr. Cook is a member of the Springfield Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club, the Springfield Automobile Club, the Fish and Game Club, the Long Meadow Country Club and the Sons of the American Revolution. He and his family attend the South Congregational Church in Springfield where they live at No. 82 Princeton Street.

Mr. Cook married, in West Springfield, December 5, 1905, Mabel Gertrude Eye, of Red Beach, Maine. There

are two sons of this union: 1. George Rodney, born February 24, 1907. 2. Norman, born May 11, 1911.

**JAMES FRANCIS (J. FRANK) TUCKER**, vice-president and general manager of the Cave Welding and Manufacturing Company, with headquarters at Springfield, Massachusetts, was born November 6, 1890, in Elizabeth, New Jersey. His father was David C. Tucker, of Elizabeth, and Jeannette Darling (Houston) Tucker.

David C. Tucker was born in Elizabeth in 1864, and died there at the early age of twenty-eight in 1892. He was for a time employed by the Adams Express Company, but he afterwards entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad and was a locomotive fireman at the time of his death. He married Jeannette Darling Houston, born at Elizabeth, New Jersey, daughter of James A. Houston, who came from Edinburgh, Scotland. They were the parents of one child, James Francis Tucker.

James Francis Tucker attended the public schools of Elizabeth, New Jersey, but completed his studies in the high schools of Hartford, Connecticut, and Providence, Rhode Island. For two years he was in the employ of the Remington Printing Company, of Providence. He became connected with the Cave Welding Company at Springfield, Massachusetts, in January, 1909. For two years he travelled in the interests of the company introducing its processes by demonstration and sample. The business was organized in 1908. It employs five men in the branch at Bridgeport, Connecticut, and sixteen in the Springfield offices. In 1911 Mr. Tucker began to open and manage branch offices throughout New England. These branches are in Bridgeport and Norwich, Connecticut, Holyoke and Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Tucker was appointed manager of the Springfield and Holyoke shops and continued to act in that capacity until January, 1918, when he was elected vice-president and general manager, and placed in charge of all the shops operated by the company. He is also a director of the company and interested directly in its continued success. It was the first welding company established in the United States, and does all kinds of welding of metal parts. Boiler and tank work, and every other kind of metal article is performed. Henry Cave is president and George S. Smead treasurer. Mr. Tucker is a Republican and has served on the City Council of Springfield since January, 1925, his term including the year 1927. He is a member of the Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts; of the Chamber of Commerce; director of the Kiwanis Club; member of the Springfield Country Club, the Republican Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Highland Baptist Church. Fraternally he is a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield; of Bella Grotto, Scottish Rite bodies, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree; and marshall of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Automobile Club, the Fish and Game Club and the Masonic Club. He is a man of rare musical talent and has sung in various church choirs in different cities. He is a past director



of the McDowell, formerly the Schubert Male Choir, and a member of the Scottish Rite Quartette. He is a tenor soloist.

Mr. Tucker married, May 23, 1912, Nellie Le Barron Wightman, of Springfield, Massachusetts, daughter of William J. and Ella (Le Barron) Wightman. The mother was a descendant of Francis Le Barron, the famous surgeon of Plymouth, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker are the parents of two daughters: Kathleen Jeannette, born June 5, 1916; and Barbara Frances, born in Springfield, May 19, 1919. Mr. Tucker's business address is No. 455 Worthington Street. His residence is at No. 61 Kimberley Avenue.

**JOSEPH M. McMAHON**—A distinguished figure in the legal profession in Western Massachusetts is Joseph M. McMahon, who has for many years been active in practice in Pittsfield, and has served in various public offices, now as city solicitor. Mr. McMahon is a man of more than ordinary ability, possessing the tireless energy of the natural executive as well as the keen acumen of the professional man, his service in the present connection is of more than passing significance to the people. He is a son of Michael J. and Mary (Ryan) McMahon, both parents natives of Ireland, the father having come to America about 1870.

Joseph M. McMahon was born in Pittsfield July 9, 1880. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he attended the Pittsfield High School, then entered Williams College, at Williamstown, from which he was graduated in the class of 1902 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Taking up the study of law he was admitted to the bar of his native State in 1905, and early gained an assured position in his chosen profession. Mr. McMahon's first public service was his appointment as assistant district attorney of Berkshire County, and he served faithfully and well in that position until his election as city solicitor of Pittsfield. This office he ably filled during the year 1923, and his reelection returned him to its duties for the present year (1924). His individual practice is largely concerned with corporation, tax and real estate affairs, and he is considered an authority on these subjects. Mr. McMahon is a member of the American Bar Association, Massachusetts State Bar Association, Berkshire County Association, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the fourth degree, and is past district deputy of this organization, also has served as treasurer for many years. He is further a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Pittsfield, and the Park Club, also of Pittsfield, of which he is a member of the executive committee. Mr. McMahon finds scant leisure for recreation, but takes times for an occasional motor tour. His religious connection is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Joseph M. McMahon married, October 12, 1910, Margaret E. Coogan, of Pittsfield, a member of an old family of Western Massachusetts, her father, William I. Coogan, for many years and until the time of his death was postmaster of Pittsfield. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon have one son: Joseph M., Jr., and they reside at No. 146 Bartlett Avenue, Pittsfield.

**RANDOLPH WATSON TURNBULL**—The Turnbolls are descendants of an old Scotch family, and may claim a historic and very picturesque and loyal origin for the present family name, which in ancient times was changed from Rouel to the present form, owing to the performance, by one of their ancestors, of a striking act of bravery. On a certain occasion, a mad and infuriated bull made a rush to attack the king when the forebear of this name overpowered the strong animal and saved his sovereign's life, and to commemorate his bravery the king wished him senceforth to be called Turnbull.

Peter Turnbull, grandfather of Randolph W. Turnbull, came from Scotland, where he was born, to Canada, later proceeding to Vermont, where he died in Greensboro.

James G. Turnbull, father of Randolph W. Turnbull, born in Canada, and is now a resident of Orleans, Vermont. When first coming to Vermont he was active as a farmer, but in 1891 he established himself in the creamery business, manufacturing butter and also carrying on a wholesale trade in milk. In 1901 he incorporated his business under the name of J. G. Turnbull Company, and also began the manufacture of ice cream, and the business has attained such a size that he has many branches throughout the New England States. For over thirty years he conducted his milk and dairy business at Orleans, and on its incorporation the officers were E. C. Skinner, of Orleans, president; Randolph W. Turnbull, son of James G. Turnbull, (1924), of Greenfield, Massachusetts, vice-president, of whom further; and J. G. Turnbull, of Orleans, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Turnbull is president of the Central Savings Bank and Trust Company of Orleans, Vermont, and was one of the founders of this institution. He has also been elected a Representative to the State Legislature of Vermont, and is a thirty-second degree Mason, also holds membership in the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is an attending member of the Congregational Church.

James G. Turnbull married, at Orleans, Vermont, Agnes Mackowen, a member of the Congregational Church, and they were the parents of two children: 1. Leon, who was in the United States Army during the World War, served in the cavalry, and saw fighting in France. He married and has two children: Beverly Louise and Christine Mary. 2. Randolph Watson, of whom further.

Randolph Watson Turnbull, son of James G. and Agnes (Mackowen) Turnbull, was born in Orleans, Vermont, December 11, 1896. He was educated in the schools of Orleans, Vermont, and in Cushing Academy, at Ashburnham, Massachusetts, being graduated from the latter institution in 1916. On the completion of his education he entered the service of the Turnbull Creamery Company as secretary. In 1920 he came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, and took entire charge of the large plant of the Turnbull Company, and he has to-day (1924) besides that the management of the Holyoke plant, and is vice-president of the company. The products of the Turnbull Company have an excellent reputation throughout the entire area of the New England States,



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and the business is growing by leaps and bounds. The local plant, operated by Mr. Turnbull, is one of the busiest plants in Greenfield during the warm weather. They manufacture the well-known Green Mountain Ice Cream, and while this company has practically only had a plant here in recent years, the home office still being at Orleans, Vermont, the company has shown a constant increase in its business, and operates trucks from Greenfield as far north as Claremont, New Hampshire, including Newport, Bellows Falls, Putney and Brattleboro, Vermont, and the intervening towns as far as Gardner on the east and as far south as Holyoke, where a sub-station is also maintained. The ice cream is manufactured at the plant on Davis Street, where the company first located on coming to Greenfield, and here the immense quantities of cream and other ingredients that go to make up the manufactured article are brought, mixed and frozen, and then loaded on the many trucks of the company, which deliver the finished product to the hundreds of customers up and down the Connecticut Valley. At this site is also a large storage plant, with the capacity of about 6,000 gallons, and during the vacation season over 5,000 gallons of ice cream is stored here daily to take care of the rush orders. About a dozen different kinds of ice cream are manufactured, the varieties having increased from four, which were the output of the first year in this plant. Mr. Turnbull, besides his many business duties and his executive cares, is active in the civic life of the community, and does much for the advancement of the section. He holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Congregational Church.

Randolph Watson Turnbull married, October 26, 1918, Dale Whipple, of Orleans, Vermont, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Rosamund Frances, born at Orleans, October 15, 1919. 2. James Harvey, born September 10, 1921, at Greenfield, Massachusetts. 3. Robert Douglas, born May 20, 1923, at Greenfield, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE HENRY PARSONS**—The Parsons family branches off in the fifth generation, and in the ninth generation is represented by George Henry Parsons, a prosperous business man of Northampton. His line of the family follows the common Parsons ancestry from the Cornet Joseph Parsons, through Joseph, (1647-1729); Lieutenant John (1673-1746); Moses, (1708-1746), and Deacon Joel, (1739-1818). His son Sinah Parsons, died young. He married Lois Lyman, who, after his death, became the wife of Philip Clark, and had five children. Sinah and Lois Parsons had one son, Lysander Watson Parsons, born in Easthampton, October 5, 1813; and died January 25, 1890. He was a farmer, and he married Rachel Cordelia Strong, born in Southampton, Massachusetts, September 30, 1816; died December 12, 1879. She was a daughter of Bela and Sarah (Clapp) Strong; and they were the parents of Emma L., Alpheus Watson, Eleanor Cordelia, Lorenzo S., Gilbert Lyman and Frances Emerson. Lorenzo Strong Parsons, born in Easthampton, August 17 1848; died April 28, 1909. He was a farmer in Easthampton, living in the house his grandfather built, and serving as constable for some time; and also as fish and game warden. He was a member of

the Congregational Church and chairman of its music committee. He married Margaret Hunter Henry, born in Pollockshaw, near Glasgow, Scotland, in 1852; died in October, 1924. She was a daughter of David and Margaret (Stewart) Henry. They were the parents of: 1. George Henry Parsons, of whom further. 2. Eleanor C., who married Loren W. Gould and they were the parents of Ralph P., born January 1, 1905, and Rachel W., born July 29, 1908, she died October 19, 1923. 3. Eva S., who died at eighteen.

George Henry Parsons was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, October 27, 1872. He was educated in the public schools of Easthampton; began active life working for the Boston & Maine Railroad before he was twenty-one. He worked at Easthampton, Mount Tom Junction and Northampton, was assistant baggage master three years, and worked for the railroad ten years all told. He next operated an express business between Northampton and Amherst, the first overland express between those two points, using a team. He operated this business for three years. He next entered the post office in Northampton as a letter carrier, and continued in that capacity for fifteen years. In 1920 he built the dwelling house he occupies, and the store, and went into the mercantile business, dealing in groceries and provisions. Mr. Parsons is a member of the Methodist Church and one of the official board of stewards.

He was married October 16, 1901, to Lucy North, a native of Yorkshire, England, daughter of Isaac and Emily (Lawton) North. Mrs. Parsons came to America with her mother at eleven years. They are the parents of Grace Lawton, who died at fourteen; and Mildred May, born May 10, 1904. Mr. Parsons is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and of Williamsburg Lodge, Knights of Pythias. His address is No. 165 South Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

**REV. MICHAEL J. CARROLL**—A venerable and distinguished figure, esteemed by all and beloved by the members of his flock, Rev. Michael J. Carroll, of Palmer, Massachusetts, has served as pastor of St. Thomas' Roman Catholic Church of this place for some three years, coming to this parish from Greenfield, Massachusetts, and taking up the duties of his present charge with the long experience and consecrated energy which have given new impetus to the advance of religion in this section. Father Carroll is broadly representative of those devoted men who have ministered to the people of America during the centuries which have passed since first the white man established his home on this side of the Atlantic. He has given to the work of the church to-day the same pioneer effort and the same forward looking spirit which has carried the progress of religion parallel with that of the nation's greatness in the past, and his presence in Palmer is of great significance to the people of this community.

Palmer was settled as early at 1727 by a colony of immigrants from the North of Ireland, who were adherents of the Presbyterian Church. The first Catholic service of which we have any knowledge was during the building of the Western Road, when, as Father Fetton says in his "Sketches," stations were held at Spencer, Brookfield, Warren and Palmer. Most of the Catholic

people moved westward with the work; therefore, there were not a sufficient number in Palmer until 1850 to warrant the regular attendance of a priest. However, in the fall of that year, Father William Blinnisop, pastor of Cabotville, Chicopee, said Mass in the old dye house of the Thorndike Manufacturing Company. The first resident pastor was Father P. V. Moyce, who came in 1864, and was succeeded in the following year by Father Lasco, who remained but one month. After his departure came Rev. J. A. Malinari, who served from July, 1865, until July, 1867, when he was succeeded by Rev. A. Rossi, who remained as pastor until the fall of 1869. In October, 1869, Rev. Francis J. Lynch became pastor, and remained until July 1, 1878, when he became pastor of Thorndike, being succeeded in Palmer by Rev. T. J. Sullivan that same month, who remained until June, 1889. On his promotion to Uxbridge he was succeeded by Rev. William H. Hart, and his successor is Rev. Michael J. Carroll, of whom further.

Father Carroll was born in Milford, Massachusetts, June 19, 1851, son of Richard and Catherine (Davis) Carroll, devoted Catholics of that community for many years. Receiving his early education in his birthplace, Father Carroll attended Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1876. Later entering Grand Seminary of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, he covered his course in theology and philosophy at that celebrated institution, and was ordained to the holy priesthood December 21, 1879. Coming to Northampton, Massachusetts, for his first appointment, Father Carroll served for seven years as curate at St. Mary's Church, the period covering the time of the building of the present church edifice. Father Carroll superintended the work of the building operations. He next moved to Fisherville as pastor of St. James' Church, and in 1900 was appointed pastor of the Holy Trinity Church at Greenfield, Massachusetts. There he remained for more than twenty years, doing a great work in the development of the church and the extension of its activities, until he came to Palmer, Massachusetts, October, 1919, as pastor of St. Thomas' Church. Here Father Carroll immediately began constructive endeavors which have resulted most happily, and the people have come to feel that he is indeed a spiritual leader and father. Many members have been added to the church under his care, and all the organizations of the parish are flourishing and growing, making their influence felt in various branches of progressive endeavor. Father Carroll commands the esteem and admiration of all his contemporaries of the cloth, feeling that his work is bearing an influence for good throughout the entire city. The church property on Thorndike Street is one of the most beautiful in the town, and his fostering care has brought the congregation to a higher level of spiritual attainment. It is one of the most prosperous and progressive parishes in this part of the State.

**HARRY EDWARD NOBLE**—The surname Noble is of great antiquity in England. It first appears in 1199, in the reign of Richard I, and it has been common since that period. It is also found in Scotland, and several noted merchants of the name lived in Edinburgh. Fam-

ilies of the name in England, Scotland and Ireland bore arms. The principal seats of the family were in Cornwall, Belson, and Bishop's Tenter, County Devon; and Marming, near Maidstone, County Kent. This family bore these arms:

Arms—Or two lions passant guardant in pale azure between as many flaunches of the last; over all a fesse gules charged with three bezants.  
Crest—A lion passant azure.

Thomas Noble, immigrant ancestor, was born as early as 1632, and died in Westfield, Massachusetts, January 20, 1704, aged at least seventy-two years. He was an early settler in Springfield, coming from Boston, where he was an inhabitant January 5, 1653. He had an account at the store of John Pyncheon in Springfield, and their account book shows that he visited England soon after removing from Boston. In 1664, with others, he was given leave to set up a sawmill on "a brook below Ensigne Cooper's farme over Agawam river." He was an appraiser of the town. He had lands granted to him in Westfield in July, 1666, on condition of settlement, and the grant was renewed January 9, 1668. He settled there as early as January 21, 1669, and was on a committee to decide the boundary lines. His homestead was about two and a half miles from the present center of the town. He served as constable, and took oath of allegiance January 23, 1678. He joined the Westfield Church February 20, 1681, and was admitted a freeman October 12, 1681. He was fined five shillings at one time for traveling on a fast day. His home was exposed to Indian attacks during King Philip's war. Rev. Dr. Davis says: "One night during family prayers, Gray Lock (an old Indian), stepped up and pulled the string and let the door swing open, and as soon as all was quiet he would pull the string again. Mr. Noble was persuaded by his friends to move into town. Gray Lock said he had several opportunities of killing most of his children at a shot, but did not want scalps as much as captives." On March 2, 1696, Thomas Noble was chosen county surveyor. He was a tailor by trade. His will was dated May 11, 1697, and proved September 5, 1704. He married, November 1, 1660, Hannah Warriner, born in Springfield, August 17, 1643, only daughter of William and Joanna (Scant) Warriner. She joined the Westfield Church November 11, 1680. She married (second) January 24, 1705, Deacon Medad Pomeroy, of Northampton. Children: 1. John, born March 6, 1662; married (first) A. Sackett; (second) M. Goodman. 2. Hannah, born February 24, 1664; married (first) J. Goodman; (second) N. Edwards; (third) S. Partidge. 3. Thomas, born January 14, 1666; married Elizabeth Dewey. 4. Matthew, married Hannah Dewey. 5. Mark, of further mention; married Mary Marshall. 6. Elizabeth, born February 9, 1673, married (first) R. Church; (second) S. Loomis. 7. Luke, born July 15, 1675. 8. James, born October 1, 1677, married (first) Ruth; (second) C. Higley. 9. Mary, born June 29, 1680, married Ephraim Colton. 10. Rebecca, born January 4, 1683, married Samuel Loomis.

Mark Noble, son of Thomas and Hannah (Warriner) Noble, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1670, died April 16, 1741. He was a farmer and surveyor for town and country roads. In 1698 he married Mary



Marshall, who died May 12, 1733. She was a daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Newberry) Marshall. They had six children.

Noah Noble, son of Mark and Mary (Marshall) Noble, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, May 23, 1713, died in 1781. He married, in 1737, Jane Barber, born in 1715, died in 1797.

Zenas Noble, son of Noah and Jane (Barber) Noble, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, November 30, 1743, died in Washington, Massachusetts, March 31, 1813. He was a blacksmith. In 1769 he removed to Pittsfield, Massachusetts. In 1771 he removed to Washington, Massachusetts, where he kept a public house for many years. He was a delegate to the Massachusetts Constitutional Convention in 1788. He married (first), in 1769, Hannah Jones, who died in 1791; he married (second) Mrs. Margaret Granger, who died in 1838. He was the father of thirteen children.

William Noble, son of Zenas and Hannah (Jones) Noble, was born in Washington, Massachusetts, February 2, 1778, died in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, May 11, 1869, aged ninety-one. He came to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1832. He was married in September, 1800, to Mary Smith, born in Washington, Massachusetts, in 1779, died June 9, 1847, a daughter of William and Polly (Sloane) Smith. They had eight children.

John Smith Noble, son of William and Mary (Smith) Noble, was born in Washington, Massachusetts, May 31, 1807, removed to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1848, where he lived until the time of his death. He operated a meat market in Pittsfield, and represented the town in the State Legislature. He married, June 3, 1828, Mary Ann Granger, born in Westfield, Massachusetts, June 19, 1810, daughter of Uli Granger. Children: Margaret A., married Samuel Henry Hancock. Mary Jane, married Henry Badger Brewster. Unity Josephine; Sonida Smith; Arvilla Bartlett, married Edward D. G. Jones; Agnes Hall; John Watson, of whom further; Frank N.; Kate.

John Watson Noble, son of John Smith and Mary Ann (Granger) Noble, was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, October 6, 1849, died in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, April 1, 1912. He was a mill-wright. E. D. J. Jones & Son were manufacturers of paper mill machinery, and Mr. Noble installed their machines in paper making plants in different parts of the country. He was a member of the fire department in Pittsfield for many years. In later years he was manager of the Academy of Music. He married October 4, 1877, Jennie E. Martin, born in Oswego, New York. She died in Pittsfield in 1904. Child: Harry Edward, of whom further.

Harry Edward Noble, son of John Watson and Jennie E. (Martin) Noble, was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, December 30, 1880, was educated in the public schools of Pittsfield. When through school, he worked in Dr. Waite's drug store. He attended the Boston College of Pharmacy, graduating in 1903. After graduation he worked in drug stores in Lawrence and Mansfield, Massachusetts, for a year, when he returned to Pittsfield and took a position in a drug store which he held for two years. Coming to Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1907, he took a position in the drug store of Coburn & Graves, where he remained for twelve years.

In 1915 he went into the drug business for himself, in Northampton, with Mr. Flynn, under the name of Noble & Flynn, and has carried on a successful business there ever since. Mr. Noble is a member of Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts; a member of the Royal Arch Council, Knights Templar; a member of Lodge No. 272, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Pittsfield. He also served in the city council of Northampton in 1912; is a member of the Masonic Club, and of the Edwards Church.

He married, October 4, 1904, Blanche L. Qua, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, daughter of John Calvin and Frances (Jamison) Qua. Mrs. Noble is of Scotch descent, and is related to Judge Qua of the Superior Court of Massachusetts, and to the late Senator Matt Quay, of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Noble have one son, Robert Cronby Noble, born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, August 20, 1905. He is a graduate of the high school of Northampton and is now in his third year in the University of Vermont at Burlington, studying to be a physician. The family residence is 145 South Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

**GILBERT POTVIN, SR.**, late of Holyoke, was born in Lalqueville, near Montreal, Canada, February 4, 1837. He was educated in the parish schools of his native village, and at the age of sixteen came to the United States, where, such was his ambition, he continued his studies at night after working during the day. He first settled in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, being employed in a machine shop there, as a machinist's apprentice. This set term of learning the trade he accomplished in three years, and he was then employed as a journeyman machinist in Worcester, and after that in the railroad shops of the Boston & Albany Railroad in Springfield. In 1865 he located in Holyoke, then a village of three thousand inhabitants. With small capital, he opened a dry goods store on High Street. This venture proved successful and for eighteen years he continued in the dry goods business. He prospered and in 1880 he engaged in building operations. He became the leading contractor of the city, his record of having erected nearly two million dollars' worth of buildings here being equalled by few building contractors in Western Massachusetts. And his buildings were in strictly residential and business blocks. So extensive became his operations as a contractor that he found it to his interest to purchase and operate a large brickyard at South Hadley which furnished brick exclusively for his use. As time passed, he acquired a large amount of land in Holyoke upon which to erect residences, becoming the largest payer of water rates and the largest tax payer for many years. He gave employment to a large number of persons, and some sections of Holyoke were entirely built up by him. He owned two hundred apartments.

Holyoke, at the beginning of his operations a comparatively insignificant place, began to grow amazingly as new industries brought new workers. Mr. Potvin had an infinite faith that the small town of his early years here was to become a beautiful city, and he set himself to do his share to that end. Many of the new workers came from Canada, and many of them went to Gilbert Potvin to ask his aid in finding work and a home. Per-



sonally, it was his decree that no man should ever go away from his door who came to him for aid. Mr. Potvin's devotion to his family and his generosity with them spread out to his community and personally touched many a young man in Holyoke. Such leaders in local life as Louis A. LaFrance, now one of the leading contractors of Holyoke, to whom Mr. Potvin was a second father, and G. J. Prew, felt their careers greatly helped, and in a measure fashioned, by the good counsel and kindly personal interest of Mr. Potvin. Few men ever had such an opportunity to mark the growth of their work in their own community as Mr. Potvin had. His faith in the future city never was lessened. It had been one of his later plans to do his share, and a very generous share, for the building of the new church for the Perpetual Help Parish, certain that his own people and his own faith the Holyoke of the future was to grow as grew the Holyoke of his youth. While retired for a number of years, nearly every building he had erected was constructed largely under his personal supervision, and it was his pride that the contracts entered into had been faithfully executed. There are persons in Holyoke, many of whom never have lived in any other than one of the Gilbert Potvin blocks, that came straight from Canada to make permanent homes under Potvin roofs.

Gilbert Potvin's early marriage to a fine woman of his own kind was a great help to him. On September 7, 1859, he married Odile Marciel at Lonquiel, Canada. In her he found a loving and helpful companion, and he attributed much of his success to her coöperation. She died in 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Potvin are survived by two daughters: Mrs. Jennie Olivier Prew, of Holyoke; Mrs. Thomas I. Kinney, of New Haven, Connecticut; and one son, Gilbert, Jr., of Holyoke. By seven grandchildren: Gilbert Kinney, of New York City; Wylie Kinney, of New York City; Mrs. Frank Kenna, of New Haven, Connecticut, children: Roger, Betty, Annita, Gilbert and Frank (twins); Harry Olivier; children: James and Betty; Ralph Olivier; Mrs. Robert Marshall; and Mrs. Nills Jull-Larsen, all of Holyoke. Gilbert Potvin was a member of the Perpetual Help Church, of the St. Jean Baptiste Society, and of the French Union.

Mr. Potvin died in the home which he built on Maple Street, the one he loved so well and where he had resided for forty years.

**HALLER DAVID SEAVEY**—As one of the most important executives of a leading public utility corporation of Western Massachusetts, Haller David Seavey, of Greenfield, holds foremost rank in the progress of his day. Gifted as a business man with those qualities of precision, foresight and judgment, which are vitally important in any realm of commercial or industrial progress, Mr. Seavey is an outstanding figure in local affairs, and the people are recognizing his worth and efficiency in meeting their daily needs. He is active as superintendent of distribution in the employ of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company, and the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company.

The Seavey family is one of marked importance in New England, where it has been prominent for many generations. This family was also noted in England and has been identified with American progress since very

early times, in fact since 1641. Rev. Reuben Seavey, Mr. Seavey's great-grandfather, was one of the first settlers of the town of Exeter, Maine, and in addition to being a diligent farmer, was widely famed and highly honored as a Baptist clergyman of his time. He preached in the vicinity of Exeter for many years, but later in life preached in North Newport, Maine, until his death, which occurred in 1829. He married Polly Pease, who died in 1872, at the great age of ninety-one years. They were the parents of sixteen children, eight sons and eight daughters, and the third child, Reuben, was the first child born of white parents in the town of Exeter.

Dr. Calvin Seavey, the seventh child and the fourth son of the Rev. Reuben and Polly (Pease) Seavey, was born June 15, 1809, in Exeter, Maine. Attending the common schools during the winter months, he received the greater part of his education after the age of twenty-one years. For three consecutive terms he taught school at Carmel, Maine, and when not engaged in teaching the winter school, studied at Foxcraft Academy, his purpose being the practice of medicine. In 1834 he began his technical studies in the office of Dr. Ruggles, of Carmel, with whom he continued for about two years. He then spent one year under the preceptorship of Dr. Daniel McRuer, of Bangor, Maine, during the winter attending three courses of lectures at the Maine Medical College at Brunswick. He was eventually graduated from that institution with the degree of Doctor of Medicine May 18, 1837, and very shortly, thereafter, located in Stetson, Maine, and practiced in that community for sixteen years. Moving to Bangor, in 1853, he developed a largely prosperous practice in that city, where he continued active until the time of his death. A man of really wonderful talents, grit and perseverance, he became highly brilliant in surgery and was considered one of the most successful and skillful physicians and surgeons in the State of Maine. For many years he was a member of the Penobscot County Medical Society, the Maine Medical Society, and the American Medical Association, and on many occasions read original papers before the conventions or meetings of these various organizations, and also directed or participated in discussions on professional topics on such occasions. During the progress of his professional activities Dr. Seavey spent several winters in special post-graduate work at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, and when sixty-two years of age, that institution conferred upon him, for the second time, the degree of Doctor of Medicine (1871). Meanwhile, Dr. Seavey was honored, in 1863, with the degree of Master of Arts, which was conferred upon him by Bowdoin College of Maine. He was the founder of the Seavey Anatomical Museum, in the medical department of that college, and presented this museum with \$1,000 in gold, also giving five hundred dollars towards the building fund for the memorial hall on the college grounds.

Dr. Seavey married (first), October 1, 1836, Ann W. Ruggles, of Carmel, Maine, daughter of Rev. Paul and Mercy (Dexter) Ruggles. She died in November, 1838, leaving a son, Paul Ruggles, of whom further; and one daughter. Dr. Seavey married (second), December 24, 1839, Mary Ann Hill, of Exeter, Maine, daughter of Henry Hill, Esq. Her death occurred in 1871. They



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were the parents of five children: Henry H., who became a noted physician, and died at the age of thirty-four years; Henrietta Ellen; Jerome Harris; Jerome Alden; and Clymina Spaulding. Dr. Seavey married (third), in July, 1877, Emma Weston, of Brewer, Maine, daughter of Warren Weston, Esq., and they were the parents of one son, Calvin Gross.

Paul Ruggles Seavey, son of Dr. Calvin and Ann W. (Ruggles) Seavey, was born in Stetson, Maine, September 22, 1837, and died at the comparatively early age of forty-four years, at Bangor, Maine, February 19, 1882. His mother was a daughter of Rev. Paul Ruggles, of Carmel. He early developed a fancy for the printing business, and beginning as an apprentice in the employ of the late William Thompson, of Bangor, he very soon became expert in all the work connected with a printing office, and was an especially competent and rapid compositor. Being of a somewhat adventurous turn, he sought employment abroad, and at various times served as a printer and proof-reader in the offices of a number of the principal journals and newspapers of the country, including several Boston papers, the "Albany Legislative Journal," the "New York Times" and the "Herald." At the outbreak of the Civil War he was employed in Boston, and on June 13, 1861, he responded to his country's call by enlisting as a private in Captain Blaisdell's Company E, of the 11th Massachusetts Regiment. He was at once plunged into the midst of the great and bloody national contest, and gallantly bore his part in the long and almost continuous list of battles and skirmishes of the old Army of the Potomac, in which his regiment was engaged. He was wounded at Williamsburg, at the second battle of Bull Run, and again at the battle of Chancellorsville, in May, 1863, and a few days later he was wounded at the great battle of Gettysburg. His injuries, however, could not keep him long from the front, although in addition to them he suffered a severe attack of pneumonia. By hard fighting he won the chevrons of corporal and sergeant, and was finally mustered out with the remnants of his regiment, receiving his honorable discharge as first sergeant of his company, June 24, 1864. After leaving the service, with his constitution impaired, he resumed his former vocation of printer, and finally returned to Bangor, where his father had become established as a prominent physician; and here he opened a small job printing office. He became active in public affairs, taking especial interest along lines of temperance, in which cause he rendered valuable service. In January, 1881, Mr. Seavey was installed as night foreman of "The Whig and Courier" office, and a few months later, owing to the illness of the chief editor, he assumed the duties of city editor, which he continued to discharge with faithfulness and ability until prostrated by sickness. He was a very versatile and facile writer, and he was always kindly and courteous to all with whom he came in contact. For many years a resident of Bangor, he served in many public capacities, besides being active in his work for the New York and Boston newspapers. A talented public speaker, he was tireless in his endeavors for the promotion of the temperance cause, and became a leader of political thought and opinion. Long a close friend of Senator Boutelle and Vice-President Hannibal Hamlin, of Maine,

they took the "stump" in many political campaigns together. He was a member of Bangor Division, No. 14, Sons of Temperance, and also of the recently organized Bangor branch of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church Society. He was ill but a short week, and his death came as a great shock and a severe blow to his family and his friends. He had earned for himself the universal respect and esteem of his contemporaries, a most priceless legacy to those he left behind. From an obituary notice in the editorial columns of "The Whig and Courier," the paper he had edited until his illness, we quote the following: "To his associates in this office he had become greatly endeared during the past year, and none but the writer can know the keenness of the pang that we feel in tracing these words of farewell tribute to the genial, trusty, faithful assistant and friend, who was so tender and true—and whose loyal friendship never wavered for an instant."

Paul Ruggles Seavey married, May 31, 1865, Susan Antoinette Files, who was born in Gorham, Maine, November 19, 1844, daughter of Stephen and Eunice (Freeman) Files. She is a descendant of the first Files that settled in Gorham, Maine, and the old farm occupied by this pioneer in the family is still in their possession. Mrs. Seavey still survives her husband (1924), and has reached the great age of four score years. Mr. and Mrs. Seavey were the parents of two children: 1. Mary Ellen, born October 4, 1873. She married Hilard L. Fairbanks, of Bangor, and they are the parents of three children: Pauline, Henry Nathaniel, and Anna Woodworth. 2. Haller David, of whom further.

Haller David Seavey was born in Bangor, Maine, October 3, 1876, and received his education in the local schools, and later attended the University of Maine, at Orono, from which he was graduated after a three years' course, in the class of 1897. The following year he attended Cornell University, devoting one year to the study of engineering. He then became identified with the Public works Company, of Bangor, Maine, now known as the Bangor Street Railway, Light and Power Company. Continuing with this concern for three years, Mr. Seavey began as oiler and rose through various grades of responsibility to the accounting, billing and collection department. Beginning at five cents an hour, he was receiving double that amount when he left. In 1901 he became identified with the Great Northern Paper Company, at Millinocket, Maine. It was just at that time that the electrification of pulp mills was begun as a venture, and Mr. Seavey was made night foreman of the electrical department of this concern. This was still also in the day of twelve-hour shifts, and on that schedule he worked for a year. He then became identified with the General Electric Company, of Boston, in their construction department, setting up machines and installing switchboards. Coming to Greenfield in 1905, he entered the employ of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company, as general foreman, in charge of both inside and outside work. Thereafter he was made superintendent of distribution, and had charge of all construction work, maintenance of lines through the Connecticut Valley, and the selling of supplies as far south as Thompsonville, Connecticut, and as far west as Pitts-

field, Massachusetts. This placed him in charge of hundreds of workmen as well as many executives, and Mr. Seavey's cordial manner of greeting his associates won him the friendship of all, while his high integrity and eminent fair dealing gained him their unqualified respect.

A resident of Greenfield since 1905, Mr. Seavey has done much for the promotion of local welfare, and he is president of the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield; and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Greenfield Club; the Kiwanis Club, of which he is a past president; and the Greenfield Country Club. When a young man, Mr. Seavey was prominent in athletics and college sports, and he has always maintained his interest in out-of-door activities. He attends the Second Congregational Church.

Haller David Seavey married, June 28, 1905, Charlotte Davis, of Mechanics Falls, Maine, daughter of Thomas and Jennie (Peabody) Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Seavey are the parents of one daughter, Pauline June, born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, June 17, 1907.

#### REV. ANDREW THOMAS FRANCIS NOWAK

—With the spiritual guidance and direction of the colony of Polish-speaking people at Greenfield, for his pastoral charge, Rev. Father Nowak, rector of Sacred Heart Church since 1919, there continues a notable service in behalf of a community to whom he has endeared himself for his priestly devotion. Previous charges, where churches had been built for the Polish people of the Catholic faith, were marked with unfailing evidences of his zeal in church, parish, and township, and the regard both of his clerical superiors and his flock has been generously accorded him. This was particularly true when, during the World War, Father Nowak proved also to be the faithful soldier-priest, and shared equally the lot of the men in service. Father Nowak is a son of Felix and Veronica (Karzmarska) Nowak. Felix Nowak was born in Austrian Poland in 1870, and emigrated to the United States in 1888, he settled at Chicopee Falls, which at that time had but a few Polish people in its population, the colony now numbering 11,000. A mechanic of ability, Mr. Nowak also perfected himself in the language and customs of his adopted country, and obtained his education in the evening schools. He married Veronica Karzmarska, who was born in Austrian Poland in 1871, and they were the parents of Andrew Thomas Francis, of whom further.

Rev. Andrew Thomas Francis Nowak was born in Chicopee Falls, December 29, 1891, and he received his preliminary education in the Alvord School, the Church Street grammar school, and the Chicopee High School. Making special preparation for his life work, he went to Rome, Italy, September 29, 1911, and he there matriculated at the Polish Pontifical College and the Gregorian University, where he received his theological training. He was ordained to the priesthood in Rome, in March, 1916, remaining in the Holy City until August of that year. Upon his return to the United States he matriculated at the Apostolic Mission House and the Catholic

University at Washington, D. C., taking a post-graduate course at the latter institution. Before the World War service, Father Nowak became assistant pastor of Saint Peter's Church at Three Rivers, in the town of Palmer, and of Saint Stanislaus Church, at Adams. He came to Greenfield, in March, 1919, as pastor of Sacred Heart Church, where he has performed exceptionally interesting and progressive work among his people. He has missions in Winchester and Ashuelot, New Hampshire, to the advancement of which he devotes a large share of his time and attention. A man of broad guage and unusual abilities, he is held in highest esteem in the community.

Father Nowak entered the service during the World War, July 16, 1918, as chaplain, at first being assigned to Camp Custer with the 160th Depot Brigade, and later to Arcadia City, at the Army Balloon School, on the old "Lucky Baldwin" Ranch, fourteen miles from Los Angeles, California. He was one of the 1153 chaplains in active service, there being 500 commissioned that were not called. At the close of Father Nowak's service he was in receipt of very cordial personal letters of commendation and appreciation of his system from Archbishop and Chaplain Bishop Right Rev. Patrick J. Hayes, now His Eminence Cardinal Hayes. Father Nowak received his discharge from the service March 11, 1919, with the rank of first lieutenant.

**AUGUST ENSLIN**, vice-president of the General Fibre Box Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, and one of the organizers of that industry, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 28, 1879. His father was Adolph Enslein, and his mother Madeline (Eberts) Enslein.

Adolph Enslein was born in Berlin, Germany, in 1823, and died in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1881, aged fifty-eight. He came to America when he was twenty-two years old, and settled in Cincinnati, where after a time he engaged in the wholesale and retail drug business. His wife, Madeline (Eberts) Enslein, also was born in Berlin, Germany, and died in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the age of forty-eight. They were the parents of seven children: 1. Albert F., a merchant in Hartford City, Indiana; married Lulu Kissell, and they are the parents of Albert F. Kissell, Jr., and Stanley Kissell. 2. Minnie, married Casper Bohnenstill, of Nashville, Tennessee. 3. Otto, who died at the age of twenty-five years. 4. Charlie, who died at the age of thirty-six years. 5. Ida, of Hartford City, Indiana. 6. Lulu. 7. August, of further mention.

August Enslein received his education in the schools of Cincinnati. As a lad he carried water for workmen engaged in building, and acted as errand boy whenever he could find an opportunity. He was employed in a paper and stationery establishment and in a carriage factory for a short time, also in the spring works connected with the carriage factory. He tried the plumbing business for a time, and went to Brookville, Indiana, where for ten years he was foreman of a box factory. At the end of that time the Corrugated Paper Box Company of Fort Wayne, Indiana, offered him the post of general superintendent. He accepted and for the following ten years he did efficient work in that capacity.



In 1919 he came to Springfield and assisted in organizing the General Fibre Box Company for the purpose of manufacturing corrugated shipping cases. Mr. Enslin was made vice-president of the company, an office he still holds. The business occupied a fine plant in West Springfield, built for its own use a few years ago. It is near the Eastern States Exposition Grounds, and provides work for a large number of employees.

Mr. Enslin married, June 27, 1906, Edith Wright, of Laurel, Indiana, daughter of William and Indiana (Washburn) Wright. They are the parents of three children: William Harrall, born in Brookville, Indiana, April 10, 1907; Herbert, who died in infancy, and Virginia May, born at Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 15, 1916.

**WILLIAM BELTRAN du MONT**—The du Mont family traces its descent from Fernando del Monte, a Spanish soldier, born in Toledo, Spain, who emigrated to the Spanish Netherlands in 1450. The name was changed to de Mont, and after to du Mont. Besides the American, there are in existence two German (Mainz and Koln), Belgium, French and Austro-Hungarian branches. An Italian branch which had many distinguished members, and retained the name of del Monte, is now extinct. The American branch is derived from the Mainz German branch.

(I) Julius William Herman du Mont, great-grandfather of William B. du Mont and founder of the American line, was a son of Johann du Mont, grandfather of Hermes Ernest (2) du Mont, and great-grandson of Hermes Ernest du Mont of the Mainz line. He was born at Neider Ingelheim, near Mainz, Germany, in 1807, and died at Mobile, Alabama, in 1853. He emigrated from Frankfurt, Germany, at the age of twenty-three, and landed at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1830. He had then a thorough knowledge of the English language, was an enthusiastic musician, and a radical democrat in politics. It was owing to his strong political views that his family, fearing he might become involved in revolutionary schemes, sent him to the United States, and placed him in a merchant's office in Baltimore. After his marriage to Eliza Donovan, who was of Irish blood on her father's and English on her mother's side, he went to Fairfield County, Ohio, bought a tract of land, about six miles from Lancaster, its County seat, and founded a town called Dumontville in his honor. From Dumontville he moved to Logansport, Indiana, where he bought land which he greatly improved. In 1843 he made a visit to his family in Germany. On his return to the United States, he went to Fulton, near Wheeling, West Virginia, but returned to Baltimore afterwards, joined his brother Emile, at Mobile, Alabama, leaving his wife and children in Baltimore, for the education of the latter. At Dumontville and Logansport he was in the general merchandise business, and at Mobile was a cotton buyer. At last, having profited by many years of experience, he was on the point of achieving success, when death ended his career in 1853.

He married, at Baltimore, Maryland, Eliza Donovan, and their children were: 1. Alphonso, of whom further. 2. Clara Virginia, born in Logansport, Indiana, in 1838. 3. Veronica, born in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1840. 4.

John Emile, born on high seas, 1843. 5. Bertha, born at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1846. 6. Julius Herman, born at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1848.

(II) Alphonso du Mont, son of Julius William Herman and Eliza (Donovan) du Mont, was born at Dumontville, Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1836, and died at Lake Charles, Louisiana, in 1920, aged eighty-four years. He married, April 23, 1861, Josephine Bunker, and their children were: 1. Robert Bernhard, born at Brussels, Belgium, in 1862. 2. Charles Sise, of whom further. 3. Edgar Rollins, born near Permambuco, Brazil, in 1868. 4. Lina, born at Mobile Alabama, in 1870. 5. Alfred Bunker, born at Mobile, Alabama, in 1873.

(III) Charles Sise du Mont, son of Alphonse and Josephine (Bunker) du Mont, was born at Neuwied-on-the-Rhine, Germany, July 30, 1863. He married (first) at Montgomery, Alabama, April 29, 1885, Mary Rush Jones. She died in 1903. He married (second), at Pasadena, California, May 4, 1906, Katherine Janet Adams. Children of the first marriage: 1. Horatio Sanderson, (q. v.). 2. Rubie Douglas, born at Montgomery, Alabama, June 18, 1888. 3. William Beltram, of whom further. Child of the second marriage: 4. Katherine Janet, born at Deming, New Mexico, December 24, 1907.

(IV) William Beltran du Mont, son of Charles Sise and Mary Rush (Jones) du Mont, was born in Sheffield, Alabama, May 6, 1892.

**HORATIO SANDERSON du MONT**—Though born in Alabama, Horatio Sanderson du Mont has been a resident of Greenfield, Massachusetts, since boyhood. An account of the family is given in the preceding sketch.

(IV) Horatio Sanderson du Mont, son of Charles Sise and Mary Rush (Jones) du Mont, was born in Mobile, Alabama, January 20, 1886. He received his earliest education in the public schools of Buffalo, New York, but removed to Greenfield, Massachusetts, while still a boy and completed his school training in the Greenfield public schools. As soon as his school days were over he found employment in the silver shop of Greenfield and in that line of activity he continued for some fifteen years. He is now living retired in Greenfield. He is well known and highly esteemed in Greenfield, and holds membership in the Greenfield Club and in the Country Club.

Horatio Sanderson du Mont married, May 19, 1910, Leila Atkinson Washburn, of Greenfield, daughter of William Nelson and Jennie (Daniels) Washburn, and granddaughter of the Hon. William Barrett Washburn, ex-Governor of Massachusetts. Mrs. du Mont is a descendant of John Washburn, the immigrant ancestor, through his son John; his son Joseph; his son Joseph; his son Elijah; his son Elijah (2), who was a soldier and colonel in the Revolutionary War; his son Asa; his son Hon. William Barrett Washburn, L. L. D. Horatio Sanderson and Leila Atkinson (Washburn) du Mont are the parents of two children: 1. William Washburn, born October 7, 1911. 2. John Sanderson, born October 5, 1919.

Hon. William Barrett Washburn was born in Winchendon, Massachusetts, January 31, 1820, and died October 5, 1887. He was a graduate of Yale College



(1844); engaged in the manufacturing business in Greenfield, where he made his home; was president of the Greenfield Bank in 1859; elected to the Massachusetts State Senate in 1850; member of the House of Representatives in 1859; nominated as Republican candidate for Congress and had unusual and unprecedented favor of being elected by unanimous vote; was reelected biennially to 1872, when he resigned to become Governor of Massachusetts; was twice reelected Governor; was United States Senator in 1874-75, filling the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Hon. Charles Sumner; was trustee of Yale College, Smith College, and of Massachusetts Agricultural College. His son, William Nelson Washburn, was Mrs. du Mont's father, as indicated above.

**GEORGE LINCOLN WILLIS**—It is almost a decade since George Lincoln Willis came to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and since then he has closely identified himself in various ways with the life of the community. Not alone in a business capacity, in which he has had important influence in the progress and development of one of the outstanding business establishments of this town, but also in the civic advancement, in fraternal affairs, in the progressive club life of the section, and in church affairs, he has been keenly interested; and his energy, which he has given in abundance in all of these various activities, has been an impetus towards a deeper and broader upbuilding of their activities.

Mr. Willis is a native of the State of Massachusetts, and his family is undoubtedly of English extraction, the surname Willis being one of those early derived from the locality where the family resided, in this case meaning "at the Willows" or according to Bardsley, the authority, meaning "one who lived by a clump or stretch of willow trees." The name was used as a surname as early as 1579, when a marriage license was recorded in London of a "William Willowes." The spelling of the name became changed with the passage of time, until we have it to-day as Willis.

George Lincoln Willis was born in Framingham, Massachusetts, September 7, 1862, son of George B. and Emma I. (Moore) Willis, both natives of Massachusetts. The son received his education in the Brimmer School of Boston, Massachusetts, and on the completion of his studies, entered the business world, becoming in time a commercial salesman, which he followed for a period of thirty-two years. He was very successful in his field, and gained a broad experience that has stood him in good stead, especially since he has taken over the management of the Wallace Company Department Store of Pittsfield. This he did on November 21, 1915, when he came to Pittsfield as manager of this establishment, and which has since that time under his supervision greatly expanded, and increased in both its business and its personnel. Mr. Willis during his many years as a salesman developed a keen business judgment, which added to his vision and foresight, make him a very valuable man in the position of trust which he occupies. He is an able executive, and his services in this commercial capacity, have won for him the high esteem of his fellow citizens. He is active in many ways for the upbuilding of the section; is a Republican in his politics, and in his fraternal affili-

ation is a member of Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He also belongs to the Onota Lodge of Perfection, and his clubs are the Park Club, of which he was President during 1922-1923; and the Shire City Club. In his religious connection Mr. Willis is a member of the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Mr. George Lincoln Willis married February 22, 1887, at Medford, Massachusetts, Abbey Lane, daughter of John and Emily Lane, and they are the parents of two children: Gordon L., born May 21, 1891, and Marion, born January 10, 1894.

**THE WARNER FAMILY**—Members of the Warner family were early comers to New England, from England. They were among the pioneers who subdued the land, and their successors of the name have been prominent authors, lawyers, and political favorites as well as men in other honorable walks of life. The particular family about to be described has lived from early days within the State of Massachusetts, and has had its share in the development of that commonwealth.

(I) William Warner, immigrant ancestor, born in England, came to Massachusetts, in 1637, and was one of the earlier settlers of Ipswich. It is supposed that he died before 1648. There is record of the following children: Daniel; John, of whom further; and a daughter, who became the wife of Thomas Wells.

(II) John Warner, son of William Warner, was born about 1616, and may have come from England with his father, although some authorities say he was the John Warner who embarked in 1635 from London on board the "Increase" at the age of twenty years. Upon the destruction of Brookfield, where he resided, he removed to Hadley, where his son Mark had previously settled, and probably died there. In 1655 he married Priscilla, daughter of Mark Symonds, of Brookfield. She was his second wife, as he had several children recorded before that date. His children were: Samuel, Mark, John, Nathaniel, Joseph, Mehitabel, Daniel, Eleazer and Priscilla. John Warner gave his real and personal property to his sons Mark, Nathaniel, and Eleazer.

(III) Mark Warner, son of John Warner, was born in Ipswich about 1645-6. He settled in Hadley about 1670, and in 1687 moved to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he died in 1738. He married (first), December 8, 1671, Abigail, daughter of Richard Montague. She died February 6, 1705, and he married (second), in 1713, Mary Root of Westfield, who died in 1732. By his first wife he had two children: Abigail, who married Charles Ferry, of Springfield, and Mark, of whom further.

(IV) Mark (2) Warner, son of Mark (1) and Abigail (Montague) Warner, was born February 20, 1678, at Hadley, and died August 3, at Northampton, Massachusetts. In 1746, when the citizens of Northampton decided to build "mounts and fortifications" against the raids of the Indians, one of these defences was built near the house of Mark Warner. On April 16, 1701, he married Lydia Phelps, who died in 1765, aged eighty-three years. Their children were: Lydia, Abigail, Elizabeth, Mehitabel, Downing, Mark, Mary, Daniel, of whom further; Naomi, Elisha and Lucy.

(V) Daniel Warner, third son of Mark (2) and Lydia



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*John F. Warner*

(Phelps) Warner, was born about 1717, and lived in Northampton all his life. He died in 1804 and the house in which he lived was burned in 1790. He married Jemima, daughter of Samuel Wright, and they had a son Joseph, and probably other children. Daniel Warner took part in the expedition against Louisburg, and was a soldier in the Revolution. His children were: Esther, Abigail, Joseph, of whom further; Daniel, Jemima, Naomi, and Susanna.

(VI) Joseph Warner, son of Daniel and Jemima (Wright) Warner, was born in 1751, died April 15, 1836. In 1775 he married Jerusha Edwards, and she died in 1833, aged seventy-four years. Their children were: Oliver, Solomon, Eliza, Jerusha, Sarah, Joseph, of whom further; Seth, Moses and Miriam, twins, Aaron and John.

(VII) Joseph Warner, son of Joseph and Jerusha (Edwards) Warner, was born June 4, 1789, died November 8, 1840. He lived with his father on the old homestead, which contained some three hundred acres. He was a selectman several years and represented the town in the General Court. On October 17, 1814, he married Nancy Warner, born July 28, 1814, died April 23, 1868. Their children were: Joseph, who was a silk manufacturer and was associated for a time with the late William Skinner, under the firm name of Warner & Skinner, silk manufacturers; Eliza; Mary Hodge; John; Nancy Edwards, who became the first wife of William Skinner; and John Flavel.

(VIII) John Flavel Warner, son of Joseph and Nancy (Warner) Warner, was born in Florence, Massachusetts, May 24, 1828, died March 12, 1897. He always lived on the ancestral acres and was a farmer and tobacco grower. He owned the land where the Federal Hospital now stands. He served on the board of selectmen, and represented the town in the State Legislature for three years. He married (first), November 12, 1851, Harriet Leigh, born in London, England, November 28, 1827, died October 25, 1879, daughter of Lewis and Ann Leigh. He married (second) in 1883, Esther Chase (Hayward) Warner, daughter of Elijah and Sophia Moore Hayward, and widow of Lewis Henry Warner. The children by the first marriage were: 1. John L., a sketch of whom follows. 2. Harriet Blanche, who married Charles S. Palmer. 3. Arthur Sowerby, of whom further. 4. Sidney Joseph, who married Bessie Smith, and they have a daughter, Harriet Leigh, who married Leigh Hoadley. 5. Annie Eliza, deceased. 6. Mary Miner, who married John Peltz Eustis, and they have had three children: Hilda, deceased; Warner and Grant Blessing. 7. Charles Strong Warner, born September 21, 1866, who is in the office of his brother, John L. Warner, tax collector of Northampton. Charles Strong Warner married, November 30, 1895, Pearl Luther, and they have three children: John Luther, Leigh, and Arthur Sidney Warner.

(IX) Arthur Sowerby Warner, son of John Flavel and Harriet (Leigh) Warner, representing the ninth generation, was born in Florence, Massachusetts, April 13, 1855. He was educated in the schools of Florence and the Northampton High School. When seventeen years of age he went into the First National Bank of Northampton to work under President Hale. He re-

mained in the bank nine years and was later book-keeper. He left and went with William Skinner, silk manufacturer, to the Chicago office, where he worked as book-keeper for six months, when he went on the road for Mr. Skinner and traveled from 1880 until 1889. He was the first man to go west of Chicago for the company, and covered St. Louis, Omaha, Denver, St. Paul, and Minneapolis. After 1889 Mr. Warner came to New York as manager of the office of the Skinner Silk Company in that city, where he remained until 1920, when he resigned after a service of nearly forty years with the company. In 1912 Mr. Warner built his present residence in Florence on land which had been in the Warner family for more than two hundred years, and to which he has deeds dating back to 1714. Mr. Warner sold to the government for a nominal sum the land upon which is built the Federal Hospital, on Bear Hill. He still owns a large acreage, a portion of which he has under intensive cultivation. The Mill River flood, of 1874, in which one hundred and thirty-six lives were lost, stands out very clearly in Mr. Warner's memory, for it left dead bodies and debris over his father's farm, through which the stream ran. Mr. Warner is a member of the New England Society of New York; of the Union League Club of New York; and of the Manhattan Club of New York.

On April 6, 1896, Mr. Warner married Bessie Hayward Warner, of Hadley, Massachusetts, daughter of Lewis Henry and Esther Chase (Hayward) Warner. Mrs. Warner's line comes down from (1) William Warner; (2) John Warner; (3) Mark Warner; (4) Mark Warner; (5) Mark Warner; (6) Jonathan Warner; (7) Ebenezer Warner; (8) Almond Warner, who married Sarah Mariah Coddington; (9) Lewis Henry Warner, who married Esther Chase Hayward. Lewis Henry Warner was a dealer in grain and feed in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, and died in 1881, aged thirty-seven years. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and served two years in the State Legislature from Hampshire County. His children were: 1. Bessie Hayward, who married Arthur S. Warner. 2. Louise, who died aged four years. 3. Louis Henry, an attorney in Washington, District of Columbia, who married Carolyn Halsey Eichelberger.

Mrs. Arthur Sowerby Warner is a member of the Mayflower Society, being a descendant of Francis Cooke, John Alden and Priscilla Mullins, and is also eligible to membership in the Huguenot Society through Hester Mahiev, the wife of Francis Cooke.

**JOHN LEIGH WARNER**—A descendant of one of the older families in New England, and a brother of Arthur Sowerby Warner, a sketch of whom appears in this volume, John Leigh Warner was born in Florence, Massachusetts, November 7, 1852, a son of John Flavel and Harriet (Leigh) Warner.

John Leigh Warner comes in a direct line from William Warner, the immigrant ancestor of the family who was born in England and came to Massachusetts in 1637, being one of the early settlers of Ipswich in that State. John Warner, the son of William Warner, is said by some authorities to have embarked from England in 1635 with others of the Pilgrims in the ship "Increase"



at the age of twenty years, Mark Warner, representing the fourth generation of the family, had his house in Northampton near where the citizens built "mounts and fortifications" against the raids of the Indians. Daniel Warner, who represented the next generation, took part in the expedition against Louisburg, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

Thus John Leigh Warner came from the hardy race that played a vital part in the early history of New England. He, of a modern generation, was educated in the public schools and followed farming on his paternal acres, handed down from other generations, until he was thirty years of age. For a time after he left the farm he was employed in a silk mill, but his trend was toward politics, and he has been active in that phase of public life ever since he embraced it, serving in the city council of Northampton, and having fulfilled the duties of collector of taxes in that city for the remarkable period of thirty-six years, an office he still holds. He is also clerk of the Northampton Sewer Commission. He is an attendant at the First Church of Northampton.

On December 12, 1883, Mr. Warner married Mary Isabella Dawson, of Williamsburg, Massachusetts, daughter of Rollins L. and Jane Elizabeth (Lewis) Dawson. Mrs. Warner's father was a manufacturer of gold pens in Haydenville, Massachusetts, and a member of the firm of Dawson, Hyde & Company.

**REV. WILLIAM THOMAS FINNERAN**—The distinguished rector of St. James' Roman Catholic Church, of South Deerfield, Rev. William Thomas Finneran is a representative figure in the progress of the church and stands for those principles and ideals which in all ages and all nations, work for advance. In the old Bay State, the history of the church is coincidental with the history of pioneer effort and later achievement, for the early representatives of the church came to the wilds of the unsettled country along with the merchant, the trader and the manufacturer. In every phase of American advance the church has inspired men to faithful performance of duty and lofty endeavor and no less in the present day than in the history of the past, the church stands preëminent. In the life and activities of Father Finneran this pioneer work has been repeated and the subsequent leadership has been exemplified. His coming to South Deerfield gave to this parish a man of devoted spirit and wide experience.

Thomas Finneran, Father Finneran's father, was born in Athlone, Ireland, in 1823, and coming to America as a young man at an early day, he settled in Worcester, where he was employed in an iron foundry until his death. He was an upright man of lofty integrity, esteemed by all with whom he came in contact and his passing in 1888, at the age of sixty-five years was a loss to the community. The mother, Catherine Finneran, died in 1887, at the age of sixty-three years. They were the parents of five children: Elizabeth, wife of Daniel Donovan; William T., of whom further; Andrew, residing in Worcester, who married and had two sons and four daughters, one of the sons being a priest at Brookfield; Nora, wife of William Lewis, of Chicago; and Mary, wife of Theodore Brannigan, of Chicago.

Father Finneran was born in Worcester May 2, 1859.

His education was begun in the local public schools and later attending Holy Cross College, he went to Montreal, Canada, for his course in theology and philosophy and there was ordained to the priesthood, December 20, 1884. Returning to Worcester thereafter, he was appointed to St. John's Church of that city as assistant pastor, serving until 1893, when he was made pastor of St. Ann's Church in Southborough. Presiding over this parish for twelve years, Father Finneran developed it to a large degree, increasing the members of the parish and beautifying and improving the church property. He was then transferred to Mt. St. Vincent, in Holyoke, where he continued for several years, when he was called to Kentucky as chaplain of St. Joseph's College. There he served until April of 1923, when he was appointed to St. James' Church in South Deerfield. His work in this parish is already counting definitely for the growth and development of the church, both in a material and spiritual sense and Father Finneran has won the esteem and confidence of the entire community, regardless of religious beliefs. The organizations of the church are prospering under his leadership. He is giving his name broad significance to the community and inspiring his flock to ever higher attainment.

**H. NEILL WILSON**—The stamp of the work of the gifted individual in the province of architecture invariably leaves its enduring impression upon the mind of the attentive passer-by, and the distinguishing features of the architect's achievement is always thereafter mentally typed. Such a quality of excellence and of personal values is an endowment of the product of H. Neill Wilson, whose architectural triumphs have become lasting evidence and a monument to his creative power, as is witnessed in structures of a most interesting variety throughout the country. It is to the finely wrought skill of such a man that we owe evidences of the continuous progress of the builders and the designers unto the style and the manner that are typically American, though the contributing work of each individual remains peculiarly his own. Throughout his life, Mr. Wilson has been a member of the school of the prophets and the workers in architecture, whether as pupil or as teacher. He sat at the feet of his father in his own home, and there first became instilled with the beauties of the science; thereafter, he learned from architects of even greater fame the increasing wonders and possibilities of the plan of house and temple, of church and of hostelry, and now his own accomplishment inclusive of a period of forty years indelibly registers both the results of these inculcations and influences, and his own mental processes in that sphere.

Mr. Wilson is a son of James K. Wilson, an architect of prominence, and of Virginia (Keys) Wilson. Mr. Wilson, the grandfather, of whom it is recorded that he built the first three-story structure in Cincinnati, Ohio, was descendant of ancestors who were original owners of most of the territory now covered by that city.

H. Neill Wilson was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 1, 1855, and there he received his education in grammar, high and preparatory schools. Quite naturally his first inclinations toward his life career were received within the presents of his own home; but aside from that, and

for the broadening of his views and vision, he began the study of the science at first in the office of Isaiah Rogers, and later with William Tindsley, these being architects of renown in their time. Mr. Wilson then sought and found opportunity for the development of his gifts, and he opened an office in his own name at Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was in 1885 that he removed to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and since that time he has performed an abundance of work of high quality that has brought to him a large degree of preferment, and given him distinguished place in his field. An enumeration of the larger items of Mr. Wilson's work will again recall to the mind of many who dwell in the neighborhood of these structures the interesting facts of their architectural source. The State Normal School, at North Adams, Massachusetts, was designed by Mr. Wilson, as were also the Cheshire Shoe Factory, Cheshire, this State, the Congregational Church at Dalton, the Wendell Hotel at Pittsfield, the Shadowbrook at Lenox, and the Ten Eyck Hotel at Albany, New York. The Shadowbrook at Lenox, this State, is known as one of the most palatial and attractive of rural residences, and it is designated as a peerless structure of its type. Besides these, there are numerous banking, ecclesiastical and other institutional structures to his credit, such as the Hoosac Savings Bank and Unitarian Church of North Adams; Mercy Hospital and Old Ladies' Home at Pittsfield; the Town Hall, Public Library, Episcopal and Congregational Churches at Dalton; the Episcopal Chapter House at Lanesboro; the Rockwood Potteries, and C. W. Proctor's residence at Cincinnati, Ohio; the Casino and the Public Library at Glendale, Ohio; Okatee Club, one of the best known club houses in South Carolina; and many fine residences in the cities and the rural districts of the United States.

Mr. Wilson's fraternal affiliations are with Crescent Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Chapter, No. 320, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Council, Royal and Select Masters; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston, life membership with the Boston Consistory Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He was elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1887; is a member of the Park and the Country Clubs of Pittsfield, and of the Pittsfield Golf Club in charter membership.

Mr. Wilson married, in 1882, Olivia G. Lovell, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

**HAROLD MEAD PARSONS**—The high standard of the methods in use among the leading light and power company plants of Western Massachusetts, and their practical efficiency as allies in city and corporation business, are maintained through the expert management of such capable officials as Mr. Parsons who, as general manager of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company, directs a broad range of electrical interests whose headquarters are at Palmer. Both as a construction and consulting engineer, Mr. Parsons has the experience of exact and highly satisfactory direction of the light and power interests of electrical plants that are unrivalled in New England for equipment and capacity. He is

prominent in Palmer's educational and industrial affairs, and is a highly regarded associate of the many organizations of which he is a member. Of an old New York State ancestry, he is the son of Frank William Parsons, who was general manager of the Eastern and Southern Despatch Railroad, who died in 1924, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and of Mary T. (Turner) Parsons.

Harold Mead Parsons was born May 12, 1885, at Oswego, New York, and with the removal of his parents to Rochester, he attended the public schools there for three years, and with their residence in Baltimore, Maryland, he attended the public and the high schools there, where he graduated at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute with the class of 1903. He was then given charge of the preparation of statistical charts of the United States Government Bureau of Labor at the St. Louis, Missouri, Exposition. In 1905 he matriculated at the University of Pennsylvania with the class of 1909. In 1909 he secured a position with the firm of Stone & Webster, at Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and with the Woonsocket Electric Machine and Power Company, where for three years he had charge of that firm's work of inside wiring. Mr. Parsons then came to Massachusetts, where he accepted a position with the Union Light and Power Company, of Franklin, as their construction engineer, and with whom he remained two years. In 1912, he removed to Palmer, and became associated with the Central Massachusetts Electric Company in the capacity of general manager; and the same year he was also appointed manager of the Ware Electric Company. In 1914, he was also given the general management of the Worcester Suburban Electric Company, of Uxbridge, and was made consulting engineer for the Southern Berkshire Power and Electric Company, and in 1916 that of the Winchendon Light and Power Company. Mr. Parsons is also trustee and treasurer of the Birnie Sand and Gravel Company; and he has been chairman of the Palmer School Board since 1922.

Mr. Parsons' professional and business associations are those of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World; American Society of Agricultural Engineers; Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts; National Illuminating Engineering Society; National Electric Light Association; and the Palmer Business Men's Club. His fraternal affiliations are with Thomas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Sigma Nu Fraternity; and he is a member of the Palmer Rotary Club; Springfield Automobile Club; Quaboag Country Club, of Monson; Ludlow Country Club; and Cohasset Country Club, of Southbridge. His religious faith is that of the Christian Science.

Harold Mead Parsons married, November 28, 1912, at Chicago, Illinois, Julia Harriet McElroy, daughter of John A. and Lillian R. (Jones) McElroy; they are the parents of two children: Harold Mead, Jr., born December 15, 1913; and Julia Charlotte, born April 12, 1915.

**ROBERT HENRY ANDERSON**—Service in the Mexican Border campaign of 1916, followed by service in the World War with the rank of captain, rendered by Robert Henry Anderson of Orange, Massachusetts,



has been followed with service to his home town in the capacity of treasurer, in which office he now is passing his fifth year. The citizens of Orange, are as a rule, given to making generous recognition of the valor and value of their fellows' deeds of war or in times of peace. They were, therefore, following their natural bent when they decided by popular vote to place their financial affairs in the hands of a native son, who had proved his worth as a member of the community and in the rank and file of the military forces of the country.

Robert Henry Anderson was born in Orange, November 5, 1880, the son of Henry D. and Althea D. Anderson. His father, a native of Hatfield. The mother was born in Whately. The son, Robert Henry, obtained his education in the local public schools, concluding with a course in the high school. He entered the employ of the New Home Sewing Machine Company at Orange, and remained with that concern for eighteen years. He was also employed by the Minute Tapioca Company. When the United States government sent the American Punitive Expedition to the Mexican Border in an effort to capture the notorious bandit chieftain Villa in 1916, Mr. Anderson was a first lieutenant of Company E of Orange, then a unit of the old 2d Massachusetts Regiment of Infantry, and was in command of Truck Train No. 14 and engaged in carrying supplies into Mexico. When the government entered the World War, the old 2d Massachusetts was merged in the 104th United States Infantry of the 26th Division. From the 104th he was transferred to the 5th Regiment of Pioneers, and was promoted to captain on August 5, 1917, being assigned to duty in Spartanburg, South Carolina. He was honorably discharged from the service February 8, 1918. In 1919 he was recommissioned as captain in the 104th Infantry, Massachusetts National Guard, and is still in command of The Howitzer Company of the 104th Regiment.

Captain Anderson was elected town clerk and treasurer of Orange in April, 1921, and so ably has he administered the financial matters of the municipality that he has been successfully chosen to succeed himself, he still being the incumbent of that highly responsible office.

Captain Anderson is affiliated with the Orange Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, with Lodge No. 182, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a Past Noble Grand, with Fall Hill Encampment of the same order, and with the Improved Order of Red Men, of which he is a Past Sachem.

Captain Anderson married, April 6, 1910, Fannie Jefferies, daughter of William and Mary Jefferies. They have two children: Robert H., Jr., and Reid Jefferies.

**CHARLES HIRAM SAWYER**—By experience, training and temperament there probably was no man in the Connecticut Valley if, indeed, there was in all the government service, who was better prepared to be postmaster of Northampton, the capital of Hampshire County, than was Charles Hiram Sawyer, who was elevated to that office after he had given service in all the subordinate grades, covering a period of nearly forty years, or, to be exact, thirty-five years of continuous service, of which that entire period had been passed as the assistant postmaster. He received his appointment

from his distinguished fellow townsman, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, who was highly gratified by the opportunity afforded to place his mark of approval upon the record, unsullied and marked with faithfulness, loyalty and thoroughness, of this patient and popular official, who all those years had bided the time when he might reap the reward of his labors; though not too often is a deserving and qualified subordinate advanced to the office of postmaster, which, it is to be found, still is a football of politics, even when the matter of appointment is seemingly safeguarded through a loosely-working civil service code. The President struck a popular chord when he promoted Mr. Sawyer to the senior position in the spring of 1924, and the appointee, as was to be expected, has measured fully up to the exacting demands of the people of that center of culture and refinement.

The Sawyer family in England was prominent, and the branch residing in County Berks bore arms similar to those residing in counties Cambridge and Norfolk, differing only in slight details. Burke records a third entirely different coat-of-arms for Sawyer of Kettering, County Northampton, showing as principal charge three gold escallops on a red pale. The coat-of-arms emblazoned herewith is as recorded by Burke for the Sawyer family of Berks County, and by Matthews for the American branch of the family:

Arms—Azure, a fess chequy or and sable between three seapies argent.

Crest—A talbot guardant proper.

Motto—Cherches et tu trouveras.

John Sawyer, a farmer of Lincolnshire, England, was the father of three sons, who left their native land to make their homes in America. These three brothers, William, Edward and Thomas, left England on a ship commanded by Captain Parker, and settled in Massachusetts about 1636. From these three brothers descendants are to be found in various parts of the country, and it is very probable that Jonathan Sawyer, who represents the first member of our line, of whom definite record is found, was a descendant of one of these.

(I) Jonathan Sawyer, the first member of this direct line of whom definite record is found, was born in 1751. He came to live in Hancock, New Hampshire, in 1782, and died there March 14, 1812. He married Isabella Grimes, who was born in 1749, and died July 14, 1832. Their children were: Jonathan; Rhoda; Daniel; Josiah; Nathaniel; Abel, of whom further; Rhoda (2); Henry; and Polly.

(II) Abel Sawyer, son of Jonathan and Isabella (Grimes) Sawyer, was born in Hancock, New Hampshire, January 18, 1785, and died there July 30, 1860. He married, November 15, 1807, Elizabeth Goodhue, born November 17, 1788, died March 1, 1863. Their children were: Lucy; Charles; Leonard, of whom further; Eme-line; Elizabeth; Wallace; and Arville.

(III) Leonard Sawyer, son of Abel and Elizabeth (Goodhue) Sawyer, was born in Hancock, New Hampshire, November 6, 1814, and died in South Dakota. He was a farmer in New Hampshire, Vermont, and South Dakota. He married (first) Sarah Davis; (second) Betsey Hazeltine, and (third) Abigail Spaulding. Sarah (Davis) Sawyer, his first wife, was born in Hancock,





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New Hampshire, December 21, 1814, and died May 24, 1863. She was the mother of his children. Issue: Walter G.; Hiram E., of whom further; Lydia Adaline; and Caroline Elizabeth.

(IV) Hiram E. Sawyer, son of Leonard and Sarah (Davis) Sawyer, was born in Hancock, New Hampshire, February 19, 1840, and died in Northampton, March 9, 1910. He lived in Vermont for a time, and was postmaster in Jamaica, Vermont, for several years. In 1872 he went to Northampton and lived in that city until his death, for many years having supervision of the carpenter work on the old Connecticut River (now a part of the Boston & Maine system) Railroad. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, having joined that order when he lived in Vermont; and was a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Northampton. His religious affiliation was with the Edwards Church, of Northampton. He married Clara E. Aldrich, born in Shrewsbury, Vermont, in 1843, died March 11, 1904, a daughter of George and Melissa (Wilder) Aldrich. To them were born the following children: 1. George W., who was killed in an accident on a railroad; he left two children, Mabel and Grace, the mother now living in Northampton with her daughters. 2. Charles Hiram, of this review.

(V) Charles Hiram Sawyer, son of Hiram E. and Clara E. (Aldrich) Sawyer, was born in Jamaica, Vermont, December 14, 1868. When he was four years of age his parents removed with him to Northampton. He attended the public schools of that city, and a private school. It was while he was a student that he was appointed clerk in the post office by Postmaster L. W. Joy, to succeed Edward A. Lord, resigned. When Arthur Watson succeeded Mr. Joy as postmaster in 1887, the office was moved from No. 161 Main Street, across that street to the corner of Old South and Main streets, and free delivery was established. Mr. Sawyer was appointed assistant postmaster in 1889, having served in his preceding position as clerk since he was seventeen years of age. In 1904 he was appointed a member of the Civil Service Board and succeeded himself as assistant postmaster during the administrations of L. L. Campbell, Arthur F. Nutting and Perry Brown, whose term expired June 4, 1924. Mr. Brown had been appointed postmaster in 1915 by President Woodrow Wilson. Mr. Sawyer's confirmation as postmaster came in season for him to assume the duties of the office in June, 1924. During his connection with the office the force has grown from three to forty-four and the gross receipts from \$16,000 to \$154,000 a year.

As may be correctly gathered, Mr. Sawyer is a Republican. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club; the Northampton Chamber of Commerce; a member, of which he was the first president, of the Hampshire Sportsmen's Club, formerly known as the Northampton Rod and Gun Club; a member of the Northampton Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; and of the Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 997. He is a member of the Edwards Church of Northampton.

Mr. Sawyer married, January 9, 1889, Clara Angie Mills, of Unionville, Connecticut, a daughter of Edward M. and Angeline (Tiffany) Mills. To them was born a

daughter, Corinne Constance, September 4, 1895; she married George Lawrence Bliss, of Mount Vernon, New York, third vice-president of the Franklin Savings Institution, of New York City, and they have one son, George Donald Bliss, born August 27, 1923.

**LINWOOD E. HEWITT**—Born and bred in the neighborhood of some of the most thoroughgoing and successful electric lighting and power establishments in Massachusetts, Mr. Hewitt gave his earliest attention to their methods and processes of operation, and joining his interests with certain of the leading electric lighting and power companies in the larger cities and towns in the western part of the State, his active association has always been therewith, for the most part in official capacity. In the management and the financial department of the Greenfield and the Turners Falls Companies he has displayed executive and directive abilities commensurate with the requirements of the completely modernized plant.

He is a son of Elmer A. and Alice (Deming) Hewitt, born at North Adams October 4, 1879, and received his education in the public schools of his birthplace. He then entered the employ of the Windsor Company at North Adams, remaining with that company for about four years, later associated with the Arnold Print Works until 1910. He removed to Greenfield in 1910, and held the position of office manager and assistant treasurer of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company from 1910 to 1920; and meantime he was elected assistant treasurer of the Turners Falls Power & Electric Company in 1920, so continuing to the present. He is treasurer of the Turners Falls Building Loan Association, and a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons and Greenfield Lodge of Perfection at Greenfield.

Mr. Hewitt married, August 19, 1898, at Hoosick Falls, New York, Ida M. Nelson, a daughter of Wallace C. Nelson, and they are the parents of Howard N. and Dorothy M. Hewitt.

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Wallace Chester Nelson, father of Mrs. Hewitt, was born January 20, 1821, at Florida, Massachusetts, was a grandson of the original settler of that town and he inherited many of the rugged characteristics of that ancestor, Dr. Daniel Nelson. The latter came from Suffield on horseback in 1783, and settled on the Deerfield River, in the southeastern part of the State, and for forty years he was toll-gate keeper across the mountains. He was the first white man to settle in the town of Florida and there he built a log house that eventually was destroyed by fire. The following interesting account of the Nelson family appeared in a newspaper in 1913:

The doctor has served with distinction as a surgeon in the Revolutionary War, and after his removal to Florida practiced his profession around the countryside for miles. His familiarity with herbs and their curative qualities was remarkable, and was in a large measure inherited by his grandson. Wallace Chester Nelson's fame for healing the sick spread around the district, and he was often summoned, even at night, to attend some sick neighbor or acquaintance. It is related of him that he would take a lantern and go out into the fields at night to search for a particular herb that he thought would prove beneficial to sick persons



who had sent for him. Some of his grandfather's prescriptions were well known to him, and he often recommended them to others.

Wallace Chester Nelson, when a young man was driver of the six-horse stage that made trips over Hoosac Mountain, and during his long service he had many a thrilling experience with would-be robbers, but his quickness of wit and his strength of physique always stood him in good stead. Many distinguished persons often rode in his coach and he interested his hearers by the hour relating his adventures and experiences of the early days of North Adams and Florida. The completion of the Hoosac Tunnel put an end to the stage route, and Mr. Nelson went into comparative retirement at the time. His children were: George O. Nelson of Florida; Mrs. George Wesley Kentfield, of Whitingham, Vermont; Mrs. Grace Hutchinson, of Whitingham, Vermont; Mrs. Anna Deming, of Whitingham, Vermont; Mrs. Linwood E. Hewitt, of Turners Falls; and a stepson, James Biron, of New Haven, Connecticut. Mr. Nelson died in 1913, in his ninety-second year.

**ARTHUR W. PLUMB**—One of the most widely known men of the Berkshire hills is Arthur W. Plumb, the genial and popular proprietor of the Maplewood Hotel. The historic house, of which for thirty-seven years he has been the owner. It is a place of countless associations and the fine old dignity of a hospitality which held a personal note, one that is not possible in the rush and hurry of the present day. Mr. Plumb stands for the best in hotel management and entertainment and few, indeed, are the tourists who have visited New England without stopping at this house. Mr. Plumb is a member of an old and honored New England family and a son of Henry L. and Frances (Seymour) Plumb, for many years residences of this State.

Arthur W. Plumb was born in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, April 18, 1853. His education was received in the public schools of his birthplace. From an early age he has worked tirelessly and incessantly, permitting no opportunity of usefulness to escape him and winning the goodly measure of success which he now enjoys solely by his own efforts. A resident of Pittsfield for many years, he was active in hotel affairs for a considerable period before investing his savings in the present enterprise. Naturally well fitted for work of this kind, open minded and gifted with a congenial spirit which makes friends among all classes, the most significant period of the history of the Maplewood Hotel began when Mr. Plumb took over the interest. Located at the corner of North Street and Maplewood Avenue, convenient to the business district of the city, yet in the edge of the most attractive residential section, the wide spreading, many gabled roof of this hotel is shaded by magnificent elms of great age and the attractive grounds which surround the fine building give it dignity and charm. Under Mr. Plumb's management great improvements have been made in the property and additions have been made to the buildings which in recent years have been completely modernized. Still the old atmosphere of homelike hospitality has been preserved and except for the extent of the building and the numbers of people constantly coming and going, it is difficult for a guest to realize that

he is stopping at a public house. Many famous personages have been guests in this hotel in times past and the city has been honored in the lofty ideals which have always been maintained by its host. The Maplewood Hotel is one of the largest and most widely known hotels in the famous Berkshire hills and is probably one of the oldest.

With the true loyalty of spirit of the citizen who is glad to promote local interests, Mr. Plumb has invested his surplus earnings from time to time in Pittsfield interests. He is now a large property holder and in his management of his various properties he contributes definitely to the growth and development of the city. He has long been sought by financial executives in advisory capacity or as an associate and has for some years been president of the Pittsfield Coöperative Bank. He is vice-president of the City Savings Bank and a stockholder in many local interests. President of the Hillcrest Hospital; also president of the New American Hotel Company and is a member of the New York, New England and Massachusetts Hotel associations. Every civic interest or benevolent cause enlists his sympathies. Mr. Plumb is a member of the Park Club and the Pittsfield Country Club, while his chief recreation is travel. He spends his winters in Florida, ordinarily, and has toured by motor through many of the most famous sections of the United States. He is a member of the Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church.

Arthur W. Plumb married Nellie Duprey, and they are the parents of one child: Frances Jossetts, educated in a convent of New York City.

**PAUL PETER STARZYK**—The city of Chicopee, that hive of industry, adjoining the capital of Hampden County, contains numerous instances of boys of foreign birth who have become prominent and highly respected citizens and business men of the community of their adoption, and of these notably is Paul Peter Starzyk, who for the thirty-four years that he has lived in Chicopee has accumulated parcels of the most valuable real estate in the center of the city, established a profitable men's clothing store and real estate business, and became an incorporator of a savings bank. He holds the confidence and esteem of the people, who admire him for his pluck, progress and prosperity plus a pleasing personality.

Paul Peter Starzyk was born in Poland May 11, 1876, a son of John and Mary (Sypek) Starzyk. He attended the common schools of his native district, and at the age of about fourteen years he came to the United States, being one of the youngest to leave the neighborhood. His ambition was the priesthood and higher education, but the death of his parents about this time decided otherwise, and he left his native country. Upon his arrival here he located in Chicopee, Massachusetts, where many hundreds of men, women, boys and girls had preceded him from the mother country. He at once set about supplementing on the American plan the elementary education he had received in Poland. He attended the public schools. Then he obtained employment at the Dwight Manufacturing Company, Chicopee's largest cotton mills, where so many people of his nationality gain their livelihood, and he pursued his





Paul P. Starzyk





studies at the night school. His wages were three dollars a week, but he showed that there was nothing of the character of the rolling stone in him, and he stuck to his job and various other tasks at the Dwight mills for four years. So eager was he to eke out his finances that he, while working during the daytime in the mill, took a position evenings as salesman in a small shoe store conducted by P. J. Sullivan on Exchange Street. This gave him that taste for mercantile pursuits for which after years demonstrated that he was peculiarly fitted. He had not been long with Mr. Sullivan when he formed a co-partnership with him, this being his first experience in the business field as a proprietor. It was a small beginning, to be sure, but he had made the start, and he had the vision to progress to greater things. In October, 1907, Mr. Starzyk withdrew from his association with Mr. Sullivan and established his own modern store for the sales of shoes, clothing and men's furnishings, at Nos. 258-260 Exchange Street. That enterprise prospered, and for five years he conducted the store. At the end of that period two men, forming the firm of Mikus & Fonfara, made him an appealing offer for the business, and he disposed of it to them. Mr. Starzyk withdrew altogether from that line of business in 1912 in order that he might center his attention upon his real estate matters, which had come to be of considerable importance. For three or more years he gave almost his entire time to the development of his realty enterprises, still accumulating and disposing of parcels of real estate in different parts of the city. In 1915 he again yielded to the lure of his old mercantile business, and opened a new store at No. 32 Center Street, where he carried a stock of clothing, furnishings and shoes.

The most conspicuous turn in Mr. Starzyk's affairs came in 1916, when he surprised the community by purchasing the old Doten Block, facing Market Square, the municipal and trade center of Chicopee, and the adjoining Dr. Hammersley Block. He razed both of these antiquated structures, and on the site, within a stone's throw of the mills, where he ground out his paltry three dollars a week as a millhand of fourteen to eighteen years of age, he erected one of the most imposing and architecturally beautiful business buildings in the city. It is four stories high, built of red ornamental brick, with white limestone trimmings, and contains commodious stores on the ground floor, with ample offices on the three upper floors, which are naturally lighted through windows of ample width. Mr. Starzyk conducts his own clothing and furnishing goods business in one of the large stores on the Market Square side of the building. The rest of the building is used by tenants eager to retain so advantageous a location in the principal part of the city. The Starzyk Building is a distinct asset of Chicopee and reflects credit upon the enterprising owner.

During the World War Mr. Starzyk was actively engaged among the people of Polish nationality and descent in Chicopee in raising money for the United States Government and for welfare objects. He was eminently successful in this endeavor, being chairman in 1917-18 of the Polish division of all loan drives, besides being active in all war relief measures. As showing his standing in the financial circles of the city, Mr. Starzyk

is an incorporator of the Chicopee Savings Bank, having been elected in 1903. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Polish Club, and the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Starzyk married, May 27, 1903 at Chicopee, Antoninan M. Skwiz and they are the parents of seven children, all born in Chicopee: Martha M.; E. Stanley, who received a medal from the Massachusetts Humane Society as a reward for bravery and heroism in saving a boy from drowning; Cecelia, Adonia, Marion, Eugenia, Dorothy.

**JOSEPH CHEVALIER**—Continuing the very practical traditions of the painting industry begun by his father, and applying them to successful issues in his own career, Mr. Chevalier has found employment for others and in partnership with his brother, Onesime, a congenial and lucrative enterprise, the Chevalier Brothers having a first-rate reputation for careful and painstaking work. Mr. Chevalier has been a resident of Greenfield nearly all his life, and his neighbors, friends, and the general public are aware of the fact that he has put the best of his life's business effort into the establishing and maintenance of a concern that has won the highest repute for results. He is a son of Louis Chevalier, a native of Canada, who died in Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

Louis Chevalier was a carpenter by trade, and was skilled in the manufacture of wagons and sleighs, but in his later years he set up a painting business in Fitchburg. Louis Chevalier was a son of Jean Baptiste Chevalier, who married Domethilde Rouleau, and besides Louis, they had: Paul; Octavian; Olivine; and Joseph. Louis Chevalier was born in Canada, and died in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, in 1918, aged seventy-two years. He married (first) Marie Melanie Rondeau, and they were the parents of: Jean Baptiste, married Rose Delima Lussier, and had a son Adelard L., (q. v.); Domethilde; Olivine; Albine; Alphege; Adelard; Leon; Onesime; Joseph, of whom further; Amelia; Amanda; Arzelia; Wilfred. He married (second) Ellen Campbell, and they were the parents of: Frank Chevalier. Louis Chevalier married for the third time in 1912, Heloïne (Fortin) Noel, widow of J. Noel; at which time he established a painting business in Fitchburg.

Joseph Chevalier was born October 5, 1878, in Joliette, Province of Quebec, Canada, and attended school in Bedford, Canada, and Greenfield, Massachusetts. Early in life he gave his attention to learning the painter's trade, and for some eighteen years he was in the general employ of others in that industry, which he mastered in all its branches. In 1911 he established his present business under the firm title Chevalier Brothers, the concern consisting of himself and Onesime, with their headquarters at No. 54 School Street, in Greenfield, until March, 1925, and now have their headquarters at Chevalier Avenue. Chevalier Brothers having acquired the south side of Wilson Court, consisting of four houses, one house on the north side of Wilson Court, and the property across to pleasant Street, thus establishing Chevalier Avenue. In 1921 Chevalier Brothers built a block on Federal Street and sold it to Cerratto Brothers in 1923. Their work for the most part is local, and they do a great deal of contract painting. Mr. Chevalier's fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective

Order of Elks, The Loyal Order of Moose, and the St. Jean Baptiste Society.

Joseph Chevalier married, August 9, 1910, Marie Louise DeRoy who was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, they are the parents of Armand Bernard, born July 11, 1913; Ann Maria Florence, born April 2, 1915; and Rita Amerilda, born October 13, 1918.

**ADELARD LOUIS CHEVALIER**—Franklin county can furnish no more conclusive proofs of success attained in the pursuit of a single industry than that of the well known firm of wholesale and retail paint, varnish and wall paper dealers, J. B. Chevalier & Sons, at Greenfield, with father and sons in partnership, and with the record of three generations of expert painting contractors,—grandfather, his sons, and his two grandsons, all capable, experienced and representative men of their trade. Adelard Louis Chevalier, member of the present firm, mixed colors for the business of the concern and shared in their painting contracts from his earliest years, and there is no more familiar figure in his line of work anywhere in the county, and his Greenfield headquarters is a landmark and the firm name a leader. Mr. Chevalier, who has also been associated with many important real estate interests and the transfer of large properties, is rated as among the foremost promoters of Greenfield's progress. His great-grandfather, Jean Baptiste Chevalier, married Domethilde Rouleau, and they were the parents of: Paul; Louis, of whom further; Octavian; Olivier; Joseph.

Louis Chevalier, son of Jean Baptiste Chevalier, was born in Canada, and died in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, in 1918, aged seventy-two years. He married (first), January 25, 1866, Marie Melanie Rondeau, and they were the parents of: Jean Baptiste, of whom further; Domethilde; Olivine; Albine; Alphege; Adelard; Leon; Onesime; Joseph; Amanda; Amelia; Wilfred. He married (second) Ellen Campbell, and they were the parents of Frank Chevalier. He married (third), in 1912, Heloïne (Fortin) Noel, widow of J. Noel. Louis Chevalier learned the trade of carpenter and was a wagon and sleigh maker of repute; but in his later years he established a painting business in Fitchburg.

Jean Baptiste Chevalier, son of Louis Chevalier, was born in 1867, in Sherbrooke, Canada, and attended the schools at Juliette. Learning the painter's trade, he came to the United States at twenty years of age, and for a short time was located at Worcester. He then conducted a painting business in Montreal and Bedford, Canada, but removed to Greenfield, and here he entered into the painter's business which he carried on successfully several years. In 1916 he formed a co-partnership with his sons under the firm name of J. B. Chevalier & Sons, and in which they have been eminently successful. Mr. Chevalier is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the St. Jean Baptiste Society. He married Rose Delima Lussier, who died May 11, 1922, a daughter of Francis Xavier Lussier, and they were the parents of: 1. Omer, who died aged two years. 2. Adelard L., of whom further. 3. Ludger A. (q. v.). 4. Alida, who married William Casey, and they are the parents of Agnes Casey.

Adelard Louis Chevalier, son of Jean Baptiste Chevalier, was born February 17, 1889, at Bedford, Canada, in the Province of Quebec, and removed with his parents to Greenfield, Massachusetts, he attended the schools of that town. While attending school and during vacation he learned the painter's trade, and leaving school in 1907, he worked for his father in the old shop on Davis Street. In 1916, he became associated with his father and younger brother in partnership under the firm name J. B. Chevalier & Sons, and it was at that time that they established business in their new, attractive and commodious quarters on Bank Row, where they carry on their successful enterprises in the wholesale and retail paint, varnish and wall paper. They are contract painters, as well, and have established an enviable record for good work and fair dealing with the public, throughout Franklin County. Mr. Chevalier has extensive real estate interests, and has bought and sold much valuable property in Greenfield. He has been an active member of the Republican Town Committee for years. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, and St. Jean Baptiste Society and Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Chevalier married, June 14, 1910, Eva Louise Cadorette, of Holyoke, daughter of Louis and Albina (Coté) Cadorette, and they are the parents of the following children, all born in Greenfield: Ernest John, born March 14, 1912; Edwin Adelard, born August 28, 1914; Bernard Roland, born December 29, 1921.

**LUDGER AZARIE CHEVALIER**—Concentrating his business thought and effort throughout his career upon the painting business, in its wholesale and retail, as well as its contracting interests, Mr. Chevalier, in company with his father and brother, has shared largely in making their Greenfield headquarters second to none other in the county. Son and grandson of men who have made themselves expert in the same trade, and whose incentive gave the Bank Row business its earliest encouragement, he has made himself efficient in building up and increasing an enterprise that has no successful rival in this part of the State. In association with J. B. Chevalier & Sons, he has shared in the re-painting and re-decorating of a large number of the best residences and public buildings in Greenfield and its vicinity. His life is thus associated with that of the members of his immediate family, who for three generations have acquired excellent repute as painters and decorators. An account of the family is given in the preceding sketch.

Ludger Azarie Chevalier, son of Jean Baptiste Chevalier, was born January 6, 1891, at Racine City, Province of Quebec, Canada. With the removal of his parents to Greenfield, Massachusetts, he attended the public schools there, and afterwards, in turn, graduated at St. Charles Seminary, Sherbrooke, and at St. Joseph College, Granby, Quebec. He gave his business attention to the painting interests established by his father, and shared in co-partnership in the firm of J. B. Chevalier & Sons. Mr. Chevalier went into service in the World War, May 30, 1918, as a member of the light infantry, at first being assigned to the recruiting station at Syracuse, New York, later being transferred to the Medical Detachment







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at Columbia, Fort Jackson. He was discharged from service December 24, 1918. Mr. Chevalier is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, The Loyal Order of Moose, and the St. Jean Baptiste Society, Knights of Columbus, American Legion.

Ludger A. Chevalier married, June 10, 1919, Blanche Archambault, of Maryville, Canada, daughter of Louis and Sylvia (Viens) Archambault, and they are the parents of Louis, born September 29, 1920; Rose Delima Juliette, born November 8, 1922; and Emile Edward, born January 29, 1924. Alice, Blanche, born May 24, 1925.

**JAMES HYATT PUNDERSON**—As a registered pharmacist and as manager of the Red Lion Inn at Stockbridge, Massachusetts, James Hyatt Punderson fills his days with useful and profitable activity.

Mr. Punderson is a descendant of old Colonial ancestry through both paternal and maternal lines, being a descendant in the eighth generation of John Punderson, who came to this country from Yorkshire, England, landed in Boston in 1637, and in 1639 settled in New Haven, Connecticut, where he was one of the seven original proprietors. On the maternal side, Mr. Punderson traces descent from Lieutenant-Colonel James Mellen (son of Thomas and Elizabeth Mellen), who was born in Hopkinton, Massachusetts, June 10, 1739, and died in Mendon, Massachusetts, September 27, 1812. He was a captain in Colonel Warren's regiment at the battle of Bunker Hill, was major in the Twenty-first Massachusetts Regiment in 1776, and lieutenant-colonel of the Ninth Battalion, January 1, 1877. It is a matter of record that Colonel Mellen lead the expedition, composed of men from Berkshire County, which went to the rescue of the Colonial forces at Fort Stanwix, New York. He was a friend of Washington, with whom he often dined, and was officer of the day when Major André was executed. He married Elizabeth Russell, a native of Holliston, Massachusetts, and the line descends through their son, Captain William Mellen, who married Lucretia Marsh, of Dalton, Massachusetts, daughter of Perez Marsh, of Dalton; their son, Lovett Russell Mellen, married Lucretia Taylor, of Hudson, New York; their daughter, Mary Leeds Mellen, of Hudson, married James Mellen Punderson, father of James Hyatt Punderson. James Mellen Punderson was engaged in business as a banker and as a merchant.

James Hyatt Punderson, son of James Mellen and Mary Leeds (Mellen) Punderson, was born in Hudson, New York, January 19, 1869. After attending Hudson public school he continued his studies in Hudson Academy, and then prepared to take the pharmaceutical examination required by the State of Massachusetts before the rating of registered pharmacist can be obtained. Mr. Punderson is known as a skillful and successful pharmacist, but his activities are not in this profession. His present activity is as successful manager of the Red Lion Inn at Stockbridge, Massachusetts, with which he has been connected since 1891, at which time he became associated with the Hon. A. F. Treadway and C. H. Plumb. His guests find in him a congenial and capable host, and his many friends know him as a public-spirited

citizen and a "good fellow." Politically, Mr. Punderson gives his support to the Republican Party, and he has always been willing to bear his share of local public offices, serving as associate county commissioner, and as a member of the Appropriating Committee, of Stockbridge. A man of wide interests and varied information, he was for some time president of the Berkshire County Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and is now on the board of governing managers. Fraternally he is a Master of Occidental Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and District Deputy of the Grand Lodge, of the Sixteenth District of that order. He is also a member of the Royal Arcanum; and his religious affiliation is with St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Stockbridge, which he serves as senior warden. Mr. Punderson has a host of friends in Stockbridge and vicinity, and is held in high esteem in the county.

James Hyatt Punderson married, at West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, May 23, 1894, Clara Mary Edwards, daughter of William Henry and Sarah Evelyn (Leete) Edwards, of West Stockbridge. Mr. and Mrs. Punderson are the parents of two children: Frank Edwards, and Mary Leete.

**CHARLES FRANCIS MCCARTHY**—The life work of Charles Francis McCarthy is in that realm which appeals to every human being, whether high or low, educated or unlettered, whether the child just looking out upon life with questioning eyes, or the feeble, aged man, tottering upon the brink of the grave. Mr. McCarthy is one of the leading musicians of Western Massachusetts and his achievements as a performer on the piano and pipe organ have made his name one widely known and quoted in no less than three States. His brilliant natural talents have been supplemented by unusually fine and comprehensive training and he is now famous as an instructor on his favorite instruments, as well as organist and choir master.

The McCarthy family has been prominent in Massachusetts for many years; Jeremiah McCarthy, grandfather of Mr. McCarthy, was a native of Cork, Ireland, having come to America at an early day, settling in Greenfield. A man of education and naturally gifted with a fine mentality, Jeremiah McCarthy was for many years a compositor in the office of the "Greenfield Gazette and Courier," until his death in 1886. He married Julia Goslin, who also was born in County Cork, Ireland, and she died in Greenfield in 1893. They were the parents of the following children: Margaret, who died in infancy; John; Julia Margaret; Ellen; and Charles Francis, of whom further.

Charles Francis McCarthy, son of Jeremiah and Julia (Goslin) McCarthy, and father of Charles Francis McCarthy, was born in Greenfield, January 27, 1858, and died February 11, 1888. He attended the Green River School, formerly in the town of Deerfield, but with the changes of boundary lines, now the town of Greenfield. His first business activity was in the employ of the Wiley & Russell plant, in the manufacture of taps and dies. There he was employed until his early death. Charles Francis McCarthy married Marion Theresa



Banzine, who was born in Greenfield, March 9, 1859, and is a daughter of Godfrey Theodore and Ellen (O'Keefe) Banzine. Her father came from Three Rivers, Canada, and her mother from Cork, Ireland. They were the parents of the following children: James Arthur, who died in childhood; Marion Theresa, who died in infancy; and Charles Francis, of whom further.

Charles Francis McCarthy was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, May 27, 1888, more than three and a half months after his father's death. Reared in Greenfield and receiving his elementary education in the local schools, he was graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1906, but carried his formal education no farther. Mr. McCarthy early showed great musical talent and from childhood was given the advantages of excellent, indeed expert training. He studied the pianoforte under various leading musicians of Boston, New York, Springfield and Hartford, Connecticut, and has made a special study of the pipe organ. For a number of years he has taught music very successfully, both the piano and pipe organ, and now has a very large class of pupils, some coming from long distances to study under his instruction. Mr. McCarthy is organist and choir master of the Holy Trinity Church of Greenfield and in musical circles he is acknowledged one of the foremost men of the day in New England. His work invariably reveals the delicate feeling and profound sympathy which are such vital elements in the interpretation of the old music masters and the people of Greenfield consider themselves indeed fortunate that he continues to center his interests in this community. Mr. McCarthy has few interests not closely in line with his work, but holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus, also is a member of the Greenfield Country Club.

Charles Francis McCarthy married, September 6, 1921, Harriet S. Donovan, who was born February 12, 1897, and is a granddaughter of Dennis J. and Catherine (O'Brien) Donovan, and a daughter of James and Isabelle E. (O'Donoghue) Donovan. Her father was born in 1859 and died in 1899, and her mother was born January 22, 1860. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy are the parents of one daughter: Ellen Louise, born August 5, 1922.

**EDSON JEREMIAH PRATT**—The office of sheriff to be filled affectively requires a special type of man, energetic, resourceful and courageous with a keen sense of justice and in adequate stern resolve to do everything in his power to see that justice prevails and that evildoers, if they cannot be stopped in time and their nefarious and criminal intents nipped in the bud, are duly brought to book and punished as a deterrent to other misguided members of the community, disposed to set divine and human authority at naught and be a law unto themselves and give full rein to their selfish and anti-social instincts. Mr. E. J. Pratt had all these desirable qualities for an efficient officer of the law embodied in his personality and it can therefore be easily explained that when after some short period passed on his father's farm and afterwards occupying leading posts in an industrial concern, he was eventually appointed deputy sheriff. In this position which he held to the greatest satisfaction of

his lawful fellow-citizens for twenty years, he proved "the right man in the right place," and when the post of county sheriff became vacant Mr. Pratt was immediately advanced to that position, which he held up to the time of his death on June 15, 1916.

Mr. Pratt was a native of Montague, Massachusetts, where he was born on August 29, 1853, a son of Samuel G. and Lucy L. Pratt, and received his education in the public and high schools of his native place, and then became a student of the Powers Institute at Bernardston, Massachusetts. Before becoming deputy sheriff he worked for some time on his father's farm and at the age of twenty-one entered the service of the Millers Falls Company, of Millers Falls, Massachusetts, where at the age of thirty years he was one of the superintendents. Mr. Pratt occupied a very prominent place in the public life of Millers Falls and enjoyed the universal esteem and affection of his fellow-citizens. In politics he was not satisfied with either of the two political parties but voted independently. He was an attendant of the Congregational Church, being an active church worker and affiliated with the Congregational Brotherhood. His fraternal associations included membership in Greenfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; of the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, and of other Masonic bodies. For many years he held the position of forman of the Millers Falls Fire Company, and was president of the Millers Falls Club.

Mr. Pratt married, in 1877, at Fitzburg, Anna Hastings, a daughter of Henry and Amelia Hastings. They were the parents of Hazel Pratt, born September 25, 1886, at Millers Falls, Massachusetts.

**HENRY HUBBARD RICE**—Of those natives of Pittsfield who have there established and continued the main interests of their career, Mr. Rice, one of the most successful house furnishings dealers in the western part of the State, has always been associated with the business activities of this community; and not only has he satisfactorily conducted his own enterprise, but in official capacity on committees and commissions for the general progress, he has proved his loyal citizenship and has accomplished much and on many occasions in behalf of his township.

A son of Robert Addison Rice, a farmer who was for twenty years superintendent of Pittsfield's highways, and Corinthia (Dunham) Rice, Henry Hubbard Rice was born July 15, 1877, in Pittsfield, where he attended the public schools, graduating at the high school with the class of 1895. The next year he entered the employ of the A. A. Mills Company store, and he remained with that concern until 1904. In the latter year, he formed a partnership with Thomas E. Kelly under the firm name Rice & Kelly, dealers in retail furniture, carpets and house furnishings, and he has so continued to the present. He is a member of the Pittsfield Park Commission.

Mr. Rice was a member of Company E, Eighth Massachusetts Regiment of Volunteers in the Spanish-American War, in 1898, and he served one year in Cuba. His fraternal affiliations are with the United Spanish War Veterans; the Free and Accepted Masons, the Knights







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Templar, the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a member of the Pittsfield Park Club, Pittsfield Rotary Club, and the National Furniture Dealers' Association, of Chicago. Mr. Rice is a member of the Morningside Baptist Church, and his family are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Mr. Rice married, February 18, 1901, Nellie Byers, daughter of John Byers and Mary E. (Sproul) Byers; and they are the parents of: Herbert Paul Rice, born April 24, 1902; and Robert Henry Rice, born September 17, 1903. Both sons are now midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland.

**FREDERICK A. BEARSE**, county treasurer of Hampden County, Massachusetts, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, February 15, 1871. His father, Leon H. Bearse, died in September, 1922; his mother was Hattie E. (Hollister) Bearse. The father was a carpenter by trade. His grandfather was born at Hyannis, on the Cape, while his mother's family came from Longmeadow, Massachusetts.

Mr. Bearse attended the public schools of Springfield, and entered the employ of the Springfield "Republican" at the age of twelve, peddling newspapers. He was later in the mailing room, and while there he undertook the engraving trade. At eighteen he was appointed a delivery agent for the "Republican" and worked at that for twelve years. He resigned from the employ of the "Republican" to serve in the Massachusetts Legislature, which continued from 1901 to 1906; he represented the fifth district of Hampden County. In 1906 he was elected county treasurer and he still holds the office. Mr. Bearse is a director of the Hampden County Improvement League. He was in the Common Council for two years, and was an alderman for two terms, covering the years 1897, 1898, 1899, and 1900. He is a member of Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; attained the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite, and member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Nayasset Club, and the Springfield Automobile Club. Mr. Bearse's business address is County Treasurer, No. 55 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. His home is No. 1075 Boston Road.

**FREDERICK ERNEST CHASE**—A venerable and honored figure in Florence, Massachusetts, is Frederick Ernest Chase, whose entire career has been devoted to useful pursuits and whose retirement from activity in the year 1921 was the fruition of long and worthy endeavors. Mr. Chase has had a varied experience, but in every phase of his advance from boyhood until his recent resignation from the city fire department his work counted for the welfare and happiness of the people. A native of England, Mr. Chase is a son of Elisha and Eliza (Bryant) Chase, who came to the United States from England, bringing their elder children with them. They were the parents of seven children: Aquilla; Bryant; Eva, married Adelbert Holden; Frederick Ernest, of further mention; Adeline, wife of Warner Allen;

Mary, who married William Cooper; and Lilly, wife of Albert House.

Frederick Ernest Chase was born in Alton, England, December 25, 1851. Receiving his education in the national schools of his native land, he came to America alone at the age of sixteen years, and settled in Massachusetts. Immediately entering an apprenticeship with the Dickinson Contracting Company, a prominent firm of masons, he mastered the details of this trade and a few years later formed a partnership with James Whalen, locating in Northampton. They were active as contracting masons for about seven years and this business became one of more than usual prominence. Then accepting the office of city engineer, Mr. Chase resigned from the partnership to fill the duties of this position and was active for one term. He was then made chief of the fire department of Florence, Massachusetts, and for twenty-one years filled this exacting and responsible office. Retiring from active life in 1921, he still resides in Florence, and his many friends delight in his reminiscences of early days in this section and the growth and development of the fire department. Mr. Chase was one of the incorporators of the Florence Savings Bank. He was a member of the Northampton City Council in 1894-1895, but except for his services in the department has otherwise never accepted public honors. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Northampton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; William Parson's Council, Royal and Select Masters; Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar; and Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, Massachusetts. His religious connection is with the Congregational Church of Florence.

Frederick Ernest Chase married, in Northampton, Massachusetts, May 23, 1878, Mary Schwille, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hagenloch) Schwille, and they were the parents of four children: Rose, wife of George Sherman, both deceased; Julia, who married John Osgood; Charles; and Frank Smith.

**JAMES AUGUSTINE HORTON**—The life record of James Augustine Horton, of Greenfield, is one which reads like a romance of industry and which belongs to any history of the section of which he has been a life long resident. Mr. Horton is thoroughly representative of the highest type of the sons of New England whose ingenuity has given them an honored and useful place in the world and whose keen interest in every branch of current advance among each generation has linked their names with many of the most important achievements and endeavors of modern times. Mr. Horton is one of the few remaining veterans of the Civil War, and despite the fact that his venerable figure cannot deny the passing of the years he is keenly alert to every phase of present day interest and still maintains activities definitely productive and constructive.

The Horton name is allied with the name of Houghton, and undoubtedly of similar if not identical origin. This branch of the family is related to the Houghtons of Milton, who are descended from Ralph Houghton, one of the early pioneers of New England, who located in Lancaster among the first Colonial settlers.



John Horton, in direct line from the pioneer, and Mr. Horton's grandfather, was a resident of Chester, Vermont, for many years and married Dorathea Stevens.

Their son, Otis Horton, was born in Chester, Vermont, June 5, 1813, and became a resident of Brookline, New Hampshire, in the thirties, his brother, Jonas Horton, having settled there previously. Together the brothers engaged in the burning of charcoal and they built the first brick coal kiln in that community. In 1835 Otis Horton married Nancy Gilson, who was born in Brookline, New Hampshire, and died at Pepperell, Massachusetts, July 5, 1872, having survived her husband for more than twenty-one years. She was a daughter of Samuel and Rebecca (Wright) Gilson, and they were the parents of six children: Joseph Stevens; Andrew Jackson; Nancy Maria; Susan Emily; James A., of further mention; and Calesta Janette.

James Augustine Horton, fifth child and third son of these parents, was born in Brookline, New Hampshire, June 16, 1847. His father's death occurred when he was only in the fourth year of his age and soon after he was taken to Marlboro, Massachusetts, and became a member of the family of Richard Farwell, a lawyer. There he was reared as a son and although he had but scant opportunity for education in preparation for his life work he enjoyed the regard and kindness of his foster parents. A son of Mr. Farwell controlled an interest in the "Marlboro Journal" and when Mr. Horton was thirteen years of age he was given a position in the printing office connected with that paper. Learning the trade he was active in the full duties of a journeyman printer when still a young lad. At the age of seventeen years, in 1864, he left the printing office to enlist for service in the Civil War, responding to the last call for one hundred day volunteers. He served throughout that period of enlistment and during the greater part of the time was at Forts McHenry and Federal Hill, in Baltimore, Maryland. During that period he made two trips to Harpers Ferry and also did guard duty at the polls when the state of Maryland voted upon the amendment to the state constitution, abolishing slavery.

Following his return to civilian life Mr. Horton, still only about seventeen years of age, took charge of the job printing office at Marlboro doing the entire work of type setting, proof reading and press work, even binding the library catalogue of the town, which he printed. Continuing as a resident of Marlboro and in the work of the printing office until the sale of the interest Mr. Horton then removed to Hudson, Massachusetts, but resided there for only a comparatively short period. He worked at his trade in printing offices in Boston, also at Cambridge, and in 1866, became identified with the office of the "Greenfield Gazette and Courier" and eventually remained with that paper for thirty-six years, the greater part of that period serving as foreman. This breadth of experience gave Mr. Horton not only valuable contact with men and affairs but the confidence in himself which during a boyhood and youth such as he went through is too often lost.

From his youth Mr. Horton evinced a great interest in manufacturing activities and no slight inventive genius. This was expressed principally in his ability to over-

come obstacles, but while he was occupied in the office of the "Gazette and Courier" he developed and perfected a machine which he eventually patented. It was to manufacture this machine that he resigned from the office of foreman of the paper and as the "Horton Mailer" the machine was placed upon the market, it met a vital need of magazine and paper publishers at a time when expansion in that field was so rapid as almost to stagger the executives of the day. This was a machine for the addressing of newspapers, envelopes, circulars, or any printed matter to be distributed in great quantities. It was devised on simple principles and was entirely feasible and practical in its operation. Mr. Horton introduced it to the general market successfully before venturing upon devoting his entire attention to its manufacture and during the five years, or thereabouts, in which he was the sole producer of the mechanism, he sold over three thousand machines. About 1907 Mr. Horton sold the patent to Chauncey Wing's Sons, who still manufacture the "Horton Mailer" under the title of the "Wing-Horton Mailer." It is interesting to note in this connection that even under Mr. Horton's administration the mailer was distributed to foreign countries as remote and unimportant as Finland, while among leading publishers of America the Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia, which publishes the "Ladies Home Journal," the "Saturday Evening Post," and the "Country Gentleman" adopted this mailer and still uses it in the distribution of its editions.

The foregoing might well stand as the complete record of a worthy and useful life, over a long period of years. Mr. Horton, however, has long held and still maintains other interests. He takes active pleasure in floriculture and every branch of agriculture, having kept in close touch with this general field from boyhood. Many years ago he purchased a farm in Guilford, Vermont, which he conducted for some years when he retired from his manufacturing activities. He makes a specialty of the culture of grapes and always wins first prize in agricultural fairs. His products have been pronounced by Professor F. C. Sears, the head of the Department of Pomology at the Massachusetts Agricultural College in Amherst, the finest specimens of this fruit ever exhibited in New England. Mr. Horton still produces very remarkable grapes, apples, peaches and pears at his village home in Greenfield. By a series of grafting he produces many varieties of fruit from the same tree and has won first prizes at various shows for five different varieties of fruit all from the same tree. Mr. Horton has further done much in the growing of fine flowers and the production of many new varieties of various flowers, and although he is nominally retired he is still keenly interested in this line of endeavor and continues active within the boundaries of his beautiful Greenfield home.

For many years Mr. Horton has been affiliated with organized advance of varied purport and fraternally is affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield. He is a trustee of the Franklin County Agricultural Society and is curator of the Greenfield Historical Society. He has perhaps been most prominent as well as most deeply interested in the progress of the Grand Army of the Republic, and has





*J. E. Gottesman*



long been a member of Edwin F. Day Post of this organization of which he was for some years Commander. He has many times presided at the installation of officers of various posts as a member of the State Department and has many times given stirring Memorial Day addresses at different points throughout the State. He has long also been a member of the National organization department, and is one of the noteworthy figures of the Grand Army to-day. As this record goes to press there has been published a history of Edwin F. Day Post, written by Mr. Horton.

James Augustine Horton married, July 14, 1868, Lima Taylor Slate, born in Whately, May 14, 1839, a daughter of Jonathan S. and Electa (Marsh) Slate. Mr. and Mrs. Horton are the parents of two children: Helen Louise, born May 6, 1869, died July 22, 1870; and Jessie May, born June 12, 1873, married, May 29, 1899, Arthur W. Putnam. Their son, Bernard Horton Putnam, born April 30, 1901, married Clara Marie Lavigne, and has two children: Virginia Lucille, born November 9, 1920; and Arthur Bernard, born July 17, 1922.

An interesting family coincidence should form a part of this record. Mr. Horton is one of three cousins who bore the name of Augustine: Lewis Augustine and Augustine E. Horton, as well as himself. All three were active in the Civil War, Lewis Augustine Horton was in the Navy and by his prompt and heroic action the explosion of a cannon in process of leading was averted. The accident resulted, however, in the blowing off of both his arms which rendered amputation above the elbows imperative. For many years after his recovery he was identified with the Boston Customs House. The duties of his office requiring much writing he learned to meet this responsibility by holding the pen between his teeth. Prior to the accident which left him thus crippled he won distinction by volunteering to man the lifeboat which rescued a part of the crew of the old "Monitor" when it foundered off Cape Hatteras.

**JOHN G. GOTTESMAN** has established his position in the community and in the legal fraternity of Springfield as an attorney gifted in knowledge of many branches of the law, and as a general practitioner of recognized ability. Both in partnership and under his own name he has won a repute for skill and thoroughness. He is the son of Herman Gottesman, who is in the paper-hanging and decorating business, and Hannah (Bardack) Gottesman, both of whom were born in Austria.

John G. Gottesman was born February 18, 1889, in Austria, and coming to the United States with his parents in 1897, he attended the public and high schools at Springfield. He afterwards graduated at Yale University Law School with his lawyer's degree in the class of 1911, and in 1912 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. Mr. Gottesman began practice with James G. Dunning, so continuing until 1915, when he established his present independent general law practice.

Mr. Gottesman is a Republican in his political convictions, and with vote and influence supports the principles of that party. Mr. Gottesman is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association; and he is a former president of B'nai B'rith, and of the Independent City

of Homes Association, of which he is also counsellor-at-law. His religious fellowship is with Bethel Temple, in Springfield.

John G. Gottesman married, August 25, 1912, in Wallingford, Connecticut, Sophia S. Selnik, who was born in New York City, and they are the parents of the following children: Clifford P., born June 15, 1913; Irwin M., born October 12, 1915; and Gloria Hope, born November 14, 1924.

**JAMES M. DOWNS**, a keen sportsman, especially fond of hunting, fishing and out-of-door activities, entered his business career with, perhaps unconsciously, this dominant determination to succeed that generally is a characteristic of a good sportsman. When in his first venture into the business world, he worked long hours with little pay, it did not take him long to look about for another occupation that in time would lift him out of the rut of being the employed, into that of the employer. This early learning of the alphabet of success, has taken him to his present position as president of the James M. Downs Company, Inc., dealers in and distributors of automobiles.

James M. Downs was born September 16, 1883, at Pittsfield, son of John and Fannie R. (Hickey) Downs, both of his parents now deceased (1924). He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and found his first employment in a grocery store, where he worked from seven in the morning until nine at night. These were long hours, and he soon found work that enabled him to give part of his time to the automobile business, which he learned in its various departments. This was in 1911, and after thoroughly mastering all the details of the trade, he entered this line in 1914, the firm becoming later Tomlinson & Downs, then James M. Downs. In August, 1921, the firm was incorporated under its present title, the James M. Downs Co., Inc., with headquarters at No. 14 Maplewood Avenue, Pittsfield. The building 60x90 feet, a two story structure, is very fine and their room for the display of cars is well equipped. The company is agent for the Pierce-Arrow cars for all of Berkshire County; South Pittsfield and South Berkshire County for the Hudson and Essex cars, and has branches at Stockbridge, Lee, Lenox, Great Barrington and other points. Formerly Mr. Downs was distributor of a number of good cars, among them having the territory of the State of Vermont and Berkshire County for the Locomobile and Mercer cars. He is an active citizen in all movements that tend towards the progress of the city, and the betterment of conditions; and is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, the Park, Golf, and Sportsman's Clubs. This latter club has been one of Mr. Down's hobbies, and he has been its president many times, at present being a member of its board of directors. He is an ardent fisherman, and has many fine specimens of trout, his own catch, mounted. He also is fond of golf, and other sports of the out-of-doors. Another hobby is his love for thoroughbred bird dogs, always having several good ones. In his work and in his play the same spirit of fairness that is the chief asset in a man's character, predominates, and Mr. Downs has won the esteem and respect of everyone with whom he comes in touch. He at one time belonged

to the class of the employed, and to-day, as an employer, with fifteen men under him, he does not forget to be fair and just. He is liked and admired equally by friend and employee, and his genial nature is a great asset in his business success, also in his social life.

James M. Downs married, June 6, 1911, Flora M. Chase, daughter of John H. and Sarah A. (Shelley) Chase. Mr. and Mrs. Downs are the parents of one son: John C., born April 1, 1913. The Downs residence is at No. 43 Pomeroy Avenue, Pittsfield.

**WILLIAM ALBERT BARBER**—Lumber interests of great extent, and real estate affairs on an even wider scale have commanded the energies and constructive attention of William Albert Barber, who has operated in many parts of New England, but maintains his headquarters in Greenfield. Mr. Barber is an eminently efficient and far-sighted business executive who is tireless in his endeavors for the general good, his work always counting for the prosperity of the community and the general advance. Constantly alert to new opportunities of usefulness and ever surveying the general field in preparation for new ventures, there are many towns in New England which have felt strongly the impetus of his activities.

(I) The Barber family is an ancient and honored one of Scotland, where the name was originally spelled Barbour. Mathew Barber, the pioneer in America, came from Scotland in 1718 and founded the family name in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. He married, January 21, 1727, Mary Blair Gray, of Weston.

(II) Robert Barber, son of Mathew and Mary B. (Gray) Barber, was baptized September 21, 1729, and grew to maturity in the traditions of pioneer endeavor. He became a worthy citizen of that early day, and married Sarah McFarland, who was born in Worcester in 1731.

(III) Mathew Barber, son of Robert and Sarah (McFarland) Barber, was born in Pelham, Massachusetts, April 8, 1753, and died April 24, 1830. As a young man he removed to Colerain, where he married Mary Anderson, who was born in Colerain October 20, 1756, and died March 12, 1840.

(IV) Robert Barber, son of Mathew and Mary (Anderson) Barber, was born in East Colerain December 28, 1783, and died August 30, 1837. He married Sarah Taggart, who died August 13, 1836. Robert Barber was murdered while on his way to his second marriage, August 30, 1837. His intended bride was the sister of his first wife, and his body was not discovered until the following spring.

(V) Mathew Barber, son of Robert and Sarah (Taggart) Barber, was born March 29, 1819, and died February 23, 1853. He was active in farming throughout his lifetime, and was one of the prosperous and highly esteemed citizens of East Colerain. Mathew Barber married Harriet Martin, who was born June 29, 1822, and died March 4, 1904. They were the parents of seven children: Robert, Harley, Henry, Ansel and Albert E., twins; John and Mathew.

(VI) Albert Edward Barber, son of Mathew and Harriet (Martin) Barber, was born in East Colerain

October 16, 1847, and died December 12, 1874. He was also active in farming and occupied the home place, where his father had lived, and which had been in the family for more than one hundred years. He married Francelia Miner, of West Leyden, who was born September 11, 1848, and died January 1, 1920. Their three sons were: William A., of further mention; John Walter and Charles H.

(VII) William Albert Barber, son of Albert E. and Francelia (Miner) Barber, was born in Colerain May 16, 1870. His education was begun in the district schools of Leyden, where he began his studies at the age of five years. When eleven years old he left school to take up farm work and was active thus for twelve years, taking a man's part in agricultural activities from an early age. Mr. Barber then became identified with the lumber business and operating in many parts of Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, he has purchased timber lands of great extent, both on fine farm properties and far from settlements. His extensive real estate holdings constantly accumulating in value and area led Mr. Barber to branch out on the side in real estate. Where the farms which he has bought up lie in villages he has developed them into town lots on which he has erected and sold dwellings, and many farms he has sold outright. He has done a considerable amount of development and improvement work on properties which he purchased without buildings, and he now owns valuable farms in thirteen different towns. It is said that Mr. Barber has probably bought and sold more real estate than any other individual in New England, not solely engaged in real estate affairs. He has been a resident of Greenfield since 1896, and in addition to his general operations, he has sold many residences, blocks and garage properties in this village. He has also for many years been identified with the distribution of grain, and has a largely prosperous grain business in Northfield, Massachusetts, also a similar interest in Brattleboro, Vermont. Always interested in the general advance, Mr. Barber served as selectman, as assessor and overseer of the poor in Leyden. No more worthy type of the self-made man could be pointed out in this general region, for in every sense of the term Mr. Barber is worthy and estimable. He has achieved his present success through hard work, excellent judgment and close attention to his interest, and commands the unqualified esteem and confidence of all. Mr. Barber is a member of the Republican Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, and is a member of all bodies of the Masonic order up to and including Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree.

William Albert Barber married (first), April 30, 1893, Isabelle Herron Black, of South Deerfield, who died January 8, 1901, leaving one daughter, Alice Isabelle, wife of Clyde Cummings. They were married March 25, 1920, and have one daughter, Edith Alice, born June 11, 1923. Mr. Barber married (second), May 6, 1902, Edith Helen Getchell, of Lowell, born October 26, 1878. They are the parents of three children: Robert Lawrence, born April 4, 1904, and married, October 1, 1923, Gladys Florence Butler, Ida May Grace, born March 27, 1907; and Albert Getchell, born September 22, 1912.







*Allen Warner*

**REV. VALERIAN FLIGIER**—Doing a very remarkable work among his people in Northampton, Massachusetts, and highly esteemed by the community generally, is the Rev. Valerian Fligier. Valentine Fligier, his father, was born in Poland, in the well known town of Posen, then a German possession. He died in 1892, aged sixty-five years. He had to do with horses and stock raising. He married Mary Maczmarczyk, born in Dabrowa, Górnica, Poland, and she died in 1898, aged sixty-eight years. They were the parents of four children: Carolina, Valerian, Victor and Carroll, the last named a priest in Buenos Aires, in the Argentine.

Rev. Valerian Fligier was born in Niwka, Poland, January 1, 1870. He attended school in his native town, and later went to Italy, where he attended different colleges in Rome and the University of Rome, preparing for the priesthood. He was ordained in Rome in 1904 and returned to Poland, where he was an assistant priest for two years. He came to the United States in 1906, and first went to Pennsylvania, where he was located at South Forks, in the Altoona diocese, for eighteen months. Thence he went to the Columbus Ohio, diocese, and was located at Neff, in that State for five and a half years. In 1912 he came to Springfield, Massachusetts, and established a parish at West Warren, Massachusetts, where he remained for about eight months. In September, 1913, he came to Northampton, and has been located here since. He has a parish, established in 1904, of some two thousand souls, and since coming here has built a fine residence adjoining his church, and has done a wonderful work among his compatriots. During the World War he was very active in the numerous drives to raise money. The Rev. Valerian Fligier is highly esteemed for his personal qualities, for his earnestness, and for the good he has done here.

**D. EDWARD MILLER**, with a lively interest in all the industries and opportunities of this section of the country, with energy, push and ability, has become a prominent figure in the business and Masonic circles of Springfield. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, August 12, 1862, son of Rev. Simeon Miller and his wife, Lucretia (Lamb) Miller.

His early education he gained in the Springfield public schools. For twenty years he was associated with Forbes & Wallace, beginning as a general utility boy and ending as manager of the wholesale department. During these years he was greatly interested in the possibilities of bicycles and was president and general manager of the Bicycle Club which staged many world races in Springfield. Mr. Miller's next business venture was with the Natick Underwear Company, of Springfield, of which he was president and general manager from 1898 until 1920. In that year he became general agent of the Monarch Accident Insurance Company, which allowed membership only to Masons, and is now director of that organization. Mr. Miller is a member of the Masonic Club, and of all bodies of Masons including the York and Scottish rites, in which he holds the thirty-third degree, and is a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the North Congregational Church.

D. Edward Miller married, in Springfield, October 17, 1900, Mary E. Eldred.

**ALLEN WARNER**—The Warner family is one of the oldest in Massachusetts, where they have been established for generations. Newton Warner was a farmer in the town of Rowe, and was married to Rachel Cobb, with whom he had two sons: 1. Newton G. and 2. Daniel. Newton G. Warner was, like his father, a native of Rowe, where he was born April 6, 1815, and died, in 1884, aged sixty-nine years. He lived in Rowe, Montague and Charlemont, and was a successful farmer. He owned valuable timber lands which he cleared and sold the timber of, raised tobacco and bought cattle, which he fattened for the market. On November 16, 1836, he married Mary Harris, a native of Charlemont, where she was born March 19, 1814. They had children: 1. Catherine. 2. Henry N., of whom further. 3. Charles M. 4. Edwin. 5. William L. 6. Sarah F. 7. George. 8. Mary J.

Henry N. Warner, born at Charlemont August 13, 1840, died on December 27, 1902. He followed farming in Charlemont and did an extensive business in buying and fattening cattle for the market. He raised and broke steers for farm use, and sold many hundred dollars' worth in a year. He was noted for his straightforward business methods and promptness in meeting all obligations, and always took an active interest in the welfare and progress of his native town. For fifteen years he occupied the position of deputy sheriff. On January 1, 1862, he married (first) Sarah Sherman, born in Rowe, in 1839, died March 22, 1889, a daughter of Jacob Sherman. He married (second) Ann Elizabeth Stetson, of Plainfield, Massachusetts, a daughter of Sylvester Stetson. The children of the first marriage were: 1. Katy M., who died. 2. Minnie E., who married Allen Oaks. 3. Allen, of whom further. 4. Rosa, who married George Hoskins. 5. Flora E., who married William Crafts.

Allen Warner is a native of Charlemont, born September 12, 1871. He was educated in the schools of Charlemont, and until the age of twenty-one followed farming. In April, 1893, he came to Greenfield and worked as a carpenter for Mr. Burnham for two to three years, and later for his son, George Burnham. He then entered the service of John D. Kiely and remained with him for fourteen years. In 1914 he set up a business for himself as carpenter and contractor. Among the contracts carried out by Mr. Warner may be mentioned the following: The wood and carpentry work on the Independent Order of Odd Fellows' block, the addition to the Lowler block, the Ingall and Shipard funeral parlors and besides many private homes. He also built his own residence and owns a good deal of valuable property. Mr. Warner has been a large employer of labor, having as many as forty-five men on his payroll at one time. In politics he is an independent, and attends the Second Congregational Church of Greenfield. His fraternal associations include membership of the Pocomtuck Lodge of Greenfield, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has held many offices, and he is also a member of the Orientals.

In April, 1898, he married Jennie Hope Burnham,

daughter of the late Frederic L. and Catharine (Stacy) Burnham, and with her has four children: 1. Olive H. 2. Mildred I. 3. Blanche, who died when eight years of age. 4. Myron Allen.

**CHARLES W. SLOPER**—One of the old Americans who could boast of having played his part right in the midst of the get-rich-quick whirlwind and mad gold rush of our earlier days was Charles W. Sloper, born in 1844, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Sloper, of Beacon Hill, Boston.

In 1866 he crossed the continent with gold miners by stage coach and had many interesting experiences in the West, taking part in the building of the "boom town" Hamilton, White Pine County, Nevada, which sprang up like a mushroom to 3,000 people. Later the deposit suddenly gave out in the mine, the town's only industry stopped abruptly, and within two months time rats were the only inhabitants. Mr. Sloper had to leave the place and seek other fields of effort, spending nine years as a gold prospector.

At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted from Natick in the 39th Massachusetts Regiment and served for three and one-half years, and among other engagements took part in the famous battle of the Wilderness, in which he was captured by the Confederates but managed to break away from his guards and escaped in the undergrowth amid a hailstorm of bullets, none of which hit him. He took part in forty major and minor engagements, and was present at Appomattox Court House when Lee surrendered. At the surrender of General Lee he was mustered out, being engaged in wheat growing for a short time in Hope, Steele County, North Dakota, where his eldest son, Harry W. Sloper, was born. While there he was district judge and sheriff. In 1885 Mr. Sloper came to Pittsfield from Fargo, North Dakota, and engaged in the real estate and insurance business. First he conducted the business alone then took in Mr. May as a partner and founded the firm of Sloper and May. After Mr. May's death the firm was changed into C. W. Sloper & Sons. Mr. Sloper was instrumental in the sale of several large pieces of real estate in this city, including the Riley property, on the corner of North and Depot streets, which was purchased by the Woolworth Company. At the time of his death Mr. Sloper was secretary of the Memorial Day Committee, an office he had held for thirty years, and he also held membership in Berkshire Grand Army Post, the Park Club, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights Templar, and was a member and attendant of Unity Church. He was a very keen Mason and joined the Crescent Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, August 25, 1907, and also was a Companion of the Berkshire Royal Arch Chapter as well as a Knight of the Commandery.

Mr. Sloper married (first) Annie Kirkland. He married (second) Mrs. Florence M. Lovejoy, who survives him. He also leaves two sons, ex-Alderman Archibald K., and Harry W., both of Pittsfield, a daughter, Mabel, of Bridgeport; a step-son, Captain Clarence E. Lovejoy, of the United States Army; and a half-brother, Frank Sloper, of Natick. Mr. Sloper died on June 21, 1922, and is buried in Pittsfield Cemetery. He was

a typical American gentleman, deeply devoted to his country, in whose service he had offered his life and with whose marvellous growth and expansion he was identified. He has passed to the eternal rest after a life crowned with change and busy activities, full of the most varied incidents and characterized by uprightness, loyalty and loving sympathy of his country, his family and his friends.

**ROBERT K. SQUIER**, a well-known and successful dealer in hay, grain, feed, coal and lumber, and garage operator and automobile merchant of Monson, was born in Monson, December 30, 1891. His father, Wesley A. Squier, was born in Monson in 1863, and up to the time of his death in 1908, for forty years conducted the establishment now owned by his son. He was a prominent townsman, and for many years was town auditor. He came from an old Massachusetts family. He married Jennie E. Keep, also a native of Monson.

Robert K. Squier was educated in the Monson Academy and at Bryant & Stratton Business College, in Boston. After his father's death he became a book-keeper in the grain and lumber store that had been founded early in the nineteenth century by Arba Squier, his grandfather, who being a contractor and builder, soon established a place of business as a center for all contractors and builders in that part of Hampden County centering about Monson. When Wesley A. Squier became proprietor of the business he added feed and coal and developed the enterprise to a high stage. In 1916 Robert K. Squier acquired ownership. In 1923 he built a concrete block garage 56 feet by 90 feet, on Main Street, and this he conducts as a service and housing station, and is also agent for the Maxwell, Chrysler, Overland and Willy-Knight automobiles. He is a director in the National Bank of Monson, and for many years was chief of the Monson Fire Department and member of the town's water board. He is a member of the Day Spring Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, in Monson, and Palmer Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

Mr. Squier married, March 27, 1915, Charlotte G. Nash, daughter of Elmer and Josephine (Wallace) Nash, of Milbridge, but who was a teacher in Quincy, Massachusetts. Of this union there are three children: 1. Mary M., born January 8, 1916. 2. Robert K., Jr., born April 29, 1919. 3. Sarah E., born September 13, 1921. The Squier family attends the Monson Congregational Church.

**ADELBERT WARREN BALLOU**—Steadfast performance of duties undertaken, fidelity and loyalty to those who give a man a chance of earning a living and pay him fair wages for fair work, while alone taking the risks inherent more or less in every commercial enterprise and venture are not only commendable traits from an ethical point of view, but are undoubtedly manifestations of worldly prudence, and to put it quite plainly are things which in the end pay best. Like honesty, they are the best policy even from the point of view of those who are not amenable and not susceptible to higher and more idealistic motives. This truth is as old as the hills, though some are born with an inherent





*A. W. Ballou*









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knowledge of it while others have to learn it in the school of experience, of which such a great and wise man as Benjamin Franklin tells us that it "is a hard school, but fools will learn in no other." A man of the first type who had an instinctive grasp of this fact and of the moral order of things behind it, who adjusted and adopted his whole life from early boyhood to it and consequently had reaped the reward was Mr. Adelbert Warren Ballou, the late general manager of the Home Sewing Machine Company of Orange, Massachusetts.

Mr. Ballou was a native of Clermont, New Hampshire, where he was born August 6, 1844, a son of Warren S. and C. Mana (Graham) Ballou. He died in 1918, at the age of seventy-three years. When nine years old Mr. Ballou came to Orange, where he received his first education in the public schools and learned the trade of machinist. He then entered the employ of the Home Sewing Machine Company and continued for over half a century as the general manager of that concern. He was also president of the Orange Savings Bank and director of the National and Coöperative Bank. In politics he was an independent. His fraternal associations included membership of the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons; and of the Royal Arch Chapter of Orange, Massachusetts. Mr. Ballou attends the Universalist Church.

On December 18, 1866, he married, at Orange, Louella G. Denney, a daughter of Thomas A. and Emily (Whitney) Denney. Mr. and Mrs. Ballou had one daughter, Carrie E., who married Stephen E. French, a son of Stephen and Anna Ross (Whitney) French. The children of the marriage are: 1. Stephen Adelbert, born August 24, 1896, died 1899. 2. Everett Ballou, born May 14, 1897. 3. Adelbert, born September 7, 1901. 4. Adele Stephen Warner, born January 8, 1902. 5. Emily Louella, born November 13, 1912. Mr. Ballou's father, Warren S. Ballou, came to Orange and formed a partnership with George Black, the articles being signed in black and blue, tailoring establishment, the partnership subsequently dissolved, and Mr. Ballou continued by himself. Warren S. Ballou, went to California in 1849 in the gold rush. He had five children: 1. Adelbert Warren Ballou. 2. William Otis Ballou. 3. Louis Perez Ballou. 4. Charles Sumner Ballou. 5. Ada Maria Ballou. Adelbert Warren Ballou united in himself all the qualities which determine the worth of a man as a citizen and as a husband and father. Unselfish, solicitous about the health and well being of those next to him and of his fellow-citizens he was a man whose memory will be treasured forever by those who know him and who also know how rarely men of his stamp are met with in these times of universal unrest and discontent; times in which the virtues and excellencies embodied in the late A. W. Ballou are more than ever appreciated, because they are rare.

**VERY REV. LAWRENCE M. CYMAN, D. P., O. M. C.**—A service of notable activity, with constructive results that have kept pace with the requirements of a growing and important parish is that of the Very Rev. Lawrence M. Cyman, pastor of St. Stanislaus' Roman Catholic Church, at Chicopee, since 1914 and

under whose supervision that church has thoroughly provided for the spiritual needs of a large community of Polish-speaking people. Rev. Father Cyman, member of the Order of Franciscan Fathers Minor Conventuals, has administered the affairs of this parish during the period of its greater expansion, and he has the gratitude and good will both of his own people and the community-at-large.

Very Rev. Lawrence M. Cyman was born August 14, 1883, in Poland coming to the United States when a boy. He attended the Parochial School of the Transfiguration in Buffalo, New York graduated from the College of St. Francis, in Trenton, New Jersey, and from the Seminary of the Assumption, in Syracuse, New York. Then began his theological education in Europe, and he was ordained to the priesthood in Cracow, Poland, July 8, 1906. Father Cyman became assistant pastor at Corpus Christi Church, Buffalo, New York, so continuing from 1906 to 1910, and from that date to August, 1914, he was the administrator of that parish. On August 10, 1914, at the Provincial Chapter held in Buffalo, New York, he was appointed rector of St. Stanislaus Church of Chicopee, Massachusetts.

St. Stanislaus Church, Chicopee, was established in 1891 by the Rev. Francis S. Chalupka, of Webster who administered the affairs of the parish until July, 1902. The Franciscan Fathers Minor Conventuals of St. Anthony's Province, Buffalo, New York, then took charge of the parish at the request of Right Rev. Thomas D. Beaven, D. D., Bishop of Springfield; and in 1908, the new church of stone construction was built at a cost of \$225,000, while Rev. Stanislaus Czelusniak, O. M. C., was the rector and Rev. George Jaskolski O. M. C., was his assistant. To-day Father Cyman is assisted by Revs. Raphael Marciniak, Guido Gembala, and Bruno Dobala, members of the Order of the Minor Conventuals.

In 1915 a part of a proposed school was built, at a cost of \$40,000, Bruno Wozny, of Springfield, architect; in 1920, the Church was remodelled and a new organ was constructed for \$25,000. In 1924 a new cemetery was purchased, one hundred and twenty acres in extent, in Williamansett, for \$22,000; and on August 28, 1925, a contract of \$175,000 was signed for a new school building, construction of which was immediately begun, with George P. Dion as architect, and M. J. Walsh & Sons, contractors. Rev. Cyman has increased the realty holdings of the parish by more than one-quarter million dollars since he came to Chicopee.

During the World War this parish was very active, about five hundred men enlisting and serving in the army; Liberty Bonds amounting to \$1,000,000 were raised, and Red Cross drives and charitable and patriotic movements were well supported. Sisters of St. Francis, with Sister M. Jolenta as superior, are teachers in the school, which has an attendance of 1,300. The Government of Poland gave Father Cyman a certificate and an autographed history of the war in connection with his civic work among the Poles in this country during the war.

**ARTHUR GARFIELD BISBEE**—Automobile affairs have commanded the attention of Arthur Garfield Bisbee for some years, and in his judicious and energetic



advance he has risen to a position of more than usual prominence, even in this widely exploited field. Mr. Bisbee is an eminently practical man, and in the work in which he is engaged, his usefulness is generally recognized. The motoring public has come to depend upon him for efficient service, as well as courteous attention to their needs and both in his distributing and repair activities he hold leading rank in Greenfield and this general region.

The Bisbee family is one of considerable antiquity in England, and settled in Massachusetts early in colonial times. Orrin Bisbee, Mr. Bisbee's grandfather, was born in West Hampton in 1807 and died in Chesterfield in 1887. In early life he became a resident of Chesterfield, where the greater part of his lifetime was spent. A wheelwright and millwright by trade, he built the mills at the Bisbee post office and was considered one of the most important industrial executives of his day in this part of the State. Orrin Bisbee married, Wealthy Damon, and they were the parents of the following children, all now deceased: Almarion, Horatio, Wealthy, Lydia, Jennie and Mary.

Almarion Bisbee, son of Orrin and Wealthy (Damon) Bisbee and Mr. Bisbee's father, was born in Chesterfield May 12, 1852, and died in the place of his birth January 7, 1922. He followed farming throughout his entire career and was one of the honored and successful citizens of that community. Almarion Bisbee married Martha Tilden, of Chesterfield, daughter of Warner Tilden, this family being one of prominence in early American history. The mother is still living (1924) and makes her home with her son, Arthur G., in Greenfield. Almarion and Martha (Tilden) Bisbee's two sons are: Wilbur Prescott, a well known automobile salesman, and Arthur G.

Arthur Garfield Bisbee was born in Chesterfield July 4, 1881. Receiving his education in the public schools of his birthplace, he entered the employ of his uncle, Horatio Bisbee, as a young lad of fifteen years. The uncle was active in the lumber business, and Mr. Bisbee remained with him for seven years, gaining valuable breadth of experience. He then identified himself with the Whiting interests of Holyoke for a time, then for eleven years he had charge of the estate of E. P. Bagg, of Holyoke, whose summer home in Chesterfield has long been one of the show places of the community. Meanwhile, Mr. Bisbee developed a prosperous express business in his own name, carrying this interest to marked importance, while he still had charge of the Bagg estate. In 1920 Mr. Bisbee went to Springfield, where he identified himself with the automobile business with Dunbar & Hoag, agents in that city for the Oakland car. Remaining with them for about one year, he then came to Greenfield in 1921 and established the Bisbee Motor Company, of which he has been sole owner and manager since its inception. His success was immediate, has been sustained and ever reaches out more widely. Representing the Dodge Brothers automobiles in his sales activities, he is doing a very prosperous business in that branch. He also has a fine service station, where he is equipped to handle any kind of car, expert mechanics doing his work. Both the sales and garage interests are housed in the finest and most

modern buildings, and his show rooms are beautifully appointed. Mr. Bisbee's uniform courtesy and consideration of his patrons' interest form one of his best assets, and he is acknowledged a thoroughly progressive and efficient business executive. The scope of his work is by no means limited to the immediate vicinity of Greenfield, for he commands a wide patronage throughout the surrounding country. Mr. Bisbee has always been deeply interested in general affairs, although his business interests have kept him so busy that he has been unable to identify himself formally with organized advance. During his residence in Chesterfield he served for a time on the Republican Town Committee, and he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in Greenfield.

Arthur Garfield Bisbee married, January 14, 1922, Vella (Smith) Kronvall, of Whately, daughter of Fred Smith. Mrs. Bisbee has by a former marriage one daughter, Dorothy Kronvall.

**A. H. RICE**—The man, or the group of men, who organize and successfully develop a prosperous and useful business concern materially aid in the promotion of the prosperity and happiness of their fellows, and give a strong impetus to the growth of the community in which they locate.

In 1876 there was founded in Pittsfield an industrial enterprise which has brought to the town a large increase in population and which has largely influenced the industrial development of the place. In that year William B. Rice, Arthur H. Rice and S. K. Smith formed a partnership and began manufacturing silk thread in a small shop on the corner of Robbins Avenue and Linden Street. Thirty people were employed, and with this comparatively small force the venture steadily grew to larger proportions. In 1880 silk braid, at that time a rare manufacture in the United States, was added to the output. In 1884 the Messrs. Rice acquired the interest of their partner, S. K. Smith, organized the new firm of A. H. Rice & Company and continued business in their original quarters until 1886. In that year they removed to a building on the corner of Burbank and Spring streets, formerly used as a woolen mill by Farnham and Lathers. In the meantime they had begun the manufacture of mohair braid, and in 1893 they purchased the mohair braid plant of the Barnes Manufacturing Company of Paterson, New Jersey, and installed the equipment in Pittsfield in 1894. The complicated machinery had been made in Germany and required specially trained operatives. By 1896 the business had so increased that new buildings became necessary. These were erected and the business continued to grow. In 1900 elaborate machines for making fancy, as distinguished from binding braids, were installed and by 1905 the business had expanded to proportions which made incorporation advisable. The firm was incorporated in July, 1905, under the name of the A. H. Rice Company, with Arthur H. Rice as treasurer and manager and W. B. Rice as president. In 1914 Arthur H. Rice was chosen president and treasurer of the company and has continued to ably fill the office of chief executive to the present time (1925). The buildings erected in 1896 comprise 50,000 square feet of floor space, and the concern has expanded







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to proportions which require the services of two hundred and fifty people. The company manufactures the finer grades of silk threads such as are used by clothing, garment and uniform manufacturers, tailors, and dress-makers, also an extensive line of silk, artificial silk, mohair and tinsel braids, suitable for every purpose. The company has offices at No. 1178 Broadway, New York City, No. 234 South Franklin Street, Chicago, and No. 505 North Seventh Street, St. Louis, and a selling force that covers a large portion of the country. The president and treasurer of the company is a long time resident of Pittsfield, and as a citizen and business man is esteemed in the community. Rice's Sewing Silks and Braids enjoy an enviable reputation with the trade because of their sterling quality and up-to-dateness, and are an important factor in spreading the name and fame of Pittsfield throughout the United States.

**EDWARD LIVINGSTON GODDARD**—One of the links of the romantic past, a man who not only well remembers the old pioneer days, but himself had a part in them, being possessed of the Anglo-Saxon spirit of the explorer and frontiersman which will impel to and safely carry men possessed with it through adventures of all kinds and make them brave difficulties which would daunt the average man, is Mr. Edward Livingston Goddard, a native of Royalston, Massachusetts, where he was born on January 31, 1836, a son of Sanford Goddard, born in 1813, one of the most extensive land owners of his time; justice of the peace and member of the Congregational Church, who died January 13, 1871; and of Julia (Kendall) Goddard, who died March 22, 1862. Sanford and Julia Goddard went to Montague, Massachusetts April 1, 1838, where their son was educated in the local schools. One of the interesting recollections of his boyhood is that of having seen the first train come through from Springfield to Greenfield. His father who owned a farm of 300 acres at Lake Pleasant, furnished the wood used as fuel for the engine.

On October 2, 1861, Mr. Goddard enlisted in the 26th Massachusetts Regiment, Infantry, and of his salary of ten dollars per month, kept but three for his own use, and instead of living under the shelter of a roof, cuddled up in his blanket and lay on the damp ground. Under General Butler and Colonel Jones he left Lowell on November 1, and sailed in the "Constitution" from Boston to Fortress Monroe, under sealed orders to the Gulf of Mexico, where he formed a regiment and behind Porter and Farragut carried the campaign up the Mississippi River and was finally stationed at Fort Phillips and later at New Orleans. While corporal of guard that night he was taken ill and forced to retire to his bunk for eleven days attended only by his wife's father, W. Hildreth. Mr. Goddard never entirely recovered from his illness, and in the autumn of 1862, was discharged from the army in which he had fought with such indomitable valor, energy and resourcefulness.

Until March, 1866, he lived in Montague, and then moved to Turners Falls, a place which in those days only harbored three families, while the present day population is well in excess of 8000 inhabitants. About 1864 Mr. Goddard's father made a big purchase of land, buy-

ing the entire section from Main Street to Mayos Point, and Mr. Goddard undertook the task of clearing the ground from rubbish and weeds; he was familiar with the work, having previously acted in the capacity of sand contractor, supplying loads of sand for the Russell Cutlery. One of the business ventures of Mr. Goddard was also in the dairy line, in which he was active with great success for many years. He discontinued dairying when the New Haven Railroad built a line running through his meadow. Since then Mr. Goddard has devoted his entire time to the managing and supervision of his large interests in other spheres.

In politics Mr. Goddard is a Republican, and a strong advocate of the eighteenth amendment. He is in favor of our national attitude in this important matter, which however, in his opinion, is capable of being dealt with more effectively by other methods than those in use at present. He is a former member of Edwin E. Day Post, No. 174, Grand Army of the Republic of Greenfield, and was for eighteen years quartermaster and past commander.

Edward Livingston Goddard married, May 25, 1859, Euphemia M. Hildreth, born at Lowell, October 12, 1840, daughter of William Hildreth, a native of Westford, born October 10, 1816, and of Lucinda H. (Crockett) Hildreth, born March 11, 1807, at New Hampton. Mr. and Mrs. Goddard are the parents of three children: Nellie L., born at Montague, February 1, 1861; George A., born at Turners Falls, November 16, 1866; Clara P., born June 29, 1868. Mr. Goddard has the following sisters and brothers; George H.; Julia, wife of D. F. Hamilton; Elvira, wife of Geo. Kaulback, a Civil War veteran, now dead; Rosella; Prentis, who died in the service at New Orleans, a soldier of the Civil War; and Mrs. E. L. Goddard, died September 22, 1898.

**JOSEPH HERBERT HOWARD**—One of the names most famous in the annals of English chivalry is that of Howard, which for more than six centuries has been prominently identified with the nobility and was borne by several Dukes of Norfolk. Haward and Hereward were ancient forms of spelling the name. Burke's "Heraldic Register" states the present form Howard originated with William Howard, a learned and revered judge in the reign of King Edward I. Sir Robert Howard, Knight, a descendant of the judge, married Margaret de Mowbray, eldest daughter of Thomas de Mowbray, Duke of Norfolk, and great-granddaughter of and heiress of Thomas Plantagenet, surnamed De Brotherton, eldest son of King Edward I by the latter's second wife, Margaret, who was a daughter of Philip the Hardy of France. John Howard, Duke of Norfolk, the jockey of Norfolk, mentioned by Shakespeare, fell in the battle of Bosworth Field (1485) while defending to the last extremity the lost cause of his sovereign, Richard III. His son, Thomas Howard, Earl of Surrey and afterward Duke of Norfolk, distinguished himself in the battle of Flodden (1513), and the latter's eldest son, Henry (1516-1546), also Earl of Surrey, was one of the most noted poets and polite writers of his age.

In the early New England records the name Howard is subjected to several changes in its orthography, such



as Hayward, Haward and Heywood. It is believed the progenitor of these Howards in New England, was Nathaniel Howard, who came from Suffolk, England, in 1641, and settled in Dorchester, Massachusetts, where he was made a freeman in 1643. The maiden name of the wife of Nathaniel Howard, the immigrant, has never been ascertained for record. He had two sons, at least, William and Nathaniel, Jr.

Joseph Howard, great-grandfather of Joseph Herbert Howard, of North Amherst, Massachusetts, an extensive lumber operator, was born in Cumberland, Rhode Island, and died in Shutesbury, Massachusetts. He was one of the early settlers of the latter region. He married Huldah Sheldon.

Harvey Howard, son of Joseph and Huldah (Sheldon) Howard, was born in Cumberland, Rhode Island, in 1803, died in Amherst, Massachusetts, December 14, 1887, at the age of eighty-four years. He came, at an early age, to live in Shutesbury, where he carried on a farm, afterward going to Amherst, where he resided until his death. He married Abigail Ball, and they had children: Mary; Jane; Eliza; and Joseph Halsey, of whom further.

Joseph Halsey Howard, son of Harvey and Abigail (Ball) Howard, was born in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, in 1838, and died there in 1870, at the age of thirty-two years. He was a farmer. He married Mary Ann Adams, of Shutesbury, daughter of Ward Adams. She died in 1910. Children: Joseph Herbert, of whom further; Alice, who married Fred Gifford; and George Lewis, of Los Angeles, California. Abigail (Ball) Howard married (second) Orus Fitts. Children: Martha M.; James; Robert; Emily A.; Charles; and Frank.

Joseph Herbert Howard, son of Joseph Halsey and Mary Ann (Adams) Howard, was born in Shutesbury, Massachusetts, July 23, 1862. He was a pupil in the schools of Shutesbury and Athol, Massachusetts. He worked on the farmstead until he reached the age of twenty years, when he began to give his attention to lumbering operations. His business grew apace until he carried on his operations in the towns of Shutesbury, Leverett, Southampton, Easthampton and Sunderland. In the early years of his connection with the lumber business he was associated with Walter D. Cowles, the style of the firm being Cowles & Howard. In more recent years he has carried on business independently. The quantity of his cuttings has increased with the passing of the years. In 1924 he cut and disposed of something more than 600,000 feet of lumber. He also cuts large quantities of firewood, for which he finds a ready market. He is an attendant of the Congregational Church at North Amherst.

Mr. Howard married, in June, 1890, Amy Belle Chapin, daughter of Lemuel Russell and Mary Eliza (Landon) Chapin. They have one daughter, Mildred C. Howard, who resides at home.

Mrs. Howard traces her ancestry, on the paternal side, to (I) Deacon Samuel Chapin, one of the early settlers of Springfield. Thence the line descends through (II) Josiah Chapin, died in 1726. (III) Seth Chapin, born in 1668. (IV) Seth Chapin, born in 1692. (V) Lieutenant Josiah Chapin, born in 1719. (VI) Stephen

Chapin, born in 1745, died in 1816. (VII) Luther Chapin, born in 1777, died in 1862. (VIII) Alanson Chapin, born in 1798, died in 1884. (IX) Lemuel Russell Chapin, born in 1826, died in 1901. (X) Amy Belle Chapin, married Joseph Herbert Howard, as above-mentioned.

**FREDERICK G. BELDEN**—When some twenty years ago the firm of F. G. Belden & Company started in business in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, it was only as a sporting goods store in the old Young Men's Christian Association building, and when this structure was razed to make room for the present building the firm's name was the Belden Sporting Goods Company, though its sole owner was Mr. Belden. To-day the firm is unquestionably one of the leading houses of its kind that Pittsfield can boast of, and besides a full line of sporting goods of every kind also handles cutlery and a large and complete collection of all kinds of mechanical tools in stock.

Frederick G. Belden, its general proprietor and manager, was born at Rocky Hill, Connecticut, February 19, 1859, and after receiving his education in the public schools, went to work at an early age. When twenty-one years old he came to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and in the course of twenty-two years acquired such a complete knowledge of various aspects of business life, and had saved enough money to enable him to set up a business of his own. When coming to Pittsfield from Waterbury, Connecticut, he was in the employ of the Terry Clock Company, which industry was located on the present site of the Eaton, Crane & Pike Company. After three years as foreman with this concern he entered the employ of the Pierson Hardware Company, and for eight years was one of its leading salesmen. This varied experience accounts for the fact that when Mr. Belden embarked in business for himself his success was startling and immediate. For ten years he occupied a store in the old Young Men's Christian Association Building, and when forced to vacate with the other tenants in December, 1909, he moved to his present location at No. 277 North Street. In these quarters he has one of the best appointed sporting and athletic establishments in the country. Devoting his entire time and attention to the business, he has built up an excellent trade and to-day is looked upon as one of the most reliable and successful merchants of Pittsfield. Anything and everything in sporting goods may be found in this store and only the very best makes are sold. Mr. Belden is regarded as an expert authority in this line and is very popular with all classes. Fishing and hunting goods of every description, and suiting every taste and purse, can always be found at Beldens. Guns, rifles and pistols of the leading manufacturers are always in stock, and the sportsmen and athlete need look no farther. A specialty is also made of cutlery, and everything that comes under this head. The uniform courtesy with which all customers are treated at the Belden store has had much to do with its pronounced success, reflecting credit upon its proprietors. Mr. Belden, though immersed in his business, is ever ready to take an active part in any movement for the best interest of his home





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town, and his success is most deserving. He is a member of the present Chamber of Commerce, and an original member of the old Board of Trade.

Mr. Belden married Anna Bonney, and they are the parents of a daughter, Ora Madeline, who was educated in Pittsfield grammar and high schools and later at Smith College, where she took a regular course and afterwards went through some post-graduate studies. Miss Belden is now a teacher in Rosemary Hall, Greenwich, Connecticut, a very exclusive girls' preparatory school.

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**CHARLES ALVIN BRADWAY**, banker, business man, and leader in the community of Monson, Massachusetts, was born in Ashland, Massachusetts, May 6, 1868. His father was Truman Clarke Bradway, and his mother Mary J. (Laird) Bradway, daughter of John L. and Minerva (Hayward) Laird, of Scotch ancestry.

The Bradway family in America goes back to Edward Bradway of English birth who came to Salem, New Jersey, with his wife, Mary, sailing from London in May, 1677, aboard the ship "Kent." They settled in Salem, New Jersey, in September, 1678. In 1691, he built the brick house in Salem which is still standing. It was at one time occupied by the Governor of New Jersey and it is called "The Governor's House." It is still in the possession of the descendants of the builder, who are a numerous family in the State. The Massachusetts family is believed to have descended from the New Jersey line. The early records give several spellings, Broadway, and Brawdway, being common. Abel and Richard Bradway, assumed to be brothers, were soldiers in Captain William Douglass's Company, Colonel Benjamin Simonds' Regiment of Western Massachusetts during the Revolution, in 1777. The Federal Census of 1790 shows Jeremiah Bradway was living in Lanesborough, Berkshire County, having two sons under sixteen and two females. As no others of the name were reported in the census it is presumed that Abel was living with another family or had left the State. The children of Abel were Abel (2) and Eleazer.

Abel (2) Bradway, son of Abel Bradway, was born in Monson or its vicinity about 1790, and married Elmira Squier. They were the parents of Marvin and Alice E., who married Dwight V. Fuller. Eleazer, son of Abel Bradway, lived in Woodstock, Connecticut, and removed to Monson, Massachusetts, about 1800. He married Rachel Perry. John Dwight, their son, was born at Monson, March 21, 1816. He was educated there and was a farmer in the neighborhood all his life. His first wife was Caroline Hoar. His second was Sophronia M. Bradway. Truman Clarke Bradway, son of John Dwight and Caroline Bradway, was born in Monson May 1, 1842, and died August 30, 1882. After an education in the Monson schools he worked on his father's farm until the Civil War; he served until his discharge July 29, 1863, as a private in Company G, Forty-Sixth Massachusetts Volunteers. Returning from the war he worked in a mill at Ashland, Massachusetts, and afterwards in a shoe factory there. He passed his later years in North Wilbraham, Massachusetts, where he was employed in a grist mill. He was a member of

North Star Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Ashland; of Palmer Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; a charter member of Colonel Prescott Post, No. 18, Grand Army of the Republic of Ashland; and the Methodist Church. In politics he was a Republican.

Charles Alvin Bradway, his son, was educated in the public schools of his birthplace, Ashland, and at the North Wilbraham and Monson public schools. He came to Monson in 1882, and was a clerk in the general store of Rogers & Company; and for two years in the dry goods store of Charles Fowler. He became a clerk in the Monson Savings Bank on September 1, 1885, and also in the Monson National Bank under the same management. He was advanced to teller of the National Bank, and treasurer of the Savings Bank. He resigned as teller of the National Bank on November 1, 1902, to fix his attention on the duties of treasurer of the Savings Bank. He was at one time a member of the Board of Water Commissioners. He holds at present important offices of trust, being a director of the National Bank; a trustee of the Monson Savings Bank; a director and secretary of the Monson Free Reading Room and Library Association; treasurer and trustee of the Methodist Church; and a member of the Monson Cemetery Commission. He is a trustee of the Monson Academy and member of the building committee of the Monson High School. In politics Mr. Bradway is Republican. He was local chairman of the five Liberty Bond campaigns of the World War.

Mr. Bradway was married (first) on September 21, 1897, at Medford, Massachusetts, to Stymie Powell Loggie, who died May 31, 1904. Her parents were Peter and Trinda Loggie. She was a graduate of the State Normal School of Salem, Massachusetts, and for several years a teacher in the Monson public schools. He married (second), September 1, 1915, at Hudson, Massachusetts, Mrs. Lillian Belle (Neale) Wood, of Boston, daughter of Edward and Lucy B. Neale. He had one child by his first wife, Williston Loggie Bradway, born April 21, 1904, a senior at Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut.

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**KARL FREDERICK KOCH**—The selection of Mr. Koch for the postmastership of Montague City was that of a capable appointee whose relations with the community are those of a business man who has given close attention to public demand in the mercantile line, and who has become known and highly respected in the district. He is a representative of a family of excellent social and business reputation, and personally, too, Mr. Koch possesses the qualities of probity and rectitude.

He is a son of Gottlieb and Marie (Bitzer) Koch, the latter surviving her husband. Gottlieb Koch was born in Württemberg, Germany, in 1849, and died in Turners Falls in 1909. As a young man, in Germany, he was employed at his trade of shoemaking, and coming to the United States in 1884, he settled at Turners Falls. There he engaged in farming, and for some time, also, was employed in the paper mills and the cutlery works, continuing his activities until within a short time before his death. He was a member of the Hari-

gari Society, and a communicant of the German Lutheran Church. He married Marie Bitzer, who was born in Württemberg, and who now resides at Turners Falls. Their children were: 1. Louis, who is in the milk and the grocery business at Turners Falls, and whose children are: Charles, Anna, Dora and Carrie. 2. Gottlieb, also engaged in the grocery business at Turners Falls, and whose children are: Eugene, Louis and Albert. 3. John, a farmer, located on the Millers Falls Road, whose children are: Florence, Helen, William, Edward, Emily. 4. Annie, who is a district nurse at Greenfield. 5. George, a farmer, owner of the "White Coal" farm on Millers Falls Road, and whose children are: Mabel, Herman, William, Emily, and Elson. 6. Margaret, who married Martin Schule, proprietor of a meat market at Turners Falls, and whose children are: John, Karl, Elizabeth, Marie and Harold. 7. William, who has a grocery business at Greenfield, and whose children are: Robert and Harry. 8. Karl F., of whom further.

Karl Frederick Koch was born at Turners Falls, Massachusetts, January 13, 1893, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace. He then turned his attention to farming, which vocation he pursued at Riverside, for about two years, and for the same period thereafter he was employed in paper mills. Accepting the opportunity of association with his brother, Gottlieb, in his grocery store, at Turners Falls, he so continued for ten years, or until 1922, when he purchased the grocery business of Burnham Brothers, at Montague City, which he continues to operate. As the post office for Montague City is located in this store, Mr. Koch, after taking possession of the business, was the acting postmaster for a year, and on December 18, 1923, he received appointment to the postmastership from President Coolidge.

Mr. Koch's fraternal affiliations are those of Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Turners Falls; of Valley Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Green River Encampment of that order, at Greenfield; he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Club, at Turners Falls, and of the Postmasters' Association. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church, of which he is an official.

Mr. Koch married, October 12, 1920, Priscilla Granger, of North Adams, daughter of George and Addie (Gotthier) Granger, and they are the parents of Joan, born June 19, 1921; and Karl J., born June 3, 1924.

**ABRAHAM HERMAN SLAVIN**, born in Springfield, November 2, 1889, on growing to manhood years found this city to be a very desirable place in which to live and therefore decided to engage in business therein. He is a lawyer by profession, having delved deeply into the intricacies of the law both by study and actual experience, and is now regarded by his fellow-citizens in Springfield as a lawyer of repute.

He is a son of Max and Minnie Slavin, both of whom are natives of Russia. They had read and also heard tales about the wonderful America, where the doors of opportunity are always open to those with ambition, and subsequently they set sail for this country. After

landing on American soil they finally located in Springfield, Massachusetts, where to-day (1925) they are living lives of contentment and leisure. Mr. Slavin having retired from business. It was after their locating in Springfield that their son, Abraham Herman, was born.

Abraham Herman Slavin was educated in the public and high schools of Springfield, graduating from the latter with the class of 1907. He pursued his legal studies in Yale Law School, from which he graduated with the class of 1910, at which time he was awarded his degree of Bachelor of Laws. His admission to the bar occurred in the year 1911, after which he opened an office in Springfield for the practice of his profession. The door to his office, No. 274 Main Street, is always open to the public. In him they have found a wise counsellor and advisor and a person who can be relied upon. Mr. Slavin, in political matters, gives his support to the Republican party. He is a member of the American Bar Association and the Hampden County Bar Association. He also belongs to the City Homes Association, the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and B'nai B'rith. He is a communicant of the Jewish Congregation of Kodimoh, of Springfield.

Abraham Herman Slavin was joined in wedlock in New Haven, Connecticut, February 15, 1915, to Ethel Price, born in New Haven, Connecticut, a daughter of Max and Dora Price, natives of Russia. To this marriage have been born two children: Hilda, born in Springfield, December 17, 1915; and Howard, born in Springfield, September 3, 1918.

**LEWIS FRANKLIN ROGERS**—Among the more ancient and numerous of the families early in immigration and settlement of this country is the Rogers family. The early records, however are confusing, for there were no less than eleven by the name of John Rogers among the immigrants of the seventeenth century. Savage, in his "Genealogical Dictionary," avers that none of these, or in fact, any of the early settlers of the name, can establish a claim to descent from John Rogers, who suffered martyrdom at Smithfield in 1555, although many of them cherish traditions to that effect. Considering the number of the martyr's offspring it is surprising that more trace of them cannot be found. Among the many in this country by the name of John Rogers may be mentioned the president of Harvard College in 1683. Probably the earliest American Rogers was Thomas, who came over in the "Mayflower" with his son Joseph, and who died early in 1621. It is possible that the present line may have descended from him, but the name of William does not appear among the sons and grandsons of Thomas Rogers. It is curious to note speculation as to the origin of the name Rogers, or Roger. It is said, to have been derived from the word Hruod in Frank, Brother, in North German, and Ruhm in the modern German, meaning fame or glory.

(I) Martin Rogers, great-grandfather of Lewis Franklin Rogers, was born in Hardwick, Massachusetts. He married Betsy Taylor, and their children were: James, Dwight, Cutler, Seth, of whom further; Eunice, Amanda, Mercy and Rhoda.

(II) Seth Rogers, son of Martin and Betsy (Taylor)







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Rogers, and grandfather of Lewis Franklin Rogers, was born in Hardwick May 2, 1826, and died September 19, 1895. He married Sarah Bartlett, of Pelham, Massachusetts, born January 19, 1829, who died September 7, 1895, a daughter of Alexander and Lucy (James) Bartlett. Their children: Hattie, married a Cogswell; William, deceased; Frank, of whom further.

(III) Frank Rogers, son of Seth and Sarah (Bartlett) Rogers, was born in Hardwick, Massachusetts, died in Enfield in that State in 1921. He was a farmer in Enfield and Greenwich, and married Carrie Newland, born in Hardwick, died in Greenwich, Massachusetts, in 1907. His children were: Augusta, who married a Todd, of Binghamton, New York; and Lewis Franklin, of whom further.

(IV) Lewis Franklin Rogers, son of Frank and Carrie (Newland) Rogers, was born in Greenwich, Massachusetts, April 17, 1871, and educated in the schools of Enfield. When through his studies he went into the retail meat business in Enfield and followed it there for three years. He then went to Holyoke, Massachusetts, and worked in the Kelton meat market for three years. Then he went on the road, selling supplies to hotels and colleges, and travelling for the Spooner Markets. This vocation he followed for two years. In 1901 he came to Northampton to take charge of the H. N. Hardy Meat and Provision Company, and has been manager of the Northampton branch of that enterprise for twenty-five consecutive years.

Mr. Rogers married, on September 1, 1899, Elizabeth Lannon, born in Enfield, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Lannon.

**JOSEPH HENRY WALKER**—American industrial life has in the course of its development received valuable accessions from the older countries across the sea, and among the industries thus transplanted to the United States, hand loom weaving as practiced in the North of England occupies a prominent place. One of the mill owners of England who came to America seeking a suitable site in a New England town for the establishment of woolen mills was Mr. Walker's father, who died in 1880 at the age of sixty-four years. Accompanied by his wife, Mary (Armistead) Walker, and his family he arrived in Dover, New Hampshire.

Joseph Henry Walker, who now occupies the position of town clerk, was born in Wortley, England, on March 5, 1856, and after his arrival in America attended the public schools of Dover. He then removed with his parents to Glenham, New York; then to Leeds, and later to Thomaston, Connecticut. He finished his education at Leeds, then entered a mill at the age of thirteen, later holding a position in the woolen mills in Leeds, New York. After that he entered into the employ of the Plymouth Woolen Company, Thomaston, Connecticut, and then followed his father to Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, where Charles Walker established a mill under the name of Stroudsburg Woolen Mill in partnership with Walker, Kitson & Davis. This partnership lasted five years, and shortly after his father's death he left Stroudsburg and went to Pittsfield, Maine, where he entered the Pittsfield Woolen Mills.

He soon established such a record for thoroughness and efficiency, and gained the confidence of his employers to such a degree that he was appointed bookkeeper and paymaster. In 1889 he was elected cashier of the Pittsfield National Bank and remained in that position for three years. He then reentered the woolen trade as superintendent of the Maple Grove Woolen Mills, operated by his brother, Dennison Walker, at Pittsfield, Maine. From there he came to the Waverly Woolen Mills, at Pittsfield as assistant superintendent. On the 31st of July, 1900, Mr. Walker came to Ware, Massachusetts, and accepted the position of superintendent of the Ware Woolen Mills, but resigned after fifteen years, upon the death of the owner, Mr. Stevens. February, 1915, Mr. Walker was elected to the offices of town clerk and treasurer of Ware, Massachusetts. He and his family are members of the Unitarian Church, of which he is a former treasurer.

On October 16, 1892, Mr. Walker married at Pittsfield, Maine, Cora E. Connor, a daughter of Gustave Jason Connor, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Hazel Myra. 2. Paul Dennison. 3. Karl Armistead. Karl Armistead Walker served his country in the Mexican Border War as a soldier of the 2d Massachusetts Regiment, and also saw active military service during the World War, going to France in April, 1917.

**PERCY COLTON ROBERTS**, a prominent figure in the laundry business in Greenfield, who has developed a prosperous and important interest in his chosen field of endeavor, and who is numbered among the thoroughly progressive and forward looking men of the day is prominent in various lines of activity and interested in all progressive endeavor. He is a man of well-rounded affairs and highly esteemed in the community.

(I) The Roberts family is one of long prominence in American advance, and the name is derived from the Saxon, *rod* meaning council, and *bert*, or *bericht*, famous or bright, substantially famous in counsels. William Roberts came from Wales prior to 1688, and founded the family name in Hartford, Connecticut. He married Dorothy Forbes, daughter of James and Catharine Forbes, and they were the parents of six children.

(II) Joseph Roberts, son of William Roberts, was born in 1700 and died May 31, 1774. His wife's name was Mabel, and they were the parents of eight children.

(III) Joseph Roberts, son of Joseph and Mabel Roberts was born in 1725, and died March 4, 1804. He enlisted, August 6, 1778, in Captain Slatt's company for service in the War of the Revolution in the Continental line. He married Thankful Forbes, daughter of David and Sarah (Treat) Forbes, and they were the parents of eleven children.

(IV) Reuben Roberts, son of Joseph and Thankful (Forbes) Roberts, was born in East Hartford, Connecticut, December 27, 1774, and died October 25, 1864. He married, in 1795, Esther Risley, who died February 20 1837 and they were the parents of eight children.

(V) George Risley Roberts, son of Reuben and Esther (Risley) Roberts, was born March 14, 1811, and died August 11, 1873. He married, in 1835, Sarah

Stowell, who died December 26, 1881. She was a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Stowell, and their children were: Sarah Eliza, Ellen Sophia, George Henry, of further mention; Sylvester, William Edward and Mary Ellen.

(VI) George Henry Roberts, son of George Risley and Sarah (Stowell) Roberts, was born in Amherst, October 14, 1844, and died December 6, 1893. He became an early paper manufacturer, and with his brother, Sylvester, was the owner and manager of a successful paper mill in North Amherst. He was a soldier of the Civil War, serving in Company G, 52d Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and in later life he was a leading member of the local post, Grand Army of the Republic. His religious affiliation was with the Congregational Church of North Amherst. George Henry Roberts married, January 26, 1865, Mary Elizabeth Bangs, adopted daughter of Charles and Margaret (Colton) Bangs, of North Amherst. Their children: Percy Colton, of further mention; and Bertha Isabelle, born July 5, 1879, who married, April 22, 1901, Francis Guy Stanley, their children being: Elsie Vera, Cecil Roberts and Virginia.

(VII) Percy Colton Roberts, son of George Henry and Mary Elizabeth (Bangs) Roberts, and the seventh generation in descent from the pioneer, was born in North Amherst, November 17, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of Amherst, and also at Amherst Agricultural College. Later devoting three years to a woodworking course. Going to Springfield, Mr. Roberts identified himself with the Hampden Lumber Company and also worked in the United States Armory in Springfield for about one year. His activities in this connection were during the Spanish-American War, and he was engaged in the manufacture of gun stocks. His next interest was a meat and grocery business in which he was active for about a year, and he then entered the employ of the Smith & Wesson Company. His work with that well known arms manufacturing concern was in the production of guns, and after about a year, Mr. Roberts purchased a steam laundry in Easthampton. This interest he continued for about one year, then sold to come to Greenfield. This was in 1903, and establishing himself in the laundry business here, Mr. Roberts has since developed a largely important interest. In 1924, the enterprise was incorporated under the name of the Greenfield Laundry Company, Mr. Roberts becoming treasurer and general manager. This business has developed to a remarkable extent and the company now employs about thirty-five people. Mr. Roberts is further interested in farming activities and owns an attractive farm on the Mohawk Trail, of two hundred and twenty acres, where he maintains a herd of thirty blooded cows. Mr. Roberts finds his chief leisure interest in music, being one of the organizers of the Greenfield band, of which he was manager for eighteen years.

Percy Colton Roberts married, August 15, 1906, Alice Davidson, daughter of Henry M. and Charlotte R. (Forsythe) Davidson, of Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are the parents of two children: John Davidson, born September 25, 1909; and Norman Philip, born May 5, 1914.

**LOUIS ALTON SIMMONS**, identified with the commercial life of North Adams, as his father was before him, is widely known in this section, for he has been established in his present business for more than three decades. He is active in the social, fraternal and civic life of the community, and has served his fellows ably and honorably in the walk of life that he has chosen for his field of endeavor. A son of Albert Henry Simmons, who for more than a quarter of a century was widely known in this locality as an able and reliable business man, Mr. Simmons has earned for himself that esteem of his associates that they also rendered to his father, of whom further.

Albert Henry Simmons, son of Abraham C. and Selinda (Amidon) Simmons, was born March 16, 1849, at Poestenkill, New York. His parents came from Poestenkill to Berkshire County in 1857, settling in Williamstown. There the son attended school for a period, and at an early age went to Cohoes, New York, where he found employment with his elder brother, George, who conducted a grocery and provision store. In 1865, at the age of sixteen years, he went to Troy, New York, where he entered the employ of Robert Green, a prominent furniture dealer of that city, and here he learned the upholstery business, which he followed as a journeyman until 1879. In the latter year he purchased the furniture establishment at Adams, which had been carried on for many years by Sanford Stetson, and for several decades he conducted there a successful business, which developed with the growth of the town, and became one of the leading establishments of its kind in Western Massachusetts. In 1902 he purchased the old St. Charles Roman Catholic Church, which was for sale, added to it a brick front and otherwise remodelled the building to suit the needs of his constantly increasing business, until his warerooms constituted one of the best emporiums for the display of merchandise in this locality. Mr. Simmons took active interest in many lines of progress; he was a member of the board of trustees of Adams Savings Bank; belonged to the order of Masonry, being a member of Berkshire Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Corinthian Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and St. Paul's Commandery, Knights Templar. He is now retired from active business, and is a member of the Baptist Church of Adams, which he served as treasurer of the fund for the building committee which erected the new edifice in 1891. Before giving up his business activity Mr. Simmons also went into the undertaking business, but he has retired from that, his son entering that line in 1891.

Albert Henry Simmons married, November 14, 1871, in Troy, New York, Mary Campbell, a native of Scotland, daughter of James and Ann (Drummond) Campbell, and they became the parents of four children: 1. Louis A., of whom further. 2. Arthur C., who was connected with his father's business, and who married, September 20, 1905, Rena Bowen, of Pittsfield. 3. Edith M., who is head of the Latin department in the high school in Englewood, New Jersey. 4. Dr. Fred Albert, who was a student at Brown University when war was declared between the United States and Spain. He enlisted as a volunteer, and was wounded at the battle of



El Caney. After the close of hostilities he resumed his studies at Brown University and graduated with the class of 1899. He then took up the study of medicine, pursuing the regular course at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City and graduating in 1903. His professional preparation was further augmented by the valuable observation and experience acquired during eighteen months of continuous service at the Staten Island General Hospital, after which he located his offices in Brockton, Massachusetts, where he became one of the most promising of the younger physicians of the city. He became very successful, fulfilling the promise of his early practice. He married, September 6, 1905, Geneva Cobb, of Providence, Rhode Island.

Louis Alton Simmons, eldest son of Albert H. and Mary (Campbell) Simmons, was born August 20, 1872, in Greenfield. He received his education in the public schools of Adams, at Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, New York, and in the Massachusetts College of Embalming, in which latter he prepared for his calling. He entered the undertaking business in 1891, and has continued in it up to the present time. He is very progressive, and his establishment is furnished with all modern and improved equipment and methods. He has earned the respect and esteem of the community by his capable services and honorable dealings, and he is one of the active citizens of this section. In his politics, Mr. Simmons is a Republican, and in his fraternal affiliation he is a member of Greylock Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Composite Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Past Commander of St. Paul's Commandery, No. 40, Knights Templar; and he is also a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Springfield. He also belongs to Olympian Lodge, No. 22, Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Rotary Club, and his religious connection is with St. John's Episcopal Church.

Louis Alton Simmons married, September 8, 1896, at St. John's Episcopal Church, North Adams, Gertrude Ann Rhodes, daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Parks) Rhodes, and they are the parents of two children: Dorothy Eleanor, born February 1, 1903; and John Albert, born November 14, 1906.

**WILLIAM J. OATMAN**—The printing profession is one which, to the right person, opens up a path leading to higher things, and before the era of big newspaper trusts and publishing concerns many publishers and editors of newspapers were recruited from the ranks of printers. A publisher and journalist who passed on from the printing room into the editor's office is Mr. William J. Oatman, who in 1888 and 1906 launched two newspapers in Pittsfield which he afterwards disposed of to a publishing firm.

Born December 28, 1858, at West Hebron, New York, a son of John Wesley and Mary (Northrup) Oatman, he attended public schools till the age of thirteen then went to work as a printer. In 1882 Mr. Oatman set up a business of his own in which he has continued to be active ever since. In December, 1888, he and his brother, Hiram T. Oatman, bought the plant of "The Berkshire Hills," a weekly paper, and started a Sun-

day newspaper called "The Sunday Morning Call." This weekly paper used to be a sheet of twelve pages, conducted in a more or less spirited style, with a bold and aggressive policy. Its managing editor was Hiram T. Oatman, and in the Pittsfield of its time the paper was often judged to be somewhat sensational in character. Mr. William J. Oatman, the publisher of "The Sunday Morning Call," in 1896 launched a daily edition christened "The Morning Call," which he kept going for about ten months. Undaunted by his experiences and by the difficulties of conducting a newspaper on the lines which commended themselves to him, Mr. Oatman in 1906 set afloat another daily paper, the "Evening Times," but decided to retire from newspaper publishing and sold his establishment to the firm of Haver & Osborne. Mr. Oatman is prominently identified with various fraternal organizations in Pittsfield, and is a member of the Pittsfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, a Past Noble Grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a member of the Greylock Encampment, Pittsfield, No. 66, P. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of the Silver Star Lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, a lodge to which also Mrs. Oatman belongs.

In 1882 Mr. Oatman married Mary J. Newton, and with her had one child, Eva Newton, who married Fred D. Butler and with him had one daughter, Virginia Irene Butler. Mrs. Butler died in 1906.

**EDWARD LAFAYETTE STOUGHTON** traces his lineage back through the years to a far distant day in 1660, when the founder of the American branch of the family came from England to settle among the colonists of Plymouth Bay. On his mother's side he also inherits English blood, for she was born in England, residing for several years in the English colony of the West Indies before coming to the United States.

On September 16, 1890, Mr. Stoughton was born at Brooklyn, New York. The family remained in that city during the school days of their son, moving later to Springfield, where his father, James E. Stoughton, has been known as a master plumber for the past forty years. When he was ready for college Mr. Stoughton, chose Brown University as his *alma mater*, and there for two years he took a course in business administration. In 1910, he began to put his studies to practical use, obtaining a position with the Witherbee Igniter Company he began at the bottom and in all the departments he worked his way up until he occupied the position of treasurer. Ten years after he entered the employ of this company it was absorbed by the Wico Electric Company, and Mr. Stoughton was elected vice-president, treasurer and general sales manager of the new concern. By the union of the two companies, the Wico Electric Company took its place among the leading industries in this section of the country. It is the largest maker of magnetos in the world. The floor space of the main building alone covers 38,000 square feet, and in addition there are secondary buildings in connection with the plant. Two hundred and fifty men are on their payroll.

It is invariably among the busiest men that we find those who have time and thought to do even more than their share of the public duties. Mr. Stoughton

is a director of two organizations, the West Springfield Coöperative Bank and the Beneficial Loan Society. Among other political activities he has been chairman of the West Springfield Republican Party Committee, for the past six years. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, having been initiated into the Scottish and York rites; he is also a Knights Templar; and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Stoughton and his family are members of the First Baptist Church, of West Springfield.

Edward Lafayette Stoughton, and Lena O. Cromwell, of Springfield, were united in marriage on December 14, 1912. Two daughters have been born to them: Dorothy, on March 26, 1914, and Marylin Lee, on April 3, 1923.

**WILLIAM RASBURN PARKER**—Of the men of large enterprise in the western part of the State who have given considerable attention to the automobile business and made it one of the most important in this section, Mr. Parker has established his garage and his Studebaker agency at Greenfield, and made both distinctive activities in Franklin County. Many years in business in other interests here, having been prominent in the restaurant line for a quarter of a century, Mr. Parker both because of his executive abilities and his popularity, has proven his capacity for building up and carrying forward his enterprises to a high degree of success. He is of the third generation to bear the same name in full. His grandfather, William Rasburn Parker, was a tavern-keeper in England, who came to America, and died at Conway, Massachusetts. His children were: William Rasburn, of whom further; Joseph; Hannah; Mary; John; and Nancy, who married John Jangro.

William Rasburn Parker, the second of the name, was born in 1832, in Sheffield, England, and died August 27, 1902, at Greenfield, Massachusetts. He came to the United States when he was fourteen years of age, and locating at Greenfield, was employed by the J. Russell Cutlery Company. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in the Union Army, and was in the service three years and nine months, being appointed first sergeant of his company. He had always been identified with the cutlery manufacturing business. He married Sarah Keefe, who was born in Cork, Ireland, and who died in Greenfield, March 28, 1919. Their children: Clara, who resides in California; John, of Hartford, Connecticut; Joseph, of Glastonbury, Connecticut; Lizzie, living in California; William Rasburn, of whom further; James, deceased; Alphonso, deceased; George, living in Greenfield; Mary, residing in California. Four children died in infancy.

William Rasburn Parker, third of the name, was born December 10, 1866, at Deerfield, and he attended the public schools there. When he was but ten years of age, he went to work in the cutlery shop, and later, removing to Montana, he was employed in a hotel two years. Returning East, he then worked in a Greenfield hotel nine years. Eventually, he became associated with the restaurant business at Greenfield, and he was in business under his own name twenty-five years to a day, selling out in 1919. It was in that year that he built his present garage, and he has continued in the automobile business

to the present, acting as Franklin County agent for the Studebaker automobile. His son is associated with him, the firm name being W. R. Parker & Son, and they have a finely appointed service station, where they keep six men employed. Mr. Parker also has extensive real estate interests that occupy much of his time.

Mr. Parker married, November 2, 1893, Jennie Coran, of Concord, New Hampshire, a daughter of Albert and Arline (Boardman) Coran. Mrs. Coran's father was a large land-owner in the White Mountains, in New Hampshire, and was one of the builders of the Mount Washington Railway. Mr. and Mrs. Parker were the parents of: 1. Joseph Arthur, born January 1, 1895; served with the Coast Artillery in the World War, and is associated in business with his father. 2. Lillian Marie, born November 27, 1896. 3. Mabel Irene, born August 12, 1898.

**CHARLES W. ROBINSON**, business man, of Brimfield, Massachusetts, was born in that town December 27, 1861; here has he spent his boyhood years, and his education was acquired in the Hitchcock Free Academy. He left Brimfield and went to Palmer, in June, 1880, and resided there until 1916. During this time he was employed one year by George Robinson, as clerk in his hardware store; seven years by the Boston & Albany Railroad Company as clerk and cashier; and twenty years by E. A. Buck & Company, wholesale hardware and oil merchants; eighteen years as traveling salesman; one year as bookkeeper; and one year on the floor. He has owned and operated stores in West Warren, Palmer, Thorndike, and Monson, and is now in business in Brimfield. Here in 1919, he purchased the estate, formerly owned by John Wyles, who built it in 1808, upon which he has since made many improvements and will in time have one of the most magnificent estates of the town. He has held town office, served as Trustee of Brimfield Library, and Hitchcock Free Academy. He is also a member of the Grange; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Sons of Veterans. His father, Henry W. Robinson, was a soldier in the Civil War, belonging to Company I, Twenty-seventh Massachusetts Infantry. His mother, Sarah J. Robinson, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Mr. Robinson married, May 17, 1882, at Brimfield, Marion I. Ferry, of that town, daughter of Lorenzo C. and Lydia O (Alexander) Ferry.

**WILLIAM HENRY MCCOY**—An old Civil War veteran who had been through the entire length of the critical period in the nation's history and whose life after return to the pursuits of peace had been one long and effective discharge of duties loyally undertaken and conscientiously carried out, was the late William Henry McCoy, a native of Nashua, New Hampshire, where he was born on January 3, 1836, as a son of William H. and Lucretia (Robey) McCoy.

Mr. McCoy received his education in the public schools of his native place and of Lawrence, Massachusetts. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in 1861 as an engineer on the U. S. S. "Rhode Island" for the entire period of the war. After the war he came to Orange, and thence to Millers Falls where he entered the



William H. McCoy





services of the Millers Falls Company, and for fully twenty-eight years, until the day of his death on September 21, 1905, acted as superintendent of that concern. His fraternal associations include membership in the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Honor, and McCoy Camp, Sons of Veterans, named in his honor.

On March 20, 1861, he married, at Lawrence, Eliza Hunt, of Andover, a daughter of Amos Hunt. Mr. Hunt was a Civil War veteran who fought in the ranks of the 14th Regiment, born and brought up at Andover, and an old fisherman and shoe maker. Mrs. McCoy, through her father, comes of old Revolutionary stock, being a descendant of Paul Durant, a son of Paul Durant, Sr., both Revolutionary soldiers who were settled at an old family homestead at West Andover. A curious incident in Paul Durant's life which has been handed down to posterity by tradition is his selling for a pair of boots, the plot where the present cemetery of West Andover is located. Amos Hunt, father of Mr. McCoy, was married to Betsey Cochrane, a daughter of Timothy Bailey Cochrane, the descendant of an old New England family. Mr. and Mrs. William Henry McCoy are the parents of two sons: 1. Charles Weyman McCoy, who was a sailor and died at Mare Island. 2. William Amos McCoy, who was in the United States Navy and was killed in the Spanish-American War through the explosion of a gun.

**REV. ANDREW LEKOUSJYK** has been pastor of the Polish Catholic Church of Turners Falls since 1919, and during that period has increased the number of attendants, drawing from the surrounding towns, as well as having improved and enlarged the church's holdings, and being a force for the welfare and uplift of the community. The history of this organization in the community is of spiritual interest, for it was organized and has grown in response to the needs of the souls of the section.

The Polish Catholic Church of Turners Falls was organized in June, 1909, its first pastor having been the Rev. Chalryskei; at that time the Unitarian Church building was purchased and made over into an edifice for worship as a Catholic Church, and was located on L Street. Two years after assuming charge of this work, Father Chalryskei died, and was succeeded by Rev. Father Stanislaus Zdetal, who retained this charge until April 16, 1919. He purchased the tract of land on K Street, where he built the beautiful and modern parish house. In 1919 he was succeeded by the Rev. Father Lekousjyk. The parish when organized consisted of some fifteen hundred souls, including Bohemians, Polish and Lithuanians.

Rev. Father Lekousjyk was born at Strozian, Poland, October 11, 1882. He received his education in the Holy Seminary at Detroit, Michigan, in 1911, followed by attendance at the Rizzorian University of Rome, where he received his degrees of Doctor of Philosophy and Bachelor of Common Law. On March 18, 1916, he was ordained at St. John's Cathedral, at Rome, by Cardinal Pompeii, Vicar-General of Rome. He returned to America in July, 1916, and was appointed curate of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Worces-

ter, at the same time having charge of the Polish Mission at Springfield, Massachusetts, for two years. On April 16 1919, he succeeded to his present incumbency, as pastor of the Polish Catholic Church, of Turners Falls, and since that time has increased the attendance at the church, drawing from the surrounding towns of Gill and Montague, increasing the parish to 1,650 souls. He has renovated and painted the church, both in its interior and exterior, and has bought a new tract of land on which it is proposed to build a new parochial school. He is chaplain of the Roman Catholic Union; belongs to St. Stanislaus Society; St. Casimus, and Holy Name societies. He organized the Woodrow Wilson Citizens' Club, which comprises a membership of one hundred and forty, and takes an active interest in civic affairs, and in helping to upbuild the ideals of civic life. Father Lekousjyk holds the esteem and high regard of the community, and is indeed a spiritual father to his parish.

**GEORGE E. SMITH** is a merchant of Palmer, where he first established himself in business, and where without change except in partnership he has continued to the present (1925).

George E. Smith, the son of John Smith, who died in 1914, and Bridget (Coyle) Smith, who died in 1915, was born February 23, 1893, at North Wilbraham, where he attended the public schools. He began his business career in the employ of E. H. Truesdell, the proprietor of the Palmer Market, and he so continued until he purchased Mr. Truesdell's interests in the business in 1917, and at that time became associated with John S. Welch, until the death of Mr. Welch, in December, 1919. Mr. Smith continued the business in his own name until 1924, when Frank W. Smith, his brother, became his partner, which partnership has continued to the present time (1925).

Mr. Smith's fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus, the Royal Arcanum, the Catholic Order of Foresters, and the Foresters of America. He is a communicant of St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church.

George E. Smith married, October 16, 1916, at Monson, Agnes Cantwell, daughter of Patrick and Mary (Carey) Cantwell; and they are the parents of: Mary Carey, born September 6, 1917; Patricia C., born June 24, 1919; George E., born June 5, 1921; Constance, born December 26, 1922.

**JOHN B. WOODBURN**, treasurer and general manager of the Z. A. Ward Wood Working Company of No. 15 Center Street, Pittsfield, has attained his present leading position only through superior business capacity, untiring industry, and faithful and loyal service to the concern in which he now plays such an important part.

Born September 29, 1876, at Ludlow, Vermont, a son of James H. and Emma (Burton) Woodburn, he received his education in the public schools. He early began to work, and in the year 1900 came to Berkshire County and settled in Hinsdale. When the Ward Wood Working Company of Pittsfield became incorporated Mr. Woodburn was appointed treasurer. The company continues the business established almost half a

century ago by the late Z. A. Ward and conducted under that firm name for some years. It was first located on Depot Street, later it was removed to Clapp Avenue and finally to the present location at No. 15 Center Street, where the company owns about 7,000 square feet of land on which are located the mill, paint shop, dry kilns and sheds. Interior finish of the best kind is the company's main product, and their work is seen in many of our finest buildings and residences. The output includes stair work, mantles, store fixtures, screens, doors, etc., in fact finished woodwork of all kinds. About a score of expert workmen are now employed, and there is every promise of a still further growth because of the reputation the company has gained for skilful work, moderate charges and promptness in filling orders or completing contracts. The high standing of this business concern and its continuous extension are mainly due to the skilful and energetic supervision and guidance of its business policy by Mr. J. B. Woodburn. He also takes an active part in the civic and social life of Pittsfield, where he is very popular and has many friends. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Western Massachusetts Employers' Association, and in the Pittsfield Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Woodburn married Helene Goodrich, of Hinsdale.

**WILLIAM BIRNIE**—A man of energy and enterprise, operating in a variety of business ventures, and in every sense constructive in his projects, was William Birnie, of the firm of Goodhue & Birnie, of Springfield, Massachusetts. He was born at Porto Bello, Midlothian, Scotland, November 11, 1818. He was the youngest of twelve children of George and Ann (Inery) Birnie. The father was a stone mason, and his parents followed their older son George, Jr., to this country in 1827. His father died soon after, and William, who had learned the trade of a stone mason, became a contractor. His introduction to Springfield, Massachusetts, was through his brother Alexander, who had contracts for masonry on the Boston & Albany Railroad. In his building work William Birnie was associated at various times with men of note, among them being Sidney Dillon, of New York; D. D. Warren, Willis Phelps and Joseph Stone. Mr. Birnie later became interested in other pursuits. With D. L. Harris he established the Springfield foundry, and he later took stock in the Springfield Tool Company. With General J. C. Whitney, father of the late Secretary of the Navy, William C. Whitney, and Josiah Weston, he organized the Nayasset Paper Company, the stock of which was later sold to the Hampshire Paper Company. Mr. Birnie was zealously interested in Ayrshire cattle, and his large herd of this breed had a national reputation. He was active in the Hampden County Agricultural society, and during Bay State fairs he was one of the judges of cattle at these exhibitions.

In 1873 Mr. Birnie formed a partnership with Charles L. Goodhue, who had been a plumber, and they began the building of water works. They operated in more than sixty cities and towns, including Ann Arbor, Michigan; Malone, New York; Jacksonville, Florida; Xenia, Ohio, and Streator, Illinois, and were very successful.

Mr. Birnie has been married three times. In 1841 he was united in marriage to Sarah I. Perkins, who died in 1850, of this marriage two sons were born. His second wife was Martha Noyes Perkins, the marriage taking place February 11, 1852. She died in October, 1871, leaving six children. His third marriage was to Harriet Stowe Chapin, daughter of Marvin Chapin. She bore him three children: Grace, Rebecca, who lives at home; Marvin.

**BERT L. BEERS**—The Beers family for generations has been resident in New England, and Bert L. Beers is a direct descendant of early settlers. They have a direct line back to Martin Beers, of Rochester, England, in 1486. The name undoubtedly was originally Beers-Ford. The record continues on down to Anthony Beers, born in Gravesend County, in Kent, England, about 1627. He was a mariner, and was lost at sea in 1676.

Barnabas Beers, born in Roxbury, Massachusetts, in 1658, died in Stratford, Connecticut, in 1724. Elnathan Beers, the great-great-grandfather of Bert L. Beers, was born about 1780, and lived in Trumbull, Connecticut. He died September 27, 1818, and was buried in Trumbull. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, enlisting as a private May 30, 1775, in Company I, 1st Regiment of Infantry, in response to a call for volunteers for the defence of New York City, against the British. He was under command of General Wooster. His children were Eliakim, of whom further; Elnathan and Polly.

Eliakim Beers, son of Elnathan Beers, and great-grandfather of Bert L. Beers, was an early settler in Vermont, his son, Lewis L. Beers, was a farmer in Vermont, and later a produce merchant in Middlebury, he also did business in Bristol, and at one time was a judge of the court at Middlebury, his son, Lewis Emerson Beers, father of Bert L. Beers, who was a farmer in Monkton, Vermont, married Ann Cox.

Bert L. Beers, son of Lewis Emerson and Ann (Cox) Beers, was born at Monkton, Vermont, August 7, 1877, where he received his early education. In 1895 he entered a casket manufacturing plant, later going to Hartford Connecticut and working under direction of G. W. Woolley & Son a firm of casket manufacturers and embalmers. After remaining with this firm for nine years and mastering all the details of the business, he joined the staff of Hills Marchant, where he remained until he came to Palmer in 1920, as a licensed embalmer. Mr. Beers possesses certificates from two States, having been passed by the Connecticut Board in 1903 and the Massachusetts Board in 1916. He has one of the most beautiful funeral parlors in Palmer, Massachusetts. The establishment was formerly an old mansion which he entirely remodeled, the first floor consisting of a chapel, show room office, operating and stock rooms, all tastefully furnished and fully equipped. The chapel is finished in solid mahogany, and can seat one hundred and twenty-five persons, and with openings can accommodate fifty more. This property was purchased by Mr. Beers June 15, 1920, from James Loomis, a progressive funeral director, who was one of the first morticians to carry coffins in stock. When he did this in 1846, it was a thing unheard of, and he was severely







*Oscar T. De Witt*

criticised by the public and the local press. But he overcame the prejudice, and his honesty and other admirable characteristics made him many friends who mourned his death at the age of ninety-eight years. Mr. Beers has acquired many friends in Palmer and is highly esteemed. He is a member of Thomas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Palmer; the Palmer Rotary Club; Washington Council Royal and Select Masters; and the Palmer Business Men's Club. In religion he is a member of the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Beers on October 30, 1908, married Adeline Wisker, at Hartford, Connecticut, a daughter of Justice and Dorothy (Miller) Wisker.

**OSCAR T. DeWITT**—With only a common school education to his credit, supplemented by years of hard and persistent labor in a machine shop and by self-help in reading law that he might satisfy his ambition to become a lawyer, Oscar T. DeWitt is a member of the Berkshire County bar and enjoys a large practice in Pittsfield, where his office does a general law business and specializes in patent law.

Mr. DeWitt is the son of Oscar and Annie (Wootten) DeWitt, and was born in Albany, New York, October 11, 1881. Following his courses in the public schools, he began in early life to learn the trade of machinist in the locomotive department of the railroad shops at West Albany, New York. While in this employment he found time in which to study mechanical drawing from lessons supplied by a correspondence school. By faithful application to his trade and his studies he became a full-fledged machinist and a draftsman. He came to Pittsfield in 1907 and entered the employ of the General Electric Company as a draftsman, later being promoted to the position of foreman of the drafting department. It was then that he began to have a longing for the profession of the law, and took up legal studies in the office of Burns & Cummings. He successfully passed his examinations and was admitted to the Berkshire bar at Pittsfield in 1917. He opened a law office of his own and retained his connection with the General Electric Company until 1918, when he resigned his position, and since then has given his entire attention to the law. His experience as a machinist and mechanical draftsman has richly qualified him for the practice of his specialty, patent law, and he also conducts a general law practice. Mr. DeWitt is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Berkshire Bar Association, Berkshire Lodge, No. 8, Knights of Pythias, having filled all the chairs in this lodge; Chancellor Commander in 1924; member of the Grand Lodge, 1925. He is a member of the Morning-side Baptist Church.

Mr. DeWitt married, June 16, 1900, Anna Miller, of Albany. They are the parents of four children: Leona Ruth, after completing two years at high school, married Charles Wheeler, and they are the parents of a daughter, Ethel; Nelson Oscar, graduate of high school; Florence Matilda, student in high school; and Richard, pupil in grade school.

**JOHN WILLIAM MULLINS**—The maintenance of the tobacco-raising industry at its highest standard,

and with the use of the most practical methods in Western Massachusetts, could not be better placed than in the hands of men of the standing and ability of Mr. Mullins who was born and bred to the business in which he has made a pronounced success. Experts in the tobacco interests know the Mullins farm for the pains-taking care that is given both to its planting and its continuous oversight throughout the season. Mr. Mullins is also a leader in other agricultural activities, the onion-producing part of his farm being unrivalled in appearance and production. He is the son of James Mullins, who was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1843, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1914. Coming to the United States when he was about thirty years of age, he at once located at Hatfield, in the section of the township known as Bradstreet's, and there he worked as a farmer for others for several years. Eventually, he purchased the property on Chestnut Street where John William Mullins now lives; it comprised forty-five acres, and here Mr. Mullins himself became a successful tobacco-grower, and he was particularly active in that line until within two years of his death. He married Catherine Boyle, born in Hatfield, who died in 1922, aged sixty-six years, daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Merrick) Boyle, and grand-daughter of Patrick and Mary (Mahar) Boyle.

The children of James and Catherine Mullins: Catherine, deceased; Patrick; James, who died June 8, 1925, leaving eight children; Marcus, who died at Camp Devens in 1918; he was in the Machine Gun Corps, and had been in the service eight months; John W., of whom further.

John William Mullins was born September 1, 1891, in Hatfield, where he attended the public schools and Smith Academy; and he has always lived in the house where he was born, and on the home farm. He and his brother Patrick have always carried on the farm since prior to their father's death, and with their extensive acreage of tobacco and onions, they are accounted as among the most successful growers in the valley. Mr. Mullins has a large tobacco warehouse, where he packs tobacco for the Tobacco Growers' Association. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Knights of Columbus.

John William Mullins married, August 12, 1918, Elizabeth Laven, of Southampton, daughter of John and Anna (Samon) Laven, and they are the parents of: Eileen; John; Elizabeth.

**HERBERT A. HOLLAND**, statistician for the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, was born in Springfield, March 31, 1869. His father was Thomas A. Holland, born in Webster, Massachusetts, and his mother, Sophia E. Hall, a native of Springfield. Thomas A. Holland was a teacher of dancing in Springfield. He also was a member of the City Council for two terms, and was active in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Herbert A. Holland attended the public schools and the high school in his native city. He was first employed as accountant with the firm of Gilbert & Barker in Springfield from 1885 to 1891, and also as paymaster. In 1892 he was elected assistant assessor of the City of



Springfield as a Republican, and was reelected for the years following down to 1902 inclusive. In 1902 he was engaged by the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company in the statistical department, and has continued in that capacity to the present time. Mr. Holland was appointed assistant registrar of voters of Springfield in 1921. He served in the Common Council in 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925, and served as an alderman in 1926 and 1927. Mr. Holland is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Royal Arcanum; is a past Grand of De Soto Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and its financial secretary for twenty years. At present (1926) he is its treasurer. In 1920 he was Grand Patriarch of the State of Massachusetts. In 1921 he was Grand Representative of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. He is a member of the Universalist Church of Springfield.

Mr. Holland was married in Springfield, Massachusetts, April 11, 1894, to Julia E. Newell, born in Springfield, September 14, 1871, daughter of Elijah A. Newell, a native of Enfield, Massachusetts, and Alice E. (Bidwell) Newell, since dead, born in Moodus, Connecticut. Elijah A. Newell was city clerk of the City of Springfield for thirty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Holland are the parents of three children: Marian, born in Springfield, September 11, 1896; Gertrude, now Mrs. Lester H. Van Ness, born in Springfield, November 13, 1898; and Albert N., born in Springfield, November 4, 1901. Mr. Holland's address is No. 86 Florence Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOSEPH MERRICK FOOT**, among the most progressive and noteworthy citizens of Pittsfield, is now a venerable figure, and throughout a long and useful lifetime has borne a worthy part in the progress of his day. Mr. Foot has devoted his attention to agricultural interests throughout his lifetime and is universally esteemed. Progressive in his attitude from early youth, he has borne a worthy part in the advance of his day and is still alert and active in his chosen realm.

(I) James Foote, grandfather of Joseph M. Foot, was born on the homestead farm which Mr. Foot still owns and occupies. The original house, probably built a century and a half ago, was many years since removed from the farm, but is still standing and occupied in the city of Pittsfield. He was a farmer and a most estimable citizen.

(II) Joseph Foot, father of Joseph E. Foot, built the present spacious house to which his son later made an addition in the rear. He was a thoroughly progressive and estimable man of his day, a farmer by occupation and universally esteemed. Joseph Foot married Martha Tracy, daughter of Appleton Tracy, who was also active in farming.

(III) Joseph Merrick Foot was born on the homestead farm at No. 564 Elm Street, Pittsfield, October 1, 1845. He first attended the district school of the neighborhood, which was known as the Tracy School and later walked to the Pittsfield High School, a distance of about three miles. Interested in the work of the farm from boyhood, Mr. Foote chose this line of endeavor as his life work, and has become one of the foremost agriculturists of this section. He has for many years been engaged in diversified farming and has achieved large success. He

owns forty acres of land on one side of Elm Street and forty-three acres on the other, and this handsome area comprises a model and up-to-date farm. Many times Mr. Foot has been urged to accept public office in the town or county government, but has consistently declined all opportunities of this nature. His father was a member of the first city council of Pittsfield. Mr. Foot is an independent Republican as was his father before him. He has few interests not closely in line with his work.

Joseph Merrick Foot married Ellen M. Goodell, of Lanesboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Peter Goodell, a leading farmer of that community. Mrs. Foot died April 28, 1920, and all their seven children survive her. They are: 1. Charles Newman, who lives on the farm with his father, and is also an important bee keeper, hunter and trapper, having many trophies including foxes, wildcats, etc. 2. Joseph Eugene, who married Lillian Snow, their three sons: Howard, Wilber and Joseph Eugene, Jr. 3. Ada Maria. These children all educated in the local grammar schools. 4. Arthur John, a graduate of Pittsfield High School and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, degree of Civil Engineer, who was professionally active in the Philippine Islands, but now in Pittsfield; married Rebecca Smith. 5. Earl Bowen, a graduate of Pittsfield High School, married Bertha McArthur, their two sons: Alton and Richard. 6. Alta Bertha, educated in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools. 7. Herbert Austin, also educated in the local schools, married Bertha Ford, and has two children: Herbert Austin, Jr., and Betty.

**ARTHUR STRECKER**—Commanding the esteem and respect of a vast number of people in the surrounding communities of Greenfield and Deerfield Arthur Strecker is meeting with success in his business undertaking, which is the conducting of a general store in Deerfield. He is the son of Edward and Josephine Caroline (Whitman) Strecker, born in Greenfield April 2, 1876.

Edward Strecker, father of Arthur Strecker, was a native of Alsfield, Germany, where he was born on December 18, 1840. He was the son of a large woolen manufacturer, and came to America in 1857. He first settled in Troy, New York, where he learned the cigar business, at which he continued for ten years, arriving in Greenfield in 1866. There he established a tobacco business of his own and manufactured cigars until 1898, when he became associated with his son, E. W. Strecker, in the Charles R. Field Manufacturing Company. Mr. Strecker, Sr., was one of the oldest members of the Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, joining in 1871. He held many important offices in the lodge, being a past grand, and for several years was treasurer of the lodge. He was also a member of the Green River Encampment, and belonged to the St. James' Episcopal Church, not only attending on Sundays, but taking a keen interest in its affairs. He was also deeply interested and took an active part in public and civic matters, and it is still remembered by his friends that for forty-six years he never missed voting at the Town Hall until his last illness prevented his attendance at the polls at the autumn election preceding his death on December 2, 1913, at Greenfield. Edward

Strecker was one of the oldest and most substantial business men of the town, a very quiet, modest man, somewhat undemonstrative and slow to make friends, but all the surer to keep those he had admitted to his friendship. His conciliatory and peace-loving nature made him popular everywhere, and impressed all his fellow citizens most favorably and sympathetically.

In October, 1867, Edward Strecker married Josephine Caroline Whitman, a daughter of John Whitman, born in Troy, New York, April 10, 1847, died in Greenfield December 7, 1916. They were the parents of eleven children: 1. Louise, who died in infancy. 2. Clarence, a druggist in Greenfield, who has children: Mary Louise, Clarence Shepard and Henry Shepard. 3. Edward W., of Greenfield. 4. Frederick W. 5. Charles Henry, deceased. 6. Arthur, of further mention. 7. Amy W., who married Charles Bangs. 8. John George, a sketch of whom follows. 9. Clara Louise, deceased, married Henry Cosbrook, of El Pason, Texas. 10. Josephine, who married Sanford Ashley, of Grand Forks, North Dakota. 11. Elizabeth Florence, who married Frank Littlefield, of Santa Cruz, California.

From these worthy parents Arthur Strecker inherits characteristics of the finest type. His scholastic education was received in the public and high schools of Greenfield, after which he became a student at the Albany College of Pharmacy, graduating therefrom with the class of 1900. He began his business career shortly after graduation by working in a drug store in Northampton. He showed aptness and ability for his chosen calling in the pharmacist business, and served in various drug stores in Northampton and Greenfield. In April, 1922, he went in business for himself in Deerfield, conducting at this place a general store and in which he is engaged at the present time (1925). He is like his father, a sound business man, and having spent the greater part of his life in Greenfield, he has many friends and well wishers in the vicinity of his home and business. His church is that of the Episcopal faith.

Arthur Strecker married, April 23, 1907, Fannie Bell Miller, of Colerain, Massachusetts, daughter of Milo and Sarah (Bell) Miller, and a granddaughter of Robert and Martha (Miner) Miller. To Mr. and Mrs. Strecker have been born two children: Edward Whitman, born May 21, 1908; and Francis Miller, born May 2, 1915.

**JOHN GEORGE STRECKER**, son of Edward and Josephine Caroline (Whitman) Strecker (see preceding sketch), was a native of Greenfield, where he was born on January 25, 1880. Having received his education in the public schools of his native place he went into the hardware store of Sheldon & Newcomb, of Greenfield, as clerk, where he remained for seven years. He then entered the service of J. Russell & Company, of Holyoke, where he remained two years. His next position was with the American Tap and Dye Company, for whom he travelled on the road for seven years, covering in his business tours New England and the Middle West. After this he turned his attention to a new field and was active with the Charles R. Field Manufacturing Company, of Greenfield, who turn out parts for baby carriages. He continued to work for

the company for four years, and on September 4, 1916, he bought a half interest in the company and became president of the corporation, which office he has held since. Mr. Strecker is a member of the Republican Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is an attendant of the Episcopal Church.

On October 2, 1921, John G. Strecker married Dorris M. (Fisk) Farr, of Gardner, a daughter of Moses Putnam and May (Ballantyne) Fisk.

**WILLIAM J. PELLETIER, M. D.**—Sharing the most advanced interest in therapeutics, and making a continuous study of medical matters, even while practicing the profession in which he has established himself at Turners Falls, Dr. Pelletier has one of the most promising futures of any of the younger group of physicians in the western part of the State. Well equipped for his life work by his training both in this country and abroad, his field of work steadily increases, and his repute for skill has a substantial basis in the township where he has chosen to practice his profession. He is a son of William and Emma (Riel) Pelletier.

Dr. William J. Pelletier was born in Shelburne Falls June 10, 1897, and he received his preliminary education in the public schools of his birthplace, then finishing at Armes Academy, Shelburne Falls, with the class of 1915. He took his college course at Tufts College, graduating with the class of 1916. His preparatory work for his profession was completed at Tufts Medical School, where he graduated with the class of 1920, receiving his degree Doctor of Medicine. He then spent eighteen months as interne at St. Elizabeth Hospital, and went to Europe for two months of study. Upon his return, he established his offices at Turners Falls. Dr. Pelletier's fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus, American Medical Association, and Massachusetts Medical Society. He is a communicant of St Ann's Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Pelletier married, June 30, 1924, Ellen Margaret Berard, daughter of Ulric J. Berard, of Fairfield, Maine.

**WILLIAM ARTHUR GALLUP**—The Gallups are one of the oldest New England families, and are descended from John Gallup, who was settled in Nantasket in 1630. The eighth descendant in the direct male line is William Arthur Gallup, treasurer of the Arnold Print Works of North Adams.

Born at Adams (now North Adams) on October 28, 1851, as a son of William Witherall and Eugenia Olive (Smith) Gallup. Mr. Gallup attended the public schools and Drury Academy, and after completing his education entered the office of Harvey Arnold & Company as junior clerk on January 3, 1870. From this position Mr. Gallup has with no other help than that of his own superior intelligence and business capacity worked his way up to his present position of treasurer of the firm which has changed into Arnold Print Works, printers and finishers of textile fabrics. Mr. Gallup holds a position as trustee on the executive board of the North Adams Hospital, and he is also a trustee of the North Adams Public Library. In politics Mr. Gallup is an independent,



and in religion a member of the Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Merchants' Club of New York, the Berkshire Club and the North Adams Country Club.

On September 20, 1893, Mr. Gallup married (second) Florence L. Houghton, of North Adams.

**J. FREDERICK KAHL**—A thoroughly progressive citizen of Pittsfield, active in an important and largely responsible business realm, and affiliated with various lines of progressive endeavor, J. Frederick Kahl holds leading rank in local business affairs, and both in his capacity as a successful merchant and as a private citizen he commands the esteem and confidence of all. Mr. Kahl is a native of Pittsfield, and a son of Christian and Christina (Prediger) Kahl, the father for many years a prominent shoe merchant of Pittsfield, as the head of the firm of Prediger & Kahl.

J. Frederick Kahl was born in Pittsfield, March 29, 1864. Receiving his education in the local public and high schools, he left high school with the close of the second year and established himself in business. Meanwhile, when only ten years of age, Mr. Kahl had devoted his spare time to business affairs, serving as a delivery boy, carrying laundry. At the age of fourteen years he entered the employ of F. A. Robbins, who was then at the head of a leading jewelry establishment of that city. In that connection Mr. Kahl learned watchmaking and repairing and continued with Mr. Robbins until 1884. During this time he had been conserving his earnings, and in the year mentioned he went to Germany, where he finished mastering the details of watchmaking under some of the most expert and famous watchmakers of that country. Returning to America in May of 1885, he again identified himself with the Robbins interest in Pittsfield, and in 1900 he became a partner in the firm. From that time forward the partners maintained two jewelry stores, one in Springfield, Massachusetts, which Mr. Robbins personally managed, Mr. Kahl managing the Pittsfield store. In 1917 Mr. Kahl bought out his partner and since that time has gone forward to ever larger success, achieving great results in his business. In 1920 the interest was removed to the present splendid quarters at No. 122 North Street, and his importance in the jewelry trade is widely recognized.

Other interests have long commanded a share of Mr. Kahl's attention and have also felt the impetus of his constructive effort and strong influence. He is a trustee of the City Savings Bank, which position he has filled for twenty-two years, but his deepest interest is in welfare work of various kinds. He is a director of the Boys' Club, and tireless in his endeavors for the progress of this organization. Mr. Kahl is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, of which he was an organizer and original member, and was also a member of the Merchants' Association, which was merged into the Board of Trade, this body in its turn having been merged into the present Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally, Mr. Kahl is affiliated with Crescent Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is Past Chancellor Commander of Pittsfield Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Park Club and the Rotary Club,

of which he is a director. His religious affiliation has been with the Zion Lutheran Church. He has been a lifelong member of this church, and for some years has been active as elder. For many years Mr. Kahl's father was superintendent of the Sunday school of this church, filling that office until his death, Mr. Kahl himself serving as assistant superintendent. Following his father's death, in 1903, Mr. Kahl has served as superintendent, and still holds this important office.

J. Frederick Kahl married Anna Grawe, and they are the parents of seven children: 1. Bertha E., a graduate of the Pittsfield High School, now the wife of C. D. Black, and they have one daughter: Marjorie. 2. Gertrude E., a high school graduate. 3. Florence M., wife of T. M. Hunter. 4. Christiana A., wife of Wells Ingalls, and they have one daughter: Anna. 5. Charles E. 6. Minnie. 7. Dorothy. The last three are all graduates of the Pittsfield High School. The family reside in their beautiful home at No. 43 Commonwealth Avenue, Pittsfield.

**WILLIAM GEORGE HAVILL**—Both North and South the name of William George Havill is of definite and far-reaching importance in the hotel business and as manager of Heaton Hall, in Stockbridge, Mr. Havill is widely known and universally esteemed in Western Massachusetts. Mr. Havill is a man of broad interests, and in every phase of his life he meets responsibility with the far vision of the executive who realizes and appreciates the ever-widening influences of a worthy deed.

He is a son of William Henry and Frances (Woodling) Havill, his father active in the merchant marine.

William George Havill was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, January 5, 1870. He received his early education in the public schools of Halifax, and was graduated from the high school. From his earliest business activity Mr. Havill has been interested in hotel affairs, and was first identified with a well known house at Toronto, Canada. Going from there to New York City, he spent five years with the Waldorf-Astoria, after which he turned his attention definitely to the management of popular resorts. Coming to Stockbridge in 1901, he became identified with the management of the Red Lion Inn and later managed Heaton Hall. With the close of the season in the Berkshires he went to Florida as manager of the Palm Beach Hotel. These dual interests have engaged his attention from that time until the present, and in his progressive handling of the many details of his work and his genius for anticipating the needs and wants of his guests, he has won great success. Heaton Hall has for many years been the property of Congressman Allen T. Treadway, as is also the Red Lion Inn.

Heaton Hall has now become one of the most popular and widely patronized summer hotels of New England. A modern building, splendidly appointed with a most attractive cuisine, always above criticism, this beautiful and homelike hotel attracts the best class of guests, and many of the most cultured and prominent people of America and indeed of many foreign countries have been guests within its doors. The extensive grounds include a golf course, always kept in perfect condition



and, located as the hotel is, in the lower group of the Berkshire Hills, the motor drives in its vicinity hold the greatest charm. The little group of picturesque homes and fine estates which form the village of Stockbridge, has become widely known as the "Village Beautiful." This village is entirely surrounded by the stately, yet heavily wooded slopes of the famous Berkshire Hills, and few who have ever visited this region fail to return occasionally for a stay amid its beauty and charm.

Mr. Havill is a Republican in his political convictions and affiliations, but has never been interested in the honors of office. He has done much, however, to promote progressive endeavor of a civic or community nature, also, during the World War, along patriotic lines. At that time he distributed on his own responsibility and at his own expense, much patriotic literature, including a convenient pocket edition of our two National anthems, "The Star Spangled Banner" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Fraternally, Mr. Havill holds membership in Stockbridge Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the National Hotel Association, the Stockbridge Golf Club, and the Country Club, of Palm Beach, Florida. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal Church.

William George Havill married, in New York City, September 20, 1898, May Frances Spence, of Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of John D. Spence, a ship builder of Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Havill have one adopted child: Reba Paley.

**LOUIS C. CLARKE**, assistant treasurer of the Monarch Accident Insurance Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in St. Johns, New Brunswick, Canada. His father was John M. Clarke, prominent as a lithographing artist and traveler. His mother was Katherine Jackson Clarke. Their son, Louis C. Clarke, was educated in the public and the high schools in Boston, and followed his preparatory studies with a course in the Northwestern University at Boston. Having completed his studies he became an accountant for Ernst & Ernst, of Boston, and improved his opportunity so ably that he was chosen insurance examiner for the State of Massachusetts, and filled the office capably and acceptably until he was called to a still larger field of usefulness. This was the office of treasurer for the Service Mutual Liability Company of Boston, which he filled for a short period of time. He resigned at the height of his success to accept a position as assistant treasurer of the Monarch Accident Insurance Company of Springfield, where he continues to discharge the exacting duties until the present time. Fraternally, Mr. Clarke is a member of the Masonic fraternity, his affiliation being with St. John's Lodge of Boston. He is a member of the Episcopal Church and goes to church in Springfield, Massachusetts. He is a Republican in politics. Mr. Clarke's business address is No. 14 Maple Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**THOMAS P. SHEA**—Having decided upon the profession of law as the career he wished to follow in life, Thomas P. Shea set about the task of educating him-

self along these lines, and to-day, although he is listed among the group of younger men in this profession in Springfield, he has already shown that he has ability of no mean degree.

He is a son of Thomas and Mary (Woods) Shea. Both parents are natives of Ireland, having come to this country many years ago to seek their fortune. In this they were not disappointed, but by hard work and persistent effort they acquired a neat competence, and to-day (1925) they are enjoying their remaining years together in retirement from business.

Thomas P. Shea was born in Springfield, April 19, 1891, and attended the public and high schools of Springfield, from which he went to the Springfield College, from which he graduated in 1916 with the degree of Bachelor of Physical Education. Later he became a student of Boston University, graduating from this institution of learning in 1922, at which time he received his Bachelor of Laws degree. He was president of the Senior class at Boston University. In this same year he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, and from that time he has been practicing his profession in the city of Springfield. He has a large clientele, which is continually growing, due to his clever handling of the cases entrusted to his care.

Mr. Shea was one of the many young men who rendered patriotic service during the World War. He went overseas with the 26th Division, 104th Infantry, and took part in engagements in the Apremont and Lorraine sectors, and at Chateau-Thierry; he was wounded. Returning to American soil he received his honorable discharge in 1919 with the rank of first lieutenant. He entered Red Cross work after his return. He worked in hospitals at Oswego and Plattsburgh, New York. Mr. Shea is a member of the Catholic Church of Springfield, is a Republican in politics, and belongs to the Hampden County Bar Association, the American Legion, and the Knights of Columbus.

Thomas P. Shea was united in marriage, in New York City, November 27, 1924, to Myrtle B. Davidson, born in Boston, daughter of John S. and Hannah (Brander) Davidson.

**FRANKLIN HENRY GATH**—A fine type of an American patriot with a splendid war record and present commander of the American Legion of Orange, Massachusetts, is Franklin Henry Gath.

Mr. Gath is a native of Monson, where he was born November 30, 1888, a son of William H. Gath, of England, who came to America at the age of twenty, and died April, 1923, at the age of seventy-six. Mr. Gath's mother is still living. Mr. Gath received his first education in the public schools of his native place, and then entered Monson Academy. After completing his studies and graduating from there he entered the Springfield Business College, at Springfield. Having now prepared himself for practical business life he entered the services of the Springfield Contractor Supply Company and remained with them one year, then accepted a position with the Chicopee National Bank, which he kept for twelve years, as manager of the Savings Department. Later he came to Orange as assistant cashier in the Orange National Bank, then cashier, the position which he

still fills. When the entry of the United States into the World War stirred the hearts of all patriotic American young men, Mr. Gath enlisted in and served with the 151st Depot Brigade at Camp Devens, and later with the 76th Division and the 12th Division. He attained the rank of lieutenant in command of the Headquarters Company. On March 20, 1919, he received his honorable discharge from the army and returned to civilian life, accepting his present position.

He is treasurer of the Boy Scouts; the Orange Outing Club; Orange Recreation Association; Royal Arch Chapter, of Orange, Royal Arch Masons. He is a member of the Springfield Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Orange Commandery, Knights Templar.

Mr. Gath married, April 20, 1918, Georgia L. Smith, at Cambridge, Massachusetts.

**PHARCELLUS DEAN BRIDGES-MARCELLUS DOW BRIDGES**—Of the interesting and progressive family of the name of Bridges that became colonial with the arrival in Lynn of Edmund Bridges, who was the second of the shoemakers to arrive in that settlement, Pharcellus Dean Bridges and his twin brother, Marcellus Dow Bridges, of Deerfield, have noteworthy maintained the record and traditions of the family for personal enterprise as well as for mental and physical vigor, and continuity of effort and interest in every movement for the public welfare. Both men, one in the State Legislature and the militia, the other in the militia and in industry, are representative of the best type of citizenship in Western Massachusetts, where their immediate ancestors have lived for more than a hundred years, and where their home and interests are established. Here they have held public office and been of assistance in the progress of the community, their citizenship and civic loyalty being characteristic of their race. They hold in honor the first comers of the name, and have traced the line of descent as follows:

(I) Edmund Bridges came from London in 1635, and was of the first settlers at Lynn, though he died at Ipswich January 13, 1685. He married (first) Alice, surname unknown; (second) Elizabeth, surname unknown; (third), April 6, 1665, Mary, widow of Richard Littlefield.

(II) Edmund Bridges, son of Edmund and Mary Bridges, born in 1637, was of Topsfield and Salem, and died June 24, 1682. He married, January 11, 1689, Sarah Towne, daughter of William Towne, of Salem, and they had five children.

(III) Caleb Bridges, son of Edmund and Sarah (Towne) Bridges, born June 13, 1677, was a mason by trade, and settled in Framingham. He married, November 26, 1700, Sarah Brewer, daughter of John Brewer, born January 4, 1768, and they had nine children.

(IV) Caleb Bridges, son of Caleb and Sarah (Brewer) Bridges, born April 24, 1708, in Framingham, was deacon of the church, in Spencer in 1768. He married, September 23, 1731, Elizabeth Stanhope, and they had six children.

(V) Isaac Bridges, son of Caleb and Elizabeth (Stanhope) Bridges, born April 15, 1734, died in Deerfield January 14, 1821. A soldier in the French and

Indian War, he was wounded at Crown Point. His places of residence were at Spencer, Brookfield, Barre, Oakham, New Braintree and Deerfield. He married, in 1759, Mary Mixter, and she died February 2, 1816. They had nine children.

(VI) Isaac Bridges, son of Isaac and Mary (Mixter) Bridges, born April 4, 1771, in Brookfield, died in Moriah, New York, April 17, 1859. He lived in Hardwick, Massachusetts, but removed to Craftsbury, Vermont, before 1812; he was in Deerfield in 1817. He married Deborah Cobb, who was born in Middleton and died in Deerfield, May 3, 1860. They had six children.

(VII) Benjamin Franklin Bridges, son of Isaac and Deborah (Cobb) Bridges, born April 14, 1797, at Hardwick, died at Deerfield in 1892 at the age of ninety-five years. He was a clothier by trade and owned and operated a mill at Sunderland many years. Disposing of the mill, he bought a farm in Deerfield, where he lived the remainder of his life, and where he was a member of the Baptist Church. He married (first), December 27, 1821, Eunice Clapp, who died in November, 1831, a daughter of John Clapp. He married (second), December 4, 1832, Harriet A. Hubbard. The children of the first marriage: Jonathan S., born 1822, died 1825; Marcia Ann, born 1824; Jonathan, born 1826; Mary Mixter, born 1827; Samuel Willard, born 1830; Elizabeth, born 1831. The children of the second marriage: Martin Kinsley, born January 14, 1834; Benjamin F., deceased, a general in the Massachusetts State Militia, and warden of the Massachusetts State Prison; Harriet A., born July 22, 1838, married Edward Clary; a son born in 1840, died three days old; Martha J., born 1842, married Baxter Harding; Josephine A., born 1844, married William W. Thayer; Marcellus Dow Bridges, and Pharcellus Dean Bridges, of whom further; Hubbard C., born in 1849; Elizabeth E., born in 1851, died in 1865; James B. Bridges, born September 10, 1854, at Deerfield. He was in the hay and grain business with his brother, General Benjamin F. Bridges, as B. F. Bridges, Jr., & Brother, to 1920, when he carried it on as J. B. Bridges & Company, and since has handled coal only. He has served as deputy and high sheriff of Franklin County, and is vice-president and director of the Produce National Bank of South Deerfield, and has been chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners twelve years. He married Ida M. Brooks, of Leyden, Massachusetts, daughter of Jonathan and Mary Adeline (Carpenter) Brooks. Other children of Benjamin and Harriet Bridges were: Rose E., born in 1856, married Edward —; a son, born and died March, 1861.

(VIII) Pharcellus Dean Bridges, son of Benjamin F. and Harriet A. (Hubbard) Bridges, was born December 21, 1846, in Deerfield, and he attended the district schools and Deerfield Academy. He taught in the district and the graded schools five years, and engaged in mercantile activities for a time at Broad Brook, Connecticut. Later, in company with his twin brother, Marcellus Dow Bridges, he conducted the home farm, and also engaged in buying and selling farm produce. The brothers built the house on the farm that their father had so long occupied. Major Pharcellus Bridges was elected to the School Board in 1875, serving thirty-six years, most of that time was chairman of the board. He



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was elected selectman in 1888, and as chairman of the Board of Selectmen eight years. He served in the State Legislature in 1876, 1885 and 1894, and was a member of the committees on military affairs and on taxation. In Deerfield he was tax collector twenty-five or more years, and served forty-five years as moderator of the town meetings. He has had an honorable military career, enlisting as a private in Company H, of South Deerfield, 2d Massachusetts Regiment, under command of Captain Bobcock, he rose to a captaincy, and after his discharge he was unanimously reelected, and served as captain of a company for twelve years. In 1888 he was elected major of the 2d Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, under the command of Colonel Benjamin F. Bridges. He was chairman of the board of trustees of the Dickinson Academy and Deerfield High School for fifteen years. His fraternal affiliations are those of Morning Star Lodge, No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, of Warehouse Point, Connecticut; and of the Improved Order of Red Men. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

(VIII) Marcellus Dow Bridges, twin brother of Major Pharellus Dean Bridges, was born December 21, 1846, at Deerfield, and attended the public schools of his birthplace. He has always carried on the interests of the farm on which he was born, and where he has been a raiser of tobacco, in association with his brother, Major Bridges. He was also captain of Company H, 2d Regiment.

He married, December 24, 1873, Ella Delia Bartlett, daughter of Franklin and Esther (Anderson) Bartlett. Their children: Millie Maud, deceased, married Jesse White, and had Dorothy and Burton; Lulu Glendora, married Nathan Spencer; Elsie Dean, married Leon Rose; Clinton Dow, married Ethel Bridges and had: Ella Mabel, Marjorie Rossa and Ruth Glendora; Benjamin Franklin, married Mamie Williams and had Harriet Amelia and Robert; Julia Esther, married Frederick Bridges.

**JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN**—The true sportsman regards sport not in the light of a mere relaxation from the strain of business or professional activity or as a temporary recreation for an occasional week-end or leisure hour, but his whole conception of happiness is so strongly determined by his predilection for an outdoor life, for contact with sun and air, forests, fields, and streams, for rival contests in games calling for muscular strength or agility, that he will devote a large part of his time and energy, not only to the personal exercise of some form of sport, but to its promotion by way of organization, leadership of teams, arrangements of contests, etc., and not let any business or profession encroach upon his ideal of life to such an extent as to affect seriously his standing or quality as a player of baseball, tennis or an all-around athlete as the case may be. John J. McLaughlin, tax collector and town treasurer of Montague, has come into contact with several aspects of business life including the insurance business before attaining his present positions, but to get the right conception of his personality we must think of him as a man dividing his time between public service

in many capacities and love of sport and athletic contests and a healthy outdoor life.

John J. McLaughlin was born at Deerfield January 8, 1881, a son of Martin McLaughlin, who came from Cork, Ireland, to America, and in 1864 settled in Deerfield, following the trade of cutlery, subsequently was employed in the old Green River Works, and then moved to Turners Falls, where he died in July, 1919, at the age of seventy-two, and Nora (Murphy) McLaughlin, who lives at Turners Falls.

Mr. McLaughlin, who was eight years old when his parents arrived at Turners Falls, attended the local schools and afterwards, being a cutler's son, started in the cutlery trade, remaining therein for six years when he entered the employ of the Millers Falls Manufacturing Company. After another six years spent in the service of that concern he entered the employ of the Prudential Insurance Company, continuing in that position for four years. In 1912 Mr. McLaughlin established a shoe store which he conducted for eleven years, selling out in the year 1923. Mr. McLaughlin, who always took a great interest in communal and civic affairs, was in 1913 elected to the position of tax collector and town treasurer, and also holds the posts of president of the Board of Trade, collector and treasurer of the fire district and member of the school committee of the town of Montague. Mr. McLaughlin's public duties, which he discharges with great punctuality and conscientiousness, leave him enough time to be an enthusiastic devotee of sport, and he is well known as an athlete and as running manager of the running hose team which hung up a world's record in three hundred yards down. He was manager and player of the St. Mary's basketball team, and formerly the owner of Turners Falls semi-professional baseball team, of which he is now the manager. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the Knights of Columbus (of which he was financial secretary); St. Mary's Temperance Society (for thirty years); the Rotary Club, of which he is a director and charter member; and the Peskeumscoot Club. Mr. McLaughlin and family are members and attendants of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

On September 28, 1909, he married, at Turners Falls, Mary Shea, a daughter of John and Johanna Shea. Mr. McLaughlin has one brother, Edward McLaughlin, and two sisters, Mary, who married Patrick Mackin, and Sarah, who is the wife of F. L. Murphy.

**ROBERT J. PRINGLE**, as the senior partner in the firm of Pringle Brothers, of North Adams, is a very prominent figure in local business activities, and as the leading figure in Pringle's Funeral Home he is giving to one of the most important professions of his day the serious and consistent effort which counts for the well being of the people, as well as for individual success. Mr. Pringle is a practical man of thorough training and excellent experience, and associated with him in his various enterprises is his brother, Walter F. Pringle, who is equally interested and active, and whose sketch follows. They are the sons of John and Margaret (Printer) Pringle, the father a musician, who died

when they were still children, thirty-two years ago. The mother is still living and makes her home with her sons.

Robert J. Pringle was born in Victory Mills, Saratoga County, New York, April 25, 1884. The family coming to North Adams in his childhood, he attended the public schools of this community. Entering the business world as young men, without means or influence, Mr. Pringle and his brother were active in the employ of existing concerns until the year 1908. At that time their mother turned over to them the sum of \$34.50, which they used as their initial capital in establishing themselves in business. They purchased one horse and a small wagon and began an express and transfer business. From the beginning they were kept busy, or rather, perhaps, it should be stated that they kept themselves busy, for no possibility of usefulness to the public was permitted to escape their attention. With large achievement in their minds and clear vision, with faith in themselves and in the people, they went forward fearlessly. Early in their progress they adopted the slogan, "The Little Boys with The Big Business," which attracted much attention and patronage. Only a few years after their start the Pringle Brothers bought out a competitor and they now operate three motor trucks and keep four horses. They have developed a definite success and are considered leaders in this general field.

The attention of the brothers was naturally called to various branches of allied activity, and Walter F. Pringle entered the Massachusetts College of Embalming at Boston, his graduation from that institution occurring in February of 1919. Within the year the brothers purchased the undertaking business of J. L. Comisky, and founded Pringle's Funeral Home, at No. 165 Main Street, North Adams. When the interest was carried to a substantial basis, Robert J. Pringle also entered the Massachusetts College of Embalming and his graduation occurred in March of 1923. Thus the brothers were both equipped to handle every branch of either business, and with their unification of interests they are rising to larger success. Robert J. Pringle is also a well known musician and member of the Musicians' Union. He has received special training in music, and is now director of the North Adams City Band. He is identified fraternally with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Order of Alhambra, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Loyal Order of Moose. He is a member of St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church.

Robert J. Pringle married, August 7, 1905, Agnes Durant, who died in March of 1922, leaving four children: Marjorie, Hazel, Robert and Edward.

**WALTER F. PRINGLE** was born at Victory Mills, New York, February 8, 1886. He also attended the public schools of North Adams and further covered a course at the Bliss Business College, a local institution of prominence. He has devoted his activities thus far to practical endeavors, and as a young man learned the printing business and became a member of the Typographical Union. Since 1908 he has devoted his entire attention to the interests above outlined, in which he

is associated with his brother, Robert J. Pringle, both brothers being graduates of the Massachusetts College of Embalming in derma-surgery, their success has been very marked. Walter F. Pringle is active in civic affairs, and has for several years been secretary of the Democratic City Committee, now serving as a member of the City Council. He is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus and the Alhambra. He is a member of St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church.

Walter F. Pringle married, June 30, 1919, Elizabeth Fallon, and they have two children: Ileen and Walter F., Jr.

**LOUIS FREDERICK RUDER**—The training and experience of Mr. Ruder in his profession is of that thoroughgoing order that has fully met the requirements and expectations of the Northampton public in the highly important matter of the well-conducted pharmacy; and both professional skill and popular excellence are among the leading qualifications of the business of the Ruder Drug Company. Mr. Ruder is one of that group of Northampton merchants who stand for the best interests of their progressive and enterprising city, and who exemplify in their own activities the high standard the community sets in all matters that have to do with the general welfare. He comes of a line of devoted and industrious people, his grandfather, John Frederick Ruder, who was a locksmith by trade, a native of Saxony, who died there in 1845, at the age of thirty-three years; he married Caroline Popp, a native of Saxony, who came to the United States and died in Holyoke in December, 1893. The children of John Frederick and Caroline (Popp) Ruder: Frederick Louis, who died in childhood; Frederick Robert, who was born November 5, 1841, and resides in Northampton; Annie, Emma and Bruno Louis.

Bruno Louis Ruder was born June 26, 1848, in Saxony, Germany, and he died April 17, 1895, in Northampton. Learning the trade of locksmith and toolmaker in his native land, he came to Northampton in 1868, where for a time he was employed in making locks for pocket-books by the Arms Pocket Book Manufacturing Company. He later engaged in the restaurant business, in which he was very successful as an innkeeper, and was highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact. He was an official member and a member of the board of trustees of Steuben Lodge, D. O. H., and he was one of the founders of the Independent Club of Northampton, which at one time had a large German membership. He married, in November, 1870, Katharina C. Chandler, of Northampton, daughter of Pomeroy and Anna Chandler; the former died May 28, 1921. Their children: Emma S., who married Evon F. Huebler; Anna M., who married Oscar L. Clark; Louis Frederick, of whom further; Sidonia, who married Edward A. Barrett; Caroline, who married Albert Kellar; and Nellie and Frederick, each of whom died at the age of fifteen months.

Louis Frederick Ruder was born October 7, 1879, at Northampton, where he attended the public and the high schools. He inclined to the profession and busi-



ness of pharmacist at the outset of his career, and he made his start in the drug store of Oscar Edwards & Company, with whom he was employed three years. He then went to Boston, where he took the course in pharmacy at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, passing the examinations of the State Board of Pharmacy in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1897. For a short time afterwards he was employed in the John J. O'Connell drug store in Springfield, after which he went to Boston, and up to 1917 he was employed there in the Jaynes drug store. It was in 1918 that he established his present business at Northampton, under the firm title of the Ruder Drug Company, of which Frank A. Brandle is a partner. Mr. Ruder has a store of the first class, and he caters to the best class of trade.

Louis F. Ruder, married, November 19, 1913, Elizabeth A. Manning, of Newburyport, daughter of Edward F. Manning, and they are the parents of a son, Louis F., Jr., born May 2, 1919.

**JOHN HENRY PRESTON**—Prominently identified with the business and social life of Western Massachusetts, where he has spent his entire career, Mr. Preston continues the duties of the postmastership of South Hadley, to which he was appointed in 1923, with his well-known qualifications for the office, favored by his extensive business experience and knowledge of district and the community requirements of a progressive postmastership. Identified with the paper making industry, he has been associated from boyhood with all branches of the leading industry in this part of the State. Mr. Preston fulfills the anticipations of his large constituency of friends and fellow-citizens in the direction of the affairs of his important office.

A son of Joseph S. and Elmina E. Preston, John Henry Preston was born January 8, 1884, at Holyoke, and he attended and graduated at the South Hadley Public and High schools. Always interested in the paper making industry, he at once became associated with the Holyoke American Paper Company, and continued in that employ seventeen years, at first as office boy, and later on as superintendent of the plant. He joined the interests of the Highland Paper Company in 1921.

In fraternal affiliations Mr. Preston is a member of the Blue Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Mount Holyoke and of the county. He is a member of the First Congregational Church.

John Henry Preston married, October 16, 1912, Eleanor Brooks, daughter of Charles Brooks; and they are the parents of: Joseph S. and Candace B.

**JAMES MEEHAN, SR.**—Among those veteran experts in industry in Western Massachusetts whose activities in their own departments have made them dependable and highly trustworthy factors in the progress of well-established manufacturing plants, James Meehan, Sr., more than a quarter of a century a dyer in the Corticelli Silk Mills at Florence, is master of a trade whose product has world-wide distribution. Mr. Meehan has spent the larger part of his life in Florence, where he is an esteemed member both of the industrial and social life of the community.

He is the son of William Meehan, who was born in

Tipperary, Ireland, and died in Florence, Massachusetts, August 18, 1882, at the age of seventy years. He was a farmer in Ireland until about 1868, when he came to the United States following his son James, who had removed here the year before, and, locating in Florence he was there employed by the Nonotuck Mills as long as he lived; he became a naturalized citizen and had the regard of all who knew him. He married Margaret Shea, who died in September, 1884, at the age of seventy-four years. Their children were: Mary, who is now deceased; James, of whom further; Catherine, who married Laurence Ryan; Bridget, who married Daniel Riley; John; and a child who died in infancy.

James Meehan was born November 4, 1848, in Gamonsfield, Tipperary, Ireland, where he attended the public schools, and afterwards worked at farming until he was nineteen years of age. In 1867 he came to the United States, and locating at Florence, Massachusetts, his first work was on the construction of the railroad from Northampton to Williamsburg. He later obtained employment in the plant of the Florence Sewing Machine Company, and he remained with that firm in its iron melting department twenty-six years, or until the company went out of business. He then went to work in the Nonotuck Mills, now the plant of the Corticelli Silk Company, and he has been in the dyeing department of that concern for twenty-eight years. Some years ago Mr. Meehan bought a tract of several acres of land on South Street, Florence, on which he built several houses which he still owns, and in one of which he resides. He is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; Ancient Order of Hibernians; and the Father Mathew Temperance Society.

James Meehan, Sr., married, February 18, 1872, Bridget Scully, born in Tipperary, Ireland, died in Florence, Massachusetts, March 26, 1925, daughter of William and Catherine (Ahern) Scully; they are the parents of eight children: 1. Catherine, who married D. A. Sullivan. 2. William, boss dyer in McCallum's Silk Hosiery Mill; he has sons, James and Charles. 3. John Aloysius, whose sketch follows. 4. Margaret, who married George J. Perry, and they have children, Raymond and Margaret. 5. Delia. 6. James, Jr., employed by the Florence Manufacturing Company; married Kate Lines, and has sons: Frank, George, Russell, James. 7. Daniel, who is a boss dyer in the Corticelli Silk Mills. 8. Michael, a carpenter.

**JOHN ALOYSIUS MEEHAN**—From the time when he first entered upon his business career in Florence to the present, Mr. Meehan has engaged in the two separate vocations of grocer and funeral director, in continuation of an established business in both lines. He has a country-wide reputation for excellence in all his business associations, and he is a citizen of recognized ability and high character. He is a member of the third generation of his family in Western Massachusetts, both father and grandfather being able and expert men in industry, (see preceding sketch).

John Aloysius Meehan was born December 21, 1876, in Northampton, son of James and Bridget (Scully) Meehan. He attended the public schools. He began his business career in the employment of Daniel D. O'Don-

nell, at his Florence grocery, and for whom he worked twenty-two years, Mr. O'Donnell also conducting an undertaking establishment. In 1913 Mr. Meehan purchased the entire business, both grocery and undertaking, and attending the Renouard School of Embalming in New York City, has become one of the efficient and up-to-date men in his profession, as well as an enterprising proprietor of his grocery. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Columbus; the Ancient Order of Hibernians; and the Father Mathew Temperance Society.

John A. Meehan married, September 27 1905, Mary McCarthy, of Florence, daughter of Thomas and Catherine (O'Donnell) McCarthy, and they are the parents of: Howard J. and John A.

**WALTER M. SHEA** was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, December 20, 1891, son of Patrick and Mary E. Shea. He was educated in St. Patrick's Parochial School, and at fifteen years of age began to find his place in the great world. His first position was with the Chicopee Manufacturing Company, where he worked from 1906 to 1911. After two years with the Page-Storms Drop Forge he joined the forces of the Fisk Rubber Company, where his father is employed. He worked for the company until 1916, and then left them to go to the New England Westinghouse Company. After a year at the State House of Massachusetts he began an entirely new line of occupation in the real estate and insurance business, in which he is still engaged. Mr. Shea entered the School of Law, Northeastern University, with the class of 1927.

During the World War he served overseas as a member of the 78th Division, 310th Infantry. He enlisted for service on May 9, 1918, and received his discharge on June 6, 1919. He served his city as alderman in 1922 and 1923, and since 1922 has been registrar of voters. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Knights of Columbus, and the Father Mathew Total Abstinence Society. He is a Roman Catholic, a communicant of St. Patrick's Church of Chicopee.

**JOSEPH WARRINGTON CRAWFORD, M. D.**—For a quarter of a century active in medical practice in North Adams, Dr. Joseph Warrington Crawford holds noteworthy rank in his profession in Western Massachusetts, and in his ever more important activities he has attained a distinguished position in his chosen field of endeavor. Forward looking and alert to every phase of opportunity in his work, Dr. Crawford has become well known within recent years as an X-ray specialist, and is considered an authority on the subject. Keeping in close touch with the progress of medical and surgical effort he took a special X-ray post-graduate Harvard University course at the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1916, and in 1920 took an advanced course at the Cook County Hospital, Chicago, including radium and electro-therapeutics.

Dr. Crawford is Roentgenologist at the North Adams Hospital, and since 1908 has been the examining physician for the State Normal School at North Adams.

During the World War he served as secretary of the Medical Advisory Board for Medical District No. 1, of Massachusetts, also serving as physician for the local Board of Health for some years.

Joseph Warrington Crawford was born in Philadelphia October 17, 1872, the son of Joseph Robinson and Hannah Elizabeth (Scott) Crawford, both now deceased, these names represent families long prominent in America. Joseph R. Crawford was for many years a wholesale merchant of Philadelphia. After graduating from the Haddonfield, New Jersey, High School Dr. Crawford entered Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital of Philadelphia, graduating in May, 1900, and opened his office in North Adams the following October. He is associated with the Radiological Society of North America, the American College of Radiology and Physiotherapy, the Homeopathic Medical Society of Western Massachusetts, Massachusetts State Homeopathic Society, the American Institute of Homeopathy, the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, Berkshire Medical Society and Northern Berkshire Medical Society. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce of North Adams. His religious affiliation is with the First Baptist Church, in which he serves on the Prudential committee.

Joseph Warrington Crawford married, September 7, 1900, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May Townsend, daughter of John Wesley and Betsey Jane (Evans) Townsend. Dr. and Mrs. Crawford are the parents of two children: Ethan Evans, born December 8, 1906, and Prudence Jane, born November 18, 1911.

**PATRICK THOMAS BOYLE**—The tobacco raising and distributing business of Western Massachusetts has its present-hour prosperity in the experienced and capable hands of men like Patrick Thomas Boyle, throughout his life a tobacco raiser, and whose Hatfield farm has been brought to the highest grade of efficiency through the expert care and attention that he has bestowed upon it for many years. In that industry he has become a leader in this region, a builder of the town's progress, and a captain in its specific business interests. Four generations of his branch of the family have now made their home in Hatfield, where their record of industrious citizenship is of the most excellent type. His grandfather, Patrick Boyle, was born in Ireland about 1793, and died, in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1869, aged seventy-six years. Coming here with his youngest son, Michael, he was employed by Elijah Bardwell for several years. He married Mary Mahar, and they were the parents of: Patrick, William, Thomas, Michael, of whom further; a daughter, who married a Mr. Downing; and another daughter, who married a Mr. Martin. Of these children Thomas came to America first, Patrick second and Michael came later with his father and mother.

Michael Boyle was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1838, and died in Hatfield January 24, 1894, aged fifty-six years. Attending school in Ireland, he came to Hatfield with his father early in life, and here he farmed and raised tobacco to the time of his death. He married Mary Ryan, who was born in Tipperary, Ireland,





*Joseph W. Crawford.*





in 1838, and died in Hatfield in 1905, aged sixty-seven years, daughter of Michael and Mary Ryan. Their children: Mary, who married David Fitzgerald; Bridget, deceased, who married Thomas Nolan; Catherine, who married Richard Fitzgerald; Patrick Thomas, of whom further; Henry, Michael W. and James.

Patrick Thomas Boyle was born November 5, 1869, in Hatfield, where he attended the public schools. He began to interest himself in tobacco culture from his youth, and he has always engaged in that industry, at first employed by others and for nine years as foreman for Sutton Brothers. In 1904 he established a business in his own name, raising, buying and selling tobacco, and he has built large warehouses upon his Hatfield property, where he employs seventy to eighty people in the packing of tobacco. Mr. Boyle is buying and selling agent for large concerns in the handling of this product, as well as raising from thirty to forty acres of tobacco himself. Building up an extensive business through his own efforts, he has become deservedly successful.

Patrick Thomas Boyle married (first), October 5, 1898, Elizabeth Brennan, of Whately, daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Garney) Brennan, who died in 1900. He married (second), April 26, 1911, Mary Walsh, who was born in the west of Ireland, daughter of John and Ann (Neary) Walsh. A child of the first marriage was Elizabeth Boyle, a teacher, who attended the public schools and the State Normal School at North Adams; and of the second marriage a daughter, Gertrude Boyle, was born February 17, 1914, and a son, who died in infancy.

**GEORGE LESLIE BEALS**—In real estate and insurance activities in Florence, Massachusetts, the name of George Leslie Beals is of more than usual prominence, and in his progressive and constructive endeavors in this and other lines of local advance he has made his name of great significance to the people. His services as postmaster of Florence, Massachusetts, many years ago appraised his standing in the community very definitely, and his general usefulness has given him numberless friends. Mr. Beals is a member of an old family of this section, and is a son of Frank H. and Helen C. (Doane) Beals, both now deceased. The father died at the age of seventy-two years, in 1911, after a long and eminently successful career as a contractor, while the mother died June 12, 1923, at the age of eighty-five years.

George Leslie Beals was born in Ashfield, Massachusetts, May 31, 1859. The family removing to Florence, Massachusetts, in his infancy, he attended the public schools of Northampton, also covered the high school course in the local institutions. First entering the employ of the Florence Casket Company, he continued with that enterprise until the year 1896, when he was appointed postmaster of Florence. Serving in this capacity for four years to the eminent satisfaction of all concerned, Mr. Beals then retired to private life and established his present real estate and insurance business with offices at No. 79 Main Street. He has now been active along this line of endeavor for some twenty-five years, and both in brokerage and development lines

his real estate endeavors have counted largely for the welfare and progress of the community. In insurance affairs he represents leading old line companies, also meeting the present day needs of the people in the way of protection against accident and casualty of every kind. Mr. Beals is a Democrat by political affiliation, and has been a worker in the ranks of the party since attaining his majority. In 1890 he was made registrar of voters, serving in that capacity until his appointment to the office of postmaster, and since his resignation from that position he has been active as town assessor, still serving in the last mentioned office. Fraternally, Mr. Beals is identified with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Northampton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and all the Scottish Rite bodies of the Masonic order; also Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Northampton.

George Leslie Beals married (first), in Florence, Massachusetts, July 28, 1889, Emma F. Pease. He married (second), June 24, 1922, Mary Eaton Hastings, daughter of Frederick Bell, and they reside at No. 50 Chestnut Street, Florence, Massachusetts.

**SADIE H. MULRONE**, associated with Fred T. Ley & Company, Inc., Springfield, Massachusetts, and having the reputation of being the highest salaried woman in New England, was born in Springfield, the daughter of John Mulrone and Sarah McQuade Mulrone. John Mulrone died February 25, 1916. He was for many years employed by the United States Government at the Springfield Arsenal. He is one of the organizers of the first Coöperative Bank in Springfield, and was one of its officers at the time of his death. His daughter, Sadie H. Mulrone, was educated in the public schools of her native city. Her association with Fred T. Ley & Co., Inc., began early in life and has brought her a just celebrity throughout New England. Her executive ability has made her successful and has gained her recognition in other lines of endeavor. She is president of the Quota Club, an international organization of business and professional women; a member of the Springfield Business and Professional Women's Club; charter member of the Western Massachusetts Chapter of National Association of Cost Accountants; member of the Western Credit Association; president of the Parish Women's Club of St. Michael's Cathedral, where her family has worshipped for four generations, and a member of the Catholic Women's Club of Springfield. She is also a member of the Good Shepherd Association, and secretary of the Dominican Auxiliary.

**GEORGE JOSEPH DERRY**—In the vital construction branch of roofing George Joseph Derry, of Greenfield, holds a noteworthy position in Western Massachusetts, and in his extensive operations he has given his name marked prominence throughout Franklin County. He also is known in nearby States, and in his breadth of usefulness he is bearing an important part in the progress of the day. Mr. Derry is a member of an old and honored family of Ireland, and his grandfather, who was born in Ireland, emigrated to Canada at an early period.

John Derry, Mr. Derry's father, was born in Canada,

but as a young man came to the United States. He resided in Burlington, Vermont, for a time and there established a wood yard, later establishing himself at Alstead, New Hampshire, then Hinsdale, New Hampshire. During all these changes he did a great deal of important work in the way of cutting off timber lots and opening saw mills, thus meeting the constantly insistent demand for lumber for the building trades. He was also interested in agricultural operations, and was considered one of the thoroughly progressive and noteworthy men of his day. He married Julia Cameron, of Burlington, Vermont, and they were the parents of four children: Mary, George Joseph, of further mention; Lilly and Ida.

George Joseph Derry was born in Burlington, Vermont, March 5, 1874. Going to New Hampshire with his parents when a small lad, he received his education in the district schools of Hinsdale, in that State. His advantages were very limited, however, for at the age of ten years he left school to engage in remunerative labor. His first experience was on a farm in Brattleboro, Vermont, and later for a time he drove a team. Then feeling that the mastery of a trade would be greatly to his advantage, he served an apprenticeship at masonry with John O. Connor, of Brattleboro, devoting four years to learning this trade. He then entered the employ of Ryan Brothers, in Brattleboro, Vermont, and familiarized himself thoroughly with the roofing business. For twenty-seven years he continued with the Ryan interests, then, in 1921, resigned to establish his own enterprise in the same line of activity. His success was immediate and has come to be very wide and universally recognized in this section. He is handling large interests in Franklin County, also in the adjacent States of New Hampshire and Vermont, and with interests centering in Greenfield has developed an important business. Mr. Derry has now been a resident of Greenfield for twenty-eight years, and is universally esteemed for his eminently fair dealing and unimpeachable integrity. Mr. Derry is a member of the Knights of Columbus, also the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

George Joseph Derry married, October 16, 1901, Margaret Hayes, of Greenfield, daughter of John and Margaret (Madden) Hayes. Mr. and Mrs. Derry are the parents of five children: Margaret, born August 14, 1902; Maurice, born September 14, 1903; James, born March 3, 1907; John, born in August, 1908, and Leo, born September 11, 1911.

**FRANK JACOB YETTER**—A public-spirited citizen, Frank Jacob Yetter, who has been successfully conducting his own business in Greenfield for over a decade and a half, is descended from a line of forebears who have been occupied in the industrial life of America for over seventy years. His grandfather, Conrad Yetter, a weaver, was born in Germany in 1819, and came to America in 1852, settling in Conway, Massachusetts, where he died in 1855. He married Margaret Schatz, and two children survived him: John George, of whom further; and Johanna, who married John George Voetsch. His widow married (second) Mr. Höelle.

John George Yetter, son of Conrad and Margaret (Schatz) Yetter, was born in Weilheim, Balingen, Württemberg, Germany, January 18, 1851, and died in Greenfield April 22, 1910. He was educated in his native town, and was graduated from its high school, coming to America when he was sixteen years of age, in 1867. He located in Shelburne Falls, and found his first employment with the Lamson & Goodnow Cutlery Company, remaining with them until their factory was swept away by a flood three years later. He then went with the Landers Frary & Clark Company, of New Britain, Connecticut, in the same line of industry. Subsequently, he returned to Franklin County, and opened a periodical store at Turners Falls, which he conducted for about two and a half years. From this he made a connection with the dry goods firm of William F. Root, of Greenfield, remaining in this concern for seven years, when Mr. Root retired from active business in 1882. Mr. Yetter then became associated with the firm of Knowles & Thompson, also a dry goods concern, with whom he remained for four years, at the end of that time accepting a position with the firm of W. A. Forbes. In April, 1887, Mr. Yetter went into the dry goods business for himself, in Greenfield, and carried it on successfully until the time of his death, gaining not only a position of esteem in the business world of his locality, but also the regard of his fellow citizens for his upright character, his honesty in business dealings, and his services to the community.

John George Yetter married, December 23, 1873, Frances Sessler, of Greenfield, born in 1855, daughter of Jacob and Frances (Kerber) Sessler, her parents natives of Germany. Her father, born December 14, 1825, came to America in 1847 and died March 1, 1908; her mother was born in 1827, and died in 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Yetter were the parents of six children: 1. Frances Sessler, born April 8, 1876, married June 2, 1897, George G. Ross, and they are the parents of three children: John, born September 2, 1902; Frances Alwena, born January 7, 1908, and Helen Eloise, born June 29, 1911. 2. Rose Louise, born January 15, 1878. 3. Frederick George, born February 19, 1881. 4. Frank Jacob, of whom further. 5. Elizabeth Amelia, born January 16, 1885, died in 1922. 6. Mabel Alwena, born December 15, 1887.

Frank Jacob Yetter, son of John George and Frances (Sessler) Yetter, was born February 28, 1883, at Greenfield. He received his education in the public schools of his native town. On completing his education he found his first employment in his father's store, but soon decided to learn the florist business, and became associated in the employ of "Humphrey," of Holyoke, and a branch of the South Hadley Falls concern. On completing his apprenticeship he went into business for himself in 1907, in Greenfield, where he now has his hot houses, a store on Main Street, and where, by his thought and attention to his concern he has a constantly growing business. He has been deservedly successful, and holds a prominent place in the commercial life of the town. Mr. Yetter is active in the civic life of his community, doing all in his power to further any movement that stands for the progressive welfare of the community. He is a member of the Chamber of Com-







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merce, and of the Kiwanis Club, and his religious connection is with the Unitarian Church.

Frank Jacob Yetter married, June 25, 1919, Mildred Brown, of Greenfield, daughter of Herbert S. and Alice (Plimpton) Brown, who was born June 17, 1899. Mr. and Mrs. Yetter are the parents of two children: Frank Jacob, Jr., born December 10, 1921; and Sidney Arthur, born September 14, 1924.

**JOHN JOSEPH KENNEDY**—Possessor of a family trait of efficient and diligent service in professional matters and in those pertaining to public office and practical usefulness therein, Mr. Kennedy has a distinctive popularity as a representative of Northampton men of progressive thought and action. He has never failed to realize a popular belief in his ability to direct affairs for public utility and for the expansion of educational interests and business projects. A valued associate in railroad and later in insurance companies, he has proven himself a man of vigorous character and of sustained energy in whatsoever he has undertaken. He is a son of John and Margaret Kennedy, and a grandson of Cornelius and Margaret Kennedy. His father, John Kennedy, was born in Ireland, where he learned the tailor's trade. Coming to the United States about the time of the Civil War, he made a brief stay both in Hartford, Connecticut, and Boston, Massachusetts, eventually arriving in Greenfield, where for many years he carried on his tailoring business, and where he is now living, retired; his father, Cornelius Kennedy later joined him in this country and lived with him until his death.

John Joseph Kennedy was born July 11, 1870, in Greenfield, where he attended the public schools and Childs Business College. He was then employed in the office of the Connecticut River Railroad Company at Northampton, where he worked up through the different grades from clerk to voucher clerk and billing clerk to that of cashier, which position held for nine years, later being employed as a station agent for the company. In 1910 he resigned his position with the railroad, and became associated with the New York Life Insurance Company as their agent in Northampton and vicinity, and he has continued as such to the present.

Mr. Kennedy's public service in Northampton began with two years in the Common Council, the last year in the office of president of the Council; and subsequently he was alderman for two years. He was one of the overseers of the poor, and he was a member of the School Committee for nine years. In his first election to the School Committee, he defeated Calvin Coolidge, now President of the United States, this being the only election in which Mr. Coolidge was ever defeated, and thereafter, Mr. Kennedy received the endorsement of both parties for membership on the School Committee. In the contest referred to, Mr. Kennedy received nine hundred and thirty-four votes, and Mr. Coolidge eight hundred and forty; later, he was prominently mentioned as a Democratic possibility for mayor. He secured the incorporation of the Hampshire County Farm Bureau, and acted as its secretary; and his services as superintendent of the midway of the three county fairs during ten years made him widely known, the receipts increas-

ing from \$700 to \$4,000 in that period. He was secretary of the Hill Town Improvement Association, and in that capacity actively promoted the movement which succeeded in obtaining a special appropriation of \$2,500,000 for improvement of roads in the five western counties; and he had much to do with promoting the entire project in the Eastern States Exposition at Springfield. He received letters of congratulation from Governor David I. Walsh for his work in behalf of good roads; of praise from Governor Samuel W. McCall for his work on the public safety committee; and later, from Arthur Wood, assistant Secretary of the War Department, for his activities on the War Labor Board.

In regard to his untiring efforts in giving the concessions at the fairs a square deal, the "Billboard" stated: "Mr. Kennedy went to work with the Billboard Plan of making fairs as well as carnivals clean. He refused to give space to more than twenty-five different concession men. He says the days are over when the men behind the stores take everything and give nothing; and he is for the boys who give merchandise away. A few more men like Mr. Kennedy will help clean up the outdoor show business, and put it back where it belongs."

Mr. Kennedy is a veteran of the Spanish American War, and he served in Cuba, in 1898, with the 2nd Massachusetts Infantry. During the World War he was chairman of the Draft Board two years, and he was secretary of the Public Safety Committee four years. He is a close friend of General Pershing and of General Miles, who was in charge of the 10th Regiment in the Spanish-American War. Mr. Kennedy is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Kennedy is a brother of James Bartholomew Kennedy, of Greenfield, a prominent plumber in that city, and one who has filled many places of trust in civic affairs and is now on the Board of Selectmen. He established his heating and plumbing business in Greenfield in April, 1906; and he is a member of the board of directors of the State Fairs Association; and he was superintendent of the Midway of the Franklin County Agricultural Fair. He is prominent in all social and fraternal matters, and is president of the Greenfield Driving Club, the Outing Club and the Building Trades' Association.

John Joseph Kennedy married, August 17, 1904, Mary B. Parnell, of Northampton, daughter of John and Nellie (Stapleton) Parnell. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are the parents of Margaret Stapleton Kennedy, a graduate of the Forsythe Dental College, and now with Dr. Edson, of Springfield, as dental hygienist.

**EDWARD JANES CADWELL**—It is proper that after an active life chiefly devoted to personal aims and the improvement of one's material position, and the provision of sufficient funds for the use of the family and the education of children, the citizen, moved by the civic spirit and the desire to be of use to the community in which he lives, should obey the call to office, to a position enabling him to render public service and set an example to the younger generation of a life not only self-centered but devoted to the general good.

This endeavor can be traced in the career of Mr.



Edward Janes Cadwell, a native of Amherst, Massachusetts, where he was born August 14, 1854, as a son of Aretas Janes Cadwell, of Hadley, Massachusetts, a lumber dealer, and Esther (Needham) Cadwell. At the age of six years, Mr. Cadwell left his native place and went to Pelham, Massachusetts, and from there, at the age of ten, moved to Enfield, Massachusetts, where he received his first education in the public schools. He then effected another change of place and went to Canaan, New Hampshire, and after staying there for one year returned to Enfield, Massachusetts, and from there went to Unionville, Connecticut, and after returning again to Enfield, Massachusetts, came, in 1882, to Orange, Massachusetts, then went to New Salem, Massachusetts, returning to Orange in 1909. For the last thirty years Mr. Cadwell has been in the lumber business, which necessitated his many temporary changes of abode. In 1923 he was elected a selectman and for eight years has been an assessor of taxes. He is a director of the National Bank, the Savings Bank, and the Bond Investment Bank. His fraternal associations included membership of the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Noble Order of Orientals.

In 1877 Mr. Cadwell married, at Enfield, Massachusetts, Adelaide M. Freeman, a daughter of Joseph and Martha Freeman, and they are the parents of a family of nine children: Lawrence J.; Mabel J.; Edith; Esther; Mildred A.; Harold; Robert; Hazel; and Albert. Mrs. Cadwell died on July 13, 1923.

**WILLIAM H. DAGGETT**, chief of the Springfield Fire Department, was born October 24, 1858, the son of Francis Daggett, a native of Springfield, and of Elizabeth (Belden) Daggett, born in New Britain, Connecticut. His father was by trade a blacksmith, but later in life he was employed in the United States Army in Springfield, and continued there until his death.

The emigrant ancestor of the Daggetts crossed from England with Governor Winthrop in 1640. Mr. Daggett's great-grandfather, Ebenezer Daggett, was born in Enfield. His grandfather came from Enfield and settled in Springfield about 1820. His mother has an old New Britain ancestry.

Mr. Daggett attended the public schools and Burnett's English and Commercial Institute on Court Street. At eighteen he went to New York State and farmed for about two years with relatives. Returning to Springfield he found an opportunity with Smith & Wesson, manufacturers of fire arms, as a mechanic, and remained about two years. He was employed thereafter in the United States Army in Springfield, and at the time of his resignation in 1893 he had advanced to assistant foreman of the filing department. He was appointed deputy chief of the Springfield Fire Department in March, 1894. He was appointed chief of the Fire Department in February, 1908, and continues to act in that office. Chief Daggett is vice-president and director of the Highland Coöperative Bank of Springfield. He served six years as a member of the State Militia, the years being 1878 to 1884. He is a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of the Nayasset Club, the Winthrop Club and the Rotary Club.

Chief Daggett was married in Springfield, November 16, 1892, to Genevere M. Flynn, born July 16, 1869, a graduate of the Springfield High School. Her father was J. D. Flynn, and her mother Annie (Crowl) Flynn. They are the parents of two sons: 1. Roswell Belden, born in Springfield, April 12, 1896. He was graduated from the Springfield Technical High School, and won an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Competitive examination. He was graduated with honors in 1919. This was followed by a course of two years in naval construction, after which he was stationed for a year at the Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston. 2. Robert, born July 15, 1904. He is now in New York studying designing.

**RICHARD BERNETT PRICE**—A popular place in the regard of his fellow citizens has been established by Mr. Price in the course of his service as the station agent at Northampton, through the personal and invariably courteous interest he has shared in whatsoever concerns the public and general welfare. In his own vocation he represents to a very pleasing degree the hospitable spirit of the city, and he exerts an influence therein and through his association with all civic and community matters that has won him the full appreciation and good-will of his fellow citizens. His family and his ancestry are of an industrious race of people; Mr. Price's grandfather, Edward Price, the first of his branch to emigrate, was born in Wales, and died in Ontario, Canada, where he had come early in life and had navigation interests on the St. Lawrence River. His children were: James, of whom further; John, and George.

James Price, son of Edward Price, was born in Canada, and died in 1903 aged forty-seven years. While a young man, he went West, where he engaged in farming; and was in that section of the country at the time of Indian troubles. Returning East, he became superintendent of canals on the St. Lawrence River. He married Emily Coons, daughter of Richard and Emily (Stead) Coons; and they were the parents of: 1. Arthur Wellesley, who resides in San Bernardino, California, and he has a daughter Christine. 2. Charles Andrew, who married Mary Kennedy, and has a daughter Christine. 3. Albert Edward, who married Helene Baker. 4. Richard B., of whom further.

Richard Bennett Price, son of James and Emily (Coons) Price, was born September 27, 1877, in St. Lawrence County, New York, and after attending the public schools, was clerk in a dry goods store, at Ogdensburg, New York. He learned telegraphy in a telegraph office at Iroquois, Canada, and in 1893, he obtained his first position in that profession as night operator for the Boston & Maine Railroad, at Canaan, New Hampshire, and thence he was transferred to a similar position at Lebanon, New Hampshire. Mr. Price removed to Bernardston from Lebanon, and for fifteen years he was the station agent at that town. Coming to Northampton in 1912 as ticket agent, he was later appointed station agent, and he has continued at the Northampton railroad office to the present. His fraternal affiliations are with Harmony Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at North-

field; and with the Royal Arch Chapter at Greenfield; and he is a member of the Northampton Club. Mr. Price is a member of the Unitarian Church at Northampton and is clerk of the society.

Richard Bennett Price married, October 14, 1903, Daisy M. Fortin, of Colerain, daughter of Dennis and Emily (Paul) Fortin; and they are the parents of: Roger Elliott, who is now deceased; Edith MacDonald; Helen Elizabeth; and Richard James.

**GEORGE MERRITT ALLEN**—The progressive business interests of Greenfield have a practical factor in Mr. Allen, whose own successful enterprise, that of the musical instruments and radio sets business of Allen & Woodworth Company, is one of the most active of the mercantile concerns in the township, and creditably continues the aims of the company established in 1920. Both in the business world, and in particular in engineering, Mr. Allen has had experience that has become of increasing value to him in the progress of his later undertakings. His reputation in the business and social world is that of the clear-sighted man who, while securing a high degree of success for his own plans, has won the good-will of the public and of his large patronage. He is of one of the older families of Connecticut. His line is as follows:

(I) Samuel Allen, who was born in August, 1588, was of Windsor, Connecticut, in 1640.

(II) Obadiah Allen, his son, married, in 1669, Elizabeth Sanford.

(III) Obadiah Allen, son of Obadiah Allen, was born September 27, 1670, and married Dorcas Wright.

(IV) Obadiah Allen, son of Obadiah Allen, married (first), in 1727, Elizabeth Cotton; he married (second) Hannah Mackey.

(V) David Allen, son of Obadiah Allen, was born August 28, 1732, in Middletown, Connecticut, died in 1793. He had removed of Southington, Connecticut, where he married Huldah Clark.

(VI) Joel Allen, son of David Allen, born September 21, 1755, married (first) Lucy Newell; (second) Diamia Newell.

(VII) Joel Allen, son of Joel Allen, was born January 15, 1785.

(VIII) Alfred Allen, son of Joel Allen, born in 1825, died in 1906, at Collinsville, Connecticut, where he was a clothing merchant. He married Emeline Griswold, and their only child was Frank M., of whom further.

(IX) Frank M. Allen, son of Alfred and Emeline (Griswold) Allen, was born December 2, 1855, in Beloit, Wisconsin, and was killed on the railroad at Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1897. He had been identified with his father in his Collinsville store. He married, March 26, 1879, Ella Malone, of Stamford, Connecticut, daughter of William and Maria (Webb) Malone, and their children were: Ethel, deceased; Louise, deceased; and George M., of whom further.

(X) George Merritt Allen, son of Frank M. and Ella (Malone) Allen, was born October 18, 1884, at Collinsville, Connecticut, where he attended the public schools. He took up civil engineering, and educated himself along that line, engaging, until 1920, in engineering work, including trolley construction and the build-

ing of sewers and dams. He went to Greenfield in 1909, where for a time he was employed with Clapp & Abercrombie, civil engineers, and he was also with the New England Telephone Company for five years. In 1920 he established his present business of handling all kinds of musical instruments and radio sets, under the corporate name of Allen & Woodworth Company, of which Mr. Allen is president and treasurer. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

George Merritt Allen married, September 14, 1912, Margaret M. Haywood, of Greenfield, daughter of Fred and Mary Louise (Smith) Haywood. Mrs. Allen is a descendant of John Alden and Priscilla Mullins, of the "Mayflower," through their daughter, Hannah Alden, who married Samuel Lathrop; their son, Mark Lathrop, married Martha Kingsley; their son, Seth Lathrop, had a son Thomas, who married Rebecca Pope; their daughter, Mercy Lathrop, married Orrin Smith; their son, Elijah W. Smith, married Melinda Plumb; their daughter, Mary Louise Smith, married Fred Haywood, parents of Mrs. Allen. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Allen: Mary Louise, born August 27, 1913; Margaret, born September 6, 1917; John Haywood, born November 1, 1919.

**J. HUGH BOLTON**—The representation that the D. O. Pease Manufacturing Company shares with the industries of Palmer is of the type of useful enterprises whose product has a country-wide distribution and excellent repute, the president and treasurer of the company, J. Hugh Bolton, being accounted one of the most resourceful of the younger business men of the community. Mr. Bolton, who is a veteran of the World War in overseas service, has brought the asbestos manufacturing business of which he is the executive head to a high state of efficiency; and he possesses the good-will and esteem of his business associates and of the public in general.

J. Hugh Bolton, the son of John W. Bolton, general superintendent of the Cleveland, Ohio, Worsted Mills Company, and Bertha P. (Phillips) Bolton, was born May 6, 1896, in Jamestown, New York, where he attended the public and high schools. He then matriculated at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, in the class of 1919. At the close of the World War he went to Cleveland, Ohio, where for four years he was superintendent of the worsted department of the Cleveland Worsted Mills Company. He came to Palmer in 1923 as manager of the D. O. Pease Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of asbestos products, and he has been the president and treasurer of that concern since July, 1924.

During the World War Mr. Bolton enlisted in the United States Army Aerial service, and he was commissioned second lieutenant in that department March 11, 1918. He served with the 3d Corps Area overseas from August, 1918, to March, 1919, when he received his discharge. His fraternal affiliations are with Heights Lodge, No. 633, Free and Accepted Masons, of Cleveland, Ohio; and with Heights Chapter, No. 206, Royal Arch Masons, also of that city; and with the Delta Kappa Epsilon College Fraternity. He is a member of the Palmer Business Men's Club; the Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio; and Quaboag County Club of Monson.

J. Hugh Bolton married, December 27, 1919, in New



York City, Marion Edith Grieb, daughter of William G. and Sarah (Gesmaier) Grieb. Mr. Grieb, who died in June, 1923, was president of the Ajax Rubber Company. Mr. and Mrs. Bolton are the parents of: J. Hugh, Jr., born November 29, 1920; and Jeannette, born February 22, 1922, both born at Cleveland, Ohio.

**JAMES PHILIP REED**—In Western Massachusetts the pedagogical world ranks James Philip Reed, a member of one of the old families of this section of the State, as one of the foremost headmasters. Principal of the Hopkins Academy of Hadley, Mr. Reed, who has been a teacher throughout his career, pursuing the same intellectual, scholarly and other cultural attainments and pursuits as his Scotch-American family have followed for generations, is one of the leading citizens of Hadley, prominent, especially, in ecclesiastical and church pedagogical affairs. He is a man of power in the educational circles of this part of the State as well as in Hadley, and is often sought for advice regarding educational systems and methods. He is highly honored, and is deemed a most representative member of that great body of citizens who inhabit this portion of the State.

James Philip Reed was born in Dalton, Berkshire County, September 7, 1884, the son of Andrew J. and Margaret (Chalmers) Reed. The first Reed in Massachusetts was James Reed, who was born near Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1813. After completing his education in his native land, he entered the paper-making business of Scotland. In 1831 he came to America, being then eighteen years old, settling in Lee, Berkshire County. Here he worked in the paper mills, proving himself an excellent workman on the hand machines in a day when hand machines were the only paper-making apparatus. He remained in Lee for several years, and then moved to Dalton. After a short period of employment in the paper mills in this town, he moved to Pittsfield. The year 1868 found him in Walton, De Kalb County. Here he purchased a forty-acre farm, operated it for some months and then brought his family to it. Leaving them on the farm, James Reed went to Clinton, Iowa, to affiliate himself with a paper mill, which he left in 1869. On his return he settled in Dalton, entered the employ of the Weston Paper Mill, and was the manager of its rag room when he retired at the age of sixty-five. The last years of his life and up to the time of his death, which took place in 1892 in his eightieth year, he made his home with his son, Andrew J., the father of James Philip Reed. James Reed was a prominent lay Methodist in Massachusetts, and he served on the official board of the Dalton Methodist Church for many years. He married (first) ——— Cranston, with whom he had one daughter, Nellie, who is deceased; and (second) Fidelia Chapel, of Washington, Massachusetts, who died in 1881 at the age of fifty-seven. The children of the second union were: Amanda, deceased; John Philip, born in 1849, a paper-maker since 1869, for many years a resident of Holyoke, and now retired; Andrew J., of whom further; George, who died in infancy; Alicia L., deceased; and Eva and Evva, twins, who died in infancy. James Reed was a singularly well-read man and was noted for his high intellectual qualities. He was particularly well versed in history.

Andrew J. Reed was born in Dalton, in 1859. He was educated in the public schools of Dalton, and with the exception of one year during his boyhood, he spent his entire life in Dalton. For fifty years he has been with the Byron-Weston Paper Company of Dalton, paper manufacturers, of whose plant he is now superintendent. Mrs. Margaret (Chalmers) Reed, the mother of James Philip Reed, was born in Scotland in 1859, the daughter of Thomas and Ann (Cunningham) Chalmers. Their other children are: Walter, an electrical engineer in Dalton; Agnes; Vernon Wilmot, principal of a high school in Newark, New Jersey; Chalmers, secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Metuchen, New Jersey; Marguerite, who married James Kingar; Helen; and Andrew J., former secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Somerville, New Jersey, now in Chicago.

James Philip Reed was educated in the public schools of Dalton and in the University of Vermont, at Burlington, being graduated from this institution in 1910. Following his graduation by one year, Mr. Reed taught in the Williston Seminary at Easthampton. Then he became principal of the Petersham High School, in Petersham, Worcester County, holding this important post for three years. Subsequently, and since 1914, he has been principal of the Hopkins Academy, capably acquitting himself of the duties of the administration. Hopkins Academy is one of the oldest institutions of learning in the United States and holds a high place in educational circles, being ranked among the leading schools of its class. Mr. Reed, whose prominence has been highly marked since his advent to Hopkins, has been president of the Headmasters' Club of Western Massachusetts. He is a member of the Connecticut Valley Teachers' Association. He also holds memberships in the Lambda Iota Fraternity of the University of Vermont and the Vermont College Association, and in the Bowlders and the Grange. He attends the Hadley Congregational Church and is superintendent of its Sunday School.

Mr. Reed married, in Dalton, August 14, 1912, Florence L. Mitchell, of Dalton, the daughter of Herman E. and Orrie (Converse) Mitchell. They have one son, Philip Chalmers Reed, born May 9, 1914.

**CLARENCE B. BROWN**—The farm upon which Clarence B. Brown, of Brimfield, Massachusetts, resides was handed down to his father by his grandfather, and upon his father's death in 1911 it was bequeathed to him. His father, Arthur Billings Brown, was born in Brimfield August 5, 1847, and had spent most of his life on the place of his birth. He was a son of James Henry and Ann (Holbrook) Brown, and was of the fourth generation in line of descent from Jonathan Brown, who moved to Brimfield in 1739 and was prominent in town affairs and in the events preceding the Revolutionary War, in which he served as one of the Minute Men. Mr. Brown was educated in the town schools and the Hitchcock Free Academy. He was married November 5, 1874, to Cynthia R. Blashfield, of Brimfield, who died in 1883 leaving two children, Ida M. and Clarence B. Brown. Arthur Billings Brown was married a second time on February 15, 1888, to Emma M. Agard, of Brimfield, who survived him. Besides his widow, he left a



brother, John W.; a sister, Sarah, wife of Miner Corbin, both of Brimfield; a son Clarence; and a daughter Ida, who lives in Sturbridge, she married Charles H. V. George.

Mr. Brown was a leading citizen of Brimfield, and a prosperous farmer, and died at the age of sixty-three. He was highly esteemed as a neighbor, and as a man, much interested in the public interests. He efficiently served the town as a selectman from 1894 to 1899, and during the years from 1908 to 1909 when his health forced him to decline further office. During these periods he was for much of the time chairman of the board. He had been deacon of the Congregational Church since 1897 and a member of the parish committee, and one of the substantial supporters of the church. He was a charter member of the local Grange, organized in 1897, and had held the office of treasurer from that time until unable to serve longer. As a farmer Mr. Brown's comfortable prosperity was indicated as demonstrating what can be done on a New England farm even along old lines by close industry, thrift and calculation. He had also found opportunities for travel, and had visited distant sections of the country.

Clarence B. Brown was born in Brimfield, Massachusetts, December 22, 1877. His education was gained in the Hitchcock Free Academy of Brimfield, from which he was graduated in 1896, and he has ever since followed agricultural pursuits. He owns and operates three farms but resides at Brimfield, on the ancestral acres, located on the Warren Road. He was a member of the school board of Brimfield from 1901 to 1904 and again from 1907 to 1908. He also held the office of assessor from 1904 to 1912. He was elected again to the school board in 1919 to serve until 1925, being chairman of the board the last two years. He was elected selectman in 1915, still serving, being chairman of that board. He is treasurer of the Brimfield Grange, having held the office since 1911, and has been treasurer of the congregational Parish since 1917. He has been treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Hitchcock Free Academy since 1923.

Mr. Brown married, August 27, 1902, at Adams, Massachusetts, Jessie E. Fairfield, of that town, daughter of Edward W. and Ida C. (White) Fairfield. Their children were: Kathryn E., born May 29, 1904, at Brimfield; Ralph M., born March 28, 1905; Arthur B., born September 14, 1913; Eleanor May, born October 19, 1918.

**LEROY HERBERT HOUGHTON**—The family name Houghton is derived from a place name in Lancashire, England, and in Colonial times this name was very common in Massachusetts. In the list of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors of the Revolutionary War are to be found one hundred and sixteen of this name. Therefore, Leroy Herbert Houghton, of eleventh generation in direct line, has to his credit an ancestry that is both illustrious and patriotic.

(I) John Houghton, the first of the line, and the father of the American immigrant, was buried in Eaton Bray, Bedfordshire, England, April 28, 1618.

(II) John Houghton, son of John Houghton, was baptized May 19, 1593. He is supposed to be the John Houghton named in the passenger list of the ship "Abi-

gail," June 30, 1635. He married Damaris Buckminster, and was a church warden of St. Mary's, of Eaton Bray, in 1629-30.

(III) John Houghton, son of John Houghton, was born December 24, 1624, at Eaton Bray, and came to New England about 1647, bringing with him his wife Beatrix. He was for a time a resident of Dedham, but about 1652 removed to Lancaster. His first home was on Dean's Brook, which lay between Clinton and South Lancaster, but after the massacre he lived on the old common, and later in Woburn until Lancaster was resettled. He was a man of wealth for those times, owning property in the present towns of Berlin, Clinton, and Bolton. He married, about 1648-49, Beatrix, whose surname is unknown. She survived her husband many years, dying January 8, 1711-12. Mr. Houghton was a prominent citizen, deputy from Lancaster to the General Court in 1660, and died April 29, 1684, aged sixty years. He was buried in the old Granary burying ground in Boston. His will, which was dated April 8, 1684, was proved on June 7 following, and in it he mentioned his wife, Beatrix, and several children. Of the children born to John and Beatrix Houghton were: John, born in Dedham; Robert, born in Dedham, March 28, 1658; Jonas, born in 1660; Mary, born March 22, 1661-62; Beatrix, born December 3, 1665; Sarah, born July 30, 1672, in Lancaster; and Benjamin, mentioned below.

(IV) Benjamin Houghton, son of John and Beatrix Houghton, was born at Lancaster, May 25, 1678. He lived at Little Meadow Plain at South Bolton railroad station, and was twice married, the name of his first wife unknown. He married (second), July 20, 1720, Zermiah Moore. To his first marriage were born the following children: Jacob, born in 1696; Josiah, born in 1698; Benjamin, mentioned below; and Zerviah.

(V) Benjamin Houghton, son of Benjamin Houghton and his first wife, was born in 1700, and died in 1774. He married, July 20, 1720, Ruth Wheelock, the ceremony being performed by a Justice Houghton. Their large family of children were all born in Lancaster: Ezra, mentioned below; Abijah, born in 1723; Abigail, born 1724; Relief, born October 23, 1726; Elijah, born June 16, 1728; Paine, born April 14, 1730; Philemon, born June 3, 1731; Nahum, born October 1, 1732; Ruth, born April 3, 1734; Lemuel, born September 25, 1735; Benjamin, born May 10, 1740; Ephraim, born in 1742; and Elizabeth, born October 24, 1743.

(VI) Ezra Houghton, son of Benjamin and Ruth (Wheelock) Houghton, was born July 2, 1722. He with his brother Benjamin assisted in laying out the highways in 1758. He married, July 29, 1748, Dinah Houghton, daughter of Benjamin and Zeremiah (Moore) Houghton. Among their children was a son Nahum, of further mention.

(VII) Nahum Houghton, son of Ezra and Dinah (Houghton) Houghton, was born in Lancaster, October 28, 1767, and died in 1841. He married Leovita Howe, who was born in 1765, and died in 1843. Children born to this marriage were: James Dunbar; Nahum; Lucy; Eliza; Algernon Sidney.

(VIII) Nahum Houghton, son of Nahum and Leovita (Howe) Houghton, was born in Lancaster, March 17, 1785, and died May 12, 1854. He married Lydia Stratton,

born December 7, 1787, died February 25, 1858, and to this marriage were born four children as follows: Emily A.; Henry L.; Marshall N., of further mention; and George.

(IX) Marshall N. Houghton, son of Nahum and Lydia (Stratton) Houghton, was born in Williamsville, Vermont, in 1817, and died in South Newfane, Vermont, in 1906, aged eighty-nine years. In his younger years he was captain of a whaling vessel, following the sea for a period of twenty years. Retiring from this occupation in later years, he became a farmer in South Newfane, and engaged in this sort of work until his death. He was twice married; first to Laura Aldrich, on April 12, 1858. She was born April 16, 1836, and died September 9, 1861. He married (second) Polly C. Morse. There was one child of the first marriage, Herbert, mentioned below. Of the second marriage were born two children: George A., born June 21, 1863; and Lena E., born May 12, 1868.

(X) Herbert Houghton, son of Marshall N. and Laura (Aldrich) Houghton, and father of the subject of this biography, was born in South Newfane, Vermont, April 25, 1860, and died April 6, 1903. He was a glazier by trade and had a sash and blind manufacturing establishment in Brattleboro, actively engaged in this business to the time of his demise. He was a worthy citizen of the community, and a member of the Methodist Church. He also affiliated as a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and the New England Order of Protection. He married, July 23, 1885, Hattie Haskins, who was born in Dover, Vermont, a daughter of Luther and Sophia (Esterbrook) Haskins, and to this marriage was born a son, Leroy Herbert, of further mention.

(XI) Leroy Herbert Houghton, son of Herbert and Hattie (Haskins) Houghton, was born in Brattleboro, Vermont, July 23, 1886. When old enough he was sent to the schools of Brattleboro, and after finishing his studies in these schools he became a student of the Albany Business College, from which he was a graduate in the year 1904. Beginning life as a business man, he entered the employ of the Sullivan Machine Company, of Claremont, New Hampshire, remaining there for a period of two years. Leaving this firm, he went to Ossining, New York, where he served as secretary of the Mount Pleasant Military Academy for one and one half years. In 1907 he was for a short time salesman for a New York firm, then in 1908 he came to Greenfield and became associated with Wells Brothers, tap and die manufacturers, where he has remained to the present time (1925), this company, in 1912, having been absorbed by the Greenfield Tap and Die Corporation, the name under which business is now being conducted. Present time is superintendent of the Machine Tool Division.

Fraternally Mr. Houghton affiliates with the Masonic organization, being a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, and also belongs to the Royal Arch Chapter. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Leroy Herbert Houghton married, September 28, 1909, Ethel Gay, at East Unity, New Hampshire. She is the daughter of Charles and Abbie (Gilman) Gay, and a granddaughter of Major Daniel and Mary (Simons)

Gay. Mrs. Houghton's descent is traced in a direct line from (I) John Gay, who came to America from England in 1630 and settled in Watertown. He was later one of the original proprietors of Dedham. (II) John Gay, born in 1651. (III) Hezekiah Gay. (IV) John Gay. (V) Abner Gay. (VI) Major Daniel Gay. (VII) Charles Gay. (VIII) Ethel Gay, who married Leroy H. Houghton, as previously noted.

**WILLIAM SPENCER CLARK**, among the professional men of Western Massachusetts, who is engaged in general legal practice in Greenfield, is a descendant of Lieutenant William Clark, who came to New England in the ship "Mary and John" and arrived at Nantasket, May 30, 1636. He settled first in Dorchester, and then, about 1659, removed to Northampton, where he was a leading citizen, frequently selectman and fourteen years was a deputy to the General Court.

The line descends through Deacon John Clark, son of the first wife. Deacon John Clark married (first) Rebecca Cooper; (second) Mary Strong, daughter of John and Abigail (Ford) Strong. Among the children of the second marriage was Ebenezer Clark, born October 18, 1682, who married, in 1712, Abigail Parsons; their son, Israel Clark, married Mehitable Montague; their son, Israel (2) Clark, married and had a son Elihu, of whom further.

Elihu Clark, grandfather of William Spencer Clark, and son of Israel Clark, was born in Granby, December 7, 1785, and died there July 9, 1859. He married Roxanna Ayres, who was born in 1783 and died in 1872. They were the parents of the following children: 1. Clinton. 2. Climena, who married Thomas Burnham. 3. Maria. 4. Sarah E. 5. Mercer, (twin) who died at birth. 6. Spencer, (twin), of whom further.

Spencer Clark, son of Elihu and Roxanna (Ayres) Clark, was born in Granby, March 4, 1819, and died May 14, 1883. He was engaged in agricultural pursuits and owned a farm of more than four hundred acres. He took an active interest in local public affairs, serving the town as selectman. He married, April 24, 1862, Arvilla Davis, who was born in Royalston, April 25, 1836, and died April 23, 1902, the adopted daughter of Alvin and Mehitable (Berry) Davis, and child of Silas Sargent and Harriet (Berry) Sargent. Mrs. Davis was a sister of Mrs. Sargent. They were the parents of one son, William Spencer, of whom further.

William Spencer Clark, son of Spencer and Arvilla (Davis) Clark, was born in Granby, April 25, 1867, and received his early education in the public schools of Granby. He prepared for college at Williston Seminary, graduating in the class of 1884, and the following fall matriculated in Yale College, from which he was graduated in 1888. Having decided to enter the legal profession he studied law in the office of William H. Brooks, of Holyoke, and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1891. The death of his father some two years later, made it necessary that, on account of his mother, he should go to Granby and manage the farm. This he did living in Granby for several years, and serving on the school committee for a long term of years. He also served on the board of selectmen of Granby. In 1900 he removed to Springfield, where he was engaged in the



insurance business for a period of four years. At the end of that time he again changed both his place of residence and his business, this time removing to Northampton where he entered the employ of the Street Railway Company as cashier and as investigator of accident claims. Twelve years later he removed to Greenfield and became identified with the Massachusetts Consolidated Railways Company, which connection he maintained until 1921, serving as claim attorney and agent for three operating companies covering twenty-one towns. The Massachusetts Consolidated Railways Company went into the hands of a receiver in 1921, and since that time Mr. Clark has been engaged in general practice in Greenfield, where he has built up a large clientele. He is well known in Greenfield and vicinity as an able attorney, and in addition to his professional activities he finds time for fraternal and other social affiliations. He is a member of Vernon Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Belchertown, and holds membership in all bodies both York and Scottish Rites, including the thirty-second degree, and he is a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is an attendant of the First Congregational Church, which he served as chairman of the Parish Committee, president of the Men's Club, and as a member of the building committee appointed for the erection of the new parish house.

William Spencer Clark married, October 1, 1891, Maud Inez Davis, of Somers, Connecticut, daughter of Oramel Lester and Ellen S. (Washburn) Davis. Mrs. Clark is a descendant of Thomas Davis, of Newbury and Haverhill, through son John, son Cornelius, son Cornelius (2), son Benjamin, son Asa, son Lester, son Oramel Lester, father of Mrs. Clark.

William Spencer and Maud Inez (Davis) Clark are the parents of two children: 1. Ruth Davis, who married, in April, 1917, Joseph E. Ross, of Northfield, and has two children: William Donald and Julia. 2. Donald Spencer, born July 22, 1895, who was killed in action in the World War, October 16, 1918. He enlisted for service in June, 1917, went to Camp Bartlett at Westfield, and as a member of Company I, 104th Regiment, Massachusetts Infantry, served overseas. He held the rank of corporal, and met his death during the action in the Verdun sector.

**CHARLES WALKER HOSMER**—The life work of Charles Walker Hosmer was a record of sincere worth and usefulness for in every phase of his activity he gave to the responsibilities placed in his hands the tireless effort of the faithful servant, at the same time the able efficiency of the talented executive. A native of the State of Vermont, but during the greater part of his life a resident of Massachusetts, he spent the period of his active career in Turners Falls, and became largely influential in the community, both as a business man and as a progressive citizen and public official. His life was a worthy and honored one, and in his death the people lost a contemporary of more than passing prominence whose name is fittingly inscribed on these permanent records.

Mr. Hosmer was a son of Joseph Bascom Hosmer,

born December 18, 1815, died May 28, 1866. He married Lorintha S. Walker who was born May 6, 1820, died December 26, 1864. They were the parents of three sons: James Edward, born October 22, 1845, died November 14, 1864; William Wirth, born November 29, 1847, died May 21, 1888; and Charles Walker, of whom further.

Charles Walker Hosmer was born at Saxtons River, Vermont, April 2, 1855, and died in Turners Falls, September 21, 1906. Only eleven years of age when his father died, he completed his education which had been begun in his native place in Factory Village, near Turners Falls, where he resided with an aunt. Then securing a position in the employ of a leading drug store in Turners Falls, Mr. Hosmer acted as clerk until he formed his permanent affiliation in the business world. This was with the Montague Mills, of Turners Falls, which he entered in the capacity of bookkeeper, and where he remained for a period of thirty years. Throughout his activity in this connection Mr. Hosmer was numbered among the useful and dependable executives of this great industrial plant and he rose in the organization to the office of head bookkeeper. To all who recall his fine personality and his faithful attention to duty, his name and his memory form a challenge to worthy activity and ever higher effort. Mr. Hosmer's position in the community was that of a leading citizen and for many years he served on the Board of Selectmen. He was also active for a considerable period as clerk of the Fire Department and further as registrar of voters. Fraternally, he was identified with the Masonic Order, and was a member of the Peskeumscot Club. His religious affiliation was with the Unitarian Church, and he was a leading member of the Men's Club of that church.

Charles Walker Hosmer married, January 25, 1876, in Montague City, Sarah Lillian Miller, daughter of Gerton Miller, who was born February 16, 1829, and died January 21, 1914. He married Emily Anne Ingram, who was born in 1835, and died at an early age in 1861. Gerton Miller was a native of Waterford, Connecticut, where his daughter, Sarah Lillian, was also born. The children of these parents were three in number: Ralph, who died February 7, 1909; William; and Sarah Lillian. Charles Walker and Sarah Lillian (Miller) Hosmer's children are as follows: 1. Flora Lillian, born December 30, 1876, died July 13, 1915. 2. Joseph William, born October 21, 1878; married Anna Louise French; their children: Russell, Dorothy Lillian, and Ruth Louise. 3. Charles Irvin, born July 26, 1885; married Gertrude Keegan. 4. Charlotte L., born August 11, 1888. Mrs. Hosmer still survives the husband and father, and maintains the family home at No. 54 High Street, Turners Falls.

**MOSES DAIGNAULT**—Varied and interesting affairs have commanded the attention of Moses Daignault, of Greenfield, and in his extensive activities the people have recognized the energy and ability of a forceful and noteworthy executive. Beginning as a poor boy without resources or influence Mr. Daignault has risen to a position of large responsibility and in his success he has definitely benefited the entire community. The



Daignault name is one of distinction and importance in France and the family was established in Canada at an early date.

(I) John B. Daignault, grandfather of Moses Daignault, was born in Canada, in 1813, and died in St. Bridget in 1901, at the advanced age of eighty-eight. He became a resident of Turners Falls and for a number of years was superintendent for the water power company, later also filling a similar position in the pulp mill. He returned to Canada, however, to spend the declining years, and there he died. John B. Daignault married Rose Benoit, and their children were: Moses; Louis; Adolore; Julia; Rosalie and John B., Jr.

(II) John B. Daignault, Jr., son of the above parents, and Mr. Daignault's father, was born in Canada, in 1853, and died in Turners Falls in September, 1915. His early life was spent in farming activities in the Dominion, but when still a young man he came to America and learned the trade of paper manufacture. Active along this general line for a time he eventually returned to Canada, but only for a comparatively short stay. In 1889 he once more became a resident of Turners Falls and there he was actively engaged in the paper industry until a short time before his death. A man of lofty principles and progressive spirit, he commanded the esteem and confidence of all with whom he came in contact. John B. Daignault married in Canada, Vitilie Des Jardines, who died in 1887, leaving the following children: John B.; Archille and Oddias, twins; Moses; Meredic; Felix; Emma; Albina, wife of Dr. Nelson Burnett; Albert; and Anna, who died at an early age.

(III) Moses Daignault was born in St. Bridget, Canada, May 11, 1879. His education was begun in the schools of his native town, but the family removing to Turners Falls when he was nine years of age, he attended the schools in this community for a time. When still a very young lad, however, he entered the employ of a local cotton mill, then was employed by the John Russell Cutlery Works, where he was active for two years. Farm work next engaged his attention and in this field Mr. Daignault was active on the farms of Mr. Smith and Mr. Judd. He then learned the baker's trade and for a time conducted a prosperous bakery and grocery business in Turners Falls handling this enterprise in an independent way. His next interest was as chef at the Hampden Hotel in Northampton for a time. He then accepted a position with the Greenfield Baking Company, working six days a week and usually, also three nights during the week. Feeling that wider opportunities were to be found in other lines of commercial activity Mr. Daignault definitely turned aside from these endeavors to which he had been trained.

Mr. Daignault's next venture was in the timber business. He bought extensive wood lands and cutting off the timber prepared it for both the lumber trade and for cordwood. Both in wholesale and retail lines he disposed of his products and for five years devoted his attention, practically to the exclusion of other interests, to this general line of activity. Through his extensive acquisition of land he was led to operate more or less widely in real estate affairs, thus his work in this field came to bear double significance to the progress of the day. He also has developed a very important trucking

business and early in the progress of this enterprise he used many horses in his work. He has now, however, disposed of all horse-drawn equipment, and maintains six Pierce Arrow trucks. He is handling a very extensive and rapidly growing interest in this line and his long distance activities take him frequently to New York, Philadelphia, Buffalo, and other distant points, while he makes three trips per week, regularly, to Boston. Founding his success upon fair dealing, courtesy, and efficient service, Mr. Daignault has developed a very prosperous business and is considered one of the foremost men in this general field in Franklin County.

For many years Mr. Daignault has been a considerable owner of real estate in Greenfield, and one of his most interesting and important developments was the Grout estate, a place of some ten acres in the most attractive and desirable location in the community. This estate he has made his home since its purchase, while on other properties he has built many dwellings for speculation and also for rental. At one time he owned thirteen houses in Greenfield. Mr. Daignault is considered a noteworthy example of the self-made man, who has risen from a boyhood of poverty and hard work to a position of outstanding influence and success. He has risen from small beginnings through his own unaided efforts to his present success and commands the esteem and confidence of all. He is a charter member of the Foresters of America and is a member of the Société St. Jean de Baptiste.

Moses Daignault married, June 1, 1898, Mary Jane Lenois, of Turners Falls, daughter of Theophile and Celina (Dutraux) Lenois, and they are the parents of five children: Henry Moses, born October 13, 1900, now a bookkeeper in his father's employ; Albert Felix, born March 18, 1904, on the road in his father's interests; Irene Emma, born December 30, 1906, a graduate of high school, 1924; George, who died in infancy; and Eleanor Jane, born August 29, 1922.

**CHARLES ARMSTRONG BYRNE, M. D.**—Medical practitioner at Hatfield since 1895, and established in the confidence and esteem of the people throughout this section of the State, Dr. Charles Armstrong Byrne has performed a professional service of distinctive value to his community, and has received his well-merited preferment in the medical associations. His citizenship is of that loyal type that is responsive to every civic and community movement for enlightenment and the general welfare, and he has a staunch and enduring interest in the advancement of the township and the common good of the people. His ancestors in America came to Connecticut in the eighteenth century, and were long-time residents of Windham, in that State. John Byrne was born in Windham in 1760, and died there December 31, 1831, and his father is thought to have come from Ireland at an early date. A Windham printer, John Byrne, produced the "Windham County Herald," and he was operating that newspaper during Washington's administration. He married (first) Annie Powers, and they were the parents of seven children: Sally; Samuel Hazard, of whom further; Betsy; John; George; Abby; and Mary Annie. He married (second) Abigail Powers Rogers, widow of Stephen Rogers, who was master of the first steamship to cross the ocean.



Chas. A. Dyson





Samuel Hazard Byrne was born February 8, 1789, in Windham, Connecticut, and died July 7, 1862. He married Mary Gray, who was born May 31, 1792, and died April 16, 1868. Their children: Charlotte; Samuel Gray, of whom further; John Elderkin; Harriet Gray; Elizabeth; and Mary Gray.

Samuel Gray Byrne was born November 11, 1818, at Windham, Connecticut, and died in Brooklyn, New York, November 21, 1891. He was storekeeper, postmaster, and station agent at South Windham, and was also sheriff. He went South, to Princess Anne County, Virginia, where he bought a large plantation, and where he continued to reside for nineteen years, but he afterwards came North, and for a time lived retired at Norwich, Connecticut, later going to Brooklyn, New York, where he died. He married (first) Aurelia Little; (second) Emma Armstrong, of Franklin, Connecticut, who was born September 20, 1833, and died September 22, 1908, daughter of Charles Armstrong. His children: Mary Gray, who married Harry L. Little, of Springfield; Dr. Charles Armstrong, of whom further; and Harriet Elizabeth, who married Dr. Amos Avery, of Portland, Oregon.

Dr. Charles Armstrong Byrne was born June 6, 1862, in Windham, Connecticut, and he attended the public schools there, and also, for three years, those in the South. Learning the drug business, he continued in that line for eight years in Brooklyn, New York. He then prepared for his profession at Long Island College Hospital, where he graduated in 1894, with his degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Byrne established himself in Hatfield in 1895, and he has continued in the practice of his profession here to the present time, where he has the confidence and respect of the people. He is a member of the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association; in 1914 he was president of the Hampshire District Society, and he was chairman of the Hampshire County Branch of the National Council of Defense. His fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Northampton; and he is a member of the Congregational Church, and treasurer of the society.

Dr. Charles Armstrong Byrne married, January 18, 1905, Mary Shank, of Hamilton, Ohio, daughter of William B. and Emma Shank; they are the parents of two children: Robert Cooper, born December 27, 1906, now (1925) in Dartmouth College; and Charles Armstrong, born January 8, 1910.

**SILAS S. DWIGHT**—The Dwights, of West Hartford are an old New England family of English origin, whose coat-of-arms is as follows:

*Arms*—On a field ermine, a lion passant, on a chief gules a crescent or in base a cross crosslet.

*Crest*—On a wreath, a demi-lion rampant, resting on an esquire's helmet.

John Dwight, the ancestor, came to this country in the latter part of 1634, or in the beginning of 1635, from Dedham, England, settling in Dedham, Massachusetts. The line is as follows:

Captain Henry Dwight, son of Timothy Dwight, of Dedham, Massachusetts, and Anna (Flint) Dwight, was born at Hatfield, Massachusetts, on December 19, 1667, a

farmer and trader and a man of wealth and standing. He was also for several years a judge of the County Court. On August 27, 1702, he married Lydia Hawley, born July 7, 1680, daughter of Captain Joseph Hawley, of Northampton, Massachusetts, and Lydia (Marshall) Hawley. Captain Hawley died on March 26, 1732, fifty-five years of age. Mrs. Hawley reached the age of sixty-eight, and died April 27, 1748. Captain Henry Dwight gradually acquired the territories, now comprising the towns of Great Barrington, Sheffield, Egremont, and Alford, in what is now Berkshire County, Massachusetts. This illustrious genealogical background is rightly claimed by Silas S. Dwight, who besides occupying the position of station agent of the Connecticut River and Boston & Maine railroads retains the home farm of the Dwight family.

Silas S. Dwight was born on November 19, 1849, and has kept up his connection with the railroad for forty-six years, having first entered the employ of the Connecticut River Railroad Company in 1879, before its consolidation with the Boston & Maine Railroad, at the age of thirty. He is a son of Henry and Flora E. (Field) Dwight, the descendant of a family, who like the Dwights, belong to some of the oldest and best Anglo-American stock settled for many centuries in New England.

Following Mrs. Flora E. (Field) Dwight's genealogy back to the English ancestors, the following authentic data is on record: Flora E. (Field) Dwight was a daughter of Orange and Rhoda (Graves) Field; Orange was a son of Zenas Field; Zenas, a son of Eliakim and Sarah (Burrows) Field; John, a son of John and Sarah (Coleman) Field; John, a son of Zachariah and Mary (Edwards) Field. Zachariah Field was born at East Ardsley, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, England, about 1600, and arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1629. He was a son of John and grandson of John Field, a distinguished astronomer of England, and lived in Dorchester in 1630, his place of residence still known as Field's Corner. Zachariah Field moved to the Connecticut Valley and settled in Hartford in 1639, upon Sentinel Hill, at the north end of Main Street. From there he went to Northampton in 1657, and thence returned to Hartford in 1660, where he was buried on June 30, 1666.

Silas S. Dwight is a Democrat in politics and served on the School Committee. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

Silas S. Dwight married, on May 7, 1872, Isabelle L. Parsons, born July 9, 1848, a daughter of Israel and Rebecca (Wiley) Parsons. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight are the parents of two children: 1. Benjamin P., born December 23, 1873, died June 11, 1922; married Grace Rummery, of Jonesport, Maine, November 19, 1902, who survives with one son, Morris R., born June 25, 1910. 2. Myron Henry, born September 19, 1884; married Franc Gertrude Long, of Colburn, Colorado, and live in West Hatfield. They are the parents of the following children: i. Joel Henry, born January 6, 1912; ii. Edward S., born January 24, 1914; iii. Clifford L., born February 8, 1918; iv.-v. Harriett and Mary Louise, twins, born March 23, 1922.

**WALTER WHITNEY SANDERSON**—The Sanderson family is of ancient English origin, the greater number of those in America who bear this name tracing their descent from two brothers, Robert and Edward. The derivation of this surname is interesting, coming from the nickname Sander, and developing into Sanders and Sanderson, meaning in all cases "the son of Alexander." As in the old days the sons were designated by their father's given name, the name so applied gradually became their surname, and Robert Sanderson meant practically, Robert, the son of Sander, or as above stated in its original form of which this latter was but the "nickname" the son of Alexander. This name, however, had already developed into a surname at the time of the above named progenitor of this family, and so this line goes back even further than it can be traced.

(I) The first American forebear of this family was Robert Sanderson, who with his first wife Lydia, were among the first settlers of Hampton, New Hampshire, in 1638, and there their first child was born. Soon afterwards they removed to Watertown, of which he was a proprietor in 1642, and he remained there until about 1653, removing then to Boston, where he held office as deacon. He sold his house and ten acres of land in Hampton, July 20, 1650, to Richard Swain, after he had been residing in Watertown, and on October 17, 1653, he bought land of William Godfrey. He was a goldsmith and silversmith by trade, and in his diary under date of 1652-53, John Hull, a selectman, and for many years town treasurer of Boston, and the first mint master of New England, who was also the coiner of the pine-tree shillings, related how he was chosen to make coins and adds: "I chose my friend Robert Sanderson to be my partner, to which the court consented." In this same interesting document, under date of September 1, 1658, he wrote: "My boy, John Sanderson . . . departed this life." Under date of November 8, 1658, he says: "The Lord exercised with sickness my partner, Robert Sanderson, and his son, Joseph, but yet was pleased to recover them both. . . ." Robert Sanderson died October 7, 1693, and his will was proved October 20, of the same year. He bequeathed to his wife and children and grandchildren, mentions kinsmen and so forth; refers to house and land at Watertown, had by former wife. He married (second) in Watertown about 1642, Mary, widow of John Cross, and she died June 21, 1691. He married (third) Elizabeth —, who was born in 1617, died October 15, 1695, leaving a will. Among the children of Robert Sanderson was William, the second child, of whom further.

(II) William Sanderson, son of Robert and Lydia Sanderson, was born at Hampton, New Hampshire, in about 1641. He is on record as taking the oath of fidelity. All his children except Hannah, were born in Watertown, he then removed to Groton, but on account of trouble with the Indians returned to Watertown. He married in Watertown, December 18, 1666, Sarah, surname unknown, and among their seven children was Joseph, the last born, of whom further.

(III) Joseph Sanderson, son of William and Sarah Sanderson, was born in Watertown, August 28, 1680, and settled at Groton. He married there, Sarah Page, daughter of Samuel and Hannah Page. His estate was

administered in 1736 by his widow, Sarah. Among their eleven children was Joseph, the first born, of whom further.

(IV) Joseph Sanderson, son of Joseph and Sarah (Page) Sanderson, was born August 30, 1714, and died at Whately, March 20, 1772. He settled at Whately in 1753, with his wife and eight children. He built a log house near Abraham Parker's, perhaps on land belonging to him. Later he built a house on his own land, where the old Sanderson house was burned about 1880. He married, in 1737, Ruth Parker, who died December 8, 1780, aged sixty-four years. She was a daughter of Isaac and Ruth Parker. In his will he mentions ten of his twelve children who were married and had families. From him have descended between twelve and fifteen hundred children, grand-children, great-grand-children, and great-great-grand-children. Among his children the sixth was Thomas, of whom further.

(V) Deacon Thomas Sanderson, son of Joseph and Ruth (Parker) Sanderson, was born at Groton, March 16, 1746. He became one of the most active and prominent men in the town of Whately. He was an officer in the Revolutionary War; was selectman for twenty-nine years; assessor for twenty-six years; Representative to the General Court in 1784, 1812 and 1813. He lived on the homestead until 1803, when he removed to Indian Hill. He married (first) Miriam Wait, who died in 1772; (second) Lucy Wright. Among his children was Elijah, of whom further.

(VI) Elijah Sanderson, son of Deacon Thomas and Lucy (Wright) Sanderson, was born in October, 1782, and died August 28, 1823. He was a pioneer farmer of the town of Whately, cleared a great portion of the present Sanderson farm, and built the house which has been occupied by each successive generation, and a portion of which is still in existence. He was one of the two Sandersons who owned a large tract of land extending from the Connecticut River to the Conway line, a distance of four and a half miles. He served as ensign in the militia during the War of 1812, and he was an earnest supporter of the Congregational Church, being extremely religious. He married, January 16, 1806, Abigail Arms, who died January 12, 1864, aged eighty-four years. Among their children was Elijah Dwight, of whom further.

(VII) Elijah Dwight Sanderson, son of Elijah and Abigail (Arms) Sanderson, was born February 10, 1807, and died September 15, 1886, at the old homestead. He learned the cloth dresser's trade, which he followed until hand work was superseded by machinery. After that he followed farming, his father having died when he was but sixteen years of age, and the farm requiring his care and attention. He was well known in the community as a man of strict integrity and of sound judgment, and was a member of the Congregational Church which he served for many years as parish clerk. He married, September 4, 1837, Zelinda Wing, daughter of Dr. Walter Wing, of Morris, Otsego County, New York. She died in 1878, at the age of sixty-three years. Their children were Silas Austin, Walter Wing, of whom further, and Jane Elizabeth, who married Otis Hagar.

(VIII) Walter Wing Sanderson, son of Elijah



Dwight and Zelinda (Wing) Sanderson, was born in Whately, July 25, 1843. He enjoyed good educational advantages, attending first the district schools of his native town, and later the Deerfield Academy and Powers Institute at Bernardston. He worked for his father on the home farm, and later traveled on the road for a period of five years or more, covering Pennsylvania and the West. He then returned to the farm, his father being in poor health, and after the death of his father, he purchased from the heirs, their interests in the old homestead, and carried on the farm successfully thereafter until his death in 1913, specializing in tobacco growing. Mr. Sanderson was a Republican in his politics, and was a member of the Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Greenfield, in which order he had been a member since 1875. He was first made a mason in Walpole, New Hampshire, in 1873. He was an attendant of the Congregational Church of Deerfield.

Walter Wing Sanderson married, in 1880, Mary Imogen Whitney, of Gardner, daughter of Joshua Avery and Mehitable Coleman (Gibbs) Whitney, the latter named a daughter of Paul Gibbs, of Whately. They were the parents of one son, Walter W., of whom further. The Whitney ancestry, the maternal line of Walter Whitney Sanderson, traces back to John Whitney, who settled in Watertown, in 1632, through Richard, the second generation, Richard, Jonathan, Caleb, Joshua, Joseph to Joshua Avery Whitney, who married Mehitable Coleman Gibbs, the parents of Mary Imogen (Whitney) Sanderson.

(IX) Walter Whitney Sanderson, son of Walter Wing and Mary Imogen (Whitney) Sanderson, was born at Whately, February 6, 1891. He received his education in the schools of Whately, and South Deerfield, and in Greenfield High School. He then spent two years in the Colorado College where he studied forestry, until 1912. Owing to the ill health of his father, he returned to the farm, and since the death of the latter has carried it on himself. He has an eighty acre farm that has been in the family for five generations, and which is perhaps one of the best cared for farms in New England, as well as being one of the most ideal in point of its formation, lying as it does on the Connecticut River, and being perfectly level and smooth. Mr. Sanderson specializes in tobacco raising, and in onions, with some corn and potatoes, and he has a sorting shop, where in the winter time he employs people in the sorting and packing of tobacco. Mr. Sanderson is a member of the Masonic Order, being a member and past master of Mt. Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Royal Arch Masons; Connecticut Valley Commandery, Knights Templar; Titus Strong Council, Royal and Select Masters; and he is also a member of Greenfield Lodge of Perfection; and Princes of Jerusalem; and of Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is a member of Greenfield Lodge, No. 1296, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Deerfield Men's Club; Greenfield Country Club, and he is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

Walter Whitney Sanderson married, September 22, 1913, Florence Stearns, of Greenfield, born July 20, 1892, daughter of John Grimes and Carrie Belle (Cham-

berlain) Stearns. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson are the parents of two children: Winthrop Whitney, born April 11, 1915; and Virginia Chamberlain, born May 6, 1916.

**EDWIN KEYTE McPECK**—Legal affairs and various responsibilities of grave import to the people have engaged the attention and constructive effort of Edwin Keyte McPeck, of Adams, throughout the period of his career. His faithful discharge of the duties entrusted to him forms a record equally worthy as compared with his individual attainments in his chosen field of professional endeavor. In his steady advance from the early years of his activity he has revealed to the world a spirit of lofty idealism which is eminently commendable and which places him among the most noteworthy citizens of this region. His success is the more remarkable in that he is the first of his family to branch from industrial activities and enter the professional field.

Mr. Peck is a son of William C. and Jennie B. (Galloway) McPeck. His father was a cabinet maker, highly skilled in his field and long active.

Edwin Keyte McPeck was born in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, April 20, 1874. The family thereafter becoming residents of Newark, New Jersey, Mr. McPeck's education was begun in the public schools of that city and largely through his own industry and initiative he gained the necessary advantages leading toward his preparations for his profession. Reading law under competent preceptorship, he was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in 1897, and in April, 1898, opened his offices in Adams. From the first the people expressed their confidence in him by bringing to him affairs of importance and his judicious and successful handling of the interests of his early clients led to ever increasing usefulness. On January 7, 1908, Mr. McPeck was appointed referee in bankruptcy for Berkshire County and served in that capacity until 1920, when he resigned to accept the appointment from Governor Cox of clerk for the Fourth District Court of Berkshire County. Mr. McPeck's public service has thus been largely parallel with his professional work but he is a well known worker in the Republican Party and was at one time chairman of the Republican County Committee and Town Committee. For nine years he served on the local board of health; and for twelve years on the school committee. He has also for some years been a trustee of the Plunkett Memorial Hospital, and evidences the deepest interest in every phase of community well-being and progress. He is vice-president and a director of the First National Bank of Adams, and his influence in local financial affairs is at all times salutary.

The war with Spain found Mr. McPeck a young man of high patriotism, and he was one of the early volunteers for service at that time. He enlisted in Company K, First Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, and saw active service during the short period of that war, rising to the rank of lieutenant with which he received his honorable discharge. Mr. McPeck's affiliations include membership in the Massachusetts and Berkshire Bar associations; Berkshire Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is Past Master; Corinthian Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; also the Royal and



Select Masters; St. Paul's Commandery, Knights Templar; and Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. Mr. McPeck is a prominent member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, being trustee of Adams Lodge; Past Exalted Ruler of North Adams Lodge, No. 487; and a Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of Massachusetts West; Past President of the Massachusetts State Elk's Association; a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was formerly identified with the Alert Hose Company. His clubs are the Colonial of Adams, and the Forest Park Country; and he is a member of the Congregational Church.

Edwin Keyte McPeck married, June 5, 1901, at Plainfield, New Jersey, Gertrude Lee Scarborough, daughter of Enos and Amy (Alpaugh) Scarborough.

**FREDERIC WILLIAM DAVIS**—The Davis family belong to the early settlers of Massachusetts. Ebenezer Davis lived in Belchertown, Massachusetts, was a soldier in the War of the Revolution, and fought in the battle of Bunker Hill. His wife was Jules (Anderson) Davis, and their son, Southard Davis, lived in Belchertown, and died in Heath, Massachusetts, in 1872, aged seventy years. He married Lorica Caswell, of New Salem, Massachusetts, and with her had six children: Hannah; Martha; Silvia; Rhoda; William Alexander, of whom further; and Sarah Jane.

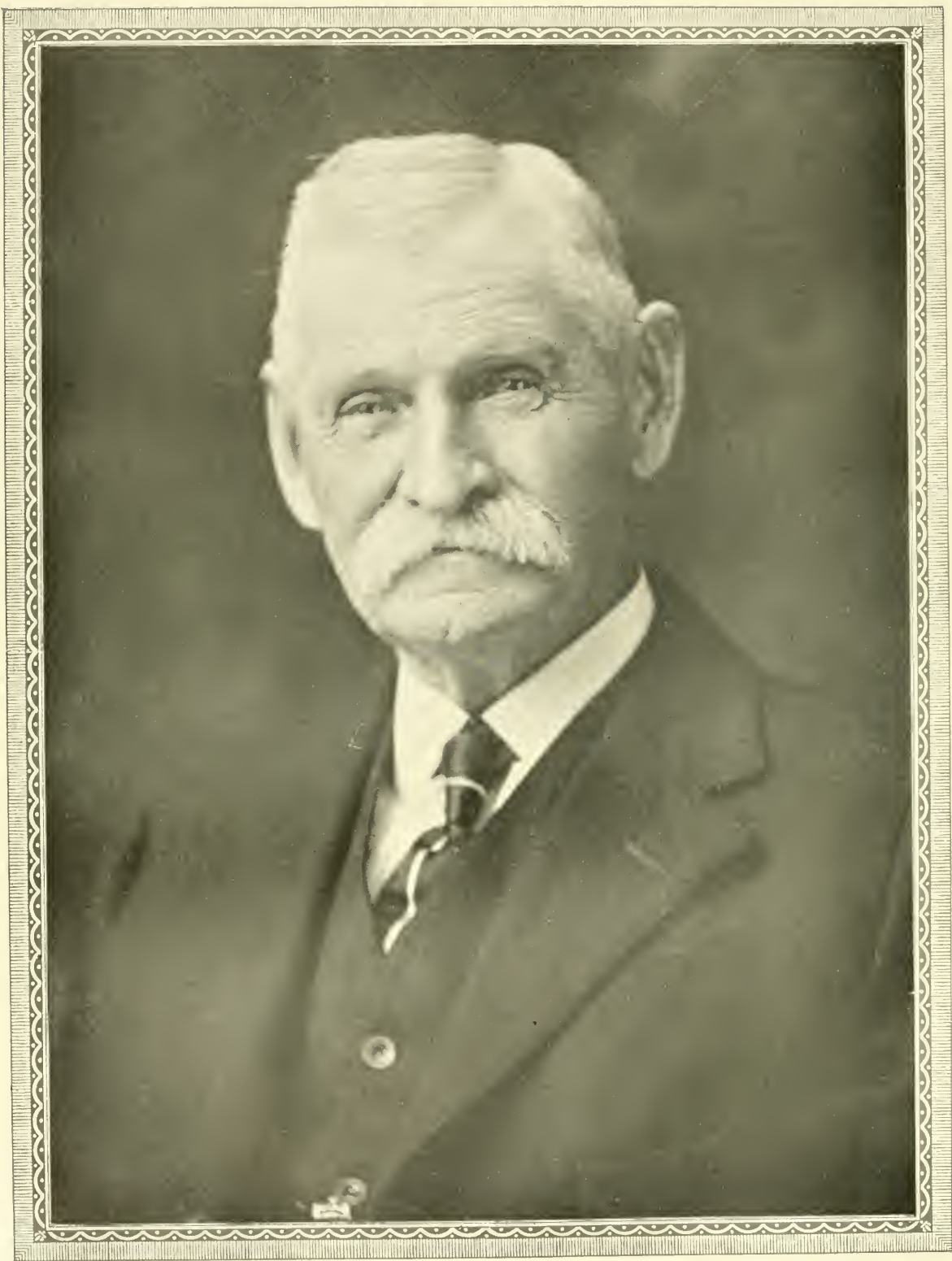
William Alexander Davis was born in New Salem, Massachusetts, on June 10, 1838, and died in 1907. He started life as a farmer but later became a carpenter and contractor. In 1880, he went to Shelburne, Massachusetts, and built several barns and farm buildings. He married Lizzie Maxam, of Colerain, Massachusetts, born February 11, 1843, died May 6, 1923, and they were the parents of five children: William Southard Perez, of whom further; Edwin Winter; Lillian May; Hardy Le Forest; and Emma Lucy, who married Charles Cogswell.

William Southard Perez Davis was born at Colerain, Massachusetts, on October 24, 1863, attended school in his native place, and became a student at the Arms Academy in Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts. For a time he devoted himself to school teaching, but later entered the service of the Sewing Machine Company, in Orange, Massachusetts. He then went to New Jersey, where for a time he was active as a painter, but eventually came to Shelburne, Massachusetts, where he has made his permanent home, and established himself in the painting, paper hanging and carpentering trade. William S. P. Davis is a member of the Grange, and attends the Second Congregational Church. On October 12, 1891, he married Ella Severance, a native of Darien, Georgia, and daughter of Mathew Stebbins and Harriet (Belknap) Severance. Her father was born in Leyden, Massachusetts, went South early, and during the Civil War was impressed into the service of the Southern Army. Her brother, Fred Severance, served in the Spanish-American War and is now in the Philippines. Mr. and Mrs. William S. P. Davis are the parents of seven children: 1. Frederic William, of whom further. 2. Dorothy Elizabeth, born May 8, 1895, a stenographer

with the Esleeck Paper Company. 3. Lucy, born April 7, 1897, a clerk in the treasury department in Washington, D. C. 4. Lettice, born September 30, 1898, working in the insurance department of the government at Washington, D. C. 5. Florence, born August 3, 1900, who married Harold Walker, of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of a son, Frederick William Walker, born April 17, 1922. 6. Robert, born September 13, 1902, who is a carpenter. 7. Harriet, born October 24, 1909, who graduated from the high school at the age of sixteen years. The three older daughters are not only graduates of the Arms Academy but they took the Pratt Prize at Shelburne Falls.

Frederic William Davis is a native of Newark, New Jersey, having been born there on October 8, 1892. After attending school he worked for Clapp & Abercrombie, in Greenfield, as an engineer, and received his education in the Arms Academy at Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, afterwards entering Norwich University at Northfield, Vermont, from where he graduated in 1914. Later he accepted a position as valuer with the Boston & Maine Railroad, remaining with them until May, 1916. Mr. Davis has done work of national importance as a member of the National Guards, going with Company L to the Mexican Border, where he remained from June to October, 1916, guarding truck trains, and being located at Columbus, New Mexico. After returning from the Mexican Border, he acted again as valuer this time for the Central Vermont Railroad, having the part from St. Albans to New London assigned to him. On March 17, 1917, he resumed his military duties, being stationed at East Deerfield, guarding bridges. Two months later he was transferred to Plattsburg, New York, where on August 15 he was promoted to the rank of second lieutenant, being at the same time assigned to the Twenty-sixth Division, Company I, 102nd Regiment, and on September 15, 1917, he sailed for France. Mr. Davis was in all the major engagements, and was three times wounded, the first time on April 19, 1918, at the battle of Seichprey, the second time at Chateau-Thierry, on July 19, and on September 26 at Saint Mihiel. After staying in the hospitals in France for some time, he was sent back to New York, in November, 1918, and received his honorable discharge March 1, 1919, and in acknowledgement of the distinguished services he had rendered in the field to his country and the cause of the Allies, had the rank of first lieutenant conferred upon him and in September, 1924, was commissioned Captain of the Ordnance Reserve Corps. When he had sufficiently recovered from the hardships of soldiering abroad and settled down into civilian life again, Mr. Davis returned to work and joined George M. Allen, a civil engineer, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, and when the latter disposed of his business interests to Antone & Ransom, Mr. Davis entered their services for a time. In 1921, Mr. Davis established a business of his own as a civil engineer. He gave his services as an engineer in connection with M. L. B. Taylor to the new high school building and was also associated with Connolly Brothers of Williamstown, Massachusetts, being superintendent and engineer on the Cluett Estate there until September 1, 1923, when he was appointed engineer of the Water Department for the





*Edwin P. Bartlett.*





Frank A. Bartlett



town of Greenfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Davis attends the Congregational Church, and is a member of the Greenfield Post of the American Legion.

On October 1, 1919, Mr. Davis married Ada Robbins, of West Deerfield, Massachusetts, who is a daughter of Clayton C. and Harriet Elvira (Hall) Robbins.

**HERBERT R. FIEGE, M. D.**, of North Adams, in various lines of medical advance, has attained noteworthy rank and in his constructive endeavors the progress of the profession is receiving definite benefit. As a veteran of the World War, in which he did outstanding work in the medical corps, Dr. Fiege is counted among the thoroughly representative physicians of the present day. He is a son of Theodore A. and Mary A. (Reynolds) Fiege, of Cambridge.

Herbert R. Fiege was born in New London, Connecticut, September 2, 1893. The family moving to New Britain, Connecticut, he first attended the public schools there and later in Winsted and was graduated from Gilbert High School of that city in 1912. Entering Tufts Medical College in Boston, he graduated in the class of 1916 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Gaining his institutional experience in Boston City Hospital and the Springfield (Massachusetts) Hospital, he was active in the latter as house physician and surgeon. Next identified with the McLean Waverly Hospital, he served there as physician of nervous and mental diseases for a time and in December of the same year Dr. Fiege enlisted in the United States Army. He was assigned to the neuropsychiatric unit, in which he served with the rank of first lieutenant until January of 1919. He has since held the rank of captain in the United States Medical Reserve Corps. Upon his return to civilian life Dr. Fiege took a post-graduate course at the New York Lying-In Hospital, also further post-graduate study at the Polyclinic Institute of New York City. Coming to North Adams in April, 1919, he established himself in general practice here and has won an assured footing in medical advance. With his progressive outlook upon life and the brilliant preparation which forms an unusually fine equipment for his work, Dr. Fiege will unquestionably go forward to ever larger success and importance in this vital field of human endeavor. He is a member of the North Adams Hospital staff and instructor of materia medica to nurses. Dr. Fiege is a member of the North Berkshire Medical Association; the Medical Surgeons of the United States Army; and fraternally is affiliated with the Lodge, Chapter and Council of the Masonic order; also the Commandery; the Knights of Pythias, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

Herbert R. Fiege married, October 5, 1920, at Terryville, Connecticut, Jessie Bull, and they are the parents of one son, Herbert R., Jr.

**FRANK ALDEN BARTLETT**—Throughout Western Massachusetts there are few better known men engaged in the lumber manufacturing industry than Frank Alden Bartlett, who has operated saw mills in the West Farms and Florence sections from the beginning of his active business career. He is a prominent townsman of

Florence, and his interests in the welfare and progress of the community are those of the loyal and industrious citizenship that has always distinguished his family. He is a descendant of the first settlers of Connecticut, and of builders of townships in that State, and Massachusetts, his ancestry being thus traced:

(I) Robert Bartlett, who was an early settler in Hartford, Connecticut, removed to Northampton about 1655. He was slain by the Indians, March 14, 1676, when they broke through the palisades into the village, and he was buried in the highway in front of his lot, on or near the old Jail lot; at the time of his burial, it was not considered safe to go to a burying ground to dig a grave. His widow, Anne, died July 3, 1676. He had a large estate for a farmer in those days, namely six hundred and fifty-four pounds, or upwards of \$2000. His children were born before he removed to Northampton: Samuel, of whom further; Nathaniel; Abigail; Deborah.

(II) Samuel Bartlett, son of Robert and Anne Bartlett, was born in 1640, died February 21, 1712. He married (first) Mary Bridgeman; (second) Sarah Baldwin. He had twelve children.

(III) Ebenezer Bartlett, son of Samuel Bartlett, was born September 29, 1685, died in 1769. He married (first) Martha Lyman; (second) Elizabeth Burt; (third) Sarah Strong. He had ten children.

(IV) Moses Bartlett, son of Ebenezer Bartlett, was born May 6, 1734, lived in Southampton and died in 1820. He married, in 1755, Kelate Danks, and they had four children.

(V) Moses Bartlett, Jr., son of Moses and Kelate (Danks) Bartlett, was born November 14, 1760, died November 26, 1849. He lived at West Farms, in the township of Northampton. He married Elizabeth Stockwell, who died December 12, 1856, at the age of eighty-six years. Their children were: Moses; Elizabeth; Clara; Lucretia; Julia; Theodore; Osborne, of whom further; Esther; Sally; Cordelia.

(VI) Osborne Bartlett, a farmer, son of Moses, Jr., and Elizabeth (Stockwell) Bartlett, was born at West Farms, October 21, 1803, and died December 27, 1888, at the age of eighty-five years. By a first marriage he had one son, William, who died at the age of twenty-one years. He married (second) Eliza Patterson, who died in 1880. Their children were: Edwin Patterson, of whom further; Charles Sylvester, who died aged fifty-six years; and several others who died in their early childhood.

(VII) Edwin Patterson Bartlett, a farmer, son of Osborne and Eliza (Patterson) Bartlett, was born at West Farms, in Northampton, February 2, 1843, and died in Haydenville, September 5, 1922. He had a dairy farm of some one hundred and fifty acres; and was a member of the Congregational Church at Westhampton. He married (first) Carrie Todd; (second) Rosa Todd; (third) Emma Howard, who died in 1905, aged forty-eight years. Child of the first marriage: Herbert Eugene; children of the second marriage: Alice Eliza, Carrie Maria; children of the third marriage: Frank Alden, of whom further; Grace Edith, deceased; Edwin Ernest, Charles Stanley.

(VIII) Frank Alden Bartlett, son of Edwin Pat-



terson and Emma (Howard) Bartlett, was born at West Farms, in Northampton, October 4, 1878, where he attended the public schools, after which he engaged in farming and conducted the operation of a saw mill throughout his business career, to the present. Up to 1908 he farmed and owned a saw mill in West Farms, and for a time afterwards he operated portable saw mills. In 1917 he removed to Florence, and bought his present saw mill, where he manufactures box shooks and dry lumber. He is a member of Hampshire Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Williamsburg.

Mr. Bartlett married, September 9, 1904, Caroline C. Stockwell, of Easthampton, daughter of John A. and Isabelle (Bosworth) Stockwell, and they are the parents of: Edwin P., born June 24, 1906, a member of the 35th Infantry, United States Army, at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands; Charles Sidney, born October 26, 1907; Frank A., born February 7, 1909; Richard Leigh, born January 23, 1911; Henry Tracy, born January 5, 1912.

**JOHN NICHOLSON**, as sheriff of Berkshire County, holds a prominent position in present day advance, and with headquarters in the city of Pittsfield his work is contributing definitely and broadly to the public welfare and security. Mr. Nicholson has been a resident of this city since his childhood, and has filled many influential positions in the public service. He also has to his credit a record of some thirty-seven years of military service, and is affiliated with organized advance. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson. His father spent his life on the high seas as a sailor, visiting practically every important port in the world. He died when Mr. Nicholson was still an infant.

John Nicholson was born in New York City September 29, 1854. Coming with his mother to Pittsfield at a very early age he received his education in the public schools of this section and a grammar school in Westfield, Massachusetts. When still a young man Mr. Nicholson began to learn the jewelry business in the employ of W. M. Root & Son. In the year 1885 he was appointed chief of police of Pittsfield and served in that position for nineteen years, when he was elected sheriff of Berkshire County (1905), in which office he is still active to-day (1924). Other public duties have also been placed in Mr. Nicholson's hands, and for nineteen years he served as a member of the Pittsfield Fire Department, for a considerable part of that time as foreman and first assistant of the George Y. Larnard Engine Company. Universally known in this city and as universally respected, Mr. Nicholson has borne a worthy part in the progress of his day, and the honors which have come to him have been well earned.

The military record of John Nicholson began with his enlistment in Company E, 2d Battalion, National Guard of the State of Massachusetts in 1877. Promoted to second lieutenant and later to captain of Company F, 2d Regiment, he was retired with the rank of major in the year 1912. Nevertheless, he offered his services at the time of the World War, and for two years was again active in military affairs as inspector.

He was also a member of the State Public Safety Committee before and during the war, and chairman for Berkshire County of same. In this connection he organized local committees over the entire county. His certificate, received from Governor McCall, praised his work very highly, and in this connection it is appropriate to mention that President Coolidge, then Governor, was the State chairman of this committee. Meanwhile, in the year 1909 and 1910, Major Nicholson was active on Governor Draper's staff with the rank of captain.

Mr. Nicholson was at one time a member of the Board of Registrars of Berkshire County, and is now identified with the Massachusetts State Police Chiefs' Organization, the Sheriffs' Organization and the Veteran Firemen's Association. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Crescent Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Pittsfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is further identified as a member of the Park Club of Pittsfield, and attends St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

John Nicholson married, November 18, 1885, May Sanders, a daughter of Daniel J. and Elizabeth (Hawkins) Sanders, of Pittsfield, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Ruth Marguerite. 2. Marion Elizabeth. These two daughters were educated in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools, and also are graduates of the Sargent School, of Cambridge. 3. John, Jr., whose education was also begun in the Pittsfield grammar and high schools and completed at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He married Doris Gimlich, also a native of Pittsfield, and they have one son, John, (3rd).

**WILLIAM HENRY BARR**—A well-known figure in the business world of Franklin County, Massachusetts, is William Henry Barr, whose success in the realm of commercial printing is well worthy of note. His military service during the World War also gives him an excellent claim on the cordial attitude of his fellow-citizens, and in his useful and progressive endeavors he is bearing an outstanding part in the progress of Greenfield. A descendant of a distinguished family of Ireland, Mr. Barr is a grandson of Robert Barr, who lived and died in that country. He married Sarah Quinn, and they were the parents of four children: William, John, Ann and Robert, of whom further.

(1) Robert Barr, the pioneer of this family in America, was born in Ballamara, County Antrim, in the north of Ireland, May 1, 1845, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, August 2, 1923. Coming to America in 1864, at the age of nineteen years, Robert Barr was located in Leyden in this county for a time, and was active in farming in that community. Later returning to Greenfield, after realizing some benefit from his thrift and industry, he purchased a farm of about twenty-one acres, and here most of his children were born. Occupying and conducting this farm until the time of his death, Robert Barr won the esteem and

confidence of the entire community, and his memory is an honor to the place of his adoption. A man of large intelligence and a wide and discriminating reader, he took deep interest in all civic and general progress, and contributed definitely to the local advance. Robert Barr married, in 1873, Julia Kiely, born in Kinsale, County Cork, Ireland, May 1, 1850, a daughter of David and Abbie (Murphy) Kiely. Her parents emigrated to St. John, New Brunswick, when she was seven years old, and there her father died. They resided in Nova Scotia for a considerable period, and she came to Greenfield when sixteen years of age, later also living in Deerfield for a time. The mother died in Boston. Robert and Julia (Kiely) Barr were the parents of six children: Robert Francis, Sarah A., Mary Ellen, William Henry, of whom further; John F. and Harriet.

(II) William Henry Barr, fourth child and second son of Robert and Julia (Kiely) Barr, was born in Greenfield July 30, 1881. His education was received in the local public schools, and in early life he learned the trade of printer. He served an apprenticeship in the office of the "Greenfield Gazette and Courier," where he was employed for four years. Thereafter, for about five years, Mr. Barr worked for various printing concerns in North Adams, Pittsfield, Springfield and Holyoke, thereby gaining large breadth of experience and a survey of the general field of printing and publishing, which has been of great benefit to him in his individual activities. Returning to Greenfield, Mr. Barr again became identified with the "Gazette and Courier" and remained with that paper for about ten years, or until 1917.

For a number of years Mr. Barr was a member of the National Guard of the State of Massachusetts, and with the opening of hostilities with Germany his regiment was federalized. On September 17, 1917, he sailed for France with the 26th Division, American Expeditionary Forces, and saw service in four of the great battles of the war. These were Chateau-Thierry, Apremont, Argonne and Cantigny. During the progress of the struggle he was promoted to the rank of captain of infantry, and prior to the signing of the armistice he was returned to America as instructor, and assigned to Camp Devens. His participation in training the raw recruits and preparing them for embarkation was very naturally of great significance, on account of his actual experience on the other side, and he was stationed at Camp Devens until his honorable discharge from the service.

Upon his return to civilian life Captain Barr bought out the Stetson Electric Print Company in Greenfield, and making various changes in the headquarters and equipment, also in the general line of work done, he changed the name of the interest to the William H. Barr Printing Company. Mr. Barr is sole owner and proprietor of the interest, and is doing a very prosperous and ever-growing business in his chosen field of endeavor, principally along commercial lines. Gifted with excellent taste, as well as the comprehensive skill of the highly trained printer, Mr. Barr's work is its own recommendation, and in addition to his general job printing activities, he turns out calendars, fans and blotters. In every community interest Mr. Barr lends

his influence for promotion of all worthy effort, and for a number of years he has served on the Board of Selectmen of the town of Greenfield. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Captain Barr is a Past Commander of both these military orders.

William Henry Barr married, in April, 1910, Agnes J. Coughlan, of Deerfield, daughter of William Coughlan, and they are the parents of one son, Robert William, born in July, 1913. The family reside at No. 28 School Street, Greenfield.

**HARRY HARLOW CASWELL**—Among those who are active in the affairs of Springfield and one of its well known business men is Harry Harlow Caswell. Progressive in his ideas, energetic in carrying them out, and finding time to lend his influence to every good cause, Mr. Caswell has displayed the qualities of trustworthiness that have marked him for success in the city of Springfield.

He was born in Glastonbury, Connecticut, on June 28, 1883. His father, Horace Penfield Caswell, has been with the International Silver Company, of Meriden, for over thirty years. On his mother's side he descended from an early American family, her maiden name being Mary Alice Welles. Another member of the family who has won distinction is his uncle, Dr. Walter W. Caswell, a physician of Brookline, Massachusetts. Mr. Caswell was educated at the Bridgeport High School, then entered the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy at Cambridge. He became identified with the firm of W. F. Young, Incorporated, as junior member in 1904. He now occupies the position of treasurer and general manager, being also on the board of directors. This firm manufactures "Absorbine."

Mr. Caswell first occupied public office when he became a member of the Common Council, in 1915-1916. Following this he was elected alderman on the Republican ticket, served as president of the board for two years, 1917-18, and was appointed park commissioner May 1, 1925, for five years. He has repeatedly sat in the State Convention of the Republican party as a delegate from Springfield. When the public faced that serious coal shortage in 1922, he was named as fuel commissioner for Springfield. In the various war drives he was of invaluable service, especially in the publicity department.

In Masonic circles Mr. Caswell is also a leading spirit, being a member of the various orders. He is Past Potentate of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Past Monarch of Bela Grotto. Among the social clubs of the city he is widely connected. The Rotary Club, the Colony Club, the Long Meadow Country Club, the Springfield Country Club, and the Publicity Club count him among their members.

On January 1, 1905, at Providence, Rhode Island, Harry Harlow Caswell and Estelle M. Miller, daughter of William L. and Annette J. Miller, were united in marriage. Two daughters have come to them: Patricia, who was born on May 16, 1915, and Carol, whose birthday was August 22, 1921.



**FRED STEPHEN SPAULDING**, contractor in masonry and building foundations at Amherst, Massachusetts, was born in North Leverett, Massachusetts, September 1, 1873. The Spaldings of America appear to be descended from one of the earliest families to settle in Virginia, going back to 1619, though a colony of men had existed at Jamestown already for a dozen years. Spalding, a market town in Lincolnshire, England, affords the origin for the name. The Spaldings have been distinguished in civil and military life for generations on both sides of the Atlantic. In law, medicine, commerce and manufactures, no less than in the minor employments, the Spaldings have been conspicuous. It has been computed that eighteen of the name took part in the battle of Bunker Hill, where a horse was shot under one of them.

(I) Edward Spalding and Edmund Spalding (as the name was then spelled) are supposed to have left England in company with Sir George Yeardley in 1619, and settled in Jamestown, Virginia. The "Virginia Colonial Record" contains "Lists of the Living and the Dead in Virginia, February 16, 1623." This list, under the heading: "Att James Citie and within the Corporation thereof," has Edward Spalding, Uox Spalding, Puer Spalding, Puella Spalding, and indicates that Edward Spalding with his wife, son and daughter lived at Jamestown in 1623. Edward Spalding is supposed to have been one of those respectable settlers who for one hundred and twenty pounds of tobacco obtained wives from among the "ninety agreeable persons, young and incorrupt," who went to Virginia in 1619. Having witnessed the massacre of the English settlers by the Indians in March, 1622, Edward Spalding found other reasons of dissatisfaction with conditions in Virginia, and probably left the colony to go to Massachusetts. He was made a freeman of Braintree, Massachusetts, May 13, 1640. He and nineteen others petitioned on October 1, 1645, for a grant of 10,000 acres of land, and the General Court complied with their request. He was one of twenty to petition in 1652 for the establishment of the town of Chelmsford, which was granted on May 10, in 1653, when the settlement began. He was chosen selectman at the first town meeting in Chelmsford in 1654, and again in 1656, and 1660-61. He received twenty-eight acres on the first division of lands on February 4, 1661. He was surveyor of highways in 1663, and was one of a committee to lay out the meadow lands in 1665. He was one of the surveyors of Newfield in 1666, and one of the original proprietors, and he was one of the surveyors of North Chelmsford at a later day. He was the possessor of an orchard of apple trees according to the record of 1664, a time when orchards were much desired. Edward Spalding died February 26, 1670. His will was made on "The 13th day of February, 1666." He makes "Rachel Spalding, my wife, my sole executor." It was admitted to probate April 5, 1670. The estate amounted to one hundred and forty pounds, eight shillings, ten pence. Edward Spalding's first wife, Margaret, died at Braintree in August, 1640, and his daughter, Grace, in 1641. His second wife, Rachel, died before April 5, 1670. Children of the first wife: John, Edward and Grace; second wife: Benjamin, Joseph, Dinah and Andrew, of further mention.

(II) Andrew Spalding, youngest child of Edward and Rachel Spalding, was born November 19, 1652, died May 5, 1713. He succeeded to the paternal estate by the terms of his father's will. He was a deacon in the church at the time of his death, being succeeded in that position by his son and namesake, Andrew, and his grandson, Ephraim. He signed with his mark his will, executed June 6, 1712. He married, April 30, 1674, Hannah Jefes, daughter of Henry Jefes, of Billerica. She died on January 21, 1730. Their children: Hannah, Andrew, of whom further; Henry, John, Rachel, William, Joanna, Benoni and Mary.

(III) Andrew Spalding, eldest son of Andrew and Hannah (Jefes) Spalding, was born March 25, 1678, in Chelmsford, where he passed his life, and died November 7, 1753. He was a deacon in the church, and received, as his brothers did, a portion of real estate before his father's death; and an equal share of that portion in which his mother had a life interest after her death. He deeded land in Londonderry, New Hampshire, on September 2, 1726, to John Goffe, the deed being executed at Dunstable. He married, on February 5, 1701, Abigail Warren, who died May 12, 1768. Their children: Andrew, Jacob and Henry (twins), Josiah, Ephraim, Deacon Isaac, of whom further; Abigail and Joanna (twins), James, David, Benjamin and Sally.

(IV) Deacon Isaac Spalding, son of Andrew and Abigail (Warren) Spalding, was born in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, October 28, 1710, died March 4, 1776. He removed to Townsend, Massachusetts, where he lived to the time of his death. The Spalding family still owns the farm on which he settled. He signed a petition for protection against the Indians, sent to the General Court of Massachusetts, and dated December 31, 1746. He married Sarah Barrett, born in 1714, and died February 11, 1806, at ninety-two years. Children: Jonathan, Lydia, Sarah, Lieutenant Benjamin, Abigail, Lucy and Esther.

(V) Lieutenant Benjamin Spaulding (note change in spelling), son of Deacon Isaac and Sarah (Barrett) Spalding, was born in Townsend, Massachusetts, August 14, 1743, and died May 27, 1832. He was a school teacher. He married, December 5, 1765, Mary Heald, born July 27, 1745, died January 24, 1826. Children: Benjamin, Peter, of whom further; Mary, David, Joel, Abel, Isaac, Sarah, Ephraim and Nancy. The following is taken from the Revolutionary Rolls of Massachusetts, Volume XIV, page 686: "Benjamin Spaulding, of Townsend, Massachusetts, served in the War of the Revolution, in Captain James Hasting's Company of Minute Men, Colonel William Prescott's regiment, which marched on the Alarm of April 19, 1775; served eighteen days; reported returned home."

(VI) Peter Spaulding, son of Lieutenant Benjamin and Mary (Heald) Spaulding, was born June 10, 1769, in Townsend, Massachusetts, and died October 26, 1858. He resided in Oxford, Massachusetts, until 1809, when he removed to Rowe; thence to Montague, where he and his wife died. He married, May 1, 1794, Tamer Bartlett, born May 11, 1771, died January 29, 1847. Children: Mary, Susan, Peter, who died an infant;







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Stephen, Peter, of whom further; Sally, Edward and Erastus, twins; Adaline, Elizabeth and Stephen.

(VII) Peter Spaulding, son of Peter (1) and Tamer (Bartlett) Spaulding, was born November 7, 1803, in Oxford, Massachusetts, and died in Montague, aged eighty years. He came to Montague with his parents in early life, and followed farming through life. He married, January 18, 1829, Lucy P. Larned, born November 28, 1806. Children: Lucy, who married Dwight Ingram; Adaline, who married James M. Matthews; Frederick, who was killed in the Civil War, September 19, 1864, at Winchester, Pennsylvania; Stephen F., of whom further; and Daniel W.

(VIII) Stephen F. Spaulding, son of Peter and Lucy P. (Larned) Spaulding, was born in Montague, Massachusetts, February 18, 1842, and died January 7, 1876. He enlisted in the Union Army for the Civil War, September 18, 1861, in Company K, 26th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted for three years, but received an honorable discharge in November, 1864. The hardships he suffered in the service led to his untimely death at thirty-four years. He was a farmer and carpenter. He married, May 1, 1869, Ella S. Fay, of Walpole, New Hampshire, who died in April, 1914, at the age of sixty-two. She was the daughter of Stephen and Amanda (Angier) Fay. Children: Fenton R., Victor and Fred Stephen, of whom further.

(IX) Fred Stephen Spaulding, son of Stephen F. and Ella S. (Fay) Spaulding, received his schooling in North Leverett, his native town, and came to Amherst at the age of fifteen years; he has made it his home ever since. In early life he worked on a farm. Afterwards he entered a hat factory in Amherst, where he was employed for three years. He afterwards learned the trade of mason, and was employed for several years by a Mr. Blodgett. He afterwards formed a partnership with Mr. Blodgett, and under the firm name of Blodgett & Spaulding carried on business until 1924. In that year he bought out Mr. Blodgett's interest, and since that time he has carried on the business of mason contractor in his own name. He specializes in putting in foundations, brick and plaster work, and the laying of sidewalks. He always has been a large employer of labor, and has been eminently successful in his undertakings. He was a member of the finance committee of the town of Amherst for three years. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and of the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He is a member of the Amherst Club; of the Amherst Business Men's Association, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Spaulding was married, on October 5, 1904, to Isabelle H. Strachan, daughter of George and Eliza (Edwards) Strachan. The father of Mrs. Spaulding was born in Scotland, while her mother was born in England. Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding are the parents of a daughter, Ruth Elizabeth Spaulding, born August 29, 1908. She was educated in the public schools of Amherst, and is now (1925) a student in Middlebury College, Vermont. The business address of Fred S. Spaulding is No. 17 High Street, Amherst, Massachusetts.

**ADAM J. SMITH**—Born in one of the hill towns of Bavaria, John Smith, father of Adam J. Smith, died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, July 23, 1907, aged seventy-two years. The family name in his native country was spelled Schmidt originally. John Smith, acquired his education in the schools of his native neighborhood. He was a farm laborer in Bavaria, where he married. He came to this country with his family in 1875, and located in Hatfield, where he worked at farming for others until 1892, when he purchased in Hatfield the farm that is now carried on by his sons. He grew tobacco, and was an industrious, hard-working, quiet, home-loving man. He was a member of St. Joseph's Church in Hatfield. He married in Germany, Eva Brehm, born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1847, and still living (1925) in Hatfield. They had sons: 1. John George, born in Hopendorpt, Germany, April 6, 1868, and came to America with his parents in 1875. He has always followed farming, and now carries on the home farm with his brother Adam J. He married, on April 23, 1906, Johanna Ryan, of Hatfield, daughter of James and Mary (Walsh) Ryan. She is a descendant of James Ryan, of County Tipperary, Ireland, born in 1765. He married Johanna Hays, and their son, James Ryan, was born in 1790 and came to America in 1852. He married Ellen Powers, and their son, James, came to America in 1847 and settled in Hadley, Massachusetts. He married Mary Walsh, and their daughter, Johanna, married John G. Smith. The children of John G. and Johanna (Ryan) Smith were: Joseph George, born in November, 1907; Matthew, died in infancy; Edward James, born in February, 1913; Mary, born in May, 1915; Charles Michael, born in March, 1917. 2. Joseph, deceased. 3. Adam J., of whom further.

Adam J. Smith was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, July 9, 1878. He received his education in the public schools of Hatfield and worked at farming for his father until 1900, when he took over the farm and in company with his brother, John G., has since operated it. He cultivates some thirty acres of highly treated land, and specializes in tobacco and onions. He has about twelve acres in tobacco, four acres in onions, four acres of hay, and four acres of corn, besides owning some woodland. In addition to farming Mr. Smith for twelve years introduced and sold fertilizer in Hampshire and Franklin counties. Mr. Smith has been a member of the school board of Hatfield for nine years. During the World War he took an active part on committees in the sale of Liberty Bonds. He is a member of St. Joseph's Church of Hatfield.

On October 15, 1907, Adam J. Smith married Anna Brehm, born in Troy, New York, daughter of Henry and Eva (Goetz) Brehm. Her parents were born in Germany and came to this country in 1875. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of Margaret M., born July 25, 1908; Robert John, born November 13, 1912; Frank A., born August 24, 1922. All were born in Hatfield.

**EDWARD ROBERT CONNELLY**—Among the modern builders in an old township, Mr. Connelly, a leading contractor of North Hatfield, Whately, and its neighborhood, has earned a substantial repute for painstaking and thorough results in the construction both of



public buildings and private residences. In public office he has performed with ability the duties of assessorship, and he is esteemed for his excellent type of citizenship. His family has always been characterized by industry and strength of character.

(I) William Connelly, grandfather of Edward R. Connelly, was a farmer in Ireland, and had the care of estates; he married Julianna Hogan, and their children, all of whom came to the United States, were: Patrick, of whom further; Dennis, John, Bridget, Margaret, Mary, William.

(II) Patrick Connelly, father of Edward R. Connelly, was born in Ireland, December 22, 1843. Coming to the United States in 1871, he located at Whately, where he worked for others, farming for eighteen years. In 1893 he bought his present property, where he has successfully raised tobacco and onions, and where he is now retired. He married, here, in 1874, Kate Stack, who was born in County Kerry, Ireland, daughter of Edward and Johanna Stack, and who came to America in 1868. Their children: William, Edward Robert, of whom further; Johanna, who married Hugh Donahue, of Holyoke; Mary, deceased; John, deceased.

(III) Edward Robert Connelly was born February 3, 1877, in Whately, and he attended the public schools there, and those at Deerfield. Learning the carpenter's trade, he worked for others three years, and then engaged in the contracting and building business, in which he has been very successful. He has erected the schoolhouses in Hatfield, Whately and Plainfield, and many of the residences throughout this section. He has served efficiently as a member of the Board of Assessors. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 997, of Northampton, and of the Knights of Columbus, No. 480, of Northampton.

Edward Robert Connelly married, September 3, 1919, Elizabeth J. Keefe, of New Haven, Connecticut, daughter of Roger and Mary (Cronan) Keefe.

**GEORGE CALVIN MOORE**—Notable for his constructive business life, a keen sportsman, and a man of sterling reputation, George Calvin Moore is a citizen who has given Amherst the service demanded by progressive public spirit. His ancestors on both sides have been active in the affairs of Massachusetts during many generations, his great-grandfather, Lewis Moore, being one of the pioneers who helped settle Leverett. Lewis Moore married Elizabeth Miles, and they had ten children, as follows: 1. George, of whom further. 2. Quartus. 3. Lewis. 4. Lucius, the twin brother of Lewis. 5. William Bainbridge. 6. James. 7. Henry. 8. Jerusha. 9. Mary. 10. Elizabeth.

George Moore, the grandfather of George Calvin Moore, was born in Shutesbury, Franklin County, and died in Leverett, in 1891, at the age of seventy-five. His vocation was that of a saw filer and setter in saw mills, and he was a lover of the out-of-doors, noted as a hunter and fisherman. He married Rhoda Babcock, of Vergennes, Vermont, who died in 1890. Their children were 1. Charles, of whom further. 2. Quartus E. 3. Jerusha.

Charles Moore, son of George and Rhoda (Babcock) Moore, was born in Leverett March 25, 1848, and died

there May 10, 1919. He was educated in the schools of Leverett, after which he entered the saw mill business, owning and operating several mills that were largely engaged in custom sawing. He married, June 8, 1876, Ida Marvell, of Leverett, the daughter of Calvin and Lydia (Glazier) Marvell. The Marvell family has been particularly representative of such New England families as have clung to the soil of Massachusetts during more than two centuries, and who, to a large extent, have engaged in the industries that were traditional with the colonists and with their own ancestors. Calvin Pascal Marvell, the father of Ida (Marvell) Moore, was born November 7, 1824, at Shutesbury, and died August 16, 1905, at Leverett. He attended the schools of Shutesbury and Leverett and cultivated his farm all his life after completing his schooling. He held, at various times, all of the town offices, serving on the Board of Selectmen, the school committee, the Board of Overseers of the Poor. He was a charter member of the Bay State Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Montague, and a member of the Leverett Grange. He married, May 3, 1848, Lydia Glazier, the daughter of Ebenezer Nye and Mary (Spaulding) Glazier. Charles and Ida (Marvell) Moore had ten children: 1. George Calvin, of whom further. 2. Almyra Chapin, who married George B. Reed. 3. Jesse Eugene, who has three children: James, Mary and Francis. 4. Grace, deceased. 5. Mildred, who married Julian Rice, and they have two children: Arnold and Shirley. 6. Rhoda, who married Charles Haskell. 7. Flora, who married Raymond Field, and their children are Deborah and Rodney. 8. Hazel, who married Harland Hobert, and they have three children: Gordon, Alden and Gardner. 9. Gerald, who married Katherine Bennett. 10. Ida Spaulding, who married Francis Gustin.

George Calvin Moore, son of Charles and Ida (Marvell) Moore, was born in East Leverett November 28, 1877, and educated in the local public schools and later at the Agricultural College of Massachusetts. He farmed for a while near Leverett, and worked next in a box factory in this town. He moved to Amherst in 1901, and entered the employ of J. H. Trott, learning there the trade of plumber and steam fitter. He remained with Mr. Trott during the next thirteen years, at the end of which time he bought his business, taking as his partner in the venture a Mr. Lester. The firm was now active for a short time under the name of Lester & Moore, when, in 1917, Mr. Moore bought out Mr. Lester's interests, and since when he has conducted the business in his own name. Mr. Moore does an extensive business in Amherst and the surrounding towns in general plumbing and steam fitting, contracting, roofing, and new work and jobbing, while he especially emphasizes the sale and installation of stoves and furnaces. He is a member of the First Congregational Church; of the Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arch Chapter; and of the Amherst Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is likewise a member of the Business Men's Association, and, having inherited the ancestral love for the out-of-doors, he is a keen participant in the doings of the Amherst Gun Club.

Mr. Moore married (first), in 1901, Marion Herrick

Brown, daughter of George and Margaret Brown, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and (second), August 5, 1921, Florence Lillian Joy, daughter of Lorenzo and Laura (Ames) Joy, of South Amherst. The children of the first marriage are: 1. Margaret Brown, born in 1902. 2. Doris, who died in her infancy.

**JOHN BLISS KNIGHT**, for many years a resident and banker of Springfield, was born in that city April 7, 1875, son of Edwin Lewis and Harriet (Ells) Knight. His father a member of the firm of A. M. Knight & Son, of Springfield, was, during the Civil War, captain of Company E, of the 10th Massachusetts Regiment, and was later promoted to the rank of brevet major.

John B. Knight was educated in the public schools of Springfield, and in 1893 began his banking career as a clerk and then as teller in the Pyncheon National Bank. In 1901 he resigned his position there to become teller of the Hampden Trust Company, occupying the position of assistant treasurer when he removed to Chicopee Falls, in 1909, where he now resides. He is a trustee of the Chicopee Falls Savings Bank, and since his connection with that institution has been its treasurer. Mr. Knight is a very active Mason, being affiliated with the Springfield Lodge of that order; the Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Morning Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Melha Templar, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and a member of the Springfield Council. In the World War he was active in the Liberty Loan, War Chest and Red Cross campaigns, and he is treasurer of the local Red Cross Chapter.

On October 23, 1907, at Springfield, John B. Knight married Ethel Myrick, daughter of Orin D. and Mary (Allen) Myrick. Three sons have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Knight: John Bliss, Jr., March 3, 1910; Paul Myrick, October 30, 1914; and Richard Allen, March 10, 1917. The family are communicants of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, of Chicopee, where Mr. Knight serves as church treasurer.

**JOSEPH FAIRFIELD**—Working at miscellaneous occupations is no detriment to a business career. This was effectively demonstrated by Joseph Fairfield, who despite the lack of higher education, is to-day, thanks to his stick-to-itiveness, one of the leading funeral directors and embalmers in the State. He inherited his sturdy tenacity from his parents, Vital and Caroline (Julian) Fairfield, hardy Canadian farmer folk, who came to Massachusetts three years before Joseph was born. There the Fairfield family abandoned farming and Mr. Fairfield took up shoemaking for a livelihood.

Joseph Fairfield was born in Grafton March 17, 1873, and received his early education in the public schools. Due to the financial difficulties young Joseph had to seek employment and worked at various occupations for several years. His opportunity came in 1907 in his twenty-fourth year, when he began to learn the undertaking business, and he applied all his diligence to acquire a thorough knowledge of it. In 1912 he was graduated from the Boston School of Anatomy and Embalming, and shortly after he entered this field for himself. Mr. Fairfield is to-day a highly respected and

useful member of the Pittsfield community, and is a member of the following fraternities and organizations: Lodge No. 166, Foresters of America; Pittsfield Lodge, Fraternal Order of Eagles; St. John the Baptist Society, Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church. His favorite recreations are fishing and hunting. Mr. Fairfield is unmarried. His business address is No. 49 Melville Street, Pittsfield.

**MICHAEL WILLIAM HAYES**—One of the many successful tobacco and oniongrowers in Massachusetts, is William Michael Hayes, whose father, William Hayes, was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1840, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1903, aged sixty-five years. He came to the United States as a young man and settled in Hatfield, where he lived up to the time of his wife's death, when he went to California and the Klondyke. In the latter region he followed gold mining. He returned to Hatfield late in life and bought the place where his son now lives, and where he resided until his death. He married (first) Bridget Haley, born in Ireland, died in Hatfield in 1876; and (second) Ellen Powers. There was but one child of the first marriage, Michael W.

Michael William Hayes, born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, November 10, 1875, secured his education in the Hatfield public schools. His mother died when he was small, and his father went West. Michael William was brought up in the Powers family. He worked at farming for others until about 1903, when his father returned from the Klondyke and bought the place where he now lives, and which he has since operated successfully. He is a large cultivator of tobacco, onions and hay, having about one hundred and nine acres under cultivation in 1925. He is a member of the Tobacco Association. The house in which he lives is of the fine old New England colonial type, built many years ago.

Mr. Hayes married, April 18, 1905, Margaret Agnes Ryan, of Florence, Massachusetts, daughter of Lawrence and Catherine (Mehan) Ryan. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes are the parents of: William Lawrence, born February 6, 1907; Katherine Irene, born September 6, 1909; and Margaret Alice, born July 30, 1913.

**WILLIAM DAVIDSON**—Postmaster of Chicopee Falls, was born at Eaglesham, Scotland, June 25, 1864, the son of David and Jane Davidson, both born in Scotland, where they resided all their lives and where their death occurred. David Davidson married twice, William Davidson being his only child.

Mr. Davidson obtained a public school education in Scotland, and in 1886 came to the United States and became actively interested in politics, he was elected alderman of Chicopee Falls, on the Republican ticket, and served his townspeople for six years, he was also two years president of the board.

Being mechanically inclined, Mr. Davidson decided to enter the employ of the J. Stevens Arms and Tool Company, where he had ample opportunity of fulfilling his vocation, he became a machinist and in due time advanced to the position of master mechanic, serving in that capacity for thirty-seven years. On December 18, 1923, he was appointed postmaster for a



term of four years, and is a member of the National Association of Postmasters. Fraternally, he is associated with the Belcher Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Chicopee Falls, being a life member; the Unity Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters, of Springfield; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Kiwanis Club. He is a communicant of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Davidson married, in Chicopee Falls, Ellen J. Steele, born in Chicopee Falls, a daughter of W. D. Steele, a native of Scotland and a Civil War veteran. They are the parents of: Graham Noble Davidson, born in Chicopee Falls July 19, 1893.

**MICHAEL J. FITZ GERALD**, former mayor of the city of Northampton, Massachusetts, who held that office two years, and who has been a member of the Massachusetts Legislature for three years, was born March 10, 1878, in Leeds, a suburban village of Northampton, son of Patrick and Mary Fitz Gerald. He attended the local schools and then went to work in the Nonotuck Silk Mill at Leeds, where he remained four years. He then went to Yonkers, New York, and learned the trade of barber. He afterward went to Worcester, Massachusetts, where he followed his trade. Returning to Northampton in 1904 he established a high-grade barber shop, which he manages with no little success, in addition to caring for his other numerous business matters.

Mr. Fitz Gerald is a Democrat. He has been a member of the Northampton Democratic City Committee since 1910. In 1910-11 he was a member of the Common Council, president of that body in the latter year, and in 1912-13 he was honored with election to the Board of Aldermen. In 1916-17-18 he was a Representative from a Northampton district to the State Legislature at Boston. In 1920-21 he served the city of Northampton as its mayor. During the World War he was chairman of Ward Two Liberty Loan drive.

Mr. Fitz Gerald is a Past Grand Knight of Northampton Council, Knights of Columbus; Past Exalted Ruler of Northampton Lodge, No. 28, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Past Dictator of Northampton Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, and Past President of the local division, Ancient Order of Hibernians. He is affiliated with the American Order of Foresters and the Improved Order of Red Men. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Northampton.

Mr. Fitz Gerald married, January 1, 1908, Mary A. Ryan, daughter of Jeremiah and Mary Ryan. Two children have been born to them: George and William, of whom the latter is deceased.

**PATRICK WILLIAM MULLINS**—Belonging to a family long identified with Hatfield, Massachusetts, and its tobacco-growing industry, and a thorough knowledge of the business in all its ramifications, together with unusual energy and business ability, have brought to Mr. Mullins great success. He, with his brother, still operates the home farm started by his father.

James Mullins, grandfather of Mr. Mullins, lived and

died in Ireland. Of the six children resulting, only one, James, survived.

James (2) Mullins, son of James Mullins, was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1843, came to the United States when he was about thirty years old, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1914. He farmed for others for some years and finally purchased the property on Chestnut Street which his sons, Patrick W., and John W., now operate. He married Catherine Boyle, born in Hatfield, who died in 1922. She was a daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Merrick) Boyle, and granddaughter of Patrick and Mary (Maher) Boyle. The children of James and Catherine (Boyle) Mullins were: Catherine, deceased; Patrick W., of further mention; James Francis, deceased; Marcus George, who died at Camp Devens in 1918, after eight months of service in the Machine Gun Corps; and John W.

Patrick William Mullins, son of James (2) and Catherine (Boyle) Mullins, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, October 25, 1881. He was educated in the public schools of the town. He has always farmed, and, with his brother, John W., he operates the home farm, where as many as thirty acres of tobacco have been grown in a year. This year, 1925, thirty acres are under cultivation. The principal other crop is onions. Mr. Mullins is treasurer of the Hatfield Onion Storage Company, of which he was one of the organizers. He is a member of the Tobacco Growers' Association, for which he is supervisor; a large employer of labor in connection with his tobacco-packing operations for the association. For six years he was a member of the Board of Assessors, and now serving on the school board, on which he has served for the last six years. Mr. Mullins' fraternal affiliation is with Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Northampton; and the Knights of Columbus, of Northampton.

Patrick William Mullins married, October 30, 1918, Anna C. Clair, of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas P. and Mary (Cahail) Clair. Their children are: Marcus George, born September 22, 1919; Mary Elizabeth, born February 22, 1922; Thomas Patrick, born October 12, 1924. The family residence is on Chestnut Street, Hatfield, Massachusetts.

**JAMES HENRY JANGRO**—The traveling public between East Deerfield, Massachusetts, and Pottsdam, New York, are well acquainted with James Henry Jangro, who as conductor on the Boston & Maine Railroad, has for the past twenty years ministered to their comfort and helped to speed them on their way in safety.

Mr. Jangro is a descendant of the Gringras family, some members of which spell the name Gringreau and some Gingros. Sebastien Gringras was born in France in 1637. He emigrated to Canada, and is thought to be the progenitor of the family of that name who have their origin in Canada.

The grandfather of Mr. Jangro died at an early age, and after his death his widow married (second) a Mr. Benard. Children of her first marriage were: 1. Josephine. 2. John, of whom further. 3. Delia. 4. Theotis. 5. Elina. 6. Mary. Children of her second marriage: 7. Rosanna. 8. Clifford. 9. Exenia. Upon





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the death of her first husband she removed from Canada to the United States, living for a time in Holyoke, Massachusetts; later settling in Turners Falls, where she continued to reside during the remainder of her life.

John Jangro (as he spelled his name) was born in Acton, Canada, June, 1854, and is now (1925) living with his daughter in Winchendon, Massachusetts, aged seventy-one years. He came to the United States with his mother from Canada when he was a small child, and, with her, lived for a time in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he found employment in a cotton mill. When his mother's family removed to Turners Falls he again found employment in a cotton mill in that city, and later was employed for a time in the lead mines in Crown Point, New York. When the Hoosac Tunnel was in process of construction he secured employment with the Fitchburg and the Boston & Maine Railroad, and worked upon the Hoosac Tunnel until the time of its completion afterward remaining in the employ of the company in another capacity for thirty years, until the time of his retirement. After the completion of the tunnel he had charge of the tracks running through the tunnel, and was employed in the tunnel at the time thirty-six men working there were killed by an explosion. He has made many friends during his long career, and is held in high esteem among those who know him best.

John Jangro married Nancy Parker, who was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph Parker, a native of Sheffield, England. Their children were: 1. James H., of whom further. 2. Frank, who is a section boss in the employ of the Boston and Maine Railroad, located at Ervin. He married Elizabeth Williams and has five children: Irene, Ethel, Bertha, Dorothy and William. 3. Joseph P., (q. v.). 4. William S., (q. v.). 5. John O., (twin), (q. v.). 6. Viola, (twin to John O.), born in Florida, Massachusetts, April 19, 1886; married Arthur Dion, of Winchendon, Massachusetts, and has two children: Louis and Ronald.

James Henry Jangro, son of John and Nancy (Parker) Jangro, was born at Hoosac Tunnel in the town of Florida, Massachusetts, May 22, 1876, and received a good education in the public schools of his native town. When he was sixteen years of age he located in Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he entered the employ of Wiley & Russell, as a workman in their manufacturing plant. About a year later he made a change and associated himself with the Warner Manufacturing Company at Nash Mills. His next position was secured in a grist mill at East Deerfield, Massachusetts, where he remained for another year, going from there to Turners Falls for a short time. When he was eighteen years of age he began his long connection with the Boston & Maine Railroad, beginning as a section worker and gradually making his way upward until, when he was twenty-six years of age, he became a brakeman, and his run being then between East Deerfield and Fitchburg. On June 27, 1903, he was promoted to the responsible position of conductor, which position he has held to the present time (1925). His run is from East Deerfield to Rotterdam Junction, New York, and many of those who travel between those two points remember with gratitude the kindly atten-

tion and the efficient management of Mr. Jangro. For some fourteen years he was a resident of Shelburne Falls, but about 1920 he removed to Greenfield, which has been his home for some five years. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and of the Locomotive Engineer and Conductor Association, and he is also affiliated with the Old Veterans' Association. His religious interest is with the Episcopal Church, of which he is a communicant.

James Henry Jangro married, April 20, 1895, Delia Minard, of Montague, Massachusetts, daughter of Joseph and Florida (Lemieur) Minard. Mr. and Mrs. Jangro are the parents of the following children: 1. Dora Elizabeth, born December 24, 1897; married in 1921, Amos Laplante, of Greenfield. 2. Hazel Genevieve, born August 11, 1899. 3. John Harold, born August 8, 1900, graduated from the Shelburne Falls High School, and attended De Pau University, at Greencastle, Indiana, for three years. 4. Mildred Emma, born April 7, 1902.

**JOSEPH PHILIP JANGRO**—The Jangro family is well represented on the force of the Boston & Maine Railroad, the father and three sons serving in various capacities in that connection. Joseph Philip Jangro is foreman of the car department and wreck master for the section between Athol and Charlemont.

Mr. Jangro is a descendant of the Gringras family, some members of which spell the name Gringreau and some Gingros. Sebastien Gringras was born in France in 1637. He emigrated to Canada, and is thought to be the progenitor of the family of that name who have their origin in Canada. An account of the family is given above.

Joseph Philip Jangro, son of John and Nancy (Parker) Jangro, was born at Hoosac Tunnel, in the town of Florida, Massachusetts, June 11, 1880. After receiving a good practical education in the public schools at Greenfield, he completed his preparation for an active business career by attending Bliss Business College at North Adams, Massachusetts, where he continued his studies for one year. In 1900 he became associated with the Boston & Maine Railroad in the capacity of yard clerk, but after a time he was transferred to the car department, where he has remained ever since, rising through various promotions to the position of general foreman of the department. He has charge of the maintenance and the equipment of all passenger and freight cars between Athol and Charlemont, and has the constant supervision of the work between one hundred and two hundred men. He is also wreck master, and in that capacity is subject to call in all cases of train wreckage. Mr. Jangro's long connection with the Boston & Maine Railroad and his able discharge of the responsibilities of his position have won for him the confidence and esteem of both the officials of the road and of his associates. Politically, he is an independent. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Elliot Stone Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. His religious affiliation is with St. James' Church.

Joseph Philip Jangro married, October 27, 1901, Blanche Marcoux, of North Adams, daughter of Alvin



and Alexine (Dunn) Marcoux. Mr. and Mrs. Jangro are the parents of seven children: 1. Alice Bell. 2. Edmund Philip. 3. James Oscar. 4. Viola Marguerite. 5. Doris Octavia. 6. William. 7. Fredericka. The first three and William are deceased.

**WILLIAM SAMSON JANGRO**—Practically the entire active career of William Samson Jangro to the present time has been associated with the interests of the Boston & Maine Railroad. He is now (1925) foreman of the car department at East Deerfield, Massachusetts.

Mr. Jangro is a descendant of the Gringras family, some members of which spell the name Gringreau and some Gingros. Sebastien Gringras was born in France in 1637. He emigrated to Canada, and is thought to be the progenitor of the family of that name who have their origin in Canada, an account of the family is given above.

William Samson Jangro, son of John and Nancy (Parker) Jangro, was born in Turners Falls, Massachusetts, April 25, 1883, and received his education in the public schools of Greenfield and North Adams, the family having removed to the latter town and resided there for five years. When William Samson was twenty years of age he found his first employment as car cleaner with the Boston & Maine Railroad. His connection with that organization has been continuous from that time to the present (1925), and through his ability, energy and faithfulness he has secured one promotion after another. He was made inspector, then assistant foreman and finally foreman of the car department, which responsible position he is now (1925) ably filling. Fraternally, he is a member of Pocumtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of Elliott Stone Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and of the Loyal Order of Moose. He is a communicant of the Episcopal Church.

**JOHN O. JANGRO**—Since he was seventeen years of age John O. Jangro has been identified with the car department of the Boston & Maine Railroad, which he now serves as inspector of the car repair department. Mr. Jangro is a descendant of the Gringras family, some members of which spell the name Gringreau and some Gingros. Sebastien Gringras was born in France in 1637. He emigrated to Canada, and is thought to be the progenitor of the family of that name who have their origin in Canada. An account of the family is given above.

John O. Jangro, youngest son of John and Nancy (Parker) Jangro, was born at Hoosac Tunnel, in the town of Florida, Massachusetts, April 19, 1886, and after receiving a good education in the schools at Hoosac Tunnel, and in the schools of North Adams, he, like his father and his brothers before him, became identified with the Boston & Maine Railroad. He was but seventeen years of age when he entered the car department. Faithfulness and steadiness of purpose seem to be characteristic of the Jangro family, and John O. Jangro has remained in the car department of the Boston & Maine Railroad from the beginning of his career to the present time (1925). He is now inspector

of the car repair department, and has firmly established his right to a high place in the confidence and esteem of his employers. He has many friends in Greenfield and vicinity, and is well known among railroad men of that section of the county. He takes an active interest in the affairs of the Railroad Association, of which he is a member. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Elliot Stone Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Greenfield.

John O. Jangro married, June 3, 1908, Catherine F. Rau, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Barbara (Moschet) Rau, and they are the parents of one son, Russell James Jangro.

**LOUIS HENRI CADORETTE D. D. S.**—The call of his profession of dentistry has been from unexpected quarters since Dr. Cadorette first established his offices in Northampton, his remarkable World War experiences themselves being crowded with the events of a lifetime, and in the course of which he fully met the requirements of the chiefs of his contingent, and in his turn received due honors. Dr. Cadorette, who was given a captain's rank for service performed in the World War, and who was one of the principal organizers of the American Legion, is accounted one of the most skillful men in Western Massachusetts dentistry. He is of a family the leading representatives of whose every generation have made themselves capable and proficient in their calling. According to the "Dictionnaire Généalogique" of Canadian Families, by L'Abbé Cyprien Tanguay, George Cadoret, who was born in France in 1630, and who came to Canada early in the seventeenth century, was the founder of the families in the New World bearing that name. He married (first) Anne Joppy; he married (second) Barbe Boucher.

Maxim Cadorette, grandfather of Louis Henri Cadorette, was born in Canada about 1835, and he is still living at Turners Falls, aged ninety years. The years of his activity were spent in St. Hyacinthe, Canada, where he was a contractor and builder. He has worked for others, and in turn has been a large employer of labor. His wife's name was Bernier; they had children: Maxim, Jr., George, Louis, of whom further; Anna, all deceased, with the exception of Louis.

Louis Cadorette, who was born in St. Hyacinthe, Canada, resides at Turners Falls. Learning the tailor's trade in Canada, and coming to the United States when he was nineteen years of age, he located first in Holyoke, where he continued five or six years. He then removed to Turners Falls, where he has been successfully engaged in the tailoring business more than thirty years. He is a member of the St. Jean Baptiste Society; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Improved Order of Red Men; and Fraternal Order of Eagles. He married Albina Côté, who was born at St. Hyacinthe, Canada, daughter of Narcisse Côté. Their children: Louis H., of whom further; Eva, who married Adélaide Chevalier, at Greenfield; Anthony, who lives at Turners Falls, and who served in the World War; Wilfred J., who died in April, 1924, and who had served in the World War; Edna, who died aged nine years; two children, Rhea and Edwina.

Dr. Louis Henri Cadorette was born February 15,



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1887, in Holyoke, and removed with his parents to Turners Falls, where he attended the public schools and St. Anne's School. His college training was had at St. Mary's College, at Montreal, Canada, and he prepared for his profession at Tufts Medical and Dental College in Medford, Massachusetts. He graduated there in dentistry in 1912, and then began the practice of his profession at Northampton.

When the United States entered the World War Dr. Cadorette enlisted in May, 1917, as a first lieutenant, and was assigned to Fort Strong, Boston Harbor, for a short time, then he went to Washington, District of Columbia, on detachment duty, and afterward to Columbia, South Carolina. He went overseas in September, 1917, and was attached to the 306th Regiment of the Engineers Corps, in England, where he remained three weeks, then went to France with his regiment. Dr. Cadorette was dental surgeon for his regiment; and on account of being conversant with the French language, he was frequently despatched on missions to the French War Department, at Paris; later he was delegated from the 306th Regiment as one of the organizers of the American Legion. He was discharged at Camp Devens, July 5, 1919, with the rank of captain, and returned to France in August of that year to be married. Dr. Cadorette again resumed his Northampton practice in 1920, after having closed his affairs for nearly four years, though he still makes annual trips to Paris. He is a member of the National, State and Valley District Dental societies, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. Cadorette married, in Paris, Simone Marie Theresa Lenoir, who was born in Paris, daughter of Charles and Zoe (Lenoir) Lenoir.

**WINTHROP D. CROSIER**—Few people of a reflective habit of mind realize sufficiently that all the phases of our physical existence as well as its beginning and termination are not only individual events, but concern also, to a very large degree, the community, State and county of which we are political units. As our civilized society is at all events, as regards life in urban communities, based on the principle of the division of labor, we do not, as was the case, and to some extent is still the rule in outlying and isolated parts, grow and prepare our own foods, gather the raw material for and work it into raiment, build our own homes, or attend personally to the various functions connected with and incident upon the birth and death of a citizen. The exercise of the necessary duties attendant upon the termination of business life and the disposal of the dead has now for centuries been in the hands of the mortician's profession, of which Mr. Winthrop D. Crosier is a modern and highly educated and worthy representative, who enjoys the universal esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens, two very necessary qualifications in the profession of which he is a member.

Mr. Crosier is a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he was born January 27, 1879, a son of William Dexter Crosier, a dealer in meats and provisions in Pittsfield for thirty-five years, and Jane L. Crosier.

Mr. Crosier received his education in the public school of his native city and then entered the high school, but later took up different occupations, and perceiving the chances for a serious minded and conscientious man and enjoying the universal good repute of his fellow citizens, Mr. Crosier entered the undertaking business, working at it for seven years in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. In 1893 he became associated as a partner in the firm of Marshall S. Wellington, in which he continued up to the present time. In politics Mr. Crosier is a member of the Republican party, and in religion an attendant of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. His fraternal associations are represented by membership of the Masonic fraternity, of which he is a very keen member, belonging not only to the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, but also to the various Masonic bodies of the Scottish Rite, in which he holds the exalted thirty-second degree, which is the second highest in rank, the highest degree being only conferred very rarely upon Free Masons all over the United States.

Mr. Crosier married Miriam Sugden. They are the parents of one son, Paul W.

**ALFRED FLORENT SANCTUARY**, owner and operator of a grain mill in Amherst, Massachusetts, has been in business in Amherst since 1904, and is well known and well liked in that vicinity. Mr. Sanctuary is of French and English extraction.

His grandfather, who lived for some time in Canada, moved from there to Vermont and died in Hinesburg, Vermont. His wife, whose surname was Girard, was of the same family as Stephen Girard, the founder of Girard College in Philadelphia. They were the parents of the following children: Sophia, Louis, William, of further mention, and Lucinda, who married William Clifford.

William Sanctuary was born in Boucherville, Canada, and died in Hinesburg, Vermont, in 1910, at the age of eighty-four. He came to Hinesburg with his parents as a small boy, and after attending the local schools learned the shoemaker's trade. He made shoes by hand and was actively engaged in this business all his life, employing several men to work under him. William Sanctuary was a member of the Baptist Church and took a keen interest in all its activities. He married Adelaide Florent, born in Montreal, Canada, died in Hinesburg, Vermont; they were the parents of the following children: Alfred Florent, of further mention; Albina, deceased; Henry, deceased; Ernest, a resident of Oakland, California; Eugene, of New York City; Almina, a resident of Long Beach, California, married Henry Lesseman; and Jules, deceased.

Alfred Florent Sanctuary, son of William and Adelaide (Florent) Sanctuary, was born in Hinesburg, Vermont, January 31, 1860, and was educated in the schools of Hinesburg and Burlington, Vermont. He learned the trade of plumbing at Burlington, later did machine work in the mill, and also worked at railroad-ing for a time. In 1882 he went to the Dakotas, where he erected a grain elevator and was in the grain business for some while. Afterwards, upon his leaving the

grain business, he went into the post office at Wahpeton, Richland County, North Dakota, as clerk, and held this post for a period of four years. He then returned East and located at Essex Junction, Vermont, where he was engaged in work as foreman in the tub manufacturing shop of S. A. Brownell, where they also turned out chair stock. He constructed and put into operation two or three mills for Mr. Brownell, and also had charge of the construction of a dam across the Wy-nooski River. Later he worked for a Mr. Stevens, installing machinery in mills, and eventually engaged in millwright work for himself, building flumes, setting up mills and installing machinery, his work in this field taking him all over the country.

In 1904, after an interesting and varied career, Mr. Sanctuary moved to Amherst, Massachusetts, where he has since made his home, and bought a mill property which he has since put into splendid shape and which he has managed ever since, doing custom grinding and handling many carloads of grain during the year. Before coming to Amherst he owned and operated a mill in Acton, Massachusetts, for a time. Mr. Sanctuary built his present residence since coming to Amherst. He holds membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which he joined in North Dakota, and later became a member of Amherst Lodge. He has always been an ardent church worker, and is a deacon and chairman of the board of trustees of the Baptist Church, and superintendent of the Sunday school.

Mr. Sanctuary married, June 6, 1887, Hattie F. Crocker, of East Somerville, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Chase) Crocker. Mrs. Sanctuary is a descendant of an old family, tracing descent from John Crocker, Benjamin Crocker, Samuel Crocker, a prominent man of his community; Thomas S. Crocker and Samuel P. Crocker, father of Hattie F. (Crocker) Sanctuary. Mr. and Mrs. Sanctuary have three children: 1. William Crocker, a professor in Massachusetts Agricultural College, married Florence Coombs, of Brattleboro, Vermont, and has one son, Robert. 2. Mary Frances, married Harold A. Mostrom, and has two children, Robert and Donald. 3. Albert Everett, a metal worker, married Mary Brooks, and has three children, Richard, Frances and George.

**JOHN BARKER**, vice-president and general counsel of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, is a native of Pittsfield, born July 2, 1878, son of James Madison Barker.

After graduating from Pittsfield High School he entered Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated with the class of 1899, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Three years later he was graduated from Harvard Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the same year he was admitted to practice in Massachusetts, and in the United States courts in 1905. He is a member of the Greek letter society, Delta Kappa Epsilon. Naturally, in the course of practice, he became associated with the Berkshire Bar Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Association of Life Insurance Counsel.

He engaged in general corporation and bank practice, in which he won prestige and many friendships. From 1907 to 1910 he served as city clerk of Pittsfield, and from 1916 to 1919 he was city solicitor. During the World War, from 1917 to 1919, he was a permanent member of the United States Legal Advisory Board. In January, 1923, he was elected a director and general counsel of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company, and in the following September was made vice-president. While not a blind partisan, Mr. Barker holds to thoroughly settled principles of public policy, and usually acts with the Republican party. At all times his influence is found on the side of efficient and just management of public concerns, so as to secure the greatest good to the greatest number. He attends religious worship at the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, is identified with many charitable agencies of the city and enjoys the confidence and good will of the community.

**WILLIAM VINCENT BARRY**—The continued success of the Mohawk Steel Stamp Company since its establishment at Greenfield, and the popular place the business has won in the esteem of the business world is wholly due to the enterprising zeal of its founder and the promoter of its interests, William Vincent Barry, who is one of the best informed men in this part of the country in the manufacture of his specialty of steel stamps. Mr. Barry has made a lifelong study of the art of engraving and stamping, and in one way and another has been associated with many firms engaged in that and related lines for a series of years; and throughout the course of a broad training he has brought the best things that have been accomplished in the stamping line to bear upon the excellent product of his own concern, while the originality of his methods receives the full appreciation of his patrons. His plant is accounted one of the most successful of the more recently established business houses in Greenfield, where Mr. Barry's personal standard of citizenship is of the highest type, and in whose civic and social progress he is deeply interested. It is an interesting fact that the ancestry of Mr. Barry shared in generations of service in the British Army and Navy, they including his great-great-grandfather, his great-grandfather and his grandfather. The grandfather, John Barry, was in service on a British man-of-war at the time of his death. He was a native of Ireland, and he had one son.

John Barry, his son, and father of William Vincent Barry, was born in Cork, Ireland, and was the only one of his line for several generations who had not served in the British Army or Navy. Coming to the United States when fourteen years of age and locating in Waterbury, Connecticut, he attended school there for a short time. He then learned the carriage painter's trade, in which he was employed for several years, and afterwards worked in railroad shops at Hartford, Connecticut, putting gold leaf on passenger cars. In related lines, he worked in Bridgeport, Connecticut, for the Locomobile Company of America, painting automobiles; and since 1904 he has made his home at New Haven, Connecticut, where he is engaged in automobile body painting. Mr. Barry married Mary Hyde, who was







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born in Cork, Ireland, daughter of William and Mary Ellen Hyde, and they are the parents of: William Vincent, of whom further; Elizabeth, Gertrude, who married Edward Reynolds; Helen, Albert, all of whom were born in Hartford, Connecticut.

William Vincent Barry was born November 27, 1892. He attended St. Lawrence Parochial School at Hartford, the public schools at East Hartford, and the Sacred Heart School at New Haven. When he had completed his school work he was employed in the retail stationery store of John Rembrandt & Company, in New Haven, as office boy, and afterwards in the same capacity in a cigar manufactory. Then, for a time, he was employed by the Seamless Rubber Company. His first opportunity to make himself acquainted with steel letter cutting came with his opportunity to work for the Hoggson & Pettis Company, by whom he was employed four and one-half years; then, in succession, he was in the employ of Schroeder & Lombard, of New York; of Sargent & Company, of New Haven, for a year and a half; the Remington Arms Company, of Bridgeport; the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, of New Haven, and the Westinghouse Company, of Chicopee Falls. After resuming his position with the Remington Arms Company at Bridgeport for a time, he went to Greenfield, in 1919, to enter the employ of the Greenfield Tap & Die Company, so continuing until 1923.

It was in May, 1923, that Mr. Barry organized the Mohawk Steel Stamp Company at Greenfield, where he has been in business for himself to the present, and he is turning out an especially fine quality of work with an increasing business. A Republican in politics, he votes for that party ticket; and his fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Barry married, July 24, 1915, Louise Bodecker, of New Haven, Connecticut, daughter of Frederick and Anna Bodecker, and they are the parents of Richard Frank Barry, born September 20, 1919, at Greenfield.

**HENRY CUMMINGS SAVAGE**—After a useful life, spanning seventy-three years, Henry Cummings Savage passed to the Great Beyond on April 12, 1922, leaving a host of friends to mourn his departure. Sincerity and integrity marked all his dealings with men, and in his capacity as host he will always be remembered for his thoughtfulness and gracious hospitality by those who dwelt beneath his roof.

He was born in Lancaster, New Hampshire, on October 4, 1849, son of Seth and Martha (Spaulding) Savage. He spent his early years on his father's farm, receiving his education in the public schools of Lancaster. His first positions were with merchants, first in Boston, and later in North Adams, where he was associated with C. H. Cutting and Company, clothiers, entering the firm in 1871. In this line of merchandising he remained until 1895, when he withdrew from the company to enter an entirely new field. Greylock Institute, which had been a school for boys, was for sale. This school was located in South Williamstown, Massachusetts. Mr. Savage bought it and opened it as a summer hotel for seven years. In 1904 he made a new

venture, becoming proprietor of Greenock Inn, which he managed with great success for twelve years. His last hostelry was located at Pittsfield, and was known as "The Lodge."

Mr. Savage was deeply interested in all matters Masonic. He was Past Master of Lafayette Lodge, and was a member of the Composite Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and the St. Paul Commandery, Knights Templar. He was also Worthy Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star from 1888 to 1892, and Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts 1891-2.

Henry Cummings Savage and Cora Louella Parker, daughter of Charles V. and Bessie A. (Potter) Parker, were married at North Adams October 7, 1897. To them were born a daughter, Helen Potter, and a son, Henry Parker.

**CLIFFORD SAMUEL CHAPIN, M. D.**, for upwards of thirty years active in the practice of medicine, has spent the greater part of his career in Great Barrington, and as a leading physician of this community and county he holds an influential position. His efforts bear more than local significance, for he has done much to forward medical progress throughout the county and to support and maintain the highest standards of practice. He is affiliated with various branches of organized endeavor, and in every phase of his career his efforts have won him the esteem and confidence of the people. Dr. Chapin is a son of Curtis and Jannette Hannah (Nelson) Chapin, his father a prominent farmer of Franklin County.

Clifford Samuel Chapin was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts, January 25, 1873. Receiving his early education in the local schools, and Powers Institute, of Bernardston, from which he was graduated in the class of 1889. Thereafter, attending Williston Seminary, of Easthampton, he took up his professional preparations at Bellevue Hospital Medical College in New York City, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine upon his graduation in the class of 1896. He devoted nearly two years to his institutional experience as interne at the New York City Hospital, then, in 1898, established his office in Great Barrington and took up the general practice of medicine. Dr. Chapin has made a really remarkable record of success in his chosen realm, his brilliance as a diagnostician and his pleasing presence both being strong forces in his success in the sick room. Maintaining the loftiest standards and keeping in close touch with the progress of medical science generally, Dr. Chapin has for the past twenty years served as associate medical examiner for Berkshire County, taking up the duties of this office in 1904. During the World War he was a member of and chief examiner for the local board for Division No. 3 of this county, and he also gave lavishly of his time and energy as well as his means to the support and advancement of the many home activities of the period. He is a Republican in his political convictions, but except in line with his professional work, he has never accepted public honors. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons and all bodies of the Masonic order up to the thirty-second degree and including Melha



Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Royal Arcanum; the Ancient Order of United Workmen; the American Medical Association; the Massachusetts Medical Society, and he is past president of the Berkshire Medical Society. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Great Barrington, and his clubs are the Rotary, of Great Barrington; the Shrine, of Pittsfield; the Congregational, of Berkshire County, and the Men's Club of Great Barrington. His religious affiliation is with the First Congregational Church.

Clifford Samuel Chapin married, June 29, 1899, at Bernardston, Mary Redfield Wight, daughter of William and Harriet (Redfield) Wight. Dr. and Mrs. Chapin are the parents of four children: Curtis William, born March 20, 1902; Clifford Samuel, Jr., born February 27, 1904; Priscilla Redfield, (twin) born February 27, 1904, died March 1, 1904; and Wight Nelson, born April 8, 1907.

**LOUIS ROSENZWEIG**—While the members of the Jewish race who were located in Central Europe had not quite the same grievances against the governments of the countries in which they had dwelt for generations (and where they and their forefathers faithfully carried out all the duties of citizenship, including the paying of taxes and the compulsory rendering of military service) as their co-religionists in Russia and Poland, their position nevertheless was such that the most energetic and enterprising elements among them decided to emigrate to and found new homes in America, or in the British colonies, where they would be accorded equal rights as regards public life, etc., with the rest of the law-abiding and loyal citizens. Almost without exception both parties to the contract, the immigrants as well as the country which hospitably opened its doors to the people, have been the gainers and incidentally the problem of the complete assimilation of the Jewish element in the European and American cultural spheres, which has been for generations a difficult one, is being gradually, but surely solved.

Among American citizens of Hebrew ancestry and European antecedents in Wester Massachusetts, the family of Mr. Louis Rosenzweig occupies a prominent place, because of the esteem of its members in the community in which they had settled, and the positions of importance they attained. Mr. Morris Rosenzweig, father of Mr. Louis Rosenzweig, is a native of Königsberg, Prussia, where he was born, 1852. Early in life he learned the baker's trade, and prior to leaving Germany was in business for himself. In 1884 he arrived in the United States, and first located in New York, where for five years he worked in bakeries for others. Having become familiar with the customs and habits of the American people and managing to save a small capital, he went to Portchester, New York, and established a baking business of his own, which in a short time became a flourishing concern; in sixteen years Mr. Rosenzweig was in a position to retire from active business while still retaining his residence in Portchester. In politics Mr. Rosenzweig is an independent. He is an adherent of the Jewish faith and a member of the

synagogue and Hebrew temple in Portchester. His fraternal connections include membership in the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Rosenzweig married Laura Beer, a native of Königsberg, Prussia, daughter of Michael and Henrietta (Katz) Beer. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenzweig are the parents of: 1. Louis, of whom further. 2. Max, deceased. 3. Mitchell, in the real estate business in Portchester, and has a daughter, Lucille. 4. Paul, who is in the real estate business in Portchester. 5. Johu, who is a dentist in Portchester, and has a daughter Anita. 6. Henrietta.

Mr. Louis Rosenzweig, born July 9, 1876, in Posen, Prussia, received his first education in the public schools of Germany, and finished his schooling in New York City, where he arrived with his parents at the age of eight years. As a boy Mr. Louis Rosenzweig did what several of the greatest Americans have done to earn a living or to supplement their modest income, he sold papers and shined shoes in the streets of New York City. When his father moved to Portchester, Mr. Louis Rosenzweig was employed by him for two years, but at the age of sixteen returned to New York City, and for two years worked in the shipping room of a wholesale paper concern. He later went to Detroit, Michigan, and for four years worked in the office of the Calvert Lithography Company. His next career was as an employee of the Zacatecas Mining Company, where he was in charge of supplies. After a stay of one and one-half years in Mexico, he returned to the United States and from 1900 to 1905 conducted a five and ten cent store in Middletown, Connecticut. He later sold his interests in the concern and went on the road as a traveling salesman, carrying a line of fancy leather goods; he was employed in this capacity eight years, during which time he had the advantage of traveling all over the United States. In 1913 he conducted a motion picture house in New York, and in 1914 came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, and managed the Victoria Theatre. He later bought the building and is now sole owner and proprietor. The Victoria Theatre is a modern up-to-date theatre which enjoys a good patronage. His fraternal and other associations include membership of the Republican Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of Greenfield, Massachusetts; and he also holds the exalted thirty-second degree of Scottish Rite Masonry; he is a member of the Melha Temple, the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield, Massachusetts, and the Kiwanis Club.

On March 31, 1913, he married Christine Delecker, of New York, a daughter of Charles and Adeline Delecker. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenzweig are the parents of two children, both born in Greenfield, Massachusetts: Gerda, born December 20, 1914; Norma, born October 8, 1918.

**CHARLES HALL BEAMAN**—Well known as head of the only manufacturing industry in Leverett, the box factory, known to-day as the Beaman Marvell Company, of which Mr. Beaman is president, treasurer and manager, this active citizen owns one of the largest dairies in the town, has extensive farming interests, and is a large owner and dealer in real estate. Mr. Bea-



man comes of an old American family, the immigrant ancestor of whom came to his country in 1635, and like those early forebears who helped in the upbuilding of this great nation, he is also doing his part in the community, the Commonwealth and in the national life. His first ancestor in America was Gamaliel Beaman, of whom further.

(I) Gamaliel Beaman was born in England in 1623, and came to America about 1635, when he was about twelve years of age, crossing the Atlantic in the ship "Elizabeth and Ann." He lived at first with relatives in Dorchester, and became a proprietor there in 1649. In 1658 he was one of the incorporators of Lancaster, and on May 23, 1659, settled there. On May 31, 1659, he signed the covenant there as one of the fifty-five original proprietors of the town, and he received lot 38. He owned more than two hundred and sixty-six acres of land there, but in 1676, the settlers of Lancaster were obliged to leave their homes because of King Philip's War. The Indians burnt the town, including the church, and the place was not built up again until 1680. Gamaliel Beaman returned to Dorchester, but his losses had been so great that he was unable to pay even his taxes. His new house in Dorchester was situated on the east slope of Bolton Hills, near a place called the Cold Spring. He died in Dorchester March 23, 1678. He married about 1648 Sarah, daughter of William Clark, and she was admitted into the Dorchester Church February 1, 1656, and was dismissed to Lancaster May 24, 1668. They were the parents of four children, among them John, of whom further.

(II) John Beaman, on of Gamaliel and Sarah (Clark) Beaman, was born in 1649-50, and baptised June 14, 1657. After the death of his father he returned to Lancaster, when the town was resettled, and took up his father's old farm at Wataquadock, now Bolton. In about 1682 he removed to Taunton, but returned to Lancaster after a few years. He was a probationer at Dorchester, and in August, 1681, took out a letter for Taunton; he evidently did not stay long at Taunton this time, as his daughter Sarah, was born in Lancaster, the following February. The second time, in 1682, he remained longer in Taunton. On his return to Lancaster he was received into the church as Father Beaman from Taunton, this being probably between 1708 and 1716. In 1704 he was a member of the garrison in his father's house, and there was a garrison in his house in 1711. On January 30, 1729, there was a church meeting at his house to elect deacons. He was buried in the Old Burial Ground at Lancaster and the following inscription is on the slate stone marking the grave: "Here lies buried ye body of Mr. John Beaman, who departed this life Jan. 15, 1739-40, in Ye 90th Year of his age." He married, about 1674, Priscilla, daughter of Robert Thornton, who was born in Boston in 1656. Her father came from London in the "Elizabeth" in 1635, aged eleven years; he was a carpenter and owned much land. Priscilla (Thornton) Beaman died August 6, 1729, aged seventy-two years, and was buried in the Old Burial Ground at Lancaster. They became the parents of eleven children, among them Gamaliel, of whom further.

(III) Gamaliel Beaman, son of John and Priscilla (Thornton) Beaman, was born at Taunton February 29,

1684. In 1721 he was the first inhabitant of what is now the town of Sterling. He was called the "irrepressible" for his persistence in calling for a church there, which was obtained in 1742. He married Mary, daughter of Jonas and Mary (Berbeane) Houghton, of Lancaster, and granddaughter of the first John Houghton, who came from England in the "Abigail" in 1635, "being then a mere boy." John Houghton was an original proprietor in Lancaster and brought with him two hundred and fifty pounds in money. He married Beatrix, surname unknown. After Jonas Houghton's death in 1723, Gamaliel and Mary (Houghton) Beaman sold her share in her father's estate to her brother, Stephen Houghton. Gamaliel Beaman joined the Chocksett Church July 7, 1745. He died October 26, 1745, and was the first person buried in Sterling Centre. They were the parents of six children, among them Phineas, of whom further.

(IV) Phineas Beaman, son of Gamaliel and Mary (Houghton) Beaman, was born in 1718-19, in Sterling. He accepted the covenant in the Lancaster Church January 6, 1739-40, and joined the church March 22, 1761. His will was dated November 4, 1794, filed March 28, 1803, and he died in Sterling March 16, 1803. He married, in 1740, Joanna, daughter of Josiah, Jr., and Abigail (Whitcomb) White. She was born in Lancaster September 20, 1721. Her great-grandfather was John White, an original proprietor, who came from Salem; his daughter Mary married Rev. Joseph Rowlandson, and was captured by the Indians. Her uncle was Captain John White, the Indian fighter. Her grandfather, Josiah, Sr., married Mary Rice, of Marlboro. Her mother, Abigail (Whitcomb) White, was the daughter of Josiah and Rebecca (Waters) Whitcomb, and granddaughter of John Whitcomb, the immigrant. Her maternal grandmother, Rebecca (Waters) Whitcomb, was the daughter of Lawrence Waters, the immigrant. Joanna (White) Beaman died in Sterling in 1799. Mr. and Mrs. Beaman were the parents of fifteen children, among them Elisha, of whom further.

(V) Elisha Beaman, son of Phineas and Joanna (White) Beaman, was born June 5, 1757, in Sterling, and died April 13, 1844, in Leverett. He married Ruth Johnson, who was born in 1758, and died April 17, 1837. They were the parents of four children: Elisha, Jr.; Benjamin, of whom further; Ira and Annie, who married — Briggs, of New Salem.

(VI) Benjamin Beaman, son of Elisha and Ruth (Johnson) Beaman, was born in 1794, and died in Leverett in 1879. He was a farmer and also manufactured sap buckets. He lived for a short time in Hinsdale, New Hampshire, and with that exception his life was spent in Leverett. He married Caroline Osgood, who was born in 1804, and died in 1878. Among their children were George Osgood, of whom further, and Charles Henry.

(VII) George Osgood Beaman, son of Benjamin and Caroline (Osgood) Beaman, was born in Hinsdale, New Hampshire, in 1845, and died in Leverett, Massachusetts, in 1920. He received his education in the public schools of Leverett, and was a farmer all of his life, owning a large farm. He served his community on the Board of

Selectmen, on the School Board, and he was also a member of the Grange.

George Osgood Beaman married Thankful E. Montague, of Montague, who was born in 1845, daughter of Zibina and Ruth (Kelley) Montague, and who died in 1900. They were the parents of ten children as follows: 1. Alfred F., born in 1868, died in 1881. 2. Ruth, born in 1869, died in infancy. 3. Charles H., of whom further. 4. Isabelle O., born in 1872, died in 1921; she married Charles H. Wilcox, and they had a daughter, Caroline M. 5. Ernest M., born November 19, 1873. 6. Edward B., born November 25, 1874; he married Ethel Daris, and there is one child, Harold D. 7. Mabel C., born in January, 1876, married Clarence Estes, and there is one daughter, Arline. 8. Dan A., born May 29, 1877; he married Cora Bruce, and there are three children: i. Elizabeth. ii. Daniel. iii. Margaret. 9. Anna D., born July 14, 1878; married Albert A. Boutette, and they have a daughter, Gladys. 10. Lucien H., who died in infancy.

(VIII) Charles Hall Beaman, son of George Osgood and Thankful E. (Montague) Beaman, was born in Leverett October 18, 1870. He received his education in the town schools, and worked on a farm until he was sixteen years of age, when he went to work in the box shop in Leverett for the sum of ninety cents a day. He worked there for six years and, being married at the age of eighteen, he at that time bought a farm, which he carried on in addition to his work in the box shop. At the age of twenty-two he resigned his position in the box shop and with his horses and wagons he did teaming, and took contracts for removing lumber from timber lots. When he was twenty-three years of age he was made road commissioner, and at the age of twenty-six was chosen selectman of the town. The box shop, known to-day as the Beaman Marvell Company, and which is the only industry in Leverett, has had varying fortunes. It was started in 1876, and was known as the New England Box Company. Later it was owned by Harrington & Frary, then Frary & Gates; subsequently by Thurber & Field, Field & Beaman, Beaman & Marvell, and Mr. Beaman is to-day the president, treasurer and manager of the concern. He has been identified with the box-making business in an executive capacity since 1902; from 1907 to 1913 the firm was Beaman & Marvell, a co-partnership, and since 1913 it has been incorporated under the name of the Beaman Marvell Company. Some years ago the plant was burned, and since then a modern and up-to-date structure has been erected; the concern manufactures lock corner boxes, and their product is in large demand over a wide area, including New England, New York, Pennsylvania, and the South. In addition to these activities, Mr. Beaman conducts one of the largest dairies in the town. His farming interests are extensive, and he also deals in real estate. Besides he has large lumber interests, buying standing timber and clearing it from the land. He has large quantities of lumber ready for the market, and employs more or less labor, including teamsters, choppers and farm laborers, besides some thirty-five or forty men in his box plant.

Mr. Beaman is always deeply interested in the welfare of the town, and has served on the Board of Selectmen

for twenty-six years; he has been chairman of the board since 1905; has served as constable of the town since he was twenty-six years of age; has been road commissioner, tax collector and library trustee. He was elected to the State Legislature two terms in 1917 and in 1918, and he served on the committee on Agriculture during both terms; he was appointed house chairman on the Recess Commission on Agriculture, at the closing of the session in 1918. Mr. Beaman is president and treasurer of the Leverett Electric Light Company, an organization which was brought into being to supply Leverett with electric lights. He was one of the prime movers in the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of the town of Leverett, held in August, 1924, and which was attended by many thousands of people. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst; and Amherst Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Beaman is Past Master of Thrifty Grange of Leverett, and was for ten years superintendent of the Sunday school connected with the Leverett Congregational Church, of which he is a member.

Charles Hall Beaman married, May 4, 1889, Julia J. Watkins, daughter of George L. and Christianna (Bonney) Watkins, of Hardwick. Mr. and Mrs. Beaman are the parents of four children: 1. Ethel H., born September 8, 1892; she married, January 1, 1917, Harold L. Woodward, of Leverett, and they are the parents of five children, Donald Rector, Christine Louise, Paul Harold, Gilbert Lee and Philip Osgood. 2. Lawrence Henry, born August 16, 1897; attended the Amherst High School, and formerly was a merchant and postmaster in Leverett; he is now associated with his father in the lumber business. He married, November 10, 1917, Ruth Waterman, daughter of George W. and Mary A. Waterman. 3. Ralph, born March 15, 1908. 4. Evelyn Armstrong, born April 2, 1910.

**ERNEST SAMUEL GRANDCHAMP**, an important citizen and chiropractor of the first rank, is well known in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he has an office and a large and satisfied clientele. He was born in Holyoke, May 30, 1892, son of Samuel and Rachel (Beauchamp) Grandchamp. His father is engaged in the real estate and the restaurant business.

The son received his primary schooling at the Precious Blood School in Holyoke, which he completed in 1907, then entered College St. Cesair, St. Cesair, Province of Quebec, Canada, where he completed the commercial course in 1910. Mr. Grandchamp started in business for himself in 1911, a retail dealer in bread and pastries, selling out in 1914 after three successful years. He then entered a munitions factory in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and remained there, being in the employ of the United States Government from 1915 until 1919. For two years thereafter he was engaged as conductor by the Connecticut Company. Having by that time determined on the profession of chiropractic, entering the Eastern College of Chiropractic in Newark, New Jersey, he set himself to acquire training for its practice, completing the course with characteristic thoroughness, and graduating with degrees of Doctor of Chiropractic and Philosopher of Chiropractic in June, 1923. Since



that time he has been practicing in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he has an office. He is a member of the Universal Chiropractor's Association, also of the Massachusetts Chiropractor's Association, being elected to the president's chair in February, 1925, after having served on the legislative committee for two years. He is a member of the Foresters of America, of St. Jean Baptiste, and of the Improved Order of Red Men; belongs to Delta Sigma Chi, Beta Chapter, of New York City; New England Alumni Association, with headquarters in Davenport, Iowa; Palmer School of Chiropractic. Also member of Cercle St. Cesaire des Etats Unis. His club is the Cercle Rochambeau, of Holyoke. He is a communicant of the Precious Blood Church.

**LESTER GILMORE LATHROP**—Among the number of young Americans who during the World War served their country in the United States Navy is Lester Gilmore Lathrop, postmaster of Orange, Massachusetts.

Mr. Lathrop, who comes from an old American family and is a direct lineal descendant of Captain Lathrop, was born on January 30, 1893, at Orange, as a son of William L. Lathrop, a native of Middlefield, who went to live in Orange, where for sixteen years he occupied the position of postmaster and died on February 19, 1915. Mr. Lathrop's father was chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and was the husband of Stella Gilmore, with whom he has four children: Maxwell J., V. W., Doris M., Lester Gilmore.

Mr. Lathrop received his education in the public and high school of his native place and the Fitchburg Business College. During his father's postmastership he entered the service of the post office as a clerk, and after advancing through all the grades of the postal service was nominated on July 1, 1924, by President Coolidge, postmaster of Orange. During the World War, when all patriotic young Americans rallied round their country's flag in defense of liberty and democracy, Mr. Lathrop enlisted in the United States Navy, doing transport duty on the United States ship "New Orleans," received his honorable discharge from the United States Navy Christmas, 1918, and returned to his civilian duties in the post office. He is an intensely patriotic American citizen, and himself organized the Orange American Legion, of which he is a Past Commander. He also belongs to the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias. In politics Mr. Lathrop is an independent, and in religion an undenominational Christian. He also organized the Franklin County La Société des 40 hommes et 8 chevaux Post 172, of which he is now chef-de-gare.

On January 27, 1917, he married, at Orange, Jessie Roberts, a daughter of Cora Jane Burnett.

**WALTER EVERETT BURNHAM**—The family name of Burnham is derived from the Saxon village of that name. Walter Le Ventre came to England at the time of the Norman Conquest in 1066, in the train of his cousin-german, Earl Warren, the son-in-law of William the Conqueror. He became lord of the Saxon village of Burnham and others, but from Burnham, where he lived, he was known as De Burnham, taking his surname

from the town. The name is frequently spelled Burnam, Bernam and Barnham, as well as Burnham, and in the old Anglo-Saxon Beornham, Byrnhom and so forth. In the old Norse, the name is Björn, which in Anglo-Saxon is Beorn, and Burn, a bear, or according to Ferguson, "chief, hero, man." There were towns of this name in both Somersetshire and County Sussex before 900, and the family has been a distinguished one ever since. The ancient coat-of-arms is:

Arms—Sable, a cross between four crescents argent.

There are several branches of this old family, and Walter Everett Burnham, retired merchant of Montague City, Massachusetts, is a descendant of Daniel Burnham, who was descended probably from John Burnham, many of whose descendants lived in the western part of Massachusetts. The records are insufficient for the historians to establish the earlier ancestry.

(I) Daniel Burnham was born in 1743, and settled in what is now the village of Montague City, in the town of Montague, where he died October 11, 1783, aged forty years. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War from Montague, a private in the company of Minute Men of Captain Thomas Grove, Colonel Williams' regiment, on the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775; also in Captain Reuben Polly's company, Lieutenant-Colonel Samuel Williams' regiment, from December 16, 1776, to March 19, 1777. He married and his children were: Reuel, Silas, Daniel, of whom further, and Moses.

(II) Daniel Burnham, son of Daniel Burnham, was born in 1778, in Montague, and died there March 28, 1851. He married (first) February 1, 1802, Lucy Dodge, doubtless a descendant of the Utley family of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. He married (second), June 1, 1839, Laura Hovey Russell. Among the twelve children Utley, of whom further, was the sixth child.

(III) Utley Burnham, son of Daniel and Lucy (Dodge) Burnham, was born July 1, 1812, at Montague, and received his education in his native town. He became a farmer in Deerfield. He married, December 9, 1834, Sarah A. Burnham, widow of Daniel Burnham, of Montague, and they were the parents of eight children: 1. Martha. 2. Charlotte. 3. Thomas Waters, of whom further. 4. Eliza Warner. 5. Gideon. 6. Alden.

(IV) Thomas Waters Burnham, son of Utley and Sarah A. Burnham, was born February 8, 1838, and died December 7, 1894. He was educated in the public schools and learned the trade of carpenter and cabinet maker; he worked in a piano factory and later in life engaged in the sale of cutlery. In 1861 he enlisted in Company G, 10th Massachusetts Regiment, and served for three years during the Civil War as corporal. He was a member of Post No. 162, Grand Army of the Republic of Turners Falls. He was a Republican in his politics.

Thomas Waters Burnham married, April 9, 1865, Harriet A. Brewer, born June 15, 1842, daughter of N. C. Brewer, of Montague, and they were the parents of four children: 1. Walter Everett, of whom further. 2. Mattie B., born September 12, 1869; married Herman Seiler. 3. William Adams, born October 1, 1871. 4. Katie, born May 30, 1873, died November 5, 1873.



(V) Walter Everett Burnham, son of Thomas Waters and Harriet A. (Brewer) Burnham, was born August 17, 1867, in Irving, Massachusetts. He received his education in the public schools of Montague City, and there found employment in the fish rod shop for a time. Following this he went to Atlantic City, where he worked for a time in a store. From there he went on the road with his father, selling cutlery, and in 1894 he established a general store in Montague City in company with his brother, William A. Burnham, who died in 1922. The building in which their business was established was built by Mr. Burnham, and it was conducted under the firm name of W. E. & W. A. Burnham for many years. William A. Burnham was postmaster, and upon his decease Mr. Burnham sold out his business and retired, after having spent twenty-eight years successfully in the merchandising activities. Mr. Burnham was active in the community where he obtained his substantial success and did much for its progress and development. He was active also in the fraternal life of the town, as well as in its religious and social life. He was a member of Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Turners Falls.

Walter Everett Burnham married, October 20, 1902, Florence Clark, who was born at Godman, Chester County, Huntingshire, England, came to Canada at age of four, daughter of John and Sarah (Smart) Clark, her parents having come to America in 1874. Mr. and Mrs. Burnham are the parents of two children: 1. Thomas Clark, born February 22, 1906. 2. John Gideon, born September 30, 1909.

**CLIFFORD MASON HORTON**, of Hadley, Massachusetts, farmer and partner in the Old Mill Ice Cream Company, manufacturers and wholesale dealers in ice cream, and retail milk dealers, was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, April 6, 1886. His father was Ralph Mason Horton, and his mother Etta Louise (Sawtelle) Horton. The Horton family, often spelled Orton, came from England in 1640. The English custom of dropping the initial "H" accounts for the difference in spelling since euphony governed the early speller. Thomas Orton, ship carpenter, lived in Charlestown, Massachusetts, where he died in 1687 at more than ninety years. Several of his sons were recorded as "Horten," one of whom was Thomas, of whom further.

Thomas Horton removed from Windsor, Connecticut, to Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1638, and died there in 1641. His wife was Mary, and their only child, Jereniah, had as children: Nathaniel, born 1662; Jeremiah, born in 1665; Samuel, born in 1667; Thomas, born in 1668; Timothy, born in 1670; John, of whom further; Mary, born in 1674; Benjamin, born in 1682.

John Horton, born in 1672, is probably the John Horton who lived in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, where he married Mehitable Gamzey, of Swansea. Five of their sons are recorded: John, Jothan, Nathaniel, Jonathan and David; and there were probably others, including Solomon.

Solomon Horton was a resident of Rehoboth, Massachusetts; but a diligent search of the records of Swansea, Massachusetts, and Barrington, Rhode Island, formerly a part of Rehoboth, fails to discover any account

of his birth. Perhaps he was a grandson of John and Mehitable (Gamzey) Horton. He married, in Rehoboth, in 1738, Mary Goff, and their children recorded in Rehoboth are: Charles, born March 18, 1739; Constant, born October 29, 1740; Solomon, of whom further; Mary, born August 10, 1745; Abiall, born October 14, 1747; Daniel, born January 30, 1750; Aaron, born March 21, 1752.

Solomon (2) Horton, second son of Solomon and Mary (Goff) Horton, was born January 15, 1743, in Rehoboth, and was a soldier of the Revolution, serving as sergeant in Captain Elijah Walker's company, Colonel Pope's regiment, on the alarm at Rhode Island of December 8, 1776. He was discharged after twelve days' service, the return being dated at Taunton, December 17, 1776. After the war he settled in Dighton, Massachusetts, where, in November, 1768, he married Hannah Talbot. They were the parents of seven sons and three daughters.

Asahel Horton, born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, in 1771, is thought to have been one of the sons of Solomon and Hannah (Talbot) Horton. He settled in Windsor, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, when a young man. He was a farmer. He married Jemimah Aldrich, who lived to be ninety-three. They were the parents of three sons and one daughter, one of whom was Ansel, of whom further.

Ansel Horton was born May 28, 1806. He was a carpenter and built the Baptist and Methodist churches in Savoy, Massachusetts. He built the glass works building and the blast furnace at Chester. He owned three large farms in Savoy and Windsor. He married Hannah Thompson, of Windsor, who died in 1867 at sixty-two years; and they were the parents of eight sons, one of whom was Dwight A., of whom further.

Dwight A. Horton, born in Berkshire County, Massachusetts, January 5, 1830; died in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1905, was a carpenter and builder. He erected the Schermerhorn House in Lenox, and the Northrop Block in Lee. He came to Northampton, where he became an extensive dealer in wood, coal and fertilizer. He was an assessor in Hadley for nine years; was a member of the Common Council in Northampton for two years, and chairman of the board. He was a member of the State Board of Agriculture for several years; was a charter member of the State Grange; was Deputy Grand Master of the local granges, and a member of the State Dairy Bureau. In 1854 he married Amanda M. Mason, daughter of Edward and Maria Mason, of Savoy, Massachusetts. They were the parents of Helen L., who married H. L. Phelps; Ralph Mason, of whom further; Susan P., who married Eugene Dickinson; and Dora, who married Dr. J. H. Roberts.

Ralph Mason Horton, born in Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1860; died in Hadley in 1920. He was a farmer early in life. Afterwards he was with the Street Railway Company for many years. He passed his entire life in Hadley, and was a member of the Grange. He married Etta Louise Sawtelle, born in 1866; died in 1912, daughter of Benjamin W. and Ellen Prior Sawtelle. Their children were Clifford M., of whom further; Lottie Evelyn, since dead; Alice Sawtelle, Frank Dwight, Ray-



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mond Henry, George Benjamin, Amy Roberts, Dorothy Esther. The three brothers, Frank, Raymond and George, served in the World War and all went overseas. George was with A Company, of Northampton, and was with his company in all the engagements of its service in the war. Raymond served with the Machine Gun Company; and Frank entered Germany with the American Army of Occupation after the close of hostilities.

Clifford Mason Horton was educated in the public schools of Hadley, where he made his home since his birth, except for two years passed in Cheshire, Connecticut. He retails milk in Northampton and Hadley, in company with his brother, George, under the firm name of Horton Brothers. He is also a partner in the Old Mill Ice Cream Company in the manufacture and sale (wholesale) of ice cream. He is a member of the Massachusetts Grange and of the Congregational Church.

He was married, October 9, 1911, to Lulu P. Cook, of Hadley, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry R. and Jessie Reynolds Cook. They have one son, Dwight Reynolds Horton, born July 7, 1913.

**FREDERICK CHRISTIAN HAIGIS**—When Frederick Christian Haigis was appointed postmaster of Turners Falls, the choice for the incumbent of that office could not have fallen upon a better qualified or worthier candidate, or one who had by birth, upbringing or previous work been more identified with the life, the business and the civic interests of the town, than is its present postmaster.

Born in Turners Falls, on August 12, 1878, a son of John and Elizabeth (Hildebrand) Haigis, Mr. Haigis after receiving his education in the local schools entered the employ of the John Russell Cutlery Company, remaining with them for three years, then with the Warner Manufacturing Company, Greenfield, Massachusetts, seventeen years. After his return to Turners Falls in 1908, he bought an interest in the firm of Bardwell & Haigis, who engaged in newspapers and stationery business, and six years later bought out his partner, Mr. Bardwell, and became local agent for the American and Adams Express Company. Subsequently he formed with Henry Beaumier a new partnership, which still exists under the name of Haigis & Beaumier. Mr. Haigis holds a distinguished record as a public servant and legislator, having for seven consecutive terms, 1912 to 1919, held the position of chairman of the Board of Selectmen. For four years he has been a member of the Massachusetts Legislature, as representative from the Third Franklin District, and done valuable work in the committees on waterways and terminals, highways and motor vehicles, constitutional law, counties and committee for the revision of law of Massachusetts. Committee on revision of laws, first time in twenty years, and the biggest commission appointed in twenty years. Mr. Haigis has made a wide and exhaustive study of municipal tax problems, and in 1923 served as special commissioner on taxation. In September, 1923, Mr. Haigis was appointed acting postmaster, and three months later postmaster of Turners Falls, second class

office. Mr. Haigis did valuable work of national importance by serving on all war drives and acting as chairman of two. His fraternal and other association include membership in the Free and Accepted Masons, Mechanics' Lodge, of Turners Falls, of which he has been Junior and Senior Steward, in the Valley Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in the Greenfield Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Board of Trade, the Foresters, the Rotary Club, the Sportsmen's Club of Turners Falls, and past president, treasurer and secretary of the Peskeumscot Club. He is chairman of the local branch of the Salvation Army.

On April 24, 1901, he married, at Greenfield, Alice L. Kelly, daughter of Giles M. Kelly, and they are the parents of four children: Marion J., Frederick E., Erwin S., Norman C.

**EDGAR RUSSELL MARTIN**, whose career at first was checkered by various forms of employment, and later interrupted for a season by his service in the United States Government in the World War, is a well known resident of Greenfield, and conducts one of the highest-grade specialty pattern-making shops in that city. He has achieved a remarkable success in the business of which he became the owner at the age of twenty-seven years, and which he has conducted virtually since the close of the war.

(I) James Martin, great-grandfather of Edgar Russell Martin, was born in England, and with his family came to Canada about 1856, where he engaged in farming. He died in Listowell, Canada, in 1874, aged about ninety years. His wife was Anna Clifferton. Their children: John, of whom further; James, Thomas, Mary Jane and Annie, were all born in England.

(II) John Martin, grandfather of Edgar Russell Martin, died in Holyoke, March 5, 1906, at the age of seventy-seven years. When he was young he was brought by his parents to Canada and worked for a time on a farm. He next secured employment as fireman for the Farr Alpaca Company, and when that concern moved to Holyoke, in 1874, he went with it. He later removed to Beaver, Manitoba, Canada, where he followed the vocation of farming. Returning to Holyoke to make a visit, he was stricken with an illness and died there. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Elizabeth Haseltine, born in Canada, died in 1918. Their children: Henry, of whom further; Eliza, Elijah, Mary, married William Bishop and lives in Westminster, British Columbia; Nelson and Alice.

(III) Henry Martin, father of Edgar Russell Martin, was born in Listowell, Canada, January 26, 1857. He received his education in the public schools of Hesper, Canada. For a time he was employed at farming in Canada. He came to Holyoke in 1874, and since that time has been for a half-century in the employ of the Farr Alpaca Company, his particular line of work being what is known in the trade as long chain beaming. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, and the Free and Accepted Masons. He is affiliated with the Highlands Methodist Episcopal Church of Holyoke, and is a member of its official board. He married, May 12, 1880,

Hattie Tibbetts, of Burlington, Vermont, daughter of William and Cornelia (Mills) Tibbetts. Their children are: 1. Robert, born February 26, 1881, died in December, 1893. 2. Annie, born December, 1882, married Frank R. Waterman, and has children, Dorothy, Thomas, Phyllis, Edward. 3. Raymond, born November 5, 1885; died May 8, 1898. 4. Nettie, born December 27, 1887, married Mathew McLaughlin, and has children: Ruth, Shirley, Henry Raymond. 5. Edgar Russell, of whom further.

(IV) Edgar Russell Martin was born in Holyoke October 2, 1892. He attended the public schools of his native city of Holyoke, and then took employment in the drug store of W. E. Martin, in Holyoke, where he remained one and a half years. His next move was to the employ of the Dean Steam Pump Works in Holyoke, where he worked four and a half years as a pattern-maker. In 1915 he left the pump works to enter Wentworth Institute, Boston, where he took the general course in machinery construction and tool designing. His course at the institute finished, he returned to the Dean Steam Pump Works, and continued with them for one year. In February, 1916, he went to Greenfield as pattern maker in the well-known shop of C. E. Loveland. Then the World War broke upon the nations in all its fury, and Mr. Martin, in August, 1918, found himself a soldier in training at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, remaining there until October 15, 1918, when he was ordered to Plattsburg, New York, to work in the pattern-making plant. Before he could be ordered into active war duty the conflict ended, and in December, 1918, he was honorably discharged from the service. He at once returned to his old trade of pattern maker at the Loveland plant in Greenfield, continuing as a skilled employee until December, 1919, when he bought the business of Mrs. C. E. Loveland, who had carried it on since the death of her husband. Mr. Martin infused new blood into the business and installed modern machinery in the plant, and this policy has spoken for itself in the additional volume and superior character of the trade that has come to his establishment. The local field, while restricted in territorial area, is extremely large in possibilities, and these Mr. Martin and his force of skilled workmen are cultivating intensively to the limit of their equipment and physical capacity. He is a member of Pocumtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Martin married, June 18, 1917, Lillian Raithel, of Holyoke, daughter of Nicholas and Genevieve (Karrir) Raithel. They have a daughter, Marjorie, born December 29, 1920.

Mr. Raithel was born in Bavaria, Germany, April 27, 1856, and emigrated to America in 1888. He remained in Little Falls, New York, three years, and then removed to Holyoke. He is employed by the Springfield Provision Company, of Springfield. He married, October 29, 1892, Genevieve Karrir, born in Baden, Germany, daughter of Paul and Katherine Karrir. Mrs. Raithel came to live in America in 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Russell Martin make their home at 141 Conway Street, Greenfield.

**JOSEPH AMOS TUPPER**—Some young men who pass their apprenticeship in one of the trades necessitating residence in towns and comparative restrictions in ordering one's life and adapting it to urban conditions, come to believe that the farmer's life is the one to suit their tastes, and "flying from evils known to those unknown"—for there is no occupation without its own limitations or drawbacks—forsake the town and repair to the country to enjoy the pleasures of rural life. A good many of them, however, return to business and again become town dwellers, convinced that urban conditions, though not without their own drawbacks, yet afford great advantages to a young man intent upon building up a successful career and earning enough money to go into business sooner or later on his own account. Mr. Joseph Amos Tupper was one of the instances of a young man who left town for the country, but afterwards returned to become the founder and owner of a prosperous and important business, which to-day has grown to such an extent that it occupies a block of four stories and is still growing steadily.

Mr. Tupper was born in Athol on June 5, 1836, is a descendant of an old New England family. His father was Erastus Tupper, who was a son of Solomon Tupper, who was a son of Solomon Tupper, Sr., a son of Eleakin Tupper, a son of Thomas Tupper, a son of Thomas Tupper, Sr., who was the immigrant ancestor. The old Tupper homestead is situated at Cape Cod, where Thomas Tupper settled. His son, Thomas Tupper was married to Martha Mayhew, who was the first child born of the Pilgrims in America. Mr. Tupper's mother was Mehitabel (Waitt) Tupper.

As a boy Joseph A. Tupper attended school at New Salem, and later studied at the Jaffrey Academy at Jaffrey, New Hampshire. From there he entered a paint shop as an apprentice serving his time, but desiring a change of surroundings bought a farm at Troy, New Hampshire. He cultivated this farm until about 1870, but felt again drawn to town life and coming to Turners Falls went into partnership with A. M. Goodnow, and with him established a furniture business. His partner losing patience in view of the slow growth of the business Mr. Tupper, who had a firm belief in its vitality and future prosperity, bought Mr. Goodnow out and then purchased the building and added to it in the course of time, until the business grew into one of the most extensive and important concerns in Turners Falls. In politics Mr. Tupper was an Independent, in religion a faithful member of the Baptist Church, in which for many years he held the position of deacon, and from 1876 until his death was also a trustee and clerk.

On January 1, 1860, he married, at Jaffrey, New Hampshire, Lydia A. Avery, a daughter of Amos and Lydia Avery, and was the father of four children: 1. Lilla J., who married Henry M. Harlow, for fifteen years treasurer of the Baptist Church; they had three children: i. Joseph Alvin, married Geraldine Rindge, and they have a daughter, Barbara, living in Turners Falls. ii. Anzella May, died in infancy. iii. Pearl Lydia, married Thomas Richardson, living in New Haven, Connecticut. 2. A child who died in infancy. 3. Albin Joseph. 4. Martin Hosea, died in 1921. All four children were born at Troy, New Hampshire.





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Joseph Amos Tupper died in June, 1886, and was survived by his widow only a few years. With him passed away one of the earliest and finest types of New Englanders, a man of the strictest probity and honor. He was deeply religious, a devoted member of his church, and during his life time blessed with great success and good fortune in business and all his undertakings. His memory is treasured by the many people who had the privilege of knowing him and most of all by those who are connected by ties of blood or friendship with the fine old family of whom he was a worthy descendant.

**LELAND GRAY COOKE**, one of the foremost business executives of Greenfield, who as contractor and builder has won noteworthy rank in local progress, is an eminently practical man, devoting his energies to the most useful lines of endeavor and achieving success in his chosen work. His influence is strong on the progress and development of the community, and many handsome and substantial structures already stand to his credit. Still in the prime of life with many years of usefulness yet before him he has attained an enviable position, and his future is unquestionably assured. The Cooke family is an old and distinguished one of New England, three brothers of this name having come from old England about the close of the eighteenth century, one of whom, Josiah Cooke, settled in North Adams. Another settled in the State of New York, and the third in Ohio.

(I) Josiah Cooke was born in England, in 1780, and died in Clarksburg, Massachusetts, in 1825. He became largely prosperous, purchasing extensive land and conducting important farming operations, also buying and selling on a large scale cattle and hogs for market. Wise in his activities and judicious in his investments he accumulated what was at that time a considerable fortune and left a large estate. This success, however, was the result of his excellent judgment and tireless activity, never the result of exploiting others in a selfish way. He was greatly interested in every phase of community endeavor, possessing a generous, warm-hearted personality which endeared him to all. Of splendid stature and powerful build he was a man of great strength and his early death, at the age of forty-five years was occasioned by overstrain. He attended a "barn raising," the custom of the time being for the neighbors to gather and assist any townsman when he was building a barn. In putting up the side of the barn, through some mishap the entire framework threatened to come down and crush several men. Mr. Cooke, by his superior strength held the frame and enabled all to reach a safe position before it fell. The over exertion on his part led to his early death. Josiah Cooke married Amelia Wilbur, and they were the parents of the following children: Orrin; Almond; Wilbur, of further mention; Charles J.; Aaron D.; and Mary Ann.

(II) Wilbur Cooke, son of Josiah and Amelia (Wilbur) Cooke, was born in Clarksburg, in 1814, and died in Halifax, Vermont, November 30, 1886. He was christened Benjamin Wilbur, but through his own choice and by an act of the Legislature he dropped the Benjamin and was always known under the name of Wilbur Cooke. Educated in the local schools and pre-eminently

a man of action, he became largely prosperous and owned a farm of some three hundred acres which he later exchanged for a four hundred acre timber tract in Stamford, Vermont. This established him in the lumber business in a large way and he also manufactured charcoal, in a single season burning 2,700 cords of wood for this purpose. He later, in North Adams, entered upon the manufacture of doors, sashes, and blinds, also boxes and retired from active affairs as a man of wealth a number of years previous to his death. Wilbur Cooke married Amelia Clark, of Clarksburg, from whose family the community was named. She was born in 1816, and died in 1898 and their children were: Truman W.; Benjamin Reuben; Aaron Josiah; Eli Samuel, of further mention; Albert L.; Amelia, wife of Charles H. Hatch; Lizzie, wife of Stephen W. Bishop; and Levi Avery.

(III) Eli Samuel Cooke, son of Wilbur and Amelia (Clark) Cooke, was born in Stamford, Vermont, in September, 1842, and is still living (1924) at the advanced age of eighty-two years. Educated in the public schools of Stamford, Halifax and Whitingham, as his father's business occasioned changes of family residence, Mr. Cooke removed to Boston where he was employed for a time as a bus driver, then later went to the State of Connecticut and drove buses and horse cars in New Haven and Hartford. In 1868 he went West and bought a two hundred acre farm comprising rich prairie land which he cultivated for seven years, returning to Vermont in 1875. His western home was near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, but upon his return East he settled in Guilford, Vermont, where for two years he was active in a factory manufacturing baby carriages. He was a resident of Guilford for about six years, spending the balance of the time in farming. In 1881 he removed to Halifax, Vermont, where he became one of the important farmers of the community, continuing active in agricultural operations until his retirement in 1920. While a resident of Halifax Mr. Cooke served many years as overseer of the poor, also as health officer. He now spends the greater part of his time with his sons. For many years Eli Samuel Cooke has been a member of the Masonic Order, having joined the Free and Accepted Masons in Wilmington, Vermont, and later having fraternized with the Jacksonville (Vermont) Lodge. He is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which he has served as Noble Grand, and he is at the present time District Deputy of the Patrons of Husbandry. His religious connection is with the Universalist Church.

Eli Samuel Cooke married (first) Delia Ellis, who died two years later. He married (second), March 1, 1876, Catherine A. Knowlton, of Rochester, Vermont, who was born in 1846, and was a daughter of Elbridge and Artileca (Mason) Knowlton. Mrs. Cooke died in October, 1920, leaving three children: 1. Arthur E., of Brattleboro, Vermont, who married Florence Laugh-ton and has four children: Evi, Annie, Raymond, and Lawrence. 2. Stella M., wife of Charles Perry, of Marlboro, Vermont, and has four children: Dorothy, Robert, Katherine, and Hazel. 3. Leland Gray, of whom further.

(IV) Leland Gray Cooke, son of Eli Samuel and Catherine A. (Knowlton) Cooke, was born in West

Halifax, Vermont, December 15, 1883. Receiving a practical education in the public schools of his birthplace and in Jacksonville Academy, he also attended the Arms Academy at Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, completing his studies with a correspondence course along engineering lines. When Mr. Cooke's school attendance was over he became active on the home farm but at the age of twenty years went to Brooklyn, New York, where he worked for a time in a bakery. Returning to Vermont he secured a position as clerk in a clothing store in Brattleboro then went South and spent a winter in North Carolina where he worked in a bakery. Again returning to Brattleboro Mr. Cooke had charge of outside work of Linden Lodge, a beautiful estate in that city but in April of 1920 he came to Greenfield and became active in carpenter work. He was employed successfully by Dwight Smith, W. Edward Benson, and Fred Burnham, these progressive men all being prominent contractors.

In the year 1921 Mr. Cooke established himself in business as an independent contractor and builder, for a time, however, going forward with a partner. The firm name was Cooke & Bittens, but after a short period Mr. Cooke continued alone. He has developed a largely successful enterprise and has built many fine residences in this community and vicinity as well as garages and public structures. He employs between five and ten skilled carpenters and in the heavier work employs many laborers. Mr. Cooke's progressive attitude towards his work and his idealistic spirit are well exemplified in the substantial and well built structures which are adding dignity and beauty to the community, and everyone who is in touch with his activities recognizes his worth to the community. Mr. Cooke is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Lodge of Perfection; also of Pocumtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Orientals. He attends the Baptist Church.

Leland Gray Cooke married, October 16, 1912, Edith Urana Grant, of Bernardston, daughter of George W. and Ida F. (Parmenter) Grant, and they are the parents of two daughters: Bernice E., born July 22, 1913; and Marjorie E., born March 11, 1917.

**FRANK H. PELISSIER**, tax collector of the town of Hadley, Massachusetts, in addition to being the proprietor of one of the largest tobacco producing farms in Western Massachusetts, has cheerfully devoted his time to the public affairs of his home town of Hadley. He has occupied three offices within the gift of the people, town treasurer, tax collector, and town clerk; he is now serving his fourteenth term as collector, his reflections attesting the value in which his services are held by the citizens.

Frank H. Pelissier is the son of Louis, who died in 1920, at the age of seventy, and Mary (Dalton) Pelissier, who died in 1923, at the age of seventy-one. He was educated in the Hadley schools and at Hopkins Academy. Schooldays over, he returned to the home farm on Middle Street, Hadley, and assisted his father in the management of the farm. They devoted virtually their whole attention to the growing of tobacco, developing one

of the most important tracts for the cultivation of that crop in this region. On the death of the senior Pelissier, in 1920, his son, Frank H. Pelissier, succeeded to the ownership of the farm, on which he has spent practically all his life to the present time. The town offices he has so acceptably filled have been taken on largely through a sense of public duty, and in the administration of them he has won the esteem, and merited the confidence of the people of the community. Mr. Pelissier is a member of Northampton Lodge, No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and St. John's Roman Catholic Church, Hadley.

**ALMON MITCHELL SHAW**, farmer, dairyman, and public official of Cummington, his birthplace, was born November 11, 1872, the son of William Hinckey and Julia (Allen) Shaw, of Ludlow, Vermont.

Abraham Shaw, immigrant ancestor of this branch of the Shaw family in America, was a resident of Halifax, Yorkshire, England, when he decided to come to New England in 1636. He was admitted a freeman in March, 1636-37. In 1636 he was a proprietor of Watertown. The same year his house was burned down and he moved to Dedham, where he signed the famous compact and was elected constable of Dedham, September 6, 1638. He removed to Cambridge, and was a town officer there likewise. He had a grant of "coal or iron ore which may be found in any common land in this country's disposing," dated November 2, 1637; and it is thought he made a search for minerals at a time when great mineral wealth was expected from the earth in New England. He received permission to erect a corn mill February 12, 1636-37. Mary Shaw, presumably his widow, was admitted to the Charlestown church July 1, 1645. He left a will at his death in 1638. He owned coal mines at Halifax, England, besides his property in New England.

John Shaw, son of Abraham Shaw, was born at Halifax, England, about 1630, and married Alice Phillips, of Weymouth, where he lived all his active life, and was deacon of the church.

John (2) Shaw, son of John and Alice (Phillips) Shaw, was born at Weymouth about 1655. He married Hannah Whitmarsh, of Weymouth, who died May 4, 1736.

Solomon Shaw, a descendant of one of the sons of John (2) Shaw, removed from Weymouth, Massachusetts, to Abington, Massachusetts. He married, on July 15, 1753, Deborah Ford.

Solomon (2) Shaw, son of Solomon and Deborah (Ford) Shaw, was born in Abington, Massachusetts, September 20, 1758, and died in Cummington, Massachusetts, April 12, 1827. He removed to Cummington in 1794, living for a time in a log house and building one of the best frame houses in the village. He was a blacksmith by occupation. He married, in Abington, January 4, 1779, Betty Dillingham.

Solomon (3) Shaw, son of Solomon (2) and Betty (Dillingham) Shaw, and the grandfather of Almon Mitchell Shaw, was born in Abington, September 20, 1790, and died in Cummington in 1874, aged eighty-four years. He came to Cummington with his parents at four years of age, learned the blacksmith trade, and was especially







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skilled in his line. He was active to the time of his death, and shod a horse a few hours before the end. Horses were brought to his shop from long distances in order to obtain the advantage of his exceptional skill. He shod horses for seventy-two years. His wife was Polly Bailey, of Worthington. Children: Henry Dillingham who died at the age of ninety-three; John Harrison; George Howland; Solomon Herbert; William Hinckley, of whom further; Horace Franklin; Francis Howland; and Charles Humphrey.

William Hinckley Shaw, son of Solomon (3) and Polly (Bailey) Shaw, was born in Cummington, May 14, 1833, and died September 6, 1919. He lived in Cummington, Ashfield, and Meriden, Connecticut. He enlisted in the Union Army at the call of President Lincoln for the first 75,000 volunteers, April 15, 1861. He joined Company B, 3d Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered out of the United States service after the close of hostilities on June 21, 1865. During those long years of service he kept a diary, which has been printed, and is in the possession of his children. It is a human interest narrative of his experiences from day to day, and is of great historic value. This can be better understood from the fact that he served under General Grant mostly in the Army of the Potomac, and was in his victorious forces at the time of Lee's surrender at Appomattox, as orderly sergeant. He served in many important engagements, including Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Marys Heights, Salem Heights, Gettysburg, Antietam, Rappahannock Station, Mine Run, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor, the battles around Petersburg, Fort Stevens, Hatcher's Run, Fort Fisher; Petersburg, where Lee's lines were broken, and Sailor's Creek, the last being fought on April 6, three days before Lee's Surrender. At the close of the war he returned to Cummington, Massachusetts, where he followed farming. In 1909 he came to the village to live with his son, Almon Mitchell Shaw, and where he continued to live in retirement to the day of his death. He served as town constable; was a member of Mountain Miller Post, No. 198, Grand Army of the Republic, of Plainfield, Massachusetts; and a member of the Congregational Church. He married Julia Allen, of Ludlow, Vermont, born in 1836, died April 8, 1905, aged sixty-nine years, daughter of Pollard Allen. Children: Edna, who died in infancy; Walter Allen, who has a son, Harold Eugene; and Almon Mitchell, of whom further.

Almon Mitchell Shaw was educated in the town schools of Cummington. He engaged in farming and carried on lumbering operations on the home farm until 1909, at the time buying his present property in the village of Cummington, where he owns a farm of ninety acres of tillable land and two hundred acres of woodland. He keeps a large herd of cows and sells milk. He also does heavy trucking. Mr. Shaw was town superintendent of highways during several years.

Almon M. Shaw was married, on October 30, 1906, to Mary Elizabeth Woodbine, of Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of Mark and Maria (Townsend) Woodbine.

**EDGAR FRANCIS COPELAND**—The Copeland family have been established in Vermont for many generations. Ebenezer Copeland lived and died in Dover,

Vermont, where he was a farmer and deacon in the church. His wife's maiden name was Cook and they had several children: Harvey, of whom further; Daniel Ebenezer; James; Mary; Sarah; Aurelia; and some more daughters.

Harvey Copeland was born in Vernon, Vermont, on September 22, 1803, and died in Wilmington, Vermont, on June 5, 1897. He was a self-educated man and in early life taught school. He was so enthusiastic and persevering in his attempts at educating himself to the highest possible degree that he borrowed books and studied at night by the light of a pine knot. At the age of seventeen he walked to Boston, where he worked in the day-time and studied at night. For fourteen years he followed the profession of teacher and in his time was considered the best educated man in the county. His teaching had to be done under difficulties and the log school house in which he taught had a fire place but was not supplied with a stove. Yet he never had less than eighty pupils. In his last course in Brattleboro he had no less than one hundred and twenty pupils. In time he took to farming in Dover, Vermont, where he kept some forty head of stock and raised potatoes for the starch factory which he sold for fifteen cents a bushel. Harvey Copeland held all the town offices and was very active in all town affairs. He was a man of wonderful physique and no political preferences and a member of the Universalist Church. He married (first) Betsy May, (second) Sophronia Johnson. The children of the first marriage are: 1. Marilla, who married Mr. Gould and died young. 2. Orson H., who died aged eighty-five. 3. Matilda. 4. Leland, deceased. 5. Edgar F., of whom further. The children of the second marriage are: 6. Coonier, who died, sixty-eight years old. 7. Myra, who married Frank Billows. 8. Luman.

Edgar Francis Copeland is a native of Dover, Vermont, where he was born on January 19, 1844. He received his first education in his native city and in June 1862 enlisted in the Civil War in Company K. of the 9th Vermont Infantry, serving for three years and eight days. While in the service he went West where in 1862 to 1863 for a time he was a member of the military police in Chicago. He took part in several battles in North Carolina, in one of the engagements one hundred and eighty men entered but only sixty-six emerged alive, some taken prisoners. He was taken prisoner at Harpers Ferry and after his discharge from the service he returned to Dover, Vermont, later going to Marlboro, Vermont, where he remained a year. He then went to Shelburne, Massachusetts, where he worked on a farm for four years. He went to Halifax, Vermont, for three years, after which he came to Colerain, Massachusetts, and there bought a farm of some one hundred and eighty-five acres for the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars, which he still owns. Under his management the value of the land has increased to such an extent that he has since been offered ten times the purchase price of the farm, thirty-five thousand dollars, which however he has refused. In addition to this property he owns several timber lots. Mr. Copeland has been an expert breeder of Holstein cattle which he has bred extensively and produced fine thoroughbred specimens. He owned, bred and raised the first and second Holstein cows that held



the world's record for the production of butter and milk. For thirty-one years he has raised and sold thoroughbred stock, receiving as much as fifteen hundred dollars for one cow. He has sold car loads of blooded cattle that have taken first prizes at the National Cattle Shows in Chicago. Besides this Mr. Copeland has done an extensive business in the cultivation of apples, having an apple orchard of thirty acres. He was the first apple grower to introduce the Macintosh red apple in Franklin County, but later specialized in Baldwin apples. He sold a carload of fruit trees in Colerain, Massachusetts, in one year and at one time owned ten acres of peach trees. Although he began without a dollar in his pocket he has built up a wonderful business and has put in seven miles of underdrain on his farm. In his dairying business he has produced from four hundred to five hundred quarts of milk a day. He came to Greenfield in December, 1923, to live in a beautiful home that he had built for himself from lumber provided from his own timber lots. In his present life of retirement he is still a hale, hearty, vigorous man. He is a member of the post No. 20 of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colerain, which he served as an officer, of which there are only two members alive. He is a member of and attends the Congregational Church.

On April 20, 1870, he married Ellen Burrington of Halifax, Vermont, a daughter of Allen and Olive (Underwood) Burrington. The children of the marriage are: 1. Minnie O. Copeland. 2. Mina J. Copeland, who married Charles Peck and has six children: i. Gertrude Peck. ii. Roger Peck, who is married and the father of a child. iii. Richard Peck, married. iv. Nellie Peck. v. Abner Peck. vi. Carl Peck. 3. Grace Copeland, who married Louis Long and with him has four children: Hazel; Verna; Sylvia; Gorden. 4. Jay Copeland, who died at the age of fourteen years. 5. Eva Copeland, who married Fred Hall and with him has three children: Edgar; Gerald; Marcia. 6. Harvey Copeland who runs the home farm and who married Louise Bardwell and has children: i. Lloyd Copeland. ii. Marjorie Copeland. Mr. Copeland has sixteen grandchildren of whom fifteen are living and he has also one great-grandchild.

**BENJAMIN DAVID NOVAK**—With the establishment of his offices and his practice at Springfield, Mr. Novak has entered upon his career under pleasing auspices, and with the good will and esteem of his many friends in the legal fraternity and of the public in general. He is the son of Joseph Novak, a shoe merchant, of Springfield, and Rose (Feldman) Novak, both of whom were natives of Russia.

Benjamin David Novak was born September 30, 1899, in Boston, but at the age of four or five came to Springfield, where he attended the public schools, and afterwards graduated at the Technical High School. He prepared for his profession at Northeastern University School of Law, and graduated at the head of his class, and with *cum laude* in the class of 1923, with his lawyer's degree of LL. B. Mr. Novak was admitted to the bar April 16, 1924, and has established his general practice in Springfield. He is an independent voter in politics. He was admitted to the United States District Court for

Massachusetts June 17, 1925. Mr. Novak's fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons at Indian Orchard; and with the Knights of Pythias, B'nai B'rith and City of Homes Lodge. He is a member of Beth-El Temple Congregation at Springfield. He is interested in boys work, Springfield Boys' Club and Boy Scouts of America.

**JAMES HENRY BULMAN**—Attractive as Greenfield is for situation, its business men have performed their very important share of making the business and shopping districts of commensurate value. In the mercantile life of this increasingly busy place, Mr. Bulman, proprietor of the boot and shoe business that was established by his brother has made his own opportunity a benefit also to the community. Accounted one of the most substantial merchants in this section and with interests of his town at heart, he adopts measures that will be beneficial to his business and increase the civic value of Greenfield among the townships of Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Bulman is a son of Cornelius Bulman, who was born in Cork, Ireland, and came to the United States in his young manhood, at first locating at Northfield, where he was employed in farming, and afterward, for a short time, engaged in the same capacity at Millers Falls. Removing to Greenfield, he became interested in and learned the cutlery trade in the employ of the John Russell Cutlery Company; and again, while retaining his place of residence in Greenfield, he was employed at a cutlery works in Holyoke. Finally he joined his interests with those of the Wiley Russell Manufacturing Company, in Greenfield, and continued with that firm to the time of his death. He married (first) Kate Coughlin, and they were the parents of: John; Robert, who died in infancy. He married (second) Margaret Casey, who was born in Cork, Ireland, and came to the United States when she was but eight years of age, the daughter of Dennis Casey. They were the parents of: 1. Thomas. 2. Mary, who married John Woodlock, and who has three children, Marion, John, and Paul. 3. William, who married Elizabeth (Hennessey), and whose children are: Margaret, Louise, Harold, and Cornelius. 4. Patrick, who died in infancy. James H., of whom further. 6. Margaret. 7. Elizabeth. 8. Michael, who married Lillian McGuire, deceased. Their children were Francis and Robert.

James Henry Bulman was born August 13, 1873, in Greenfield, where he attended the public schools. He then learned the machinist's trade and for eighteen years he was employed in the plant of the Wiley & Russell Manufacturing Company. In 1900, Mr. Bulman's brother John had established a boot and shoe business on Main Street, in Greenfield, and prior to 1905, James Henry Bulman had become a partner in the enterprise with him; but in that year he bought out his brother's interests, since that time he has conducted the store with success in his own name. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus.

James Henry Bulman married, October 12, 1908, Mary G. Shea, a daughter of James and Julia (Maher) Shea, and they are the parents of: Julia Agnes; James Cornelius; Margaret Mary; Catherine Elizabeth; John Shea.

**ORAMEL SYLVESTER BICKFORD**—The world of mechanics is feeling in a very definite way the useful and large natural ability of Oramel Sylvester Bickford, of Greenfield, whose achievements in the designing and construction of machinery have brought him not only fame but substantial success. He has attained very high rank in this special line of endeavor, having designed and constructed many intricate automatic machines for special purposes, and his name has attained a foremost position among inventors of the day. Mr. Bickford is a member of a well known family of New England, distinguished for many generations in old England, and prominent on both sides of the Atlantic.

(I) Joseph H. Bickford, grandfather of Oramel S. Bickford, was born in England, and was one of four brothers who came to America about 1820. One settled in Maine, one in New Hampshire, Joseph H. in Vermont, and the other in Massachusetts. Joseph H. Bickford was for a number of years an honored and esteemed resident of the town of Woodford, Vermont, and it was by accident that he met his early death, having been killed in the woods by a falling tree on February 22, 1837. Shortly after his arrival in America, Joseph H. Bickford married Amy G. Cutler, and they were the parents of seven children: Matilda; George W.; Prosper; Albert; Almeron; Sally; and Gordon Sylvester.

(II) Gordon Sylvester Bickford, youngest son of this family, and Mr. Bickford's father, was born in Woodford, Vermont, June 27, 1833. Only four years of age when his father died, he was only six when he was left motherless and he spent the remaining years of his childhood among the different families of the neighborhood, going from one to the other as he was welcomed, and too often feeling a burden. When still a very young lad he went to work. His school attendance was limited to a few weeks each winter. He appreciated deeply, however, the vital importance of education, and as he grew older and was able to command fair wages, he devoted all possible time to study and for three months attended a select school. Meanwhile, at the age of sixteen years Gordon S. Bickford secured a position in Hoosick, New York, where he was active for a time, then returned to Newfane, Vermont, where he was employed, thereafter going to Williamsville, Vermont. It was in the latter community that he attended select school. Later going to Boston, Mr. Bickford became identified with a bakery concern and worked from two A. M. to one P. M. for five years. Then (1855) he returned to Whitingham, Vermont, and in August of 1862 enlisted from that village for service in the Civil War. Joining Company E, 11th Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, he drilled in Battleboro for a time, but was early sent to the nation's Capitol. This regiment was transferred to the heavy artillery service and was stationed at various forts in the vicinity of Washington on garrison duty. Mr. Bickford participated in many important engagements during the war and was several times wounded, but each time upon his recovery rejoined his regiment. Following his honorable discharge from the service he was returned to Vermont and for considerable period was a resident of Whitingham and a prosperous farmer. He died in the town of Gill, Massachusetts, March 22, 1909, after a life of honored and worthy effort. He was

a man of deep religious convictions, and was universally beloved by the townspeople. Gordon S. Bickford married Mary Almeda Streeter, of Whitingham, who was born in 1844 and died in September, 1913, a daughter of Royal Corbett and Fannie Almeda (Eames) Streeter. Their children were: 1. Oramel S., of further mention. 2. Myron Adebert, of Los Angeles, who married Amy Gordon, and has two children: Lucille and Marshall. 3. Elva Rose.

(III) Oramel Sylvester Bickford was born in Whitingham, Vermont, June 22, 1872. Attending school in Whitingham, also at Hinsdale, New Hampshire, he later was a student at Powers Institute, at Bernardston, Massachusetts, then later received a diploma as mechanical engineer, from the American School of Correspondence, which is connected with the Armour Institute of Technology of Chicago. Mr. Bickford came to Greenfield in 1892, and was first employed by the Rugg Manufacturing Company for a time. In 1896 he entered the employ of the Wells Brothers Company, and was identified with that concern for eleven years. During seven years of this period Mr. Bickford was foreman of the milling and special tap departments, and for two years he was designer. Further, for two years he built special machinery in that connection.

In the year 1908 Mr. Bickford established his own interests under the title of Bickford Machine Company and was active independently until 1918. Building a new factory in 1915, he extended his operations definitely and employed seventy-five men. During the years 1916 to 1917 he built machinery for the Russia Government, but following the intervention of the United States in Europe, he devoted his attention to other work until November of 1917 when he sold the interest to the Greenfield Tap & Die Corporation. The history of this enterprise while in Mr. Bickford's hands was a record of outstanding success for he started with only six hundred dollars, and through his own initiative and ability carried the business to a point where at its sale, only about ten years later, he received in payment, the sum of fifty thousand dollars. Immediately upon transferring his interests to the Greenfield Tap & Die Corporation Mr. Bickford joined their executive staff as general superintendent of the designing and installation of new machinery. In 1921, however, he again established himself in business, this time with a partner Bernard M. Switzer, under the firm name of Bickford-Switzer Company. Mr. Bickford was treasurer and general manager of this interest until the business was sold in 1923 to the Wells Corporation. In that year Mr. Bickford built the present spacious and splendidly equipped plant on Silver Street and went forward under the firm name of O. S. Bickford & Son Company, he and his son, Robert M. Bickford, doing a large and ever increasing business. The scope of the work done in this plant includes the designing and building of special machinery and tools and Mr. Bickford has built many automatic machines of outstanding importance. Among these special automatic machines may be mentioned one for setting glove fasteners, a folding machine for leather goods, and various types of machines for the fluting of twist drills. Although Mr. Bickford's interests are largely centered in his business affairs, he is a loyal supporter of the Republican party, and in every phase



of community advance he is deeply interested. Fraternally he is affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; Franklin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Titus Strong Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is also identified with the Sons of Veterans, the Knights of Malta, and the Ancient Order of United Workmen. For many years a member of the First Congregational Church of North Parish, Mr. Bickford has served on the Parish Committee, and also on the building committee of the Parish House. He was formerly superintendent of the Sunday school and a member of the church choir.

Oramel Sylvester Bickford married, October 20, 1892, Carrie Eliza Streeter, of Bernardston, daughter of Harvey and Emma Annette (Stoddard) Streeter, and they are the parents of five children: 1. Raymond Leslie, of further mention. 2. Edna Mae, born December 21, 1897, and became the wife, May 5, 1923, of Guy E. Turner; they have one daughter, Marjorie Mae, born July 27, 1924. 3. Rena Genevieve, born March 25, 1900, who became the wife, October 12, 1920, of Howard Percy Carrier, their only child a son, Howard Percy, Jr., born in July, 1921. 4. Gordon Harvey, born May 31, 1902, married, June 28, 1923, Millicent M. McLagan. 5. Robert Merton, born April 19, 1904, married, September 1, 1923, Gladys Sessler.

(IV) Raymond Leslie Bickford was born January 19, 1896, and educated in the local schools, also the Mt. Hermon School for Boys. Enlisting for service in the World War, May 17, 1917, he was detailed to Fort Ethan Allen, then later was transferred to Camp Devens, and was sent overseas in December of the same year, reaching Brest, France, in January, 1918. While in France he served as a member of the Headquarters Troop, 2nd Division, American Expeditionary Forces, and was engaged in escorting prisoners to the rear, also scout duty. His record of service is one of brilliant and devoted activity, and he remained overseas with the Army of Occupation in Germany until July, 1919. Since his return to civilian life, following his honorable discharge from the service, Mr. Bickford has been employed by the Massachusetts Highway Commission doing surveying for road construction. He is active in the American Legion and is now serving (1924) as commander of Sons of Veterans. He married, November 27, 1917, Ruby L. Franklin, of Greenfield; daughter, Betty L. Franklin, born May 28, 1923.

**OLAF ANTONIUS CHRISTENSEN**, president of the New England Machine and Tool Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts, a man of thorough training and wide experience in various lines of mechanical work, and the inheritor of large natural ability, was born in Norway September 3, 1864. His father was Ole Moe Christensen, and his mother, Audre (Larsen) Christensen. His father was a son of Christian Moe Christensen, born in Germany, a die sinker and engraver. Because of his preëminent skill in his field the Government of Norway called him to the country to direct important work. There he passed the remainder of his life, and there his children were reared. Ole Moe Christensen was a mechanical engineer employed by large and important concerns. He was

drowned accidentally at the age of forty-two while engaged in mechanical research work in Christiana. His wife, Audre Larsen, followed the sons to America and died in Seattle, Washington, in 1910, at seventy, where she was making her home with her son, William, still a resident of that city.

Olaf Antonius Christensen, the elder brother, received his education in the public schools of Christiana. Besides attending school each day he also devoted a part of each day to shop work until he was fifteen years old. After that he devoted the entire day to shop work and studied nights, attending night school. He also took courses in engineering and mechanical drawing in Kings Technical High School. In 1884 he came to America and immediately found opportunity to use the mechanical skill and technical knowledge he had acquired in the home land. He entered the employ of the Kidder Press of South Boston, Massachusetts, engaged in the manufacture of printing presses. Such satisfaction did he give that afterwards, when he was employed elsewhere, he returned to his first employers on two different occasions. He turned his abilities to shipbuilding for a time in East Boston, after which he was associated with Brown and Sharp, in Providence, Rhode Island, for two years. From Providence he went to Lowell, Massachusetts, where he was employed for a short time. After that he engaged in business for himself in Roxbury, his specialty being the manufacture of bicycle parts, a business he conducted for some time. He chose later, however, to widen his experience still more by association with other concerns, and with this end in view, he entered the employ of E. S. Clark, an engine builder, of Dorchester, Massachusetts, where he remained about four years. After that he was with The Boston Tool Works for about a year. He passed on to a most congenial position as experimental director for the W. F. Miller Company, a concern engaged in the perfection of a crude oil engine. He continued here until 1913, when he associated himself with the Hendee Manufacturing Company, of Springfield, manufacturers of the Indian motorcycle, and he remained for two years, when he again made a change, this time taking charge of the plant of the Van Norman Machine Tool Company. After two years passed in that position he found employment with the Westinghouse Company as tool maker; afterwards he associated himself with the Wire Wheel Company, where he remained until that concern went out of business. He then took charge of the Harley plant for a time. The wide and varied experience he had thus been gaining was of great value for future plans; and he had, moreover, been accumulating capital to engage in business for himself.

In 1920 Mr. Christensen organized the New England Tool & Machine Company, Inc., of which he is president. Since its inception the concern has been conducting a prosperous and steadily growing business. It manufactures machines and machine tools; and Mr. Christensen's exceptional skill and knowledge has made the products of his plant widely known for superior quality and the excellence of workmanship. Practically all of the manufacturing plants in Springfield and its vicinity, such as the Rolls-Royce and the Hendee plant, and the large factories of Boston, as well as most of the larger plants





*Olof A Christensen*



throughout New England, use the products of Mr. Christensen's skill. Thus the New England Tool and Machine Company, Inc., has made for itself a name that is in itself a guarantee of quality. When St. James Avenue was only a country road Mr. Christensen built his home there, and now that the country road has become one of the finest boulevards in the city his house is surrounded by a most pleasant and congenial environment.

Mr. Christensen married, December 21, 1888, Olene Nelson, born in Norway, daughter of Ole Nelson, who came to America in 1881. Mr. and Mrs. Christensen are the parents of four children: 1. Olaf Nicholi, born in Boston October 1, 1889, treasurer of the New England Tool & Machine Company, Inc., and takes an active interest in public affairs. He is a member of the State militia, in which he has the rank of first sergeant. At the time of the threatened trouble with Mexico in 1916, he went to the Texas border with Company K. He married Adele Albright, and they are the parents of Albright, Philip and Warren. 2. Rudolph Washington, born in Boston in 1891. When the United States entered the World War he enlisted and saw service overseas until the signing of the armistice. He is a mechanic, and before the war was engaged in railroad building, and had charge of the Eddystone plant in Pennsylvania. He is now in the garage business on St. James Avenue, in Springfield. 3. Captain Albert Francis, born in Boston in 1893, received his education in the public schools of Boston; in the Springfield High School and in the Mechanical Arts School of Boston. He was with the City Engineering Company for a period of three years. As a member of Company K he was in service on the Mexican border, where he attended school at Fort Bliss, and took the examinations for entrance at West Point. While serving on the border he was made sergeant and second lieutenant, and when the troops returned North he went to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where he was promoted first lieutenant, then captain. When the United States entered the World War Captain Christensen went overseas with the 7th Division as captain, and with his company he took part in many important engagements in which American troops were employed. After a year of service overseas he was sent into Camp Grant at Rockford, Illinois. Later he spent three years in Panama, where he had charge of the machine gun work at the shooting range of the 42d New York Infantry. He was an expert rifle shot and the best marksman in his division overseas. He is still in service (1925) and taking an active part in military affairs. Captain Christensen is married and has two children: Florence and Alberta. 4. Nellie, married Ralph Mosher and has two children: Stanley and Alice.

**REV. JOHN C. IVERS**, pastor of the Holy Cross Church of Holyoke, Massachusetts, is the first American-born son of a family which has lived in America for three generations. The Irish home of the family for years was in the rich agricultural and dairy country of County Carlow, Leinster, Ireland.

Joseph Ivers, great-grandfather of John C. Ivers,

passed his life in Ireland, but his son, John Ivers, born in Tinreyland, County Carlow, Ireland, came to the United States in 1870, and died in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1897. He married, in Ireland, Bridget Murphy, born in Tinreyland, a daughter of Richard Murphy. They were the parents of Richard, of whom further; John, James, Charles, Mary, Kate, who married (first) a Mr. Foley and (second) George Gilmore; Bridget, married Francis Foley, all since dead. Mary was the first to come to the United States. Richard followed, then Kate and her sister, Bridget, and John Ivers, the father, came over after his children.

Richard Ivers, eldest son of John and Bridget (Murphy) Ivers, was born at Tinreyland, County Carlow, Ireland, in 1831, and died September 14, 1896, in Springfield, Massachusetts. He came to the United States at twenty years of age, and was connected with the livery business in Springfield, first as an employee and later as a partner of James O'Keefe. After the destruction of their place by fire he became the sole proprietor of a new livery on Stockbridge Street. Forty-seven years of residence in Springfield brought him a wide acquaintance, and in the entire city few men were better known or more highly esteemed. He married Mary Houlihan, of Kilkenny, Ireland, who died in 1898, in Springfield. They were the parents of the Rev. John C. Ivers, of whom further; James, since dead, who married Josephine Bassett, and was the father of four children: Annie, Francis, Mary and Dorothy; Richard, since dead; Maria and Catherine.

The Rev. John C. Ivers was born in Springfield September 22, 1863. After graduation from the Springfield High School in 1881, he entered the United States Internal Revenue Office at Springfield and remained two years. In 1883 he entered Ottawa University, Canada, and was graduated in the class of 1886. He passed the next three years at St. Mary's Theological Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland, and on October 15, 1889, he was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church. He attended the Catholic University as a member of the pioneer class to receive the degree of S. T. D. In 1917 he received the honorary degree of LL. D. He was assistant at St. Stephen's Church, Worcester; St. Francis Church, North Adams, and St. Jerome's Church, Holyoke. He was appointed pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Williamstown, and remained one year. Returning to Holyoke he was appointed pastor of Holy Cross Church in 1896, and has continued in the pastorate. He has led in the building of a new church which it is expected will be completed in 1926, to cost \$500,000, probably the most beautiful church in Massachusetts. He also was instrumental in the addition of much real estate to the parish property through purchases from the Water Power Company, from Mr. Lynch and from the Casper Ranger estate. The parsonage Father Ivers occupies was the old Casper Ranger dwelling house. Although educated for the ministry and having passed his life in the service of the church. Father Ivers looks on life from a broad-minded, practical standpoint, and labors for the temporal as well as the spiritual welfare of his people. He is a patriotic citizen who has the best interests of the community at heart. His adminis-



tration has quickened the spiritual growth of the parish, and he has won the love and respect of his parishioners and the confidence of all who know him and the work he has performed.

**ROMEO P. CHAREST, D. D. S.**—A well known and popular dentist of Holyoke, Massachusetts, Dr. Romeo P. Charest is an admirable technician and a professional man of high ethical standards. He is the grandson of Elzear Charest, born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, mechanic and millwright, who lived for most of his life at Three Rivers, Canada, and who married Arline Sulte, better known as Arline Vadeboncoeur.

Their son, Odilon Z. E. Charest, father of Romeo P. Charest, was born May 30, 1857, at Three Rivers, where he was educated in the public schools. His business career began as a shipping clerk, and in 1878 he moved to Holyoke, where he was employed by the Holyoke Furniture Company. In 1888 he, in partnership with Didace Sainte-Marie, established a furniture business in Holyoke known as Sainte-Marie & Charest. This has grown steadily and prospered. Mr. Charest was for fifteen years a member of the school committee, of which for two he was chairman. He married Mary Jane Robert, of Northern New York. Children: Leonise, wife of Joseph Carmel, who has two children: Rita and Alice; Antoinette, Arthur, who works in the Prentiss Wire Mill; George W., employed with his father in the furniture store; Romeo P., of whom further.

Romeo P. Charest was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, March 16, 1897. There he grew up, completing the course in the Hamilton Street School. His preparation for dentistry was obtained in the University of Maryland, from which he graduated in 1918. During the World War Dr. Charest served this country as a member of the Dental Corps, United States Army. Since that time he has been practising in Holyoke, with offices at No. 339 Main Street, and has a large and growing clientele. He is a member of St. Jean Baptiste Society and Cercle Rochambeau, as well as of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a communicant of the Church of St. Joseph, of Springfield.

Dr. Charest married, at St. Joseph Church, Springfield, Salana Angers, of that city, daughter of Joseph A. and Cecila Angers.

**JAMES O'SHEA**, a lawyer of Holyoke, Massachusetts, was born in Holyoke September 27, 1875. His grandfather, Patrick O'Shea, and his grandmother, Ellen (Scanlon) O'Shea, were natives of Rathkale, County Limerick, Ireland. Patrick O'Shea was a farrier and horseshoer. He died when his son John, born in Limerick, April 22, 1847, was two months old, and left his wife with six small children, Mary, Catherine, Margaret, Ellen, James and John, to support. When John was two years old the mother realized that Ireland offered her few opportunities to live comfortably, and accordingly set sail for the United States. The voyage to Boston, Massachusetts, required two months. She went from Boston to Ware, Massachusetts, and lived in that place until her death.

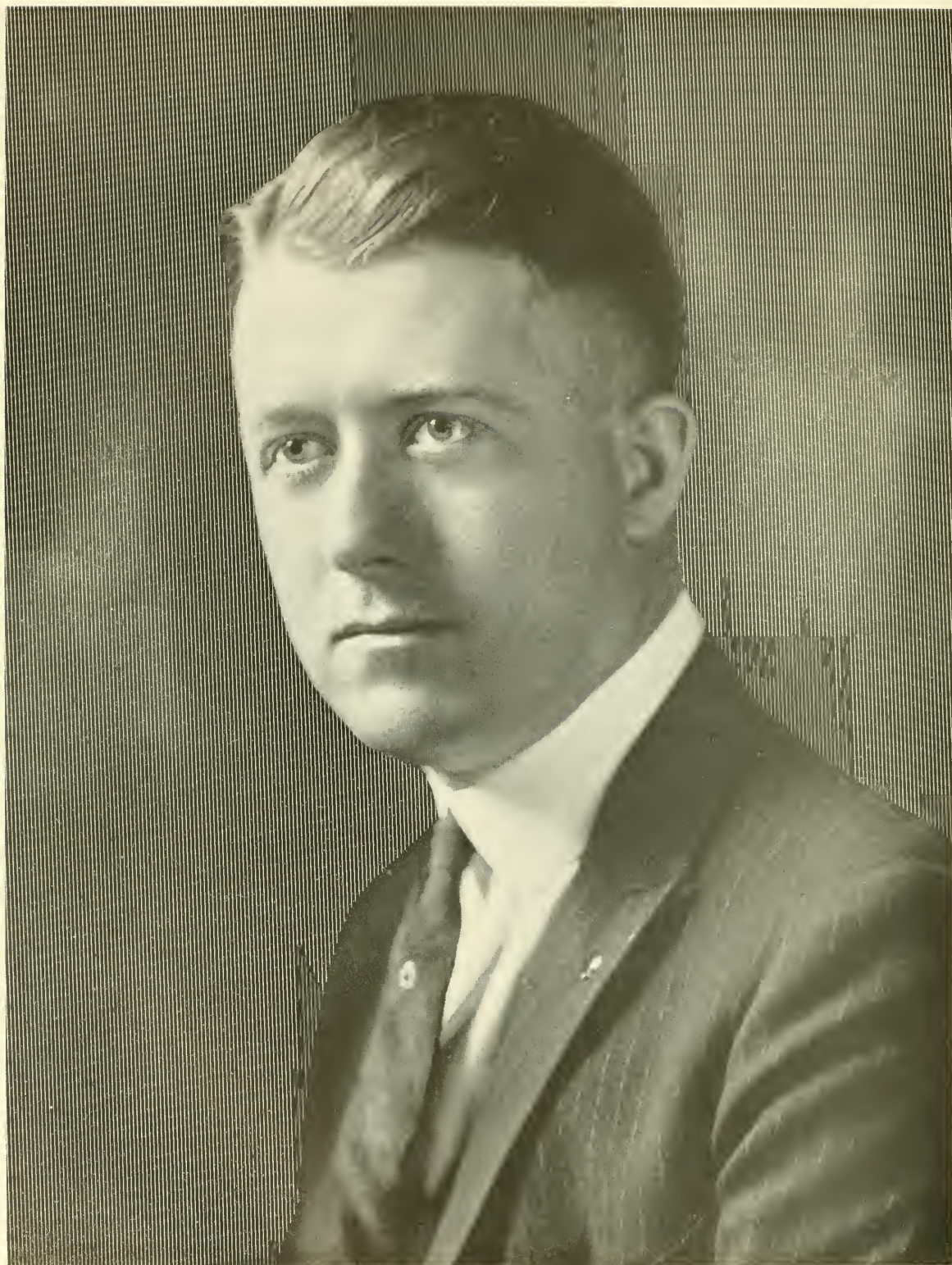
John O'Shea, her son and father of James O'Shea, attended the common schools. He left Ware at the age of twenty-two to seek his fortune. He was for a period of years in the employ of the George H. Gilbert Manufacturing Company. He was afterwards foreman in the weaving department of Charles H. Stevens & Company. Leaving that concern he engaged in the manufacture of cigars with William F. Cooney & Company, which he continued until his removal to the western part of the United States. For several years he conducted a grocery store in St. Louis, where he married and returned East, first to Ware and soon after to Holyoke, where he joined his brother-in-law in business, which continued for a year. After ventures in tin, in tobacco, cigars and fruits, and in a public dining room, he established a piano and sewing machine business, which, like the others, proved a success. Mr. O'Shea married, in St. Louis, in 1873, Mary Gilbert, a native of Hamilton, Canada, daughter of George and Catherine (Fleming) Gilbert, natives respectively of England and Ireland. They were the parents of seven children: 1. Frank, born in March, 1874, died in infancy. 2. James, of whom further. 3. Catherine, born October 4, 1877, died in June, 1893. 4. Mary, born May 12, 1880, died in 1892. 6. John, born in May, 1887. 6. Gilbert, born in August, 1889. 7. Edward, born in August, 1893, a graduate of Dartmouth College, class of 1916.

James O'Shea attended the public and high schools of Holyoke, and entered the Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated in 1897 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In July of that year he was admitted to practice in the courts of Massachusetts and entered the law office of Judge William B. C. Pearsons, where he passed his first year as a practicing attorney. He thereupon opened an office in Holyoke. A Democrat in politics, he was chairman of the Democratic City Committee in 1905 and 1906. He was a delegate from Massachusetts representing the First Congressional District in the Democratic National conventions of 1904 and 1912. He was appointed district attorney of Hampden County by Governor Walsh in 1914. His friendships with great leaders was a marked result of his personal qualities of mind and heart and his political activities. They are abundantly attested by the numerous autographed portraits which adorn his desk and office walls. Among the more conspicuous are those of William Jennings Bryan and Champ Clark. Mr. O'Shea is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and he is also associated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 902. He attends the Church of the Holy Cross. He is a member of the Bar Association of Hampden County.

Mr. O'Shea married, June 27, 1905, Alice M. Benjamin, of Springfield, Massachusetts, a daughter of Alfred H. and Esther Benjamin. His business address is No. 225 High Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

**PAUL D. THIBERT**—One of the younger business men of Springfield, Massachusetts, is Paul D. Thibert, proprietor of a retail lumber yard in that city. He is the son of Napoleon and Louise M. (Wallace) Thibert, the elder Mr. Thibert being a builder and inventor and a resident of Worcester, Massachusetts.





James P. Welch



Paul D. Thibert was born in Worcester December 2, 1896, and received his education in the elementary and high schools of Worcester. After leaving school he was associated with his father in the building and contracting business at Worcester, where he gained a great deal of practical business experience. Mr. Thibert entered the industrial service in the aircraft division when the United States became involved in the World War, and thus interrupted his business career. Upon the conclusion of the war he launched out into the wholesale lumber business under his own name at Worcester, and established a retail lumber yard in Springfield in 1921, where he has been in business since that date. He is a member of the Lumber Dealers' Association and of various building associations. He also serves in the capacity of notary public.

Mr. Thibert married, at Northboro, Massachusetts, in 1922, Eva M. Labbe, daughter of Joseph and Amy (Sullivan) Labbe, of Northboro; they have one daughter, Laurina, born in Springfield.

**REV. CHARLES CREVIER**—One of the best and most loved men of Springfield, Holyoke, and vicinity is the Rev. Charles Crevier, pastor of Precious Blood Church, after fifty-five years of active service in various parts of the Springfield diocese. His zeal for helping his fellow-men, his eloquence and religious fervor, his executive ability in the conduct of the work of the church are distinguishing features of a successful priest. Father Crevier was born in Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, May 19, 1839, son of Louis and Euphrasine (Garreau) Crevier. His father was a shipbuilder, long employed as overseer of naval construction in Montreal.

Charles Crevier received a thorough and well-rounded education, both in secular and religious subjects. He attended as a child the Brothers of the Christian Schools in Montreal, and later St. Mary's College, Montreal, under the management of the Jesuit Fathers. He was ordained July 21, 1867, in St. James Cathedral, Montreal, by Bishop Ignace Bourget. Father Crevier began his ministry as curate in Chateauguay, Province of Quebec, where he remained for thirteen months. His next charge was the post of chaplain to the boys' reformatory, which was operated by the Brothers of Charity. Two years later he left Canada for the United States and entered upon his more than half a century of service in the Springfield diocese. In January, 1871, Father Crevier was in North Adams, where he founded Notre Dame Parish and labored among the French-speaking residents until July 24, 1886. In that year, called to Indian Orchard, he performed a valuable service in remodelling the church. His last promotion came on September 7, 1890, when he was appointed pastor of the Precious Blood Church, at Holyoke. There he continues his ministry in virtual retirement as pastor emeritus, with Rev. J. Horace Gelineau as administrator of parish affairs since December, 1917.

**FRANK O'CALLAHAN**, chief of police of Chicopee, Massachusetts, is a fine example of the young Irishman who comes to this country in his youth and by

sheer keenness of wit, sturdy health and physique, and trustworthiness of character, attains a position of command and influence in his adopted country. He was born June 15, 1870, at Macroom, County Cork, Ireland, the son of a shoemaker. His father was Denis O'Callahan, and his mother Bridget (Burns) O'Callahan.

Chief O'Callahan was educated in his native town in Ireland, and was graduated from the schools of Macroom, Cork County, at an early age. He came to the United States at sixteen years of age, and found his first employment with the Overman Wheel Company in Chicopee. He passed to the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad until he was appointed to the police force on January 16, 1903, as reserve patrolman. He became a regular member of the force on June 3, 1904; was promoted sergeant June 5, 1916, and chief of police on April 3, 1920. Chief O'Callahan is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and of the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Name.

Chief O'Callahan was married, on December 17, 1899, to Cordelia Wood, daughter of Henry and Cordelia (Caswell) Wood. They are the parents of two children: Mary, born August 21, 1901; and Frances, born July 18, 1908. The office address of Chief O'Callahan is City Hall, Chicopee, and his house address No. 84 Nonotuck Avenue, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

**HON. JAMES T. WELCH**—The career of the Hon. James T. Welch, of North Adams, is one which reflects credit and honor upon the "Old Bay State," of which he is a native and lifelong resident. In the business world he is widely known, having been connected with the shoe industry for some years. Mr. Welch is going forward with the energy and ability of the young man of definite achievement and great promise for the future, and at present (1924) is serving in the Lower Legislative House of the State; his prominence is a matter of general recognition. He is a son of Thomas and Katharine (Callahan) Welch, his father long active as superintendent of the Arnold Print Works of North Adams.

James T. Welch was born in North Adams December 3, 1893. His early education was received in the local grammar and high schools, and he is a graduate of Drury High School. He completed his studies with a special course at Boston University, then began his business career as clerk in the Boston & Albany Railroad Company office at North Adams. Next identifying himself with the widely known shoe manufacturing concern of Wall, Streeter & Doyle, of North Adams, he served as receiving clerk in this organization until his public duties demanded his entire attention. His period of service in the business world has fully demonstrated his ability and initiative, and for some years the political leaders of this city have recognized his qualities.

A loyal supporter of the Democratic party, Mr. Welch has been a worker in the ranks of the party since attaining his majority, and in 1921 was brought forward as a member of the City Council. He served during that and the two subsequent years on the committee on taxation and assessment, also on the ordinance committee. In 1922 he was elected to the Massachusetts State House

of Representatives, serving during the years 1923 and 1924, and has done excellent work on the committee on conservation. His work is commended by his constituents, and he is considered one of the coming men of the party. Mr. Welch is agent in Northern Berkshire County for the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company. His military service extended from June 22, 1918, to December 11, 1918, and he was active at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, in training school for non-commissioned officers. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Lodge No. 487, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of North Adams; the Foresters of America, and he is the first permanent Commander of Frank R. Stiles Post, No. 125, American Legion, of North Adams. His religious affiliation is with St. Francis' Roman Catholic Church.

James T. Welch married, February 25, 1924, at North Adams, Phylis E. Krum, daughter of James H. and Anna (Best) Krum.

**GEORGE F. KELLY** was born at Scranton, Pennsylvania, May 12, 1890, the son of Francis V. and Cecilia (Mack) Kelly. His father, a mason builder, is a veteran of the Civil War, having served as private in Company G, 58th Regiment Infantry, of Pennsylvania. His mother was born in Scotland.

George F. Kelly was educated in the public schools of South Hadley, the Williston Seminary, and the University of Maryland. Having decided to follow the law, he entered the office of T. D. O'Brien, where he read law and prepared to pass the State examinations. He was admitted to the bar on March 23, 1916, and opened his own offices in 1918. As a member of the Republican party, he served a two year term, 1917-19, as town counsel of South Hadley, Massachusetts, and during the World War he was on the Draft Board, Division No. 7, of this same town. He belongs to the Hampden County Bar Association, the Holyoke Country Club, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 902.

George F. Kelly married Agnes R. Doyle, at Holyoke, December 30, 1919, and to them a daughter, Frances Marie, was born on November 6, 1920. Mr. Kelly and his family are members of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church.

**ARTHUR EDMUND FRENCH**—Since 1914, Arthur Edmund French has been one of Holyoke's well-known business men, being the Holyoke representative for many of the large insurance companies, such as the Mutual Life, of New York, the London and Lancashire Indemnity Company of Hartford, Fire Assurance of Philadelphia, Imperial Insurance Company of New York, Home Fire and Marine of California, and the Orient Insurance Company of Hartford. He is also chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Holyoke, in which capacity he served from 1919 to January 1, 1926.

Mr. French was born in Holyoke May 7, 1889. Like the majority of American boys, he prepared for college at the public and high schools, and entered Dartmouth College, taking the degree of Bachelor of Science with the class of 1912. He is actively interested in

local and State politics, and was on the Republican State Committee for two years, 1919-20. He is also a member of the Mount Tom and Mount Nonotuck lodges Free and Accepted Masons, Holyoke, and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. Besides his Masonic affiliations he is connected with Lodge No. 902, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and with Mount Tom Golf Club.

Arthur Edmund French married Angie C. Dickinson at Holyoke June 30, 1915, and they are the parents of two sons and a daughter: Arthur E., Charles D., and Dorothy E. Mr. French and his family are members of the Second Congregational Church.

**JOHN M. SULLIVAN**, treasurer and general manager of the M. J. O'Malley Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, and a lifelong resident of that city, is a member of a number of local organizations and quick to support local civic movements. He is the son of Patrick and Margaret Sullivan, his father having been for many years engaged in the grocery business in Springfield.

John M. Sullivan was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in June, 1870, and attended the elementary and high schools of Springfield. At the age of twenty-one he secured a position with the M. and W. Company of Springfield in the shipping department, and in the seventeen years that he remained with this concern he worked himself up to the position of assistant manager, which office he held for a number of years before his resignation in 1909. In that year he accepted the post of treasurer and general manager of the M. J. O'Malley Company, and in this capacity has been largely responsible for the success of the concern. He also served as one of the directors of the company. In 1902 Mr. Sullivan held office as councilman for the city of Springfield, representing Ward 2, and his interest in civic affairs is always very keen. He is a member and Past Exalted Ruler of the Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, and is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart and of the Oxford Country Club.

**KENNETH R. CHARLTON**—Conspicuous and influential in the automobile trade and its associations, Kenneth R. Charlton was born in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, June 1, 1891. His father, Israel M. Charlton, was born in Springfield, Nova Scotia, and is a cabinet maker. His mother, Carrie A. (Granger) Charlton, is a native of Concord, New Hampshire.

Mr. Charlton came to New England and attended the public school and the high school at West Springfield, Massachusetts, and then entered Pratt Institute, from which he was graduated in 1911. Entering business with his grandfather, he started in Springfield and later joined the Holyoke Ford Agency, with P. A. Williams as manager in 1913. In 1914 he took over this agency and has continued it to the present time. He organized K. R. Charlton, Inc., and is its treasurer. The company handles Ford and Lincoln cars. In politics Mr







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Charlton is a Republican. He is president of the Motor Securities Company; a member of the Society of Automobile Engineers; treasurer of the Auto Dealers' Exchange; president of the Holyoke Auto Dealers' Association, and is otherwise associated with this general interest. He is a director of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce Credit Reporting Bureau. Fraternally, Mr. Charlton is a member of Mount Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and a member of the Consistory. In club circles he is a member of the Kiwanis Club, being the first man in Holyoke to join this organization, and its president at this time; the Mount Tom Golf Club, and the City Club of Holyoke. In religion he is a member of the Second Congregational Church.

At Norwich Lake, Huntington, Massachusetts, June 30, 1913, Mr. Charlton married Eloise F. Shur, born at El Paso, Illinois, daughter of Columbus P. and Constance (Welch) Shur.

**JOHN FRANCIS JOHNSON**—One of the well known young men in Holyoke, Massachusetts, is Dr. John Francis Johnson, whose profession is that of a dentist. Dr. Johnson was born in Holyoke August 19, 1898. He is the son of the late John A. and Mary (Coffey) Johnson, of Holyoke. His father, who was highly esteemed, was born in New York State, and during the last thirty-five years of his life resided in Holyoke. He was employed by Charles E. Mackintosh. He was a member of the Church of the Holy Sacrament, and of the Holy Name Society. He also belonged to the Loyal Order of Moose. Besides his wife he is survived by four sons: John Francis, Howard J., Leonard R. and William D. Johnson.

Dr. Johnson's education was begun in the public schools of Holyoke. He then entered Tufts Dental College of Boston, from which he was graduated in 1924, which year he began practice in Holyoke. In politics Dr. Johnson is an independent Democrat. In fraternal circles he is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Improved Order of Red Men. In religion he is a Roman Catholic, and belongs to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. Dr. Johnson is unmarried.

**JOSEPH F. HARTNETT**—Among the young lawyers who have built up for themselves an enviable practice in Holyoke in less than a decade of time is Joseph F. Hartnett. He was born in Holyoke February 12, 1892, son of the late John T. and Johanna (Fitzgerald) Hartnett. His father was a well known realtor of that city before his death, which occurred in April, 1922.

The education of Joseph F. Hartnett was obtained at the public and high schools of Holyoke, and at Holy Cross College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913. Entering the Harvard Law School for his professional studies, he was graduated in 1916, and that same year was admitted to the Massachusetts State bar. He at once opened his own office in his native city, where he has since been established. During the World War he was in the air service of the United States Army, and was stationed at Washington, District of Columbia. Mr. Hartnett is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, the Knights of Co-

lumbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and city solicitor of the city of Holyoke in the year 1925.

Mr. Hartnett's wife is Della M. (Beach) Hartnett, daughter of Henry and Mary (Brosnan) Beach, of Springfield, Massachusetts. They were married in Springfield September 29, 1920. A daughter, Suzanne, was born to them at Springfield July 12, 1921. Mr. Hartnett and his family are members of the Roman Catholic Church.

**WILLIAM JOHNSON**, of North Adams, both in his individual endeavors and in his public service has made his influence felt on the side of right and progress. He is a man of useful achievements, commendable spirit and high ideals, and in giving his attention to the progress of the community as well as to his own activities he has made his name of more than passing significance to the people. Mr. Johnson is widely known in this section, and his forceful and effective endeavors have given him the reputation of the man who achieves things. He is the son of Charles and Elizabeth (McCormick) Johnson, former residents of Cheshire and later, for forty years, of Lee, where the father conducted a blast furnace business until his death in April of 1924.

William Johnson was born in Copake Falls, New York, February 26, 1872. His education was limited to the advantages of the public school, and as a young man he served an apprenticeship as a carriage painter. Then for about four years he was active in the work of the stone cutter, after which he became an iron moulder. This last mentioned line of activity has proved to be the realm of Mr. Johnson's life work, for he is still engaged in this line of production. He has been a resident of North Adams since the year 1888, and for a number of years after coming to this section was active in the employ of the James Hunter Machine Company. About the year 1899 Mr. Johnson established the Johnson Foundry, taking over the enterprise then known as the Brooklyn Street Foundry, and this business he still successfully carries forward. He has for many years been a stockholder in the North Adams Trust Company, and in every phase of progressive activity his influence is felt as a force in the right direction.

A Republican in his political convictions, he is faithful to the good of his party. Mr. Johnson was elected to the City Council in 1920 and reelected the following year. During his two terms of service he missed only two meetings of the Council, thus fulfilling his public duties in an eminently faithful manner. Fearless in his denunciation of wrong as well as in his advocacy of worthy or forward looking movements, Mr. Johnson is sometimes called an outspoken man, the sincerity of purpose and loyalty to high principles which govern his life and actuate his endeavors are recognized and respected by all. His many friends are now strongly urging him to accept the candidacy for the mayor's chair. Mr. Johnson is an unpretentious man, has no desire to seek honors for their own sake, still, if any office should appeal to him as a duty, his friends are confident that he will not hesitate to take up its responsibilities in the name of the people. Mr. Johnson is well known, although not affiliated widely in fraternal



circles, he is a member of Lodge No. 487, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he was Exalted Ruler in 1909 and again in 1924. He is further a member of the Berkshire Club, and attends the Episcopal Church.

William Johnson married (first), February 13, 1890, Mary O'Hara, who died in January, 1918, leaving four children: 1. Albert J., born 1892, who was a fireman's mate in the 5th Regiment Marines. 2. Charles F., born 1897, a graduate of Drury High School, of North Adams, and of Boston University, who served on the Mexican border and during the World War in Company M, 104th Regiment, American Expeditionary Forces, and lost an eye in France. 3. William H. 4. Nettie M., wife of Henry Bates, of North Adams. The Johnson family residence is at No. 16 North Street, North Adams.

**MYRON ERVIN BARBER**—As a member of the firm of Wyatt & Barber, proprietors of a general store in Bernardston, Myron Ervin Barber is included in the number of those successful business men who have established substantial enterprises in Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Barber belongs to a family which is found both in England and in Scotland. The English spell the name Barber, while the Scotch spelling is usually Barbour. Early immigrants of the name came to Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Virginia and Pennsylvania. The Barbers of New England are descended from several immigrants, among whom were Thomas Barber, who arrived at Dorchester, Massachusetts in 1635, and proceeded to Windsor, Connecticut. John Barber, who arrived at Salem, Massachusetts, in 1637. George Barber, who was in Dedham as early as 1643. Edward Barber, who died there in 1644. Robert Barber, who settled in Exeter, New Hampshire; but from which of these early immigrants Myron Ervin Barber is descended is not known.

(I) Ebenezer Barber, great-great-grandfather of Mr. Barber, died in Guilford, Vermont, about 1875. He married Sally Winchester and they had children: Ansel and Gilbert Asa, through whom this line descends.

(II) Gilbert Asa Barber, son of Ebenezer and Sally (Winchester) Barber, was born in Guilford, Vermont, in 1831, and died in Bernardston, Massachusetts, September 5, 1905. He removed from Vermont to Massachusetts about 1882, and was engaged in farming throughout his active career. He married Abigail Prouty, of Halifax, Vermont; she died May 6, 1922, aged eighty-two years. Their children were: 1. William. 2. Rose. 3. Ervin Leslie, of whom further. 4. Nancy, who married James Parker.

(III) Ervin Leslie Barber, son of Gilbert Asa and Abigail (Prouty) Barber, was born in Guilford, Vermont, June 29, 1868, and after receiving a good education in the schools of Guilford and in Powers Institute, engaged in agricultural pursuits on the same farm that his father had tilled, until 1918. He served on the Board of Selectmen and was road commissioner for twelve years, giving to the community in which he lived excellent service. He married, December 31, 1891,

Nettie Cutting, who was born in Whitingham, Vermont, and died May 29, 1917, daughter of Charles and Lovina (Fairbanks) Cutting. Their children are: 1. Myron Ervin, of whom further. 2. Luman Asa, who was station agent and telegraph operator in East Putney, Vermont.

(IV) Myron Ervin Barber, son of Ervin Leslie and Nettie (Cutting) Barber, was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts, August 22, 1898. After graduation from Powers Institute in Bernardston, in 1916, he began his active business career in the office of Goodell & Pratt, manufacturers, located in Greenfield. He maintained that connection for two years, and then, after the entrance of the United States into the World War, joined the merchant marine in November, 1918. He was in service in France for five months, after receiving training in Boston and Newport News, and received his discharge in March, 1919. Upon his return to civil life he renewed his connection with Goodell & Pratt, at Greenfield, and remained with that concern until the end of 1919, when he engaged in farming. Two years later, in 1922, in association with Lynn A. Wyatt, he purchased a general store in Bernardston, and under the firm name of Wyatt & Barber continued to conduct the business until January, 1925, when the partnership was dissolved, Mr. Barber forming a new partnership with his brother, Luman Asa Barber. Mr. Barber's religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church, which he serves as a member of the board of deacons.

Myron Ervin Pratt married, November 26, 1919, Julia L. Pratt, of Bernardston, daughter of Clarence Dwight and Lucy (Wrisley) Pratt, and they have three children: 1. Stephen Gilbert, born August 3, 1921. 2. Calvin Douglas, born October 23, 1922. 3. Genevieve Lovina, born May 1, 1924.

**HUGH J. LACEY** is a son of James S. and Mary A. (Kane) Lacey, and was born in the city of Holyoke November 15, 1897. He was sent to the St. Jerome Parochial School in Holyoke for his early education, later entering the high school of Holyoke with the class of 1915. He then entered Boston University Law School, graduated and received his degree of LL. B. in September, 1918. Returning to Holyoke he became associated with Judge John R. Callahan, and after an examination was admitted to the bar and formed a partnership with him, opening offices under the name of Callahan & Lacey. In political faith Mr. Lacey is a Democrat, and was elected to the State Legislature in 1920, 1921 and 1922. In 1923, 1924, 1925 he was appointed city solicitor (for a year).

With the breaking out of the World War Mr. Lacey enlisted for service with the United States Marine Corps, being assigned to the 6th Regiment. With the 2d Division he went overseas and had a part in the battles of St. Mihiel, Champagne, Marne and the Argonne. He was not fortunate enough to escape danger in every fight, and in the Argonne offensive he was wounded and the scars remain as his badge of honor. Mr. Lacey is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Hampden County Bar Association, the



Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 902.

On October 26, 1921, Loretta McCearn, of Holyoke, became the wife of Hugh J. Lacey. To them a son, Hugh, was born July 30, 1922. Mr. Lacey and his family belong to the Parish of St. Jerome.

**DR. JOHN JAMES LONG**—A rising young dentist of Holyoke and South Hadley Falls, Dr. John James Long was born in the latter town September 3, 1900. His early education was gained in the public schools, and he was graduated from the high school of South Hadley Falls in 1918. He then attended the Goddard Seminary, at Barre, Vermont, from which he was graduated in 1920, and from that he went to the Dental College, Tufts College, from which he graduated in 1924. He at once began the practice of his profession. In politics Dr. Long is an independent. During the World War he entered the training school for officers. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in religion is a Catholic, attending St. Patrick's Church, South Hadley Falls. He is not married. His father, James H. Long, and his mother, Ellen (Flahive) Long, are both deceased.

**FRANK R. KNOX** is the present sole proprietor of the insurance firm of C. W. Johnson & Company, which was established in Holyoke in 1866. With twenty years' experience in the insurance business, Mr. Knox took over these well established offices on January 1, 1922, acting as agent for many of the best known insurance companies in this section of the country. Mr. Knox comes naturally into the insurance world, for his father, John B. Knox, of Hartford, Connecticut, is prominent in this line, being president of the Equitable Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and secretary of the Phoenix Insurance Company.

Mr. Knox was born in Hartford, Connecticut, October 11, 1882, and received his education at the public and high schools of that city, graduating with the class of 1901. A year later he became actively identified with his present line of work. In addition to insurance, Mr. Knox is connected with the Holyoke Mortgage Company. He is found in the Republican ranks, and is widely connected in business, social and fraternal circles. He is a member of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce and the Holyoke Board of Fire Underwriters. His clubs are the Publicity, Kiwanis, Mount Tom Golf, and Holyoke Canoe. Mr. Knox is a Mason, holding membership in the Ionic Lodge of Taunton, Massachusetts, and the Mount Nonotuck Lodge, of Holyoke.

On June 26, 1907, Frank R. Knox married Alice L. Dwinell at Taunton, Massachusetts. They are the parents of two children: Esther and Barron Dwinell. Mr. Knox and his family are members of the Second Congregational Church.

**WILLIAM F. OTTO**—As the secretary and assistant treasurer (1925) of the American Tissue Mills of Holyoke, William F. Otto holds a prominent place in the industry. His associations with this organization has extended over a period of more than a decade, dur-

ing which time he has accomplished much for the development and progress of the concern.

William F. Otto was born October 24 1887 in Broad Brook, Connecticut, son of Herman C. and Anna (Myer) Otto, his parents both natives of Germany, who came to this county many years ago, his father being engaged as a textile worker, and now retired. William F. Otto received his education in the public schools of his native State and then attended a business college in Springfield, Massachusetts. He started in his business career in the employ of the New England Audit Company, remaining with this firm for three years, from 1910 until 1913, when he severed his connection with them and became associated with the American Tissue Mills, Incorporated, and has remained with this concern up to the present time (1925). Starting at the bottom of the ladder he learned the various working of the departments and rose steadily from one position to another, until in 1921 he was appointed assistant treasurer. His next promotion came in 1922 with his assignment to the offices of secretary and treasurer.

He has worked his way to his present influential position through qualities of industry, of initiative, of good business judgment and a far-seeing vision that was backed by a courage that dare to suggest new ways and to see them through. He has been a very valuable member of this organization, and step by step he has progressed with the progress of his firm. Rising through lower grades and learning the business from the bottom up, he successively attained the offices of assistant treasurer, treasurer, and since 1922 secretary and assistant treasurer. Emerson has said that our chief want in life is some one who "shall make us do what we can. This is the service of a friend." And this is somewhat of the work that Mr. Otto has done for many of the men in connection with his organization, with the result that not only the men were benefited, but also the concern itself. His ability, however, has not been confined entirely to his business, as he is a thoroughly alive citizen, taking an active interest in the civic life of his community, in its politics, although he has not sought office, and in fraternal and church affairs. A man who is continually reaching out to serve others, Mr. Otto is continually growing, for the passion to help others is the great transformer in our character, and its action and reaction cannot help but be good. He has earned and holds the esteem of all who know him, and he is still moving forward to a greater and even more substantial success.

In politics he is a Republican, and is active in civic and political matters, and is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Otto is associated with fraternal and other organizations. He is a member of Mount Orthodox Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of West Springfield, and all the Scottish Rite bodies, including the Consistory, in which he has received the thirty-second degree; also Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He holds membership in the Orchards Golf Club of South Hadley. His religious connection is with the Congregational Church of South Hadley, Massachusetts, to which his wife belongs.

Mr. William F. Otto married, April 23, 1913, at Suffield, Connecticut, Grace G. Shephard, of Almont, Canada, daughter of David Shephard, her father having been born in Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Otto are the parents of one child: William G., who was born October 7, 1917, at West Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Otto's brother, Louis E., was in the World War, 301st Connecticut Engineers, and was killed on the Toul Sector just before the armistice was signed. He married Mabel Durnay.

**CLIFFORD STANLEY LYON**—In June, 1917, Clifford Stanley Lyon was admitted to partnership in the firm of Green & Bennett, attorneys-at-law, of Holyoke. He had entered their offices two years previously, immediately after being admitted to the bar. The firm name was changed to Green, Bennett & Lyon January 1, 1926.

He was born in New York City March 17, 1888. His father, Dr. John Stanley Lyon, was a clergyman of the Baptist Church, and his education was obtained in the schools of those places in which his father held pastorates. At Bristol, Connecticut, he attended the public school, and he completed his course in the Holyoke High School in 1906. With the class of 1910 he entered Dartmouth College, where he took the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During the following two years he was occupied as director of the industrial work of the West Side Young Men's Christian Association, New York City. In the fall of 1912 he entered Columbia University Law School, and upon the completion of a three-year course received his legal degree, Bachelor of Laws. In college Mr. Lyon wore the pin of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Besides membership in the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce and in the County and State Bar associations, he has been Past Exalted Ruler of Holyoke Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of Mount Tom Lodge of Masons, the Scottish Rite Masonic lodges of Springfield, the Holyoke Canoe Club, the Mount Tom Golf Club, and the Nayasset Club of Springfield. In political matters he stands with the Republicans.

On May 27, 1916, at Holyoke, Gertrude A. Merrick and Clifford Stanley Lyon were united in marriage. To Mr. and Mrs. Lyon have been born four children: Elisabeth Merrick, Judson Stanley, Clarke Seth and Margaret Ella. Mr. Lyon and his family are members of the Second Baptist Church.

**DR. GEORGE WILLIAM BRADLEY**—In a vital branch of professional work affecting the health and welfare of the people, George William Bradley, of Adams, is holding leading rank in this section, his splendid preparation and wide experience giving him an unusual equipment, while his natural genius for precision and his habit of constant attention to work are of the greatest importance. Dr. Bradley is a native of New England, a son of Leonard Henry Bradley, for many years a resident of Meriden, Connecticut, and prominent in business and civic affairs of that city. Leonard Henry Bradley was a carriage manufacturer by occupation, and before the days of the motor car was a very successful business man. He was a member of the Meriden City Council for four years, and was also a veteran of

the Civil War, where he served during a four-year period. The mother, Martha M. (Talmadge) Bradley, was also a member of a well-known New England family.

Dr. George William Bradley was born in Meriden, Connecticut, July 19, 1866. His education was begun in the local public schools, and later attending the International Young Men's Christian Association College at Springfield, Massachusetts, he graduated in 1888. Then taking up his professional preparations at the Philadelphia Optical College, he graduated in 1890 and spent a few years in practice in the employ of leading concerns in this field. Coming to Adams in 1896, Dr. Bradley opened his offices as optometrist, practicing both in North Adams and Adams. He has developed a very extensive and important clientele, and not only holds leading rank in his chosen line of endeavor in this general region, but is counted among the best in the profession in New England. Dr. Bradley has done much for the welfare and happiness of the people, and both as a man and a citizen, as well as in his professional capacity, he holds the esteem and confidence of all. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, and is a member of the American Optometrists Association and other professional organizations, and attends the Baptist Church.

Dr. George William Bradley married, July 22, 1891, at Meriden, Connecticut, Alice Rosa Peck, daughter of Julius and Grace (Ticknor) Peck, and they are the parents of one son: Harold Talmadge, born June 6, 1892.

**JOHN J. FINN**—Born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, June 24, 1875, John J. Finn was educated in the public schools and the high school of his native town, and in the Holy Cross College, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1898 with the degree of A. B. His father, Michael J. Finn, was born in Ireland in 1835, and his mother, Rose (O'Donnell) Finn, is also a native of that country.

He started, in 1898, in the retail coal business with his father, who had been in that business since 1869. In 1900 he organized the Union Coal and Wood Company, with Henry J. Baker as president, and John J. Finn as secretary and treasurer. Mr. Finn is a director in the Park National Bank at Holyoke, and a director of the Morris Plan Bank. In politics he is an independent. He was an alderman of the city of Holyoke for two years, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of that city. In club life he belongs to the Rotary Club, the Holyoke Country Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Hibernians, and the Mount Tom Golf Club. In religion he is a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Finn married, June 10, 1914, at Holyoke, Massachusetts, Mary Caroline Reardon, born in Holyoke, March 3, 1874, daughter of William and Sarah (McCabe) Reardon, the former born in Scotland and the latter born in Ireland.

**JOHN D. ROSS**, member of the law firm of Dillon & Ross, of Holyoke, has been identified with legal circles in Holyoke since his admission to the Massachu-





*Geo. M. Bradley*





setts State bar in 1917. Though his father and mother were born in New Jersey, Mr. Ross is a native of Holyoke. He was born on July 6, 1895.

His preparatory education was received at the parochial school, the high school and Williston Academy. He entered Boston University Law School in 1914, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws three years later. That same year he passed his bar examinations and began to practice in Holyoke at once. The present partnership was formed in 1922. During the World War Mr. Ross, who was enrolled in the infantry, held the rank of first lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General's Department. He is a member of the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus and the Hampden County and Massachusetts State Bar associations.

On June 15, 1921, John D. Ross and Mary C. Whalen, of Northampton, were united in marriage, and to them were born two children: John D., Jr., born April 7, 1922, and Mary E., born June 17, 1925. The family are communicants of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church.

**ARTHUR J. NEWELL** has been connected with the Roland T. Oakes Company, a firm of electrical contractors in Holyoke, who install all kinds of industrial power and lighting, since its establishment in 1886. Mr. Oakes, the founder of this business, died February 10, 1919, and since that date Mr. Newell has occupied the positions of president and treasurer of the company.

Arthur J. Newell was born in Holyoke, March 6, 1867, son of Wilbur C. and Jane E. (Church) Newell. His father, who was born in Hampden, Massachusetts, was during his active life an overseer in the spinning room of the cotton mills, and was prominent in church work, being a deacon in the Second Congregational Church, to which the Newell family still belongs. His mother was a native of Wales.

Arthur J. Newell attended the public and high schools, graduating with the class of 1884. In addition to his own business responsibilities, Mr. Newell is actively interested in the business and social life of the town. He is vice-president and member of the board of investment of the Mechanics Savings Bank, and treasurer of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce. He is also vice-president of the Rotary Club, and past commodore of the Holyoke Canoe Club. During the World War he served as chairman of the Draft Board at Holyoke.

Arthur J. Newell married Olive L. Crafts, at Holyoke, May 29, 1888. Mr. and Mrs. Newell are the parents of four children: Marion R., born May 24, 1889; Homer E., born February 12, 1891; Alice, born September 28, 1892; and Richard, born December 23, 1902.

**CHARLES EDWARD DRAPEAU**—Among the young lawyers of Holyoke who are building up a private practice is Charles Edward Drapeau, a native of that city, having been born there on December 23, 1898. His father, Pierre Drapeau, came to Holyoke from Canada, and married Georgiana Menard. He was engaged in the grocery business. They made their home in Holyoke. Charles Edward Drapeau received his education in the parochial school in Holyoke, and later at the Springfield High School, from which he was graduated

with the class of 1916. From Niagara University of New York, he received his graduate degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1920, following which he entered Yale University Law School, where he graduated with the class of 1924. He was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in October of that same year and at once began his legal career, opening his own office at No. 280 High Street. Mr. Drapeau is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and in politics he supports the Republican party. He belongs to the Roman Catholic Church, and takes an active interest in the work of the Knights of Columbus.

**BERTHOLD A. OPPENHEIMER**, widely known in Springfield business circles as the vice-president and general manager of the insurance firm of Oppenheimer, Robinson Company, was born in Syracuse, New York, April 15, 1872. His father was Berthold B. Oppenheimer, living at the great age of ninety-one; and his mother, Adelaide S. (Roberts) Oppenheimer.

Berthold A. Oppenheimer attended the public schools in Springfield, and began life at fourteen, working as office boy for E. P. Kendrick, a lawyer; at seventeen he became a clerk for the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company; at twenty-two he became a clerk for Cone & Sherwood, insurance agents; at thirty-two he was made one of the firm of F. F. Small & Company, insurance agents; at thirty-seven the firm became Oppenheimer & Field, upon the retirement of Mr. Small, Mr. Field coming into the firm at the same time. When Mr. Oppenheimer reached the age of fifty-three, in 1925, the firm of Oppenheimer & Field was dissolved and a new firm organized as Oppenheimer, Robinson Company. Mr. Oppenheimer is a member of the Corporation of the Hampden County Savings Bank; and a director of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, director of the Springfield Mortgage Corporation, and director of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association and the Beneficial Loan Society. He is vice-president of the Insurance Association of Springfield and treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church Council of Christian Churches. In politics he is an Independent Republican, but has never held office. He is a member of De Soto Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of the Nayasset Club, Kiwanis Club, Springfield Country Club, Springfield Stamp Club, the Security Associates, the Men's Club of St. Peter's Church, and the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is a director. He is an Episcopalian, attending St. Peter's Church.

Mr. Oppenheimer married, October 25, 1894, Lettie M. Bridge, daughter of James G. Bridge and Anna Cooper. They are the parents of five children: Carl Frederick, born August 19, 1895, died in service in the United States Navy, in November, 1918. Richard James, born April 20, 1897, was a member of the Naval Aviation Corps. Arthur Lawrence, born July 26, 1899, was a member of the Students Army Corps of Dartmouth College. Edmund Staunton, born April 1, 1902. Harold Roberts, was born September 17, 1907. Mr. Oppenheimer's address is Security Building, 44-46 Vernon Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HORACE D. PRENTISS**—One of the well known men in the public life of Holyoke is Horace D. Prentiss, who has occupied the position of postmaster since his appointment in January, 1922. His connection with the postal service dates back to 1899, when, having passed the civil service examinations, he was employed as clerk in the post office. After thirteen years of faithful service, he was made superintendent of carriers and in this capacity continued until April, 1912, until his appointment as assistant postmaster and served as such until appointed acting postmaster in August, 1921. Five months later, in January, 1922, the authorities at Washington named him postmaster, in which office he has since most efficiently served his fellow citizens.

Horace D. Prentiss was born in Acworth, New Hampshire, August 11, 1872, son of Davis B. and Frances B. (McNab) Prentiss, the former named a native of the Granite State, and the latter a native of Vermont. The father was engaged in the manufacture of shoes for some time, then moved to Holyoke and entered the employ of the R. D. Prentice Company.

Horace D. Prentiss attended the public schools in Acworth and South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts, also a business college in Holyoke, and after completing his studies devoted himself to the trade of printer. For ten years he followed this line of work, then turned his attention to the particular branch of public service to which he has given so many years, as noted above. During this time the office has grown wonderfully; when he came there were seven clerks and eighteen carriers, and now the force consists of thirty-three clerks and forty-seven carriers. The present post office building was erected in 1905, then a fine building, but owing to the growth of the parcel post and other mail it is now entirely too small for the business conducted there. Mr. Prentiss gives his allegiance to the Republican party, taking an active interest in its councils in his part of the country. He is a member of the City, the Kiwanis, the Holyoke Canoe and the Redcliffe Canoe clubs.

On April 21, 1900, Horace D. Prentiss and Minnie F. Cushing were united in marriage and to them have been born a son and a daughter, Allen H., born May 14, 1906; and Doris E., born March 16, 1912. Mr. Prentiss and his family are attendants of the Second Congregational Church of Holyoke.

**EDWARD JOSEPH RYAN**, one of the outstanding young lawyers of Springfield, Massachusetts, now practicing his profession under his own name with increasing success and prestige, is the son of Thomas P. and Catherine (Noonan) Ryan, the father a millwright.

Edward Joseph Ryan was born at Lee, Massachusetts, March 18, 1891. His early education was received in the parochial and high schools in Lee, after which he became a student at Middlebury College, graduating in the class of 1912 with the degree of A. B. Having determined to pursue the study of law, he now entered the Yale Law School, and in 1916 received from that institution the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In March, 1918, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, and the following year began practice in Springfield with the firm of Harvey & Mulcare. He remained with this firm

for about a year and then launched out for himself in a general law practice which he has conducted with a growing reputation that is a testimony to his ability and enterprise. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, of the University Club, and Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. By religious conviction a Roman Catholic, he is a loyal member of St. Michael's Church, of Springfield and of the Knights of Columbus, while his political associations are with the Democratic party.

Mr. Ryan married, in Springfield, November 30, 1922, Ann L. Graham, of Framingham, Massachusetts, daughter of George and Mary Ellen Graham, the father a native of Ireland, the mother of Hopkinton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan have two children: David Graham, born September 29, 1923, and Elinor, born October 21, 1924.

**FRANK BECKWITH TOWNE**, treasurer of the National Blank Book Company, one of the large industries of Holyoke, Massachusetts, was born in San Francisco, California, January 7, 1865. He is of the ninth American generation, and although born in the West he has passed his life since 1881 in Holyoke.

He is a director of the Hadley Falls Trust Company, and president of the Holyoke City Hospital; a trustee of Mt. Holyoke College; a member of the Mount Tom Golf Club, and of the Second Congregational Church, Holyoke. He was married June 24, 1894, at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, to Harriet Alter Peale, daughter of Samuel Richard and Harriet (Alter) Peale. Their son, Richard Peale Towne, was born in Holyoke, October 5, 1899, and their adopted daughter, Barbara Boynton, was born in Winchester, New Hampshire, August 5, 1904. Mr. Towne's address is No. 23 Sycamore Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

**JAMES H. O'CONNELL**, prominent real estate dealer and engaged in the insurance business in Holyoke, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, August 2, 1862. He acquired his education in the elementary and high schools of that city and in 1890 started in the business which he continues to the present (1925). In politics Mr. O'Connell is a Republican. He was fire commissioner of Holyoke fifteen years and served when occasion permitted, as chairman of the board, and is also chairman of the Holyoke Board of Fire Underwriters. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Lions Club, the Holyoke Country Club, and Mount Tom Golf Club, of which he was one of the founders, has served as president, and was on the first board of directors. In religion he is a member of the Catholic Church. His father, Patrick O'Connell, and his mother, Anne (Hartney) O'Connell, are natives of Ireland, the former being superintendent of the Wason Manufacturing Company.

Mr. O'Connell is the father of two children: Frances G.; and Barbara, both born in Holyoke.

**RICHARD JOSEPH WHALEN**—Thomas Whalen, the father of Richard Joseph Whalen, was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1840, and he died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, June 2, 1902, aged sixty-two





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years. He acquired his education in the schools of his native town, and in early life was a landscape gardener in Ireland. In 1862, when twenty-two years of age, he came to the United States and settled in Hatfield. He worked for Roswell Hubbard, Alfred Graves and others for several years, and later purchased the place where his son, Richard Joseph Whalen, now lives. Upon this land he began the cultivation of tobacco and onions, and he carried this on successfully up to the time of his death. He was one of the first in this region to raise onions profitably. In Ireland he had married Bridget Fitzgerald. She died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1881, aged thirty-four years. They were the parents of Patrick, deceased; Dennis, Anna Bridget, Hannah, who married Thomas Ryan, of Hatfield; Mary, who married Maurice Kiley, of Northampton; Nellie, who married John Burke, of Hatfield; and Richard J., of whom further.

Richard Joseph Whalen was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, July 15, 1879. He was born in the house that his father built soon after coming to the place, and he has always lived there. He acquired his education in the public schools of Hatfield and in the Springfield Business College. He has always followed farming, and has always been a large grower of tobacco and onions. He has seventy-five acres in these crops. His land is located in Florence, Northampton and Hatfield.

For twelve years Mr. Whalen has represented Hipple Brothers, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in buying, packing and selling tobacco, and is a member of the company. He handles the tobacco produce of from four hundred to six hundred acres, and employs as high as one hundred and forty people in his packing operations. He has a large packing house adjoining his residence in Hatfield. Mr. Whalen is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Knights of Columbus of Northampton.

On November 27, 1917, Mr. Whalen married Gertrude E. Mangum, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, November 7, 1889, daughter of John Mangum, born in Windsor Locks, Connecticut, January 5, 1860, and Julia (Bruyette) Mangum, born in Collinsville, Connecticut, October 16, 1860. Mr. and Mrs. Whalen have a daughter, Gertrude, born November 7, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Mangum were married February 3, 1886, and Mrs. Mangum was the daughter of Peter Bruyette, born in Canada, and Elizabeth (Leader) Bruyette, born in Ireland. John Mangum was the son of Patrick Mangum, born in Kings County, Ireland, in 1825, died in Windsor Locks, Connecticut, in 1881. He came to this country in 1843, when eighteen years of age, and married Theresa Glennon, born in Queens County, Ireland.

**CORNELIUS JOSEPH MORIARTY**—Since 1923, Cornelius J. Moriarty has been known as one of Holyoke's successful attorneys. After completing his studies he returned to this, his native city, and, associated with Eugene A. Lynch, opened his own offices and began to practice law.

Cornelius J. Moriarty was born in Holyoke, March 27, 1896, the son of Daniel and Mary Gallivan Moriarty. His parents were both born in Ireland, coming to the

United States when they were young. Cornelius J. Moriarty was educated in the parochial and high schools of Holyoke, going to Thompson's Business Institute for a course in practical affairs after he had received his diploma with the class of 1913. He was a reporter and city editor of the Holyoke "Daily Transcript" for several years. He enrolled as a student in the law course of the Catholic University of America in 1920, from which he took the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1923. That same year he was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts. In addition to his legal affairs, Mr. Moriarty is connected with the Holyoke National Bank. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association and is also affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and Holyoke Lodge of Elks. Politically his sympathies are with the Democratic Party. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic, being a communicant of St. Jerome's Church.

**ROLLIN OSCAR WHITE**—The great number of descendants in the White family to-day settled in New England and the Western States, in most instances, can trace their lineage to John White, of Salem, Massachusetts, 1638, or to William White, of Ipswich, Massachusetts, 1635. Both were progenitors of a multitude of descendants, and number among them many of the most active and prominent participants in the social, religious, and civil affairs of the communities and commonwealths in which they lived; but so numerous has been their progeny, that the records have become impossible to trace, in many instances, the links being lost in the early antecedents of some of the branches. Among the early forebears of this present family herein traced was Elisha White, of whom further.

(I) Elisha White was born in Meridian, Massachusetts, March 12, 1753, and died in Royalston, Massachusetts, July 8, 1811. He had removed to Milford, Massachusetts, and in 1775 he with others, moved from there to Royalston. He married Mary Corbett, born in Milford, July 28, 1755, died in Royalston, June 17, 1850, and they were the parents of thirteen children, the youngest being Adriel, of whom further.

(II) Adriel White, youngest child of Elisha and Mary (Corbett) White, was born in Royalston, Massachusetts, February 22, 1799, and died March 17, 1869. He was selectman and assessor for several years, and was one of the first "Free Sailors" prominent in the temperance cause, raising the first frame building in that section of the country where coffee and doughnuts took the place of rum. He took a great interest in the schools, and gave all of his children a term or more at some good academy. He married, January 22, 1826, Olive Davis, born September 6, 1803, died January 6, 1879, and they were the parents of the following children: Theresa L.; Erastus E.; Philetus D.; Wellington; Adriel C., of whom further; Halan P.; Asaph M.; Melzar; Rollin N.; and Olive T. L.

(III) Adriel C. White, son of Adriel and Olive (Davis) White, was born April 19, 1835, at Royalston, Massachusetts, and died in North Orange, Massachusetts, March 3, 1924, at the advanced age of almost eighty-nine years. He received his education in the



schools of District No. 7, and at Brattleboro Academy, and became a school teacher, in which profession he was very successful, being an instructor for several years in Royalston, Fitzmillan, and Richmond, Vermont, Guilford, Vermont, and in Provincetown, Massachusetts, and other places. In August, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company E, 53rd Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, serving in this capacity for nine months, when he was promoted to sergeant, and was with the regiment in every march and engagement, receiving his honorable discharge September 2, 1863. In 1869 he removed to Warwick, where he lived for twenty years, and held the offices of selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor. He was occupied in the lumber business, and operated a steam and water-power mill, producing a chair stock. In 1895 he removed to North Orange, Massachusetts, where he continued to live until the time of his death, carrying the mail from North Orange to Athol. He was a member of H. V. Smith Post, of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Athol, Massachusetts, and was also Past Master of North Orange Grange.

Adriel C. White married, March 12, 1861, Elsie A. Davis, of Royalston, Bellows Falls, Vermont, daughter of Jarvis and Mary Ann (Jackson) Davis, and they were the parents of one son, Rollin Oscar, of whom further.

(IV) Rollin Oscar White, son of Adriel C. and Elsie A. (Davis) White, was born September 17, 1868, in Royalston, Massachusetts. He received his education in the public schools of Warwick, where he had removed with his parents when but eighteen months of age, but also attended school at Royalston for one year. On the completion of his education he worked for his father, operating a steam mill, doing custom work, and remained in this connection for four or five years. On attaining the age of twenty-one years, he went to Athol, Massachusetts, where he worked for seven years in a sash and blind factory, and in 1895 he removed to North Orange, Massachusetts, since which time he has devoted himself to farming. He has a farm of one hundred acres, the home he occupies having been built about one hundred and fifty years ago. In it was held the first gathering for the purpose of taking some action in regard to building a church for the community. Mr. White conducts a dairy business, keeping a dozen cows. He also runs the Star Route between North Orange and Athol, carrying mail, passengers, and express matter, and he has operated this route for the past twenty years. Mr. White is a member of the School Board, an office that he has held for twelve years; and a member of Tully Lodge, No. 136, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and he also is a member of the subordinate Grange of North Orange, and Past Master of the Pomona Grange of Franklin and Worcester counties. Mr. White is held in high esteem in his section, his services to his community in all matters of the public general welfare being generally relied upon. According to the traditions of his family, he has lived to serve, and his service has been of a quality that has tended to the betterment of general conditions. As has been said in various ways "who most has served, is greatest," and "lives lived in lowliness are often most resplendent."

Rollin Oscar White married, June 9, 1892, Daisy L. Hastings, of Warwick, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles F. and Catherine (St. Clair) Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. White are the parents of two children, both born in North Orange: Katheryn Elsie, born July 23, 1896; and Kenneth Hastings, born October 8, 1906.

**MATTHEW BERNARD RYAN** comes of fine old Irish stock. His great-grandfather, John Ryan, was born in Ireland and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts. He married Elizabeth Larkin, and their children were John (2), of further mention; and Mary.

John (2) Ryan, son of John and Elizabeth (Larkin) Ryan, was born in Ireland and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts. He married Margaret Daly, and she married (second) Nicholas Powers, and at present (1925) she resides with her son, Lawrence A. Powers, at the age of ninety-eight years. The children of John and Margaret (Daly) Ryan were: Thomas J., of further mention; Mary, who married John Sheehan; and John J., who died in 1916.

Thomas Joseph Ryan was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, September 10, 1856, and died November 7, 1924. He was educated in the town schools, and entering active life followed farming for a time. He then began road building and for thirty years worked upon highway construction. For twelve years he was employed by the State in building and keeping in repair the State highways. He built the first stone road constructed in his region, and he constructed much of the highway between Northampton and Greenfield that has stood the test of heavy traffic better than any like road in the section of the State in which it runs. He had the supervision of highways between Northampton and Greenfield, and from Conway to Amherst. He served on the Board of Selectmen for several years, and was a devoted member of St. Joseph's Church of Hatfield. He was a member of the American Order of United Workmen for twenty-five years. On January 15, 1880, he married Mary Ryan, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, daughter of James (3) and Mary (Walsh) Ryan. James (3) Ryan, father of Mrs. Mary (Ryan) Ryan, came to New England in 1847 and settled in Hadley, Massachusetts. He married Mary Walsh of that place. Children: Alice, married W. J. Lyons; Mary, married T. J. Ryan; Johanna, married J. G. Smith; James; Matthew; Thomas W. Four other children died young. The children of Thomas J. and Mary (Ryan) Ryan, were: William Edward, born March 9, 1881, lives in Wichita, Kansas, married Agnes Murphy and has a son Paul Edward, born February 20, 1916; Margaret A., a teacher; Joseph T., born June 4, 1893, a draftsman, served in the World War with the One Hundred and Fourth Regiment, and spent five months in the hospital. He was in the service nineteen months, and was acting sergeant; Matthew B., of further mention; Mary Loretta, born August 10, 1899, a trained nurse.

Matthew Bernard Ryan, son of Thomas Joseph and Mary (Ryan) Ryan, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, January 14, 1897, and was educated in the public schools of the town. He entered the World War in March, 1918, went to Boston to the Franklin Union





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Automobile School, was sent to Fortress Monroe, Virginia, in the Motor Transport Service, and was thus engaged until the close of the war. He was associated with his father in State highway construction work until the spring of 1924, when he was made Superintendent of Streets and Highways of the town of Hatfield, to which he has since devoted his time and attention.

Matthew Bernard Ryan married, in August, 1923, Margaret Lovett, of Springfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Frank and Margaret (Powers) Lovett. They have one daughter, Elizabeth, born November 12, 1924.

**THOMAS C. MAHER**—From the Boston University Law School, where he received his diploma conferring the degree Bachelor of Laws with a degree of *magna cum laude*, upon him in 1896, Thomas C. Maher came at once to establish himself in law offices in Holyoke and Northampton, and here he has remained throughout his entire legal career.

He was born in Haydenville, Massachusetts, December 22, 1872, and prepared for the University at the public high schools of Florence, Massachusetts. Mr. Maher is not bound by any party ties, holding his vote free to be cast for the man or the cause which, in his judgment, is representative of the public weal. During the years of his residence in Holyoke he has found time for public affairs, serving as city solicitor under two different mayors. He has also formed many social and fraternal ties, being a member of the County Bar Association, the City Club, the Foresters, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Mount Tom Country Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 902, and the Knights of Columbus.

At Northampton, Massachusetts, on November 26, 1908, Thomas C. Maher and Mary E. Meehan were united in marriage, and to them was born a son, Thomas F., May 26, 1915. Mr. Maher and his family are communicants of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church.

**ALBERT W. VINING**, senior member of the firm of Vining & Borrner, interior decorators, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Berkshire, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, January 10, 1874. His father was Albert E. Vining, born in Boston, Massachusetts, June 13, 1854. His mother was Estella A. (Raybold) Vining, born in Sandwich, Cape Cod, August 20, 1854. The father was an upholsterer.

Albert W. Vining attended the public and high schools at North Adams and Drury Academy. He engaged in business with Oscar Borrner, in West Springfield, May 1, 1908, interior decorators and painting contractors, and continued there until 1909. The firm at that time opened a place of business at No. 181 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. In 1911 they added the premises of No. 179 State Street, which they bought in 1920, and where they have continued to the present time. Mr. Vining has been very active in civic affairs in Springfield, giving freely of his time to serve on many important committees. He was elected an alderman in 1921, taking office on January 1, 1922. He has been re-elected, and his present term in the board will expire

on January 1, 1927. Mr. Vining is a thirty-second degree Mason. He organized the President's Club of Springfield, and was its first president. He was president of the Rotary Club 1923-24; is president of the Springfield Automobile Club; is a member of the Chamber of Commerce; the Nayasset Club; the Retail Merchants' Association; vice-president of the Publicity Club, and a deacon of the South Congregational Church.

Mr. Vining married, in Hartford, Connecticut, October 7, 1915, Margaret Wood Ranney, daughter of Salvador Ranney, a native of Conway, Massachusetts, and Adelia B. (Woods) Ranney, born in Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Mr. Vining's business address is No. 179 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**THOMAS WALKER**, political leader and shipping foreman for the American Saw and Manufacturing Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Paterson, New Jersey, May 21, 1876. His father was William Walker, born in Gartsherrie, Scotland; and his mother was Mary Porter, a native of the same place. The father was a silk weaver, who came to the United States in 1868.

Thomas Walker attended the public schools and high school of his native city of Paterson, and of Stoddard, New Hampshire. He left school at an early age and engaged in the grocery business as an employee of Lewis J. Ball & Company, in Springfield. This he continued from 1897 to 1908. He followed by working for Thomas Yetto, a grocer and butcher, from 1908 to 1912. In 1912 he began a connection with the Saw and Quality Tool Works, which he continued for four years, until 1916. He changed in that year to the American Saw and Manufacturing Company, which he has continued until the present, holding the important post of shipping foreman.

Mr. Walker is a Republican in politics, and has been active in local politics. He was elected to the Common Council in 1924, and his present term will expire in 1927. He is a Past Chief of Clan Murray, No. 152, Order of the Scottish Clans. He is a member of Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; a past president of the Scottish Charitable Society; and a member of the First Congregational Church.

Mr. Walker was married, in Springfield, November 9, 1898, to Agnes Thom Burt, born in Coatbridge, Scotland. Her father was Peter, and her mother Mary (Robb) Burt, both natives of Coatbridge, Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are the parents of the following children: Lorraine Hope, born in Springfield, October 16, 1901; and of Faith Aileen, born in Springfield July 20, 1909. Mr. Walker's address is No. 13 Clifton Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**ALFRED THEOBALD EGAN**, a lawyer of Springfield, was born April 5, 1893, in this city, which has been the scene of all his professional activity. He is a son of Michael F. Egan, a police sergeant, and Susan A. Egan. He attended the Forest Park Grammar School, the Central High School, and Georgetown University, having early made the legal profession his choice. His professional work is general in character. During the

World War he served in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army, and holds an honorable discharge. Mr. Egan is a member of the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity and the Holy Name Roman Catholic Church. His address is No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOHN W. DOWNS**—A very natural, sensible way proved by long experience to be one of the safest and most interesting and useful from the point of view of gaining a general practical knowledge of business affairs and human nature—a very important subject of study for all business men, for some more and for some less, is to take up anything that comes along and seize any chance for entering practical life and beginning to earn an income, and thus having gained a footing in business to look around with open ears and eyes for any possible improvements, using one's position, unless it bids fair to improve and lead to better and higher things, as stepping stones to the next. One who seems to have acted upon this principle and who is now the established successful owner of a real estate and insurance firm at No. 150 North Street, Pittsfield, is Mr. John W. Downs.

Mr. Downs is a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he was born October 27, 1890, a son of John Downs, a farmer, and Fannie (Hickey) Downs. He received his education in the public and high schools of his native place, and having left school he opened a United Cigar Store on North Street, in Pittsfield, which he continued to operate for the period of one and one-half years. After this he went into the contracting business, where he remained until 1915. For the next two years Mr. Downs directed his attention to the lumber business and might have continued in it had not the World War stirred his patriotic feelings, the same as it did thousands of other young Americans, and caused him to rally round his country's flag and enter the United States Army in 1917. After receiving his honorable discharge Mr. Downs went into the real estate business in association with a Mr. Mann, who, however left the partnership after a year, since which time (1920), Mr. Downs is carrying on a real estate and insurance business by himself, and with greatly increasing success. In politics Mr. Downs is a member of the Republican party, and in religion a member of the Roman Catholic faith. He is also a member of the Rebeta Council, No. 103, of the Knights of Columbus.

John W. Downs married, May 28, 1924, Rose O'Brien, daughter of John and Honora (Walsh) O'Brien, her father retired. Mr. and Mrs. Downs are residing at No. 150 North Street, Pittsfield.

**JOHN E. GRANFIELD**—A leader in business affairs in Chicopee, and holding the responsible office of deputy sheriff of Hampden County, John E. Granfield, whose prominent position among the realty men in Western Massachusetts is a result of many years of general business training and experience in general lines in Chicopee and this section of the State, is one of the best informed men in real estate matters. Honored with political office and civic leadership, Deputy Sheriff Granfield is a factor of discernment and influence in

the business expansion of his native city. John E. Granfield is a son of Thomas and Mary (McDonald) Granfield, the former named, who was a brick setter, came to Chicopee in 1844, and at the time of his death was one of the oldest residents in this city.

Mr. Granfield attended both parochial and public schools, and he began his business career in the employment of the Dwight Manufacturing Company in the card room of that factory, where he remained about a year. He was then apprenticed for three years as a stone cutter for Charles Burton, and he was employed at that trade in Longmeadow. For ten years thereafter he was a salesman for the Sprague and Hathaway Portrait and Picture Frame Company, in Somerville, and in 1908 he established himself in the real estate and fire insurance business in Chicopee, in which he still successfully continues, and into which he received his sons, Arthur J. and William T., as partners in 1919 under the firm name of John E. Granfield & Sons.

As a business man in public office, too, Mr. Granfield has proven a useful director and executive in the affairs of county and city and in organized business matters. He was elected a member of the Chicopee Board of Aldermen, representing Ward One; for three years he was a member of the building commissioners that erected the Chicopee Public Library; and he is now president of the Chicopee Real Estate Board. Mr. Granfield received his appointment in 1912 from Sheriff Clark as deputy sheriff of Hampden County. He is serving as president of the Board of Trade, and director of the Massachusetts Real Estate Board. During the World War Mr. Granfield served as fuel administrator in this district, and he received high commendation from Commissioner James H. Storrow at the time, and afterwards his honorable discharge from that service from President Woodrow Wilson. Fraternally, Mr. Granfield is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus, and he was the first president of the Knights of Columbus Building Association; the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Kiwanis Club. He is a communicant of Holy Name Roman Catholic Church.

John E. Granfield married, August 4, 1893, Johanna Smeddy, of Springfield, daughter of John and Margaret R. (Toohill) Smeddy. They are the parents of six children: 1. Robert. 2. Arthur, in business with his father, served overseas in the United States Navy in the World War, enlisting in 1917, and receiving his honorable discharge in August, 1919. 3. Catharine. 4. William, who is a partner in his father's business. 5. Mary. 6. John T.

**WILLIAM S. O'BRIEN, M. D.**—Of that efficient and capable type of citizenship that has rendered to Chicopee a valued civic service in office, in both the city's educational and health departments, Dr. William S. O'Brien is a physician of skill and attainments, well known among the general practitioners in the western part of the State. He has won and he well merits the esteem of the community for his zealous devotion to his profession, and for the high standard of service that he maintains therein.

Dr. William S. O'Brien, a son of Dennis O'Brien. a







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shoemaker in Marlboro, and Katherine (Reilly) O'Brien, was born March 21, 1881, in Hopkinton. With the removal of his parents to Marlboro in 1889, he attended the public schools there, and was graduated from the high school with the class of 1899. Preparing for his profession in Tuft's Medical College, he was graduated there with his degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1905, and he served as interne at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. He commenced his general practice in Chicopee in 1906, and he is a member of the medical staff of Mercy Hospital, of Springfield. Dr. O'Brien has at all times been associated with Chicopee's progress, whether in professional or civic matters, and he was a member of the school committee in 1909-1911; and from 1916 to 1925, inclusive, he was a member of the Board of Health. Fraternally, Dr. O'Brien is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, and with the Foresters of America; and he is a member of the Springfield Academy of Medicine. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. William S. O'Brien married, June 16, 1908, in Marlboro, Mary McMahon, daughter of James and Mary (Corkery) McMahon, and their children are: Dorothy, Mary, Robert, Paul, Imelda.

**JOSEPH M. GRISE**, mayor of Chicopee, Massachusetts, and partner in one of its most successful mercantile establishments, and the dean of its business men in point of continuous service, was born in Chicopee, March 19, 1871. His father, Joseph Grise, was a foreman for the Dwight Manufacturing Company of Chicopee, who died in May, 1888. His mother was Louise (Plant) Grise.

Joseph M. Grise attended the public and parochial schools of Chicopee. He was eleven years old when he secured a position as clerk for George Beesley, of Chicopee, whose retail shoe store was founded by him in 1866. He continued to attend school and to work mornings, noons and nights, every moment of his spare time. At fourteen he left grammar school to take a permanent clerkship in the Beesley shoe store. At the age of twenty-five he took an interest in the business. About 1893 they added to the retail shoe store a line of men's furnishings, and the double business has been continued ever since. Mr. Beesley died about 1915, and Mr. Grise is a co-partner of Frank M. Beesley, his son. The business is known popularly as Beesley's. Mr. Grise has many other interests. He is secretary and trustee of the Columbia Realty Trust Company of Chicopee; a trustee of the Chicopee Savings Bank; vice-president of the Republic Mortgage Discount Company of Springfield, and one of its founders; and auditor of the Cabot Trust Company of Chicopee. He served one term on the Chicopee School Committee; was a member of the Board of Registration for twelve years; chairman of the Licensing Board for eight years; mayor of Chicopee since 1921, including 1925. During the great war he was an effective "four-minute" speaker. He is a member of L'Union Canadienne, Knights of Columbus, Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Foresters of America, the Kiwanis Club of Chicopee, and the Oxford Country Club of Chicopee. He attends Holy Name Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Grise married, October 16, 1895, Catherine A. Falvey, daughter of Mark and Bridget (Gibbons) Falvey. They are the parents of four children: Agnes L., born July 18, 1896; Joseph M., Jr., born January 18, 1900; Alfred F., born June 23, 1902; and Kathleen, born August 9, 1904. One grandchild, Russell A. Breen, is the son of Albert R. and Agnes L. (Grise) Breen.

The business address of Mayor Grise is the City Hall or Beesley's store; his house address is No. 22 Union Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

**HENRY NELSON TEAGUE**—Varied and interesting activities engage the attention of Henry Nelson Teague, of Williamstown, perhaps best known as the proprietor of the famous Greylock Hotel. Hotel interests have formed Mr. Teague's realm of business activity for the past twenty years. To many tourists who visit the Berkshire Hills their recollections of a stop at this fine old hostelry are among the pleasantest memories of this region. Mr. Teague is active in public affairs, his work having reached national importance, and he is affiliated with many worthy endeavors. He is a son of George Edward and Martha Cornelia (Dunham) Teague, his father a sea captain by occupation, sailing out from the coast of Maine and active in transport service during the Civil War.

Henry Nelson Teague was born at Southwest Harbor, Maine, June 2, 1877. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and he attended high school in Gloucester, Massachusetts. Entering Dartmouth College, he graduated from that institution in 1900, then covered a course of one year at the Amos Ruck School of Finance, from which he graduated in 1901. For the first four years of his career Mr. Teague was identified with the Dartmouth College Dining Association in the capacity of comptroller, and it was undoubtedly in this work that he gained the familiarity with hotel interests and catering activities which led him to his choice of a permanent field of business endeavor. In 1905, Mr. Teague was approached by the owners of the New Weston Hotel at the corner of Forty-ninth Street and Madison Avenue, in New York City, with an offer for his services as manager. He accepted this position and filled it with efficiency for a period of nine years. Meanwhile, in 1911, Mr. Teague leased the Greylock Hotel at Williamstown, for a period of years and is still conducting that house in the most commendable manner. Always alert to the needs and wants of his guests, and himself a man of genial spirit and presence, Mr. Teague has maintained the most homelike atmosphere in this hotel, while at the same time keeping the house in the front rank of its group in the perfection of its appointments and cuisine. Its wonderful location in the shadow of one of New England's most beautiful mountains, with the world-famed Berkshires a panoramic view from its windows and wide flung verandas, the public has come to appreciate Mr. Teague's endeavors for their comfort and pleasure and few indeed are the guests of a night, who do not, when opportunity permits, come for a longer stay. Mr. Teague in 1922, leased the Mirimar Hotel, on Biscayne Bay, Miami, Florida, one of the ultra fashionable hotels of that famous winter resort by the sea, which he conducts with



equal efficiency and ceaseless attention to the welfare of his guests. Mr. Teague finds his recreation from the responsibilities of business on his 2,000-acre farm near Williamstown, where he breeds the finest Holstein cattle and Berkshire hogs.

Civic, State and National affairs have for years commanded a share of Mr. Teague's attention, and he is a leading figure in the Democratic party in this State. For ten years he served as vice-chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Massachusetts, and in 1916 was the Democratic nominee for State treasurer. In 1919, he was active as highway surveyor of Williamstown, and meanwhile, in 1918 and 1919, he served in the special activities of the period as associate director of public works at Washington, District of Columbia, and personal representative of William H. Wilson, secretary of labor, on important war work throughout the country. Mr. Teague's military record began with his enlistment as a member of Company E, 1st New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, and he was active in the Spanish-American War from May 2 until November 1, 1898.

Faternally he is affiliated with the Williamstown Free and Accepted Masons; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Kappa Kappa Kappa, and he is a member of the Bunker Hill Family Association of America, Mr. Teague being a descendant of George Bunker. His clubs are the National Democratic; the University, of Boston; the City, of Boston; the Berkshire, of North Adams; the Taconic and the Miami Golf clubs; Florida Anglers' Club, etc. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church of Bar Harbor, Maine.

**FRANK H. CANDE**, a native of Sheffield, Massachusetts, was born May 25, 1869, a son of Hopkins T., a farmer, and Sarah E. (Parsons) Cande. He received his early education in the public and high schools of Sheffield, and after completing his studies taught school for about two years. He studied law in the office of A. C. Collins, of Great Barrington, Massachusetts, and in March, 1891, he was admitted to the bar, having during the last period of his law studies occupied the position and discharged the duties of a principal of the Great Barrington Grammar School. He then opened a law office of his own in Dalton, Massachusetts, but later moved to Pittsfield. He was clerk of courts from 1907 to 1916, when he resigned and became associated with Frederick M. Myers in the practice of law, later both members of the firm became associated with Walter C. Kellogg, and this association continues under the firm name of Kellogg, Cande & Myers. In politics Mr. Cande has been a member of the Republican party in his locality. In religion Mr. Cande is a member of the South Congregational Church. His fraternal and club associations include membership of the local lodges of the Masonic order, and of the Park Club of Pittsfield.

Frank H. Cande married, November 24, 1892, Carrie J. Rice, of Great Barrington. Mr. and Mrs. Cande are the parents of four children: 1. Donald H. 2. Robert P. 3. Carolyn H. 4. Esther. The family home is at No. 541 South Street, Pittsfield.

**JOHN TORREY HAWKINS**, who is doing business under his own name in Springfield, Massachusetts, as a dealer in investment securities, and is well known in Masonic and other circles there, is the son of William Rhodes and Alice (York) Hawkins. His father, who was a civil engineer, was born in North Scituate, Rhode Island, but came to Springfield when he was only six years old.

John Torrey Hawkins was born in Boston, Massachusetts, April 8, 1883. He attended the public schools and Springfield High School, from which he graduated in 1901. That same year he secured a position with the firm of William C. Simons, investment brokers, of Springfield, and remained with the concern until August 1, 1919, in the capacity of bond salesman. On that date he formed a partnership with B. Frank Ward under the firm name of Hawkins & Ward, dealers in bonds, and did business under this designation until the death of Mr. Ward early in 1924, at which time he bought out the Ward interest and still continues to operate the business dealing in standard investment securities. Mr. Hawkins is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and Winthrop Club, and of Christ Episcopal Church. Fraternally, he is very active. He is affiliated with Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; York Rite; Morning Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Consistory, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Evening Star Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite; Massachusetts Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Connecticut Valley Consistory, holds the thirty-second degree, and belongs also to Springfield Chapter of Rose Croix and Bela Grotto.

Mr. Hawkins married, in New York City, May 14, 1921, Madeline Allison Batson, of Compo Bello, New Brunswick, Canada, daughter of Captain William and Edlar (McLellan) Batson. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins have two children: John Torrey, Jr., born January 10, 1923, and William Roland, born May 16, 1924, both children being born at Springfield.

**GEORGE U. SCHNARE**—A leading business man and builder of Springfield, Massachusetts, is George U. Schnare, president and treasurer of the Schnare Construction Company. Mr. Schnare was born in Chelsea, Nova Scotia, January 25, 1879, son of James and Amelia (Brigley) Schnare. The father is a carpenter and cooper of Nova Scotia.

The early years of George U. Schnare were spent in his native land, where he completed the common school course, learning the carpenter's trade, meantime, under his father's instructions. At the age of fifteen George U. Schnare left home and settled for a time in Boston, Massachusetts. After working there as a barber for three years, he entered the employ of a shoe factory in Marlborough, Massachusetts, where he remained for a year before moving on to Leominster. There for four years he worked in the piano factory of John M. Lockey. Ever seeking the opportunity which he knew awaited a man of his intelligence and skill, in the profession in





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which he was trained and in which his interests were centered, Mr. Schnare next went to Lawrence, Massachusetts, where he joined the forces of N. W. Pitman, contractor. In the five years of this association he learned yet another angle of the building industry, the brick mason's trade. In 1906, therefore, the date of his arrival in Springfield, he was twenty-seven years old, in the prime of his young manhood, and experienced in every branch of the building industry. He accepted a position as foreman carpenter for Fred T. Ley, Inc., for whom he became superintendent of construction in 1911, a position he retained until 1922. Then he organized the Schnare Construction Company February 15, 1922, in Springfield, of which he is president and treasurer, while Ohmer Barton is assistant treasurer, and Gerald B. Owens, vice-president and work manager. The enterprise has prospered and is doing an extensive business. Mr. Schnare is a member of Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield; Connecticut Valley Consistory; a holder of the thirty-second degree, a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Bela Grotto, Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, all of Springfield. He attends Christ's Disciples Church.

Mr. Schnare married, in Leominster, September 26, 1900, Edna L. Bray, daughter of Benjamin and Martha (Stevens) Bray. To them were born two children: Clarence, December 1, 1903, who married Fern Livingston, of Springfield, by whom he has a daughter, Norma, born October 1, 1923, in Springfield; and Ethelburt, born in Springfield, in November, 1907.

**ADOLPH FRANZ, M. D.**—In the course of his career of pronounced efficiency and value to his community and the western part of the State, Dr. Adolph Franz has honored his profession in his services as a physician and surgeon; and with his headquarters at Holyoke, he is both a practitioner and a citizen of the highest repute. He is the son of Adolph and Eliza Franz, of Fort Constitution, New Castle, New Hampshire. Throughout his life Adolph Franz has been in the military service of the United States Government; previous to the Civil War he was engaged in fighting the Indians on the Western plains; during the war he participated in many battles, and afterward he was stationed at Fort Union, New Mexico, and at many Southern forts as ordnance sergeant.

Dr. Adolph Franz was born July 6, 1862, at Washington, District of Columbia. He took the liberal arts course at Dartmouth College, in 1883 and 1884, and prepared for his profession at the Medical School of Columbia University, where he graduated with his medical degree in the class of 1887. From 1887 to 1902 he had his offices as physician and surgeon at South Hadley Falls, and since that time he has established himself at Holyoke, where he is house surgeon at Providence Hospital, and operating physician at Holyoke City Hospital. He is a member of the Holyoke Medical Society, Massachusetts Medical Society, American Medical Association, Springfield Academy of Medicine, and College of Surgeons. His religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Adolph Franz, married, June 11, 1890, at Epping, New Hampshire, Louise M. Norton, daughter of James and Anne Norton, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire; they are the parents of Dorothy, born in 1891; Fred, born in 1892; Louise, born in 1894; Gertrude, born in 1896; Adolph (3), born in 1902.

**WILLIAM RUSSELL PECK**—With a host of friends in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he is superintendent of the public schools, William Russell Peck is steadily making others by his conduct of that important city department. He is a native of Holyoke, born July 17, 1894, son of Joseph and Margaret E. Peck. He is a graduate of the Holyoke High School, in the class of 1912. After his graduation from that institution he entered Holy Cross College of Worcester, Massachusetts from which he graduated in 1916 with the degree of A. B., and in 1920 this college conferred upon him the degree of A. M.

Mr. Peck took up teaching as a vocation in the Boston College High School, at Boston Massachusetts, in 1916, and continued until June, 1917. From June, 1917, to November of that year, he was employed in the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, and then he returned to Holyoke and taught in its high school from November, 1917, until 1920, during which time he was head of the history department. In 1920 he was appointed superintendent of the city schools, and is held in high esteem not only by the Board of Education but by the people of Holyoke. During the World War he was an ensign in the United States Navy Reserve Force, 1918. Mr. Peck is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which body he has held a number of offices, including that of Deputy Grand Knight. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Holyoke Kiwanis Club. In religion he is a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Peck married, at St. Michael's Cathedral, in Springfield, June 30, 1924, Margaret M. McGinty, daughter of William and Anna McGinty.

**J. MAJOR GAGNON**, a lawyer, with a general practice in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in that city June 12, 1896. His father was Victor T. Gagnon, a native of Canada, born April 19, 1865, and in later years a contractor and builder in Springfield. His mother was Zelia (Lupien) Gagnon, born in Canada August 15, 1868.

J. Major Gagnon attended the parochial schools of Springfield and St. Joseph's Preparatory School. He was matriculated at St. Laurent College, Montreal, Canada, in the class of 1917, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He studied at the University of Paris for a year; at the University of Toulouse, France, for one year; and at Boston University for three years, being graduated in the class of 1922 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar in Massachusetts in September, 1922, and has carried on a general practice independently ever since. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association and president of St. Jean Baptiste Society. In politics he is an independent. Mr. Gagnon served in the army—Amer-



ican—French service—during the World War. He was wounded in the Meuse-Argonne offensive while serving with the 23d French Infantry, 19th Division, and was in the Chateau-Thierry drive. He attends St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

**LEROY HARRISON MARTIN**—There is no more active department of general public service, and there are few that have to do with a larger proportion of the population than that of the express business. Mr. Martin, for a series of successful years in the employ of the American Express Company, and now agent for the American Railway Express Company with his headquarters at Greenfield, has fulfilled the expectations of the agency that he serves efficiently and well. The problems of the express agent in the centre of a large territory of activity are solved as they appear in increasing volume year after year, Mr. Martin's field being one of the most important in this part of New England. He is a popular member of the community where he has made his home and place of business for a number of years, and the welfare and progress of Greenfield in its civic and social life have his leading interest and aid. His ancestors were New Englanders from the days of the early settlement in Massachusetts and Vermont, in particular; and it is of interest to follow the branch of the family of which he is a member, from the time of the first comer to America.

(I) Richard Martin came from Swansea, Wales, in 1663, and he settled in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, in 1694.

(II) John Martin, son of Richard Martin, came to America with his father in 1663. It is recorded that he married, in 1671, Johanna Esten (?), who was born in 1645 in Hertfordshire, England; they had nine children.

(III) Ephraim Martin, son of John Martin, was born February 7, 1676, and died June 25, 1734. He settled on a farm at Rehoboth. He married, in 1699, Thankful Bullock, daughter of Samuel Bullock. They had eleven children.

(IV) Captain Silvanus Martin, son of Ephraim Martin, was born in Rehoboth in July, 1727, and died August 13, 1782. He was a member of the State Militia and the Committee of Safety, and he was justice of the peace and a selectman. He married, February 20, 1746, Martha Wheeler, daughter of Colonel Philip and Martha (Salisbury) Wheeler, and they had thirteen children.

(V) Cyrus Martin, son of Captain Silvanus Martin, was born October 21, 1763, at Rehoboth, and died September 26, 1831. He moved from Rehoboth to Guilford, Vermont, where he was justice of the peace, selectman, and town clerk. He married, May 12, 1785, Charlotte Brigham, who died January 20, 1841, aged seventy-five years. Their children were: Edward, of whom further; Charlotte, Philip, Harriett and Martha Brigham.

(VI) Edward Martin, son of Cyrus Martin, was born May 12, 1788, in Rehoboth, and died in Colerain February 13, 1850. He was a farmer and resided in Guilford, Vermont, and later in Colerain. He married, February 18, 1811, Mary Goodwin, who died December 29, 1869, aged eighty years. Their children: Mary Eliza,

Cyrus Madison, Joseph Brigham, Harriet, Joseph Goodwin, Francis Edwin, William, of whom further.

(VII) William Martin, son of Edward Martin, was born August 29, 1833, in Guilford, Vermont, and died April 19, 1921, at Greenfield. He attended the schools of Leyden and of Colerain. During the Civil War he enlisted August 14, 1862, in Company E, 11th Regiment, Vermont State Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He engaged in farming in Colerain for a number of years, after which he went to Greenfield, where he resided from 1908 to the time of his death. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was active in the Methodist Episcopal Church, of whose Sunday School he was the superintendent twenty years. He married (first) Ellen Shepherdson, by whom he had: Cora, born in 1855, who married Ezra Shattuck; and Mary S., born in 1863. He married (second), in the year 1881, Carrie Shearer, born in Colerain, daughter of Dr. Lewis Shearer, born December 29, 1809, died October 16, 1888, and of Jerusha Brown, born December 30, 1810, died June 18, 1883; granddaughter of James Shearer and Anne (Caldwell) Shearer, and great-granddaughter of Thomas Shearer. The children of the second marriage: Isabelle Louise, born October 14, 1881, married Earl S. Howard; Lewis William Edward, born February 8, 1888, married Grace Caldwell, who had Kenneth, Barbara Louise and Lewis Edward; Leroy H., of whom further.

(VIII) Leroy Harrison Martin, son of William and Carrie (Shearer) Martin, was born March 26, 1889, at Colerain, where he attended the public schools. His father was in poor health for many years, and Mr. Martin left school when fourteen years of age, and with his brother, who was a year older, carried on the farm. He took a correspondence course which for two years he studied from eight to twelve o'clock at night. In 1908 the brothers sold the farm and went to Greenfield to live, where Mr. Martin was employed as clerk by Luey & Abercrombie, wholesale grocers, remaining with them for a year. In 1909 he entered the employ of the American Express Company, his work being to drive a team and collect express matter; after six months he began to deliver express matter, and to make collections. He was next placed in the Main Street office as clerk, and after some two years that office was closed, and the business was transferred to the office at the railroad station. Some time afterwards Mr. Martin was made express messenger between Greenfield and Springfield, and later his field was over the entire division in the same capacity. After a time he was made cashier in the Greenfield branch, which office he held two and a half years. On July 1, 1918, he was appointed agent of the American Railway Express Company, at Greenfield, which office he holds to the present time. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Greenfield Club and the Greenfield Country Club. He is an attendant of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**HON. GREGORY J. SCANLON**—In addition to his legal preparation, Gregory J. Scanlon brings to the practice of law a thorough education in fundamentals

and a special knowledge of business principles, acquired by a commercial course in Bay Path Commercial College, and by eight years' experience as teacher of these subjects.

Mr. Scanlon was born in Holyoke July 26, 1887, son of John Scanlon, who died April 9, 1924, and Catherine (Lynch) Scanlon. From the parochial school he entered the high school with the class of 1906. His degree of Bachelor of Arts was received from Holy Cross College in 1910, following which he gave a year to his studies in the Commercial College of Springfield. He first taught at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, then came to Waterbury, Connecticut, where from 1912 to 1919 he was head of the commercial department of the high school. All this was incidental to his real purpose in life, which was to become a lawyer. In 1922 he reached his goal, and was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts. Since that time has been in practice in Holyoke, maintaining offices in his own name. He has always been interested in politics, his views leading him to ally himself with the Democratic party. In 1924 he sat in the National Convention of that party as a representative of Massachusetts. Since 1922 he has been an alderman of Holyoke. On December 1, 1925, he was elected mayor of Holyoke, and is now serving his first term as mayor.

During the World War he was enrolled in the Army Medical Corps, being stationed at the New Haven General Hospital No. 16. He was honorably discharged from the service in August, 1919. Mr. Scanlon is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church of Holyoke. He also belongs to the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 902; and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

**REV. JOHN FRANCIS GRIFFIN**—In his pastorate of Our Lady of the Rosary Church at Holyoke, Rev. Father John Francis Griffin has maintained his able and fruitful activities for the upbuilding of the church and the community, and has continued to concentrate the interest of his increasing parish in the present-day work for the Catholic population in this section of the city. Father Griffin has met with well-merited success in all his effort for the expansion of the spiritual and material plans of his church, and for his devotion and accomplishment he has the honor and high regard both of his own parish and all with whom he is associated.

Rev. Father John Francis Griffin, son of Michael Griffin, a farmer, and Margaret (Houlihan) Griffin, was born in 1869 at Belchertown, and his preparation for his life work and the priesthood was made at Ottawa University; St. John's Seminary, Brighton; and the Catholic University, Washington. He was appointed to Our Lady of the Rosary Church in 1900, and has been there since.

**FRANK WILL WHITTIER**, treasurer and manager of the Metropolitan Furniture Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, one of the prominent and well established business houses of the city, was born at Norridgewock, Maine, October 10, 1862. The name of Whittier has been prominent in New England history,

especially in that of Haverhill, Amesbury and Salisbury, Massachusetts, from the earliest days of settlement. It has been made famous in this country by John Greenleaf Whittier, poet and noted abolitionist. In England its record is long and distinguished. Descendants of the early Whittiers were scattered to various parts of the country. Some went to Maine, then a part of Massachusetts, and among them were the forefathers of Frank Will Whittier.

James C. Whittier, grandfather of Frank Will Whittier, was born in Vienna, Maine, and died in Skowhegan about 1866. He was engaged in agricultural pursuits. He married Sally Locke. They were the parents of three children: Cyrus, William and Samuel L.

Samuel L. Whittier was born at Pleasant Ridge, Maine, in 1828, and died in Skowhegan August 5, 1909, aged eighty-one years. He received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district, and for many years thereafter was engaged in teaming. He removed from Skowhegan and at various times lived in Madison, Norridgewock and again in Skowhegan. For twelve years he drove the stage between Skowhegan and The Forks, and became widely known through that section of the country. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Masonic Order in Skowhegan. His religious affiliation was with the Universalist Church, which he attended. He married Elmira M. Bennett, born in Maine, daughter of Stephen Bennett. She died in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1917. Samuel L. and Elmira M. (Bennett) Whittier were the parents of three children: Evindar A., of Auburn, Maine; Frank Will, and Lillie M., since dead.

Frank Will Whittier completed a careful education in the schools of Skowhegan, and was graduated from the Skowhegan High School. He found his first employment in a furniture store in Skowhegan and maintained that connection for three years. At the end of that time he made a change and removed to Waterville, Maine, where he found employment and continued to reside for three years. He thereupon became a resident of Lewiston, Maine, where for fourteen years he was engaged continuously in the furniture business. He removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, on June 1, 1906, and became treasurer and general manager of the Metropolitan Furniture Company. During the many years which have followed, he has devoted the greater portion of his time and energy to the advancement of the interests of that concern, and to the affairs of the Atherton Furniture Company of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, of which he is also manager and treasurer. Having been engaged in the furniture business throughout the entire period of his career, Mr. Whittier is well fitted to discharge with notable efficiency the duties of his official and executive position; he is widely known as an expert in his particular line of business activity. He has many friends in Springfield, both among his business associates and those with whom he is connected socially. He is a member of the Nayasset Club, the Rotary Club and the Automobile Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Universalist Church of St. Paul. He is also a director of the Springfield National Bank.

Frank Will Whittier married, June 27, 1893, Fannie E. Russell, of Lewiston, Maine, daughter of Jerry Rus-



sell, and they are the parents of one son, Russell Hurd Whittier, born in Lewiston, Maine, in 1900, and who received his early education in the public schools of Springfield. He entered Dartmouth College at the age of seventeen, and was graduated in 1921. After graduation he travelled in Europe for a year, passing several months in Paris, and visiting all the principal centers and capitals of the various European countries. He is now engaged in financial activities in Wall Street, New York City. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi college fraternity.

**CONRAD HEMOND** was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, November 11, 1890, the son of Joseph and Emma (Richards) Hemond. His mother came to the United States from Quebec, but his father is a native of Leeds, Massachusetts.

Mr. Hemond did his preparatory work in the public and high schools of his own town. After two years of University training he began newspaper work as a reporter on the "Springfield Union." Later he became interested in advertising, but returned to journalism as city editor and later managing editor of the "Holyoke Telegram." In 1917, he again left newspaperdom to accept an appointment as secretary and manager of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce. In politics, Mr. Hemond stands with the Republican party, and in religious faith he is a Roman Catholic, being a communicant of Holy Cross Church. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Rotary, the City, the Lions and the Kiwanis clubs.

On June 10, 1914, at Holyoke, Massachusetts, Conrad Hemond married Agnes L. Crean, and they are the parents of three sons: Conrad, Harold and Robert.

**JOHN H. C. GALLAGHER, M. D.**—A widely known physician and specialist in diseases of the ear, nose and throat in Springfield, Massachusetts, is Dr. John H. C. Gallagher, who maintains a busy office there and still finds time for important public service as school physician in Chicopee. Dr. Gallagher was born in Leominster, Massachusetts, December 12, 1881, son of John and Catherine (Sonnaughton) Gallagher, both born in Ireland, who came to this country in their youth. His father is in business in Leominster.

Dr. Gallagher was educated in the public grade and high schools of his native city, and pursued his medical studies at the University of Maryland, from which he graduated in 1903 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Gallagher was interne at the Maryland General Hospital in Baltimore. His professional career has included service in the House of Providence, Holyoke, in the Massachusetts Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Infirmary, and practice in Chicopee and Springfield from 1904 to 1920, and so up to date, with the inclusion of part-time work as physician in the Chicopee schools. He was a member of the medical staff of Mercy Hospital from 1910 to 1920, and of the surgical staff of the same hospital in 1920 (ear, nose and throat). Dr. Gallagher's career was interrupted by war service from 1918 to 1919, where he began as first lieutenant in the United States Army Medical Corps, stationed at the

base hospital, and where he was promoted to captain, being stationed in that capacity at Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina. His professional affiliations are with the Springfield Academy of Medicine, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and the New England Otolaryngological Society. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Diagnostic skill characterizes Dr. Gallagher, as does his success in treating difficult diseases of the organs in which he specializes.

Dr. Gallagher married, in Chicopee, Massachusetts, in July, 1911, Josephine E. Dame, daughter of Louis E. and Adelaide (Roberts) Dame, of New York State. To Dr. and Mrs. Gallagher was born two sons: John Francis James, in Chicopee, November 8, 1912, and Francis Joseph, born January 3, 1926.

**JAMES E. HAFEY** was born at Agawam, Hampden County, August 13, 1885, son of James J. and Catherine (Mulcahy) Hafey. At six years of age his family moved to Chicopee, where his father is still in business as an undertaker. James E. Hafey's education was received in the Chicopee parochial schools, from which he entered high school, graduating in 1904. His degree of Bachelor of Arts was received from Holy Cross College, class of 1908, and having chosen the legal profession for his life work, he went to the Law School of Fordham University, New York City, completing his studies there with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1912. For three years he taught at Brooklyn College, part of the time being also a student at Fordham. In 1913 he passed the bar examinations and became a member of the Massachusetts State bar, opening his office at once as an attorney in Chicopee. In January, 1922, Mayor Grise appointed him as city solicitor, a position which he still holds. During the World War he served on the Draft Board. He is a leading member of the Chicopee Board of Trade, of which he has been the secretary since 1914. Mr. Hafey is a prominent member of the order of Knights of Columbus. He is Past Grand Knight of the Council of the Chicopee Chapter, No. 69, and for three years has been District Deputy. The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Hafey's brother, Rt. Rev. William J. Hafey, D. D., who is Bishop of Raleigh, North Carolina, is one of the youngest bishops of the United States.

On June 24, 1919, James E. Hafey married Margaret M. Houlihan, of Chicopee. Mr. and Mrs. Hafey are the parents of two children: James, born October 2, 1923, and Therese, born August 1, 1925.

**FREDERICK D. RETALLICK**, at the head of his profession in this vicinity, an electrical engineer and contractor of the firm of F. D. Retallick & Company, has done some of the most important electrical work of this district, including that done in public buildings as well as in hundreds of private residences.

Frederick D. Retallick was born October 26, 1880, at Richmond, Massachusetts, son of David and Margaret (Lewis) Retallick, his father a mining engineer, his mother still living (1924). The son was educated in the public and high schools of his native town, and at





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the age of eighteen years, in 1898, began to study the electrical business, in which he has made himself an expert and a leader in his field in this locality. He has done a large amount of the electrical work for the Federal, State county and city governments, as well as other public and private work, among which may be mentioned that of the following buildings in Pittsfield: Capitol Theatre, Palace Theatre, Bradford Apartments, Berkshire Loan and Trust Company, Berkshire Life Insurance Company, United States Post Office, Court House, Plunkett School, Dawes School, Nugent School, Bartlett and Pomroy schools, Wendell Hotel and the New Americal Hotel; also the Empire Theatre at North Adams, besides other important buildings and hundreds of residences. Mr. Retallick is active in the civic life of his community, and is one of the esteemed citizens of Pittsfield.

**HENRY KAHL**—Varied interests, all of definite significance to the general welfare, engage the attention of Henry Kahl, of Pittsfield, and the constructive ability which led him to branch out from his earliest endeavors forms a force for definite and widespread usefulness. Mr. Kahl is a thoroughly representative business executive, and his endeavors are counting largely for the general progress and well being of the municipality.

Henry Kahl was born in Albany, New York, but in his infancy the family removed to Pittsfield, where he was reared and educated. His first business experience was in the employ of George H. Cooper, with whom he continued for about ten years. He then, September 14, 1908, established a shoe store in Pittsfield and has developed an important and largely prosperous interest in the retail distribution of this universal necessity. Mr. Kahl's investments in real estate undoubtedly had their influence in leading him to operate more or less extensively as a dealer and builder, and he is treasurer and secretary of the Pittsfield Home Builders Fund, which is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, for the erection of dwellings and tenements of moderate value. He is also president and treasurer of the Cottage Builders, Incorporated, which organization buys and sells real estate and builds houses. Mr. Kahl also deals in insurance, and his work in this field is of definite value, promoting the economic security of the people. He is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce and the Park Club, while his religious affiliation is with the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Henry Kahl married, April 16, 1908, Margarite Francis. Mrs. Kahl is a director in the Cottage Builders, Incorporated, and also is active in the real estate business independently. She is on the building committee of the above church, and the fund for their new building is now reaching a promising and encouraging point.

**EDWIN BAKER**—Shelburne Falls lost one of her oldest and most respected citizens in the passing of Edwin Baker on August 6, 1924. For fifty-nine years he had resided in that city, taking an active interest in every movement that had for its object the improvement of local conditions, and identifying himself actively with the political life of the State.

Mr. Baker was born at Hawley, Massachusetts, January 18, 1842, son of Roswell and Bertha Baker. He was educated in the Meriden, New Hampshire schools, having removed to that city with his parents when very young. He prepared himself to become a pharmacist, and in 1865 he accepted the position of manager of the Taylor Pharmacy, Shelburne Falls, which he purchased two years later and conducted until his death. As the years passed Mr. Baker's splendid ability became recognized and his influence was felt far beyond the bounds of his own business. He was a director and vice-president of the First National Bank of Shelburne Falls. A Republican in politics, he came to be a leader in party councils, and served as a member of the State House of Representatives in 1885-86. Again he ran for office in 1889, when he was elected a State Senator. In Masonic circles he was a well known figure, holding a thirty-second degree membership in that fraternity.

On August 1, 1867, Mr. Baker married Emma Isabel Bannister, daughter of Edward and Hannah Bannister, of Shelburne Falls, who survives him.

**JAMES J. DEVANNY**, chairman of the Board of Public Works of the city of Pittsfield, now in his third term in that office, and funeral director of Pittsfield, is a native of that city, born July 7, 1878, son of James and Mary Ann (Ford) Devanny. His father was for many years a mason contractor. The son, James J., attended the public schools of Pittsfield and was a pupil of the high school of that city for one year. He learned the brick-mason trade, and was a mason contractor for ten years. In 1918 Mr. Devanny entered the undertaking business, the firm being known as Fitzsimmons & Devanny, the senior member being Walter V. Fitzsimmons. In December, 1923, Mr. Devanny bought his partner's interest in the business, and now conducts the establishment under his own name. He occupies modern quarters, has motor equipment, a chapel where funerals may be held and a mortuary.

Mr. Devanny launched out into local politics in 1912, when he was elected to the Common Council of the Pittsfield city government. He was reelected in 1913. Afterward he was the choice of the voters for member of the Board of Aldermen and he was the only Democrat sitting in that chamber that term. In 1920 he was elected a member of the Board of Public Works. He was reelected in 1922 and 1924. He served as chairman of the board in 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925. Mr. Devanny is a member of Pittsfield Lodge of Elks, and St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Devanny married, November 4, 1902, Bridget Kilian, of Pittsfield. They are the parents of two children: James J. Devanny, Jr., and Francis E. Devanny.

**STUART M. ROBSON**—The choice of the law for a profession presupposes ambition of a high order, and success is proof of uncommon mental ability. Stuart M. Robson was greatly interested in law from an early age and shaped his business career in order to train himself for independent practice. Born in Springfield, December 20, 1873, Stuart M. Robson was the son of John H. and Julia I. (Price) Robson. His father a photographer, was born in England, October 10, 1831, and

died in August, 1919; his mother was also born in England, in the year 1849.

Stuart M. Robson was educated in the public schools of Springfield and completed the excellent course of study offered by Central High School. His legal training he got from practical work and study with Hon. E. P. Kendrick. This he continued steadily throughout several years until he was thoroughly grounded. In 1897 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in July, and since that time has been in business for himself in Springfield. With a mind keen and clear, with a practical understanding of all the local problems and their legal remedy, and with his own honest and straightforward personality, Mr. Robson has built up a large and faithful clientele. A prominent Republican, he is always on the side of progress in civic affairs. Evidence of the confidence reposed in him is his position as trustee of Doane Orphanage and of the Wesson Hospital. To these public institutions, in whose welfare he is so much interested, he gives his very best thought and effort. He is also a trustee of the Hampden County Children's Aid Association. Mr. Robson is an enthusiastic club man, being a member of the Springfield Country Club, the Winthrop Club, the Manchonis Club. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of various legal associations including the Massachusetts Bar, the Hampden County Bar, and the American Bar. He is a Congregationalist.

Mr. Robson married, in Springfield, Massachusetts, January 1, 1900, Grace A. Stearns, born December 7, 1872, in Fitchburg, Massachusetts. Her father, Curtis Hall Stearns, was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

**HENRY R. SYKES**—The profession of certified public accountant and consulting accountant and auditor is a most important one in view of the complexity of modern business life. Not the least of its functions is the maintenance of a high level of business ethics in the relations between the public and business concerns, between partners, or between the State and its citizens. A member of that profession, who takes a very high view of its scope and duties and has been unusually successful in the extension of his activities, is Henry R. Sykes, of No. 100 North Street, Pittsfield.

Born August 1, 1894, at Pittsfield, son of Henry W. Sykes, a Civil War Veteran and for twenty-four years a State employee, and Nellie (Robbins) Sykes, Mr. Sykes was educated in the public schools of his native place and in Teachers Professional College where he took the degree of Bachelor of Accounting. In 1921 he opened offices in Pittsfield and now has not only his original office, but others in Washington, D. C., and in Boston. His range of professional activities includes the work of consulting accountant and auditor and he undertakes the establishment of correct and scientific audit systems, the investigation of taxes and other similar branches of work. Mr. Sykes is a member of the National Association of Certified Accountants, of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, of Pittsfield, and Park Club. He married Marion Martin.

**WILLIAM D. NOLEN**—In one of the busy mills of Holyoke, William D. Nolen, now city marshal of

Holyoke, was put on the pay roll when but fourteen years of age. Up to this time he had been a pupil at St. Jerome's Parochial School, but the necessity of becoming a bread winner brought his school days to an early close. For nine years he was employed at the mills, then having prepared himself for the postal service of the Government, he was appointed a substitute mail carrier on May 1, 1893, later being promoted to the position of carrier, and for seventeen years he faithfully served his fellow-citizens in this important capacity. In December, 1914, he was transferred to the clerical and stamp departments, where he remained until his appointment as city marshal of Holyoke on January 5, 1920, and to the present (1925) he has held this office to the credit of the city. Mr. Nolen was born in Holyoke September 25, 1870, son of James M. and Margaret (Murphy) Nolen, both of whom are now deceased. Though Mr. Nolen has spent his life in this home city, he was married on February 20, 1900, in Huntington, Massachusetts, to Agnes Keefe. Two sons were born to them, James Robert and William Edward. For nineteen years the family circle was unbroken, then the wife and mother was taken from them, March 21, 1919. Both sons are graduates of the Boston University Law School, and the elder is now in practice in Ware, Massachusetts. The younger is in the office of T. J. Lynch, of Holyoke.

In politics Mr. Nolen is an Independent, his vote being cast for the candidate or the cause which seemed to him to stand for the highest interests of his city, State, or country. He was a delegate to the International Police Conference of New York, and is a member of the Massachusetts Police Chiefs Union. He is a Knight of Columbus, in which order he was Grand Knight in 1912-1913. Mr. Nolen and his family are members of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church.

**MICHAEL F. QUINN**—A varied business career that began in his father's grocery finally led Mr. Quinn to the public service. His present incumbency of the office of city clerk of Pittsfield is a worthy continuation of such activity in the family name, his father having been for twenty-five years a deputy sheriff and tax collector. Michael F. Quinn is a son of Thomas and Katherine (O'Brien) Quinn, born in Williamstown, April 17, 1873. The father kept a grocery store and held the office of deputy sheriff and tax collector for twenty-five years.

Michael F. Quinn received his early education in the public schools, later attending high school. Those hours he could spare from study were spent in his father's store, and at the age of seventeen he devoted all of his time to the business. Shortly thereafter, he started in business for himself in Adams. In 1907 he moved to Pittsfield and entered the restaurant business, and also the grocery line. Though successful, he disposed of these January 1, 1915, to devote himself to public interests. In 1911 he was elected to the State Legislature, a post that he filled with much distinction, as he was a tireless worker and had nothing but the good of the community at heart. He served on the Committee on Prisons and also on the important special committee from the House and Senate that re-arranged the Congressional districts of Massachusetts. In 1920, in rec-







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ognition of his signal services in the Legislature, he was elected city clerk of Pittsfield, a post that he filled with such credit that he has been reelected yearly ever since. While Mr. Quinn devotes most of his time to the duties of his office, he has not neglected his social and religious obligations. For fifteen years he has been a member of the Father Mathews Total Abstinence Society of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church and a member of Park Club of Pittsfield. Mr. Quinn is known in his district and the State as a man who never shirks responsibility, whose motives are honest and upright.

Michael F. Quinn married Ellen T. Burke, of Adams, and they are the parents of four children: 1. Raymond Thomas, who is studying in St. Michael's private school, Burlington, Vermont. 2. Terrence Edwin, at present in Wentworth Institute. 3. Ruth. 4. Robert. The two younger children attend the local schools in Pittsfield.

**ELWYN L. TABER**—To be associated with one's kinsman in business, provided the relations are those of mutual understanding and harmony, such as ought to prevail in every family in the land, is to start life with a great advantage and a young man no matter what his position, who had a chance of joining his own or his wife's near relations in a business enterprise capable of extension and in need of several directing forces, which all have the interests of the business equally at heart, has rarely had to repent his decision of joining the members of his family in commercial pursuits.

Elwyn L. Taber, who as a young man occupied with great credit an official position, has, as the future showed, done well to seize the opportunity of going into business with a near relative of his by marriage. He was born July 23, 1889, at Holyoke, a son of Cyrus Taber, president of the American Pad and Paper Company, of Holyoke.

Mr. Taber attended the local and high schools of his native place, graduating from high school in 1907 and then attending Worcester Academy and Dartmouth College, taking his degrees from these two higher institutions of learning in 1908 and 1912 respectively. Soon after his graduation from college he was appointed secretary of the Board of Trade in Holyoke, and continued in that position for two years, when he resigned to enter the employ of his wife's father in his newly constructed mill at Turners Falls in 1914. There he worked his way through the various grades to his present position of treasurer and assistant general manager. Mr. Taber has brought his education and administrative gifts the experience to bear upon the organization of the business and has built up his own selling and distributing forces quite independently of the home industries of Holyoke. For several years Mr. Taber has been director and president of the Turners Falls Board of Trade. During the World War he was prominently connected with the Red Cross and Liberty Loan Committee and was president of the Community Service Club which he helped to organize. His fraternal connections include membership in the Free and Accepted Masons, Mechanics Blue Lodge, of Turners Falls; Greenfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Greenfield Commandary, Knights Templar; also the Rotary Club, and Peske-

umscot Club of Turners Falls, and the Beta Theta Pi Club of New York City.

On July 7, 1915, Mr. Taber married, at Holyoke, Shelia McLane, and with her has two children: Elwyn L., Jr., born May 1, 1916; and Donald McLane, born March 21, 1918.

**ARTHUR STEVEN CLEARY**—As a leading citizen of North Hadley, Arthur Steven Cleary is bearing a worthy part in the progress of the community and his usefulness is recognized and commended by all. He has for about a year and a half been active as a merchant of this community and has recently been elected postmaster of North Hadley. His forward looking spirit and natural ability combine to give him a splendid equipment for his life work and his friends are confident that his future will be one of great and permanent usefulness. He is a son of James and Catherine (Shea) Cleary, esteemed residents of Agawam, Massachusetts. They were the parents of nine children: James; Raymond; Helen; Francis; Ambrose; Eleanor; Harold; Gerald; and Arthur Steven, of further mention.

Arthur Steven Cleary was born in Agawam, Massachusetts, October 30, 1898. His education was received in the public schools of his birthplace and upon completing his education Mr. Cleary became interested in farming. He was active on the home farm for a time, then entered the livery business in Agawam, in which connection he went forward for about seven years. On April 1, 1923, he established a general store in North Hadley and in August of 1924 he was appointed postmaster. These interests still share his attention and he gives to his work the tireless energy and outstanding ability of the able executive. He is interested in every phase of progressive endeavor and endorses all worthy activity.

Arthur Steven Cleary married, in October of 1923, at Hadley, Mary Ethel White, daughter of George White Mr. and Mrs. Cleary are the parents of one daughter: Ione, born July 20, 1924.

**ISADORE HAROLD HUROWITZ**, attorney-at-law, and well known as one of the promising young professional men of Springfield, Massachusetts, where he is achieving success in his chosen profession, is the son of Abraham and Jennie (Bork) Hurowitz, both of Russian birth, the father now retired.

Mr. Hurowitz was born at New Haven, Connecticut, November 6, 1895. He was educated in the public and high schools of New Haven, after which, having decided to enter the professional field, he became a student at New York University, and in 1916 graduated from the New York University Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar on September 11, 1917. During the World War Mr. Hurowitz saw active service as an enlisted member of the American Expeditionary Forces, serving with the 82nd Division, Company A, and 320th Machine Gun Battalion. He took part in much of the fiercest fighting of the war, has vivid memories of St. Mihiel, Meuse, Toul and Somme sectors, where he was on duty in the thick of the conflict, and was wounded in the



Argonne Forest. After his return to the United States and his discharge from the army, in which he had left behind him such a splendid record of service, Mr. Hurowitz began the practice of his profession in Springfield, Massachusetts, in July, 1919, doing business from the start under his own name, but associated with Harry M. Erlich, also a member of the bar. His endeavors have met with increasing success, and there is every reason to believe that his will be a career of marked achievement. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association and American Bar Association. Politically he is a Republican, and a member of the Republican Club, and has served as license commissioner, and in addition is a Past Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, past president of B'nai B'rith, and past judge advocate of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, of the Oxford Country Club, and of the American Legion. Fraternally he is affiliated with Hiram No. 1, Blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, Shrine, and Consistory, and with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He attends the Beth-El Temple of Springfield.

Mr. Hurowitz married, March 21, 1922, Pearl Wolfson, of Chicopee Falls, daughter of Abraham and Nina (Wilson) Wolfson, both of Russian birth. Mr. and Mrs. Hurowitz have two children: Muriel, born May 7, 1924, and Eleanor, born on November 17, 1925.

**L. EDWARD ST. ONGE**—With the larger portion of his life and of his public career to his credit in the service of the United States postoffice, Postmaster St. Onge, of Ware, Massachusetts, by actual training in the various grades of the department, has very capably fitted himself for the position he occupies. The step-by-step progress in the one vocation and in the one office has proven of the highest importance to this official, whose present incumbency is but a culmination of training for public service. In many matters that have to do with the advancement of the township, Mr. St. Onge is a leading personality, and his selection for other active and executive positions in the gift of his fellow townsmen is but a matter of course. He is a son of Moise St. Onge, a contractor by vocation, who died in 1882, at the age of forty-nine years, and of Philomine (Girouard) St. Onge, who died in 1910, at the age of seventy years.

L. Edward St. Onge was born in the province of Quebec, Canada, May 28, 1873, but as a boy, in 1880, he came to Ware, Massachusetts, in whose public schools he received his education. For awhile he was in the employ of the Otis Mills. A new opportunity being opened for him at the postoffice in the town of his adoption, he started his initial activities at the Ware post office in 1890, as a clerk. In 1893 he was appointed assistant postmaster, and in 1922, he was made postmaster, so that to date he has rounded out a service of thirty-four years in this post office. Prominent as a counsellor in the town's varied business interests, he also holds the office of treasurer of the board of trade. Particularly during the World War period Mr. St. Onge signalized his capabilities as an organizer and a director of patriotic movements as, throughout the war, he served as

secretary of the public safety committee for this district and he was likewise the efficient leader and chairman of the French citizens for the Liberty Loan drives here. His fraternal affiliations are with Les Artisans, of which organization he was first secretary; with Le Société de St. Jean Baptiste, whose assistant treasurer-ship he has filled for the past ten years; and with the Royal Arcanum, whose secretary he has been since 1901. He is a communicant of Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. St. Onge married, at Ware, May 20, 1898, Delia Bombard, daughter of Felix and Pauline Bombard; and Mr. and Mrs. St. Onge are the parents of Emile, who received his training at the officers' training school in the World War, and who is adjutant of the local post of the American Legion; and of Paul F., who is a graduate of Harvard University and professor of languages in Harvard University.

**CHARLES VINCENT RYAN, JR.**, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, July 23, 1899, the son of Charles V. and Katherine I. (Kelly) Ryan. Both parents were born in Springfield, his father August 16, 1872, and Mr. Ryan, Sr., is a druggist there. Charles Vincent Ryan, Jr., was educated in the public schools of Springfield and graduated from Central High School in the class of 1916. In 1920 he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University, and in 1923 that of Bachelor of Law. In October, 1923, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He immediately began to practice with the firm of Charles H. Beckwith, and continued there for six months, gaining valuable practical experience. He then became more advantageously associated with the firm of Leary, Cummings, & Leary, and is there proving himself hard working, dependable, and astute. A very bright future is predicted for him.

Greatly interested in politics and able to fraternize well with his fellows, Mr. Ryan, who is a Democrat, is chairman of the Democratic City Committee. During the World War he was in the Students' Army Training Corps from October 10, 1918, to December 6, 1918. Many clubs and associations have been glad to welcome Mr. Ryan as a member: The Massachusetts Court of Foresters, the Springfield Country Club, the Lions Club, Springfield Post, of the American Legion, Harvard Connecticut Valley Club, and the Hampden County Bar Association. Mr. Ryan is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

**CARL B. LINDHOLM**, of Pittsfield, whose work in the world of construction has become widely recognized, was born in Sweden, July 4, 1880. The family coming to the United States when he was only four years of age, he was educated in American institutions, attending first the public schools. When only a very young lad he determined to become an engineer, and the great tenacity of purpose with which he is endowed was clearly demonstrated in his undeviating efforts to accomplish that purpose. To obtain funds for his higher education Mr. Lindholm secured employment, meanwhile devoting all his spare time to private study under compe-

tent tutors. He was four years with O. W. Howard, a civil engineer, then took a course in railway engineering in North Eastern College, and he was fortunate enough to secure as one of his instructors the distinguished Professor Breed, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as his professor in civil engineering.

Coming to Pittsfield in 1909, where he had court cases for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, Mr. Lindholm identified himself as civil and construction engineer with a well known local concern, then, in 1914, struck out in an independent way in the same field. He has done a great deal of very important work and one of his unique contracts was the foundations for the Turners Falls Power Company, high tension wire towers. In this difficult and extensive contract, it was necessary to build four foundations to each arch and each of these foundations is supported by piling, driven sixty-seven feet into the ground, twenty supports being thus placed under each foundation. He also erected the E. D. Jones & Sons yard, including lumber-curing sheds, warehouses and a travelling crane, 200x60 feet in dimensions. Mr. Lindholm had done a great deal of road construction and has built many bridges for the Massachusetts Highway Commission. His road work within the city of Pittsfield and its suburbs includes West Housatonic Street, Hurlbert and Brick streets, four and seven-tenths miles on Mt. Lebanon Road, concrete streets in Bennington, Vermont, and in Pittsfield, those in this city being Upper North Street and Russell Road, concrete streets in Great Barrington, a considerable stretch of brick paving on East Street in Pittsfield, ten miles of highway on the Mt. Lebanon Road in Massachusetts and New York State, and other lesser contracts. Mr. Lindholm has also done much in real estate development activity. He built the Music Temple, the Musical Colony of fine cottages, the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Coolidge and the Coolidge playground, all these on South Mountain. He is eminently a man of large affairs and in these many interests he employs up to four hundred men.

Mr. Lindholm is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts, the American Road Builders' Association and a director of the New England Road Builders' Association. He is also a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, the Park Club, the Pittsfield Country Club, and Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, also Pittsfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a charter member. He belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association, and his religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church.

In 1905, Mr. Lindholm married Anne M. Bickley, of Springfield, but a native of Rome, New York.

**FRANK THOMAS RALEIGH**—To the ambitious young man, conscious of possessing a so-called legal type of mind, the law offers a satisfying profession. Frank Thomas Raleigh determined early in life to fit himself for the law. Since he knew Springfield well, knew its opportunities, its problems, and thought he could suggest constructive solutions, he began his legal career in that town. Now, though young, he is making excellent headway and gaining valuable experience to help him

in the promising future before him. Frank T. Raleigh, son of Edmund and Mary (Shean) Raleigh, was born in Springfield, October 15, 1901. His father, who was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts, November 30, 1864, had been a patriot of high order who offered himself to his country during the Spanish-American War, where he served in the infantry. Edmund Raleigh died June 26, 1921. His wife, Mary (Shean) Raleigh, was born in West Springfield, Massachusetts, November 23, 1865.

Frank Thomas Raleigh was educated in the public schools of West Springfield, and graduated from West Springfield High School with the class of 1910. From Northeastern University he received the Degree of Bachelor of Laws, *cum laude*, with the class of 1924. That same year he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He began general law practice with the firm of Granfield, Noonan & Granfield, and has remained with them to date (1925). He has already made his mark in his profession and bids fair to succeed rapidly. As Mr. Raleigh is accustomed to thinking for himself, he is an Independent in politics, and votes according to his unbiased judgment. He is a member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in West Springfield, and a greatly interested member of the Knights of Columbus.

**WILLIAM H. LILLEY**, postmaster of Chicopee, Massachusetts, has passed more than forty years of his life in the United States. He was born at Bess Brook, Ireland, May 11, 1874, and came to Chicopee in 1881. He attended the public schools of that city and finished with a course in a business school in Springfield. He secured a position in the Chicopee post office, and passed through various promotions, until in February, 1908, he was appointed assistant postmaster. This position he held until December 18, 1923, when he was appointed postmaster for a term of four years, to expire December 18, 1927. This office has a total of nineteen clerks. In political faith Mr. Lilley is a Republican, and fraternally is associated with the Chicopee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. John's Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Kiwanis Club. In religious faith he is a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Lilley married, October, 1896, at Ipswich, Massachusetts, Lottie M. Joy, born at Lisbon, Maine, January 9, 1879. They are the parents of three children, all born in Chicopee: 1. Eva Elizabeth, who married Ervin A. Frye, a mechanic; of this marriage there is one child: William Royal. 2. Wallace H., a civil engineer of Springfield. 3. Ernest A., who married Helen E. Webster. The family residence is at No. 36 Austin Street, Chicopee.

**PHILIP C. WHITING**—A large retail coal business passed to the management of Philip C. Whiting of Holyoke, Massachusetts, on the death of his father in 1921. Mr. Whiting was born March 4, 1886. His father, Edward G. Whiting, married H. Amelia Higginbottom of Holyoke. The son attended the public and high schools of Holyoke, Andover Academy, and Cornell University. His grandfather, William B. Whiting, organized the William Whiting Coal Company, Incorporated, in May, 1870. When he died in 1902, the



business passed to his son, Edward G. Whiting, who conducted it successfully until his death in March, 1921. Thereupon his son, Philip C. Whiting became the treasurer and general manager. Mr. Whiting is a Republican in politics; a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Holyoke Canoe Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. Also of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Whiting was married in Holyoke, Massachusetts, June 6, 1916, to Hortense Cooley, born in Holyoke, December 26, 1888. She is the daughter of Herbert W. and Mary (Tuttle) Cooley, the father a native of Greenwich, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Whiting are the parents of Philip C. Whiting, Jr., born in Holyoke, April 4, 1920; Richard C., born in Holyoke July 7, 1922; and Mary C., born March 22, 1925. Mr. Whiting's business is situated at No. 458 Dwight Street, Holyoke.

**DANIEL JOSEPH GREELEY**—With his analytical and studious mind, Daniel Joseph Greeley early planned a career that would tax his powers to the utmost. The law offered an excellent field. Not only could he work with men in solving their problems and inaugurating new enterprises, but he would be well equipped for any public service that offered itself. Springfield, Massachusetts, his native city, seemed a good place for his profession. He was born in Springfield, January 17, 1897, the son of Thomas B. and Helen J. (Garvey) Greeley. His father, born in Waltham, Massachusetts, is in the service of the Springfield Water Company; his mother was born in Enfield, Connecticut. Mr. Greeley received his early education in the parochial schools and in the Cathedral High School, from which he graduated with the class of 1915. He received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from Holy Cross in 1919, and that of Bachelor of the Laws from Georgetown University in 1922. Admitted to the bar in Washington, D. C., he practiced law there until 1923. In 1924, after his admission to the bar of Massachusetts, he began work in association with Charels H. Beckwith at No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, and continues there to date.

As he thinks for himself, Mr. Greeley is an Independent in politics. He is a member of St. Michael's Cathedral, and of the Knights of Columbus. During the World War, having enlisted in the United States Navy, he saw duty on a submarine chaser stationed near the coast. He enlisted in April, 1918, and was honorably discharged in December, 1918. Mr. Greeley is a member of the American Legion. As he is ambitious to keep up-to-date with his profession, he is actively interested in the meetings of the Hampden County Bar Association, and is a member of a legal fraternity. Mr. Greeley has already built up a notable clientele and is generally looked upon as a promising lawyer.

**PERCY ORRIN DORR**, manager of the Springfield office of Harris, Forbes & Company, Incorporated, dealers in investment bonds exclusively, is a partner and also a member of the board of directors of that company. He was born in Somersworth, New Hampshire, December 15, 1878. He is the son of Charles M. and Eunice A. (Hayes) Dorr. He represents one of the early New England families.

(I) Richard Dorr, the first American ancestor of the Dorrs, settled in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, as early as 1675, and his will was proved March 17, 1716. The name of Dorr, sometimes spelled Door or Dore, appears first in this country in Portsmouth, and the descendants of the original Dorr removed from that place to neighboring towns. Richard Dorr and his wife, Tamsen, were the parents of several children, among them Philip, of further mention.

(II) Philip Dorr, son of Richard and Tamsen Dorr, married Sarah, surname unknown, and they had five children, among them John, of further mention.

(III) John Dorr, son of Philip and Sarah Dorr, was born July 5, 1730. He married Charity Wentworth, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Allen Wentworth, and among their thirteen children was Beniah, of further mention.

(IV) Beniah Dorr, son of John and Charity (Wentworth) Dorr, married (first) Experience Andrews, and (second) Mary Pray Allen. He lived in Lebanon, Maine, and Ossipee, New Hampshire, and was the father of Benjamin, of further mention.

(V) Benjamin Dorr, son of Beniah Dorr, was born March 22, 1787. His first wife, Mary (Brackett) Dorr, died in 1818. In 1819 he married (second) her cousin, Deborah Brackett.

(VI) Ezekiel Dorr, son of Benjamin and Mary (Brackett) Dorr, lived in Great Falls, New Hampshire, now Somersworth. He married Melinda J. Quimby. He died in 1848. Their son, Orrin Quimby, served in the Civil War.

(VII) Charles Melville Dorr, son of Ezekiel and Melinda J. (Quimby) Dorr, was born in Great Falls, now Somersworth, New Hampshire, May 30, 1845, and died December 31, 1899. After a preparatory education received in the local schools, he entered West Lebanon Academy and was graduated. As a boy he was employed as a clerk first in a drug store and afterwards in a dry goods store. He found his opportunity in the latter, and his energy, ability and thrift advanced him until he finally became the owner of the business which he conducted with success for thirty years. He was cashier of the Somersworth National Bank at the time of his death. For five years, four of them in the administration of President Benjamin Harrison, he was bank examiner of the State of New Hampshire. He was a prominent Republican. He was moderator of the town meetings, and was chosen by his fellow townsmen to represent the district in the State Legislature. He was a member of Libanus Lodge, No. 49, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somersworth; a member and Past High Priest of Somersworth Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and member of Dover Commandery, Knights Templar. He also was a faithful member of the Free Will Baptist Church of Somersworth. Charles M. Dorr married, May 30, 1868, Eunice A. Hayes, daughter of Elihu and Martha (Hersom) Hayes, and their children were: 1. Frank Hayes, born June 5, 1869, died January 8, 1897; he was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1891, and was an electrical engineer of marked ability; the beautiful group of electrical fountains which charmed the eye of every beholder at the Worlds Fair in Chicago in 1893 was





Percy O. Lorr



one of the many beautiful structures he erected. 2. Linda Maud, born October 15, 1872, died August 10, 1876. 3. Percy Orrin, of further mention. 4. Charles Edgar, born October 12, 1880, died February 8, 1881.

(VIII) Percy Orrin Dorr, third child of Charles Melville and Eunice A. (Hayes) Dorr, received his preparatory education in the public schools of his native city, and was graduated from the Somersworth High School in 1898. He entered Dartmouth College and was graduated in 1902 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He attended the Amos Tuck School the following year and took a post-graduate course in administration and finance. This earned him the degree of Master of Commercial Science in 1903. He thereupon entered the employ of N. W. Harris & Company which later became Harris, Forbes & Company, Incorporated, and began as office boy in the mailing department. He worked his way upward step by step, mastering the detail of the work in each department as he advanced. In 1906 he took charge of Western Massachusetts, and until 1909 he represented the company from the Boston office. In 1909 he was married and came to Springfield where he continued to fill the position of representative for Western Massachusetts until 1913. In that year he was made a member of the firm in recognition of the satisfactory work he had done, and a branch office in his charge was opened in Springfield at the same time. Mr. Dorr was made a director of Harris, Forbes & Company, Inc., on January 7, 1921, and he was placed in charge of Worcester County as well as Western Massachusetts. In the World War, Mr. Dorr was vice-chairman of all of the Springfield Liberty Loan campaigns. He continues to act as president of his class in Dartmouth to which he was elected in 1902 and constantly reelected. He was vice-president of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce in 1921; a past director of the Rotary Club, of which he was president in 1920; a member and past treasurer of the Nayasset Club; trustee and in 1926 president of the Community Welfare Association. He is also a member of the Colony Club, and the Publicity Club of Springfield; Libanus Lodge, No. 49, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somersworth; the Automobile Club of Springfield, the University Club of Springfield, and the Longmeadow Country Club. He is assistant treasurer of the South Congregational Church of Springfield and a member of its finance committee. He is a member of the board of lecturers of the Amos Tuck School, Dartmouth College. He is a trustee of the Springfield Institute for Savings. In college Mr. Dorr was elected a member of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, and of the Dragon Senior Society.

Mr. Dorr married, September 27, 1909, in Winchester, Mabel Holman Lee, born in Nashua, New Hampshire, daughter of Charles E. and Carrie E. Lee. Mrs. Dorr is a graduate of Smith College, class of 1909, and a member of the Woman's Club; the Smith College Club, and the College Club. She is interested in and a member of several charitable organizations. Mr. and Mrs. Dorr are the parents of two children: Dorothy Lee, born September 15, 1912; and Elizabeth Hayes, born March 2, 1916. Mr. Dorr's home is No. 293 Long Hill Street, Springfield. His business address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**EARL W. POLMATIER**—With his appointment four years ago as postmaster at Williamsburg, Massachusetts, Mr. Polmatier's former activities in commercial and military life have proven valuable assets to his position in United States Government employ, with the resultant energy, good order and excellent system recorded of the Williamsburg post office status. The duties of postmaster here are those charged with responsibilities to a large community, and the present executive leadership is one satisfactory to the whole population. This is by no means Mr. Polmatier's first experience in government employ, as he had already won the soldier's honors both at the Mexican border and in France. He is a son of Arthur J. and Rose E. Polmatier.

Mr. Polmatier was born in Florence, Massachusetts, August 1, 1896, and he received his education at the grammar and high schools of his birthplace. Entering into the business life as a young man, he at first gave his attention to motor truck manufacture, and for that purpose he made his home at Detroit, Michigan, up to the year 1916. With a knowledge of this important line of manufacture as his possession, he afterwards went to the Mexican Border, in charge of a United States fleet of motor trucks. He then returned to his former employ at Detroit. He received his appointment to the Williamsburg postmastership in 1921.

During the World War, Mr. Polmatier enlisted in the United States service with the United States Engineers, served in France, and received his discharge in 1919. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Polmatier married, at Hartford, Connecticut, February 16, 1920, Julia Wallace, daughter of George and Sarah M. Wallace, and they are the parents of Ruth Jule Wallace, who was born at Williamsburg, September 23, 1921.

**J. B. WEIS**—One of the large and prosperous businesses of Holyoke is the manufacture of safety papers for bank checks which has at its official head J. B. Weis, who was born in Tonica, Illinois, November 29, 1862. His father, Joseph Weis, a farmer, and his mother, Marie (Brennemann) Weis, were natives of Hanau, Germany.

Mr. Weis attended the public and high schools at Peru, Illinois, and the University of Illinois, where he was graduated in the class of 1883 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He engaged in the manufacture of safety papers for bank checks in 1894, and now is the president and treasurer of the Perfect Safety Paper Company, with a large and growing business. Mr. Weis is president of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Holyoke Canoe Club, the Mount Tom Golf Club, the Rotary Club, Mount Nonotuck Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Mr. Weis was married March 5, 1889, in Montreal, Canada, to Isabel Gracey McMillan, born in Montreal, May 18, 1863, the daughter of David and Maria (Mann) McMillan, the father a native of Ireland; the mother of Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Weis are the parents of Herman W., born in Chicago, Illinois, and Marie and Isabel G.,



both born in Franklin, Ohio. Mr. Weis's factory is located at No. 102 Winter Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

**EMERSON S. SEARLE** is associated with the law firm of Brooks, Kirby, Keedy & Brooks, of Springfield. He was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, June 20, 1889, the son of Abner S. and Flora (Pomeroy) Searle. His father was born February 22, 1853, in Huntington, Massachusetts, and is now engaged as a farmer, having all his life followed agricultural pursuits. Emerson S. Searle's mother, Flora (Pomeroy) Searle, was born in May, 1863, in Huntington.

The scholastic training of Emerson S. Searle began in the public schools of Hadley and continued through the high school of this place, of which he was a graduate in 1909. He next became a student of Amherst College, from which he graduated and received his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913. Then he went to the Boston University Law School for his legal preparation. After leaving school he read law with David H. Keedy, of Amherst, and received his admittance to the Massachusetts bar in the year 1919. From this time on he entered the law firm of Brooks, Kirby, Keedy & Brooks, at Springfield, and has remained with them to the present (1925).

Mr. Searle is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and is a Republican. He worships with the First Congregational Church of Hadley, of which he is a communicant.

Emerson S. Searle married, in Hadley, Massachusetts, October 9, 1922, Marion Wood, born in Hadley, daughter of Clesson and Jane (Thayer) Wood.

**REGINALD HERBERT SINGLETON**, overseer in the Corticelli Silk Mills, Leeds, Northampton, Massachusetts, has been identified with the silk textile trade since his schooldays. He was born, September 12, 1876, at Macclesfield, England, son of William and Frances Alice Singleton. At the age of six years he came with his parents to America, and the family soon afterward settled in Leeds. The son, Reginald Herbert, was graduated from the Leeds Grammar School, and then went to work in the Corticelli Silk Mills, where his father has been superintendent of spun silk manufacturing, he having given more than forty years of service in the employ of the Corticelli Silk Company, in whose office he is an established factor.

Mr. Singleton has been identified with the Republican party since he reached his majority. He is a member of the Northampton Chamber of Commerce, the Masonic Lodge and the Commandery of Knights Templar. He is a member of the Florence Congregational Church.

Mr. Singleton married, October 25, 1911, at Westbrook, Maine, Gertrude Speirs, daughter of Alexander and Charlotte (Plummer) Speirs. They are the parents of four children: Alexander, born September 4, 1912; Frances, born July 1, 1914; Anna Gay, born September 29, 1915; and Grace, born August 15, 1917.

**CHANDLER G. ROBBINS**—Security of tenure, comparative shelter and protection from the vicissitudes of life, together with the feeling of satisfaction derived

from the consciousness of loyal and lifelong service are no doubt the reasons why some of our ablest citizens prefer leading positions with large enterprises to the seemingly more independent position of the head of a firm and employer of labor. A case in point is Chandler G. Robbins, who by his activity in politics, his energy displayed in civic life, more especially his power of initiative, has given abundant proof of his creative capacity which lifts him far above the average business executive.

Born on August 21, 1860, at Leeds, Massachusetts, Chandler G. Robbins, after attending the local grammar school, entered the employ of the Ivory Button Company at Leeds, in 1880, but upon that company removing its plant, entered the employ of Smith Charities at Northampton, later coming to the Corticelli Silk Mills in 1884. For the ensuing forty years he has been continuously with the same company, rising step by step and through all grades to his present responsible position as superintendent of the Leeds Mills. Mr. Robbins is a very active worker, a captain of the local fire department, and through his determined efforts the old horse drawn vehicle, that antiquated survival of the "good old times," has been replaced by modern motorized equipment. He is a communicant of the Leeds Congregational Church, and a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Blue Lodge (Jerusalem) of Northampton.

On September 1, 1881, Mr. Robbins married Alice A. Hoyden, a daughter of Nelson Mary (Barnard) Hoyden, of Charlemont, Massachusetts, and through her paternal connections a member of one of the pioneer families of the county.

**JOSEPH A. FRANKOWSKI**—Holding certificates of admission to the bar in three States of the union, Mr. Frankowski is now located in Holyoke, where he is carrying on a very successful practice. Mr. Frankowski's parents, Roman and Josephine (Lisiecki) Frankowski came from Europe when young and removed to Schenectady, New York, where they were residing when their son, Joseph A., was born on January 30, 1888.

Joseph A. Frankowski attended the public and high schools at Schenectady, completing his college preparatory work at Troy Academy. He then entered the University of Michigan, where he continued until his graduation with the class of 1913, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He then passed the Michigan State bar examinations and at once began practice in that State. After practicing for a year in Michigan, he removed to Indiana. Here he passed the State examinations and practiced a year in that State. Again changing his address he came to Massachusetts, and was admitted to the bar here in 1916, and since that time he has been actively engaged in practice in Holyoke. Mr. Frankowski is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association and other local organizations. He gives his support to the Republican party, and holds his membership in the Mater Dolorosa Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Frankowski married, November 26, 1925, at Bridgeport, Connecticut, Pauline Hanyszewska, daughter of Felix and Mary Hanyszewska, who now resides at Chicopee, Massachusetts.





Dwight Howland



**OLIVER G. HALL**—A man well known in Western Massachusetts, and one progressive in business, was the late Oliver G. Hall, of Holyoke, who was born in Camden, Maine, and had lived in Holyoke for thirty years at the time of his death. He was a seafaring man early in his career, had a love for the water, and his stories of a sailor's life were many and entertaining. His ancestors came to New England on the "Mayflower." Mr. Hall began in the automobile business in Holyoke in 1916, handling the Jackson and Dodge cars, and was well known in that line. Previously to that date he was foreman for eleven years for the Dunbar Motor Company, and for many years prior to that connection was an engineer for the American Writing Paper Company of Holyoke. He was a member of Mount Tom Lodge of Free Masons, the United Commercial Travelers, and a charter member of the Holyoke Automobile Dealers' Association, as well as of the Holyoke Automobile Club. Mr. Hall married Nettie Wheelden, who survives him. Their children were: Elsie M., now the wife of Philip F. Daley, of Holyoke; Andrew L., born March 25, 1894, died February 22, 1895; Hazel B., born July 18, 1895, died December 6, 1896; Harry P., born April 12, 1897 and married Elizabeth Fisk; Roy A. Hall, born in 1898, married Louise Schomfield; and Gladys E., born November 13, 1899, died October 6, 1900. Other children were Harry P. Hall, of Cleveland, Ohio; Arthur F. Hall, of Holyoke; Mrs. Nellie A. Prince, of Camden, Maine; Mrs. Wallace LeBaron, of Springfield, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Harry P. Gibbs, of Bombay, India.

The automobile business of Mr. Hall is now conducted by his son, Arthur F. Hall, with whom is associated his brother, Roy A. Hall. Arthur F. was born August 25, 1899. He married Anna M. Riley, June 20, 1911. She was daughter of Garrett Riley, of Northampton, Massachusetts. He was educated in the Holyoke public schools, and is a Mason, being a member of the Mount Tom Lodge of Holyoke, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Automobile Dealers' Association. In religion he is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Holyoke. Oliver G. Hall died August 29, 1923.

**CHARLES HENRY HOWLAND**—Few men engaged in the painting business in this section of the State have so continuous a record in the same line of activity as Mr. Howland, whose contract painting headquarters at Greenfield are known and highly considered in the township and county where he was born, and where he has always interested himself in every feature of the business and civic progress of the community. For more than two decades his thorough business methods have been recognized and well appreciated; and the attractive appearance of the residences and business structures of Greenfield and its vicinity has much to do with the activities of Mr. Howland's own workshop. Not only is he a descendant of ancestors who have for some time dwelt in this part of the State, but he is of the venerated "Mayflower" stock, and his line has been traced thus:

(I) John Howland came to Plymouth in the "May-

flower" in 1620, and he died March 6, 1673, at the age of eighty years. His son John went to Barnstable.

(II) John Howland, of Barnstable.

(III) John Howland, of Barnstable.

(IV) George Howland, born in 1705, died February 13, 1796; he lived at Barnstable. He married Abigail —, she died February 18, 1795, aged eighty-nine years. Their children: Seth, of whom further; George; and John.

(V) Seth Howland, born in 1736, died April 10, 1794. He married Experience — and their children were: Seth; Calvin, of whom further; and Abigail.

(VI) Calvin Howland was baptized August 16, 1778. He was an old-time stage driver between Conway, Deerfield, and Boston. He had sons: Harrison, and Alonzo, of whom further.

(VII) Alonzo Howland died in Conway, Massachusetts. He married Caroline Cantrill. Their children: Caroline; Helen; Alma; Herrick; Marcus; Orson; Dwight, of whom further; Alonzo; Eunice; and Nancy.

(VIII) Dwight Howland was born at Stamford, Vermont, in 1837, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, February 4, 1904, aged sixty-seven years. As a young man he made the effort to enlist in the Civil War, but was rejected; yet he worked in the United States armories at Springfield, Massachusetts, and Middletown, Connecticut. He later located at Greenfield, where he carried on a contracting and building business until his death; he built some thirty-two residences in Greenfield. He married Mary E. Edwards, of Leyden, Massachusetts, who died in 1922, aged seventy-nine years. She was an energetic business woman, and she built ten houses or so after the death of her husband. Their children: 1. Marcus D. 2. Asa G., who has a son Arden. 3. Edwin A., deceased, his children: Josephine, Richard, and Raymond who was killed in the World War. 4. Amy, who married George C. Giddings, deceased; she has a daughter, Thelma H., who died in 1907. 5. Gertrude B. 6. Charles Henry, of whom further. 7. Edith E., who married John Montague Hubbard; their children: Russell Ward, born August 22, 1912; John Howland, born November 1, 1913, died November 4, 1913. 8. Bertha M., who married Hugh Finley, of New York City, a native of Scotland.

(IX) Charles Henry Howland was born July 20, 1877, at Greenfield, where he attended public schools. He then entered the employ of the Greenfield Baking Company, with whom he remained four years. Learning the painter's trade, he established his business at Greenfield in 1902, and has successfully conducted it to the present.

Mr. Howland married, July 20, 1914, Bessie Teed Wisely, of St. Johns, New Brunswick.

**EDWIN A. MOORE** was born in Holyoke June 1, 1893, the son of Edward C. and Bridget (Sheehan) Moore, who came to America from Ireland in early life. He attended the public and high schools of Holyoke, finishing his education by a course in the Holyoke Business Institute. During the first eight years of his business life he was employed by the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation. He left his position with this company to start in business for himself, opening

insurance offices in his own name. Among other companies, he is the Holyoke representative for the Travelers Insurance Company. At the time of the World War Mr. Moore enlisted in the army for service and was commissioned a lieutenant and stationed at Jacksonville, Florida, where he was a member of Unit No. 5, of the Motor Transport Division. Politically, he gives his allegiance to the Democratic party, and his fraternal affiliation is with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

At Holyoke, on October 10, 1923, Edwin A. Moore married Mary Hartnett, and they are the parents of a son, Edwin, born August 19, 1924. The family are communicants of the Sacred Heart Church.

**DAVID JUDELSON**—One of the most recent additions to the legal profession in the city of Holyoke is David Judelson, who was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in 1923, and who since that time has established himself in his own offices in this, the city of his birth.

Isaac and Rachael Judelson, his parents, came to the land of freedom from Russia many years ago. They made their home in Holyoke, and here on June 6, 1902, their son, David, was born. He attended the elementary schools and graduated from high school with the class of 1920. For his legal preparation he entered Boston University, by which institution he was made Bachelor of Laws in 1923. That same year he passed the State examinations and began his career. Mr. Judelson is a member of B'nai B'rith of Holyoke. He is in the ranks of the Democratic party, and holds his membership in the Jewish Synagogue of that city. In 1926 he was elected president of the Holyoke Young Men's Hebrew Association.

**ROBERT MARTIN SAUERS**, motor truck and automobile dealer in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Granville Center, Massachusetts, August 9, 1881. His father was Christopher Sauers and his mother Rosa M. Sauers.

Robert M. Sauers attended the public schools of Granville, and the Bay Path Institute. After leaving school he drove a stage coach and carried the mail between Granville and Westfield for three years. He was employed as clerk by the Adams Express Company, and as driver and messenger for four years. He started the Overland Express between Westfield and Springfield in 1904 and sold out his interest to A. C. Sauers in 1910 to engage in the motor truck business which he still continues with marked success. He added the Marmon car agency and the Hupmobile account in 1921-1922, and is established at No. 721 Worthington Street, Springfield. Mr. Sauers is a member of the Rotary Club and of the Nayasset Club.

Mr. Sauers was married on October 11, 1905, in Springfield, to Elizabeth May Messenger, daughter of Elmer Nathan and Elizabeth (Knowles) Messenger. They are the parents of Harold Messenger Sauers, born July 11, 1910. Mrs. Sauers is a member of the Central Baptist Church in Westfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Sauer's residence is at No. 459 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**EDWARD BOURBEAU**, superintendent of streets in Chicopee, Massachusetts, was born December 14, 1882, in Gramby, Canada. His father was Henry Bourbeau and his mother Sophia (Veins) Bourbeau. They moved to the United States, making their home in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Edward Bourbeau attended the public schools in Chicopee. He developed a mechanical bent and became a shop hand in his youth, passing on to a position of large executive requirements as superintendent of streets. He is employed also by the Stevens-Duryea and Bosch Magneto Company, and has attained a place of confidence and respect in the community. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Foresters of America, the Union Canadienne, and St. Jean Baptiste. He attends the Church of the Nativity, Roman Catholic. His business address is the City Hall, Chicopee, and his house address No. 28 Pendleton Avenue, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Mr. Bourbeau married Albertine Tremblay, and they are the parents of Roland Bourbeau, born in Chicopee, March 24, 1911.

**ERNEST TILLEY PRESTON**, born in Granby, Massachusetts, September 16, 1879, has built up a fine electrical business in Holyoke, where he is prominent in various social and fraternal circles. The family of which Mr. Preston is a worthy representative is an ancient one in England, and it dates from an early period in New England. He is a great-grandson of Jonathan Preston, who was a farmer in South Hadley and Amherst, and whose wife, Dorothy, attained the great age of ninety-one years. William Preston, their son, born in Amherst in 1816, later removed to South Hadley, and there followed his trade of painter. He died there at the early age of thirty-nine years. His wife was Melinda Winter, daughter of Jonas Winter. They were the parents of Edward William Preston, of whom further.

Edward William Preston, son of William and Melinda (Winter) Preston, was born in South Hadley, September 20, 1845, where he passed his years in activity and where he retired in 1917. His education was acquired in the public schools, and in early life he followed farming. After leaving the farm he was employed for twelve years in a sash and blind factory at South Hadley, after which he engaged in the painting and paper-hanging business until his retirement. He is a member of the Iona Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of South Hadley, of the Congregational Church, and in politics is a Republican. On January 8, 1874, he married Eugenie Tilley, daughter of George and Hannah (Sheldon) Tilley, and they were the parents of a son and a daughter: 1. Ernest Tilley, of whom further. 2. Ruth Maria, who married Harland Bradford, of Arlington, New Jersey; their children were Preston Tilley, Edward Melvin, and Kenneth Bradford.

Ernest Tilley Preston was the only son of Edward William and Eugenie (Tilley) Preston, and was educated in the public schools of South Hadley Falls and Worcester Academy. He began his business career with the New England Telephone Company, and was later with the Long Distance Telephone Company, con-



tinuing with these two companies for six years. Coming to Holyoke, he engaged with the Roland T. Oaks Company, and in 1909, with Clifford Moore, was in business until 1916, when he organized the firm of Preston & Bishop, which in 1920 was changed into a corporation, for general electrical contracting, and electrical supplies, Mr. Moore having retired, and Ernest Bishop becoming associated with Mr. Preston. The enterprise was at first located in the City National Bank Building, was later removed to the McLean block, and has since been located at No. 237 Maple Street, Holyoke. Mr. Preston is a Republican in politics. He is a member of William Whiting Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, a member of the Holyoke Canoe Club, and also belongs to the Holyoke Rod and Gun Club. In religion he is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

On October 11, 1905, Mr. Preston married Mae Wright, daughter of John S. and Caroline (Grout) Wright, of Holyoke. The fruit of this marriage is a son, Sidney Wright, born in Holyoke, April 6, 1907.

**WILLIAM H. McGARRY**—With the exception of several years which were patriotically devoted to the service of his country as a member of its army, his native city, Holyoke, Hampden County, has been the scene of Mr. McGarry's activities throughout his entire life. He was born in Holyoke, August 20, 1891, a son of Thomas and Anna (Foy) McGarry.

William H. McGarry received his early education in the parochial schools of his native city, and then attended Holyoke High School for two years. While still in his teens he began work as a reeler boy in the silk and satin mills of William Skinner & Sons, Holyoke, which employment he left after a year and a half to work for a short time as a machinist's helper. He then secured work with the Farr Alpaca Mill as a helper in the steam rooms, and later, for one and a half years, with the American Thread Company in its packing and dressing departments. After this he became a plumber's apprentice for E. H. Friedrich and later for Martin F. Bower, eventually securing, in 1915, his license as a journeyman plumber. Having acquired the reputation of a painstaking and efficient workman he had no difficulty in finding steady employment with the leading plumbing and heating concerns of Holyoke, including M. T. Donherty, E. H. Friedrich, Sullivan & Carmody, and Roy Brothers. On July 15, 1925, he established himself in the plumbing and heating business under his own name at No. 19 Lawler Street, Holyoke, where he continues with every prospect of a successful future. On January 4, 1926, he accepted appointment as city marshall, an office corresponding to that of chief of police and, therefore, as important and influential as it is difficult and exacting, at the hands of Mayor Gregory J. Scanlon.

During the intervening years, however, Mr. McGarry twice responded to his country's call for service. Having enlisted, February 28, 1910, as a private in Company D, 2nd Regiment, Massachusetts Voluntary Militia, he had been promoted to corporal eight months later, and in April, 1915, had been made a sergeant. During our difficulties with Mexico he served with his company at the Mexican border and was assigned to military police

duty in the notorious negro red light district. In 1917 he was again called into service and was sent to the Berkshires to perform guard duty in respect to important bridges located in that district. From there he was transferred to the United States Arsenal at Springfield, Massachusetts, and still later to Camp Bartlett. His regiment now became part of the United States Expeditionary Forces and as such was known as the 104th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. With it he sailed overseas, October 4, 1917, and was immediately sent to the Army Officers' Training School at Langres, France, near Chaumont, where he received his commission as second lieutenant of infantry on May 15, 1918. During part of his time at the Training School he was assigned as observer to the 104th French Infantry, stationed at that time on Champagne and was cited for bravery by this organization. On March 19, 1918, he returned to Langres where for the rest of his term of training he specialized in firearms. Having received his commission he was assigned to the 132nd Infantry Regiment, 33rd Division, United States Army, in charge of a Stokes' trench mortar, but later was re-assigned to his old original outfit, Company D, 104th Infantry, United States Army, with which he returned to his native country with the rank of second lieutenant, April 28, 1919. Upon the reorganization of the Massachusetts National Guard after the end of the war he was promoted to first lieutenant of Company E, in the organization of which company he had assisted. In 1922 he organized still another company for the 104th Regiment, Company F, and was made captain of this unit, which rank he still holds.

He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Military Order of Foreign Wars, Plumbers' Union, Local No. 233, and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church and more particularly with the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Holyoke.

Mr. McGarry married, at Holyoke, October 12, 1925, Anna Shea, daughter of P. F. and Mary (Driscoll) Shea, of Holyoke.

**LOUIS PHILIP AUTHIER**—With the exception of several years in Canada in the employ of one of the Canadian railroads, his native region, Hampden County, has been the scene of Mr. Authier's entire business career, covering a period of some fifteen years. His most recent enterprise has been the selling of motors as the president of the Chicopee Motor Sales Company, with offices at No. 519 Front Street, Chicopee, Hampden County, an undertaking which met with marked success since its inception in 1922 and which is enjoying a healthy and steady growth. He was born in Holyoke, Hampden County, July 8, 1895, a son of Joseph N. and Amanda (Grise) Authier, his father being for many years engaged successfully in the shoe business from which he, however, has now retired.

Louis Philip Authier was educated in the Precious Blood Parochial School, Holyoke, and at Holy Cross College, Farnham, Province of Quebec, Canada. After completing his education he returned to the United



States and began work in 1912 with the New England Investment & Security Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts. The next year he went to Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, where he remained until 1917, when he returned to his native city of Holyoke and accepted a position with the American Writing Paper Company. In 1918 he changed to the Martin J. Judge Paper Company, likewise of Holyoke, with which concern he continued until 1922, when he became president of the Chicopee Motor Sales Company, the position which he still occupies. During the World War he served with Company A, 303d Heavy Field Artillery, 76th Division. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Authier married, at Willimansett, Hampden County, Massachusetts, September 15, 1917, Clara Allaire, daughter of Philius and Rebecca (Rondeau) Allaire. Mr. and Mrs. Authier are the parents of two sons: Archibald, born August 4, 1918; Philip, born July 14, 1924.

**FRANK HENRY REEDY** practices law in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he was born and has passed his active life. He was born October 14, 1882. His mother, Catherine T. Reedy, resides in Longmeadow.

Mr. Reedy was educated in the public schools at Springfield and Longmeadow. He was graduated from the Springfield High School where he prepared to enter Georgetown University at Washington, D. C. He was graduated with the class of 1907, and immediately extended his legal studies for admission to the bar. This accomplished, he opened offices in his native Springfield on his own account and has practiced until the present time. He was chairman of the Democratic Town Committee of Longmeadow for ten years. He is unmarried, belongs to no fraternities or clubs, and devotes himself to his profession in which he has attained an enviable rank. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association. His law offices are at No. 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JAMES FRANKLIN OWEN**—Carrying on an insurance and real estate business in Holyoke, James F. Owen was born in Boston, Massachusetts, May 7, 1875. He was educated in the public and high schools, and was graduated from the Burdette Business College. In 1900 he started in the insurance and real estate business in Holyoke and continues in that business there. He is the representative of fifteen stock insurance companies, eighteen mutual insurance companies, and three casualty companies, aside from his real estate interests. In politics Mr. Owen is a Republican. He is a Mason, belonging to the Shrine and the Commandery. In religion he is a member of the First Congregational Church of Holyoke. His father, Daniel Owen, born in Rome, New York, July 12, 1822, died in Massachusetts, March 5, 1902. His mother, Elizabeth S. (Harrington) Owen, born in Maine, August 12, 1837, died February 25, 1924. His father was a painting contractor.

In Boston, Massachusetts, July 11, 1900, Mr. Owen married Mary Woodall, born in England, November 5,

1875, daughter of John and Mary (Swift) Woodall, both natives of that country. Mr. and Mrs. Owen are the parents of two children: James Franklin, Jr., born October 21, 1901, died May 5, 1902; and Franklin W., born in Holyoke, August 27, 1904.

**JOHN BUEL DEARDEN** was born in Holyoke, October 29, 1894, son of Joseph B. and Carrie K. (Hills) Dearden. His father was a native of Scotland, and since coming to the United States has been employed in the silk industry, having risen through various promotions to the position of overseer, which position he now holds. John Buel Dearden's mother was born in New Orleans.

From the public schools of his home city John B. Dearden received his elementary education, and upon his graduation from the high school in 1914, he entered the law offices of W. N. Brooks, where he began the study of law. Later he became associated with T. D. O'Brien continuing until 1921, when he was admitted to practice in the State of Massachusetts. Since that time he has maintained his own offices in Holyoke, building up a successful clientele. Mr. Dearden enlisted for service in the World War and was enrolled in the 12th Division of the 74th Regiment. He is a member of the American Legion. In politics Mr. Dearden gives his support to the Republican party. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian Church.

**ADOLPH J. KOHLHOFER**, following his profession of civil engineer, a goal that he attained entirely by his own determined efforts, is to-day at the head of his own engineering concern in Pittsfield, and besides has also written a number of articles along general engineering lines. He was born April 19, 1889, in New Lebanon, New York, son of Joseph and Katherine (Hopple) Kohlhofer. His father was a painter and both his parents now deceased. Adolph J. Kohlhofer obtained his education almost entirely by his own efforts, working to finance his studies. He attended Chatham, New York High School, class of 1908, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, New York, from which he received his degree of Civil Engineer in 1912, having worked his way through this institute of learning. He began his professional work of engineering and surveying in New Lebanon, his birthplace, and later worked along those lines in connection with the construction of the subways in New York City. In 1913 he came to Pittsfield and followed his profession here for two years, when he left to go to Columbia County, New York, where he practiced general engineering. On May 1, 1919, he took over the old established firm of Barnes & Race, in Pittsfield, and has since that time remained here where he has been practicing engineering under his own name. He has been very successful, and besides his engineering work has written a series of articles along engineering lines called "Pipe Dreams," material for which came into his possession with the office records when he purchased the firm of Barnes & Race. Mr. Kohlhofer is a member of the Masonic Order, holding membership in Unity Lodge, No. 9, Free and Accepted Masons, of Lebanon Springs, New York; he is also a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, and of the Park



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Club, and is active in all matters that pertain to the general progress and welfare of Pittsfield.

Adolph J. Kohlhofer married, June 6, 1916, Edith Bryant, daughter of the Rev. Charles Bryant, a well known Congregational minister, and formerly general secretary of the Pittsfield Young Men's Christian Association, and Julia (Ives) Bryant; she was formerly a teacher, and a graduate of the State Normal School at New Britain, Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Kohlhofer are the parents of one son, Leonard E., born November 6, 1919.

**TIMOTHY F. MCCARTHY**—In the laundry business in Pittsfield, Timothy F. McCarthy holds a prominent and useful place and with characteristic energy and excellent judgment he is going forward to large and ever increasing success. With one of the most perfectly appointed modern plants and an efficient corps of executives and operatives he is doing the finest possible work and meeting the constantly recurring need of the people.

Timothy F. McCarthy was born in Tender Hook, New York, February 25, 1883. His education was begun in the public schools of that section and, the family coming to Pittsfield in 1892, his studies were completed here. Never favored by fortune and dependent from early life upon his own exertions, Mr. McCarthy began his career at a very early age, filling such positions as a young lad is able to command. He gained practical experience in the laundry business and in 1910 established an interest which was known at the beginning as the Waconah Laundry, located on Waconah Street. For a time Mr. McCarthy had as his partner M. C. Kidney, then in 1918 he took over the present plant. The partners then incorporated, Mr. McCarthy becoming president and Mr. Kidney treasurer. They have enlarged the plant to a marked degree, improved the building, and installed the very latest machinery. They now have a large plant thirty-eight by seventy-five feet in ground dimensions, with three stories and basement. They operate throughout the Pittsfield district and have a branch agency at Dalton, serving the many outlying communities of this section. They employ about forty hands and the business is constantly increasing. As a leading executive of this concern Timothy F. McCarthy holds a prominent place in the community and he is affiliated with the National Laundry Men's Association and the Massachusetts Laundry Men's Association. He is a member of St. Charles' Church, also the Church School Society.

Timothy F. McCarthy married Josephine Naughton, and they reside at No. 4 Weller Avenue.

**DAVID OSGOOD RICH**—One of the best known and most highly respected citizens in North Orange, Massachusetts, who on account of his sterling character and lovable personal qualities had as many friends and admirers as there were men who had the chance of getting into contact with and knowing him was the postmaster of that place, the late Mr. David Osgood Rich.

Mr. Rich was a native of North Orange, Massachusetts, where he was born May 9, 1837, and died in 1892, at the age of fifty-five years. He received his education in the district schools and after completing

his studies worked in various pursuits until he enlisted in the Civil War where he served in the ranks of the 25th Massachusetts Volunteers. After receiving his honorable discharge from the army he returned to North Orange, Massachusetts, where for many years he continued to conduct a farm but later went into business choosing as his special field the boot and shoe business. Mr. Rich, who was a man of many activities for several years, held the position of postmaster of North Orange, and was also proprietor of the North Orange Hotel and a member of the G. A. R., Gene Sedgwick post.

Mr. Rich married (first) Josephine Harrington, and with her had one son Clarence O. Rich, who is dead. He married (second) Laura J. Ward, a daughter of Thomas A. and Esther K. (Mayo) Ward, both natives of North Orange, Massachusetts. Thomas A. Ward, father of Mrs. Rich, died at the age of seventy-seven, having spent most of his life in Orange, Massachusetts, except for a short time when he was resident in Athol and Princeton, both in Massachusetts. At the age of twenty-one Mr. Ward married Esther K. Mayo. Mr. Ward was a very keen religious worker and for many years held the position of deacon of the Congregational Church of North Orange, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Rich were married April 4, 1867, at North Orange, Massachusetts; they are the parents of: Josie Lena, who married Robert D. Crosby, and with him had one daughter, Barbara Rich Crosby.

**WILLIAM HENRY CONNOR**—With the death on January 1, 1887, of the late William Henry Connor, a native of Bodenham, Maine, there passed away an old fashioned American gentleman, whose life constituted one of the most valuable and most interesting links with the past, who was imbued with a broad humanitarianism and possessed of a nobility of heart and character and a spiritual vision not all too frequently found among modern men, but exemplified in many of the lives of American citizens of former generations.

William Henry Connor was born September 29, 1833, a son of Erastus and Lucy Connor. The family who originally came from England, was in some of their older generations all represented by sailors, one of whom eventually settled on the coast of Maine, subsequently being lost at sea. Mr. Connor as a young man moved with his parents to Lewiston, Maine, and then went to Fairfield, where he enlisted as a soldier in Company B, in the 13th Maine Regiment in the Civil War. He served fully four years, reënlisting after three years. He was one of the guards who surrounded President Lincoln after his assassination and served under General Miles up the Red River, becoming later his friend. After the war he married at Fairfield, Louisa A. Comforth, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Bowman) Comforth. He later moved to Bellows Falls, where he built a dam across the river under the late Mr. Carl, of Greenfield, who was the contractor, he then came to Orange with Mr. Carl. At that time Jewett Underwood, who was established there in the trucking business, was drowned, and Mr. Connor, in 1871, bought up the business, and later did all the heavy trucking for the manufacturing concerns in town; he also dealt in grain, cattle feed and hay, conducting this

business until January 1, 1887. At his death Mr. Connor was Chief of the Fire Department, one of the organizers of Company E of the 2d Massachusetts Regiment, of which he was the first lieutenant of the company and for many years chief of police. Mr. Connor, who was endowed with striking personal gifts, was a poor boy in his childhood and had made his way in the world, aided mainly, if not entirely, by his own gifts and indomitable will power. Having met with success he remembered the days of his childhood and to alleviate the lot of fellow sufferers devoted large sums of money to the care, education and support of indigent children. Mr. Connor was a great lover of horses and dogs; his favorite hobbies were hunting and fishing, and he was considered a crack shot in the Massachusetts militia.

Mr. Connor was twice married; his first wife died in 1878; his second wife January 12, 1887. William Connor (great-grandfather) was the father of William Connor, and Erastus Connor was the father of five sons, among whom was Selden Connor, ex-governor of Maine. William Henry Connor, son of Erastus Connor, was promoted on the battlefield for bravery. He put up the stacks on all the high buildings and the bells on the Congregational Church of his town. A daughter Lucy E., married Dwight S. Horton at Orange, Massachusetts, on December 22, 1886, and they are the parents of six children: 1. Roland Dwight. 2. Mary Louise. 3. Luther William, served in the World War fifteen months. 4. Ethel Bell. 5. Gulie Viola. 6. Vernon Elmer

**HERVEY SHELDON DAWLEY**—In the career of Hervey Sheldon Dawley we see exemplified the type of forceful enterprising business mind undaunted by difficulties, not hesitating to effect a change of the sphere of activities, where such a change seems prudent and likely to lead to an improvement of his economic position and at the same time to more extensive fields of usefulness and commercial endeavor. There are of course instances when the more conservative procedure, the choosing of one particular line and steadfast clinging to it through life, has in individual instances been the road to success, but somehow our secret longing for romance in everything—and who could deny that business has its romance, just as well as any other form of human endeavor and activity—seems to be more satisfying in beholding a life full of incident, change and variety, culminating in deserved success such as has come to Mr. Dawley.

Mr. Dawley is a native of Boston, Massachusetts, born November 11, 1836, a son of Augustus Sheldon and Mary (Hall) Dawley. He received his first education in the public schools of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, and Woonsocket Academy, Rhode Island. In 1854, after completing his education, Mr. Dawley went to Hartford, Connecticut, then entered the publishing house and general book store of Brockett-Hutchinson & Company. Later he entered his father-in-law's business, the wholesale grocery trade, and in 1869 he went with the Weed Sewing Machine Company of Hartford, Connecticut, as their southern representative, with headquarters at Baltimore, Maryland. In 1884 Mr. Dawley returned to his native Massachusetts, when he accepted

the post of sales director for the New Home Sewing Machine Company, of which he was later elected a vice-president, while retaining his function of directing the sales of the company. Mr. Dawley occupies a prominent place in public usefulness. He was a member of the School Board for six years and also served on the Library Board, is now on the town finance committee, and a director of the National Bank of Orange, Massachusetts, a trustee of the Savings Bank, and president of the Orange Coöperative Bank.

**JOHN ALBERT SULLIVAN, M. D.**, whose brilliant war record and equally noteworthy success in his private practice have made him an outstanding figure in medical advance in Western Massachusetts, is a leading physician of Pittsfield and is attracting the favorable attention of the profession by his work in surgery. Of progressive spirit and pleasing personality, he has won an enviable position in his chosen profession and is considered one of the foremost surgeons of the day in Berkshire County. He is a son of John and Rose (Kennedy) Sullivan, formerly residents of New York State.

John Albert Sullivan was born at Albany, New York, February 25, 1885. The family removing to Pittsfield when he was only one year old, his education was begun in the elementary schools and following the grammar and high school courses, he made the necessary preparations for his higher education and entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1910 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Serving an internship of one year at Mercy Hospital, in Springfield, Dr. Sullivan then became associated with Dr. Richardson at Hillcrest Hospital in Pittsfield and was there active until the year 1913. Then opening his offices as a general medical practitioner in Pittsfield, Dr. Sullivan went forward without interruption until June of 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World War. Within the month he was commissioned first lieutenant and was detailed to the training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, at Indianapolis, Indiana. Later assigned to the 32d Division at Waco, Texas, as medical officer of the 107th Engineers, he was finally reassigned to the 125th Ambulance Corps, 32d Division. With this unit he went to France and was there assigned to a French Evacuation Hospital for a time. Later, returning to the 32d Division, he served at the second battle of the Marne and through this engagement, also the battles of Chateau-Thierry and Vaile River, he was close to the front, also at the Battle of Soissons and the terrific engagements of the Argonne drive. Major Sullivan spent four months with the Army of Occupation in Germany, then was returned to England, where he had the opportunity to do some post-graduate work at the University of London. He was then made inspector of sanitation of the Army of Occupation and served in Germany until his return to the United States. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in December of 1917, and to the rank of major, November 9, 1918. Returning to America, Major Sullivan received his honorable discharge from active service in October, 1919, and now holds the rank of major in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army. He has had two citations: One,





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from the commander in chief of the French Army, March, 1918, and one from the commander in chief, United States Army, October, 1918.

Since his return to civilian life and to his professional activities in Pittsfield, Dr. Sullivan has specialized in surgery with large success. He is now active on the surgical staff of Hillcrest Hospital and the Boylard Memorial Hospital and is medical examiner for the Philadelphia Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is affiliated with the American Medical Association, Massachusetts State Medical Society, and is president of the Berkshire County Medical Society, a member of the executive committee of Pittsfield Post, American Legion, and a member of the Military Surgeons of the United States. He is a prominent member of the Park Club. His recreation is travel when his professional duties permit and in 1922 he toured Spain, Portugal, and all the battlefields of France. Dr. Sullivan is a member of Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

**DR. THOMAS TASS FYFE**, for a period of three and a half decades, has been established in Greenfield, after having previously practiced for a time in the Middle West. Of a steadfast, sterling character, he has won the esteem and confidence of the community, and the success that has come to him has been earned through years of faithful service, rendered under many and varying conditions and circumstances. Of Scotch birth and descent, Dr. Fyfe has been in this country since he was a lad, but the characteristics and national traits of his ancestors that he brought with him, are enrichments to our own national life.

The father of Dr. Fyfe, Hugh Fyfe, was born in 1819, in Alva, Scotland, and died in 1875 in Blackington, Massachusetts, aged fifty-six years. He received his education in his native town, and attended a special high school from which he was graduated with the degree of a Civil Engineer. He followed his profession in Scotland until 1868, in which year he came to America, settling for a period of two years in Bennington, Vermont, when he removed to Blackington, and remained there for the balance of his life. After coming to America, Mr. Fyfe lived in retirement, not practicing his profession in this country. He married, in Scotland, Annie Downey, born in Scotland in 1825, died in Blackington, in 1912, aged eighty-seven years, and they were the parents of eleven children, the three elder ones dying early, the others, all born in Scotland, being: 1. Betsy, who married John Jones of Blackington. 2. Jane, married George Bringan, of Blackington. 3. Maggie, married Daniel Eddie of Blackington. 4. Mary, married Elijah Howe of Providence, Rhode Island. 5. Hugh, who died, leaving two sons and two daughters, the sons being Hugh and William. 6. Thomas T., of whom further. 7. Libbie, died at the age of sixteen years, and 8. Jeanette, died at the age of four years.

Dr. Thomas Tass Fyfe, son of Hugh and Annie (Downey) Fyfe, was born in Tilcaltrea, Scotland, May 18, 1860, and received his early schooling in his native land. When he was but eight years of age, however, he came to America with his parents, and attended the public schools in Bennington, where they had at first settled, but after a couple of years, on their removing to

Blackington, he completed his public schooling and graduated from the high school in that town. He was also tutored for two years by Professor Dorr of Blackington, and when he was through school found employment in a weaving mill as second assistant overseer and inspector of cloth. Here he remained some three or four years, and during this time he studied medicine in Dr. T. J. Putnam's office in North Adams. In 1885, thus equipped, he went to the Cleveland University, Ohio, and took up the study of medicine. He graduated from this University with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, in 1889, and went to Kent, Ohio, where for a short time he engaged in the practice of medicine. In 1889 he opened an office in Greenfield and is practicing there at the present time. He has been very successful and throughout the long years of his association here, has won the regard and esteem as well as the affection of his many clients. With a large and widely extended patronage he is regarded as one of the best and most reliable of physicians throughout the district. His uprightness and integrity, combined with kindness and sympathy, to which is also added a keen Scotch sense of humor, have endeared him to all who know him, and his services and beneficial influence extend to the community at large, have secured for him a large place in the public esteem.

Dr. Thomas Tass Fyfe married, in 1900, Mary Durringer, of San Francisco, California.

**WILLIAM PHILLIP LUIPPOLD**—The change from one occupation to another is frequently a benefit and while one trained to law does not as a rule make such a change, in the case of Mr. Luippold, his moving from the practice of law to journalism and the editorship of newspapers, is but another proof that a legally trained mind brings to any other task certain qualities that make for efficiency, and a systematic, well reasoned out plan for the pursuit of practical aims. Mr. William Phillip Luippold, founder and present editor and owner of the "Advertiser," a newspaper of Turners Falls, came well equipped to his task, and the locality has benefited by his unique services.

Mr. Luippold was born August 13, 1893, in Turners Falls, son of Martin and Elizabeth (Jacobus) Luippold, his father a son of Christian Luippold. William Phillip Luippold was educated in the local schools and at Wiliston Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1915; he then matriculated as a student of the Law School of the North Eastern University, and subsequently entered the law offices of Senator Lyman W. Griswold, at Greenfield, with whom he remained for two years. During the years 1916 and 1917, he had served as correspondent on the "Springfield Republican" and the "Springfield Daily," and the taste developed for this kind of work bore fruit in the years subsequent to the great World War. On November 3, 1922, appeared the first publication of the "Advertiser," of which Mr. Luippold is now the editor and owner, and which he has been carrying to a splendid success. On January 1, 1923, he extended the scope of his activities by the purchase and the subsequent incorporation of the Bank Stationery Manufacturing Company, formerly belonging to Mr. Cecil T. Bagnall, and which was established in 1872.

Mr. Luippold is now (1924) the president and treasurer. This company is well equipped for the manufacture of all kinds of merchandise used in the stationery line, but specializes in that required by banking establishments. It has been moving forward to a substantial development since taken over by Mr. Luippold, whose capacity for organization is as marked as his executive ability. During the great World War he served on the Local Exemption Board in the eighth district, and was also on the Legal Advisory Board of the same district. He is a member of the local Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of the Square and Compass Club; the Board of Trade, and in his religious affiliation attends, with his family, the Lutheran Church.

William Phillip Luippold married, October 17, 1921, at Turners Falls, Florence Elizabeth Haigis, daughter of Frank C. and Elizabeth (Rose) Haigis.

**FREDERICK LAFAYETTE LYONS**—In the material growth and development of Greenfield during at least three decades past, Mr. Lyons has established a strong claim to general public favor, his record as a constructive factor in the township being that of leadership. Installing his business interests and his home here in his young manhood, he has been of very active and practical aid to others in securing homes and places of business, and he has also been the means of erecting many structures for the community. Mr. Lyons is of English descent, though the family have made their home in the United States for three generations.

(I) Jacob Lyons, grandfather of Frederick L. Lyons, was born in England, and came to America in his youth. He settled at Bennington, Vermont, and resided there up to the time of his death, which was prior to 1870. His children were: Lafayette, Eunice and Evan.

(II) Lafayette Lyons, father of Frederick L. Lyons, was born in Bennington, in 1820, and he died there in 1872, his entire life having been passed at his birthplace, where he was engaged in mining clay and ochre on his property, the clay produced being used by paper manufacturing. He married Rhoda Stratton, who was of Scotch descent, and they were the parents of: Homer A., who was born in Bennington; Susan C., who married Reuben S. Tower, of Chana, Illinois; Samuel C., of Bennington; Franklin B., of East Windsor, Connecticut; Frederick L., of whom further; Henry Freeman, deceased; Eugene Jacob.

(III) Frederick Lafayette Lyons was born in Bennington, Vermont, August 28, 1862, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace. At the age of sixteen years he removed to the western part of the country, and for awhile he resided in Illinois. He returned to the East later, and for some years he was employed as a carpenter at North Brookfield. In 1892 business interests called him to settle in Greenfield, where he at once became associated with building and contracting enterprises, and he has been actively engaged therein to the present time. Mr. Lyons has constructed a number of residences throughout this township, and from his first settlement here he has been interested in the buying and selling of real estate. A number of the larger buildings of Greenfield have risen

from his plans; he was the builder of the Baptist Church, and he financed the building of the Victoria Theatre, and had much to do with its construction. He has a paramount interest, also, in the progress of civic affairs, and for three years he served as a member of Greenfield's board of selectmen. His fraternal affiliations are those of Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Green River Encampment and Canton Davis of that order; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Social Club. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Lyons married, February 8, 1884, Mattie C. Kennon, of Bennington, Vermont, a daughter of Nelson and Almira (Elwell) Kennon, and they are the parents of five children: 1. Susie R., born May 21, 1886, died June 28, 1886. 2. Louis F., born August 27, 1887; at first was associated with his father in business at Greenfield, but is now established as a contractor at Daytona, Florida; he married Martha Wilson, and they are the parents of: Lucille, born December 31, 1914, and Louis, born December 17, 1918. 3. Leon N., born January 29, 1893; resides in Guilford, Vermont, where he follows the occupation of carpenter and farmer, and operates a tea room during the summer. 4. Nelson K., born February 5, 1897; is an attorney in Washington, District of Columbia; married Hertha Lauckner, of Holyoke. 5. Frederick E., born July 29, 1901; is engaged in the real estate business at Greenfield; married Olivia Burbank, and they are the parents of: Francisca Olivia, born August 3, 1921, and Shirley May, born October 12, 1923.

**JOSEPHUS ROSARIO CHARRON, M. D.**—The contact of British and French civilization in the province of Quebec of Canada has among other results brought about a partial amalgamation of the English, Scotch and Irish newcomers with descendants of that most virile healthy and conservative—using the word in its best sense—type, the old French settlers. This desirable process of racial fusion between two stocks equally high in achievements of civilization whose qualities are complementary is a natural process which extends to parts of our Republic bordering on Canadian soil, parts which have for a considerable time back received a good quote of immigrants from across the border, hale, hearty, sturdy men fond of home life and never so happy as when dwelling in the midst of their numerous offspring. Most of them have made their homes in our midst, acquiring our nationality and became smoothly, perfectly and naturally incorporated into our national life. To the class of Canadians, who after pursuing in their native country higher studies as a preparation for a professional career which has brought them success and honored positions in our country, and who have become the founders of happy and large families belongs Dr. Josephus Rosario Charron for twenty years medical officer of health of the town of Montague, Massachusetts.

Dr. Charron is a native of St. Hubert, Chambly, Province of Quebec, Canada, where he was born Octo-



ber 15, 1868, a son of Alexis Charron and Philomena (Roberts) Charron. He attended the public schools. He afterwards matriculated as a medical student of Laval University, Montreal, where he graduated as an M. D. in 1890, continuing his practical studies in the Montreal Hospital. After spending four years in that institution and getting familiar with every aspect of the medical practitioner's art he specialized in gynecology and obstetrics and to pursue his post-graduate studies in that direction accepted an appointment in Montreal Maternity Hospital. In the year 1893 he came to Turners Falls and set up a medical practice in which he has continued for thirty-one years, also conducting an office at Greenfield for the last twenty-five years, practicing as far as Springfield, Indian Orchard, etc. Dr. Charron in the course of his medical practicing has brought into the world ten thousand eight hundred and eighteen children (May, 1924).

Dr. Charron, who for twenty years has held the post of medical officer of health of the town of Montague, is a member of the Order of St. Jean Baptiste, St. Joseph, and is medical examiner of the Order of Eagles, Improved Order of Red Men, the United States Order of Workmen, and the New England Protective Order. Dr. Charron and his family attend St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church.

On July 30, 1898, he married, at Turners Falls, Anne M. Lulda, a daughter of John and Mary Lulda, and they are the parents of the following children: Albert and Wilfred, having died; those surviving are: Joseph R., John Alexis, Rosario, Cecilia, Arthur, James.

**GEORGE GARFIELD POND**—The city of Greenfield owes much of its development to the ability, foresight, and untiring industry of George Garfield Pond, and it is fitting that his name should be recorded among those who have not only achieved material prosperity for themselves but have builded wisely and well for future generations. More than one hundred and fifty families in Greenfield are to-day living in homes erected by Mr. Pond, and though nearly two decades have passed since he left the scene of his labors and went to the "home not made with hands," the dwelling places which he created in Greenfield are still giving shelter and comfort to several hundreds of individuals who may well be grateful for the sound work of a master builder.

(I) The branch of the Pond family to which Mr. Pond belonged is of old Colonial ancestry, tracing back to Daniel Pond, progenitor of the Pond families of Dedham and Wrentham. Daniel Pond is supposed to have been the son of Robert Pond of Dorchester, and brother of Robert of Milton and William of Dorchester. He married (first) about 1651, Abigail Shepard, daughter of Edward Shepard, of Cambridge; (second) September 18, 1661, Ann Edwards.

(II) Robert Pond, son of Daniel and Ann (Edwards) Pond, married (first) Joanna Lawrence; (second) Abigail Fisher; (third) Sarah Shuttleworth.

(III) Ichabod Pond, son of Robert Pond, married and had a son, Jonathan, of whom further.

(IV) Jonathan Pond, son of Ichabod Pond, married Thankful Thomson and they had a son, Philister, of whom further.

(V) Philister Pond, son of Jonathan and Thankful (Thomson) Pond, was born in Keene, New Hampshire, in 1780, and died in Walpole, New Hampshire. He married Rhoda Howard, of Surrey, New Hampshire, and they were the parents of the following children: Luman, Thankful, Jonathan, Amos, of whom further; Henry, Theodosia, Parmelia, William, and Mary E.

(VI) Amos Pond, son of Philister and Rhoda (Howard) Pond, was born in Keene, New Hampshire, October 24, 1813, and died in Greenfield, March 13, 1854. He resided at different times in Surrey, and in Keene, New Hampshire; also in Greenfield, where he conducted, during the latter years of his life, a clothing store. He married, in the year 1838, Mary Garfield, of Westminster, Vermont, daughter of Samuel and Eunice (Moseman) Garfield, and they were the parents of five children: George Garfield, of whom further; Franklin, Mary, Martha, and Charles.

(VII) George Garfield Pond, son of Amos and Mary (Garfield) Pond, was born in Surrey, New Hampshire, about 1838, and died in Greenfield, May 11, 1906. He received a practical education in the local schools and at an early age became self-supporting. From the beginning he was an industrious and faithful worker and he was also a young man of aspirations. Beginning his active career in a hat, cap and fur establishment in Claremont, New Hampshire, he carefully saved a fair proportion of his earnings and in this way secured the means to engage in the real estate business. For some years he was associated with his brother, Franklin A. Pond, but later this connection was discontinued and Mr. Pond conducted a rapidly growing business alone. Many portions of the town of Greenfield owe their development to his foresight and his untiring energy. He bought tracts of land, opened up new streets, and erected new dwelling houses, which he sold. With the capital secured from these he again bought land, opened up streets, and erected more houses, until shortly before the time of his death he had erected more than one hundred and fifty houses, and had plans completed for the building of several more, three on Shelburn Street being already under construction at the time of his death. That Mr. Pond had many friends in Greenfield was evidenced by the fact that at the annual election of the town he, as a new candidate for selectman in a field of six, received 730 votes. A man of large executive ability and keen discernment, his advice was often sought by those who were contemplating the purchase of real estate, or were planning to engage in the construction of dwelling houses. Few men were better known in Greenfield twenty years ago than was Mr. Pond, and the memory of his genial personality and amiable integrity of character is still cherished by those who knew him best.

George Garfield Pond married Mary Johnston, of Guysborough, Nova Scotia, who died in 1910. They became the parents of eight children: 1. Charles. 2. Nellie, who married George Blake, and has two children: George and Mabel Bullard. 3. Mabel. 4. Henry, who is married and has a daughter Virginia. 5. Martha, who married Reuben Morse, of South Washington, and has a son Russell P. 6. Charlotte, deceased; and two who died in infancy.

**DANIEL F. RILEY**—The owner to-day of his own grain business in Hatfield, Massachusetts, Mr. Riley rose to his present position through his own efforts, having spent years in acquiring varied business experience, and building up within himself those qualities that make for the successful business man.

Daniel F. Riley was born January 8, 1885, at Brattleboro, Vermont, son of Jerry and Nora (McAuliffe) Riley, his father a railroad man. He received his early education in the parochial schools, and as a boy entered the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, serving in various positions, as fireman, brakeman, etc., until in 1900 he entered the railroad offices at Brattleboro, and in 1903 was appointed cashier of that station. He remained in this connection until 1905, when he resigned to enter the employ of P. Fleming, at Brattleboro, leaving there after a time to become associated with the E. Crosby Company, grain merchants. Here he remained until 1921, when he came to North Hatfield, Massachusetts, and established a grain business of his own. He has been successful in this enterprise, his past business experience standing him in good stead in his own undertaking. He has taken an interest in public affairs, and in the civic and fraternal life of the town. Mr. Riley is well known in athletic circles, and was manager of the Brattleboro Basket Ball team in 1904-05-06-07, when it held the State championship. He was also the manager and a player on the Brattleboro Base Ball team; was a member of Stafford Ball Team of the Bi-State League when the pennant was won in 1907; and he is a well known foot racer. In his fraternal affiliation he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, of Brattleboro, of which he was also financial secretary. Mr. Riley belongs to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. He is one of the selectmen of Hatfield and stands for all progressive movements that are for the welfare of the community.

Daniel F. Riley married, October 9, 1907, at Brattleboro, Vermont, Catherine G. Carey, daughter of David and Catherine (Breen) Carey. Mr. and Mrs. Riley are the parents of two children: Mary, born August 25, 1909; and Daniel F., (2), born May 24, 1914.

**RAYMOND DELOS NEWELL**—Among the interesting careers of Massachusetts men may be cited that of Raymond Delos Newell. Mr. Newell comes from a long line of Americans who trace their ancestry in this country back to 1634. In that year Abraham Newell came from Ipswich, England, in the ship "Francis," and settled in Roxbury, Massachusetts. One of Abraham's descendants, Luther Newell, lived for a time in Ludlow, Massachusetts, removing from there to Granby, Massachusetts, where he died in 1870, at the ripe old age of seventy years. His wife, Polly, bore him nine children, namely, Avery, Martin, George, Elizabeth, Helen, Charles, Welcome, Sanford, of further mention; and Harriet.

Sanford Newell, son of Luther and Polly Newell, was born in Ludlow, Massachusetts, in 1834, and died in Holyoke, Massachusetts, in 1908. He early showed an aptitude for mechanics, and at one time worked in an axe factory, and later took up the trade of carpenter-

ing. Eventually, however, he turned to farming, finding a freer life in that occupation, and made a success of it in Massachusetts and New York State. He married Clara Doane Squires, who died in 1906, and whom he survived but two years. Their children were Almond Adelbert, of further mention; Byron Baxter, Carlos Clayton, Dudley Delos, Ella Eva, Frederick Fay and Gerald Gordon.

Albert Adelbert Newell, son of Sanford and Clara Doane (Squires) Newell, was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, October 13, 1859. His early education was received in Smyrna, New York. He early showed an inclination for farm life, and has been an agriculturist from the beginning of his career. He now lives and operates a farm in Westhampton, Massachusetts, but is well known in Granby, Massachusetts, and South Hadley, Massachusetts, in both of which places he also was at one time a farmer. Mr. Newell married Ella Louise Slater, of Granby, daughter of Albert and Louise (Jocelyn) Slater, in October, 1883. She died December 20, 1913. Their children are Gertrude Estelle, and Raymond Delos, of further mention.

Raymond Delos Newell, son of Albert Adelbert and Ella Louise (Slater) Newell, was born in Granby, June 3, 1889. He was educated in the grammar and high schools of Granby, and then decided he would follow in the footsteps of his father and become a farmer. So he worked on the farm with the elder Newell for a time, and then decided that other occupations held more attraction for him. He went to Holyoke, Massachusetts, and worked in the undertaking establishment of G. H. Foster for about three years, and also operated a laundry route. A larger field was open to him in Springfield, Massachusetts, however, and he went there to become identified with the Cheney Washburn undertaking establishment, and later with the undertaking parlors of Dickinson-Streeter. But the desire to go into business for himself was with him constantly, and in 1917 he went to Northampton, Massachusetts, and established the Northampton Towel Supply Company. The business has prospered greatly, and has grown so large that it has been found necessary to add several big automobile trucks to its equipment and in 1925 a large laundry plant at Northampton was established. Mr. Newell, however, likes to keep busy all the time, so the time he can spare from the affairs of his towel establishment he devotes to assisting the undertakers of Northampton. Mr. Newell is a member of the Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he has held office; and of Mount Holyoke Encampment; also of the Benevolent and Patriotic Order of Elks of Northampton Lodge No. 997; Northampton Chamber of Commerce, the official board of the Methodist Church, and of the Men's Club, of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Newell married Grace R. Oldach, daughter of Frederick and Clara (Porter) Oldach, in June, 1915. Mrs. Newell's father came from Germany. Their children are as follows: Ruth Eleanor, born April 9, 1916; Helen Esther, born June, 1920, and Raymond Delos, born January 27, 1922.



*L. F. Riley*





**EDWARD PORTER HARRISON**—The oldest clerical office of his native town of Greenfield, that of town clerk, with its increasingly responsible duties, has been occupied by Mr. Harrison during the past ten years with abundant credit to himself as an energetic and thoroughgoing official who has set the best interests of his township before every other consideration. He has welcomed in this public service the large opportunity and privilege of marching with the front rank of a community's affairs, and lending every aid to their advancement; while in clerical capacity in related town offices he has invariably proven himself capable and efficient.

He is a son of James Harrison, born in Maryland (Eastern Shore), in 1826, and died in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1911, and of Persis Mitchell, who was born at Shelburne Falls, a daughter of Porter and Persis (Field) Mitchell. James Harrison is remembered as an actor of note, who during his career travelled throughout the United States, and who is recorded as having played in company with Edwin Booth. A man of commanding presence and highly talented, he was of a leading Southern family, and he served during the Civil War in the Confederate Army. Of a family of twelve, eight brothers and four sisters, he made his home in Baltimore, Maryland, though he had resided for awhile at Greenfield.

Edward Porter Harrison was born in Greenfield January 11, 1873, and from his third until his eighth year he travelled with his parents, and he himself, possessing histrionic gifts, took juvenile parts on the stage. From then onward to his fifteenth year, he attended school at Greenfield, and then entered the employ of W. N. Potter & Sons, grain dealers, and he continued in that employ for twenty years, his apprenticeship having been that of office boy, and his increasing value to the firm advancing him to the position of bookkeeper, after which he was delegated by the concern to establish its store at Charlemont. Returning to the Greenfield office in 1901, he so continued to 1908, when he purchased a hotel at Chatham, New York, which he conducted for a year. In 1909, after having disposed of the Chatham hostelry, he entered upon official duties in behalf of the town of Greenfield, at first as clerk to the selectmen, which position he held to 1917; and meantime, in 1910, he had been elected tax collector, which office he held for six years. In 1914 he was chosen as town clerk of Greenfield, which office he continues to hold. For a period he was clerk to the selectmen, tax collector and town clerk, simultaneously. Mr. Harrison is also deputy chief of the Greenfield Fire Department and is one of the oldest men in the department in point of service having joined its membership in 1890. During the eight years that business requirements took him away from town, he has the record of having missed but one fire of any consequence.

Mr. Harrison held the position of second lieutenant in Company L, 2d Regiment, State Militia, which is now the 104th Regiment, and of which Judge Fessenden was captain and General F. E. Pierce was first lieutenant, and he was the youngest commissioned officer in the State. During the World War Mr. Harrison was on

active civic duty in a score of ways. His fraternal affiliations are with Pocomtock Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and with Green River Encampment and Canton Davis of that order; and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a charter member of the Sportsman's Club. His religious fellowship is with the Unitarian Church.

Mr. Harrison married, September 6, 1906, Mary L. Luippald, of Greenfield, a daughter of Christian and Rosina Luippald.

**JOHN LUTHER DUNNELL**—Known and esteemed throughout a large section of the State for life-long association with the grain and feed business, and more particularly in later years for the Bernardston plant that bears his name, Mr. Dunnell, the only grain and coal dealer in that township, is representative of the advancing business interests of Bernardston. From his earliest years Mr. Dunnell has kept in close touch with milling matters in various towns in Western Massachusetts, both in employ and under his own firm name, and of a thrifty farming race, descendant of generations of farmers, he has a large acquaintance and an excellent business repute throughout this agricultural and manufacturing section. The Dunnell family, some members and branches of which have spelled the name Dwinell, have lived throughout New England more than two centuries, and the line of paternal descent has been traced as follows:

(I) Michael Dunnell, the immigrant ancestor, came from England, and his death is recorded in 1717. His wife's name was Mary.

(II) Thomas Dunnell, a son of Michael and Mary Dunnell, was born in 1672, and married Dinah Brimsdell.

(III) Jonathan Dunnell, a son of Thomas and Dinah (Brimsdell) Dunnell, was born in 1702, and died in 1782; he married Mehitable Kennary.

(IV) Henry Dunnell, son of Jonathan and Mehitable (Kennary) Dunnell, was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, in 1732; he married Hannah Duggett.

(V) Samuel Dunnell, son of Henry and Hannah (Duggett) Dunnell, was born September 28, 1770, and died February 21, 1847; he lived in Sutton, Massachusetts. He moved to Whitingham, Vermont, thence to Colerain, Massachusetts, thence to Guilford, Vermont. He married Polly Dudley, of Sutton; she died in 1842. Their children: Harvey, Origen, Bessie, Luther, of whom further; Dolly, Lucy, Polly, David, Julia, Izola.

(VI) Luther Dudley Dunnell, son of Samuel and Polly (Dudley) Dunnell, was born July 14, 1803, and died in 1864; he was a farmer. He married Demis Faulkner. Their children were: Elmira, who married William Ball; and Darius D., of whom further.

(VII) Darius D. Dunnell, son of Luther Dudley and Demis (Faulkner) Dunnell, was born in 1830, at Colerain, Massachusetts, where he was a farmer, and he died in 1876. He married Diantha J. White, daughter of Amasa White, of Colerain, who died in 1922, aged ninety-five years. Their children: Fred, deceased; Carrie, who married Monroe Harris; Frank, Addie, Sarah, John Luther, of whom further; Martha, Lizzie, George O., (q. v.); and Flora.

(VIII) John Luther Dunnell, son of Darius D. and Diantha J. (White) Dunnell, was born February 12, 1864, at Colerain, and he attended the town school and that at Christian Hill. He farmed with his father, and afterwards, until he was twenty-three years of age. Removing to Shelburne Falls, he there established a grain and feed store, which he continued for awhile, when he went to Northfield, where he built a grist mill, and for more than twenty-four years conducted a successful grain business. Then, disposing of that property, he went to Greenfield, where for a time he engaged in real estate.

In 1921 Mr. Dunnell went to Bernardston, where he purchased a mill property, since which time he has dealt in grain, flour, hay and coal, and is the only dealer in those lines in the town; his son is in company with him, and the business is carried on under the firm name J. L. Dunnell & Son. Mr. Dunnell served on the Northfield Board of Selectmen for two years. He is a member of the Grange, and his religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

John Luther Dunnell married, October 5, 1892, Winnie Wise, of Deerfield, a daughter of Lucius Wise. Their children: Alton Maynard, who married Julia Proctor, by whom she had a son, Alton Maynard, Jr.; and Raymond Leighton, who married Margaret Baker.

**FLOYD MYRON DUNNELL**—As an associate in the only grain and coal business in his township, Floyd Myron Dunnell, of Northfield, is identified with one of the prosperous and steadily growing concerns of Western Massachusetts. The Dunnell family, some members of which have spelled the name Dwinell, has been in New England for more than two centuries. An account of the family is given in the preceding sketch.

(VIII) George Oscar Dunnell, son of Darius D. and Diantha J. (White) Dunnell, was born in Colerain, March 5, 1869, and received a good practical education in the public schools of his native city, and then was for several years, until 1908, engaged in farming in Colerain. In 1908 he removed to Northfield and engaged in the coal business. The locality for this business venture was a wisely chosen one, as there is no concern of the kind in the township, and the enterprise has steadily prospered and grown. A grain business has been added to the original coal business, and Mr. Dunnell's brother, John L. (q. v.), and his son are now (1925) his associates. He has won in a high degree the esteem of his associates, and is one of the well known residents of Northfield. Mr. Dunnell owns a few acres of land in Northfield. He is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

George Oscar Dunnell married, December 30, 1891, Grace Miller, of Colerain, daughter of James and Sarah (Bell) Miller, and they are the parents of three children, all born in Colerain: 1. Hazel M., born October 2, 1893, married Henry Johnson, of Northfield, and has children: Evelyn and Grace. 2. Floyd Myron, of whom further. 3. Leon Herbert, who is a student in Bay Pathe Business College, in Brattleboro, Vermont.

(IX) Floyd Myron Dunnell, son of George Oscar and Grace (Miller) Dunnell, was born in Colerain August 27,

1898, and after receiving his preparatory training in the public school of Colerain, became a student in Mount Herman School of Northfield, the school founded by Dwight L. Moody. Since the completion of his educational preparation he has been associated with his father in the coal business. He is one of the promising young men of the town, and is contributing his full share to the promotion of the interests of the business fraternity. He is a member of Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield, and of the Orientals, and his religious connections with the Congregational Church.

Floyd Myron Dunnell married, October 6, 1923, Marie Bell Moffitt, of Peru, Vermont, daughter of Bernice and Nellie (Whitney) Moffitt.

**CHESTER A. DAVIS**—The Davis family belong to the first settlers in Massachusetts, and are descended from James Davis, who was born in England, about 1583, and settled in Haverhill, Massachusetts, about 1640, where he was elected to the first Board of Selectmen in 1646. He was brother of Thomas Davis, a lawyer, who came from Marlborough, England, in the ship "James," in April, 1635, and settled in Newbury, was admitted a freeman June 2, 1641, removed to Haverhill, where he was proprietor and town officer; his wife, Christian, died April 7, 1668, and he died July 27, 1683, having no descendants of the male line. James Davis had a wife Cicely, who died aged ninety-six years, on May 28, 1673, and with her had six children, one of whom was James.

James Davis resided in Haverhill, in 1666 was admitted a freeman, and in 1677 took the oath of allegiance. He married the second time Mary, and with her had a son Elisha.

Elisha Davis was born at Haverhill, August 30, 1670, and died January 18, 1738. He married, June 14, 1694, Grace Shaw, and with her had nine children, one of them a son, John.

John Davis, born March 13, 1708, was a juror in 1730-1790. Married, June 30, 1732, Sarah Barney, of Rehoboth, and died July 14, 1781, in Haverhill. There were seven children of the marriage, one of them John.

John Davis was born at Haverhill January 4, 1734. On September 4, 1760, he married, at Rehoboth, Joanna Hix, and on October 8, 1780, in second marriage, Mehitable Bullock. He was a soldier in the Revolution, second lieutenant in Captain Sylvanus Martin's company (Third), Captain Thomas Carpenter's regiment (First Bristol), commissioned March 27, 1776. He was at Dorchester Heights at the time of the evacuation of Boston, he was in Captain Isaac Hodge's company, Colonel Ebenezer Frances' regiment. He was first lieutenant in Captain James Hill's company, Colonel John Daggett's regiment, in 1777, at Howland Ferry in the defense of Rhode Island; later in Captain Sylvanus Martin's company, Colonel Thomas Carpenter's regiment. He was the father of eleven children, who, with the exception of one, lived to be over seventy years of age.

One of the children was Lieutenant Asabel Davis, born in Rehoboth February 19, 1775, and on September



13, 1798, married Deborah Mason, settled in Royalston and had nine children, one of whom was Ansel.

Ansel Davis was born in Royalston July 19, 1803, and moved to the adjacent town of Warwick. He was a representative to the General Court from that town, and died in 1859. He married Caroline Dudley, born in 1817, died April 9, 1868, and was survived by six children, one of them Chester A.

Chester A. Davis was born in Warwick July 7, 1854. He attended the public schools of his native town. After his father's death Mr. Davis went to live with his mother in Orange, where he worked on a farm until 1872, when he took up the trade of house painting and graining. In 1875 he bought a livery stable in Orange, and two years later came to Turners Falls and also bought the Nathan D. Allen ice business. For eight years he was foreman of the pulp mill, and in the years 1902-04-06 was superintendent of streets of the town of Montague, was for several years on the prudential committee of the fire department, and has been deputy sheriff of Franklin County since 1893. Mr. Davis is a member of the Unitarian Church.

In 1876 he married Elizabeth Jane Battle, born July 6, 1855, died July 12, 1909, a daughter of Edwin and Prudence (Cheney) Battle, of Orange, Massachusetts, and with her had three children: 1. Carolyn Lucretia, born September 18, 1877, married, July 8, 1907, William E. Porter. 2. Grace Ida, born July 24, 1883. 3. Elizabeth Ethel, born November 14, 1885.

**EDWIN CHARLES ADDIS**—Of the substantial and attractive establishments that make for stability as well as growth in old but progressive Florence, Massachusetts, Mr. Addis' hardware block, with the activities contained therein, is in itself a business sign of the community's prosperity and a monument to the owner's gifts in resource and application. For close on to forty years Mr. Addis has been a close student of every branch of the house-heating proposition, and that he has won success in a notable way in solving the problems that relate thereto is evident in the excellent results with which his activities have been crowned here, where he has many friends, and where his business has been so long established. He is a son of Edward J., a builder and carpenter, and of Elizabeth (Dimmer) Addis.

Edwin Charles Addis was born in Bristol, England, January 19, 1869, but his parents removing to the United States during his childhood, he received his education in the public schools of Northampton, Massachusetts. His first regular employment as a young man was in the Corticelli Silk Mills, at Florence, where he remained four years. In 1886 a larger opportunity being offered him with Crossman & Polmatier, steamfitters, he entered their employ and learned his trade. It was eight years later that he established the well known hardware store at Florence, of which he was proprietor and manager for twenty-nine years.

A markedly new era in the business life of Mr. Addis was that of the year 1923, when he constructed the modern block in which his hardware business is now housed, and where he maintains the office of his heating contracting establishment. This business plant is

a landmark in this section. Its owner supports the Republican ticket by his vote. His fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons as a member of the Jerusalem Blue Lodge; his religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Addis married, at Florence, October 1, 1890, Clara Hillier, a daughter of William and Susan Hillier, who died in 1920 at the age of fifty-three years. Mr. and Mrs. Addis are the parents of two children: Ruth D. and Charles Raymond.

**PERRY F. BROWN**—A practical business executive whose abilities have been applied to the public service in an eminently useful way is Perry F. Brown, of Northampton, Massachusetts, who was engaged in market activities for many years, but in the year 1915 was appointed postmaster of Northampton. Mr. Brown is a veteran of the Spanish-American War, having seen active service in Cuba, and his entire subsequent interests have been such as to prepare him in an unusually comprehensive manner for public usefulness. He is a son of Michael and Catherine (Hennesey) Brown, his parents, both deceased, long residents of Northampton, Massachusetts.

Perry F. Brown was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, March 12, 1877. Receiving his early education in the local public schools and later attending the Northampton High School, Mr. Brown was first employed in the J. N. Jolly Iron Works at Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he remained for about six years. Returning to Northampton, he became identified with the public market, and was employed in that connection until the year 1898, when he enlisted in the Spanish-American War. Upon his return to civilian life, Mr. Brown founded a general market at Easthampton, Massachusetts, under the firm name of Brown & Dragon, going forward as a partnership until he entered other lines of activity. Purchasing the Northampton branch of the Springfield & Boston Express Company, he conducted that interest until 1915, when he accepted the appointment of postmaster of Northampton. Giving to the duties of this office the energy and ability which have won him success in other fields, Mr. Brown made his administration one of marked satisfaction to the community, and notwithstanding changes of national politics, he was retained in the office until July 1, 1924. Other public services have commanded Mr. Brown's attention, and for two years he served as a member of the City Council of Northampton. He has served as chairman of the Democratic Committee of this city, and is considered one of the influential men of the party. Mr. Brown's military record began with his enlistment in Company I, 2d Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and he saw active service in Cuba, both on San Juan Hill and in Santiago. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, of Northampton, also the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 997; and he attends the Roman Catholic Church.

Perry F. Brown married, in Northampton, Massachusetts, January 3, 1906, Marie Cooney, who was a daughter of Michael E. and Margaret C. Cooney, who

died December 19, 1919, at the age of thirty-three years, leaving four children: Perry, Mary A., Margaret C. and Paul P. The Brown residence is at No. 250 South Street, Northampton.

**HAROLD LEWIS FIELD**—In their re-adjustment of plans for a life career that has been the experience of many young men who self-sacrificingly surrendered college work and profession at the call of the United States Government for the World War, they have as courageously resumed the former course or built upon new foundations. Mr. Field has thus temporarily set aside his collegiate interests for the supreme ones of patriotic activity in the service, and with the close of the war came the new test of again finding oneself and resuming the highway to the profession. In his superintendency of the Greenfield water department system he has risen to a height of opportunity long sought, and has rendered proof of the efficiency of a faithful public servant. He has had practical training in public utility work in the South, and in the fulfillment of his tasks here he has the interest of the native in the advancement of the community. Mr. Field possesses the high regard of the residents of this section of the State, who appreciate the service he has given both in war and peace. He comes from a race of sturdy and industrious English people, and is of the third generation of his branch of the family in America.

Thomas Field, his grandfather, who was born in Birmingham, England, in 1808, and died December 15, 1883, came to the United States when he was fifteen years of age and located in New York City, where he remained to the time of his death, having taken out his citizenship papers in 1834. He learned the trade of machinist, and for years he was in the employ of the firm of Morton & Bremner, in the manufacture of spring balances. He was a member of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married, July 4, 1844, Mary Juggins, who was born March 17, 1827, in London, England, and died February 4, 1886; she came to the United States with her parents when she was twelve years of age. Their children: Mary E., who married John Fenn; Eliza J., Mary, who married Luman Sherwood; Thomas R., of whom further; Samuel Louis, Winifred, Edward.

Thomas Richard Field was born October 8, 1852, in New York City, where he attended the public schools. He was then engaged in the manufacture of musical instruments, drums and banjos, in which he was employed two or three years, and for three years afterwards he worked in a plant for the manufacture of ivory combs. During the seven or eight years that followed he was employed in another comb manufactory, and in 1884 he went to Newburyport in the employ of A. F. Towle & Sons Company, manufacturers of solid silverware. He remained with this firm until 1890, when, with the transfer of the business to Greenfield, Mr. Field accompanied the concern and remained with them ten or twelve years. When they went out of business they were succeeded by Rogers, Lunt & Boulton, silverware manufacturers, and Mr. Field has continued in their employ to the present, for a time as superin-

tendent, and now as inspector. He is a Republican in politics, but has not held public office; he is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose; and his religious fellowship is with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Field married, April 7, 1879, Elizabeth Gaynor, born July 20, 1853, in New York City, daughter of Robert and Harriet (Davis) Gaynor; and they are the parents of: Melville Robert, who died in infancy; Elmer E., who married, January 5, 1910, Isabelle M. Handforth, and they have one son, James Edward Field, born July 8, 1914; Harold Lewis, of whom further.

Harold Lewis Field was born March 5, 1894, in Greenfield, where he attended the public schools. He matriculated at Ohio Northern University, to specialize in engineering, but he left to enter the service of the United States Government in the World War. In May, 1917, he joined the training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, at Indianapolis, Indiana, and he was made second lieutenant in the Officers' Reserve Corps of the United States Army; in August of that year he was made second lieutenant of infantry in the 154th Depot Brigade. He was thereupon assigned to special duties for looking after the personnel of the various camps, and in the course of his work he visited Camp Sheridan, in Ohio; Camps Gordon and Meade, in Maryland, and many others. He received his discharge as a first lieutenant at Camp Meade, February 16, 1919, when he went to Norfolk, Virginia, for a short time, where he was employed on the dry docks at the Navy Yard. From there he went to Fayetteville, North Carolina, where, for a time, he had charge of street railway work. Transferring his interests again to Norfolk, he was there given charge of the hydraulic dredges, and afterward he came to Greenfield. Here he was made superintendent of the water department, and has had charge and general oversight of the entire water system of the town under the Board of Water Commissioners. Mr. Field is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; of the Northern University Society of Engineers; and of the Sigma Phi college fraternity.

Harold Lewis Field married, June 17, 1918, Florence Zschau, of Turners Falls, daughter of William B. and Annie (Jarvis) Zschau. To this union was born a son, Thomas William, born November 7, 1924.

**PATRICK E. GLEASON**—One of those practical business ventures that from a beginning of no more than ordinary interest has arrived at proportions that demand the attention and coöperation of an entire community is the storage and transportation business that Mr. Gleason is conducting in so thorough and successful a way at Northampton, Massachusetts, in the township with whose every forward movement he has been associated for forty-five years. There is no business or property ownership, nor any residential activity whatever in Northampton and its vicinity that is not aware of the storage and trucking establishment that its owner has made a valued part of the industrial and busy life of this section, for Mr. Gleason's enterprise has steadily expanded with the growth and the requirements of the township. His plant is already an extensive one.



but maturing plans hold for the near future storage structures double the size now in use here. An enterprising citizen, and thoroughly capable of catering to the public in his special province, Mr. Gleason devotes his entire attention to the activity he ably maintains. He is a son of Patrick Gleason, who died February 4, 1911, at the age of sixty-eight years, and of Bridget Gleason who, at the advanced age of eighty-four years, survives her husband. The latter, who by vocation was a farmer and a contractor, was for a time superintendent of county roads.

Patrick E. Gleason was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, October 3, 1879. He received his boyhood education in the public schools here. Upon leaving school he learned the brickmaking business in the brickyard of his brother, Thomas Gleason, at Northampton, and there he remained eight years. In the year 1902 he returned to his father's farm on North King Street, where, in conjunction with his brother, Michael Gleason, he established a trucking business whose capital at the time amounted to but \$350, and whose equipment consisted of two wagons. But the effort proved well worth while, for it but led the way to the present activities. In the year 1920 the business had already expanded into an investment valued at \$350,000, with two large storage warehouses constructed in the business section of Northampton, with floor space of 39,000 square feet, while the outfit to-day consists of thirteen motor trucks and twenty horse-drawn vehicles. In 1919 Mr. Gleason dissolved partnership with his brother, and he has since continued alone. Besides the modern buildings for storage that he has had constructed he also operates a 125-acre tobacco farm, and altogether he employs a force of sixty-eight men. He has great faith in Northampton and its future, and for his own increasing business part therein he is planning to build a new \$250,000 storage plant. He handles all the important work connected with the Turners Falls Electric Light plant, in the moving and general transportation of the dynamos and other machinery of that establishment. One undertaking of an unusual nature and that called for no small amount of engineering and skill in carrying it through to a successful finish was the moving of 350,000 volumes of the Clark Library to their new location in the Forbes Library without a single volume getting out of file. Mr. Gleason's fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 58. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Gleason married, at Amherst, Massachusetts, June 3, 1911, Katherine H. Brette, a daughter of Michael and Bridget Brette, and they are the parents of Irene, Rosamond and Donald Gleason. Two children died in infancy.

**JOHN GEORGE KOCH**—A noteworthy figure in agricultural interests of Berkshire County is John George Koch, who manages and operates what is known as the White Coal Farm on the Millers Falls Road, and is well known in Turners Falls as a distributor of farm products. Mr. Koch is a man of eminently practical interests and large natural ability, while in various branches of community advance he fills large

responsibility. His usefulness as a citizen and his broad public spirit are influences in the progress of the day which count definitely for the general good, and he holds the esteem and confidence of all.

Gottlieb Koch was born in Württemberg, Germany, in 1849, the son of Gottlieb and Marie (Bitzer) Koch, whose families are of high social position and prominent in business affairs in Germany. As a young man Mr. Koch was a shoemaker in his native land. Coming to America in 1884, he located in Turners Falls, engaging in farming for a considerable period. Later he was an employee of the local paper mills and also of the cutlery works and continued active along these lines until shortly before his decease, which occurred in 1909. He won the esteem and confidence of every one with whom he came in contact, and his passing was considered a loss to the community. He was a prominent member of the Harigari Society and was affiliated with the German Lutheran Church. The mother was born in Württemberg and still survives the husband and father, residing in Turners Falls. Their children are as follows: 1. Louis, active in the milk and grocery business in Turners Falls, who married Rose Hertter, their children: Charles, Anna, Dora and Carrie. 2. Gottlieb, a prominent grocer of Turners Falls, who married May Shick, their children: Eugene, Louise and Albert. 3. John, active in farming in this section, who married Mary Nayre, their children: Florence, Helen, William, Edward and Amelia. 4. Annie, a district nurse of Greenfield. 5. John George, of further mention. 6. Margaret, wife of Martin Schule, a justice of Turners Falls, their children: John, Karl, Elizabeth, Marie and Harold. 7. William, who is also a grocer in Greenfield, married Eva Magoon, and has two sons: Robert and Harry. 8. Karl F. (q. v.).

John George Koch was born in Whittenburg, Germany, August 1, 1883. Coming with the family to America in 1884, he located in Turners Falls, where he attended the local schools and as a young man secured employment on the Stoughton farm in Gill Township. The farm is a large and important place, conducted along scientific lines, and in the fifteen years of his experience in that connection Mr. Koch gained invaluable knowledge of agriculture. In 1923 he took over the White Coal Farm on the Millers Falls Road, and is conducting this large and handsome property in the most modern and approved manner. A progressive figure in local public affairs, Mr. Koch served as fuel administrator during the World War, also as special officer. He served on the Board of Selectmen for three years, on the Board of Assessors for four years, and is overseer of the poor; also road superintendent. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Mechanics' Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Turners Falls. His religious affiliation is with the German Lutheran Church.

John George Koch married, April 2, 1905, Jeannette Jarvis, daughter of Henry and Margaret Jarvis. Mr. and Mrs. Koch are the parents of five children: Mabel M., Herman George, William Edwin, Evelyn and Elsie.

**GEORGE ANDREW ROBERTS**—It is a business landmark, long-established and well-conducted, like that of Mr. Roberts, at Greenfield, that makes its appeal



to all community-making interests and that cannot fail to leave its enduring impression of substantial worth upon the mind of native and visitor alike. Two generations have known and appreciated the provision firm of George A. Roberts & Company as among the prominent merchants in this part of the State, and one that in its general dealings with the public has long borne an estimable repute. Mr. Roberts himself is a citizen of well-proven loyalty in all matters that have to do with the progress of the township, whether in business, civic, or social affairs; and much of Greenfield's activities center about the Federal Street place of business. He follows the lead of an industrious and progressive ancestry.

His grandfather was born in Canada, and had sons David and Joseph, besides other children.

David Roberts was born in Canada, and died in 1893, at Heath, Massachusetts, sixty-seven years of age. In early life he was an axe-maker at Shelburne Falls and East Douglas, and he went to Heath in 1870, where he engaged in farming to the time of his death. He married Sarah Olive Fuller, who was born at Charlemont, daughter of Matthew and Sarah (Nims) Fuller. Their children were: George A., of whom further; Elizabeth, deceased, who married Francis L. Brown; Emma May, who married Ira P. Snow.

George Andrew Roberts was born August 20, 1862, at East Douglas, and attended the public schools at Heath, where he also worked at farming until he was twenty-one years of age. Removing to Greenfield in 1884, he worked on a milk route and farmed until 1887, and was then employed in a wholesale meat house three years. After spending a year in another store, on May 30, 1892, he bought his present business of meat, groceries and provisions, and under the firm name of George A. Roberts & Company has carried it on successfully, and occupied the same stand more than thirty years. He is a Scottish Rite Mason of the thirty-second degree, and is a member of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Greenfield.

Mr. Roberts married, October 17, 1893, Mary Field, of Conway, Massachusetts, daughter of Consider Wilder and Mary Ann (Macomber) Field. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have a daughter, Madeline Field Roberts. She is a kindergarten teacher at Winsted, Connecticut, a graduate of the Greenfield High School with the class of 1922, and of the Willimantic Normal School with the class of 1924. Mrs. Roberts is a descendant of the Field family hereinafter given.

#### (The Field Line).

(I) Zachariah Field, who was born in England in 1596, and died in 1666. He was the father of Samuel of whom further.

(II) Sergeant Samuel Field, son of Zachariah Field, was born in 1651, lived in Hartford, Connecticut, was killed by the Indians, at Hatfield, Massachusetts, June 27, 1697, where he was a prominent and influential man, and held many town offices. He married Sarah Gilbert. They were the parents of Ebenezer, of whom further.

(III) Ebenezer Field, son of Sergeant Samuel and

Sarah (Gilbert) Field, was born in 1688, in Hatfield, and married Elizabeth Arms. They were the parents of Moses, of whom further.

(IV) Ensign Moses Field, son of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Arms) Field, was born in 1719, at Deerfield, and died in 1787, at Northfield. He married, (first) Ann Dickinson; (second) Martha Root. He was the father of Solomon, of whom further.

(V) Solomon Field, son of Moses Field, was born in 1746 at Northfield, and removed consecutively to Deerfield, where he lived for some time, and then to Conway. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and he died in 1828; he married Mary Wright. They were the parents of Joel.

(VI) Joel Field, son of Solomon and Mary (Wright) Field, was born in 1786, and died in 1838; he married Philander Wilder. They were the parents of Consider Wilder.

(VII) Consider Wilder Field, son of Joel and Philander (Wilder) Field, was born in 1820, and died in 1876. He married, in 1850, Mary Ann (Macomber) Field—the parents of Mrs. Roberts.

**MARSHALL JEROME BENJAMIN**—Among the business men of Greenfield who have finished their work and gone to their reward leaving behind them cherished memories and the record of honorable achievement is Marshall Jerome Benjamin, whose death on August 24, 1919, ended a career of varied activity.

The emigrant ancestor of Mr. Benjamin was John Benjamin, born in 1598, who came from England to Boston in 1632, bringing with him his wife, Abigail Eddy, two children, and a brother Richard. John and his family soon removed to Cambridge, where they owned considerable real estate and where he was made a freeman November 6, 1632, and appointed constable by the general court in 1633. In 1636 he removed to Watertown, where he died in 1645. The line descends through his son John, born 1620, died December 22, 1706, married Lydia, surname unknown; their son Abel, born in 1668; his son Caleb, married Abigail Livermore; their son Caleb (2), born in Watertown, in 1729, died 1818, lived in Wendell, married Martha Bodman; their son Joel Livermore, born in Hardwick in 1760, died in 1839, married Sarah Anderson; they became the parents of Abel Benjamin, father of Marshall J. Benjamin.

Abel Benjamin, son of Joel Livermore and Sarah (Anderson) Benjamin, was born in Wendell, July 23, 1796, and died in Montague, January 4, 1882. He married (first) ——— Alexander; (second) Juliann Adams Hurd, daughter of Thomas and Lucinda (Newcomb) Hurd. Children of the first marriage were: 1. Aarad. 2. Dwight. 3. Quartus. 4. Jane. 5. Charles. Children of the second marriage: 6. Martin C. 7. Charles D. 8. Isabelle S. 9. Marshall J., of whom further. 10. Evelyn M., who married Edway Wells. 11. Almira J., who married William J. Phelps. 12. John Charles F., deceased. 13. Edward Everett. 14. Josephine L., who married Frank B. Fay. 15. Helen L., deceased. 16. Atwood F. 17. Etta L., deceased. 18. Carrie J., deceased.





*Charles A. Bisbee*



Marshall Jerome Benjamin, son of Abel and Juliann Adams (Hurd) Benjamin, was born in Montague, October 5, 1850, and died in Greenfield, August 24, 1919. After receiving a practical education in the public schools of Montague, he found his first employment on his father's farm, but later worked in a planing mill in Montague. When he was twenty years of age he located in Greenfield, where he learned the harness making trade with Samuel B. Payne. After a time he purchased a shoe store, and for several years conducted a retail shoe business. His next business venture came after he sold his retail business, and became a proprietor of hotels in Colerain, in Meriden, Connecticut, and in Lebanon Springs, New York. Even the varied business career already recorded does not represent the full range of Mr. Benjamin's activities, however. For some fifteen years prior to his death he conducted a carriage and automobile painting establishment on Kinwood Street in Greenfield, and was actively engaged in the successful management of this enterprise to the time of his death. He was a lover of good horses, and an excellent judge of their "points." He always owned a good horse, and was always ready to give advice concerning the buying and selling, the management and the treatment of his favorite animal. He was a member of the Driving Association, and fraternally was affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, and with Connecticut Valley Council, Knights Templar. He had a host of friends throughout the county by whom he was held in highest esteem. His religious affiliation was with the Unitarian Church.

Marshall Jerome Benjamin married, January 15, 1879, Fannie Louise Walker, born in Worcester and came as a child to Greenfield. She is the daughter of Melville and Fannie Eliza (Reed) Walker. Mrs. Benjamin is a descendant of Richard Walker, who came to America in 1630. Her grandfather, Leonard Walker, made the first pair of peg boots produced in this country. Her grandmother was Eliza (Curtis) Walker, of Newton, whose father was the first to manufacture paper in this country.

Marshall Jerome and Fannie Louise (Walker) Benjamin became the parents of the following children: 1. Eliza Walker, deceased. 2. Gretchen, deceased. 3. Hazel May, who married Charles J. Keene, of Easthampton, Massachusetts.

**ANDREW DORAN**—In contracting activities in Turners Falls, Massachusetts, the name of Andrew Doran holds large significance and his usefulness is recognized widely throughout this section, as well as in the immediate community. An able business executive and interested also in various branches of community advance, Mr. Doran has for some years held leading rank in local affairs. He is a son of Patrick and Mary Doran, both esteemed residents of Turners Falls for many years.

Andrew Doran was born September 19, 1884, and the family removed to Turners Falls when he was eight years of age. Securing a practical education in the local public schools, he early entered the employ of the Starbuck Contracting Company, of this city, then in 1902 established his own business interests. His life-

long activities have been in the contracting world, and he is considered not only an expert executive and mechanic, but an authority on various phases of contracting advance. In affairs of the community Mr. Doran has always been deeply interested, and for six years he served as chief of the local Fire Department. He is still president of the Firemen's Relief Association, and fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, of which he is Grand Knight. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, a member and president of St. Mary's Society, and a member of the State Fire Chiefs Club. He attends St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Andrew Doran married, in Turners Falls, on May 6, 1905, Alice Burns, daughter of Raymond and Alice Burns, and they are the parents of two sons: Raymond and Harold. The family resides in Turners Falls, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES ALLEN BISBEE** is descended from an interesting and important old New England family. The name was variously spelled Besbee, Bisbedge, Besbridge, Besbrech, Besbitch, Bisbe, Besbey, and Bisbee, the accepted orthography of the family in America being the last-mentioned form. The founder of the family in America was Thomas Bisbee (or Bisbedge or Besbee), of Sandwich, England, who, with his six children and three servants (according to the "History of Sandwich" by William Boys, Canterbury, 1786), was an immigrant on the ship "Hercules" in 1634-35. Thomas Bisbee (or Bisbedge or Besbee) was probably a member of the parish of St. Peter's, Sandwich, England, as his certificate was signed by the rector, Thomas Warren. He settled in Scituate and ultimately in Duxbury and was a man of considerable importance. His son, Elisha, came to America with his father, and he probably spent most of his adult life in Scituate. His son John was born in that town in 1647, but later lived in Marshfield, and died in Pembroke. His wife was Joanna Brooks, and one of their sons was John Bisbee, born in 1690, in Scituate, Massachusetts, who married Mary Oldham. Their son, Gideon, moved to Chesterfield, Massachusetts, in 1755, but returned to Marshfield and Pembroke, where he engaged in the French and Indian Wars, during which he died of small-pox. His wife moved to Chesterfield with her ten children, of whom one was Jonathan. Jonathan married Lydia Curtis, and they had a son, Elisha. Elisha Bisbee was born in Chesterfield, Massachusetts, April 18, 1788; he married (first) Lydia Gere. He bought from Gershom Collier in 1819, a mill which manufactured scythes by hand and which ground grain. Orrin Bisbee, his son by his first marriage was born in Chesterfield, July 10, 1807, and died there July 24, 1887. He operated a grist mill and made caskets, broom handles and whip-stock butts; he was a deacon in the Baptist Church. Orrin Bisbee married Wealthy Damon, and one of their children was Horatio, of whom further.

Horatio Bisbee was born in Chesterfield, November 20, 1833, and died there July 7, 1918. Horatio Bisbee was educated in the public schools of Chesterfield and when he grew up was interested in the lumber and grain

business, being associated with his father in the manufacture of broom handles, caskets, etc. A large landowner, he farmed and raised stock, as well as cut his own lumber. A man of more than ordinary ability, he was selectman of the town for three years, was representative to the Legislature in 1898, when he served on the Committee on Agriculture among others. Mr. Bisbee was very public-spirited and had many business and social interests. He was trustee of the Haydenville Savings Bank and its vice-president up to the time of his death, also of the Hillside Agricultural Society. He was a director in the Williamsburg Creamery Association. His church affiliation was with the Congregational Church. Horatio Bisbee married, October 14, 1858, Louisa L. Rice, of Chesterfield, who was born in 1837, and died in November, 1920, daughter of Lyman and Miranda (Taylor) Rice. Their children were: Mary Louise; Willard Lyman, who died in childhood; Charles Allen, subject of this sketch; and Homer Rice, whose biography follows.

Charles Allen Bisbee, son of Horatio and Louisa L. (Rice) Bisbee, was born in Chesterfield, Massachusetts, June 26, 1873. After receiving his education in the public schools there, he became associated with his father in the Bisbee Mills, run under his father's name until his death, and now under that of the Bisbee Brothers. These partners now own, control and operate nearly 2,000 acres of land. In addition to their extensive lumber and grain business, they have large farming interests, having recently cut some hundred and fifty tons of hay, and also raises the finest horses and cattle of the region which have taken prizes at many fairs. In their lumber operations, they buy standing lumber, which they cut and manufacture, and farms, which they clear of lumber and re-sell. Like his ancestors, possessed of a civic conscience, Mr. Bisbee has served on the Board of Selectmen of Chesterfield for eighteen years. He is a trustee in the Northampton Institution for Savings. A Congregationalist, he is a member of the Parish Committee. An energetic, ambitious, but strictly highminded man, Mr. Bisbee is an outstanding figure of his community.

Charles Allen Bisbee married, July 25, 1917, Emily Baker, of Chesterfield, Massachusetts, daughter of William H. and Mary (Hatch) Baker. Their children are: 1. Charles Allen, Jr., born June 8, 1918. 2. Robert Lyman, born July 27, 1920. 3. Russell Taylor, born September 25, 1923.

Mrs. Bisbee's ancestors were: Edward Baker, who came from England, and died in 1687; Timothy, who married Sarah Hollister; John Baker, who married Rebecca Clark; Elisha Baker, born in 1766, married Sarah Wright; Elisha Baker, born in 1798, married Samantha Parker; William Baker, born in 1833, married Ellen A. Burnell; William Herbert Baker, born in 1864, married Mary E. Hatch.

**HOMER RICE BISBEE**—To the notable old New England family of Bisbee, a full account of which is given in the previous sketch of the life of Charles Allen Bisbee, belongs the younger brother of Charles Allen, Homer Rice Bisbee. Thoroughly imbued with the

spirit of his ancestors, who brought with them from England in early Colonial days a spirit of enterprise tempered with a sense of responsibility to the community, Mr. Bisbee will probably grow more and more important and useful in the community.

Homer Rice Bisbee, son of Horatio and Louisa L. (Rice) Bisbee, was born in Chesterfield, Massachusetts, May 4, 1879. His education in the local schools having been completed, he joined his father and brother in the operation of the Bisbee Mills. In January, 1919, soon after his father's death, the firm of Bisbee Brothers, consisting of Charles A. and Homer R., was established. Since that date the milling, manufacturing, lumbering and farming operations have been carried on by the brothers jointly. Homer R. Bisbee has had sole charge of the warehouse established in Williamsburg thirty years ago by Horatio Bisbee for the handling of grain, fertilizer, and builders' materials, run in connection with the Chesterfield plant. This enterprise Mr. Bisbee has managed ably, coördinating it with the Chesterfield business and greatly increasing the efficiency of the entire plant. Mr. Bisbee is trustee of the Haydenville Savings Bank, and treasurer of the town of Chesterfield, having held that office since 1906. Probably not one of the long line of Bisbees in New England has failed to perform some worthwhile civic duty, and the Bisbee Brothers of to-day have by no means failed to do their share. Mr. Bisbee's home is in Chesterfield, where he lives in the house in which he was born, built by his father in his twenty-fifth year. Mr. Bisbee is a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Bisbee married, October 19, 1910, Elizabeth Knox Utley, daughter of Thomas Knowlton and Octavia Hubbard (Bates) Utley.

**GEORGE BLANDING DYER**—Few of the citizens of Greenfield are better known than is George Blanding Dyer, who was for several years associated with his father in the brick manufacturing business.

Mr. Dyer is a descendant of Sir Edward Dyer, the famous British poet, of Stephen Hopkins of the "Mayflower," and of William Dyer, who came to Boston, from England, in 1635, and whose first wife Mary, suffered martyrdom in Boston in 1660 because of her acceptance and teaching of the Quaker faith. Her husband was later commissioner, deputy to the General Court, solicitor, etc., and eventually became sole owner of Dyer's Island. He later married (second) Catherine ——. The line of descent is traced through William (2); William (3) and Mary; William (4); Samuel, who married Mary Paine, daughter of Jonathan Paine, of Truro; Shebna, who married, November 9, 1769, Mary Dyer, daughter of Ambrose and Thankful Dyer; James, who married Mary Holt, of Winchendon, Massachusetts; Horatio Nelson, a manufacturer of bricks, who married Lydia Lawrence Ellis; and Charles Curtis, of whom further, father of George Blanding Dyer.

Charles Curtis Dyer, son of Horatio Nelson and Lydia Lawrence (Ellis) Dyer, was born at Templeton, Massachusetts, May 14, 1867, and died May 4, 1923. He was educated in the public schools and then became associated with his father in the manufacture of bricks.





*Homer R Bisbee*





In 1880, when his father died, he succeeded to the business and continued it until 1888, when he sold out. In 1890 he engaged in the brick business at Greenfield, locating his plant on Deerfield Street, where he continued to conduct a steadily growing and prosperous business to the end of his active life. Though a notably successful man in his business affairs, Mr. Dyer found time for valuable service to the city of Greenfield. In 1907 he was elected water commissioner and for nine years he efficiently served in that capacity. In 1917, the winter of the first severe coal famine, he was made chairman of the coal distribution committee, and it is good evidence of his ability and his spirit of fair play that the duties of this trying position were discharged to the general satisfaction of the public. He was one of the trustees of the Franklin Savings Institution and a director of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company, and also a director of the First National Bank. He was an ever welcome member of the Greenfield Club and of the Greenfield Country Club, and his religious affiliation was with All Souls Church, which he served for three years as a member of its board of assessors.

Charles Curtis Dyer married, November 27, 1879, Harriet P. Blanding, who was born January 28, 1854, at Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire, daughter of Oscar F. Blanding, and they became the parents of one son, George Blanding, of whom further.

George Blanding Dyer, son of Charles Curtis and Harriet P. (Blanding) Dyer, was born in Otto River, October 4, 1887. After attending the high school in Greenfield he continued his studies in Phillips Andover Academy, at Andover, from which institution he graduated with the class of 1907. He then entered business college for one year, after which he became identified with the Goodell Pratt Company of Greenfield. One year later he became associated with the Connecticut Valley Street Railway Company, and that connection he maintained for two years. His next position was with the Boston & Maine Freight Department, where he remained for a year as assistant cashier. He then became associated with his father in the manufacture of bricks, and continued in that line until the retirement of his father from business, in 1918. Not wishing to retire from all active business responsibilities at this time, he accepted a position as bookkeeper in the employ of E. B. Blake, and later was for a time identified with the First National Bank. Some few years ago he built for himself a fine residence made completely of a selected brick of his own manufacture. This beautiful home is furnished throughout with rare furniture of the colonial period, some of which is almost without price. Mr. Dyer finds social recreation through membership in the Greenfield Club, and is well known not only as a successful business man, but also as a "good fellow."

George Blanding Dyer married, March 30, 1912, Marcia Pauline Van Vetchen, of Greenfield, daughter of George and Mabel (Mason) Van Vetchen. They are the parents of two children: 1. Charles Lawton, who was born November 8, 1913. 2. Louise Van Vetchen, born June 25, 1916.

**MERVIN MYRON HICKS**—The Hicks families of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, originated in England. Robert Hicks, the immigrant ancestor, came from Southwark, County Surrey, England, to Plymouth in the ship "Fortune," in 1621. In 1623 his wife came in the ship "Ann," bringing with her several of their children. He was admitted a freeman in 1633, and died March 24, 1647. A descendant of this Robert Hicks is Mervin M. Hicks, of this review.

Daniel Hicks, grandfather of Mervin M. Hicks, followed the occupation of a farmer in Brattleboro, Vermont, where he died before 1865. The Christian name of his wife was Olive, and she became the mother of his six children: Daniel, Lois, Olive, Hannah, Joseph, and Morrison.

Daniel Hicks, father of Mervin M. Hicks, was born in Manchester, Vermont, and died in East Hebron, New York, aged eighty-eight years. He was also a lover of the soil, following the pursuits of a farmer to the time of his death. He came to East Hebron about 1867 and was much thought of in the community. The Baptist Church was the one to which he gave his membership. He married A—— Johnson, who was born in Manchester, Vermont. Their children were: Myron, died young; Ruth, died young; Hilliard; Olive, deceased, married Milo Hatch; Rollin Daniel, deceased; Stella, deceased, married Irving Smith; Jennie, married William Wallace; Ella, deceased, married Horace Ayres; and Mervin Myron, of further mention.

Mervin Myron Hicks, son of Daniel and A—— (Johnson) Hicks, was born in Manchester, Vermont, September 25, 1865. He was but two years of age when his parents moved to East Hebron, New York, so it was in the schools of this place that he received his early education. He later attended the Warrensburg Academy, the Glens Falls Academy, and the Fort Edward Institute. After his school days were over, he did not immediately leave his home for a business career, but having inherited a liking for the soil he followed the life of a farmer for several years. When he was twenty-seven years of age, in 1892, he entered the employ of the Fitchburg, and Boston and Maine Railroad, and has continued his association with this road to the present time (1925), a period of over thirty years. His first work was that of a brakeman, from which position he rose to that of conductor. On October 10, 1896, he began the duties of conductor, and has continued in that capacity since. At first he was located at Troy, and North Adams, later at Shelburne Falls, and in 1910 came to Greenfield, Massachusetts. His run is now from East Deerfield to North Adams and return daily, and on his route he is a familiar figure to the traveling public. His pleasing personality and the many courtesies he has extended during his long service as conductor have made for him many valuable friends. He is a member of the Railroad Conductors' Association, and like his father finds his religious inspiration with the members of the Baptist denomination.

Mervin Myron Hicks married, March 20, 1888, Carrie R. Rogers, of East Hebron, New York, daughter of George R. and Margaret (Stront) Rogers, and grand-

daughter of Sidney Rogers. Of this marriage were born the following children: 1. Eva May, born January 26, 1890. She married Guy Philips, who was killed on the railroad, and to them were born two children, Ruth and Roger. 2. Hazel Viola, born June 14, 1901, married July 13, 1921, John Johnson, and they have two children: Shirley Helen, born October 31, 1922, and John, Jr., born May 27, 1924.

**MERLE J. DURYEA**, president and treasurer of Jerry Duryea, Incorporated, Cadillac motor car distributor for Western Massachusetts, was born in Peoria, Illinois, June 22, 1895. His father is Charles E. Duryea, pioneer automobile inventor and manufacturer. His mother was Rachel (Steer) Duryea. After attending the schools of Peoria; Reading, Pennsylvania; and Saginaw, Michigan, Mr. Duryea studied for a year at the University of Michigan, afterwards taking a degree at the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1918 from the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce. He was a member of the Varsity Crew, played on the football team, also on the water polo team.

Mr. Duryea engaged in business in New York City where he was associated with the Upper-Cadillac Company for six years. He came to Springfield May 5, 1925, and at that time took the position he holds. He has control of the sale of Cadillac cars throughout, and under his able management the business is progressing in a successful manner.

Mr. Duryea entered the World War on June 12, 1917, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Ordnance Department, and served until his discharge July 8, 1919. He is a member of the Theta Xi College fraternity, the New York Athletic Club, and the Undine Barge Club of Philadelphia. His business is located at No. 563 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**DENNIS E. O'CONNOR**—Born and bred in Palmer, and long associated with its business activities, Dennis E. O'Connor, one of the leading hardware merchants of that town has filled a number of public official positions to the general satisfaction of his constituency.

Dennis E. O'Connor, the son of Michael O'Connor, a farmer, and Catherine (Crowley) O'Connor, was born January 6, 1873, at Palmer, where he attended the public schools. He entered upon his business career in the employ of C. D. Holbrook, grain dealer, with whom he remained four years. He later was employed by various concerns in Palmer throughout a period of twelve years. For three years, 1905-1908, he was associated with A. W. Holbrook in the Palmer Ice Company, after which he established a moving picture and restaurant business, which he conducted until 1911, then purchasing the Nassowanno House, of which he continued to be the proprietor until 1920. In 1921, when the post road was under construction, Mr. O'Connor had charge of the regulation of the traffic, and he performed the same duties at the time of the construction of the Wilbraham road. In the fall of 1922, he purchased the interests of E. Brown and Company, which he has continued to the present (1925).

Mr. O'Connor is fraternally affiliated with the Benev-

olent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Columbus; and he is a member of the Palmer Business Men's Club. He was elected assessor at Palmer, in 1922, and held that position three years; also elected water commissioner in 1919, which office he resigned in 1925. He is a communicant of Saint Thomas Roman Catholic Church.

Dennis E. O'Connor married, August 23, 1911, at Palmer, Nellie G. Finnerty, daughter of Michael and Mary (Haley) Finnerty.

**MARSHALL SEARS WELLINGTON**—The patronymic Wellington in Western Massachusetts is one of long standing and is one highly regarded, particularly in the profession of the undertaker, of which Marshall Sears Wellington is a prominent exponent, both in Pittsfield and the surrounding district. Of a truth it may be declared that Mr. Wellington's vocation is a heritage to him, and from early years he claimed it as such, and at once and always entered upon its exacting duties with a zeal in accordance with all the accepted ethics of the profession, and with an abiding and sympathetic manner towards all with whose families his work has dealt. In his line of business, where so much is required, both in the kindly temperament and the patient and gracious demeanor, he possesses the unfailing quality of helpfulness that is chief among such ministrations.

He is a son of Hiram and Nancy Butler (Sears) Wellington. His father was one of the early furniture dealers of the towns of Lenox and Stockbridge. It is a very interesting fact, that still retained in the landed property of the family, on the maternal side, is a farm that had been granted to David Sears, of Stockbridge, in 1667, and that on this farm is an excavation that is known as The Tories' Cave, so-called because it became the retreat or hiding place of Tories before, during, and even at the close of the Revolutionary War.

Marshall Sears Wellington was born in Lenox March 11, 1869, and he there received his education in the public schools. As a boy he first became interested in his present profession, in his father's furniture store. In 1893 he formed that partnership with Winthrop D. Crosier that still obtains, under the firm name of Wellington & Crosier. The present quarters of this firm were taken in 1912. It is a commodious and modern establishment in all respects, and includes such accessories as a chapel, mortuary rooms, offices and a motorized equipment. Mr. Wellington's fraternal affiliations are those of the Free and Accepted Masons, in membership with Crescent Lodge, with Berkshire Royal Arch Masons, with Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Springfield Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and with the National Order of Selected Mortifications. He is also a member of the Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of the Park Club, the Shire Club, and the Rotary Club.

Mr. Wellington married Mabel E. White, of North Adams, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Roger White, who received his education at the grammar and the high schools of Pittsfield, and the University of Pennsylvania; married Elizabeth West, and has one child, Sylvia West. 2. Andrew Smith, who also received his education at the Pittsfield grammar and







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high schools, and the University of Pennsylvania, and who, enlisting early in the World War, with Company C, Machine Gun Battalion, of Hartford, Connecticut, was killed in France. 3. Persis Sears, who received her education in private schools of Pittsfield; is now a student at the House of Pines, a school for girls at Norton, Massachusetts.

**GILBERT MALOY BREWER**—One of the most important automobile interests in Western Massachusetts is the firm of Brewer Brothers, Inc., of which Gilbert Maloy Brewer is president. Located in the heart of the Berkshires, and one of the leading business interests of Pittsfield, the concern has done much to advance the progress of this city, and with branches in various localities, but with interests centering in Pittsfield, the company is recognized by the motoring public as one of large importance. Mr. Brewer has brought this interest to its present high rank through natural ability and practical application of business principles. He is a native of Massachusetts, and a son of George A. and Louise (Kinne) Brewer, esteemed farming people of Sheffield, in the Berkshires.

Gilbert Maloy Brewer was born on the farm in Sheffield, and gained a practical education in the local district schools. He also attended the Canaan High School, and had the advantage of a course at business college. He followed farming activities until 1912, when he established himself in the automobile business as representative for the Reo car. He has now for twelve years been active in automobile distribution, and during the entire time has been identified with the Reo interests, also handling accessories. For about six years his business comprised solely the Reo car in the distribution end, but in 1917 he took over the Franklin car. Continuing thus for about three years, he severed his connection with the Franklin producers and took over the Peerless car with the Reo, but since 1923 he has handled the Reo exclusively. He has developed a widely important business, his trade in accessories growing to very large proportions, and his efficient management of his territory for this universally popular car giving it high standing in Western Massachusetts. The firm of Brewer Brothers has been in Pittsfield since 1916, and was incorporated in 1920. Gilbert Maloy Brewer is president of the company, Fred M. Brewer, vice-president, and Edward A. Brewer, treasurer. Their territory now covers Berkshire County and extends into Eastern Columbia County (New York), and Northwestern Litchfield County (Connecticut). The concern has a branch in Canaan, Connecticut, where their headquarters are located in a building 70x100 feet in ground dimensions. They have another branch in North Adams, Massachusetts, for which they built their own structure, 35x70 feet, and a later building, 35x50 feet. Their main offices and show rooms in Pittsfield are housed in a fine building 60x90 feet in area and two stories high. Here they employ thirty people, and they are doing a constantly increasing business in all these localities. Mr. Brewer is a director of the Third National Bank of Pittsfield and of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. He is a leading member and a director and past presi-

dent of the Rotary Club, but otherwise has few interests not directly connected with his business.

Gilbert Maloy Brewer married Alda Lindell, and they reside at No. 29 Wendell Avenue, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

**HIRAM WILLIAMS MILLER**—Of those noteworthy industries by means of whose product Northampton is known the world over, the cabinet making plant of Hiram Williams Miller has a reputation that is unexcelled by any other, as its specialty has for years established itself in the display rooms of twist drill and textile concerns. Mr. Miller, whose ingenuity devised and developed this useful as well as ornamental cabinet, stands alone in this particular trade, and his workmanship is regarded as one of the distinguishing features associated with the exhibition and marketing of textile and similar goods. From carpentry to woodworking, and thence to cabinet making is inclusive of his remarkable experience, which is, indeed, that of a self-made man in a most useful industry. He is distinctively an inheritor of his abilities, as well as of his sturdy characteristics as a citizen and an upbuilder of his community life and its interests.

Mr. Miller has an interesting ancestry, the firstcomer of his branch of the family name, Hiram Miller, emigrating from England and settling in Virginia at a location later known as Millersville. The family were loyalists, and one of the sons, the great-grandfather of Hiram Williams Miller, who married Mary Cuniff, removed to Canada. Originally, it is understood that this family was of Scotch ancestry.

Samuel Miller, Hiram W. Miller's grandfather, was born in Fredericksburg, Canada, where he was a farmer; he died in 1878 at the age of seventy-four years. He married Elizabeth Wager, who was born in South Fredericksburg, and who died in 1895. Their children were: Philip, William, Hampton, of whom further; Elias, Jacob, Mary and Elizabeth, who married James Assettine.

Hampton Miller was born in North Fredericksburg, Lennox County, Ontario, Canada, in 1841, and died in 1909. He was a carpenter, and he passed his entire life in Ontario; and a conservative in politics, he was active in political matters. His fraternal affiliations were those of the Loyal Order of Orangemen, and of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and he was a member of the board of stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Miriam Melissa Carnahan, who was born in Prince Edward County, Canada, in 1843, and died in 1874, daughter of Aaron Carnahan, who was born in Belfast, Ireland, and Margaret (Cole) Carnahan, who was born in Canada, granddaughter of Elias Huse Carnahan, who came to Canada from Northern Ireland in 1817. Hampton Miller married (second) Anna Osborn. The children of the first marriage: Mary, Cornelius Ferguson, Emma, who married William Burt, of North Dakota; Amanda, who married Thomas Travis; Hiram Williams, of whom further; William Henry and James Edward, who died young. The children of the second marriage: Herbert A., Samuel H., Harry and Edith, deceased.



Hiram Williams Miller was born in Kaledar, Canada, June 26, 1868, and after attending schools at Deseronto, was employed for awhile in a door, sash and blind factory. Again he returned to school, and after a period in the employ as a bookkeeper, he came to New York City in 1887, and for a year was engaged in woodworking. Removing to Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1888, he was there employed in the same trade, and afterwards became associated with the Springfield Narrow Fabric Company in that city as bookkeeper, so continuing to 1890. That year he came to Northampton, where he was employed in the woodworking concern of Hebert & Clapp for some eight or nine years. At the expiration of that period the plant burned, and Mr. Miller went to work in a store as a salesman of paint, wall paper and glass, where he remained for a year; and successively thereafter he was employed in the woodworking plant of Noiseaux Brothers, and then with the Merrick Lumber Company.

In 1904 Mr. Miller engaged in business on his own account in Northampton in the preparation of house-finishing material. He had as a partner his brother, William H. Miller, and for sixteen years the business was carried on under the name of Miller Brothers. For a year this firm was located on Pleasant Street, thence removing to Centre Street, where they remained five years, and in 1910 they came to their present plant on Hubbard Avenue. Since 1920 Mr. Miller has been alone in business; and of late years he has been engaged in the manufacture of special display cabinets for the textile trades, such as silk companies and twist drill companies; and the product of his concern is distributed to all parts of the United States, as well as to Canada, Cuba, the Philippines and Australia, and from thirty to thirty-five men are employed all the time.

Mr. Miller is a Republican, and has served as a member of the Northampton City Council. He is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Mount Holyoke Encampment, and of the Nonotuck Club and the Northampton Chamber of Commerce. His religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal Church; he is a member of the board of trustees and of the board of stewards of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Northampton, and is chairman of the board of building committee of that church.

Hiram Williams Miller married, May 29, 1890, Nellie Georgianna Hitchcock, of Northampton, daughter of George and Alice (Clapp) Hitchcock. Their children are: 1. George H., who during the World War served as civilian employee in the Ordnance Department of Springfield Armory, Springfield, Massachusetts. 2. Harry W., who was a student of Michigan University, but enlisted in the World War; he was a second lieutenant in the Machine Gun Battalion at Camps Devens and Hancock. He is foreman at his father's plant. 3. Ernest M., a civil engineer, a graduate of the University of Michigan, associated with his father in the cabinet making business; he married Gladys J. Van Dyke, of Mainstigue, Michigan. 4. Maybelle A., who married Jesse A. G. Andre, attorney-at-law, at Northampton, and they have a daughter, Muriel June.

**SCHUYLER W. GOODRICH**—Seventeen years ago Schuyler W. Goodrich became a resident of Pittsfield and immediately engaged in the automobile business, and in association with his brother he has built up one of the largest establishments devoted to that line of business in Berkshire County. Incidentally, he has become one of the most progressive citizens of the community, and has attracted to himself a large following of patrons by reason of his adoption of up-to-date methods and his integrity in his business dealings. Mr. Goodrich is a native of North Adams, Massachusetts, born October 6, 1889, and educated in the public schools of that city. In 1907 he decided upon a change in location, and at the age of eighteen years he removed to Pittsfield. He and his brother at first engaged in the fruit business, following that line but a short time, however, for in the same year Schuyler W. Goodrich branched out into the automobile business, for the successful future of which line he seemed to have a propitious vision. The foundation of his establishment was sanely and thoroughly laid, for the business superstructure he has erected has proved both sound and enduring, reflecting in no little degree credit upon the builder. Mr. Goodrich's business has increased so rapidly in volume that he was compelled to secure larger quarters. In 1921 he built his present East Street garage and automobile sales department, the structure being one hundred by ninety-eight by one hundred and seventy-two feet. Within it are housed at the front the offices, display and sales rooms, with a one hundred car capacity garage in the rear. The above is one of the two modern buildings that have been erected to care for the business. The other is the Goodrich Building on West Street, built by Mr. Goodrich's brother, and which contains the accessories store. This building is two hundred by sixty feet. The entire establishment gives employment to fifteen persons, a considerable force for a business of that kind.

Mr. Goodrich is a member of Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Berkshire Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Berkshire Commandery, Knights Templar, and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; he is a member of Pittsfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Park Club and the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Goodrich married Susan Marks, and they are the parents of two sons: Schuyler W., Jr., and Frank H.

**NAPOLEON A. CAMPBELL**, in the executive direction of a hostelry of the established excellence and celebrity of the Wendell Hotel at Pittsfield presents a broad gauge and cosmopolitan view, as well as those high standards of business qualities that prove leadership in the profession. The Wendell Hotel has a country-wide fame as that of a hotel conducted upon first-class principles, and that repute is maintained in a sterling manner by Mr. Campbell. The proprietor of the Wendell Hotel is a son of Alexander and Virginia Campbell.

Napoleon A. Campbell was born June 15, 1876, at Highgate, Vermont, and received his preliminary education in the public schools of his birthplace. From 1891

to the present date he has devoted his time to the hotel business. On January 1, 1922, he purchased the Wendell Hotel, not only one of the leading hotels in Pittsfield, but one of the foremost hostelrys of its proportions in the country. Republican as to his political affiliations, he votes for the ticket of the party, but has not held public office. He is one of the leading members of the Massachusetts, the New York City and the Pittsfield Hotel associations, and he is associated in membership with the Park Club, the Country Club, the Motor Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Campbell married, January 6, 1913, Mary E. Purcell.

**MICHAEL ANGELO GANGEMI M. D.**—The success of Dr. Michael Angelo Gangemi, of North Adams, is an eminently worthy record of achievement, and the energies and devotion to duty which have formed the vital elements of this success are highly characteristic of the man.

Michael Angelo Gangemi, son of Guiseppe and Maria Antonia (Califiori) Gangemi, was born in Italy January 28, 1885. His early education was secured in the primary and grammar schools of his native land and later attending public school in America, he prepared for college at Utica Academy in Utica, New York, then covered his medical course at Tufts College, from which he graduated in the class of 1917. Within the year he located at North Adams, and has since been active in practice in this city, rising to a position of more than usual prominence and gaining an assured footing in his chosen realm. He has followed general lines of activity from the beginning, and in his large usefulness the quality of effort which he has given to his work is well appraised. Dr. Gangemi has been a member of the staff of North Adams Hospital since 1919. Identified with the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State and Berkshire County Medical societies; he is also a member of the New York Homeopathic Society, the Phi Delta Epsilon, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Berkshire Club. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church.

Michael Angelo Gangemi married, December 17, 1917, in New York City, Evelyn Mary O'Neil, daughter of James M. and Harriett (Woodgate) O'Neil. Mr. and Mrs. Gangemi are the parents of four children: Harriett Annetta, born May 20, 1919; Mary Evelyn, born November 11, 1920; Jeanne Angela, born January 28, 1922, and Michael Angelo, Jr., born April 29, 1923.

**JOSEPH WILSON**—A farmer all his days, on the farm owned by his father before him Joseph Wilson holds the regard of all who know him in the vicinity of Northampton, where he has spent his long and useful life. In addition to his farming interests Mr. Wilson has done a great deal of mason work. He is the son of John P. and Mary (Moffett) Wilson, the father a farmer, born in Coventry, Warwickshire, England, in 1812, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1881. The elder Mr. Wilson served in the British Army for seven years, and then, at an early date in his career, came to

the United States, where he enlisted in the Mexican War. He settled in Hatfield, Massachusetts, working there for Oliver Smith and Billingsis, and about 1849 came to Northampton and bought the farm now occupied by his son. His wife, Mary (Moffett) Wilson, was born in New York and died in Northampton in 1891. They were the parents of thirteen children.

Joseph Wilson was born in Hatfield February 6, 1846, and at the age of three came with his parents to the town of Northampton. He received his education in the brick schoolhouse in his neighborhood, and upon leaving school devoted himself to farming. He owns the farm which was operated by his father, and is actively engaged in working it at the present time. Also Mr. Wilson is well known as a mason, since he was for many years actively engaged in stone and brick work and plastering, carrying on this occupation chiefly in the immediate vicinity and also in Springfield. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

He married (first), in 1872, Hannah Smith, of Northampton, daughter of John Smith. Mr. Wilson married (second), August 22, 1905, and has one child, Josephine, of the second marriage.

**WILLIAM JAMES MANNING**—In both farm and city business ventures, Mr. Manning has demonstrated those problems that have brought him his well-merited success, and he has proven his diversified capabilities as a market gardener and an automobile dealer, the field of his activities having been centered largely in Western Massachusetts. His onion farm interest at Deerfield, and its extensive productivity for a series of years, aroused the attention of agriculturists, the prosperous outcome leading on to the new and present enterprise, which has met with commensurate success. His business talents have enabled him to fill with satisfaction to the general public town government positions in Deerfield, and in the direction of responsible offices he has proven that he possesses the highest civic standards. He is of Irish ancestry of sturdy farmers and toilers.

His father, George Manning, a son of John Manning, who lived and died in Ireland, was born in 1841, in Carricktonhill, County Cork, Ireland, and died in Sunderland, Massachusetts, in 1909. Removing to the United States during the early years of the Civil War, he at first settled in the Connecticut Valley, where he worked at farming at South Deerfield, Hadley and Whately, eventually locating in underland, where he resided at the time of his death. He married Abbie Cashman, who was born in County Cork, Ireland, and died in Sunderland, Massachusetts, January 31, 1874, daughter of William and Mary Cashman; their children were: 1. Katharine, who married George Giggley, of Boston, Massachusetts. 2. Mary, born June 23, 1866; married Thomas Sharkey, deceased. 3. John C. 4. James P., born in November, 1869, a member of the 15th Regiment of the United States Infantry, he served in the Spanish-American War, and was in the Philippines; he was also in the Regular Army three years. 5. William James, of whom further. 6. Michael, born January 26, 1874.

William James Manning was born June 23, 1871, in Sunderland, Massachusetts, where he attended the pub-



lic schools, afterwards graduating at Hopkins Academy, at Hadley, and at Smith Academy, at Hatfield. His first attention was then given to farming, and about 1900 he bought the Josiah Fogg farm at Deerfield, one of the largest and best farming properties in Franklin County. There he specialized in the raising of onions, and bought and sold several hundred carloads besides. He has on his place a warehouse that will hold seventeen carloads of onions. In his early life he had spent two years in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he manufactured syrups and jellies for the wholesale trade; and with that one exception his business life has been spent at Deerfield and neighboring townships. In 1921 he first engaged in the automobile business, and for two years he was located at Shelburne Falls, where he had the agency for the Ford automobile. In 1923 he established the Manning Motor Company at Greenfield, where he has the agency of the Chevrolet, the Maxwell and the Chrysler automobiles for Franklin County. Mr. Manning was chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Deerfield for six years, and he has served on the building committee for two new school houses as well as for a new library for Deerfield, and while he was a member of the Board of Selectmen he acted as town clerk for a time.

Mr. Manning married, November 23, 1892, Mary E. Walsh, of Greenfield, daughter of Martin and Bridget (McMaman) Walsh. Their children: 1. Abigail Cashman, born August 26, 1893. 2. Raymond Francis, born July 30, 1894, graduated from Deerfield Academy and enlisted in the World War in New York City in November, 1917. He went to France with the Ambulance Corps, and was in Germany after the armistice. He is now associated with his father in the automobile business, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. He married Hazel Morrissey, and they are the parents of Raymond Francis, Jr. 3. Mary E., born in 1896, married Charles P. McCormick.

**JAMES WILLIAM O'CONNOR** is a leading plumbing, heating and tinning contractor in Hampshire County, with headquarters in Northampton, the county seat. He is an active and well known citizen of Northampton.

James W. O'Connor was born in Northampton, November 8, 1869, the son of Thomas and Mary O'Connor, who, after living many years in Northampton, both died in the county seat of Hampshire in 1924.

Mr. O'Connor was educated in the public schools of Northampton, and on leaving school was employed in a grocery store for about three years, and later learned the plumber's trade. For twenty years he worked continually at the trade until he went into business for himself. Since he has been in operation alone Mr. O'Connor has handled much contract work, and for a while he was in partnership with a Mr. Hebert, the firm being known as O'Connor & Hebert, but for several years now he has been alone again.

Mr. O'Connor is a member of the Knights of Columbus in Northampton, and of the Father Mathew T. A. B. Society.

Mr. O'Connor married, June 13, 1899, Ann Keefe, of Hadley, Massachusetts, daughter of William and Mar-

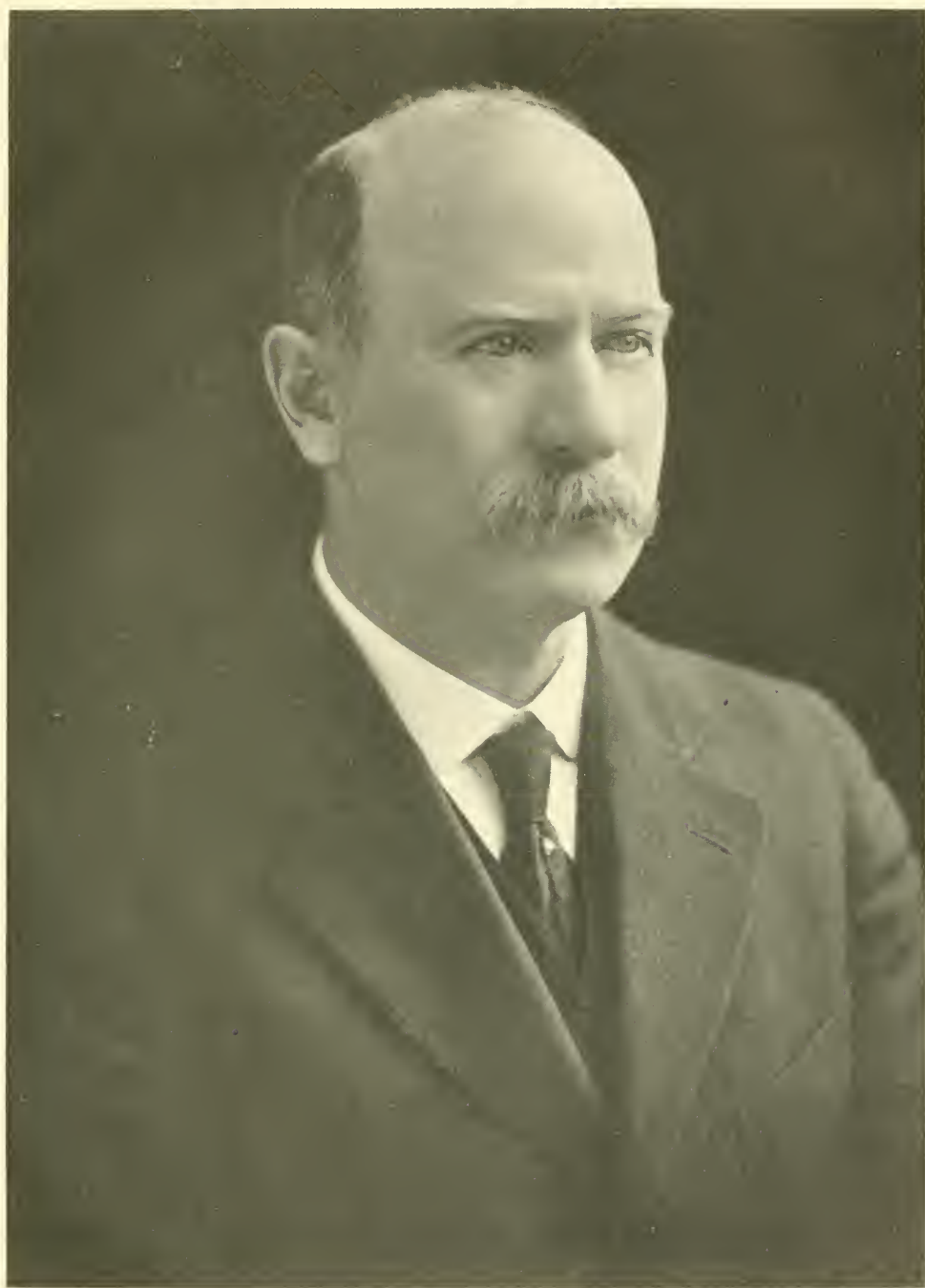
garet (Edwards) Keefe. They are the parents of three children: 1. Margaret, born in November, 1902, a student of Bay Pattie College, of Springfield, Massachusetts. 2. Mary, born in March, 1906, a student of Smith College. 3. Eleanor, born December 9, 1911.

**WILLIAM E. SHANNON**—In a largely responsible position in Northampton, Massachusetts, William E. Shannon fills many duties vital to the well being and comfort of the aged and poor, and his devotion to his work has meant much to these too frequently neglected members of society. Mr. Shannon is a man of progressive spirit whose appreciation of the needs of the people for whom he labors has brightened many lives and contributed to the general good. He is a son of Luke and Mary (Commons) Shannon, his parents lived for many years in Hampshire County.

William E. Shannon was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, January 26, 1865. His education was received in the public schools of Florence, and as a young man he entered the employ of the Corticelli Silk Mills and there he was employed for about eight years. Next identified with the O'Donald General Store, he continued in that connection until the year 1901, when he was elected overseer of the poor. He has now fulfilled the duties of this office for more than twenty-three years, and is still active in the same field of endeavor. Mr. Shannon's participation in the public advance has made him one of the leading men of the community, for he has filled many elective and appointive offices, his never-failing spirit of loyalty to the public good making him one of the broadly useful servants of the people. During the years 1893-94-95 he served on the Common Council of the city of Northampton, in the last year of that period acting as president of the body. In 1896 he was elected clerk of the board, served in that position to January 1, 1924, and has served as a member of the City Planning Board since the year 1914. A former member of the Democratic City Committee and a director of the War Chest during the World War activities, Mr. Shannon is now a trustee of the People's Institute, was chairman of the Hampshire County Red Cross, and has been a member of the board of directors of the Unpaid Visitors Hampshire Sanatorium since 1917. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus of Northampton; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 997, also of Northampton, and is a member of the Western Massachusetts Relief Officers' Association. Mr. Shannon attends St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church and resides at No. 12 Monroe Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

**EDWARD HENRY LATHAM**—The development of the present-day Northampton as to its public utilities is largely in the hands of such progressive officials as Mr. Latham, who, as superintendent of the streets of this, one of the most attractive townships in Western Massachusetts, is alert to the dominant advantages of well-kept highways in affairs community and civic. The exacting duties of an office in which the whole population is interested are performed by Mr. Latham with a city-wide supervision of the details of the labor of upkeep and of innovation which is an expression of his own





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personal pride in the city of his birth. His family and his immediate ancestors have the record of people of great civic pride, as building contractors and highway builders.

Mr. Latham's grandfather, William P. Latham, Sr., a son of John Latham, was the first of his family branch to arrive in America. He was born in 1827, in Tipperary, Ireland, and died October 12, 1903, in Northampton. Coming to the United States prior to 1850, he settled in Florence, in the township of Northampton, where he was a stone mason and contractor. He married, October 26, 1850, in Florence, Mary O'Grady, who was born in 1829, in County Cork, Ireland, and died August 22, 1899, in Florence, daughter of Michael and Sarah (Roach) O'Grady. Their children: Sarah, who married William Purcell; William P., Jr., of whom further; John, deceased; Mathew, Michael, deceased; David, deceased; Henry, Mary and Annie.

William P. Latham, Jr., was born February 6, 1854, in Northampton, where he was long engaged in contracting and construction work. He was for a while inspector of the reservoir, and held the office of superintendent of streets, but is now retired from active work. He married, June 23, 1886, Helen Mack, who was born in Ireland, and died May 9, 1910, in Florence, aged fifty-seven years, daughter of Michael and Ellen (Purcell) Mack. Their children: Helen M. and Edward Henry, of whom further.

Edward Henry Latham was born November 18, 1891, at Northampton, where he attended the public schools, after which he was employed three years by the Florence Manufacturing Company. He then attended the Northampton Commercial College for a year, then went to Greenfield, in the employ of Roger, Lunt & Bolen for a year.

Upon his return to Northampton Mr. Latham became associated with the office of the Highway Department of Public Works, as clerk, and he so continued from 1913 to 1922. In the latter year he was made superintendent of streets, and he has entire charge of the highways of the city of Northampton, which include the outlying sections of Florence, Baystate and Leeds, and the oversight of the duties of a large body of men. He is a tree warden of this section. Mr. Latham's fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus.

**WILLIAM SAMUEL ELLIOT**, superintendent of the Prophylactic Brush Company of Florence, is well known in Western Massachusetts both as a man of achievements in the business world and as a progressive citizen, active in local affairs. Mr. Elliot is of Scotch birth and ancestry.

(I) John Elliot, the grandfather of William Samuel Elliot, lived and died in Scotland, where he was engaged in the iron business, operating a forge, at which he employed several men. He and his wife, Jardine by name, had but one son, John, of whom further.

(II) John Elliot, son of John Elliot, was born in the southern part of Scotland, in 1837, and died at Seymour, Connecticut, about 1914. He took over the forging business of his father and carried it on successfully

until 1889, when he came to America. Here he settled in Ansonia, Connecticut, and was employed in the copper rolling mills of that vicinity until his death. He married Ellen Livingstone Carswell, born in the same section of Scotland as himself, died in 1916, aged seventy-two, daughter of James and Ellen (Livingstone) Carswell, the father, James Carswell, living to be ninety-two years of age. John Elliot and his wife were the parents of a large family of children: Maggie, now deceased, married Robert Clark; Elizabeth, deceased; John, living in Ansonia; Isabelle, married Henry R. Sewell, living in Glasgow, Scotland; Ellen, married James P. Johnstone, living in Seymour, Connecticut; James, of Northampton; William Samuel, of whom further; Janet, married Harry S. Peck, deceased; Ann, living in Ansonia, and, Sidney, living in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

(III) William Samuel Elliot, son of John and Ellen L. (Carswell) Elliot, was born in Dalbeattie, Scotland, February 4, 1875. He attended school in his native country, and after coming to America with his parents in 1889, when he was fourteen years of age, found employment in a wire factory, insulating wire for house and office use. He later learned the machinist's trade, at which he worked for seven years. Although the force of circumstances prevented his continuing his education in formal fashion, he was extremely ambitious, and his desire for knowledge led him to attend night school and enroll in home study courses, which both gave him definite training and broadening his general horizon. In 1896 he came to Florence and went into the shop of the Prophylactic Brush Company, in charge of the eyelet department, which was engaged in making of fast color shoe eyelets. His unusual qualities of enterprise and dependability made him a valuable asset to the concern, and from that position he steadily worked up to the superintendency of the company, with oversight over some five hundred men and women, a position which he holds today (1925), and in which he has been eminently successful.

Mr. Elliot makes his home in Florence, where he has a handsome residence, and is prominent in local affairs, being always ready to give his endorsement and support to every good cause. He was for a time a member of the City Council. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Royal Arch Masons; Knights Templar; and his religious associations are with the Florence Congregational Church, of which he is a director and leading member.

He married (first), in June, 1900, Lena Lucretia Boynton, of Northampton, daughter of Frank and Ellen (Stafford) Boynton. She died in 1916. She was a descendant of John Boynton, born in the East Riding of Yorkshire, at Knapton, in Winteringham, England, who came to America in 1638 among the early settlers, and also of Governor John Carver, who came over to Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts, on the "Mayflower" and attained fame in early Colonial history. Mr. Elliot married (second), October 10, 1918, Emma Richards, who died December 22, 1918, daughter of Prescott Richards, of Williamsburg. By his first marriage he had six children: Gladys, born 1901, died at the age of eight years; Malcolm Douglass, born 1902, employed with the



Prophylactic Brush Company of Florence; Donald Carswell, born 1903, a student in Syracuse University; Janet Stafford, born 1909; Roger William, born 1911, and Allan Boynton, born 1913.

**RAYMOND DELANO SHIPMAN**, a prosperous market gardener, farmer and dealer in garden produce at Hadley, Massachusetts. The surname Shipman was a trade name equivalent to sailor. Shipton as the American immigrant was spelled on the early records, is a place name, and the coat-of-arms of the English family of Shipton is described:

**Arms**—Argent, three pairs of bellows sable, two and one.

**Crest**—An eel naïant proper.

But Shipton is probably not the correct spelling. Shipman was an early English surname and several branches of the family bear coats-of-arms. The Shipman or Shiphm family of Welby, County Hereford, had these arms granted in 1581:

**Arms**—Or, a cinquefoil between three crosses crosslet gules.

**Crest**—A demi ostrich, wings expanded argent, ducally gorged and beaked or, holding in the beak a key azure, and vulned on the breast gules.

Edward Shipman, the immigrant ancestor is said to have sailed from Hull, England, in 1639, with George Fenwick, but if this is correct he must have been a young child. A William Shipman aged twenty-two sailed for Virginia May 28, 1635; but his relation to Edward is unknown. Edward Shipman's name was spelled Shipton in the early records of Saybrook, Connecticut; but later the name was spelled Shipman, and all the family followed this spelling. William Shipman, great-grandfather of Raymond Delano Shipman, was a resident of Hadley, Massachusetts, where he manufactured brooms. He married (first) Betsy Smith and their children were Samuel, George, of whom further; William and Lucy; he married (second) and had a son James, who lived in Amherst, where he was for a time a manufacturer of baby carriages, later he took up farming. He married Cordelia Eldridge, and had two daughters; Alice, who married Paley Skelton; and Nellie, who has been a pedagogue since graduating from college; both daughters are residents of Worthington.

George Shipman, son of William Shipman, was born in Hadley in 1818, died in 1888. He was a farmer and broom maker. He married Harriet Newell Bartlett, who died in 1888 at seventy years, a daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (Washburn) Bartlett. They were the parents of George Edward, of whom further; Mary N., and two children who died in infancy.

George Edward Shipman, son of George Shipman, was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1858; died in Hadley in 1909. He was a farmer and market gardener. He raised and bought and sold vegetables, having a regular line of customers and an established route. He married, on April 10, 1889, Cora Belle Delano of Sunderland, born on December 5, 1862; died April 11, 1892. She was a daughter of Jesse Lemuel and Laura T. (Abbey) Delano. Mr. and Mrs. Shipman are the parents of Raymond Delano.

Raymond Delano Shipman was born February 12, 1892, at Hadley, Massachusetts, and educated in the public schools. He has always farmed and carried on market gardening at Hadley, and is a member of the Farmers' Market in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He raises and buys vegetables and carries on an extensive trade in them.

Mr. Shipman married, July 23, 1919, Gladys L. Duffey of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Augustus and Edna (Smith) Duffey. They are the parents of Raymond Donald, Marjorie Helm and Marion Norma.

(The Delano Line).

Philip De La Noye, a French Huguenot, who came to Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1621, had a son, Thomas Delano (De La Noye) who married Mary Alden, a daughter of John and Priscilla Alden who came in the "Mayflower" in 1620. Boroni Delano was their son. Beriah Delano, his son, married Naomi (surname unknown). Samuel Delano, born in 1741, died December 21, 1792, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He married Mary Fames, born in 1743; died in 1824. Their son William Delano, was born in 1770 and died in 1855. He was magistrate and first postmaster of the town of Sunderland. He married (first) Lucretia Hubbard who died in 1831; he married (second) Dorothy Hubbard, sister of his first wife; she died in 1861. Ansel Crocker Delano, born in 1807, died in 1875, was a son of William and Lucretia (Hubbard) Delano. He married (first) Persis Sanderson who died in 1838; (second) Julia Bowman who died in 1869. His son, Jesse Lemuel Delano, born in 1835, served in the Civil War in the 52d Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was married on September 4, 1860, to Laura T. Abbey, daughter of George Abbey; she died June 14, 1898. They were the parents of Fanny Jane; Cora Belle and William Ansel Delano. Cora Belle Delano born December 5, 1862; married George Edward Shipman.

**GEORGE KINNE**—The dairy business is one which attracts young men of an energetic, self-reliant and intelligent type and requires for its successful conduct a modern, scientific mind well trained to habits of method in practical action and accuracy in details. Mr. George Kinne, owner of a large creamery in Greenfield, owes his success in the dairy business to the possession of superior qualities and to the indomitable spirit which made him overcome the difficulties of his early life and grow up a self-made man who owes all that he is and has to nobody but himself.

Mr. Kinne's father, the Rev. Thomas Kinne, was born in Norwich, Connecticut, in 1850, and is living in retirement, having been out of the Congregational ministry for fifteen years. The Rev. Thomas Kinne was educated in the Theological Seminary of Hartford, Connecticut, and held ecclesiastical posts in Minnesota and Kansas and for a time was a noted preacher in the Eastern States. Mr. Kinne lost his mother at the early age of three and was taken care of by his sister Bell, who married Frank C. Darling, of Brattleboro, Vermont.

Born in Little Falls, Minnesota, April 16, 1881, Mr. Kinne spent his early childhood in Kansas. Later, com-





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ing East, he received his education in the schools of Montague, Massachusetts. Having finished school studies he left Montague and went to Deerfield where he worked as employee of a dairyman, supplying the customers on a milk route. In 1914 he came to Greenfield, where he worked for Mr. Reed, proprietor of the Wayside Dairy, for five years. After this he had accumulated a large experience in the dairy business and with his savings he went into business for himself as a purveyor of milk, cream and butter. In the fall of 1918 he had through the excellence of his wares and the punctual, conscientious and fair treatment of his customers acquired a good business connection and felt justified into building his present commodious and up-to-date creamery, well equipped with the latest apparatus for all dairy procedures, more especially for the scientific pasturization of milk. He sells about 1800 quarts of milk daily, buying it from the farmers and delivering it to his customers, besides doing a considerable trade in cream and butter. Mr. Kinne is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, and an attendant of the Second Church.

On August 14, 1907, he married Alida Temple, of Hawley, a daughter of Lewis and Ella (Sears) Temple, and with her has two daughters: Helen, born in 1908; and Elizabeth, born in 1910.

**LAWRENCE ADAM DEINLEIN**—Representing the well-established firm of Chandler & Deinlein in building and general contracting at West Hatfield and the extensive territory of its operations, Mr. Deinlein, a man of practical experience and recognized skill in his calling, has shared in the construction of much of the residential district in this section of the State. As a holder of civic office, too, he is constructive and progressive in thought and plan, and is a valued associate in whatsoever interests have to do with the advancement and the general upbuilding of the township. His family have always been prominent in industry.

(I) John Deinlein, grandfather of Lawrence A. Deinlein, was a farmer by occupation; he was born in Bavaria, Germany, where he lived and died. His children were: John S.; Peter John, of whom further; Johann, who died in March, 1925; and Constance.

(II) Peter John Deinlein, father of Lawrence A. Deinlein, was born in Bavaria, Germany, November 27, 1853, where he attended the public schools. He came to Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1872, where he engaged in farming, and in 1890 he purchased the present property of eighty-five acres on which his wife and son now reside. He died in West Hatfield September 9, 1925. He married, June 5, 1881, Margaret Dopman, who was born in Hatfield, May 4, 1858, daughter of Adam and Barbara (Vollinger) Dopman. Their children: Eva, who married Jacob Diemand, of Bay State, Northampton; Lawrence Adam, of whom further; George, who married Helen Harrington, and who has a daughter, Margaret.

(III) Lawrence Adam Deinlein was born in Hatfield, January 10, 1889, where he attended the public day and night schools. After operating his father's farm for two years, he learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked for a time, when he again took up farm work.

In 1912 he engaged in business for himself in the slate roofing line, in which he continued until 1917. Again, after a year or two of farming, he began building and contracting in company with Joseph F. Chandler, under the firm name of Chandler & Deinlein, and they do mason work as well as general contracting. Mr. Deinlein has purchased land and built residences at Northampton, and he owns much valuable real estate there at the present time.

Mr. Deinlein served as a member of the Hatfield Board of Selectmen in 1917, and is now a member of the Board of Water Commissioners. He was a selectman at the time of the World War, and was about to enter the service when the armistice was signed. He was made a second lieutenant in the State Militia on May 18, 1915; Company I, 2d Regiment of Infantry. Mr. Deinlein's fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus, of Northampton, No. 480; and with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 997, at Northampton.

**GEORGE FRANCIS BOURNE**, a native of Lenox, whose approval by his fellow townsmen for his upright dealings in all matters of business and social life, and for his constructive value in civic association and counsel, has frequently been recognized in election and appointment to places of trust, is highly considered in the good-will and esteem of the people of this section of the State. He found his way to present prosperity not by the easy-going road of immediate good fortune, but through early penury and the hard-fought battle against small returns for long hours of work, pursued, nevertheless, with indomitable courage to the goal. Postmaster of Lenox many years, and now at the head of a number of civic and financial institutions, he is one of the strong and always available as well as reliable factors in the present-day affairs of the community expansion and progress. He is a son of John Francis Bourne, a carpenter, born in 1829, at Lenox, and of Electa (Bartlett) Bourne.

George Francis Bourne was born March 27, 1859, at Lenox, where he attended the public school, and then wholly through his own efforts graduated at the high school, his parents having died when he was but twelve years old. He was apprenticed to a farmer, but was enabled to save enough money to pay his way through school in winter. He entered the grocery business, in partnership with his brother, but as that venture proved unprofitable, he relinquished his share in the grocery, and was employed by James Clifford in his hardware store at two dollars per day, which after a few weeks was voluntarily increased to three dollars. Such as these formed part of the milestones of struggle during the early part of Mr. Bourne's career, but he looks back upon and refers to them to-day as having been actual stepping stones to better things. It was while he was employed in the Gifford store that he received his appointment from President William McKinley as postmaster of Lenox, a position he has held seventeen years. He is vice-president of the Lenox Savings Bank; superintendent of the water works; superintendent, clerk and treasurer of the cemeteries department; chairman of the Board of Selectmen; and member of the board of

directors of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a Republican in politics. Mr. Bourne's religious fellowship is with the Lenox Congregational Church, and he is a member of its board of trustees.

**THOMAS MANNING**—In the maintenance of the power and dignity of the law, Chief Thomas Manning, of Greenfield, for the past thirty years one of the most influential police executives in the State, has a peerless record for trepidity and for unflinching zeal and success in the performance of duty. Thrice chosen chief of the police department of as many townships, he has fulfilled the duties of his responsible position with great credit, and with results that have invariably shared in the betterment of communities. Chief Manning's usefulness to the welfare of society has been proven time and again in the apprehension of the criminal, and in the development of the most practical methods of investigation in his department.

He is a son of Thomas Manning, born in Ireland, in 1809, and died in Wakefield, in 1885, at the age of seventy-six years. Thomas Manning, Sr., followed the vocation of farmer, while he lived in Ireland, and he came to the United States about 1848, at the time the famine was raging in his native country. Prior to 1866, he resided in Boxford, Bradford, and Haverhill, and in each of which places he was engaged in farming, finally going to Wakefield, where he was employed in the rattan factory until a short time before his death. He married Mary Welch, who was born in Ireland, and who died in 1905. Their children were: 1. Brian, born in Ireland, and who served in the Civil War in the United States. 2. Margaret, deceased. 3. Michael, who is living in Lynn. 4. Ann, who died in 1922, at the age of seventy-five years. 5. Charlotte, deceased. 6. John, born March 30, 1851, enlisted in the Civil War September 16, 1864, in Company F and Company C, 4th Massachusetts Cavalry under General Devers, General Terry, Colonel Washburn, Colonel Jenkins, Captain Baker and Captain English. Discharged November 14, 1865; was one of the youngest soldiers in the Civil War. 7. William, who resides in Haverhill. 8. Thomas, of whom further.

Thomas Manning was born in Wakefield, June 6, 1866, and attended school at his birthplace until he was eleven years of age, when he became employed at the rattan factory. New opportunity presenting itself for employment at Framingham, he left Wakefield in 1886, and at first joined his interests with those of the Para Rubber Company at Framingham, and later with the rattan factory there, a branch of the Wakefield plant. Before long his capabilities in other lines were recognized and in 1893 he was chosen Chief of Police in Framingham, which office he held until 1896, when he received an urgent invitation to occupy a similar position at Ayer. He also remained there and in that office until 1906, when he went to Greenfield, where he has remained as chief of the Police Department to the present time. Chief Manning was concerned with the capture of Reed, years ago, in the vicinity of Ayer, the confidence man, who fleeced farmers in the eastern part of the country out of thousands of dollars. He has had a wide experi-

ence with criminals, and is an upstanding and forceful type of an officer of the law, and he is a kindly and courteous gentleman. Chief Manning's fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a member of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, and of the International Chiefs of Police Association.

Mr. Manning married, September 22, 1890, Mary Bowers, born at St. John's, New Brunswick, a daughter of Thomas and Mary Bowers. They are the parents of one son, Frank Joseph, born at Framingham, April 14, 1892; he attended Holy Cross College, at Worcester, and for a short time engaged in the clothing business at Bellows Falls, Vermont; during the World War, he enlisted in the United States Navy, and served throughout the war, being attached to the Intelligence Department, in Boston, as an investigator. Since the close of the war, he has been associated with the insurance business. He married Grace Stearns, of Greenfield, and they are the parents of Thomas B. and Phyllis Ann Manning.

**FLOYD SAMUEL SHUMWAY**—Among the enterprising group of the younger merchants of Greenfield, Massachusetts, Mr. Shumway has within recent years entered upon a field of well-deserved success, in the management of the Laythe-Fellows shoe store, where he has won an approved standing among the most active business men of his line in the township. He is a son of Edward Paul and Minnie Amanda (Hand) Shumway, and is in the ninth generation from his first American ancestor, the paternal line being as follows:

(I) Peter Shumway was of French-Huguenot descent, and emigrated to America prior to 1675 but later than 1660.

(II) Peter Shumway, born in 1678, died in 1751, married Maria Smith.

(III) Oliver Shumway, born in Boxford, Massachusetts, in 1701, married Sarah Pratt.

(IV) Oliver Shumway, born in Oxford, Massachusetts, October 12, 1725, married Elizabeth Holman.

(V) Abner Shumway, born in Oxford, Massachusetts, in 1748, died in 1813, served in the War of the Revolution, and was at the battle of Bunker Hill; he married Lucy Howe.

(VI) Paul Shumway, born in Oxford, Massachusetts, in 1781, died in 1848; married Mercy Gates.

(VII) Samuel Gates Shumway, born June 9, 1833, died January 7, 1916; married, in 1862, Sarah Louise Carr, and they were the parents of: Edward Paul, of whom further; Henry Ellsworth, and Albert Hewes.

(VIII) Edward Paul Shumway was born at Lebanon Springs, Columbia County, New York, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace, and at Wyomanock Seminary. After graduating he entered upon a business career, at first in the meat market line with an uncle at Lebanon Springs, and with whom he remained fifteen years, when he bought out his uncle's share and carried on the enterprise alone for three years under his own name. Disposing of his market, he then became associated with railroad activities, at first with the Long Island Railroad, and later with the Rutland Railroad, moving his family to Bennington, Vermont,







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where he remained two years. In 1904 he came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he has made his home to the present, his employment being with the Boston & Maine Railroad as freight conductor, his route being on the Berkshire Division of the road from Greenfield, Massachusetts, to Mechanicville, New York. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. He married, September 14, 1887, Minnie Amanda Hand, who was born December 15, 1863, and they are the parents of: 1. Franklin Hand, who is associated with the General Electric Company, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts. 2. Paul Edward, a teacher in the Arms Academy, at Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts. He had a most active career during the World War, having been a member of the aviation service for the United States Government, and sharing in the operation of a bombing plane over the North Sea. He was a member of the Naval Reserve five years, and received his discharge at San Diego, California, in 1922. 3. Floyd Samuel, of whom further. 4. Harold L., who, enlisting in the United States Merchant Marine, in August, 1918, served in the World War, and was stationed at Havre, France.

(IX) Floyd Samuel Shumway was born at Lebanon Springs, Columbia County, New York, May 14, 1894, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace and at Bennington, Vermont. Removing with his parents to Greenfield, Massachusetts, in 1904, he completed his high school course there when eighteen years of age, and it was while he was in school that he was employed in the H. G. Carson Company Clothing Store. Since 1920, he has held the office of manager of the Laythe-Fellows Shoe Company shoe store, at Greenfield. Mr. Shumway joined the United States Navy, December 17, 1917, at Newport, Rhode Island, and he served during the World War. His fraternal affiliations are those of Pocomtuck Lodge, No. 67, and Green River Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious fellowship is with the Baptist Church.

Mr. Shumway married, December 27, 1917, Alice Georgianna Davenport, who was born in Greenfield, January 10, 1896, a daughter of William A. and Belle M. (Shearer) Davenport. Their children are: 1. Herbert Davenport, born October 24, 1919. 2. William Edward, born February 28, 1922.

**KIMBALL LUTHER HASKINS**—One of the Vermont families going back to the days of the old settlers and interwoven in many ways with the history of the State are the Haskins of Dover, Vermont.

Aseph Haskins lived and died in Dover, where he always followed the profession of farming. He married Amelia Ward, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Luther, of whom further. 2. Prescott. 3. Otis Haskins. 4. Horace Haskins. 5. Kitridge Haskins. 6. Caroline Haskins. 7. Hyland Haskins.

Luther Haskins was a native of Dover, Vermont, born October 15, 1819, died November 13, 1894. He was a farmer and driver, taking sheep and lambs to the Brighton market. He married Sophia Esterbrooks, of Dover, a daughter of Dr. Jedediah and Mary (Babcock) Esterbrooks. Their children were: 1. Kimball Luther,

of whom further. 2. Leroy, born April 14, 1852, died October 26, 1864. 3. Augusta, born July 13, 1854, died November 3, 1863. 4. Ella, born June 18, 1856, died September 21, 1872. 5. Hattie, who married (first) Herbert Houghton; and (second) Charles J. Brown. 6. Cora, who married Charles Gould.

Kimball Luther Haskins is a native of Dover, Vermont, where he was born on July 8, 1850. He received his education in the schools of Dover, and after twenty years of age worked in the Esty Organ shop in Brattleboro, Vermont. In 1873 he entered the service of J. A. Church, of Brattleboro, lumber dealers, sash and blind manufacturers, and remained with them for thirteen years. From here he went to Birmingham, Connecticut, where he devoted himself for four years to the art of organ building. At the end of this period he returned to Vermont, and for three years carried on a farm at Newfane. His next change was a return to the sash and blind business in Vermont, where he worked for Franks Phelps at Bellows Falls. He came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, in 1895, and established himself on his own account in the lumber trade. His first location was in the old Dudley shop where he carried on his business for nine years. In 1904 he came to what is known as the old Newton Mill on Shelbourne Street and where he later built an entirely new plant and carried on an extensive business in the manufacture of lumber for house finish inside and out, window frames and door frames, etc. He used up in the course of a year many thousands of feet of lumber, selling his products in Greenfield, Deerfield, Turners Falls, Millers Falls, Shelburne Falls, Brattleboro, Vermont, and many other districts over a wide area.

In 1922 Mr. Haskins sold out and disposed of his plant to the Rugg Manufacturing Company. Mr. Haskins has been a large employer of labor and throughout his business career has had a reputation for fair dealing that has been a valuable asset. Since 1923 he has manufactured house finish in a small plant adjoining his home, and the business promises to be as successful as all his previous commercial ventures. In politics Mr. Haskins is an Independent, and in religion a member of the Methodist Church.

Kimball Luther Haskins married, in 1872, Mary Johnson, born August 1, 1852, in Marlboro, Vermont, and died September 1, 1923, a daughter of Orlando and Almira (Blanchard) Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Haskins are the parents of two daughters: 1. Lottie, who married Peter Stoddard and with him has three children: George; Howard; Ella. 2. Ida, died June 26, 1901; was married to Clark S. Frost, and they were the parents of a daughter Alice, who married Myron Brooks. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks are the parents of two daughters: Ida, Geneva Brooks.

**FRANK PHINEAS HOSMER**—For about thirty-seven years Frank Phineas Hosmer, who is a dealer in musical instruments in Greenfield, has been engaged in selling pianos. Now he conducts a prosperous business of his own and in addition to the handling of pianos carries a full line of musical instruments.

The Hosmer family is an old English family, the first representative of which, in this country, is said to



have been Thomas Hosmer, who was one of the proprietors of Cambridge in 1633. His brother, James Hosmer, who came from Hoekhurst, Kent, in 1635, was the ancestor of Frank Phineas Hosmer, the line descending through James (2) and Sarah (White) Hosmer; Thomas and Hannah (Hartwell) Hosmer; Nathaniel and Elizabeth Hosmer; Nathan and Beulah (Hosmer) Hosmer; Deacon Silas Hosmer, who married (first) Mary Puffer, (second) Asenath Puffer; Cephas Hosmer, born in Montague, October 13, 1809, died in Buckland, August 4, 1863, married Almida Philips and had children: 1. Phineas P., of whom further. 2. Diadama. 3. Francis J. 4. Josephine, who married Murray Trucker. 5. Nathan.

Phineas Puffer Hosmer, son of Cephas and Almida (Philips) Hosmer, was born in Montague, in 1835, and died in Buckland, August 23, 1918. He was a shoemaker by trade and a musician of ability. His life was spent in Franklin County, as a resident of Greenfield, Colerain, Ashfield, and Charlemont. He served in the Civil War, enlisting from Shelburne Falls, as a musician in the band in 1863 and was discharged in 1864. He spent two years in New York as instructor in a correction institution for boys and girls, where he taught shoe-making and was band master of the institution which took care of some six hundred. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and a member of the Baptist Church, in which he was choirmaster. He was an expert violinist and cornetist and a most skillful band and orchestra leader.

Phineas Puffer Hosmer married (first) Leonora A. Howard, of Colerain, daughter of Moses and Keziah (Purinton) Howard. She died in March, 1870, aged thirty years. He married (second) Lizzie K. Dean. He married (third) Belle McIntyre. Children of the first marriage: 1. Frank P., of whom further. 2. Murvin, died aged five years. 3. Leonora Elizabeth, married George W. Gillette, of Greenfield.

Frank Phineas Hosmer, son of Phineas P. and Leonora A. (Howard) Hosmer, was born in Colerain, May 25, 1857. He received a good education in the schools of Colerain and Greenfield, and in Fort Washington High School, in New York City, but during vacations he worked on a farm in Gill, Massachusetts, and when fourteen years of age worked in a store while attending school. At the age of eighteen he came to Greenfield, and became associated with the dry goods store of D. L. Sammis, where he remained for five years. Later he identified himself with the dry goods firm of Knowles & Thompson, and became manager of their branch store in Turners Falls. After he had spent a period of two years in that connection the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Hosmer purchased the business, which he successfully conducted for two years and then sold. It was at this time that he entered the piano business in which he has been engaged successfully for about thirty-seven years. He first sold pianos for a Springfield house, but in 1919 he established a music store in Greenfield, in which he carries all the best makes of pianos, and a full line of all kinds of musical instruments. Fraternally he is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Northampton, and his religious

affiliation is with the Methodist Church, which he serves as steward.

Frank Phineas Hosmer married (first), December 23, 1879, Ida M. Butler, born at Cold Springs, New York, and residing at Greenfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Richard Peter and Rachel (Gray) Butler; (second) Hetty Butler, a sister of his first wife; (third) Anna L. Butler, daughter of Nelson C. and Maria (Leonard) Butler. By his first wife he had one child, who died in infancy. By the second marriage he has a daughter, Rachel Hetty. To his third marriage three children were born: 1. Ralph Butler, who is a traveling salesman. He married Evelyn Roth. 2. Edward Leonard, who married Mary Thynan. 3. Frank Howard, served in the World War in the Navy, to the close of the conflict. He went to the training camps at the Great Lakes and serving as fireman made seven round trips across the ocean. He is now connected with the Traveler's Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut.

**LYNN ALDIS WYATT**—The progress of Bernardston among townships of its size in Massachusetts may well be measured by means of the enterprising methods of its merchants, among whom Mr. Wyatt, who has put new life into an old establishment here, is a leading representative. With a good business training and with his earlier activities in the store in which he now has partnership, Mr. Wyatt is accounted among the foremost of the group of merchants in this section. He has a well founded belief in the progressive present, and the larger future of the township, and takes a large share of interest in its advancing civic and social affairs. The name Wyatt, that sometimes is spelled Wyart, is one of long duration in this part of the State, and in the immediate neighborhood of Bernardston, Mr. Wyatt's paternal line being traced thus from a period shortly after the War of the Revolution:

(I) Joshua Wyatt was born March 6, 1796, and died July 26, 1863, in Gill, Massachusetts. He married, December 22, 1829, Sophronia Scott, born July 22, 1808, died in August, 1896. Their children: Harriet Evelyn, George Royal, of whom further; Julia Harriet, Charles Melvin, Nancy Rosanna, Clara Isetta, Esther Arabella.

(II) George Royal Wyatt was born July 10, 1832, in Gill, and died January 10, 1885, by accident while working in the woods. He was a farmer. He married, February 19, 1862, Ellen A. Wright, of Northfield, who died January, 1922. Their children: Julia Sophronia, Phebe Arabella, Nathan Joshua, of whom further; May Evelyn, Esther Georgianna, Clara Roxanna.

(III) Nathan Joshua Wyatt was born July 25, 1867, in Gill. He followed farming there in early life, and later went to Bernardston, where for a time he was employed in a cutlery shop; but since 1911 he has been associated with the Goodall Pratt Manufacturing Company, at Greenfield, though he has made his home at Bernardston since 1899. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, and attends the Unitarian Church. He married, April 24, 1895, Grace L. Wilson, of Whitingham, Vermont, daughter of William and Eunice L. (Peterson) Wilson. Their children: 1. Marion G.,







*Eduard L. Thoms*

born May 25, 1896, married, October 14, 1923, Lewis Davis, of New Haven, Connecticut. 2. Lenna A., born August 7, 1899, married, August 19, 1922, Raymond Forgette, of Burlington, Vermont. They have a daughter, Alice Madeline, born February 26, 1924. 3. Lynn Aldis, a twin of Lenna A., of whom further. 4. Eunice Wilson, born October 7, 1901, married, May 16, 1923, Raymond Messer, of Shelburne Falls, and they have a daughter, Grace Louise, born March 29, 1924.

(IV) Lynn Aldis Wyatt was born August 7, 1899, in Gill, and attended the public schools at Bernardston, afterward graduating at the Powers Institute there with the class of 1917. He then entered upon his business career in the employ of Errol C. Brown at his general store in Bernardston, where he remained five years. In January, 1922, he bought out Mr. Brown's interests, and in company with Myron E. Barber, the business was conducted under the firm name of Wyatt & Barber until January 9, when the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Wyatt established a store of his own at Bernardston. Mr. Wyatt is a member of the Unitarian Church. He married, May 16, 1923, Georgia L. Boyle, of Gill, a daughter of William A. and Helen M. (Hale) Boyle.

**EARLE L. CARTER**, manager in Springfield, Massachusetts, for Paine, Webber & Company, of New York and Boston, was born July 24, 1893, at Bar Harbor, Maine. His father, Lester P. Carter, a contractor in Bar Harbor, is living in retirement. His mother, Ella F. (Hanson) Carter, is dead.

Earle L. Carter attended the public schools of Bar Harbor, and attended Dartmouth College, class of 1917. He followed this with a course in the Harvard School of Business Administration, and was graduated in 1918. The World War enlisted his energies and he was commissioned an ensign in the United States Navy in 1917, which he continued to serve until 1919. He was stationed at the Torpedo Station, Newport, Rhode Island. His college fraternity is the Phi Gamma Delta. He is a member of the Masonic order; of the Longmeadow Country Club; the Colony Club, of Springfield; the Exchange Club, of Springfield; the Dartmouth Club, of Springfield and Boston, and the Harvard Club of Boston and Springfield.

Mr. Carter married, June 17, 1917, at North Adams, Massachusetts, Marion W. Wright, daughter of Charles W. and Emily P. (Keyes) Wright. They are the parents of Nancy Wright, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, April 19, 1923. Mr. Carter's business address is No. 387 Main Street; his house address No. 29 Washington Road, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**EDWARD LOUIS FINN**—In the Gaelic language Fin means a color, but it is used to describe water that is clean and transparent. In this way is formed Finglas, from *glais*, a little stream. *Finn-glais*, or crystal rivulet, explains. The village of Finglas, near Dublin, Ireland, takes its name from the stream which flows through it and joins the Tolka at Finglas bridge. In the south of Ireland Finn is commonly pronounced Fiann, or Fune.

Bartholomew Finn was a farmer in County Kerry,

and he died in 1865 at the age of sixty years. He married Margaret Kirdley. Their children were: Ellen, who married Edward Dahany; Mary, who died; Johannah, who married John Cavanaugh; Martin, of whom further; John, Edward and Kate.

Martin Finn, born in County Kerry, Ireland, in 1848, was living in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1925. He came to America in 1868, and first went to Putnam, Connecticut. Here he worked on railroad construction on the road from Willimantic to Putnam. He later came to Putnam and worked on the construction of the railroad from Palmer to Ware, Massachusetts. Then he went to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he worked at mason work for a time. Thence he came to Northampton, Massachusetts, in the fall of 1873, where he has made his home since. He has always been a clean living, hard working man, and has raised a large family whose members are a credit to the community. He married, February 4, 1873, Johanna Dowd, born in County Kerry, Ireland, in 1849 (living in 1925), daughter of Dennis and Mary Dowd. She came to America when sixteen years of age. Their children: Minnie, who married Robert Knightly, and they have children: Mary, Edward, Anna and Leo; John J., who married Jennie Corbett, and they have children: Robert, John, Dorothy, Fred., Martin and Jane; Edward L., of whom further; Daniel, who came to an accidental death when young; Margaret, who died in childhood; Martin, who married Anna Morin and has children: Florence, Doris and Geraldine; Anna, who married William N. McGrath and they have one child, William, Jr.; James, who married Ruth Judd and they have one child, Paul; Frederick, who married Elizabeth Irving, and they have children: Fred., Ralph and Elizabeth.

Edward Louis Finn, born at Northampton, Massachusetts, January 22, 1880, was educated in the parochial and public schools. He finished school at the age of fifteen years and went to work for A. W. Stone, merchant, with whom he remained for three years. Then he went into business for himself, buying out M. T. Parvell, on Strong Avenue, and went into the cigar and tobacco business, doing a retail trade. He later began the manufacture of cigars, and since the beginning of that venture has done an extensive wholesale and jobbing business. His brother, John J., was associated with him for a time, and the enterprise has always been carried on under the name of the E. & J. Cigar Company, of which now E. L. Finn is sole owner and proprietor. He was the first and is the only jobber and wholesaler of cigars and tobacco in Hampshire County, and from small beginnings his business has increased to the point where he is doing more than half a million dollars worth yearly. He has been in this enterprise since 1901, and his activities cover a large part of Western Massachusetts. His leading brands of cigars are the E. & J. "Tenebros" and "The Pride of Hampshire." His plant is located at No. 23 Main Street, and occupies the larger part of the entire building and he employs a dozen people all the time. Mr. Finn is a director in the Hampshire County Trust Company, of Northampton; a member of the Elks and the Knights of Columbus; a member of the Father Mathew



Temperance Society, and a member of the Horse Breeders' Association.

Mr. Finn married, February 11, 1908, Anna M. Learey, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, daughter of Martin and Susan (Norris) Learey. Mr. Learey came to America about 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Finn's children are: Edward L., Jr., born April 24, 1910; William C., born July 19, 1913; Annie, born August 24, 1915, died aged six months; Genevieve, born January 9, 1918, and Eleanor, born September 23, 1920.

**ROBERT HAMMOND OLIVER**, president and general manager of the Greenfield Printing Company, Inc., which published the "Franklin County News," is one of the well known men of the section, whose influence is widely felt, and whose interest in the community has on many occasions been demonstrated. He is a descendant of an old family of this State, the traditional progenitor of the family in America being George Oliver, the last collector of the port at Boston under the king.

Mr. Oliver's grandfather, Robert Oliver, was well known in Lynn, having been one of the first morocco men of that section. He married Mary Poole, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Quincy Adams, of whom further. 2. Mary. 3. Augusta.

Quincy Adams Oliver, son of Robert and Mary (Poole) Oliver, was born in 1846 at Lynn, and died there in 1892. He was an investor. He married Harriet E. Hammond, of Nahant, daughter of John Q. and Caroline E. (Wiggin) Hammond. She died in 1906. They were the parents of three children: Robert H., of whom further; Florence, Cora.

Robert Hammond Oliver, son of Quincy Adams and Harriet E. (Hammond) Oliver, was born July 11, 1871, at Lynn. He has always been engaged in the business end of newspaper work, having been connected with the offices of the "Boston Globe," the "Boston Post" and "Boston Journal," and being at the present time business manager of the "Franklin County News," a weekly paper that is published in Greenfield, and has a large circulation throughout the district. Mr. Oliver has always been active in matters that bear on the welfare of his community, and his influence for good in his section is deep and widespread. He is a member of King Hiram Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Cambridge, and in his religious affiliation he is a member of the Christian Science Church.

Robert Hammond Oliver married, January 12, 1901, Leone Croscup, of Lynn, daughter of John and Melissa Croscup, and they are the parents of two children: Robert, a sketch of whom follows; and Louise.

**ROBERT OLIVER**—Reared in an atmosphere of the newspaper world, it seem but natural that Mr. Oliver should have made that the choice in his career, as his father before him had done; and his training for that undertaking in both its academic and actual experience has been broad as well as specialized. A descendant of an old American family, his first traditional ancestor in this land an office holder under the king, his family is also an old one in this State, and each generation seems to have had its representative member.

Robert Oliver, son of Robert H. and Leone (Croscup) Oliver (see preceding sketch), was born May 11, 1902, at Melrose and educated in the public schools of his native town. He then attended the Quincy High School, from which he graduated in 1918, when he took a special two years' course in the Deerfield Academy. On the completion of his studies he immediately entered the newspaper business, working for newspapers of both Boston and Greenfield. For a time he also sold on the side, radio sets. Recently he has become associated with the "Franklin County News," a live paper which has the largest circulation of any weekly in the county, and in his capacity of editor-in-chief he is exerting a broad influence in this section. He is also a member of the board of directors of the paper and clerk of the corporation. He is very active in the civic life of his community, and his ideals are progressive, yet conservative. Mr. Oliver is an attendant of the Unitarian Church, and his residence is in Greenfield, where his paper is published. He is an active citizen who does much for the welfare and development of his community, and whose services to the people have won for him their honored esteem and respect.

Robert Oliver married, February 2, 1924, at Warwick, Cecelia Mary Blake, of Greenfield, daughter of Albert and Mary (Burke) Blake, and they have one daughter, Virginia Oliver, born October 18, 1924.

**WESLEY GILMORE ROSE** is the descendant of an old established New England family. His grandfather, Clemens B. Rose, born in Pownell, Vermont, died in Sunderland, Massachusetts, was a mechanic and contractor and erected numerous saw and cotton mills. He lived wherever his work took him, first in Kingston, then successively in Rhinebeck, Rondout, Albany and Troy, New York. He came to Sunderland about 1760, where he lived up to the time of his death. He was a large employer of labor in his younger days, and after coming to Sunderland engaged in farming. He died at the age of sixty-three. Clemens B. Rose was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons. He married Cordelia Wood, of Nassau, New York, and they were the parents of six children: 1. Jane, who was married to B. Ira Moore. 2. Angenette, who was married to Lorenzo Brigham. 3. Truman. 4. Norman. 5. Elmore. 6. Lillie Estelle, who died aged thirteen years.

Norman Rose, who became the father of Wesley Gilmore Rose, was born in East Nassau, New York, November 8, 1844, attended school in Kingston, Rhinebeck and Rondout, New York, and at sixteen came to Sunderland, where he also attended school for a time. He then worked at farming, and later in his father's shop making bit braces. He then entered the employ of Pratt & Nimms, in Greenfield, for three years, and later worked at Millers Falls for a year. For seventeen years he worked at farming, and eventually bought a farm, following this profession ever since. He is today (1924) at the age of eighty years, hale, hearty and vigorous. In politics he is a Republican, and is an attendant and member of the Baptist Church. He married Anne Elizabeth Lawrence, of Montague, a daughter of Dexter and Diantha (Pratt) Lawrence, born in 1846, died in 1907. The children of this marriage are:





1. Richard H. Hyde (actor)



1. Lena, who married Theodore Torry, and they are the parents of one daughter, Lena Rose. 2. Wesley Gilmore, of whom further. 3. Leon E., married Elsie D. Bridges, and they had six children: Leon Glen, Pearl, who married Glen Maynard; Lulu, Glendora, Edna May, who married Neal Gumm; Irene, Edgar.

Wesley Gilmore Rose was born at Sunderland September 13, 1872, and received his education in the district schools of the town. After leaving school, at the age of eleven years, he worked on a farm for a time and later came to Deerfield, where he worked in a grocery store and also with the American Express Agency for two years. In 1897 he obtained a position in the South Deerfield Post office as assistant postmaster and held this office for seventeen years, up to 1914; for the next five years he was clerk in the post office at South Deerfield, and in 1919 was appointed postmaster and was reappointed in December, 1923. Other positions held by Mr. Rose were those of town treasurer of the town of Deerfield for five years, and treasurer of South Deerfield Water District for eight years. Mr. Rose is a member of the Pocumtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield; of the Orientals, a branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of the Green River Encampment; of Sugar Loaf Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is treasurer; the Scottish Rite, thirty-second degree; a member of the Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Springfield; and of the Eastern Star Lodge of South Deerfield. Mr. Rose is an attendant of the Congregational Church, and a member of the Men's Club.

On June 23, 1897, Mr. Rose married Cora L. Alden, of Leverett, a daughter of Edward Herbert and Amner (Wright) Alden. Mr. and Mrs. Rose are the parents of two children: 1. Clement Alden, born June 15, 1900, a graduate of the Dickenson High School, class of 1918, now a switchboard operator with the Electric Light Company. He married Beatrice Bellows, and they are the parents of one son, Corwin Henry, born November 16, 1923. 2. Anner Elizabeth, born October 30, 1905, graduate of Dickenson High School, 1923, now attending Northampton Commercial College.

**RICHARD HYDE CUTLER**—His outstanding record of service in the field of life insurance has received a due recognition with Mr. Cutler's steady advancement to well-merited preferment. One of the most efficient men in Western Massachusetts in his line, his abilities have broadened the scope of his usefulness, and materially benefited the company of which he is a leading representative at Springfield. He is a son of Harry M. Cutler, first vice-president of the National Life Insurance Company, at Montpelier, Vermont, and Helen (Hyde) Cutler.

Richard Hyde Cutler was born January 10, 1892, in Montpelier, Vermont, where he attended the public schools, and he then was graduated from Dartmouth College with the class of 1914. He began his business career as a salesman in the life insurance interests, in Galtman, Maryland, and gradually rising in his profession he now holds the office of General manager of the National Life Insurance Company for Western Massa-

chusetts. At the call of the World War, Mr. Cutler joined the Flying Corps of the United States Naval Reserves, and he was in the service from 1918 to 1920. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, and of the Springfield Exchange Club. His religious faith is that of the Unitarian Church.

Richard Hyde Cutler married, May 16, 1916, in Montpelier, Beatrice Walker. They have one daughter, Beatrice M., born November 4, 1919.

**MICHAEL J. ROONEY**—In the management of the duties of the various town offices to which Mr. Rooney, Ludlow's present tax collector, has from time to time been appointed, he has fulfilled their responsibilities with the business capabilities of a painstaking public servant; and as one of the leading men in town affairs he has aided with prudent counsel and direction all movements inaugurated for the welfare and progress of the community. He is prominent and popular in business life and highly respected in all matters that relate to the best standards of citizenship.

Michael J. Rooney is the son of Michael and Jane (Stewart) Rooney; he was born September 29, 1889, in Boston, where he attended the public schools. Removing to Ludlow with his parents in 1897, he was employed in a mill five years, after which for six years he was engaged in installing telephones at Springfield for the New England Telegraph and Telephone Company; and for two and a half years he was an electrician for the Fisk Tire and Rubber Company. Removing to Ludlow in 1915, he entered the employ of C. S. Browning, druggist, as a clerk, and has served in that capacity ever since. He served as treasurer, as sealer of weights and measures from 1921 to 1923, and in the latter year was elected town tax collector, and still continues in that office (1925). Mr. Rooney is a member of the Indian Orchard Council, Knights of Columbus; and of the Fish and Game Club; is a communicant of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church.

Michael J. Rooney married, November 26, 1917, at Ludlow, Valeria E. Mayo, daughter of Edward and Rose (Sorrell) Mayo; they are the parents of: Claire, born January 18, 1919; Christopher and Earl, both now deceased, and Jeanette C., born August 26, 1924.

**PATRICK JOHN DALEY**—Among that group of men of energy and business enterprise who have joined each in his own capable way in making Northampton the progressive city that it has become, Patrick John Daley is a remarkable personality in that his sturdy perseverance, allied with his probity of character, have created for him a lasting place in the city's business relations, and in the history of local mercantile matters. His eminent success in a half-century of these activities has established a landmark of its own in Northampton; while in all his dealings, without exception, in business or social life Mr. Daley is regarded as a man of the highest type of citizenship.

John Daley, his father, who lived and died in County Kerry, Ireland, where he was a farmer, married (first) Norah O'Donald, daughter of Terrence O'Donald; he married (second) Ellen Horan. The children of the first marriage were: Mary, who married William J.

Welch; and Patrick John, of whom further. The children of the second marriage: Johanna Ellen, and Kate, who married Daniel Finn; John.

Patrick John Daley was born March 15, 1850, in County Kerry, Ireland, and coming to the United States when he was thirteen years of age, located in Florence, in the town of Northampton. He had attended school in Ireland, and later continued in the schools of Florence, studying and reading nights at the same time. When he was fourteen years of age he went to work in a dry goods store, and afterwards established his own business in that line in Northampton, in which he continued fifty years, disposing of his interests therein in 1922. In 1887 he built the Daley Block, on Main Street, in Northampton, which is known as one of the finest blocks on the entire street; and in 1900 he built the block in Florence in which he resides. Mr. Daley is, indeed, a gentleman of the old school, and one who has attained a highly deserved success, and he has the respect of the entire community.

Mr. Daley married, November 12, 1890, Mary Ann Haggerty, who was born in Meriden, Connecticut, April 9, 1859, daughter of Andrew and Susan (Quinn) Haggerty, who were born in Ireland and came to the United States about 1855. Andrew Haggerty was one of the early settlers of Meriden, Connecticut, where he conducted a general store for many years, and he was well and favorably known. The children of Patrick J. and Mary A. Daley: 1. Rev. Andrew John, D. D., who was born September 22, 1891. He studied in the North American College, at Rome, Italy, six years, and graduated at the Propaganda College and University, in Rome, the largest in the world in 1917. Rev. Dr. Daley is now at the head of the Italian Church, Mount Carmel, in Worcester, where he has been for eight years. 2. Nora Veronica, who was born June 26, 1893, and resides with her parents. 3. Rev. Daniel Ferdinand, who was born May 24, 1895; he received his collegiate training at St. Bernard's Seminary, at Rochester, New York; he is now curate of the Church of the Ascension in Worcester, Massachusetts.

**JAMES BERRY**—Northampton's mercantile affairs are directed generally by business people who are expert in their various lines, this being particularly true of Mr. Berry, whose jewelry establishment, conceded to be one of the leading stores of its kind in the western part of the State, is a practical outcome of its owner's lifelong attention to the jewelry tradesman's interests.

Mr. Berry, who was apprenticed in his earliest years to the calling in which he has made a pronounced success, has an equal interest in all movement for the good of the community, and his executive ability as proven in the conduct of his own business has also been a valued asset to the city in the public offices that he has held. A believer in industry and in all causes that would aid its progress, he is of a family who have shared like opinions and practice. His grandfather, Henry Berry, who died in England in 1882, aged sixty-two years, was a mill worker early in life, and a handloom weaver up to his fortieth year, when he officiated as an overseer of the poor at the time of his death. He married Alice

Foulds, and they had children: Thomas, of whom further; John, Ellen, Elizabeth, Alice, Benjamin. One or two of their children died young.

Thomas Berry, son of Henry and Alice (Foulds) Berry, was born in 1844, in Burnby, England, and died there in 1923. He was a hand-loom worker and a cotton manufacturer. He married Harriet Dewhurst, who was born in 1844 and died in 1921, daughter of James and Harriet (Midby) Dewhurst. Their children were: James, of whom further, and Henry, twins; Henry dying in Hartford, Connecticut, in September, 1922; John, who resides in Yorkshire, England; Benjamin, Harriet, Sarah, who is living in Burnby, England; and Thomas, Elizabeth and Arthur, who came to the United States.

James Berry, son of Thomas and Harriet (Dewhurst) Berry, was born September 16, 1869, in Burnby, Lancashire, England, where he attended both day and night school. When he was fourteen years of age, he was apprenticed to learn the jeweler's trade, his apprenticeship covering seven years, after which he went to work in his father's mill, and so continued two and one-half years. He came to the United States in 1893, at first to Boston, and thence to Fall River and to New Bedford, Massachusetts, where he was employed in a cotton mill for a short time, afterwards removing to Providence, Rhode Island, where he was employed in mill work, as well as in jewelry work, both there and at Pawtucket. He also engaged for a time in the insurance business. From Rhode Island, Mr. Berry went to New Market, New Hampshire, where he remained two years, afterwards going to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he was employed three years both in the Skinner Silk Mills and in jewelry establishments.

Mr. Berry came to Northampton in 1910, where he established his present jewelry business, at first in a small way; here he has been very successful, and has one of the best equipped stores in the western part of the State. He was a member of the Northampton City Council two years, afterwards serving three years on the Board of Aldermen, and sharing with the duties of important committees. His fraternal affiliations are with Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton; the Royal Arch Chapter, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Council of Select Masters, and the Commandery of the Knights Templar; and he is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the board of trustees of Hospital Hill Chapel; and his religious faith is that of the Baptist Church.

James Berry married, February 1, 1900, Mary Elizabeth Senior, of Manchester, England, daughter of Thomas and Mary Ann Senior. Thomas Senior was an expert machinist and builder of engines and locomotives, who was sent to Japan with a locomotive and directed the building of forty miles of railroad in that country. Coming to the United States in 1891, he built the power plant that furnished light for Narragansett Park, in Rhode Island; he died in May, 1894. Mr. and Mrs. Berry are the parents of: Mabel Berry, head bookkeeper for the Rogers Cutlery Company, at Bay State, Northampton; George Robert Berry, born in New Mar-



ket, New Hampshire, a student at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst; Thomas Senior Berry, born in Holyoke, now in his last year at Harvard University; Kathleen Elizabeth.

**FRANK ADAMS HOBART**, public official, farmer, dairyman and grower of tobacco in North Amherst, Massachusetts, was born November 22, 1866, in North Amherst.

(I) The Hobart family goes back for its immigrant ancestor to Edmund Hobart, who came from Hingham, England, in 1633 and settled in Hingham, Massachusetts. He brought with him his wife, his son, Joshua, his daughters, Rebecca and Sarah, and his servant, Henry Gibbs. They lived for a brief period at Charlestown, where he and his wife were admitted to the church August 19, 1633. He was a constable in Charlestown in 1634, and was admitted a freeman March 4, 1633-34. His sons, Edmund, Thomas and the Rev. Peter Hobart, soon followed him to this country, and they all settled in Hingham, where he joined them. He served as deputy to the General Court. He married (first), in England, Margaret Dewey; (second), October 10, 1634, Sarah Lyford, widow of John Lyford, she died June 23, 1649. He died March 8, 1646. He wrote his name Hubbard and Hubbeard, but the Rev. Peter, his son, spelled it Hobart. Both spellings are in common use. Children: 1. Edmund, Jr., of further mention. 2. Rev. Peter, born about 1604, died 1679, graduated at Magdalen College, Cambridge, 1625; minister at Hingham for forty-one years. 3. Thomas, born 1606, died August 18, 1689. 4. Nazareth, married John Beal. 5. Rebecca. 6. Sarah. 7. Captain Joshua, born in 1614, died in 1682; married, in 1638, Ellen Ibrook.

(II) Edmund Hobart, Jr., the first born of Edmund Hobart, immigrant ancestor of the family, was a twin brother of Rev. Peter Hobart, the first preacher of Hingham. He was born about 1604 and died in February, 1686.

(III) Samuel Hobart, son of Edmund Hobart, Jr., was baptized April 13, 1645; died April 25, 1718.

(IV) Peter Hobart, son of Samuel Hobart, was born January 16, 1685, died December 14, 1760.

(V) Deacon Peter Hobart, son of Peter Hobart, was born October 19, 1727, died October 8, 1798.

(VI) Joshua Hobart, son of Deacon Peter Hobart, was born in Hingham, Massachusetts, in 1759, died and buried in Leverett, Massachusetts, at the age of eighty years. He lived in Taunton, Massachusetts. He came to Leverett, Massachusetts, at an early day, and was one of the pioneer settlers of that neighborhood. He worked at farming when the season was propitious for the cultivation of the fields and the gathering of the harvest. He worked at his trade of cooper when the winter made it advisable. He was a member of the National Guard of the State of New York. He married Sarah Goddard, who attained the age of ninety years. Their children were: Sally Lee, Joshua, of further mention; Thomas, Hannah, Peter and Richard.

(VII) Joshua Hobart, second child of Joshua and Sarah (Goddard) Hobart, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 15, 1790, and died in North Amherst, Massachusetts, April 11, 1869. He came to Lev-

erett with his parents and continued to live in that city until he was almost forty years old. He then removed to North Amherst and engaged in farming in the neighborhood, which he continued to the time of his death. He married, September 7, 1813, Sybil Woodbury, born July 2, 1794, died April 25, 1872. Children: George Williams, Jeremiah Woodbury, mention of whom is made in following sketch; Fannie, married Sylvester Roberts; Edmund, of further mention; Stillman, Sarah Ann, Mary Jane, Eliza Hannah, married the Rev. William E. Dickinson; Esther Isabelle, married Dr. Homer Doucet; Ellen, married Daniel Dickinson.

(VIII) Edmund Hobart, fourth child of Joshua and Sybil (Woodbury) Hobart, was born in Leverett, Massachusetts, May 7, 1822, died in North Amherst, Massachusetts, April 8, 1908. He came to North Amherst with his parents when he was seven years old. He was educated in the district schools. He became a practical and successful farmer, owning some five hundred acres of land, a large part of which was woodland. He carried on quite an extensive lumbering business. He was a selectman and assessor for many years. He was a member of the North Congregational Church, holding the office of deacon for many years. He married (first), February 1, 1844, Esther P. Montague, of Sunderland, Massachusetts, who died October 21, 1851. She was a daughter of Moses and Polly (Pomeroy) Montague. He married (second), October 28, 1852, Harriet Adams, of Shutesbury, Massachusetts, born November 28, 1822. Child of first marriage: Moses. Children of the second marriage: Henry W., born July 31, 1853, died December 23, 1858; Frank Adams, of further mention.

(IX) Frank Adams Hobart, second son of Edmund and Harriet (Adams) Hobart, was born in North Amherst, Massachusetts, where he was educated in the public schools. He always followed farming and owns a fine farm of some one hundred and fifty acres on which he raises tobacco and onions. He also carries on a dairy and general farming. He served as town assessor of North Amherst for five years. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; of Amherst Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and attends the North Congregational Church.

Mr. Hobart married, December 28, 1887, Annie Oden Roberts, of Cushman, Massachusetts, who died January 8, 1925. She was a daughter of William Lowell and Julia (Smith) Roberts. They were the parents of three sons: 1. Clarence Adams, born September 10, 1890; associated with his father in farming; a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; he married, December 25, 1921, Ruth Inez Shurtleff, and they have one son, Russell Adams Hobart, born April 15, 1923. 2. Ralph Edmund, born September 2, 1892; works with his father on the farm; he served in the great war, entering the service at Camp Devens in February, 1918, and was transferred to Camp Johnson, at Jacksonville, Florida; he served in the Quartermaster Corps; left Newport News in June, 1918, for France; he was engaged in the transport service after the armistice was signed, and was with the Army of Occupation in Germany; he received an honorable discharge from the service October 22, 1919, with the rating of private of the first class; he is a member of Amherst Lodge, No. 152, Independent



Order of Odd Fellows, and of Amherst Post, No. 148, American Legion; he married, January 27, 1920, Olive Jeanette Warner, and they have one son, Chester Franklin Hobart, born June 20, 1923. 3. Frank Donald, who is identified with Davidson College at Davidson, North Carolina, as superintendent of the grounds; during the great war he served in the United States Navy and received an honorable discharge in July, 1919. The address of Frank Adams Hobart is North Amherst, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE FISHER HOBART**, farmer, dairyman and selectman in the town of Amherst, Massachusetts, was born August 19 1854, in North Amherst. His ancestry is that of all the Hobarts, like that of Frank Adams Hobart, whose sketch precedes this.

(VIII) Jeremiah Woodbury Hobart, second son and second child of Joshua and Sybil (Woodbury) Hobart (q. v.), was born in Leverett, Massachusetts, April 17, 1817; died in Amherst, Massachusetts, June 27, 1879. He was educated in the schools of Leverett and Amherst. He came to North Amherst with his father in 1830, when thirteen years old. When he entered upon active life he followed general farming and sold farm machinery and agricultural implements, mowing machines and plows. He was a member of the Congregational Church. He married (first), June 3, 1840, Nancy Macomber, born in Conway, Massachusetts, died July 24, 1851, daughter of Charles Macomber. He married (second), March 30, 1853, Harriet Macomber, sister of his first wife; she died December 30, 1909. Children of first wife: 1. Nancy Elizabeth, born April 9, 1841, died October 19, 1869. 2. Charles Henry, born September 17, 1843. 3. Joshua Payson, born January 7, 1846, died April 22, 1849. 4. Ella Adella, born January 20, 1848. 5. A son, born September 15, 1851, died October 14, 1913. Children of second wife: 6. George Fisher, of further mention. 7. William Clarence, born April 28, 1856, since dead. 8. Lucia Bell, born February 13, 1858; married William Stone Cook. 9. Ellen Myra, born August 6, 1860; married Frank E. Spear. 10. Mary Sybil, born February 7, 1868; died August 4, 1903.

(IX) George Fisher Hobart, son of Jeremiah Woodbury and Harriet (Macomber) Hobart, was born August 19, 1854, in North Amherst, Massachusetts. He was educated in the schools of North Amherst, and after leaving school farmed on his father's old place, which comprised some hundred acres. He bought land until he owned one hundred and eighty-five acres, and he continued to enlarge his farms. He kept some fifty head of Holstein cows and did an extensive dairy business. He sold his farm in 1919, and for three years conducted a small farm of thirty acres near the old homestead. In 1922 he sold this farm and removed to Amherst village, where he has lived ever since. He was selectman of Amherst for eighteen consecutive years prior to March 1, 1925, and in the same period he was town assessor for seven years. He is a member of Pacific Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Amherst, and of the Amherst Business Men's Association. He is a member of the North Amherst Congregational Church.

Mr. Hobart married, October 5, 1880, Charlotte Fortune, of Huntington, Quebec, Canada, daughter of Robert and Esther (Carr) Fortune. The address of Mr. Hobart, now retired from business, is No. 37 Pleasant Street, Amherst, Massachusetts.

**EDWIN H. MOORE**—Among the indispensable and from the point of view of sanitation and due reverence for that event which concludes our life on earth and marks the passage into another existence, most important callings in any civilized community is that of the mortician, and it is necessary that it should be in the hands of men who enjoy the full confidence of their fellow-citizens and preferably by birth and family connection are in some sort of personal contact with the people in whose midst they pursue their calling. This was the case in the career of Edwin H. Moore, for fifty years an undertaker in Enfield, Massachusetts, son of William G. Moore, an undertaker, born March 13, 1808, died August 6, 1886, and Tirzah (Patrell) Moore, born March 27, 1812, died July 11, 1870, who were the parents of four children: 1. William Henry, born February 6, 1830, died September 13, 1853. 2. Eliza Anne, born July 4, 1832, died March 5, 1854. 3. Sarah Jane, born August 10, 1836, died October 20, 1855. 4. Edwin H., of whom further.

Edwin H. Moore was born in Enfield, Massachusetts, June 3, 1845. He learned the business of mortician in Springfield, Massachusetts, and followed it for many years in association with his father, under the name of W. G. Moore & Son. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in the infantry and the Army of the Potomac. In politics he was a Republican, and he was affiliated with the local Grange and Grand Army of the Republic, Post No. 211. He died December 2, 1918, and his memory, as well as that of his father and the other members of the family will always be held in respect and grateful remembrance by his fellow-citizens.

Mr. Moore married (first) Nellie Hutchinson, of Ware, Massachusetts, who bore him one child, Nellie M., who married George L. Mason. He married (second) Lizzie B. Stevens, daughter of Abram and Mary (Ward) Stevens, who bore him one child, Harry Clifton, a sketch of whom follows.

**HARRY CLIFTON MOORE**—Functions which in times past were performed by incompetent people in a haphazard way and by rule of thumb are now exercised by thoroughly competent men in a correct and scientific way and with due regard to the feelings and opinions of refined people. The surgeon's and the dentist's profession, which used to be in the hands of glorified barbers, have become scientific callings requiring many years of scientific study before license is granted for their exercise. The mortician's profession is evolving similarly, and what used to be done by the old-fashioned undertaker, who really was a kind of joiner or carpenter with no expert knowledge of the subject, is regarded by the scientific mortician in the same light as the operations performed by the barber surgeon without anesthetics.

A thoroughly up-to-date scientifically educated mortician is Harry Clifton Moore, of Enfield, Massachusetts.



*George F. Hobart*





setts. He was born August 20, 1887, at Pelham, Massachusetts. After attending public schools in his native place, he entered the Barnes School of Anatomy at Boston as a student of embalming, and after finishing his studies joined his father in the mortician business, taking over the establishment entirely after the death of his father. Mr. Moore is a member of the Cemetery Commission, is local moth superintendent, and holds membership in the Grange. In religion he is a member of the Congregational Church.

On October 19, 1911, he married, at Enfield, Massachusetts, Martha Grace Thayer, a daughter of B. Lewis Thayer, born in Enfield March 8, 1848, and Martha V. (Leonard) Thayer, born in Granby February 24, 1852. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have a son, Edwin Lewis, born May 26, 1916, at Springfield, Massachusetts.

**LOUIS JOHN DONALDSON**—Standing among the leaders of the market men in the capital of Franklin County, Louis J. Donaldson, a native of Canada, has brought to the business and social life of his present home town that type of vigor, virility and acumen which are characteristic of so many who have transferred their allegiance from the British Crown to the United States. Greenfield's citizens have welcomed the coming of Mr. Donaldson among them, as has been generously attested by the remarkable amount of business they have brought to the establishment of which he is the senior proprietor. Greenfield is not the scene of Mr. Donaldson's first venture into business, since he was for some years attached to the same line, first as an employee and afterward as a proprietor, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, to which city he went from his native town when he was in his middle 'teens. It was in that city of culture and erudition that Mr. Donaldson came in contact with the learned people and those striving after learning, at the same time acquiring a thorough knowledge of the business to which he intended to devote his life. He now is considered a fixture in the shire town of Franklin County and holds a large place in the esteem and confidence of its people. At the age of sixteen years, Louis John Donaldson left his home in Enfield, Hants County, Nova Scotia, and came to Massachusetts. He located in Cambridge, the seat of Harvard University, and he early determined to cast in his lot with the people of that city. Boy as he was, when as a stranger in the midst of a strange people he began to shift for himself, he soon commenced to make his way, having entered into the grocer's business, working for a number of years for different employers. Virtually, the anniversary of his coming to the States found him the senior member of a firm that had taken over a grocer's business in the city of Cambridge, the name of the partnership being Donaldson & McMahon. For six years the two partners continued to do business at their stand, when, in 1917, he having disposed of his interest, Mr. Donaldson was led to come to Greenfield. Again he became an employee, remaining in that status for four years, and in 1921 he formed a partnership with George H. Fletcher, under the firm name of Donaldson & Fletcher, proprietors of the Greenfield Market Company, a thoroughly modern establishment of its kind, having one of the very best business locations in the town. The firm has been

remarkably successful. Mr. Donaldson, the senior member, is a member of Mt. Sinai Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Cambridge, and of North Cambridge Encampment, of the same order, and has filled all the offices in both these lodges. He is also a member of Amicable Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Cambridge, and of the Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter.

Louis John Donaldson was born in Enfield, County of Hants, Nova Scotia, September 27, 1875, the son of Henry and Rachel Rebecca (Brown) Donaldson, the latter a daughter of James and Etta Mary Brown, of Enfield, Nova Scotia. His father was a native of New Jersey, born in 1843, died in Enfield, Nova Scotia, in 1919. He was a carpenter by trade, but followed mining in the gold mines of Nova Scotia, having gone to that province of Canada with his parents when he was seventeen or eighteen years of age. He took an active part in the town affairs of Enfield, and had held many offices in the gift of the electorate. Children born to Henry and Rachel Rebecca (Brown) Donaldson: Eugene, of Cobalt, Canada; Henry, of Saskatchewan, Canada; George, deceased; Louis John, of this review; Mrs. Ada Whitman, of Somerville, Massachusetts; Maud, unmarried; Jean (Donaldson) Goodwin, of Arlington, Massachusetts; Mrs. Alice Hall, of Enfield, Nova Scotia; Mrs. Edith McKenzie, of Canada. Louis John Donaldson's grandfather on his paternal side was Henry Donaldson, born in Scotland, and came to America at an early age, settling in New Jersey. About the year 1860 he went to Enfield, Nova Scotia, where he successfully followed the trade of millwright. He died about the year 1886. His wife was Jean Anderson, of Edinburgh, Scotland, born in 1810, died in Nova Scotia in 1917, at the age of one hundred and four years. They had children: Thomas; Henry, father of Louis John Donaldson, of this review; James, Louis, John, Jane, Lizzie, Sarah, Margaret.

Louis John Donaldson married, December 11, 1900, Alperetta Herring, of Prince Edward Island, Canada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Herring. Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson make their home at No. 161 High Street, Greenfield.

**TRUMAN ALBERT DIX**—The family name of Dix has the same significance as the name Dick or Dickens, the final letter "s" being a contraction of "son," meaning the son of Dick or of Richard. Dick, the familiar abbreviation of Richard, is thought to be derived from the Dutch word dyck or dijck, a bank or dyke, mound or ditch of earth, sand or stone reinforced, thrown up to prevent low land in Holland from being inundated by the sea or water. The reason for including the meaning "ditch" in connection with mound is because, in the act of creating a barrier or diking, a ditch is created at the self-same time; but the intention being to create a wall of earth, chief thought is therefore directed to that meaning of the word. Based accordingly on this idea of the significance of the name's derivation, the conclusion cannot be otherwise than that this family, before coming to America, dwelt near a dyke in Holland, in the lowlands as they are called, undoubtedly along the coast. The name is found in the spellings, Dix, Diks, Dikx, Dicks, Dyck, Dyk, Dijck, and Dyke,

and some families in this country show that they came originally from such a locality in Holland, by employing the prefix "van" or "con" as Van Dyke. Four distinct branches of the Dix family were started in America in early times, these being the lines instituted by Leonard Dix of Wethersfield, Connecticut; Anthony Dix of Plymouth, Massachusetts; Edward Dix of Watertown, Massachusetts; and the Dix family of Accomac County, Virginia. It is not known that anybody has succeeded in demonstrating the relationship reliably, but undoubtedly they were connected by the generation just previous to any one of them coming to America. This old family bore arms as follows:

Arms—Azure, three swans' heads and necks erased argent, between two roses in fess or.

(I) Truman Albert Dix, who for a period of a decade and a half has been one of the residents of Greenfield, Massachusetts, and who has a record of over forty consecutive years service in railroading, is undoubtedly a descendant of one of these lines of the Dix family, the forebears early helping in the development of this land, through agriculture, commerce and other fields of endeavor. His grandfather Truman Dix, lived in Whitingham, Vermont, where he was killed in 1882, while logging with oxen in the woods. He was a farmer, and evidently a pioneer in clearing his own land. He married Emeline Atherton, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Albert, of whom further. 2. Joseph. 3. Polly.

(II) Albert Dix, son of Truman Albert and Emeline (Atherton) Dix was born in Whitingham, Vermont, and died in 1871, at the age of thirty-one years. He was a farmer, operating a farm of some 200 acres, and doing general farming. He married Alvira Mary Allard, of Halifax, Vermont, daughter of Appleton and Sarah (Fuller) Allard, and she died in 1918, at the age of sixty-eight years. They were the parents of three children: 1. Truman A., of whom further. 2. Edith, who married Forest E. Ball. 3. Minnie, deceased.

(III) Truman Albert Dix, son of Albert and Alvira Mary (Allard) Dix, was born in Whitingham, Windham County, Vermont, December 13, 1868. He lost his father when he was but three years of age, and went to Readsboro, Vermont, where he received his education. At the age of fifteen he began working as fireman on a locomotive on the Hoosic Tunnel and Willington Railroad, a narrow gauge road, and here he remained for five years. At the end of this period he went with the Fitchburg Railroad, on the Fitchburg and Williamstown section, where he remained for eighteen years. In 1907 he came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he has been located ever since. His record since 1892 in the capacity of locomotive engineer has covered runs on passenger and freight trains, and he has had forty years continuous service as a railroad man. He has served also with the Boston and Maine Railroad, his period of service with them covering thirty-five years, consecutively. Mr. Dix has been active in a number of fraternities, and is a member of Aurora Lodge of Fitchburg. Free and Accepted Masons; Mt. Rollston Lodge, No. 98, of Fitchburg, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and he is also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Truman Albert Dix married in August, 1891, Lela Evelyn Corkins, of Whitingham, Vermont, daughter of Elisha and Grace (Holbrook) Corkins, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Loraine Corkins, graduated from the Greenfield High School and subsequently from the Sargent School in Cambridge, which she attended for three years. She is now instructor in Physical Culture in Akron, Ohio. 2. Ruth Francis, graduated from the Greenfield High School and the Fitchburg State Normal School, and is now teaching in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

**FRANK M. WHITE**, deputy sheriff, who holds the esteem and regard of his fellow citizens of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, rose to his present position entirely through his own efforts, having started out to earn his own living when very young, engaging in various lines of industry. He came to Pittsfield almost three decades ago, and has been the incumbent of his present office for almost two-thirds of that time.

Frank M. White was born July 2, 1862, in Albany, New York, son of Jesse M. and Amanda M. (Wooster) White, his father a clothing merchant. The son received his early education in the public schools of his native town, and later in the Boys' Academy of the same place. He was very active and ambitious even as a boy, and went to work for himself at an early age, going to Canada, where he worked at farming and other work that he could obtain. In April, 1895, he came to Pittsfield and engaged in the coal business, remaining in this until his present appointment, which he has held since 1906. Mr. White has been an active worker in the civic life of his community, and also in its fraternal activities. He is a member of Crescent Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is also Past Master, and a member of the Eastern Star, of which he is Past Patron. He belongs to the Christian Science Church.

Frank M. White married (first) Elizabeth Bilton, and they were the parents of two children: 1. John M., educated in Pittsfield public and high schools, and now an accountant; he married Catherine Heaton, and their child is Heaton. 2. Frank B., educated in the public and high schools of his native town; Frank B. is manager of the sales department in the Eaton Crane & Pike Paper Company of Pittsfield; he married Hazel Caroline Ploss, and their children are: Carlton, Elizabeth, and Roderick. Mr. White married (second) Mary Elizabeth Van Valkenburg, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Helen W., educated in the public and high schools of Pittsfield; she married Dr. H. R. Higley, Optometrist. 2. Morton Van Valkenburg, educated in the public and high schools of Pittsfield, and now (1924) engaged in the insurance business.

**JEREMIAH KEEFE**—The name Keefe was originally O'Keefe and belongs to several Irish families of ancient origin, the original O' having been conferred by the King for meritorious service on behalf of the country and crown.

Timothy Keefe was a native of County Cork, Ireland, and a son of Dennis and Mary (Leary) Keefe, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, on November 8, 1893, at the age of seventy-seven years. He came to the United







*Justus G. Hanson,*

States about the time of the famine in Ireland, in the late forties, and being the oldest son of the family was particularly well educated. Dennis Keefe was a land proprietor, and the son Timothy, until coming to America, followed farming in Ireland. Having arrived in this country, Timothy came to Greenfield, Massachusetts, and for some time was in the service of A. K. Warner, but later worked for Judge Thompson. He bought from Mr. Warner, in the north part of the town, some forty acres, which he cleared and converted into a good farm for himself, where he lived and reared his children. Later in life he sold the farm and came to the village to live. Timothy Keefe was not only a good farmer, but was also a lover of books and a great reader and fond of the company of intellectual men.

Mr. Keefe was the husband of Mary Killiher, who was born in County Cork, in Ireland, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, at the age of seventy-three. She was a daughter of Daniel and Catherine (Sullivan) Killiher. Mr. and Mrs. Keefe were the parents of the following children: Dennis, Mary, Daniel, and Catherine, who were born in Ireland, the first child born in America being Nellie, then John, Honora, Cornelius, and Jeremiah. Of this family the only survivors are Cornelius and Jeremiah.

Jeremiah Keefe is a native of Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he was born on April 1, 1860. He received his education in the schools of Greenfield, attending District School No. 4, and later attended high school for two winters. Until the age of twenty years, he worked on his father's farm. Later he started to learn the carpenter's trade, and for that purpose worked as an apprentice of Gilbert Jones, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, remaining with him for six years. In 1888 he went into business for himself in company with Mr. Fizzell, under the firm name of Fizzell & Keefe, carpentering and contracting. This partnership continued for thirty years and was dissolved in 1917. Later, Mr. Keefe took into partnership with him his son, William R. Keefe, and since then the business has been carried on under the firm name of J. Keefe & Son. The business of the company has been largely local and in Franklin County. In 1907 Mr. Keefe erected eighteen houses in six months in Athol, Massachusetts, for the Twist Drill Company. He has always been a large employer of labor, and has built some of the finest houses in Greenfield, Massachusetts, among them the Dr. Russell house, and Mr. Thather's house. He also built one of the Arthur Potter houses, the Charles Keith residence, and the Hackstaff home. He erected two houses for the teachers of Mount Hermon School, and others at Northfield, Massachusetts. He has also built many apartment houses, the Deven's houses, the Potter grain elevator, and also many tobacco and hay barns. Mr. Keefe's success has been achieved by painstaking effort and by his fair dealing, and his chief capital in his business was his reputation, which is worth more than money. He built thirteen houses for the houses corporation and for a good many years has been a member of the Park Commission. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the Grange and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Keefe married, in 1892, Adelaide Willete. The three children of the marriage are: 1. William Russell,

born in 1893, a graduate of Middleburg (Vermont) College (class 1916); he enlisted for the World War and was sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg. Later he went to Camp Devens, where he was a member of the 26th Division. He then was sent to Camp Lee for a time and again returned to Camp Devens as second lieutenant of infantry. Since then he has been associated with his father in the constructing business, and is a member of the firm, J. Keefe & Son. He married Elizabeth Reed, of Greenfield, Massachusetts. 2. Adelaide M., born April 26, 1898, who married Hugo Johnson. 3. John F., born in February, 1904.

**EVERETT EUGENE WILCOX**—The Wilcox family is one of the oldest families of the State of Vermont. Nathaniel Wilcox lived and died in Vermont, and married a Miss Bolsten. They had one child, Joel Wilcox, born in Vermont, 1803, died in Whitingham in 1868, aged sixty-five years. He was hotel keeper in Guilford and Whitingham, Vermont, owned a big establishment at Whitingham Center, and married Lucinda Weatherhead, who died in 1875, aged sixty-nine years. Their only son, Cushman Ira Wilcox, born in Guilford, Vermont, in 1835, died in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he carried on an extensive grain business operating a grain elevator. He married Angeline Shepardson, of Guilford, Vermont. They had four children: 1. Everett E., of further mention. 2. Cassius Cushman, who died aged twelve years. 3. Lucius Edward, who died at the age of eighteen months. 4. Walter Mills, who died aged thirty-two years.

Everett Eugene Wilcox was born at Guilford, Vermont, July 21, 1853, and accompanied his parents on their journey to the West. Part of his schooling he received at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, but after the death of his father he returned to Guilford, Vermont, where he continued his school studies. Having completed his education he worked for a time on a farm. Later he conducted a hotel at Dennerstown, Vermont, and acquired a farm in Guilford, which he operated with marked success until 1902 when he came to Greenfield and for two years accepted service with the cutting, Warner, Manufacturing Company, after which he took up trucking and teaming for a time. Mr. Wilcox, who has tried his hand with great success in many fields, is also an expert builder, having built his own residence in Greenfield, and other houses close by. He owns much property and is now retired.

Everett Eugene Wilcox married, October 27, 1881, Nellie J. Washer, born at Richford, Vermont, a daughter of Stephen and Mary (Harris) Washer. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox are the parents of eight children: 1. Bertha Mabel, who is married to Percy M. Wood, and has a daughter Mary Angie. 2. George W. 3. Angeline. 4. Charles. 5. Lucius. 6. Frank. 7. Nellie. 8. Mary. The family home is No. 358 Conway Street, Greenfield.

**JUSTUS GREELEY HANSON, M. D.**—Among surnames of very ancient origin is that of Hanson, which was handed down by the Flemings to the English-speaking people. The root of the name was Hans, which is the only one of the abbreviations of the original Johannes, and from the latter are derived the familiar Hansons, Hankins, Hankinsons, Hancocks and others. The family



has been traced through many centuries and generations in the Old World. The generations which appear to be authentic in the Old World begin with Roger de Rastrich, living in 1251, the time of Henry III, in Wapentake of Morley, Yorkshire, England; held lands in Rastrich, Skircoat, Clayton, Bradford, etc. Hugh de Rastrich followed. Then came John de Rastrich, and another John de Rastrich, and Henry de Rastrich, and John de Rastrich, called "Henry's son," then Hanson. There were three successive John Hansons, the last of whom founded the family in New Hampshire.

(I) Thomas Hanson had a grant of one hundred acres of land (1658) near Salmon Falls, in the Province of New Hampshire. He came to Dover, New Hampshire, in 1639, and died in 1666. He was admitted a freeman, May 4, 1661, and in 1664-65 lived at Cocheco, where he was taxed as Thomas, Sr., 1664-65. His name does not appear again on the list of taxables, but his widow was taxed in 1666 and 1672. "Old Widow Hanson," as the record reads, was killed June 28, 1689. The will of Thomas Hanson was admitted to probate June 27, 1666, and his wife Mary was named in that instrument as his executrix. He gave money to his two daughters, and divided his real estate and other property among his sons, Tobias and Thomas, and two others, then under age, Isaac and Timothy. The children of Thomas and Mary Hanson were: Thomas, of whom further; Tobias; Isaac, taxed at Cocheco in 1672; Timothy; and two daughters not named.

(II) Thomas (2) Hanson, son of Thomas Hanson, of Dover, and Mary, his wife, was born about 1643, and was taxed at Cocheco from 1664 to 1677. He married and his children were: Thomas, born about 1680; John, of whom further; Nathaniel, Nancy, Elizabeth, James and Abigail. The will of this Thomas (2) Hanson was dated February 4, 1711, and mentions his wife as Mercy, and all of the children above noted except his son John.

(III) John Hanson, second son of Thomas (2) Hanson, lived at Nock's Marsh. Quint's "Ancient Dover" states that, as he was a Quaker, he declined to leave the exposed place where he lived when the Indian troubles of 1724 began, and his home was marked for an attack by thirteen Indians and French Mohawks, who lay near it for several days in ambush, waiting until Hanson and his men should be away. Then when he had gone to the week-day meeting of his church, August 27, 1724, and his two sons were at work at a distance, the Indians entered the house. Mrs. Hanson, a servant, and four children were in the house, of which one child the Indians immediately killed to terrify the others; two other children were at play in the orchard and would have escaped, but just as the Indians had finished rifling the house the two came in sight and made such a noise that the Indians killed the youngest boy to stop the alarm. They then started for Canada with Mrs. Hanson, who had been confined but fourteen days prior, her babe, a boy of six years, and two daughters, one fourteen years old, the other sixteen, and the servant girl. All reached Canada, but the party was repeatedly subdivided during the journey. The first person who discovered the tragedy was Hanson's eldest daughter on her return from meeting. Seeing the children dead, she uttered a shriek which was distinctly heard by her mother, in the hands of the

enemy, and by her brothers at work. Pursuit was instantly made, but the Indians avoided all paths and escaped undiscovered. After this disaster Hanson removed the remainder of his family to the house of his brother, "who," says Belknap, "though of the same religious persuasion yet had a number of lusty sons and always kept firearms in good order for the purpose of shooting game." Mr. Hanson, soon after the attack, went to Canada to ransom his family. The following item from the "News Letter" of 1725 is of interest in that connection:

Newport, August 27 (1725). On Tuesday last (Aug. 24) arrived here Mr. John Hanson, of Dover, Piscataqua, and about a Month's time from Canada, but last from New York, with his wife & three children and a Servant Woman; as also one Ebenezer Downs, having a wife & five children at Piscataqua; also one Miles Thompson, a Boy, who were all taken Captives about Twelve Months since, by the Enemy Indians, and carried to Canada, except the above said Hanson; who at the same time lost Two of his Sons by the Indians; and now it hath cost him about 700 pounds for their Ransom, including his other necessary charges. He likewise informs, that another of his children, a young woman of about Seventeen Years of Age, was carried Captive at the same time with the rest of the family, with whom he convers'd for several Hours, but could not obtain her Ransom; for the Indians would not consent to part with her on any terms, so he was obliged to leave her.

Mr. Hanson reached home September 1, 1725, but he could not content himself while his daughter Sarah was in Canada; and about April 19, 1727, he started in company with a kinsman who, with his wife, was bound on a similarly sad errand to redeem children; but he was taken sick on the journey, and died about half way between Albany and Canada—one account says Crown Point. The daughter married a Franchman and never returned. So far as records are obtained, John Hanson's family was as follows: He married May 23, 1703, Elizabeth ——. Their children were: Hannah, Sarah, Elizabeth, John, Isaac, Daniel, Ebenezer, Caleb, of whom further, and a daughter whose name is not given.

(IV) Caleb Hanson, son of John and Elizabeth Hanson, was born at Dover, New Hampshire, in 1728.

(V) Caleb Hanson, son of Caleb Hanson, was born in 1756, died in 1801. He lived in Sanford, Maine.

(VI) Bachelor Hanson, son of Caleb Hanson, was born in 1801, in Sanford, Maine, and died in China, Maine, in 1862. He was a farmer. He married Alice McKay, born in 1805, died in 1888, daughter of Henry McKay. Their children were: Andrew; Elihu, of whom further; Keziah; Irene J.; John, married Abigail —; Henry; Sally; Judith; Alexander.

(VII) Elihu Hanson, son of Bachelor and Alice (McKay) Hanson, was born in China, Maine, in 1828, died in China, Maine, in August, 1910. He was a farmer and Merchant, buying and selling farm produce. He was selectman and collector of taxes for many years. In religion he was a member of the Methodist Church. He married Minerva Starrett, born in China, Maine, in 1832, daughter of Daniel and Anna (Crummett) Starrett. She was living in 1925 at the age of ninety-three, with mind still alert and active. Their children: Two died in infancy; Everard B.; Harvey R.; Justus Greeley, of whom further.

(VIII) Dr. Justus Greeley Hanson, son of Elihu and Minerva (Starrett) Hanson, was born in China, Maine,



January 11, 1870. He was educated in the schools of China, Maine, and the Erskine Academy of that town. He received a medical education at Bowdoin and Dartmouth colleges, graduating in 1898. He came to the State Hospital at Northampton, Massachusetts, as assistant physician, which office he held until 1903. Since that date he has been practicing medicine in Northampton; for the past fifteen years he has been a member of the surgical staff of the Cooley Dickenson Hospital. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Eastern Hampshire Medical Society, the Massachusetts Surgical and Clinical Society, and the New England Psychiatric Society. He was superintendent of schools in China, Maine, for several years, and is now school physician in Northampton. He joined the Masonic fraternity in China, Maine; is a member of Williamsburg, Lodge, Knights of Pythias, in Northampton; a member of Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; a member of the New England Order of Protection; and of the Northampton Club. Dr. Hanson is a member of the Universalist Church.

He married, October 3, 1900, Louise Greig, of St. John's, New Brunswick, daughter of John and Rosamond (Smythe) Greig. They have one child, Beulah Minerva, born September 12, 1902.

**JAMES F. WOODS**—The life insurance realm has come to recognize in James F. Woods, of Pittsfield, a promising and already thoroughly efficient executive. A native of this city, of which he is also a lifelong resident, Mr. Woods has been active along other lines for a number of years, but has now for upwards of three years been identified with the economic field of life insurance. Universally known and esteemed in the community, Mr. Woods is going forward to large and ever increasing success. He is a son of William H. and Abbie L. Woods, his father a contractor and builder by trade.

James F. Woods was born in Cheshire, Massachusetts, October 28, 1891. His parents moved to Pittsfield in March, 1892, and he received his early education in the local public schools, completing his studies in the Pittsfield grammar schools, and as a young man was employed as a mail carrier in the Pittsfield Post Office. Active thus for seven years, he then became identified with the General Electric Company in their Pittsfield plant, where he was employed for about four years. On January 1, 1922, he formed his present affiliation, accepting the office of general agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York City. Giving to the responsibilities of this position the tireless energy and constructive attention which count for large importance, he has won an assured position in local insurance circles and is considered one of those young men from whom much may be confidently expected in the future. Mr. Woods is a Republican in his political convictions, and feeling a deep interest in every phase of local endeavor is a member of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is affiliated with Mystic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is a member of the Lions Club. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

James F. Woods married, January 15, 1913, at Chicopee, Massachusetts, Mary J. Sterrett, daughter of Robert H. and Sarah J. Sterrett, her father active as foreman in the Fisk Rubber Company. Mr. and Mrs. Woods are the parents of two children: Ralph S., born in September of 1916; and Ruth E., born in October of 1918.

**HENRY FREDERICK DECKER**—To cross the Atlantic Ocean nowadays and exchange Europe for the "New World"—a desire singularly widespread among millions of people and which unless kept within certain bounds by our immigration laws would have results which might well cause those who for generations have lived in the New World to look anxiously about for a newer world to go to—is a matter of a week's travel or less, with hardly any hardship to speak of, excepting, of course, the tribute paid to Neptune by those who are not "good sailors."

When Gottlieb Decker, father of Henry L. Decker, a native of Saxony, Germany, born December 8, 1828, came to this country it took eleven weeks to cross the ocean in a sailing vessel.

In Germany Gottlieb Decker drove horse teams and made long trips, staying away from his home sometimes for six weeks. He served four years in the German Army. He married in his native land. He embarked for this country in May, 1853, and upon his arrival in America settled in Northampton, Massachusetts, where he worked for a year making bricks. In 1855 he went to Hatfield, where he followed farming until April, 1868, working in the share system. At that time he removed to South Deerfield and bought a farm of some thirty-five acres, which he continued to work until 1909, when he retired from active life at the age of eighty-one. He lived until the age of ninety-one years, and in his old age was a remarkably well preserved man. He died in South Deerfield October 17, 1919. In the course of his farming operations he raised tobacco and onions, did some dairying work and a good deal of general farming. He was a member of the school committee in the days of the district committees.

Gottlieb Decker married (first), in Germany, Catherine Carl, a native of Saxony, born on May 12, 1832, died in South Deerfield on October 8, 1881. She was a daughter of Christian Carl, who came to America in the same sailing vessel with Gottlieb Decker, and died in South Deerfield. Mr. Decker married (second) Maria Chapin. The children of the first marriage are: 1. Lizzie, born in 1854, died in 1860. 2. John C. 3. William J., born October 25, 1857. 4. Henry F., of whom further. 5. Amelia, born March 8, 1860, deceased, who married Alfred L. Billings. 6. Minnie, born December 14, 1862, who married J. Sinclair. 7. George H., born May 6, 1864. 8. Jennie, born September 5, 1866, who married Christian Jenson. 9. Harry, born September 25, 1869.

Henry Frederick Decker, son of Gottlieb and Catherine (Carl) Decker, was born in Hatfield March 15, 1858. He received his education in the schools of Hatfield and Deerfield, and until his twenty-first year worked on his father's farm, after which he worked for a year for Charles Arms. He then purchased a

farm next to his father's where he lived for thirty-three years, raising tobacco, onions and potatoes. He also kept a dairy and did a certain amount of general farming. In 1913 he sold his farm and came to the village of South Deerfield to take up his residence. He owns valuable property in the village and has had no thought of retiring, being an active man in all his habits. For seven years he has worked on construction work on the State highways, and is the builder of the large garage on the main street in the village of South Deerfield, also of the gasoline filling station. In politics Mr. Decker is an independent, and in religion a member of the Congregational Church.

Henry Frederick Decker married, January 2, 1879, Elizabeth Ellen Pratt, of Northampton, a daughter of Horation Page and Mary Elizabeth (Ockenton) Pratt. Mr. and Mrs. Decker are the parents of the following children: 1. Edwin Henry, born June 1, 1880, married Ruby Curtis, and with her has five children: i. Elizabeth. ii. Winifred Louise. iii. Edith Irene. iv. Marjory. v. Leroy. 2. Cora Catherine, born August 19, 1882, who married Robert Crawford Childs, and with him has three children: i. Frederick. ii. Catherine. iii. Robert. 3. Edith Mary, born September 20, 1884, iv. married Arthur Brown, and with him has two children: i. Robert. ii. Leroy. 4. Aubrey Gottlieb Othman, born August 1, 1886, who married Nellie Shampoo, and they are the parents of three children: i. Frances, who married Melvin Johnson, and they are the parents of a child, Melvin Herbert Johnson, born April, 1924. ii. Walter. iii. Dalton. 5. Hazel Maria, born July 4, 1889, married Hiram Gibson. 6. Arline Maud, died at the age of three months. 7. Dalton Newell, died at the age of fifteen months. The family home is on Sugar-loaf Street, South Deerfield.

**JAMES S. MATTOON**—In the real estate realm in Pittsfield, James S. Mattoon has for many years been a well known figure, although quite recently he has more or less definitely retired from active interests. He is a man of large natural ability whose practical endeavors have counted in no uncertain way for the progress and development of the city of which he has been a resident for thirty-five years or more. He is a son of Charles G. and Anna O. (Smith) Mattoon, his father a farmer of Lenox throughout his lifetime.

James S. Mattoon was born in Lenox, Massachusetts, August 8, 1866. He received his education in the public and high schools of his native place. Following the completion of his studies Mr. Mattoon was employed by his uncle in his general store in Lenox, where the post office was also located. Thus the young man became familiar at once with merchandising and public service activities, and he remained in that connection for about six years. Then coming to Pittsfield, he was employed in leading hardware stores in this city for about fourteen years. Investing his savings from time to time in real estate, Mr. Mattoon thus became familiar with real estate affairs and conditions in this city and vicinity. This very naturally led to his buying and selling on a more or less extensive scale, and it was only a few years before he was a definite figure

in this general realm. Upon resigning from the commercial world he took up real estate development and brokerage with commendable energy and excellent judgment, giving to his work in this field the benefit of his accumulated experience and his lofty integrity. He has for several years, however, been practically retired from business activity. He is a supporter of the Republican party, and was councilman two years and alderman one year. Mr. Mattoon is a member of the Park Club, and attends the South Congregational Church.

James S. Mattoon married, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, January 29, 1896, May H. Dunham, daughter of James and Frances M. (Taylor) Dunham. Mr. and Mrs. Mattoon are the parents of three children: Isabel, born in 1897; James H., born in 1899, and Margaret, born in 1900. The Mattoon family residence is at No. 378 South Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

**JAMES BARTHOLOMEW KENNEDY**, one of Greenfield's native sons, has grown up along with the township, made himself a part thereof, and in the business and general civics life of the entire section has established his reputation as an indefatigable worker, and in many instances a leader of special aptitude. Loyal to all of Greenfield's interests, he has not only rendered his plumbing business one that is being conducted upon a large scale, and with the Greenfield stamp of excellence upon it, but there is no place of trust in town affairs that he has not filled in a most exemplary way, and to the entire satisfaction of his fellow townsmen. Many times has he been called upon to assume executive guidance of town government and social organizations, and he has filled such positions of trust with equability and good sense. That he stands high in the esteem of the people of this community is observable from every viewpoint of his citizenship.

He is a son of John Kennedy, who was born in 1839 in the town of Fermoy, County Cork, Ireland, and who is now living (1924) retired in Greenfield, at the age of eighty-five years. He learned the tailor's trade in his native land and worked at it there until 1865, when he removed to the United States. After residing in Boston a short time he went to Hartford and thence to Greenfield, where he located permanently, and there built up an extensive tailoring business, often employing a dozen workmen at one time, his superior skill and business ability securing him a competency. He sent for his father, Cornelius, in Ireland, who came to Greenfield and spent his last days with his son. John Kennedy married (first) Margaret Gorman, and they were the parents of a number of children who died while very young. Those of their family who grew up were: 1. John J. Kennedy, of Northampton, who is said to have been the only man in this State who ever beat Calvin Coolidge to an office, that office being for membership upon the School Board. 2. William E., of Greenfield. 3. James B., of whom further. 4. Margaret E. 5. Nora, who married Maurice Dwyer. He married (second), in 1906, Mary Woodlock.

James Bartholomew Kennedy was born at Greenfield June 10, 1878, and he received his education in the public schools of his birthplace. When he had com-



pleted his education in the schools he was employed in his father's office for a short time. His apprenticeship in the plumbing and contracting business was then made in the office of Williams & Knight, after which he worked with a number of other concerns for about ten years as a practical plumber. In April, 1906, he established his own business as a contractor in heating and plumbing, and since that time his work has covered a wide area, with thirty-five men in his employ at times, who have carried out his contracts at Boston, Hartford, Meriden, Troy, Cambridge, Bellows Falls, Milton, Orange, Athol and at places on Cape Cod. He has a retail store at Turners Falls, and for three years conducted a similar store at Windsor, Vermont, where he also merchandised stoves and kitchen hardware. In this business and its branches Mr. Kennedy has established a reputation for skilled work and absolutely fair dealing that has traveled far, and that is the chief cause for the success he has attained.

Mr. Kennedy has been called upon on various occasions to represent the people of this town and section in matters pertaining to civic welfare, and his has been a most efficient and faithful service. For example, he was a member of the Board of Selectmen four years, and he served in the finance committee of the board six years. He is treasurer and trustee of the Greenfield and Montague transportation area, a member of the board of directors of the State Fairs Association, and he was superintendent of midway of the Franklin County Agricultural Fair. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Knights of Columbus, and the Loyal Order of Moose; and he is a Past Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, as well as second vice-president of the State Association of Elks. He was at the head of the drive that was made by the Elks to raise the sum of \$5,000 for the work of the Salvation Army; and he was chairman of the committee that placed the bronze figure of the elk on the Mohawk Trail, the expense of which was \$6,000. He holds the presidency of the Greenfield Driving Club, the Outing Club and the Building Trades Association; and he is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Greenfield Club, and a member of the board of directors of the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Kennedy married, June, 1904, Margaret E. Murphy, of Deerfield, daughter of John and Nancy Murphy, who died in 1907, leaving one child, Mary Kennedy, born in 1907.

**JAMES McNAMARA BURKE**—Son of an Irish plow boy who was driven upon the shores of America by the devastating famine of 1849 in Ireland, James McNamara Burke has attained success and gifts of public office at the hands of his fellow-citizens, having been appointed probation officer of the Franklin County District Court.

Mr. Burke was born in the "Green River" section of Deerfield, Massachusetts, September 3, 1860, which, since has become a part of the town of Greenfield, the capital of Franklin County. He received his education in the Green River School in what was Deerfield at that time. In 1873 he went with his parents to Manchester, New Hampshire, and in that city he was employed as a young man at the Manchester Paint Works. Returning to

Greenfield he entered the employ of the Wiley & Russell Tap and Die plant, and continued to do the work of machinist there until 1900. In the latter year he engaged in the life insurance business, in which he remained for seven years. Since severing his connection with that line he has filled one public office after another. He first became sealer of weights and measures, then was truancy officer, also served as claim adjuster for the Valley Railroad. His appointment to the office of probation officer of the Franklin County District Court was made by Judge Field. Mr. Burke also holds the position of armorer of the Massachusetts State Armory at Greenfield, being custodian of the building. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

James McNamara Burke is a son of Dennis F. and Jane (McNamara) Burke. His father was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1832, and died in Greenfield in 1916. When living in his native bailiwick he followed the humble and menial occupation of plow boy. When he was seventeen years of age the great famine of 1849 scourged a good part of Ireland, and the boy, Dennis F., sought refuge in the United States, the land of plenty. He first went to Guilford, Vermont, where he remained for a time, later coming to Greenfield, where he entered the employ of the John W. Russell Cutlery Company. At the time of his death he was said to be the oldest cutlery man in the trade. After he had been in the United States for twenty-four years he went to Manchester, New Hampshire, where he held the position of watchman at the Blood Locomotive works until 1880, in which year he returned to Greenfield, where he passed the remainder of his days. He married Jane McNamara, born in the city of Limerick, Ireland, in 1832, and died in Greenfield in 1915, at the age of eighty-three years. Children: Edward, died in 1923; Michael, died in Manchester, New Hampshire, at the age of twenty years; James McNamara, of this review; Dennis, Cornelius and Patrick, all three deceased; Margaret, wife of Edward Sears, of New York, whose children are: Margaret, Michael, Edward, Josephine and Elmer.

James McNamara Burke married, November 20, 1884, Catherine Burke, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, daughter of Michael and Mary (Keefe) Burke, both of whom came from Ireland at an early age to live in this country. Their children: 1. Mary. 2. Kathleen. 3. James, a student in osteopathy at Davenport, Iowa, married Gertrude Starkey. 4. Marguerite, wife of Dr. Benjamin P. Burpee, of Manchester, New Hampshire, their children being: Kathleen, Elizabeth and William. 5. Edward. 6. Cecelia, deceased. 7. Esther, deceased. 8. Ruth, married Frederick Decker, of South Deerfield, Massachusetts. 9. Leo. 10. Frederick. 11. Walter, deceased. The two latter were twins. The sons, James and Edward, and the daughter, Marguerite, saw service in the World War. James and Edward entered the service in 1917 and served until the armistice was signed. They went to Charlotte, South Carolina, where James had charge of the canteen, with the rank of sergeant. Edward went to the same post and later was ordered to the Officers' Training School, at Camp Lee, where he ranked as sergeant, and was about to receive his commission as a lieutenant when the war ended and his



military service ceased. Marguerite was graduated from the Boston City Hospital, and during the war served under the Red Cross in the Parker Hill Hospital in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. James McNamara Burke have their residence at No. 15 Church Street, Greenfield.

**CARL B. WICHMANN**—Associated with those realty interests whose aim it is to secure permanence and prosperity for the profession and all connected therewith, Mr. Wichmann, who is prominent in the business and social citizenship of Pittsfield, gives his attention to a business that he has built up by concentrated endeavors for the benefit of those whom he serves, as well as the firm of Purches & Wichmann, of which he is a partner, and whose activities now cover a wide field. Mr. Wichmann's methods include those of careful inquiry into the progressive factors of his calling, while his outlook upon the world of realty is one of unflinching optimism. He is a son of William J. Wichmann, and of Bertha (Fischer) Wichmann, both of whom are deceased.

Carl B. Wichmann was born February 19, 1882, at Bremen, Germany, and with his parents he came to the United States in 1889, where he received his education in the public and high schools of Hoboken, New Jersey. Thereafter, for about fifteen years, he was in the employ of the dry goods firm of Lamb, Finlay & Company, of New York City. Removing to Pittsfield in 1912, he there established a mail order business under the name of Wichmann Dress Fabric Company, which he continued until 1917, when he opened his offices for real estate activities, continuing thus under his own name until 1922. In the latter year he formed a partnership with Frederick H. Purches, as real estate and insurance dealers, with offices at No. 100 North Street, and they have so continued to date. In 1925 Mr. Wichmann, realizing the difficulty his clients were experiencing in financing their prospective homes, organized the Pittsfield Mortgage Co., Inc., which takes second mortgages, thus bridging the gap between the first mortgage and the available cash a client can conveniently tie up in a home. Mr. Wichmann is treasurer of the corporation. Mr. Wichmann votes for the ticket of the Republican party, though he has had no inclination for public office. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Free and Accepted Masons, in their respective Pittsfield lodges, and he is a member of the Park Club; the Automobile Club; the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. He is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Mr. Wichmann married, in October, 1916, at Pittsfield, Lulu E. Dimanche, a daughter of Mrs. Louise E. Vangier, and they are the parents of Carl B., Jr., born in 1920.

**FREDERICK MICHAEL DECKER**—In the tremendous struggle between nations and civilizations of a different type, one group representing the forces of monarchy, militarism and political reaction, the other the hosts of freedom and democracy, every type of citizen who by his education and training could in some

way make his personal contribution to the sum total of general national effort, deserved well of country and nation and of the cause of human freedom the world over. One whose technical knowledge qualified him to take his proper and adequate share in the great national effort is Frederick William Decker, a grandson of Gottlieb Decker and son of John C. Decker.

Frederick Michael Decker is a native of South Deerfield, born February 13, 1896. After receiving his education in the public schools of his native town and at Dean Academy at Franklin, he matriculated as a student of the University of Vermont, at Burlington, and for six months studied electrical engineering and signaling. Thus fitted for doing very specialized and important military work, he entered for service in the World War in February, 1918, and for six months went to Camp Meade as instructor. In February, 1919, he received his honorable discharge from the army, and in recognition of his valuable patriotic services was given the rank of a non-commissioned officer. Since then Mr. Decker has taken an interest in the tobacco industry and has been engaged in the tobacco growing and packing business. He is secretary and treasurer of the C. J. and R. J. Decker Company, Incorporated. In politics Mr. Decker is an independent, and in religion a member of the Roman Catholic faith. He is a member of the local post of the American Legion; of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and of the Knights of Columbus.

Frederick Michael Decker married, June 11, 1923, Ruth Helen Burke, of Greenfield, a daughter of James M. and Kathleen Burke. The family home is in South Deerfield.

**FRANK MARION THOMPSON**—For forty years Frank Marion Thompson has been prominently identified with the civic and business life of Amherst, Massachusetts, and during a large part of that time he has been head of a men's clothing establishment now entitled F. M. Thompson & Son.

(I) Mr. Thompson is of an old and well-established New England family descended from William Thompson, who was born in the North of Ireland in 1695, and who died in Leicester, Massachusetts, July 7, 1772. He emigrated to America about 1718 with a large group of Scotch-Irish associates. His uncle, Samuel Thompson, settled in Holden, Massachusetts. William Thompson married Sarah, surname unknown, who died June 7, 1773. They were the parents of eight children.

(II) James Thompson, second child of William and Sarah Thompson, was born in 1724, and died July 2, 1809, in Paxton, Massachusetts. He married, May 26, 1757, Mary, surname unknown, born in 1732, died January 2, 1798. They were the parents of seven children.

(III) William Thompson, eldest child of James and Mary Thompson, was born May 6, 1758, died March 12, 1816, in Leicester, Massachusetts. He married, August 22, 1782, Bethiah Washburn, born May 24, 1765, died April 2, 1824. They were the parents of ten children.

(IV) Charles Thompson, seventh child of William and Bethiah (Washburn) Thompson, was born in Wales, Massachusetts, January 10, 1797, died in Stafford, Connecticut, January 6, 1877. He married, December 21,



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1823, Oril Nelson, born December 22, 1802, died May 24, 1842, as his first wife, and as his second, Betsy O. Nelson. Charles Thompson was a farmer in Brimfield or Wales.

(V) Needham Albert Thompson, fifth of the nine children of Charles and Oril (Nelson) Thompson, was born in Brimfield, Massachusetts, and died in Monson, of the same State, in 1906, at the age of seventy-four. He followed various occupations. In early life he went West, where he settled on government land and remained for about eight years. Returning to Wales, he was connected with the woolen mills, serving as superintendent. He also established the grocery business of Thompson Brothers, in partnership with his brother, in Stafford Springs, Connecticut. In his later years he lived in Monson, Massachusetts, where he farmed until his retirement. He was a Universalist in religious belief. He married (first) Mary Adeline Church, born in Wales, Massachusetts, in 1833, died in Monson in 1883, daughter of Sherman and Ruth (Brewer) Church. He married (second) Henrietta (Underwood) Skinner, in 1886, widow of Thomas A. Skinner. The children of the first marriage were: Frank Marion, of whom further, and Elmer Ellsworth.

(VI) Frank Marion Thompson, son of Needham Albert and Mary Adeline (Church) Thompson, was born in Marion, Illinois, August 6, 1858. He was educated in the public schools of Wales, Massachusetts, and of Stafford Springs, Connecticut. At fourteen years of age he began work in the woolen mills to earn money to attend Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, New York. In 1882, well trained in business therefore, he went to Boston, Massachusetts, where he was employed in a household furnishings store. After two years there he moved to Amherst in 1885. He entered the store of C. H. Sanderson, who retailed men's clothing, in the same building, and at the same location as Mr. Thompson's present business. For forty years he has occupied the same business quarters. Mr. Sanderson soon took as partner the energetic and capable young employee, and the firm name became Sanderson & Thompson. For many years Mr. Thompson conducted the business alone. In 1918 his son, Floyd A., became his partner, and the business thrives, being widely known throughout Western Massachusetts as an especially well equipped establishment. Some years ago Mr. Thompson purchased the entire block in which his store is located. His activities have not been confined to the upbuilding of his own enterprise. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Amherst Savings Bank, and of the committee on investments; and he is an ex-member of the town Finance Board. Mr. Thompson joined Dayspring Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Monson, and is now a member of Pacific Lodge, of Amherst. He is also affiliated with the Business Men's Association. He is a communicant of the Congregational Church.

Frank M. Thompson married, April 22, 1890, Jessie Maria Allen, of Amherst, Massachusetts, daughter of Lysander H. and Mary (Bullard) Allen. They were the parents of four children: 1. Floyd Allen, educated

in Amherst and Worcester academies and Burdette Business College of Boston, associated with his father in business; married Marion Nash. 2. Donald Church, a Cornell graduate, class of 1917; enlisting at the time of the World War he was in training at Madison Barracks for military service at the time of the armistice; commissioned as captain; is living in Orange, Massachusetts, with his wife, Sylvia (Perry) Thompson, and young son, Perry Allen Thompson. 3. Merrill Needham, attended Cornell University for two years; and was in the United States Navy during the World War; is in the insurance business in Hingham, Massachusetts, serving as rating engineer for the Aetna Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, with his offices in Boston, Massachusetts; married Alice Richards, by whom he has a son, Merrill Needham Thompson. 4. Marion Woodbury, married Fred G. Woodworth, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who is superintendent for the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for the Philadelphia district. Mr. Thompson's business address is No. 1 Pleasant Street, and residence at No. 48 Lincoln Avenue.

**HARRY SAMBLE**—Springfield, Massachusetts, has offered to many young men of ambition and energy various opportunities for advancement. In this flourishing city Harry Samble has seized every such opportunity and has become a prominent and useful citizen. Harry Samble was born in Glasgow, Scotland, February 28, 1882, son of William E. and Caroline (Ellery) Samble. His father, born in Truro, Cornwall, England, September 20, 1858, was long employed on the "Springfield Republican" after his move to this country. His mother was born in Truro also, in 1860.

Harry Samble received a thorough schooling in the public schools of Springfield and in Central High School, noted for the excellence of its training. He began his business career with the "Springfield Republican," which he served from 1897 until 1907. In 1907 he started the Belmont Laundry, at No. 333 Belmont Avenue. This establishment, small and unpretentious in the beginning, has grown steadily in the same location until now it is one of the important laundries in town, employing thirty people on general laundry work and serving five routes. The laundry is run on very efficient lines and is unusually well equipped. Harry Samble has stamped it with his own honest, thorough-going and able personality. He is interested in civic affairs, and fraternizes with his fellows through the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a member; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is an active member of the Episcopal Church.

Harry Samble married, in Springfield, Massachusetts, September 20, 1905, Corinne Fortin, who was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of Cleophas and Albina (Gregory) Fortin, both born in Iberville, Canada. The children of Harry and Corinne (Fortin) Samble are: Harry, Jr., born in Springfield June 9, 1913, and Robert Emerson, born April 25, 1924.

**HOWARD F. BAKER**, superintendent of the Haydenville plant of the Corticelli Silk Company, was born in Leeds, Massachusetts, December 27, 1884. His father was Frank Baker, and his mother Addie (Thompson) Baker. The Baker family is named for one of the oldest callings, and its members have done much to advance the communities in which they have lived, and where they have been conspicuous for achievements and discoveries for centuries. Few families were more numerous in the Colonial days of New England, and especially in Massachusetts than the Bakers. The first federal census taken in 1790 shows no fewer than twenty-five John Bakers born between 1710 and 1770, as heads of families in the State.

(I) Peter Baker, born September 7, 1774, married Lorina (surname unknown), who was born April 12, 1784. They were the parents of David, Lorina, Loren, of whom further; Lucy Vallorous, Louise Elvira, Reaty Aurella, Hulda Miranda and Mabala.

(II) Loren Baker, son of Peter Baker, was born in Guilford, Vermont, in November, 1803; died June 10, 1863. He was married, April 22, 1830, to Cynthia Barrett, born October 15, 1810; died June 23, 1885. Their children were: Peter, of whom further; Addison Root, John Brenton, Harriet Elizabeth, Cynthia Lorina, Charlotte Lucinda, David Gustavus, Charles Hubert, Ella Alvina, Frank Pierce and Minnie Eldora.

(III) Peter (2) Baker, son of Loren Baker, was born in Guilford, Vermont, June 14, 1831. He was a mill wright and worked on dam construction and masonry. He enlisted in the Civil War in 1862, serving in Company F, 34th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and was wounded October 13, 1864. He served until the close of the war. He married Lucy Weatherhead, of Guilford, Massachusetts, daughter of Austin Weatherhead; she died July 10, 1911, aged seventy-five years. Their children were: Walter, Frank, of whom further; William, Herman and Clara, who married Walter Shaw.

(IV) Frank Baker, son of Peter (2) Baker, was born in Leyden, Massachusetts, October 5, 1857, and received his education in the schools of Hawley, West Cummington and Bernardston. After he had finished school he went into the paper mill of L. L. Brown, of West Cummington, where he remained for nine years. He went from there to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he followed farming for a short time. After that he went to Connecticut and worked at paper making in Windsor Locks, and Suffield, and later Middlefield. In 1882 he came to Leeds, Massachusetts, and was employed in the Nonotuck Silk Mills, where he became foreman in the silk dressing room. About 1911 he was placed in charge of the hydro-electric plant of the silk company at Leeds, and has occupied that post ever since. He married, May 16, 1883, Addie Thompson, born in Windsor, Massachusetts, July 25, 1860, daughter of Edward M. and Asenath S. (Mason) Thompson. They were the parents of Howard F., of whom further, and Esther Baker.

(V) Howard F. Baker, son of Frank and Addie (Thompson) Baker, was educated in the schools of Northampton. On completing his studies he entered the employ of the Corticelli Silk Company, where he worked

three years. He was next employed in the Florence Brush Shop, where he was employed for eleven years. In 1913 he was made superintendent of the Haydenville plant of the Corticelli Silk Company, where he has continued ever since. Mr. Baker is a member of Hampshire Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Williamsburg, in which he has passed through all the chairs. He is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of Northampton, and is especially active in the affairs of the Congregational Church of Williamsburg, where he has made his home since his marriage.

Mr. Baker married, November 25, 1908, Wistella Adams, of Williamsburg, daughter of Dwight and Agnes (Toben) Adams. They are the parents of one child, Phyllis, born October 5, 1913.

**HENRY TRAVER, JR.**—Merited prominence and success in the real estate field at Pittsfield, have marked the progress of Mr. Traver, who has won the good will and faith of the people in the large territory of his business activity by means of his thoroughly informative plans, and his zealous inquiry of catering to the special needs of his patrons. His specialty in insurance matters is accompanied with the desirable results of his industrious and pleasing methods. He is a son of Henry Traver and of Harmenah (Coon) Traver, of Rhinebeck, New York.

Henry Traver, Jr., was born October 8, 1862, at Rhinebeck, New York, and after he had completed his preliminary education at the public schools of his birthplace, he graduated at the Eastern Business College, New York, where he made preparation for his business career. For a period of five years his apprenticeship in the school of experience was made in the employment with two firms; and in 1886 he established his own furniture and crockery business at Hudson, New York, in which he continued with satisfactory results six years. In 1892, Mr. Traver went to Pittsfield, in the capacity of bookkeeper in the employ of the Pierson Hardware Company, remaining in their office ten years, following which he entered into salesmanship for the same company, so continuing eleven years. His interest in real estate matters took permanent form when, in 1904, he established himself in offices at No. 24 North Street, and there to-day he specializes in real estate and insurance. His political association is with the Democratic party, being a member of the city government for five years and was president of the Board of Aldermen last year. His fraternal affiliations are those of Crescent Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and of Poughkeepsie, New York, Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he is also a member of the Park Club, the Motor Club, and the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Traver's religious fellowship is with the Baptist Church at Pittsfield.

He married, January 19, 1888, Ella A. Sipperley, a daughter of John and Catherine Sipperley, and they are the parents of Leo Henry Traver, who was born in 1890, and who is associated in business with his father.

**JOHN MARLOW**—Fire Chief John Marlow, of Northampton, Massachusetts, has been connected with the Fire Department of that city for thirty-five years. He was born in Malone, New York, April 3, 1870, son of



Charles and Felina E. (Roley) Marlow. He received a common school education, and his first actual employment was with the city of Northampton as a member of the Fire Department. He worked up from the ranks through a series of promotions for thirty years, and five years ago was appointed chief.

Chief Marlow is a member of the Massachusetts Fire Association, State Fire Chiefs Association, a director of the State Firemen's Association, member of Northampton Lodge, No. 28, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Northampton Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Chief Marlow married, April 21, 1897, Mary Foley. Five children have been born to them: Louis; Charles; George; Morrow; and Grace.

**FREDERICK EUGENE RICH**—Representing the Standard Oil Company in its agency at Greenfield, Mr. Rich is expert in a business in which he has made himself proficient with that company for more than twenty years, and with others of similar product. He comes of a rugged Vermont family endowed with New England industriousness and energy, the paternal line being presented as follows:

(I) Russell Rich. This is understood to have been the name of the grandfather of Mr. Rich, who lived in Vermont, and whose children were: Rosmond P., of whom further; Charles E.; Henry N.; Harriet; Sarepta.

(II) Rosmond P. Rich, son of Russell Rich, was born in Orwell, Vermont, May 31, 1823, and he died at Ludlow, Massachusetts, July 25, 1883. He was a miller, and owned and operated mills at Belchertown, Ludlow, and Chicopee Falls, for the grinding of grain. He later was employed at the Ludlow Mills, and he died in that town. He married (first) Jane Lynn, who was born in England; (second) Eliza M. Fuller, of Ludlow, Massachusetts, who died in 1886. Children of the first marriage: 1. Lucy N. 2. Charles. 3. Hattie, who married George D. Howard of Springfield, Massachusetts. Children of the second marriage: 1. Bertha, deceased. 2. Orra, married — Goddard, of North Canton, Connecticut. 3. Nettie, married George Taft, of Corona, Long Island. 4. Frederick Eugene, of whom further. 5. John, deceased.

(III) Frederick Eugene Rich, son of Rosmond P. and Eliza M. (Fuller) Rich, was born in Belchertown, Massachusetts, July 10, 1868, and he received his education in the schools of Ludlow, Massachusetts, where his parents had removed in his childhood. He left school at eleven years of age, and from that time until his twenty-first year, he was employed in gunny and twine mills at Ludlow. He afterwards lived in Springfield and in New York, where he was employed. Returning to Massachusetts, he located at Westfield for about eleven years, where he sold oil as a retailer, later being employed in the same capacity with S. J. Cordener at Springfield. Since 1914, he has been employed by the Standard Oil Company as salesman and yardman at their plant at Greenfield. His place of residence is at Montague City.

He married, November 28, 1895, Nettie McCarty, at Springfield, a daughter of John B. and Sarah (Boynton)

McCarty. Their children: 1. Herbert Leslie, born September 6, 1896, died April 24, 1897. 2. Ruth Pearl, born October 17, 1897, married Robert Ramsey, who was born in East Longmeadow. Their children: Gilbert Arthur, deceased; Ruth Jeannette, born February 24, 1920; Marjorie Sarah, born March, 1921; Robert, born April 26, 1922; Helen Grace, born January 10, 1924. 3. Grace Elizabeth, born December 7, 1899. 4. Edith Hazel, born June 28, 1902. 5. Eunice Flora, born September 21, 1906.

**LEOFRED H. CARON**—A native of Canada, but a resident of the United States for many years. Mr. Caron has been a prominent undertaker and mortician in Chicopee Falls for the last fifteen years. He was born in St. Jean Port Joli, Province of Quebec, Canada, September 1, 1873, a son of Nazaire and Angeline (Morin) Caron.

Leofred H. Caron received his early education in St. Charles School, Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec, Canada, and later attended the Massachusetts School of Embalming in Boston, Massachusetts, and Massachusetts College of Embalming, from which latter he was graduated in April, 1904. He started immediately afterwards in business for himself as an undertaker in Gardner, Worcester County, where he remained until 1911. In that year he removed to Chicopee Falls, Hampden County, and opened there an undertaking establishment at No. 74 Main Street under his own name which he has continued to carry on since then. As a result of his able management and the high standards of courtesy and promptness which his establishment maintains, the business has met with marked success and a continuous expansion. He is a member of the St. Jean Baptiste Society of Chicopee; L'Union St. Jean Baptiste d' Amerique; L'Union Canadienne; Foresters of America; and Independent Order of Foresters, as well as of the Laurier Club, Chicopee Falls. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church, and more particularly with St. George's Church, Chicopee Falls.

Mr. Caron married, at Gardner, Massachusetts, October 30, 1893, Belzemire Laroche, a daughter of Lucippe and Louise (Nault) Laroche. Mr. and Mrs. Caron are the parents of four children: 1. Ruth A., born October 20, 1899; married Homer Bonneau. 2. Edith A., born October 22, 1902; a graduate of St. Elizabeth College, Morristown, New Jersey, class of 1925, and since then a teacher in New York City. 3. Ritha B., born July 21, 1905. 4. Leofred H., Jr., born October 2, 1907; a student of Chicopee High School. The family home is located at No. 90 Walnut Street, Chicopee Falls.

**MICHAEL HENRY LYONS**, associated with his father in the mason contracting business at Northampton, Massachusetts, was born in that city August 12, 1892, son of Patrick Francis and Margaret Mary (Dorsey) Lyons, his father having for many years been a leading mason contractor and bricklayer of Northampton. The son, Michael H., attended the local public and St. Michael's parochial schools. He then began to learn the mason's trade, under the instruction of his father. The largest job of building construction ever to be undertaken in Western Massachusetts was the



building of the Federal Hospital, in which all the brick work and the plastering were done under Michael H. Lyons's supervision.

Mr. Lyons is a Democrat in politics. He was a member of the Common Council in 1923, and was elevated in 1924 to the Board of Aldermen, in which he was chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs and chairman of the Police Committee. Mr. Lyons is a member of Northampton Council, Knights of Columbus; and Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Lyons married, November 28, 1917, at Northampton, Mary A. Danford, and they are the parents of three children: George Edward, Robert James, and Bernard Lyons.

**HON. JOHN H. WATERHOUSE**, the honored president of the Blackinton Company, is a leading textile executive in New England, his experience having linked his name with various concerns of this general purpose in Massachusetts and neighboring States, while his present affiliation carries him to marked eminence in this industry. Mr. Waterhouse is a man of large natural ability and in his present responsible position holds leading rank in the industrial affairs of Western Massachusetts. His usefulness is a matter of general recognition over a period of many years and his influence is always cast on the side of progress. Mr. Waterhouse is a son of John and Lavinia Mary Augusta (Earnshaw) Waterhouse, his father was a leading woolen manufacturer of his time.

John H. Waterhouse was born March 1, 1870, and his education was begun in the public schools of Rhode Island. Later attending Bryant and Stratton Business College of Providence he prepared himself for a position in the executive personnel of the industrial world. Entering the woolen textile field he gained his first experience in the manufacture of worsteds, and in 1899 accepted an executive position with the Washington Mills, of Lawrence. There he was active until 1924 as designer for the company. In 1898 he became identified with the Blackinton Company, of North Adams, as designer, and about 1901 organized the firm of Waterhouse & Buffum, 1907 to 1911 inclusive he was in business elsewhere, returning to North Adams in 1912. In 1917 the business was incorporated and Mr. Waterhouse became president. This concern, now known as the Blackinton Company, is one of the long established mills of this section of the State and produces a fine quality of worsted materials for mens wear. Mr. Waterhouse is further identified with local affairs as a director of the North Adams Trust Company, and is a leading Republican of this part of the State. He has served as Councilman of North Adams from the year 1908 and in 1909 and 1910 filled the highest local office in the gift of the people, that of mayor. In 1920 he was made alternate delegate to the National Convention, and in the present year (1924) he served as delegate to the National Republican Convention. Mr. Waterhouse is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his clubs are the Berkshire; the North Adams; the Park Club, of Pittsfield, and the Country Club, of North Adams.

John H. Waterhouse married in November of 1898, Charlotte Louise Archer, daughter of Oscar H. and Helen B. (Blackinton) Archer. Mrs. Waterhouse died on February 13, 1913, leaving three children: John Archer, born June 21, 1901; Charlotte Louise, born August 22, 1903; and William Sanford Blackinton, born July 29, 1906.

**LEONARD JOHNSON**, superintendent of carding at the West Boylston Manufacturing Company, Easthampton, Massachusetts, and one of the ablest mill superintendents in all New England, is a man of attainments and of distinguished ancestry.

(I) The branch of the Johnson family to which he belongs was founded in America by Elkanah Johnson, who married and had a son, Bartholomew, of further mention.

(II) Bartholomew Johnson, son of Elkanah Johnson, married and had a son, Bartholomew, of further mention.

(III) Bartholomew Johnson, son of Bartholomew Johnson, married Mary Greene, and had a son, Stephen, of further mention.

(IV) Stephen Johnson, son of Bartholomew and Mary (Greene) Johnson, was born in Coventry, Rhode Island, April 13, 1803. He married Celia P. Johnson, and died September 30, 1870.

(V) Rufus Jackson Johnson, son of Stephen and Celia P. (Johnson) Johnson, was born April 29, 1827. In his early years he was a ship builder in New London, Connecticut. He cut out the wooden knees used in the building of sailing ships at that period. In later life he was a stone mason. He passed his days largely in Coventry, Rhode Island, where he died in 1910, aged eighty-two years. He married Huldah Ann Fenner, born in Coventry, Rhode Island, August 11, 1828, died June 13, 1887. They were the parents of seven children: 1. Albert. 2. Mary Jane, married William McKelroy, now deceased. 3. James Henry. 4. Alonzo B. 5. Rufus, Jr. 6. Leonard, of further mention. 7. Harriet, deceased.

(VI) Leonard Johnson, son of Rufus Jackson and Huldah Ann (Fenner) Johnson, was born in Coventry, Rhode Island, September 26, 1867. He was educated in the schools of Coventry, and at eighteen he entered the employ of a cotton mill, but remained only a short time. He next worked in a tin shop for six months; and afterwards was clerk in a grocery store for a brief period. He also worked in the Clyde bleachery for a time. When he was nineteen years old, he returned to the cotton mills to earn a livelihood, and has followed that line ever since without deviation or intervals of idleness. He began with the Quidnick Manufacturing Company in Rhode Island, continuing for two years. He next went to the Paul Whiting Company of Northbridge, Massachusetts, where he continued for two and one-half years. From there he went to the Berkley Company of Rhode Island, where he was made assistant foreman, and where he continued for two years. His next place of employment was the Hargreaves Mill at Fall River, Massachusetts. There he was made foreman of the carding department. He went from there to the King Philip Mill, where he became superintendent of carding. He was the youngest boss carder and the highest paid at the time. He continued with the



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King Philip Mill in this position for six years. After that he became superintendent of the Wampanoag Mills at Fall River, where he remained two years. For a short time he was superintendent of the Manville Mill in Rhode Island. From there he went to New Bedford, Massachusetts, where he had the oversight of the Page Manufacturing Company in the construction of the factory building, and the installation of the machinery. He remained for eleven years as superintendent of the plant until June, 1917, when he went on the road as a traveling salesman continuing for a short time. He came afterwards to Easthampton, Massachusetts, as the superintendent of carding in the West Boylston Mills, one of the largest plants of its kind in the State. Mr. Johnson has made his home in Northampton since he came to the Easthampton plant. He is a member of King Philip Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River, and supports the Congregational Church.

Mr. Johnson married, October 29, 1892, Frances Gradwell, daughter of James and Ann (Purdy) Gradwell, the mother a native of Belleville, New Jersey. James Gradwell, father of Mrs. Johnson, was born in Manchester, England, in 1829, and came to the United States before the war against Mexico. He took part in that struggle, and served in the Union Army again through the Civil War, taking part in some of the most important engagements. He fought in the battles of Bull Run, Gettysburg, Antietam and Fredericksburg, proving himself a brave soldier and a citizen loyal to his adopted country. Mr. Johnson's home address is No. 45 Monroe Avenue, Northampton; his business address is: Superintendent, West Boylston Mills, Easthampton, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE WALTER WILCOX** is one of the younger descendants of an old Vermont family, a son of Everett Eugene Wilcox, grandson of Cushman Ira Wilcox, great-grandson of Joel Wilcox, and great-great-grandson of Nathaniel Wilcox, all like himself natives of the State of Vermont. His mother, Nellie J. (Washer) Wilcox, of Richford, Vermont, was a daughter of Stephen and Mary (Harris) Washer.

George W. Wilcox was born at Guilford, Vermont, April 21, 1885. He received his first education in the public schools of Guilford, Vermont, and Greenfield, Massachusetts, coming to the latter place at the age of fourteen years. Having completed his school studies he served for seven years as clerk in a store. He next worked for the Greenfield Street Railway Company, for two years, and after that went into the automobile business, and has been successfully engaged in it ever since (1924). Beginning in a small garage for himself he later built what is known as the Weldon Garage on Federal Street. In 1913 he incorporated the business under the name of the Weldon Garage, Inc., of which he is president and manager. He is also president of the Greenfield Grinding & Machine Company, and is president of the Greenfield Enameling Works. Mr. Wilcox is the distributing agent for the Nash automobile, and as such is in sole control of seven counties situated in the States of Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Hampshire, and he handles many hundreds of cars yearly.

In October, 1918, Mr. Wilcox rendered national service

to his country by entering the World War, and was sent to the Joseph E. Johnson Camp at Jacksonville, Florida, a training school for officers in the motor transport service. On December 15, 1919, he received his honorable discharge. He was one of the youngest men in his company and to enter the army left a wife and two children behind. His fraternal and other associations include membership in the local lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Masons, the Council and Commandery, and member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He is also a member of the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

George Walter Wilcox married, April 21, 1910, Mollie Tower, of Clarendon, Vermont, a daughter of Runah H. and Ella (Fisk) Tower. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox are the parents of two sons: 1. Walter Willis, born November 9, 1912. 2. George Walter, Jr., born September 14, 1918, died April 22, 1919. The family home is at No. 182 High Street, Greenfield.

**LORENZO BASIL FORTIN**—The name of Fortin is of French origin, Mr. Fortin's ancestors having emigrated many generations ago to Canada from France. His grandfather, who was Canadian by birth came to Massachusetts about 1855 and settled in the town of Montague, Massachusetts. He lived at what is now the pool of the dam in Turners Falls, and exercised the trade of woodcutter on the territory now occupied by the village of Turners Falls. His son, Dennis Fortin, was born in Canada in 1850 and is now living in retirement in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He came to Massachusetts with his parents at the early age of five years and after attending school in Montague, worked on the farm as a boy. Later he entered the mill of the Griswold Manufacturing Company in Turners Falls, where he continued to work for a number of years and subsequently was active for the same company at Colerain, Massachusetts. His next position was with the firm of Tucker & Cook of Conway, Massachusetts, where he acted as foreman until he retired and went to live with his son in Philadelphia. Settling there he became a naturalized American citizen and was a member of the now extinct order of the Knights of Labor.

He married Emily Paul, who died in 1916, aged sixty-two years and the children of the marriage were: 1. Maud, who married Walter S. Oakes, of Kalamazoo, Michigan. 2. Ephraim, of Allentown, Pennsylvania. 3. Deneige, who married Richard Price, of Northampton, Massachusetts. 4. Lorenzo Basil. 5. Elder, of Salem, New York. 6. Ralph, of Philadelphia. 7. Blanche. 8. Arthur E., who served in the World War, going across to France in the spring of 1918. He was a musician and played in the band.

Lorenzo Basil Fortin was a native of Montague where he was born on March 29, 1882, and after attending school in Conway, Massachusetts, and a short time in Colerain, worked in the mill when eleven years of age during vacation, going to school in the winter. At the age of fourteen he went to work on a farm in Conway, Massachusetts, remaining there for seven years. He then went to Turners Falls where he served three years learning the machinist's

trade in the Clark Machine Shops and at the conclusion of this period entered the employ of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company as fireman, remaining in that position two years. In 1907 he accepted a post with the Greenfield Gas Light Company, working first as a stoker, shoveling coal in the gas house for the production of gas. From that time on he rapidly rose to higher positions first as foreman and soon after as Superintendent of manufacturing and distributions until in August, 1922, he was made general manager of the property of the company. His rise to that position is due to the simple fact that he is a clean cut able type of an executive and sheer ability and strength of character and no outside help or "pull" of any kind are the qualities which have helped him. Mr. Fortin is affiliated with Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield, Massachusetts; a Companion of the Royal Arch Chapter; is associated with the Knights Templar; and a member of the Eastern Star. He is also a member of the Pocumtuck Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Rebekah Lodge, and holds membership in the Greenfield Club; and the Kiwanis Club, in the guild of Gas Managers.

On June 12, 1906, Mr. Fortin married Florence Clark, of Keene, New Hampshire, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Hamblett) Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Fortin are the parents of a daughter, Christine Olive, born September 6, 1908.

#### **ROLLAND A. DUNN, STEPHEN P. DUNN—**

In real estate and insurance with his brother, in Holyoke, Massachusetts, Rolland A. Dunn was born in Holyoke, August 28, 1890. With his brother also, Stephen P. Dunn, he attended the public school and the high School of Holyoke, and they started in the real estate and insurance business in that city in 1915. Stephen P. Dunn was born June 10, 1892. The firm name is R. A. & S. P. Dunn. Both are independent in politics. Rolland A. Dunn was a soldier during the World War, in the Headquarters Company at Camp Devens. The brothers are members of the Knights of Columbus, and Stephen P. Dunn is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Both belong to the Holy Cross Catholic Church of Holyoke. Rolland A. Dunn is unmarried. Stephen P. Dunn, on October 12, 1921, married Mary E. O'Leary, born in Holyoke, daughter of Dennis M. and Mary (Brady) O'Leary, both of Holyoke. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen P. Dunn have two children: Edmund Paul, born in Holyoke, November 24, 1922; Stephen Paul, born in Holyoke, March 10, 1925. Peter E. Dunn, father of these two brothers, was born in Little Falls, New York, and Nellie T. (Keefe) Dunn, mother, was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

**RICHARD LEIGHTON CLAPP**—His well-proven energies and capabilities in the most progressive of farming matters, both in the West and in Montague, his home-town section of the State, have enduringly impressed themselves upon all of Mr. Clapp's enterprises, to the end that to-day he is possessor of most desirable lands devoted to varied agriculture, as well as to a competency won by skillful and prudent application to his life's programme of labor. He has a like devotion to

industry and duty, and he takes just pride in the merit of civic reward and recognition of service that has distinguished his family. Mr. Clapp is a descendant of:

(I) Captain Roger Clapp, born in Devonshire, England in 1609, joined the Massachusetts Bay Colony in America, emigrating in the ship "Mary and John," in 1630. He died in Boston in 1691, and with his wife is buried in King's Chapel. A prominent man in the colony, he was commander of Castle William, now Fort Independence, in Boston Harbor. He married Joanna Ford, and had a son, Preserved, of whom further.

(II) Preserved Clapp, son of Captain Roger Clapp, was born in Dorchester, in 1643, and died in 1720. He married Sarah Newbury, and had a son Preserved (2), of whom further.

(III) Captain Preserved (2) Clapp, son of Preserved Clapp, was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1675, and died in 1757. He married Mehitabel Warner, and have a son, John, of whom further.

(IV) John Clapp, son of Captain Preserved (2) Clapp, was born in 1708, and died in 1791. He settled in Montague, in 1754, on the land which is now known as the Clapp homestead, but at the time of John's settlement there it was the site of an Indian fort that was located in the heart of an almost trackless wilderness. John Clapp was one of the original settlers, who organized the township and was moderator of the first town meeting, that took place December 1, 1755. He married Eunice Parsons, and had a son Solomon, of whom further.

(V) Solomon Clapp, son of John Clapp, was born in Sunderland, Massachusetts, in 1751, and he died in 1838. He was a prominent man, and a captain in the militia; succeeding to the ownership of the homestead, he remained there to the time of his death. He married (first) Lois Bardwell; (second) Widow Ann Allen. His son by his first marriage was Eliphaz, of whom further.

(VI) Eliphaz Clapp, son of Solomon Clapp, was born in 1788 and died in 1876. He was a brick and stone mason, manufacturing the brick and building the residence of his son, Richard. He was prominent in township affairs and served the town as selectman and overseer of the poor. He married, in 1811, Charlotte Gunn, who died in 1853; she was a daughter of Solomon Gunn, a soldier in the War of the Revolution; he had a son, Richard, of whom further.

(VII) Deacon Richard Clapp, son of Eliphaz Clapp, was born in Montague November 29, 1819, and died at the farmstead on which he was born, August 2, 1907. He did an extensive lumber business throughout his life, purchasing farms and clearing the lumber therefrom. His farming business also was successful, and he held such offices in the gift of his fellow townsmen as selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor. With the exception of four years in New York, in which he was engaged in the hardware trade, from 1869 to 1873, his life was spent on the ancestral farm. He was a fine type of the old New England citizen; and a Republican in politics for whom he always voted. He married, October 7, 1847, Eunice Slate, of Bernardston, daughter of Captain Joseph Slate. She died in 1910. Their children: 1. Comelia Maria, an instructor at Mount Holyoke College, whose Science Hall was named in her



honor. 2. Richard Leighton, of whom further. 3. Harriet. 4. Mary Elizabeth. 5. Walter, who died in infancy. 6. Charles Wellington.

(VIII) Richard Leighton Clapp, son of Deacon Richard Clapp, was born in Montague, March 21, 1851, and after receiving his preliminary education in the schools of his birthplace, he attended Andover Academy, at Andover, Massachusetts, for a year. He was then employed for five years in a grocery and hardware store at Turners Falls; after which he removed to Nebraska, where he at first engaged in stock raising, afterwards, for six years, in the hardware business, at Erving. For three years, while in the West, he held the position of deputy county treasurer of Holt County, Nebraska, with headquarters at O'Neil. Mr. Clapp returned East, February 3, 1893, and settled on the home place, where he has been engaged in diversified farming since, and in which he has met with marked success. The farm comprises some three hundred acres, and the property has been in possession of the family since 1754. Mr. Clapp served a year as member of the Board of Selectmen. His fraternal affiliations are those of Bay State Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter. He also became affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and with the Ancient Order United Workmen. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Clapp married, October 12, 1876, Jennie A. Clapp, who was born in Emporia, Kansas, daughter of James H. Clapp, who was living in 1924 at the age of ninety years, and of Elizabeth (Nye) Clapp, who died in 1922 at the age of ninety-two years. Mrs. Clapp's ancestry is also from Roger I. Clapp, through Preserved II, Preserved III, John IV, John V, Joseph VI, Martin Harvey VII, born in 1797, James Henry VIII, born in 1834, her father. Children of Richard L. and Jennie A. Clapp: 1. Richard Harold, born November 12, 1877; graduated from high school at Montague, matriculated at Boston University, where he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts, and afterwards graduated at Andover Theological Seminary with his degree of Bachelor of Divinity. He is a Congregational clergyman, his pastorates having been as follows: At Farmington, Maine, twelve years; at Brattleboro, Vermont, three years; at Northampton, Massachusetts, two years, and two years, 1923 and 1924, at New Haven, Connecticut. He married Ellen Lyman, and their children are: Eunice, Ruth, Richard, Theodore. 2. John Theodore Clapp was born at Montague, September 20, 1881, graduate of the Montague High School. He is salesman for the Swift Company, at Springfield, covering part of Massachusetts and Connecticut. He married Mary Payne. Their children: Edward, James, Elizabeth. 3. Mary, who died in Nebraska, aged six years.

**GEORGE GILBERT HENRY**—The township of Ashfield possesses in Mr. Henry an influential business man, who both as pastmaster and storekeeper is worthy the high estimation of his fellow townsmen. His thorough experience as manufacturer and director in creamery establishments in various towns of Western Massachusetts not only qualified him for a substantial place in mercantile activity, but won for him a very large

circle of friends and co-workers in this section. To the advancement of Ashfield and its neighborhood he devotes his matured talents and his best interests and endeavor. His immediate ancestry in Massachusetts, is as follows:

(I) Silas Henry was born in Princeton, Massachusetts, and married Hannah Moore, who was born in Philipston, Massachusetts. Their children: Eben S., of whom further. 2. George. 3. Oliver.

(II) Eben Silas Henry, son of Silas Henry, was born in Princeton, Massachusetts, August 19, 1834, and died in Peterboro, New Hampshire, May 6, 1906, at the age of seventy-two years. He was an expert in the weaving department and as overseer in that department of cotton mills, and he was employed in that capacity in mills at Lancaster, Clinton, Lawrence and Lowell, Massachusetts, and in 1879 he went to Peterboro, New Hampshire, with whose mills he was associated, with the exception of three years, as long as he lived. He married Lucinda A. Rice, who was born at Hubbardston, Massachusetts, in 1836, and died in Lancaster, Massachusetts, January 18, 1908. Their children: 1. Charles Eben, associated with D. Whiting & Son, in Boston. 2. A daughter who died in infancy. 3. George Gilbert, of whom further.

(III) George Gilbert Henry, son of Eben Silas Henry, was born in Clinton, Massachusetts, August 26, 1870, and received his education in the public schools of Shirley and Stoneville, Massachusetts, and at Peterboro, New Hampshire. For three years after he had completed his school training, he was employed on his uncle's farm, at Worcester, and then removed to Peterboro, New Hampshire, where he worked for his brother in a creamery for six months at two dollars a week. Joining his interests with the Coöperative Creamery, at Ashfield, for a year, he afterwards had charge of a creamery at Montague, beginning in 1891, and continuing six years. On September 13, 1897, he went to Ashfield, and remained in charge of the creamery there to April 20, 1907, following which he was manager of the Bangor, New York creamery of F. B. Allen, of Longmeadow, Massachusetts, so continuing to 1910. On the latter date he went to Ashfield and bought out a general store, which he has successfully conducted to the present time; his country store being one that he has made up-to-date in every particular. Mr. Henry is also postmaster of Ashfield, an office to which he was appointed in 1911. His fraternal affiliations are those of Bay State Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Mr. Henry married, October 22, 1894, Ella Mabel Snow, of Peterboro, New Hampshire, a daughter of Henry E. and Ella (Marcy) Snow. Their children: 1. Charles A., born in 1904, died February 6, 1905. 2. George Gilbert, Jr., born at Bangor, New York, November 30, 1907.

**JOSEPH M. RAIDY**—An interesting, thoroughly American career, full of incident and unconventionality, readily falling in with the main chance at the time being, sticking to the chosen work as long as it suited, then calmly letting it slip to turn to another brighter and more promising field, but always full of cheerful confidence, optimism and a buoyant certainty to



come out on top in the end—such in a few strokes has been Mr. Joseph M. Raidy's business life before he became established as the owner of a real estate and insurance business at No. 51 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He is also owner of a large farm in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, which he is operating.

Mr. Joseph M. Raidy was born October 2, 1875, in Adams, Massachusetts, a son of Michael, a farmer, and Katheryn A. Raidy. He received his elementary education in the public and high schools of his native town, and later in Manhattan College. Mr. Raidy, who has always been an athlete and very fond of all sorts of outdoor sports, after completing his education, took up baseball, and for eighteen years acted as manager and player for various leagues with eminent success and in a most sportsmanlike spirit. He then took up farming, and for eight years operated and managed a one hundred and sixty-acre farm. He then worked for two years for the General Electric Company. This was followed by his latest venture, the real estate and insurance business, in which he has been very successful, and which has claimed him completely. Mr. Raidy makes a specialty of the real estate and insurance business, as applied to farms and country homes, and also acts as reporter to the E. H. Farm Agency.

Joseph M. Raidy married, June 22, 1913, in Michigan, Margaret A. Currier, a daughter of Arthur W. and Amelia Currier, her father is a business man.

**WILLIAM RAYMOND GODIN** is thought to have descended from Pierre Godin, born in France, 1641, and came to Canada in 1669. He married Etienneette Desmarest. Emelien Godin lived in LaCole, Canada where he died in 1806, aged eighty-two years. He was a farmer, and lived in Canada all his life. He married Julienne Lurin, born in LaCole, Canada, and she died in 1906. Their children were: Emeline, Josephine, Marriilien, Almina, deceased; Adella, Ernest, of whom further; Feliza, Rosaime, Joseph, Dalphine, deceased, and Julia.

Ernest Godin, born in LaPrairie, Canada, March 10, 1858, has always followed farming. He came to the United States in 1880 and settled in Hatfield, Massachusetts, where, in 1885, he bought the Graves place. Here he lived until 1892, when he purchased his present place, where he has since resided. He owns some one hundred and eighty acres of land, sixty-five acres of which is under cultivation. He is a large grower of tobacco and onions. On July 26, 1881, he married Maria Smith, of Hatfield, born July 25, 1863, daughter of Joseph and Emeline (Goodchild) Smith. They are the parents of: 1. Joseph E., born November 2, 1882, who is with his father on the home farm, married Sarah Bartley, and they have children: Edward R., born August 31, 1911; Bernard T., born December 29, 1916. 2. Alpheus, born February 25, 1885, who is with the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts; married Catherine Haintzen, and they have children: Charles A., born March 11, 1914; Alma M., born December 2, 1915; Carroll J., born May 24, 1918, died November 20, 1920; John, born November 20, 1922. 3. Ernest, born October 20, 1887, served in the World War, going into service in September, 1917, went to

Camp Devens, and went overseas in April, 1918, where he served until the close of the war; was in the veterinary department in charge of horses, and had the rank of corporal; now on the home farm with his father; he married Theresa O'Neil. 4. Ernest Arthur, born January 17, 1891, entered the World War in May 1918, and went overseas in July, 1918, with the Ambulance Corps. He is now with his father on the home farm; married Margaret Waugh, and they have children: Vincent, born April 4, 1921; Marie, born May 22, 1924. 5. William Raymond, of whom further. 6. Amelia Maria, born October 4, 1895; married George Day, of Hatfield, and they have children: Leonard, born September 6, 1920; Gertrude, born August 4, 1922; and an infant son.

William Raymond Godin was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, April 29, 1893. His education was acquired in the public schools of Hatfield. He has always lived on the home farm, where he was born, and has always been associated with his father in the operation of the farm. He is chairman of the Republican Town Committee, is a member of the Knights of Columbus, as are all his brothers, and is a member of the Foresters of America.

He married Mary O'Connell, of Hatfield. She died September 14, 1924. She was a daughter of James and Hannah (Foggerty) O'Connell. Their children: William R., Jr., born February 28, 1918; Dorothy, born December 19, 1920, and Rheta, deceased.

**CHARLES H. HASKINS**, contractor and builder in North Amherst, Massachusetts, was born in Amherst, in 1869. The surnames Haskins and Hoskins are identical, and in spelling every generation has used both forms. Hodgkins is another way of spelling the same name, and perhaps the most common in England. William Haskins or Hoskins settled in Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1633, and removed to Middleborough, Massachusetts. Most of the Haskins family of New England trace their ancestry to him.

(I) Josiah Hoskins (or Haskins), immigrant ancestor of the family, was born in England and came to America in 1630 in the ship "Mary and John." He settled first at Dorchester, Massachusetts, and was admitted a freeman May 18, 1631. He was a juryman, however, November 9, 1630, and soon afterwards became a proprietor. He removed from Dorchester with the first party of colonists who founded Windsor, Connecticut, and had lands granted him in 1640. He was a deputy to the General Assembly of Connecticut in 1637. He married Ann Filer, who was admitted to the church April 9, 1648, and died March 6, 1662. He died May 3, 1648, and his will, dated May 1, 1648, bequeathed to the church, to the poor, to his wife, and to his son, Thomas. Children: 1. Thomas, born about 1610. 2. John, born in England about 1612; remained at Dorchester and had his father's homestead there. 3. Anthony, born in Dorchester about 1632. 4. Rebecca, born about 1634, married Mark Kelsey, March 8, 1659, and died in 1683, aged forty-nine years. Charles H. Haskins believes that his descent is from John, the second son. Thus:

Paul Haskins was of New Salem, Massachusetts; he married Anna, surname unknown, and they had a son,

Levi, of further mention. Levi Haskins married Rhoda Spear, daughter of Luther and Rebecca (Tower) Spear.

Willard Haskins, born November 9, 1804, died April 25, 1843. Children: Esther C., Jonathan, Henry, Ira, Eliza and James.

Henry Haskins, born in Amherst November 14, 1832, died August 6, 1918. He was a contractor and builder. He served as selectman in Amherst for ten years, from 1886 to 1896. He was a member of Pacific Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and a member of the North Congregational Church. He married, November 30, 1854, Harriet Newell, of Chicopee, Massachusetts, born December 29, 1833, died January 28, 1920, daughter of Russell and Elizabeth (Hyde) Newell. Children: Harriet, married William Cushman; Sarah, married Loren Shumway; Ida, Charles H. and Esther, married William Luther Bates, of North Amherst.

Charles H. Haskins was educated in the town schools of Amherst, and at the Mount Pleasant Private School. Having completed his studies in school, he learned the trade of carpenter; passed two years in Springfield, Massachusetts, and returned to North Amherst, where he worked at his trade as a carpenter for several years. He engaged in business finally for himself and this has continued for about twenty years. He is a contractor and builder, erecting residences and dwelling houses of almost every type. He is a member of the school committee; a trustee of the Amherst Savings Bank; treasurer of the North Amherst Library Association; trustee of Pacific Lodge Building Association; a member of Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and is a Scottish Rite Mason. He is a member of Amherst Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the North Congregational Church.

Mr. Haskins married, October 18, 1893, Sybel I. Hall, of North Amherst, born May 24, 1871, a daughter of Arthur W. and Ella (Dutton) Hall. Children: 1. Ellsworth Henry, born August 21, 1894, died February 16, 1907. 2. Harold Arthur, born April 2, 1898; married Hazel A. Reed, of Amherst. 3. Philip Hall, born June 12, 1901. The two boys are graduates of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, and are landscape architects, doing business in the South, Harold A. now of Florida, and Philip H., of North Carolina. In the World War Harold A. was in the Students' Army Training camp.

**FRANK LEO BETSOLD** is the son of John Betsold, born in Germany in 1828, and died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, November 7, 1897, aged sixty-nine years. He left Germany and came to America in 1853. After considering his prospects he bought a farm in Hatfield, and upon this he raised tobacco. He was an industrious and a hard-working man, and was highly esteemed by those who knew him for his sterling character and his integrity. In due time he became a naturalized citizen, and was a good American. He married Barbara Pocket, born in Germany in 1831, died in Hatfield November 26, 1902. They had children: John J., Frank L., Mary, deceased, and two who died in infancy.

Frank Leo Betsold was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, June 2, 1872. He acquired his education in the public schools of Hatfield. Mr. Betsold owns one of the

best farms in the town of Hatfield, and has been a large cultivator of tobacco. He has had as much as twenty acres in tobacco at one time, while he has also had extensive farming interests. Aside from his agricultural enterprise, Mr. Betsold has had a large contracting and building business, his combined interests typefying his business alertness and ability. He has erected many of the large tobacco barns and warehouses in the valley, as well as many of the large onion storage plants. He built the large plants in West Deerfield, Deerfield and Northfield, as well as most of those in the town of Hatfield. He has always been a large and considerate employer of labor, and is recognized as a man of forceful and energetic personality.

Mr. Betsold married, in May, 1898, Emma Deinlein, born in Hatfield, daughter of John and Mary (Stringlein) Deinlein. Mr. and Mrs. Betsold's children are: 1. Margaret, who married Rupert Inglehart, and they have two children: Lillian and Leo. 2. Frank. 3. Joseph. 4. Maurice. 5. Emma. 6. Raymond. 7. Lella. 8. Leo. 9. John. 10. Peter. 11. James.

**FRANK GEORGE WILLIAMS**—The Williams family is of great antiquity in England and Wales, and the name is derived from the ancient personal name William. Like many other possessive names it arose from the Welsh custom of adding to a man's name the name of his father in the possessive form, as William John's, from which naturally arose the names Jones and similarly from Richard's and David's, Richards, Davies, and kindred forms.

Sir Robert Williams, ninth baronet of the house of Williams of Penrhyn, was a lineal descendant of Marchudd ap Cynan, Lord of Abergelau, in Denbighshire, of one of the fifteen tribes of North Wales that lived in the time of Roderick the Great, King of the Britons, about A. D. 849. The seat of the family was in Flint, Wales, and in Lincolnshire, England. Oliver Cromwell, the Protector, was a Williams by right of descent, and was related to Richard Williams, who settled in Taunton, Massachusetts. Allen de Cromwell lived in the time of William the Conqueror, and from him descended in succession ten Ralphs de Cromwell, the last dying without issue. The seventh Ralph de Cromwell married Amicia, daughter of Robert Berer, member of Parliament. Robert Cromwell was a Lancastrian, killed in the wars of 1461. His son, William Cromwell, left a daughter, Margaret, who was ancestor of both Cromwell and Williams. His son, John Cromwell, married Joan Smith and had a son, Walter Cromwell, who married a Glossop. Katherine Cromwell, daughter of Walter Cromwell, married Morgan Williams, fifth from Howell Williams, mentioned later. Sir Richard Williams, son of Morgan and Katherine Williams, born about 1495, married Frances Murfyn. After reaching mature years he took the name of Cromwell under the patronage of his mother's brother, Thomas Cromwell, and lived in Glamorganshire, Wales. Sir Henry Cromwell, son of Sir Richard Cromwell, alias Williams, was called the "Golden Knight" of Hinchbrook, Huntingdon, and married Joan Warren. Robert Cromwell, alias Williams, was of Huntington, a brewer, and married Elizabeth Steward. Their first child was Oliver, the



Great Protector, who used the alias in his youth, his name appearing on deeds as Oliver Williams, alias Cromwell. Howell Williams, Lord of Ribour, was progenitor of the Williams family of Wales. Morgan Williams, son of Howell Williams, married Joan Batten. Thomas Williams, son of Morgan and Joan Williams, was of Lancashire, and died in London. John Williams, son of Thomas Williams, married Margaret Smith, and died at Mortlake, 1502. John Williams, son of John and Margaret Williams, born 1485, married Joan, daughter of Henry Wykis, of Bolley's Park, Certney, and sister of Elizabeth Wykis, who married Thomas Cromwell (brother of Katherine, mentioned above), secretary to Henry VIII, Lord Cromwell of Oakham, Earl of Essex. Richard Williams, son of John and Joan Williams, born in 1487, settled at Monmouth and Dexter, and died in 1559. John Williams, son of Richard Williams, was of Huntingdonshire, near Wotton under Edge, Gloucester, died 1577. William Williams, son of John Williams, was also of Huntingdon, and married (first) November 15, 1585, Jane Shepherd; (second), December 4, 1603, Jane Woodward. His first child by the second marriage was Richard Williams, who settled at Haunton. The Williams families of America descend from more than a score of different ancestors. That several of them were related to Richard Williams, of Taunton, seems certain, but the degree has not been traced in various instances.

Stephen and Mary (Cook) Williams resided in England, whence their son came to America, and among the descendants was the founder of the Williams College.

Robert Williams, son of Stephen and Mary (Cook) Williams, was born in 1598, and baptized at Great Yarmouth, England. He came from Norwich to Roxbury, Massachusetts, where he was made a freeman in 1638. He sailed from Great Yarmouth in 1635 in the ship "Rose," and died in Roxbury September 1, 1693. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston in 1644. He married (first), December 11, 1628, in England, Elizabeth Stahlman, who died December 22, 1704. His children were: Elizabeth, Deborah, John, Samuel, Isaac, Stephen and Thomas.

Isaac Williams, third son of Robert and Elizabeth (Stahlman) Williams, was born September 1, 1638, in Roxbury, and settled in Newton about 1660. He had a farm of five hundred acres, and was a prominent and useful citizen, serving as Representative several years, was deacon of the church and commanded a troop of horse. He married (first), in 1660, Martha Pack, born March 2, 1642, died October 24, 1674, in Newton; (second), November 13, 1677, Judith Cooper, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Smith) Hunter, of Rehoboth, and widow of Nathaniel Cooper. The children of the first wife were: Isaac, who died young; Isaac, Martha, William, John, of whom further; Eleazer, Hannah, Elizabeth, Thomas. The children of the second marriage were: Peter, Sarah, Mary, Ephraim.

John Williams, fourth son of Isaac and Martha (Pack) Williams, was born October 31, 1669, in Newton, and lived for a time in Roxbury, whence he came to Stonington, Connecticut, being one of the original proprietors of that town, where he died November 15,

1702. He married, January 24, 1688, Martha Wheeler, daughter of Isaac and Martha (Parke) Wheeler, of Stonington, born on February 6, 1670, died December 17, 1745. His children were: Isaac, John, of whom further; Martha, Deborah, William, Nathan, Benaiah, Eunice.

Colonel John Williams, second son of John and Martha (Wheeler) Williams, was born October 31, 1692, in Stonington, where he died December 30, 1761. He married (first), February 19, 1711, Desire Denison, daughter of George and Mercy (Gorham) Denison, baptized 1693, died August 13, 1737; (second) Mary Helome, widow of Christopher Helome, of Kingston, Rhode Island, died December 20, 1740; (third) November 21, 1761, Prudence Potter, of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, who died September 17, 1792. Children of the first wife were: Desire, John, William, Thankful, Mercy, Thomas Robert, Prudence, George. There were two children of the second wife: Edward and Mary.

The grandfather of Frank George Williams was Henry Williams, who died in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, before the birth of his grandson. He came to Vermont from Massachusetts, was a farmer by occupation and was married to Betsy Walker. They had four children: George S., Mary, Lucius and Harry.

George S. Williams, father of Frank George Williams, was born in Rockingham in 1851, and died in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, in 1908, at the age of fifty-seven years. He went to Vermont with his parents and for many years worked as a moulder in the Fairbanks Works in St. Johnsbury. Later in life he took up farming and was the owner of a farm of some two hundred and twenty acres. For a number of years he had a large acreage of hops, having as many as fifteen to eighteen acres all in hops. He has sold hops as low as ten cents a pound and as high as \$1.10 a pound. He occupied several public offices, serving on the Board of Selectmen and also as lister. In politics he was not attached to any political party, in religion he was a member of the Congregational Church and an ardent religious worker on behalf of that church.

He married Louise Wilby, born at Bethlehem, New Hampshire, in 1858, died July, 1919, aged sixty-one years. She was the daughter of Joseph and Martha (Bingham) Wilby. The children of the marriage were: Kate L., deceased; Mary M., deceased; Nellie R., who married Fred S. Daniel, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont; Lizzie E., deceased, Harriet E., who married Herbert Dugger, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont; Ruth L., deceased; Frank George.

Frank George Williams was born at St. Johnsbury, Vermont, August 22, 1875, educated in the public schools of St. Johnsbury and at the St. Johnsbury Academy. After completing his studies he took to railroad-ing and entered the service of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad, serving at the age of nineteen as a fireman. Later he became an engineer on the same railroad. In 1900, when the Boston & Maine Railroad Company took over the Fitchburg Road, Mr. Williams came to that road as engineer with a run from Mechanicville, New York, to East Deerfield. He continued in this position for eight years until 1908. In that year he was made road foreman of engines, a post



which he held till 1914, when he was sent to Boston as air brake instructor. He remained there until 1918, when he came to East Deerfield, Massachusetts, as assistant master mechanic, a position which he has held since coming to the East Deerfield Terminal of the Boston & Maine Railroad.

In politics Mr. Williams is an independent; in religion a member and attendant of the Baptist Church. His fraternal and other association include membership in Oudama Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Mechanicville, New York; the Royal Arch Masons; the Council and the Knights Templar Commandery. He is also a member of Aleppo Temple, Mystic Shrine, in Boston, and of the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce.

On July 25, 1894, Mr. Williams married Laura L. Richards, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont, a daughter of Jackson and Mary (Owen) Richards. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have one daughter, Helen R. Williams, born January 18, 1902, in St. Johnsbury, who was educated in the schools of St. Johnsbury and graduated from the high school at Mechanicville, New York. She married, June 18, 1924, Robert D. Martin, manager of the Bridge-way Hotel in Springfield.

**ANTHONY J. CREAN**—In the industrial world and in the public service Anthony J. Crean, of Turners Falls, has won an enviable local reputation for lofty integrity and progressive spirit. Winning his early position in life through his own endeavors and rising to success by his adherence to the principles of right and integrity, Mr. Crean has made his influence felt for good in this community and he stands among the broadly noteworthy men of the day. He is now universally known in this section as a leading distributor of ice and his success is definitely established. Mr. Crean is a son of John Crean, who was a paper maker by trade and came to this country from Ireland, his death occurring in Turners Falls. The mother, Margaret (McLoughlin) Crean, was also born in Ireland but still survives the husband and father.

Anthony J. Crean was born in Ireland, February 23, 1876. A boy of four years when he came with his family to America, Mr. Crean was educated in the public schools of Turners Falls where the family settled. His early business experience was in the employ of John Russell, a manufacturer of cutlery with interests in Sheffield, England, as well as in this community, the concern being one of international importance. Mr. Crean remained with this concern for twenty years, filling various positions and rising to large responsibility. Mr. Crean was then appointed postmaster of Turners Falls, in 1915, and served in that important position notwithstanding the subsequent change of political administrations for upwards of nine years. Meanwhile he had established an ice business in this community, which interest has developed to one of large importance. Mr. Crean gives every devotion to the needs and convenience of the people in the distribution of this daily necessity and his activity in this field amounts to a commendable public service. He is interested in every branch of local progress. He supports the Democratic party in political affairs, and is a worker in its ranks, and was moderator of the town committee in 1924. Long affiliated with the Turners

Falls fire department, he has served that organization as chief engineer for some years.

Anthony J. Crean married in Turners Falls, Jennie Rubash, and they are the parents of four children: Anna; Mark; Pauline; and Margaret.

**MARTIN ANTHONY PADDOCK**—Many of the young men who come to this country from Europe persist in effort until they set up businesses of their own. As a rule they are indefatigable, and turn their hands to various occupations until their real opportunities face them. They seldom fail to recognize opportunity. Martin Anthony Paddock is an example of the truth of this statement.

Kazimiesz Pezdek, the father of Martin Anthony Paddock, is a farmer in Poland. He married for a second wife Agnes Dyjak, by whom he had ten children, six of whom are living in Poland. Four—Martin A., Walter, Stanley, and Sophie, came to America.

Martin Anthony Paddock was born November 8, 1888, in Suchy Geunt, Poland, then under Austrian rule. He was educated in the schools of his native town. When sixteen years of age, in 1904, he came to this country, landing in Baltimore, where he remained for a time, studying possibilities. Then he came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where for a short time he worked in the plant of the Baldwin Locomotive Company. From here he went to New York Mills, near Utica, New York, where he took up work in a cotton mill. After a period here he left and proceeded to Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, where he again took up work in a cotton mill for a short time. In the spring of 1905 he went to Haydenville, Massachusetts, and here he worked in a brass shop for a few months. From here he went to the Lee Cutlery Works, in Bay Street, Northampton, Massachusetts, and here he remained a year. His wish was to learn the tailoring business and this he began to do, working for LeBarge, in Springfield, Massachusetts, for two years. He next put in a year with Frank M. Borowski, of Northampton, and in 1908 he embarked in the tailoring business for himself, in Florence, Massachusetts. In this enterprise he remained for nine years, until 1917, when he established the Paddock Tailoring, Cleaning and Dyeing Company of Northampton, of which he is sole owner and proprietor. In 1910 Mr. Paddock became a naturalized American citizen in Northampton. He has supplemented the education he received in Poland by attending night schools during his early years in America. Mr. Paddock in religion is a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Northampton Chamber of Commerce.

October 29, 1913, Mr. Paddock married Frances Katherine Kroczyński, born in the State of Delaware. They have one child, Helen Frances, born in 1915.

**REV. ANTONIO JOSEPH TONIOLLI**—The majority of our fellow citizens and immigrants of Italian origin are members of the Roman Catholic form of the Christian faith, which in Italy, as in the other Latin countries of the South of Europe, is the predominant form of religion. While Italian-Americans, natives of our country and those who came over with their parents in infancy or early childhood, are far advanced on the

road to assimilation, in some cases they claim English as their native tongue and have no knowledge or only an imperfect one of the speech of their parents and ancestors. There are many others whose spiritual wants can best be attended to by priests of their own race, speaking their own language and able to put themselves mentally and spiritually in the position of the members of their flock, in order to be best able to guide them on the path of Christian manhood and womanhood, and its finest flower in this imperfect world, true American citizenship, as understood by the founders of our Republic and by the foremost modern embodiments of the American spirit.

This work in the United States is undertaken by high-minded men of University training in Catholic theology and a thorough education in other fields, and one of them who has been a resident of our country for many years, and an admirer of our institutions, is the Rev. Antonio Joseph Toniolli, who is a linguist, speaking French and English, besides his native tongue, and who is now an American, having acquired full American citizenship in the year 1920. Born in Verona, Italy, on November 22, 1886, a son of Signor Giovanni and Signora (Facchinelli) Toniolli, Father Toniolli received his first education in the public schools and his theological training in the Catholic Seminary in Verona, and in the famous and ancient University of Parma was ordained as a priest on August 6, 1911, by Cardinal Bacciglieri. He first taught school and acted as assistant teacher until November, 1911, when he was transferred to Milford, Massachusetts, as assistant pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart. In August, 1915, he was assigned as pastor to Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church, Pittsfield. In early spring of the year 1916 he started the preliminary work for the present fine church, which was completed early in 1924, and is a beautiful edifice, and he is now contemplating the erection of a parish school. The Rev. Antonio Joseph Toniolli belongs to the Order of the Stigmatini Fathers, and his recreations are study and parish work, in which he takes an interest, absorbing nearly all his time and most of his energy.

**ALEXANDER G. MEDLICOTT**, manager of the Springfield Branch Agency of the Packard Motor Car Company of New York, was born in Long Meadow, Hampden County, Massachusetts, November 3, 1896. His father was William B. and his mother Grace (Harding) Medlicott. His grandfather on his mother's side was John Wheeler Harding, minister at Long Meadow. His paternal grandfather was William G. Medlicott. His father was in the insurance business in Springfield, until 1915, but now lives in retirement at Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mr. Medlicott attended the public and high schools in Springfield, and was graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School at Yale University, in the class of 1918. The war was beginning as he finished his studies and he enlisted in the United States Army, and was assigned to the 2d and the 540th Engineers at Camp Humphreys; and with the 79th Engineers at Camp Leach. He later entered the Officers' Training School, at Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, and after taking the course of instruction received his commission as second lieu-

tenant. He was honorably discharged from the service January 2, 1919.

In February, 1919, he secured a position in the sales department of the Packard Motor Car Company of Detroit. He later became assistant to the general sales manager at the factory and remained about a year. He was then transferred to New York City and employed as a salesman in the local branch there for a year. In 1922 he came to Springfield as manager of the Springfield branch, which he has continued to date. He is a member of Delta Phi and Sigma Xi college fraternity, the University Club, the American Honor Society, of Springfield, the Springfield Country Club, the Yale Club of New York and the Engineers Society. He is a member of the Longmeadow Congregational Church.

Mr. Medlicott married, September 23, 1922, at Brattleboro, Vermont, Allethaire Estey, daughter of J. Harry and Allethaire (Chase) Estey. They are the parents of Allethaire Chase, born in Brattleboro, Vermont, August 5, 1923.

**JOHN MCCOOL**—This fine old Irish name goes back to the chieftains of the Emerald Isle, one of whom was Fuian MacumHaill, an ancestor of John McCool. The name is also spelled McCool.

Michael McCool, grandfather of John McCool, was a farmer in Ireland, and his wife's name was Breen. They had children: Thomas, of whom further; Michael; Edward; John; James, who came to Canada and made a fortune in the fur and lumber trade; Catherine; and Mary.

Thomas McCool was born in Ireland, in 1817, and died there in 1883. He was an enlisted man in the English Army, was in the Crimean War with English troops, was in China with the army, and was always ready for military duty. He enlisted at the age of sixteen years, from pure love of soldiering and admiration for soldiers. At retirement he received a pension from the English Government, and followed farming, later in life owning and operating his own farm. He married Bridget Boyle, daughter of Edward and Jane (Flannigan) Boyle, and they had eleven children: Mary, deceased, who married Nels Johnson; Thomas, who is in Australia; Ellen, deceased; Edward, who is in England; John, of whom further; Bridget; Joseph, who is chief of police in Savannah, Georgia; Theresa, who married James Donahue; Ann, deceased; Agnes, deceased; Catherine, who married James Bobsein, of New London, Connecticut.

John McCool was born in the County of Donegal, Ireland, May 19, 1857. He was educated in the national schools of his country, and for fourteen years himself was a school teacher in Belfast, and afterward was principal of the Greencastle national schools of Belfast. He came to America in 1888, landing at Castle Garden, New York. For five years he worked for the Standard Oil Company at Long Island City, in the Queens County Oil Works, in the manufacture of lubricating oils. From this employment he came to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he worked for the city of Northampton as foreman on the highways. In 1902 he was made superintendent of the State Reservation known as Mount Tom, a pleasure and residence section comprising some 1700







*Hubert A. Smith*



*Frederick L. Smith*





acres. When Mr. McCool became superintendent it was simply wild woodland. Under his supervision roads have been built and the whole area has been trimmed, landscaped and put in fine condition. Mr. McCool has many men under him, and devotes his whole time to his reservation duties.

Mr. McCool married, on June 1, 1882, in Ireland, Margaret J. Coveney, daughter of Thomas Coveney, who was chief officer of the coast guards in Ireland, and Mary (Thompson) Coveney. They are the parents of: 1. Thomas Joseph, born in 1883, foreman in the McCallum Hosiery Mills; he married Mary Cosgrove, now deceased, and has children: Margaret, John, Mary, Thomas, Kathleen and James. 2. Mary Elizabeth, born in 1885, at home. 3. John A., also at home, connected with the Hampton Company of East Hampton. 4. Margaret E., also at home.

**HUBERT A. SMITH**—Specializing in a most interesting industry that from the beginning has had a history of great development and even of brilliancy, Mr. Smith for the past twenty-seven years has been the leading spirit in the business at Haydenville, Massachusetts, of a pearl button and novelty-making concern that is the outcome of a still more extensive establishment whose founder he was. The credit of being captain of industry indeed belongs to Mr. Smith, who has had the unique experience of having established two successful plants manufacturing similar product; and with life-long devotion to his individual line he has added a record well worth preserving in the business world's archives. Prominent in his citizenship of Haydenville, too, he has won honors of place and preferment, and his counsel is sought and applied by institutions that appreciate the advice and direction of a practical and thoroughgoing business man. He is a son of Reuben S. Smith, a farmer by occupation, and native of Ashfield, Massachusetts, and of Mary D. Williams, descendant of a family from whom the town of Williamsburg was named.

Hubert A. Smith was born at Chesterfield, Massachusetts, February 24, 1870, and he received his education in the public schools there and at West Hampton. Immediately he went out into the business world, and it was early in life that he established the Hampshire Pearl Button Company at West Chesterfield, in partnership with Walter S. Smith and Stephen Jorgensen. The business thus located and officered was so continued until the year 1897, when the plant was removed to Williamsburg, Massachusetts, where the enterprise was incorporated under the same name. Subsequently, it was purchased by Harvey Chalmers, and removed to Amsterdam, New York, where the business has expanded into the largest of its kind in the world. Meantime Mr. Jorgensen and Hubert A. Smith came to Haydenville in April, 1897, and began a business of their own in a small building in the village. Their activities steadily increasing, the partners, in 1899, built a modern factory in which the business is housed to-day. In the year 1910 Mr. Jorgensen relinquished his partnership and the company was incorporated with Hubert A. Smith as president and treasurer and Winfield Smith vice-president. Here they manufacture pearl buttons and novelties, employ many

hands, and add substantially to the industrial values of Haydenville.

Mr. Smith is a member of the board of directors of the Haydenville Savings Bank, and a member of its finance committee. He has served as a member of the Republican Town Committee, of the Sinking Fund Committee, and of the School Board. During the World War he was a very active member of the Committee of Public Safety, and he was a member of every fuel committee during the war and since its close. His fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons, as a member of the Blue Lodge at Haydenville, and as a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, of Northampton. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church, and he is a member of its board of assessors.

Mr. Smith married, June 25, 1894, at Chesterfield, Massachusetts, Emma Stanton, daughter of Dwight I. and Ada A. (Adams) Stanton, and they are the parents of Cressa, Frederick Lewis, a sketch of whom follows, Meverette, Richard S., and Lucy Anita Smith.

**FREDERICK LEWIS SMITH**—As postmaster of Haydenville, Massachusetts, for two years past, Mr. Smith has claims upon public approval and good-will that have been established not only because of the fact that he proved a valiant soldier in service in time of war, but also because he has shared largely in the industrial and business increase of Haydenville Township. With every progressive interest of this township at heart, and studious of the best things his office itself may have for the general good, Mr. Smith exercises a supervision of his duties that has assured general public favor. He is a son of Hubert A. and Emma (Stanton) Smith, both natives of Chesterfield, Massachusetts.

Frederick Lewis Smith was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, September 20, 1898, and he received his early education in the public schools of his native town. He later graduated from the Northampton High School, and from the Commercial College, with the class of 1915. Immediately upon graduation he entered the employ of his father in the manufacturing plant of the latter at Haydenville, and from 1919 to 1922 he was employed with an ironworking establishment at Bristol, Connecticut. He received his appointment to the post-mastership at Haydenville, January 1, 1922.

Mr. Smith was in active service for the United States Government during the World War. He enlisted, July 1, 1918, in the 116th Engineers Corps, and spent the year in service with that contingent in France. He returned in 1919, receiving his discharge. His fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons, as a member of the Blue Lodge, and the Northampton Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 997.

**FRANK LLOYD MASON**—Practical commercial endeavors have thus far commanded during his active career, the attention of Frank Lloyd Mason, of Greenfield, and as one of the leading boot and shoe dealers of this section he is numbered among the successful men of the day. He is at the head of a long established enterprise, yet his personal endeavors and his judicious

progress have had much to do with its present prominence and under his administration the affairs of the concern are reaching ever wider importance. Mr. Mason is one of the honored and esteemed young men of Greenfield to-day and his record of achievement does him marked credit.

The Mason family is one of note in Massachusetts, and William Henry Mason, grandfather of Mr. Mason, served on the police force of the city of Worcester for many years. His death occurred in 1909, at the age of sixty-eight years, just prior to the time when he would have been entitled to retirement on a pension. William Henry Mason married Cordelia Taft and their children were: William Eugene, of further mention; Arthur L.; Ella E.; Clarence E.; Emma I.; and Walter H.

William Eugene Mason, son of these parents, and father of Mr. Mason, was born in Northbridge, Massachusetts, April 30, 1867, and died in Greenfield, in his native State, May 18, 1913. Early mastering the shoemaker's trade he worked for some years at Prouty's Boot Shop, in Spencer. He later established a shoe store at Worcester, then in 1903 came to Greenfield, where he founded a similar interest along retail lines. He developed an important business and did a great amount of repairing work. Comparatively a young man when he died, his passing, which was a result of four successive paralytic shocks, was regretted by the entire community. He was active, however, until the time of his death, both in public affairs and in fraternal circles. He was long a member of Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenfield. He married on August 4, 1887, Hannah Estelle Kingman, of Mendon, daughter of David and Pauline Kingman. William Eugene and Hannah Estelle (Kingman) Mason were the parents of three sons: 1. Herbert E., born January 31, 1889; married, March 16, 1910, Anna E. Thorndike, of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, daughter of Herbert A. and Celia (Cushings) Thorndike, their children being: Helen E., born January 28, 1911; Edith B., born December 1, 1912; Pauline, born June 22, 1918; and Herbert E., Jr., born May 30, 1921. 2. Frank Lloyd, of further mention. 3. Clarence E., who served in the World War, was twenty-three months in the service as engineer in the 301st Motor Transport Corps, and married Ella E. Rockwood, daughter of George Rockwood.

Frank Lloyd Mason was born in Worcester, November 6, 1890. Receiving his education in the public schools of Worcester and Greenfield he was still only a lad in school when he began devoting his spare time to activities about the store. Thus he early learned the business and upon the completion of his studies was amply prepared for an executive position in the organization. Following the death of his father Mr. Mason acted as administrator of the estate and eventually took over the business, which he has successfully continued since. Giving to its progress the constructive thought and judicious energy of the man who achieves really important things, he has developed it in a marked degree and its continued progress is noted and commended by all who are familiar with its history. Mr. Mason keeps in close touch with various lines of local and general advance and is fraternally affiliated with Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Green-

field, also being a member of Green River Encampment, and of the American Oriental Society. He attends the Baptist Church.

Frank Lloyd Mason married, November 15, 1911, Grace Edna Freeman, of Clarksburg, Massachusetts, daughter of William Henry and Alice (McKay) Freeman, her maternal line of Scottish origin. Mr. and Mrs. Mason are the parents of one son, Frank Lloyd, Jr., born February 2, 1920.

**ALONZO SYRUS POTTER**—The Potter family is an old Massachusetts family. Syrus Potter, born in Massachusetts, came to New York State and settled in Cortland County on territory later known as Potter Hill. He soon became one of the most extensive farmers in that part of the State and at the time of his death owned several thousands of acres of land. He was married to Lucinda Potter and with her had two children: 1. William B. 2. Phebe.

(II) William Barton Potter, son of Syrus and Lucinda Potter, was born on Potter Hill, Cortland County, New York. He died in Norwich, New York, in 1876. He was a contractor and builder by trade and met with a serious accident while building a church, that led to his death a year later. He was the husband of Sarah Barr, born in Greene, Chenango County, New York, died September 28, 1923, aged eighty-one years. The children of the marriage are: 1. Carrie, deceased. 2. Alonzo Syrus, of whom further. 3. Clarence William, deceased. 4. Maud, who married Alva Dixon, of Baldwinsville, Massachusetts.

(III) Alonzo Syrus Potter, son of William B. and Sarah (Barr) Potter, is a native of Norwich, New York, born September 14, 1866. Mr. Potter received his first education in the public schools of Beaver Meadow and at Norwich Academy, Norwich, New York. Having completed school he entered into the hotel business in Norwich with his grandfather, Mr. Barr, who owned a hotel there. Ever since that time Mr. Potter has been more or less connected with hotel life and with public institutions. From Norwich, New York, he went to New York City, where he found employment in a hotel for a year and from there proceeded to Chicago, working in a hotel of the western metropolis for a year and a half. He then came to Lowell, where he worked in a hotel for a short time and then became associated with C. J. Hood under John T. Carpenter, who took care of the stock of the Hood Stock Farm. For a period of four years from 1901 to 1905 he remained with Mr. Hood. He next went to Putnam, Connecticut, where he had charge of a hotel under B. S. Walker for four years. After spending a short time in Pomfret, Connecticut, he went to Douglas, Massachusetts, where he was warden and superintendent of the Greenfield Town Farm and where he has been actively engaged since. Since Mr. Potter took over the working and administration of the farm it has been a model farm ranking first in the State. An interesting detail about this farm is the establishment under the charge of Miss Cook of a health camp for undernourished girls. Mr. Potter taking care of the commissary department. Mr. Potter takes the deepest interest in this home and has not let any year pass without raising a fund for Christmas entertainment for the home, at no expense to the town. **The Benevolent**



and Protective Order of Elks have donated a high-class raido set to the home at an expense of four hundred dollars. Every autumn Mr. Potter takes his charges to the Franklin County Fair, where they receive the best of care and attention. The farm consists of some one hundred and fifty acres which supply the greater needs of the home and all this work from the productive phase to the consumption is proceeding most satisfactorily under the supervision of Mr. Potter. Mr. Potter was elected representative of Ward I in 1922 for the term of a year and in 1923 was reelected for a three years' term. He is president of the New England Milk Producers' Association and is also a member of the Wardens' and Matrons' Association.

On December 24, 1901, he married in Putnam, Connecticut, Nellie Fairfield, of Killingly, Connecticut, who died April 8, 1923. She was a daughter of Dwight and Abbie (Wicks) Fairfield. Mr. and Mrs. Potter have a son Dwight, who died in infancy.

**WILLIAM PHILIP ARGY**—Along many practical lines of business advance, William Philip Argy, of Turners Falls, has risen to more than passing prominence and in his present position as general manager of a leading local industrial plant, he is bearing a worthy part in the progress of his time.

William Philip Argy, Mr. Argy's father, was born in Belfast, Ireland, and came to America in his infancy, early identifying himself with the progress of his adopted country. He served in the Civil War, with a (Bradford, Vermont) Company of Volunteer Infantry. He was wounded in the seven days' struggle in the Battle of Bull Run and participated in other major engagements, serving for three years. Upon his return to civilian life, he became identified with the paper industry at Waterford, New York, later removing to Lawrence, Massachusetts, then to Turners Falls, where he was foreman with the Montague Paper Company for years. Removing to Palmer, New York, he was superintendent of the Hudson River Pulp and Paper Mills. Mr. Argy retired from active work to remove to Niagara Falls, New York, where he died at the age of sixty-nine years. He married Elizabeth Galbraith and they were the parents of five children: Michael J.; Alexander; Edward; Mary; and William Philip, of further mention.

William Philip Argy was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts, November 28, 1873. The family coming to Turners Falls when he was two years of age, he attended the local public and high schools and later entered Troy Business College. After some experience in the business world, Mr. Argy completed a course at the Scranton Engineering School, from which he was graduated with the degree of mechanical engineer. He became identified with the paper industry in the employ of the Hudson River Pulp & Paper Company in the mechanical department, of their plant at Palmers Falls. For nine years he had charge of the paper machinery. He then returned to Turners Falls as an executive at the Clark Machine Company, which later became known as the Turners Falls Machine Company. This plant was eventually taken over by the International Paper Company and is now conducted under the title of the Montague Machine Company, Mr. Argy now serving as gen-

eral manager. He is doing much to advance the progress of the individual organization and also to forward the general welfare and prosperity of the community. In all community interests, he lends his endorsement to progressive endeavor. For two years he served on the Finance Committee of Turners Falls, and he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and president of the Holy Name Society.

William Philip Argy married, May 1, 1895, Mary Elizabeth Murphy, daughter of Margaret and Thomas Murphy. Mr. and Mrs. Argy are the parents of six children: William, M. D.; Pearl; Florence; Warren George; Blondena; and Thomas. The eldest of these children, Dr. William Argy, is one of the promising young physicians of Washington, District of Columbia, a graduate of Georgetown University, Medical School and a veteran of the World War, in which he served in the Students' Training Camp Medical Corps. The other children are identified in prominent positions in the local industries and educational work of the town.

**LORENZO J. SCOTT**, general manager of the United Electric Light Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, has been associated with that concern for over thirty years, having entered the business as an office boy and gradually worked his way to the top by his own initiative and outstanding capabilities. Mr. Scott is well known in Springfield, and has won the high regard of his fellow-citizens both in business and social spheres. He is the son of Horace L. and Mattie (Joslyn) Scott, the father a farmer of an old New England family located in Leyden, Massachusetts, and the mother a member of a Vermont family.

Lorenzo J. Scott was born at Putney, Vermont, September 5, 1873. His education was received in the public schools, in the Moody School at Northfield, Massachusetts, the Black River Academy of Ludlow, Vermont, and Child's Business College at Springfield, Massachusetts. On September 5, 1894, he came to Springfield, and was fortunate in obtaining his first position with the concern with which his entire career of steady advancement and success has been associated, namely, the United Electric Light Company of Springfield. Entering the employ of this concern in the capacity of office boy, he early displayed those qualities of enterprise and trustworthiness that marked him for success, and in time he became assistant manager, advancing to general manager in 1921. Mr. Scott's administration of the affairs of this important public utility have been distinguished by a constructive policy of public service, as well as by sound financial management. In addition to his responsibilities in this position, he serves as a director of the Green Brothers Candy Company of Springfield.

Fraternally Mr. Scott is affiliated with the Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Springfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; all the Scottish Rite bodies, including the Connecticut Valley Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Hampden



Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Masonic, Automobile, Nayasset, and Rotary clubs of Springfield.

Mr. Scott married, September 5, 1898, at Springfield, Lillian J. Coote, daughter of Thomas J. Coote, and they have two children: Chester H., born August 3, 1900, now manager of the plumbing department of the Crane Company at Springfield; and Marjorie, born July 27, 1902.

**THOMAS JOHN GASS**—As a resident and an industrious citizen of Greenfield from the beginning of its most prosperous era, Mr. Gass has had no unimportant part in the growth and upbuilding of this section, as, in his vocation of carpenter and contractor, he has participated in general construction both on his own behalf and with other firms. In his various business associations, he has the repute of one who has laid the foundations of square dealing and continued to build thereupon.

He is a son of Samuel Gass, born in Armagh, in the North of Ireland, where he learned to make cloth in a factory owned by his father. He came to the United States in 1867 and, traveling throughout the country, worked and was foreman in a number of mills in which cloth was manufactured. He died in 1881, at the age of forty-seven years, when his son, Thomas John, was but five years of age. He married Edna Powling, born in England, who in 1924 resided in South Deerfield; she married (second) Timothy Richardson, deceased. To Samuel and Edna (Powling) Gass were born: Lizzie, deceased; Edith, deceased; Thomas John, of whom further; William; Samuel.

Thomas John Gass was born in Newburgh, New York, December 22, 1876, and he went to New England in his boyhood. He attended school one year in Leyden, while the most of his education was received at Greenfield. For several years he was employed upon a farm, after which he became an apprentice for the trade of carpenter, which vocation he has pursued to the present time. Prior to 1920 he had been in the employment of other firms, but in that year he established a contracting business in his own name, in the course of which he has not only performed a large amount of job work, but has built many residences; he also has had charge of much work for F. E. Wells and F. W. Burnham. He came to Greenfield in 1883, and with the exception of three years that were spent at Northampton, he has been resident of Greenfield, where he built his residence in 1914.

Mr. Gass married, August 21, 1900, Emma Jane Larkin, of Ansonia, Connecticut, daughter of George and Jane (Herron) Larkin. Their children were: Alfred William, born May 5, 1903, and now in his second year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Herbert George, born August 2, 1905; Robert Herron, born June 30, 1907; Thomas, born March 17, 1915, who as an infant met with accidental death; Marguerite Edna, born November 22, 1917.

**THOMAS EDMUND BURKE**—As has been so commendably done by others of his community engaged in like calling, Thomas Edmund Burke, late of Hadley, at times heeded the voice of the people and stood for

public office, the while he gave close attention to the management of his large business, the growing and shipment of tobacco; he had one of the largest tracts devoted to the culture of that crop in his home town, long famous for its tobacco farms. Mr. Burke had served the town in the offices of tax collector and town clerk, and in the political affairs of the community he displayed considerable activity, having been affiliated with the Democratic party.

Mr. Burke was the son of John and Grace Burke, the father having been a farmer in his native Ireland. Mr. Burke was born in Hadley, April 7, 1862, and died in that town, June 18, 1919, having been an honored resident for nearly three decades. He attended the public schools, and as a boy he learned the trade of butchering, and afterward engaged in the meat business in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He continued in that line until 1893, when he established himself as a grower and shipper of tobacco in Hadley. His start was made within an old shed and with rude equipment. From that nucleus the business grew rapidly until at the present time it is housed in modern buildings and gives employment to seventy persons. The business is still successfully conducted.

Mr. Burke was one of the founders of Springfield Court, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters; and was a member of Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, both organizations being located in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Burke was a communicant of St. John's Roman Catholic Church, of Hadley, he having purchased the land on which the church now stands.

Mr. Burke married, November 16, 1892, Julia, daughter of John and Julia Claire, of Leeds. To them there were born five children: Frank C.; Grace; Howard; Robert, and Florence.

**NORMAN P. DEMPSEY**—One of the best known men in the dye industry of the western part of the State is Norman P. Dempsey, now superintendent of the dyeing department of the A. D. Ellis Woolen Mills, of Monson. While Mr. Dempsey enjoys a prominence in this field of endeavor, he is also known as a citizen of Monson, where he is one of the most active and enthusiastic participants in public affairs, particularly in education, being chairman of the Monson School Committee.

Born in Philadelphia, November 26, 1876, the son of John W. Dempsey, a dyer, and Elizabeth (Watson) Dempsey, Norman P. Dempsey was educated in the public schools of that city. Following his father's footsteps, he sought to enter the dye industry, and his first move was to obtain employment with the firm of John and James Dobson, operators of carpet mills in Philadelphia. His first work was as a laborer, since he had no experience in the field. He remained with the Dobson mill for one year and then came to Massachusetts, where he first secured work in Malden, at the Cochrane Carpet Company, which placed him, at his request, in the dye department. As an assistant dyer, he remained for one year and then sought a field of greater opportunity. Unable to find a place suitable to his tastes, experience and knowledge, nor one complying with his ambitions, he worked at one place and then another for some months,





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meanwhile increasing his store of experience as a dyer. In 1900 he came to Monson and was appointed superintendent of the dye department of the A. D. Ellis Woolen Mills, which is the capacity in which he is to-day. Mr. Dempsey's public activities in Monson have brought him great honors. He has served on the school board since 1913, and since 1922 he has been chairman of it. He is also a member of the budget committee of Monson, and chairman of the building committee of the Monson new high school.

Mr. Dempsey is a member of the Day Spring Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Monson; Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Royal and Select Masters; Washington Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield.

**WLADYSLAW FRANK ZUJEWSKI**—While still the home of thousands of the descendants of the original immigrants who settled New England, that section of the country has become and is becoming the home of newer immigrants, who are adding new human values to the land. Among the thousands of enterprising men born abroad who have settled in one or another of the growing and thriving cities is Wladyslaw Frank Zujewski, who deals in real estate, sells insurance, and negotiates steamship tickets, and aids in other conveniences of the day and time at No. 39 Main Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

The grandfather of Mr. Zujewski, Stephen Zujewski, was born in Poland, where he always lived, and there died. He was a farmer by occupation. Vincent Zujewski, father of Wladyslaw Frank Zujewski, was born in Poland, where he resided until his death in 1887. He was a farmer on a large scale. He married Victoria Petraszkuwerz, who died in 1898. Vincent Zujewski and his wife had children: Francis, deceased; Anthony living in Poland; Wladyslaw Frank, of further mention; Joseph, living in Easthampton, Massachusetts, and two daughters, living in Poland.

Wladyslaw Frank Zujewski, born in Zuje, Providence of Minsk, Poland, February 22, 1865, was educated in the schools of Rubieziwieze, and spent two years in the high school at Mirze. When through these studies he taught school for two years. He was drafted into the Russian army when twenty-one years of age and served three years. In 1889, when twenty-four years old, he came to America, and settled in Northampton, Massachusetts. At that time there was put one person in that section from Poland. Near Northampton, he worked for a time on a farm. He later went to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he found work in a machine shop, remaining for two years. He returned to Poland for a stay of eight months, but returned to America to locate permanently. For five years, in company with his brother Joseph, he conducted a grocery business in Northampton. Then he went to farming, and for twenty-three years followed that vocation, raising tobacco and onions. During these years of his farming activities he rented an office in town and carried on the real estate and insurance business at the same time. In 1921 he

sold his farm and since that time has devoted his energies to his office enterprise. He is the agent for a steamship company and sells steamship tickets. He also translates and writes documents in foreign languages, Polish and Russian, and acts as an interpreter. During the World War he was active in selling government bonds, and was a captain in the bond drives. He served on the police force of Northampton in 1902-03. He is a justice of the peace and notary public, and is one of the incorporators of the Northampton Institution for Savings. He is a member of the Polish National Alliance.

On April 28, 1892, Mr. Zujewski married Antonia Januszkiewicz, born in Poland. Their children: 1. Helen, married Edwin Dascomb. 2. Edward, of whom further. 3. Emma, married Charles M. Miller, and they have two children, Edith and Austin. 4. Albina.

Edward Zujewski was educated in the schools of Northampton, and at the Polish National College at Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania. When through school he took up automobile work. He entered the World War in 1918, going to Camp Devens, where he served six and one-half months, and was engaged upon work in the orderly's room, and had the title of duty-ranking sergeant. After his discharge from the service he worked for Samuel Cook on electrical work in Northampton up to February, 1925, when he formed a partnership with E. E. Bartlett, under the firm name of Bartlett & Zujewski, doing battery and other electrical work. He is a member of the Polish Naturalization Club; a member of the White Eagle Home Association; a member of the city government, serving his second year in the City Council. He is also president of the Polish Citizens' Club of Northampton, secretary of the Hampshire County Club, and director in the State Polish Citizens' Club of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He married, November 29, 1916, Victoria Fabisak, of Northampton.

**ROBERT BERRY**—A fine type of man is Robert Berry, vigorous in body, mind, and ambition. When he started on a self-supporting basis as a young man, he chose the trade that would best utilize his powers and bring him in contact with many people, at the same time permitting close relationship with the animal he loved, the horse. As a blacksmith he has seen that animal the chief servant of man, and he has watched the automobile supplant him. An intelligent man, he has adapted himself to changed conditions, but he still maintains his smithy at No. 454 Walnut Street, Springfield, where he repairs cars now as well as horse-drawn vehicles.

Robert Berry, son of Robert and Sarah (Weir) Berry, both born in Ireland, was born in County Armagh, Ireland, January 15, 1875. His father was a stationary fireman and a member of the British Army. Robert Berry came to the United States in November, 1880, and was educated in the public schools of Rockville, Connecticut. At eighteen he started in as a blacksmith. His splendid physical development, his alert and receptive mind, his keen interest in political affairs in his chosen city, his easy and ready contact with all manner of men, have all contributed to his business and political advancement. He maintains his shop for general blacksmithing

and automobile repair work at No. 454 Walnut Street. In addition, he was city councilman from 1921 to 1923, and is a member of the Board of Aldermen, appointed in 1923 for four years, affiliated with the Republicans. He is a member of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church; a Mason, belonging to Roswell Lee Lodge; and affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men, where he occupies a prominent place.

Robert Berry married, in Rockville, Connecticut, May 4, 1898, Minnie Hirth, born September 21, 1875, in Glastonbury, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Frederick and Anna (Mueller) Hirth, both born in Germany. The children of Robert and Minnie (Hirth) Berry were: Sarah Caroline, Agnes Emma, Christine Ruth, Frederick William, Robert Carl, Minnie Anna, deceased. All were born in Springfield.

**LEWIS W. BERGER**—The percentage of adventurous and diligent men born abroad who come to this country is significant. And one of these is Lewis W. Berger. His father, Abraham Berger, born in Glacia, Austria, came to America in 1886. He arrived in New York, but located in Yonkers, adjoining that city, where he is engaged in the mercantile business, handling women's garments, cloaks and suits. He married Bertha Kriss, who died in 1920. They had children: Sadie; Leora; Lewis W., of whom further; William; David; Ruth, and Annette.

Lewis W. Berger, son of Abraham Berger, was born in Glacia, Austria, February 14, 1884. He came to this country with his parents when very young. He was educated in the public schools of New York and Yonkers, and when through school went on the road as a traveling salesman, covering Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, selling women's garments. In 1914 he came to Northampton, Massachusetts, and established himself in business, selling women's suits and cloaks. He occupies an entire building centrally located on the main street, and has one of the finest establishments of its kind to be found in Western Massachusetts. Mr. Berger is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club of Northampton, and of the Northampton Club.

Mr. Berger married Leah Conn, of Poughkeepsie, New York, daughter of Bernard Conn, and they have children, both born in Northampton: Gertrude, born in 1917, and Bertram, born in 1921.

**SAMUEL DUNBAR**—Many of the prosperous and sightly farms of Western Massachusetts have their guardians and owners in members of long-established families of this section of the State, and of whom Mr. Dunbar is one of the better known and most skilled agriculturists of Lenox Township. With his inherent and lifelong inclination to preserve and cultivate the farm lands for this and coming generations, Mr. Dunbar has applied his expert endeavors upon his extensive properties, with most satisfactory results from every point of view. A native of Lenox, and always keenly interested in the forward movement of its history, he shares to-day, as he ever has, his heartiest approval of its signs of activity in civic, business, and religious life. He is a son of Daniel Franklin Dunbar, who was born in Lenox, a

farmer in the northwest part of the township, and a son of Daniel Dunbar; and of Fannie (Chamberlin) Dunbar, who was born in Pittsfield.

Samuel Dunbar was born September 25, 1856, at Lenox, where he attended the District School. He has always been a farmer, and is now owner of the largest and most prosperous farm in the county. Independent in politics, he is non-partisan in his voting. He was a charter member of the Lenox Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Dunbar married, December 2, 1873, Anna S. Butler, who was born in Lenox, in January, 1842.

**L. LOUIS SAN SOUCIE**—The work in which L. Louis San Soucie is achieving noteworthy rank in Western Massachusetts places him among the important and recognized professional men of the day, as well as the sincere and forward-looking executives. His preparation for his career was most thorough and exhaustive and in his present high standing as a leading undertaker and funeral director of North Adams he has well proved his ability. Mr. San Soucie is able, efficient, alert to every phase of progress which in any way affects his work, and always tireless in his endeavors to fulfill his exacting and responsible duties with the highest possible degree of excellence. Approaching every commission with a profound sense of the ethical importance of his work, he has won the unqualified esteem and confidence of all. Mr. San Soucie is a son of Louis and Mary (Biron) San Soucie, prominent residents of North Adams. His father was a leading undertaker of this section with headquarters in Adams.

L. Louis San Soucie was born in Holyoke, August 23, 1890. His education was begun in the parochial school of Notre Dame, at Adams, from which he graduated in 1905, and he is a graduate of Adams High School, class of 1910. Thereafter attending Holy Cross College, at Worcester, he left his arts course unfinished to take up his professional preparations. He graduated from the Boston School of Anatomy in the class of 1914, and the following year graduated in derma surgery at Eckel's School of Embalming, in Philadelphia. Mr. San Soucie began his independent professional activity in North Adams on April 26, 1916, locating at his present desirable address, No. 73 Holden Street. He has won enviable rank in his chosen realm in the period of upwards of nine years which has since elapsed and in his careful and faithful handling of the duties and responsibilities which come to him, he has won an enviable position in the progress of his day. Mr. San Soucie is interested in every branch of worthy activity and is affiliated with the Marquette of Forresters; the Conseil de Ville Modle; the Union Saint Jean; and Saint Jean Baptiste Society; and the Mount Calm Musical Club. He attends Notre Dame of the Sacred Heart Church, of North Adams.

**LAKE SMITH RANSOM**—In the contracting world of Massachusetts, and indeed of New England, the name of Lake Smith Ransom is recognized among those of definite significance and great promise for the future. The work already achieved by this forward-looking young man places him among the thoroughly resposen-







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tative figures of the day and as the junior member of the firm of Antone & Ransom of Greenfield, he commands the esteem and confidence of the people and has given his realm occasion to look to him for large importance in his future activities.

(I) The Ransom family is descended from Robert Ransom, who came to Plymouth, Massachusetts, prior to 1654. The name signifies as might well be inferred, the price paid for redemption. In direct line from the pioneer Lake Ransom, Mr. Ransom's grandfather was born in South Woodstock, Vermont, and as a young man went West. He became one of the managers of the western division of the Osborne Harvester Company, in which connection the greater part of his active career was spent. His death occurred in Chicago. He married Lucy Bacon, of Boston.

(II) Albert Bacon Ransom, son of Robert and Lucy (Bacon) Ransom, was born in Chicago, in 1870, and died in Longmont, Boulder County, Colorado, in 1903, at the early age of thirty-three years. He was a prosperous ranch man, devoting his attention to the breeding of Shorthorn cattle, which he shipped to the Eastern markets. A progressive and able business executive, his future was widely promising and his early death was deeply mourned among all who were familiar with his activities. He was interested in various branches of worthy endeavor and was a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Albert Bacon Ransom married Addie Smith, of Boulder, Colorado, daughter of Jesse B. and Mary Jane (Harris) Smith.

(III) Lake Smith Ransom, son of Albert Bacon and Addie (Smith) Ransom, was born in Longmont, Colorado, July 31, 1895. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace and following his graduation from high school he entered Tuft's College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1917. Immediately entering the employ of the Boston and Maine Railroad he served as assistant bridge inspector for that company with headquarters at Nashua, New Hampshire. Entering military affairs in June of 1918 he was assigned to Camp Dix, New Jersey, later was transferred to Camp Tryton, Kentucky, thence to Camp Sheridan, Alabama, at which point he received his honorable discharge from the service in December of 1918, with the rank of sergeant.

Thereafter resuming his activities with the Boston & Maine Railroad, Mr. Ransom served as draftsman in the bridge office for about six months. He then went to Haverhill, Massachusetts, where he became associated with the Haverhill Box Company in the engineering department and continued thus for about one year. Locating in Greenfield in 1920, Mr. Ransom formed a partnership with Manuel Ignatius Antone (q. v.), another progressive young man of this community, whose training was equally comprehensive and whose ability is generally recognized. Under the firm name of Antone & Ransom these young men have since handled heavy contracting and engineering of many kinds, principally along the line of public works, and they employ as many as forty and fifty men. They have thus far been very successful indeed and have fulfilled commissions in every part of New England, also in certain sections of New York State. One of their noteworthy contracts was the

draining of the Cherry Run Section of Greenfield, the first drainage commission awarded by the State of Massachusetts. They have done much in the way of pile driving and they specialize in heavy engineering.

**FRANK L. DUNLAP**—The year 1925 marked the quarter century anniversary since Mr. Dunlap opened his real estate offices at Springfield, and in that period he has secured a wide range of realty interests, and made his business one of the better known ones in this part of the State. He is the son of Gwan, a florist, who was born in Scotland March 3, 1819, and Sarah Jane (McClelland) Dunlap, who was born in Scotland January 3, 1829.

Frank L. Dunlap was born August 18, 1869, at Rye-gate, Vermont, where he attended the public schools. He began his business career in the employ of a general storekeeper, at Princeton, Maine, where he continued from 1887 to 1891, and from there he went to Littleton, New Hampshire, in the same occupation, where he continued until 1895. During the next five years Mr. Dunlap was a salesman on the road; and in 1900 he established his present real estate business at Springfield.

In his political convictions Mr. Dunlap is a Republican and his vote and influence are exerted in support of the principles of that party. His fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons; and he is a member of the Commercial Travelers Club, the Nayas-set Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Rotary Club, the Colony Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Frank L. Dunlap married, December 27, 1899, Lois Hart, who was born in Brooklyn, daughter of Francis and Elmira H. Hart; and they are the parents of: Elizabeth T., Albert B., and Sarah Jane, all born in Springfield.

**THOMAS W. BURDEN**, treasurer of the Burden-Bryant Company, dealers in stoves and ranges in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Damariscotta, Maine, June 30, 1875. His father was Thomas H. Burden and his mother Ruth (Kirk) Burden.

Thomas W. Burden was educated in Somerville, Massachusetts, and Boston, where he attended the evening schools for four years. On leaving school he travelled for a Boston house also dealing in stoves and ranges and similar lines of hardware for ten years, the period covering the years from 1898 to 1908 when he came to Springfield to engage in business for himself. The Burden-Bryant Company was organized and its first offices were on Dwight Street. Mr. Burden conducted a repairing business on the premises which grew into the retail business of which he is the head. He continued on Dwight Street for three years, and the following five years the business was conducted on Hampden Street. It was reincorporated in 1917, with these officers: President, Thomas W. Burden; treasurer, Henry A. Bryant; clerk, Francis M. Williams. On June 26, 1917, these changes were made: President, Mr. Bryant; vice-president, Mr. Williams; treasurer, Mr. Burden. In July, 1920, Mr. Williams sold his interest in the business to Warren Widener and Wendell F. Chillson. This brought a recasting of the official staff with it and



made Widener and Chillson directors, while it left Mr. Bryant president and Mr. Burden treasurer. Mr. Burden's original repairing business has been retained in the larger business and made a feature of it, and this with excellent results, since it was the corner stone of the structure erected since. Mr. Burden is a member of the Masonic fraternity and belongs to all the Scottish and York Rite bodies up to and including the thirty-second degree, the Commandery, Knights Templar and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Springfield Country Club, and the Rotary Club, is president of the Hampden Finance Company, and a director of Charles A. Nash, Incorporated. In religion he attends the Christian Science Church.

Mr. Burden married, in January, 1904, Macie E. Howard, daughter of Frank and Ellen (Proctor) Howard, in Boston, their home. His business address is Lyman Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HOWARD E. RAINEY**, of the firm of Mytinger and Rainey, investment brokers of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Hudson, New York, August 13, 1895. His father, S. Mitchell Rainey, was a banker in that city and his mother was Ida M. (Miles) Rainey. He is a direct descendant of John Howland, who landed at Plymouth in the "Mayflower" in 1620. John Howland held many positions of importance in the government of the colony and was at the time of his death in 1673, the last survivor of that company in Plymouth.

Howard E. Rainey attended the public schools of Hudson, the Pawling Preparatory School at Pawling, New York; and, having finished the course, he engaged with Feuchtwanger & Company, of No. 51 Exchange Place, New York City, serving as messenger. After four months he was employed by the White-Weld Company of No. 14 Wall Street, as a bond salesman. He continued in their employ for about ten months when he enlisted in the United States Army Ambulance Service, Section 521, in October, 1917. He went overseas in June, 1918, as a private, returned home and was honorably discharged from service in May, 1919. After the war he returned to the bond department of the White-Weld Company, and continued a short time. After about four months he engaged in the exporting and importing business for himself in New York City, continuing thus for a year and six months. He thereupon came to Springfield, Massachusetts, and obtained a position with Moody Brothers & Company, investment brokers, and continued in their employ about a year. After that he represented Myron S. Hall & Company of New York City, but left their employ to become associated with Kenneth L. Mytinger on January 1, 1924, forming the firm of Mytinger (Kenneth L. q. v.) and Rainey, investment brokers, at No. 44 Vernon Street, Springfield, where he still does business. He is a director of the W. A. Lieson Company, of No. 73 Taylor Street, Springfield, clerk of Faith Congregational Church and a member of the Winthrop and Nayasset Clubs.

In 1923 Howard E. Rainey married Marian Gertrude Viets, daughter of Samuel D. and Gertrude C. Viets, of Springfield.

**DANIEL PROULX**, president of the Holyoke City Coöperative Bank, overseer of the poor, and real estate dealer, was born in Ste. Victoire, County Richelieu, Province of Quebec, Canada, May 6, 1850. He was the son of Joseph Proulx, a farmer, and his wife, Mary Proulx. Mr. Proulx attended the common schools in Canada, where he passed his early life on a farm. He learned the harness business in Canada, and came to Holyoke in 1868, where he found employment with W. L. Martin, a harness-maker. He bought out the business after three years, and conducted it in his own name for twenty-five years. Selling out, he engaged in the real estate business in Holyoke, and has continued to the present time, although he is not active. He moved to Chicopee about 1900 and established himself in real estate. He sold his holdings in Holyoke, but still owns property in Chicopee. Besides his bank presidency he is chairman of the board of overseers of the poor. He has been overseer of the poor since 1913 and continues in that office, also acting as city almoner. While living in Holyoke he served two years as alderman, and for four years was a member of the fire commission. He is a member of the Saint Jean Baptiste Society and attends the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Proulx was married January 13, 1873, in Holyoke, to Caroline La Pointe, daughter of John and Josephine Sampson La Pointe. Mr. and Mrs. Proulx are the parents of Henry Proulx, who enlisted in the United States Navy; of Ernest E., Leo D., and E. J. Proulx. Daniel Proulx's address is the City Hall, Chicopee; his house address is No. 62 John Street, Willimansett, Massachusetts.

**RHEA KINGSLEY BAKER**, of Springfield, Massachusetts, where he is president of the Hampden Paint and Chemical Co., was born in Springfield, June 27, 1883. He is descended from an old English family which began to make its appearance in America in the seventeenth century. The immigrant ancestor of whom the first definite information has been preserved, was:

(I) Henry Church Baker, born in Norwich, New London County, Connecticut, September 11, 1792. He was reared and educated in Norwich, where he attended the common school, which was near his home. He became a manufacturer of furniture successful in his efforts. The business he founded has continued to the present time, being continued by his great-grandson, Frank H. Baker. Henry C. Baker married, November 21, 1816, Eunice Kingsley, and they were the parents of three sons: William K., Henry K., and Gilbert Huntington.

(II) Gilbert Huntington Baker was born in Stafford Springs, Connecticut, November 27, 1821, attended the common schools of the neighborhood, and followed the occupation of his father as soon as he attained his majority. In this he was equally successful. His wife was Clara Kingsley and they were the parents of Ella M., Irving G., Edmund K., Frank H., Leonard B., Gilbert S., and Edith Baker. Mr. Baker died in his native town.

(III) Edmund K. Baker, his second son, was born in Stafford Springs, Connecticut, May 17, 1855. He received his preliminary education in the public schools



of that village, and supplemented this with a course in Monson Academy. Attaining his majority he removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, where he engaged in the saddlery and hardware business with a partner under the style of Lee & Baker. At the expiration of eight years he sold out and became treasurer for the Hampden Paint and Chemical Company and has since retired. He is conservative, yet actively interested in everything concerning the prosperity and welfare of his adopted city of Springfield. Mr. Baker married June 11, 1878, Marie R. LeB. Stickney, daughter of Dr. Pierre LeB., and Mary (Rhea) Stickney of Terre Haute, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of four children: 1. Madeline L., born November 8, 1880; married G. Marston Leonard, and they are the parents of Marston Stickney. 2. Rhea K. 3. Donald M., born December 5, 1886. 4. Lawrence E., born August 6, 1890, superintendent of the Hampden Paint and Chemical Co.

(IV) Rhea K. Baker, eldest son of Edmund K. and Marie R. LeB. (Stickney) Baker, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 29, 1883. He attended the public schools of Springfield and gained a practical education. Completing his studies he found employment in the plant of the Hampden Paint and Chemical Co., with which his father was identified. He acquired a thorough knowledge of bookkeeping in the year 1904-1905, serving as bookkeeper for the Rice & Lockwood Company, and this stood him in good stead. During the years from 1905 to 1909 he mastered the details of the paint business and his proficiency was rewarded in 1909 when at twenty-six years of age he was elected treasurer and general manager of the company, and has since become its president. The concern does an extensive business in paints, colors, waterproofings and varnishes, and imports most of the raw material which in manufactured form finds a market throughout the United States. Mr. Baker is a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of the Chapter, Knights Templar, and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of all the Scottish Rite bodies and has received the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Springfield Polo and Riding Club, the Colony Club, the Nayasset Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Longmeadow Country Club, the Boston City Club, the Transportation Club of New York; the Winthrop Club of Springfield, and the Tunxis Club of Hartford, Connecticut. He is a member of the Unitarian Church.

Mr. Baker was married, October 1, 1912, to Marion Elliott, daughter of George C. and Nellie (Kelley) Elliott, of Haverhill, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of a son, Elliot Baker, born May 9, 1915. Mr. Baker's business address is No. 161 Armory Street and his residence at No. 47 Mulberry Street, Springfield.

**JOHN RAMAGE**—An important factor in the industrial development of Holyoke, as well as in the paper-making industry of the United States, was John Ramage, president for many years of the Franklin Paper Company, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and a

prominent citizen of that town. He was of notable Scotch stock, the first recorded member being John Ramage, born in 1731, a witness to the execution of Wilson, the smuggler, in Edinburgh, Scotland, which is mentioned in Sir Walter Scott's "The Heart of Midlothian." One of his sons was William Ramage, born in Scotland in 1751, who died at Valleyfield, Scotland, in the year 1832, having married Helen Bertran, who died in 1820. Their son, William Ramage, was born in Scotland, March 10, 1778, and died at Lowmill, Penicuik parish, January 23, 1864. He married on December 26, 1800, Helen Hill, born November 10, 1778, who died at Lowmill, October 4, 1856, the ceremony being performed by Mr. McEwan of Howgate.

The eldest son of William and Helen (Hill) Ramage was James Ramage, born in Penicuik, Scotland, December 4, 1801. In 1816, after completing his education in the schools of the district, he was apprenticed to a Mr. Cowan to learn the paper-making trade, as his father had done before him. James Ramage was a paper-maker all his life. He married, in 1825, Christina Hunter, who bore him ten children: Margaret, Helen, Katherine, John, of further mention; Adam, William, James, Robert, Joseph, and a child who died in infancy.

John Ramage, son of James and Christina (Hunter) Ramage, was born at Penicuik, near Edinburgh, Scotland, April 16, 1826. When he completed his school years he was in his youth apprenticed to the paper-making trade with the well-known manufacturer, Cowan, where he learned all the details of the industry. In 1850, at the age of twenty-four, he migrated to America, settling first at Paterson, New Jersey. There he was superintendent of the Ivanhoe Mills, conducted by H. V. Butler under the firm name of the Ivanhoe Paper Company. After thirteen years in this connection he went to Buckland, Connecticut, where he joined Peter Adams in a paper-manufacturing venture of their own. His younger brother, James, having immigrated also, joined the Adams and Ramage plant, which operated for a year in this fashion. Mr. Ramage then sold his interest to return to Paterson and resume the superintendency of the Ivanhoe Mills. Fifteen years later, in 1878, he again resigned and moved to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he became superintendent of the Franklin Paper Mills, then owned by James H. Newton. In 1892, John and James Ramage bought out the interest of the Franklin Paper Company, the latter becoming president and the former vice-president. Ten years later, when James died, John Ramage became president and filled that position until his death, September 26, 1906. He was hale and active up to his last days, when he was over eighty years old, a fine type of man and citizen, popular and highly respected throughout the whole community. He was interred in Forestdale Cemetery.

John Ramage was a staunch Republican, though he sought no public office. He was a member of the Masonic order in Paterson. Reared in the Presbyterian faith, he was one of the most earnest and active supporters of the church, helping, while in Paterson, to found the Presbyterian Chapel, now the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and serving it as lay preacher and

teacher of the Sabbath School. He was an elder of the church and taught the Young Men's Bible Class. When he reached Holyoke, he found no Presbyterian Church so worshipped for a time with the Second Congregational, until the establishment of a church of his own faith, of which he was elder until his death. He was keenly interested in the welfare of Holyoke, and enthusiastically contributed his support to all forward-looking movements.

John Ramage married, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1852, Agnes Bryce, a native, like himself, of Penicuik, Scotland, daughter of James and Janet (Ewart) Bryce. In 1857 the couple visited Scotland while Mr. Ramage was on a business trip abroad, and in 1892 Mrs. Ramage again visited her native village. She was a devout Presbyterian, a lover of home, husband, and children, and died at her Beach Street home on January 10, 1897, being buried in Forestdale Cemetery. Five daughters were born of the union. 1. Jane Bryce, died in young womanhood. 2. Christian, educated in Paterson, New Jersey, private schools, and at Westfield State Normal School; taught school for some years in Holyoke. 3. Elizabeth Thompson, died in girlhood. 4. Lucy Bryce, educated in the Holyoke schools and at Westfield Normal, taught in the Holyoke public schools. 5. Helen Hill, who followed the educational regime of her older sisters, also taught in the city schools. The sisters live in an attractive home of their own construction on Stanford Street in Holyoke, take an active part in the civic and cultural life of the community and are devout members of the Congregational Church.

The fine Scotch traits of loyalty, thrift, energy and perseverance brought to Mr. Ramage deserved success. He was a great lover of nature, fond of flowers and of cultivating them in his own garden. Domestic in his tastes and temperate in his habits, he was an ideal husband and father. Broad-minded, high-minded, honorable, he lived an admirable Christian life.

**KENNETH L. MYTINGER**, head of the firm of Mytinger and Rainey, specializing in investments at Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Red Bank, New Jersey, March 19, 1892. He is the son of Frank B. Mytinger, an executive in the motion picture industry in Chicago, Illinois. His mother, Annie (Dickman) Mytinger. During the World War his father entered the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg, New York; and was sent overseas as a lieutenant in a Machine Gun Battalion. He returned as Major in the United States Air Force. His brother, Lee S. Mytinger, was also in the World War. He went overseas with the Second Division of the United States Marine Corps, and saw active fighting on the front, going over as a private and returned a sergeant.

Kenneth L. Mytinger attended the grammar and high school at his native city, later taking the course of study at the Alexander Hamilton Institute; and a special course on the refining of nickel and copper.

He entered the service of the International Nickel Company and rose from the lower grades to the higher, passing through all the departments, both office and

operating, until he was promoted general office manager of the refinery in Canada, and afterwards in the New York office. He afterwards engaged in the investment business in New York and Springfield, for a period of six years, after which he organized the firm of Mytinger and Rainey (Howard E., q. v.), of Springfield, Massachusetts, which he continues to manage with his partner. He is a member of the Automobile Club of Springfield, Winthrop Club, Nayasset Club, Trinity Men's Club, of Springfield, and Park Club of Pittsfield, and is also a Mason.

Mr. Mytinger was married September 16, 1914, in Brooklyn, New York, to Nellie Templeton, daughter of William and Alice (Pelham) Templeton. They are the parents of Dorothy Mytinger, born July 11, 1915, at Brooklyn, New York; Janet Mytinger, born January 13, 1919, at Port Colborne, Ontario, Canada; and Shirley Mytinger, born May 1, 1924, in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Mytinger's business address is No. 44 Vernon Street, Springfield; his house address is No. 98 Johnson Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE HENRY CLARK, M. D.**—One of the best known physicians of Holyoke, Massachusetts, particularly because of his close relationship with insurance companies and fraternal orders, and one of the best-loved citizens of that town because of his own sweetness of nature was George Henry Clark, M. D. He is of Irish lineage. His great-grandfather, Ralph Clark, of County Kilkenny, Ireland, was a well-to-do land owner, a lover of sports and good horses, who illustrated that charm of personality that is often attributed to the race. He married Maria Matthews, and they were the parents of Robert and Bessie Clark, the latter marrying John Smith. Robert Clark, born in Kilkenny, Ireland, in 1807, came to the United States in 1849, and died in Ware, Massachusetts, in 1851. He married Ellen Cunningham, daughter of Thomas Cunningham, born in Ireland, who long survived him, dying in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1907, at the age of eighty-eight. Children: Jane, Robert, father of Dr. George H. Clark, of further mention; William, Eliza, who married Morris Keough, and Ralph Clark, who alone of the children was born in America.

Robert Clark (2), born in Kilkenny, County Kilkenny, Ireland, in 1842, was brought to this country by his parents in 1849. He attended the Ware (Massachusetts) schools and after a short term in the mills there learned the carpenter's trade. His first occupation was that of house builder, but that of car-builder soon attracted him and busied him for the rest of his active life. He was employed in the car shops at Springfield and for a time in the United States Armory there. Ill-health forced his early retirement from active employment and necessitated the development of resourcefulness and independence on the part of his children. He married Ellen Donoghue, born in Kilkenny, Ireland, in 1841, who died in 1913. Children: George Henry, subject of this record; William, deceased; Charles, John, and Frank Clark, deceased.

George Henry Clark, son of Robert and Ellen (Donoghue) Clark, was born in Ware, Massachusetts,





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May 30, 1868. During his infancy his parents moved to Springfield, where the little boy attended public school. During most of his school life he worked during his free time in order to make the money to continue his education, and while attending the Springfield High School, he was employed by the "Springfield Union," in the mailing department. After graduating there, he studied medicine at Long Island Medical College in Brooklyn, New York, where he was self-supporting. He graduated from that institution with a medical degree in the class of 1891. Two weeks later he moved to Holyoke and opened the offices in the old O'Neil block at the corner of High and Essex Streets, where he practiced for thirty-three years. He had a very large general practice, winning the confidence and liking of people by his expert knowledge, his kindly and sympathetic personality, and his belief in his profession. As a young physician he was appointed medical examiner for the John Hancock Life Insurance Company. He also became affiliated with Shields Court, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, shortly after his arrival in Holyoke, and was for many years its physician. His influence in both insurance and fraternal orders expanded rapidly and during his later years he was physician for many of them. Dr. Clark was, moreover, greatly interested in civic affairs, and in spite of his manifold duties, was a member of the School Board from 1905 to 1910, serving as chairman during his last year. He was frequently urged to allow the use of his name for a place on the Board of Aldermen and elsewhere in municipal affairs, but he always refused. To the last his interest in educational progress was keen. He was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Association and of the Holyoke Medical Association. Dr. Clark died October 9, 1924, in Holyoke, at the age of fifty-six, and after a dignified ceremonial attended by notables and members of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters and many other friends, he was interred in Calvary Cemetery.

Dr. Clark was court physician of Shields Court, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, for twenty years, and of Isabella and Howard Courts as well. Many of the State conventions of the order were attended by Dr. Clark as delegate from Shields Court, and he was a member of the Past Chief Rangers' Association.

On September 5, 1899, Dr. Clark married Margaret Keefe, daughter of Cornelius and Ellen (Fox) Keefe, at the Sacred Heart Church, the ceremony being performed by the late Rev. P. B. Phelan. Mrs. Clark survives her husband as do two daughters: Helen, a physical training director in the public schools, and Mildred, a student at Skidmore College.

The "Transcript" on its editorial page pays tribute to the personality and public service of Dr. Clark:

As we go through life what we do and what we are so stamps itself on our personalities that it gleams through so that even those who pass may see. One may say this very specially about Dr. Clark. The very sweetness of life, the kindness of his purpose, his own tastes for the fine things in living and service and withal a native gentleness shone through as he came and went among us. Moreover, he had a more completely satisfactory life than most men attain. In his home there has ever been the most gracious family develop-

ment, devoted, with tastes for study, interesting developing children of much promise, united effort for community service. Dr. Clark very naturally became the doctor for fraternal orders because he personally sensed what brotherhood means and made his medical service with the members of these orders a matter of the most solicitous care. With his brother physicians he had a very happy relationship and their expression of sincere interest has made an easing feature of a long illness.

Dr. Clark for his interest in the fraternal medical work of the city filled a special niche in the ranks (of the medical fraternity) and filled it well. Further, he had an appreciation of the service that American citizenship means and gave his bit to Holyoke through his work on the school board.

A simple and sincere resolution was passed by the Holyoke Medical Society at the time of Dr. Clark's death, testifying to his high moral character, and his interest and activity in his profession.

**WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BABCOCK**—His health shattered by the rigors of a soldier's life in the Civil War, and suffering much but uncomplainingly on that account for many years, William Augustus Babcock, late esteemed and widely-known citizen of Holyoke, was connected for nearly all his life with textile mills of that city, having been an expert master mechanic whose ability was highly regarded. He was one of those fine, upstanding men of intense loyalty to his country and to his superiors in the plants where he was employed, a lover of his adopted city, and her every forward movement found in him a cordial supporter.

A descendant of an old and historic family of New England, William Augustus Babcock was born in Perry, Washington County, Maine, March 10, 1839, died at his home in Holyoke, July 13, 1907, the son of Gideon B. Babcock, a sea captain, who all his life followed the sea. The son, William A., was reared in his native town, attending the local school, and as a lad spent much time out of school working about the vessels and boats. As he grew to manhood he became more and more opposed to a seafaring life for himself, and eventually engaged in the lumbering industry at Baring, Washington County, Maine, being employed in sawmills in that region. This work he followed with interest and zeal until President Lincoln's call for volunteers for the Civil War. The great woods of Maine heard that call just as clearly, and to it there was as ready and as patriotic a response, as in the more thickly populated regions of the nation, and the young Babcock could not resist the urge. He enlisted in Baring, Maine, August 31, 1861, in the 9th Maine Infantry, and was assigned to Company A, Captain Granger. October 1, 1861, he was promoted to corporal. The greater part of 1862 he was stationed with his regiment in Florida. July 8, 1863, he was advanced to sergeant. His term of enlistment expired December 31, 1863, and he at once reenlisted in the same company, of which the commander then was Captain Brooks, and with which he served until the end of the war. He was again promoted, this time to second lieutenant. May 20, 1863, he was severely wounded by a gun shot in the face and head, and was transferred to a hospital in Newark, New Jersey, where he was confined until August, 1863, in which month he rejoined his company at Petersburg, Virginia. June 11, 1865, he received the commission of

first lieutenant and at the close of the war was mustered out with honors.

Returning from the former seat of war to his home in Perry, Maine, he spent some time there renewing acquaintances and getting in fresh touch with affairs of civil life. He then went to Manchester, New Hampshire, where he obtained employment in a mill manufacturing print cloth. He remained there for eight years, and in 1874, came to Massachusetts, locating in Holyoke. He entered the employ of the Lyman Mills, one of the largest and most important industries of that city. He was made master mechanic and in that capacity was connected with the corporation for twenty years. He was recognized as most thoroughly equipped for his line of work. His next position was with the Farr Alpaca Company of Holyoke, another long-established concern of that city, where for thirteen years, until his death in 1907, he was connected with the department of the works as superintendent.

He was firm in his political faith as a Republican, but never a seeker for public office. He was a member of Kilpatrick Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Holyoke, and had held all the offices in that organization up to that of commander. He was prominently identified with the Free and Accepted Masons and an attendant of the services of the First Congregational Church, Holyoke.

William Augustus Babcock married, August 30, 1865, at the home of Rev. Philbrick, Unitarian minister, at St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, Ida Rowena McPhail, a daughter of John Allen and Anne (Smith) McPhail, of Scotch-English descent. Mrs. Babcock still is active in body and keen of mind, and a member of the First Congregational Church. She is much devoted to her home and children, and esteemed for her Christian qualities. Children: 1. Willis L., electrician, makes his home with his mother. 2. Henrietta, married Charles Bowker, and resides in Holyoke. 3. Edward (Ned) Allen, engaged in farming in New Hampshire. He served in the Spanish-American War in the Philippine Islands, and during the World War served as electrician on ships bearing supplies to the front. 4. Lila Belle, lives at the family home. 5. Grace Ethel, married Charles Arthur Gault of Holyoke, and they are the parents of seven children: Andrew McPhail, real estate dealer, lives in Florida; Marion, graduate of Simons College; married Minot Fogg, and resides in Columbus, Ohio; Barbara, Eunice, Charles Arthur, Jr., William J., and Shirley Dorothy.

The thin blue line of the heroes of '61-'65 was even more noticeably attenuated with the passing of Lieutenant Babcock from the circle of his comrades in Kilpatrick Post, by whom he was beloved for his worth's sake. He had proved his loyalty to his country and his bravery under fire even to the shedding of blood and the permanent undermining of his health. From out of the smoke and carnage of war he brought to his occupations in civil life, to his home, and to his associations of whatever kind, that same quality of loyalty, kindness and moral uprightness which characterized all his life. He commanded the respect of a great body of citizens, and held the affection of a host of friends. His grave in

beautiful Forestdale Cemetery, Holyoke, is marked with the enduring wreath placed by his surviving fellow-veterans, and where on each Memorial Day floats a miniature of the flag he had held as dearly as his own life.

**D. FRANK AUDREN**—The training of the newspaper reporter and a general business man has had not a little to do with the success that D. Frank Audren has won in the directorship of his present real estate concerns and its valued partnership in the city of Chicopee, where his realty operations are conducted upon the broad scale of city and suburban, business and residential interests.

D. Frank Audren, a son of Dr. A. A. Audren and Nathalie C. Audren, was born in 1876. He began his career as a reporter in the employ of the Springfield "Union," where he continued for a year and a half, when for some time he was engaged in assisting his father, a Springfield chemist. For four years thereafter he was employed by Carter and Spaulding in the Springfield Public Market; and for seven years he was associated with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company. In 1925 he formed his present partnership with Henry Cloutier, and they continue successfully in the real estate business. Fraternally, Mr. Audren is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in Springfield; and he is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

**JAMES COLLINGWOOD**, authority on dyeing and allied processes in connection with the manufacture of textiles, was for thirty-three years engaged, in his special capacity, in the upbuilding of the Farr Alpaca Company, and at the same time, in a general way, in the development of Holyoke, Massachusetts. His democratic spirit, his steady performance of public and private duties, his sturdy good sense made of him an admirable citizen. He belonged to an English family long associated with textile mills. His father, Joseph Collingwood, born in Halifax, Yorkshire, England, about 1826, was associated with the mills of his native county from boyhood to old age. He died at Bradford, in his native county, at the age of seventy. Joseph Collingwood married Mary Smith, and they were the parents of the following children: Ann Eliza, Grace, Emily, Maria, Charles, and James, of further mention.

James Collingwood, son of Joseph and Mary (Smith) Collingwood, was born in Bradford, Yorkshire, England, November 29, 1849. Until fourteen years of age he attended the Bradford schools. In 1864 he entered the industry which became his life work, and perhaps, because his father was stock warehouseman in a dye house, the boy entered that branch. An expert dyer, he held good positions in the Bradford mills during the years 1864 to 1871. A desire for wider opportunities, however, brought him to the United States at the age of twenty-two and he spent a few months in a Philadelphia textile mill. Again in his native city he resumed his trade in Bradford, where he remained until 1876. Then he returned to the United States, living and working at his trade in Philadelphia for a year, in New Jersey for



three years, and again in Philadelphia for seven years, which brought him to the year 1887, his thirty-eighth. It was thus that a mature man, a dyer whose experience had included the processes of the best mills in the country, and a broad-minded citizen that Mr. Collingwood, in 1887, came to Holyoke, Massachusetts, and settled there for the rest of his life. He formed an association with the Farr Alpaca Company. For the remaining thirty-three years of his life he was in charge of the color and process dyeing department of that widely known plant. To the end he remained hard at work, making the daily performance of his task a real contribution to the development of industry in the community. He died November 16, 1919, and was interred in Forestdale Cemetery.

A lively interest in public affairs, based on character and intelligence, carried Mr. Collingwood into local politics, where his sympathies were with the Republican party, and he served as a member of the City Council in 1896. He was a member of Mount Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Holyoke Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Holyoke Council, Royal and Select Masters. His religious affiliation was with the Second Baptist Church.

Mr. Collingwood married, November 22, 1873, Sarah Jane McFarland, born in Huddersfield, a borough of the West Riding of Yorkshire, England, daughter of Ward and Jane (Beauland) McFarland. The home they established on Beech Street in Holyoke was the center of comfort and happiness for the family and their friends. Mrs. Collingwood, a devout member of the Baptist Church, survives her husband and continues to maintain the home. To Mr. and Mrs. Collingwood were born the following children: 1. Emily, born in Bradford, England, married to Dr. James K. Everhart, and residing in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 2. Joseph, born in Philadelphia, now succeeding his father as dyer with the Farr Alpaca Company of Holyoke, and married to May E. Alderman, of that city. 3. Jane Elizabeth, born in Holyoke, married to John Bagg, of that city, and mother of three children: Elizabeth, Jane, and John, Jr. 4. George, born in Holyoke, a lieutenant in the World War, now residing in Cincinnati, Ohio. 5. Frank, also a lieutenant in the World War, a paper maker of Holyoke, married Justine Taber, a daughter of Cyrus Taber, by whom he has two children: Janet and Frank Collingwood, Jr.

The Holyoke "Daily Transcript" is spokesman for the community in thus describing James Collingwood and summarizing his value to Holyoke:

James Collingwood was one of the men who for a generation has been making Holyoke—not looking on or criticizing—but making the city.

He had his day's work as a constructive force in one of our great industries, and he did it. . . . Into his home and his work he took a sturdiness of soul that was Briton through and through but that was completely democratic. The freedom of speech and the inclination to think on all public issues and to form an opinion concerning them which is very specially the inheritance of the Briton was a part of Mr. Collingwood's life. But with his comings and goings to England and ever since he has been living in America he was quick to say that he was glad his sons were Americans. . . . Holyoke has no more loyal citizens and no more democratic force among men who were contributing to the genuine constructive upbuilding of the real city than James Collingwood.

**CLAYTON REUBEN GREEN**—The son of one of Belchertown's distinguished citizens, Clayton Reuben Green carries on the work begun by his father, George Henry Bartlett Green, and which he so loved and signally succeeded in pursuing. Clayton R. Green is noted as a scientific orchardist who specializes in the development and growing of fine apples, and he is a man in whom his fellowmen have placed their trust. He was born in Belchertown, July 18, 1882, the son of G. H. B. Green, Sr., and his wife Nancy Howe (Sanford) Green. His father had been taken by an uncle, Reuben Green, upon the death of his own parents, and had adopted his foster-father's name Green, in addition to his own family name which was Bartlett.

The Bartlett, or Bartelot family dates back in England to the Conquest. Adam Bartelot, Esq., came over with his King, William the Conqueror, and received from him estates at Ferring, County Sussex. A family history traces twelve generations from Adam Bartelot, Esq., to Edmund Bartlett, of Emley, England, who married Elizabeth Gore, and had sons. The American Bartlett ancestry goes back to:

(I) Joseph Bartlett, of Newton, Massachusetts, who died December 26, 1702, having married, August 27, 1668, Mary Waite, who lived in Newton also. His home is now the site of the Baptist Theological Seminary.

(II) Joseph Bartlett was born March 5, 1673, and died in 1750. He married (first) Hanah, who died in December, 1730; (second) Mercy Hyde.

(III) Joseph Bartlett was born in Newton, April 8, 1703, and married Zebiah.

(IV) Samuel Bartlett, born March 9, 1732, married Elizabeth Appleton of Ipswich, Massachusetts, in 1760.

(V) Noah Bartlett, youngest son, was born December 25, 1768, married Catherine Witherell of New Braintree, daughter of Nathaniel and Abiah (Delano) Witherell.

(VI) Delano Bartlett, born in Westhampton, September, 1794, died May 31, 1881. He became a blacksmith of Southamton and married Sally Sikes who was born, February 11, 1800, in Ludlow, and died September 13, 1880.

(VII) Francis D. Bartlett, their son, was born in Southamton, May 28, 1822, and died October 28, 1847. He was an expert blacksmith, making a specialty of the iron work of carriages. His life ended in his twenty-fifth year.

He married, March 10, 1842, Sarah Y. Bennett, who died a short time after her husband. Their children were: 1. Alonzo F., since dead. 2. George Henry Bartlett, who came, upon the death of his parents, to his uncle, Reuben Green, of Belchertown, whose name he later adopted, thus being known as George Henry Bartlett Green. He obtained a good education, principally through self study, teaching school for forty winter seasons, devoting the other months of the year to farming. Early in his career he became a specialist in fruit growing. Apples were his hobby, and until 1910 he was actively engaged in the care and perpetuation of his orchards on his farm of one hundred and thirty-six acres, and his products were unsurpassed by anyone in the section. He planted the orchards himself and

watched their growth right up until the time of his retirement, when he surrendered their care to his son, Clayton Reuben Green. He was for twenty-five years the bookkeeper for the Belchertown Coöperative Creamery Association, and for years bookkeeper for the R. H. Long Shoe Company in addition to his horticultural and other pursuits. For a quarter of a century he was also the secretary of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Club of Belchertown and, after his retirement, continued to underwrite insurance. For eight years he was the town tax assessor, and for thirty years a member of the school board. In 1892 he was elected to represent his district at the legislature, and in 1893 and 1894 he was State Senator, serving on the committees of labor, education, printing and libraries. He is a member of the patrons of Husbandry, and an attendant of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics he was a Republican.

Senator Green married (first) Nancy Howe Sanford of Belchertown, born May 10, 1841, and died July 31, 1911, daughter of George C. and Sophia (Burnett) Sanford; (second), June 4, 1913, Emma Palmer, born in Lister, England, daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Everard) Palmer. The children of the first marriage are: 1. Iva Louise, married (first) Luren E. White, and they were the parents of a son, Carlton E. White, a druggist in Springfield; married (second) Elmer E. Puso. 2. Carlton DeWitt, born October 21, 1871, died January 11, 1892. 3. Susan Dwight, born March 19, 1873, died November 11, 1874. 4. Sarah Sanford, born July 14, 1875, died December 12, 1909. She married Addison D. Moore. 5. Harriet Sophia, born May 22, 1878, died January 23, 1903. She married Edwin F. Shumway. 6. Elsa Rachel, born May 11, 1880, died December 2, 1893. 7. Clayton Reuben, of whom further. 8. George Henry Bartlett, Jr., born August 22, 1884, a prominent lawyer of Boston, who married Hazel Newcomb, and they have two children: George H. B., 3rd., and Newcomb.

Clayton Reuben Green received his education in the public schools of Belchertown, and, having always shown the keenest interest for the work his father conducted on his farm, he began to work for his father early, and in 1908 he took over the management thereof. It has ever since been his endeavor to improve upon and carry to higher perfection the work his father had developed and brought to a high standard. He, too, specializes in the culture of apples, and he has now on his farm some seventy-five varieties. He is a member of the board of assessors, which office he has held for seven years, a member likewise of the Grange, and member and secretary of the Republican town committee; also a member of the Massachusetts Fruit Growers Association, and director of same for two years, and of the Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club, of which he has been a director for several years.

He married, July 18, 1906, Mary Pearl Birchmore, and they have one son, Ralph Bartlett, born May 5, 1908.

**JOHN GEORGE SCHWENGER**—Insurance companies, agency managers and solicitors have found the Springfield territory a fertile field for their operations;

and this is a tribute to the foresight and progressiveness of the people; it also reflects credit upon the insurance men for their intelligence and enterprise. Sharing a very large portion of the success attending the life insurance business is John George Schwenger, manager of the Springfield branch of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York, who is one of the most enthusiastic and eminently successful men in the insurance field. For more than thirty years Mr. Schwenger has been associated with the Metropolitan Life, and therefore is esteemed a veteran in the service, which has been marked by steady and merited advancement from solicitor to manager, in succession, of branches graded upward as to their importance, and eventually to his present post of manager of the highly important Springfield branch, whose jurisdiction embraces a large and densely populated district.

John G. Schwenger was born in Klein Eislingen, Württemberg, Germany, May 9, 1868, a son of Johann and Margaret (Lipp) Schwenger, his father having been a baker. The son, John, attended the public schools of his native place until he was sixteen years of age, when he came to the United States, and his first stated employment was as a solicitor for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at Malden, Massachusetts. Virtually from the beginning of that connection he gave evidence of having the right sort of material within him for the making of a first-class insurance man. He remained in the Malden field about six years, and then was transferred to Woburn, Massachusetts, where he continued to mark advance in the company's favor by enlarging his volume of business as a solicitor. After a stay of three years at Woburn there came the first real promotion with the appointment as manager of the company's branch at St. Johnsbury, Vermont. In that city Mr. Schwenger brought into play qualities and powers which had not been revealed in full to the superiors of the new branch manager. They perceived that he had managerial ability of a high order. After giving his talents rein in the St. Johnsbury territory for three years, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in 1906, fixed upon Mr. Schwenger as the right man for the position of manager of the Springfield branch, which is considered by the company, as well as by insurance men in general, as the headquarters of a choice territory.

Mr. Schwenger is affiliated with the Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Palestine Commandery, No. 5, Knights Templar; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His clubs are the Winthrop, Nayasset, and Masonic of Springfield.

Mr. Schwenger married, at Boston, Massachusetts, Bertha B. Burgsthaler, daughter of William Burgsthaler. They are the parents of five children: 1. Bertha C., a graduate of the New Haven (Connecticut) Normal School. 2. William George, graduate of Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont. 3. Gertrude Ann, graduate of Carnegie Library School, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 4. Karl Frederick. 5. Barbara.

Mr. Schwenger has his office at No. 374 Main Street, and his residence at No. 11 Yale Street, Springfield.







Rayden W. Cheney

**ROYDEN W. CHENEY**—As manager for The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, Royden (Winthrop) Cheney plays an active part in the business life of Springfield and northern New England. He comes of old pioneer stock, being a direct descendant of John Cheney, who settled at Newbury, Massachusetts, in 1636, and also of Hannah Dustin, of Indian captivity fame, whose daughter married Giles Cheney. He is the son of Reuben H. and Nellie A. (Burroughs) Cheney. The elder Mr. Cheney is now retired from business, but was for forty years actively associated, most of the time as general agent and manager, with the company which his son now represents.

Royden W. Cheney was born in West Lebanon, New Hampshire, April 29, 1878. As a small boy he accompanied his father on business trips, absorbing insurance information, and at the age of nine wrote his first application, which was for an endowment policy upon the life of the family hired man. He attended the public schools of Manchester, New Hampshire, and then entered Harvard University, graduating *cum laude* in 1901 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His business career, except for a short period of daily newspaper work, has been wholly in the employ of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, with whom he started out as special agent soon after graduation from college. In 1903 he was appointed assistant manager at Manchester, New Hampshire, for New Hampshire and Vermont. At Manchester he was a member of the Calumet, New Hampshire Harvard, and New Hampshire Life Underwriters' Clubs, serving two terms as president of the last-named institution. In 1916, the company having consolidated the Manchester and Springfield agencies, he came to Springfield as assistant manager, and on January 1, 1922, was appointed manager for New Hampshire, Vermont and Western Massachusetts. As a branch of the home office, the company's entire old and new business in this territory—premium collections, policy payments, new insurance, agency appointments, and so on—are handled through Springfield, the manager being assisted by a superintendent of agents, cashier, medical referee, fourteen clerks, ten special agents having offices at the agency, which is in the Stearns Building at No. 293 Bridge Street, and eight district managers, over one hundred soliciting agents and several hundred medical examiners located between Connecticut and Canada.

Mr. Cheney is a member of Massachusetts Gamma Chapter of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity of which, in college, he was Eminent Recorder, and a member and ex-president of the Springfield Alumni Association of the same institution; of Orleans Lodge, No. 55, Free and Accepted Masons, of Barton, Vermont, and of the Barton Golf Club; of Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, Oriental Council Princes of Jerusalem, and Nashua Consistory, 32d degree Scottish Rite Masons, Nashua, New Hampshire; of the University Club of Springfield, and of various insurance organizations.

He married, January 7, 1909, at Ryegate, Vermont, Nellie May MacLam, daughter of William T. and Ella L. MacLam. Both are members of Faith Congregational Church. They have no children.

**T. WALTER CARMAN**, president of the Baker Extract Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, May 8, 1871. He was the son of Thaddeus S. Carman, a native of Bridgton, Maine, and of Helen M. (Wing) Carman, born in Wayne, Maine. Thaddeus Carman was a mechanical engineer. Mr. Carman's ancestor, John Carman, of North Yarmouth, was a private in Captain Benjamin Lemont's Company, Colonel Nathan Wade's regiment. He enlisted June 25, 1778, and was discharged December 31, 1778, was also on muster roll of January-September, 1778, dated East Greenwich, also muster roll of January-October, 1778, dated Warwick. Enlistment to expire January 1, 1779 (see *Soldiers and Sailors in War of the Revolution*, Vol. III, page 109).

T. Walter Carman attended the public schools and high school in New York City, a private school, Columbia Institute, and the New York University, where he studied for a year. His first employment was with the Lewiston Journal, Lewiston, Maine, as stenographer, and later, in the same capacity, with the law firm of Dana & Estey, at Lewiston, Maine, coming to the Baker Extract Company, which was established in Portland, Maine, in 1890, as a stenographer. He was advanced to successive posts of responsibility and trust, and in 1895 was elected treasurer of this concern, and in 1912 was elected president, an office he has filled to the present time. The business was moved to Springfield in 1901. The company manufactures household flavoring extracts for cooking purposes. Mr. Carman is a director of the Springfield National Bank, vice-president of the Republican Club of Hampden County, a member of the Rotary Club, of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, of the Nayasset Club, the Colony Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Longmeadow Country Club, the Automobile Club, Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and of several fraternal orders. He is a member of Portland Lodge, of Masons, and has received the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Knights of Pythias. He is also a member of St. Paul's Universalist Church, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Mr. Carman married, April 19, 1898, in Portland, Maine, Flora Le Grow, born in Portland, October, 1869. Her father was Orrin Le Grow, since dead, a native of Maine, and her mother was Lucinda (MacDonald) Le Grow, a native of Maine, also dead. Mr. Carman's business address is Superior Place. His home is at No. 183 Florida Street, Springfield.

**CHARLES WILLARD BRAY**—Focusing all his business acumen and personality on real estate and insurance in Chicopee and Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, Charles Willard Bray is a forceful influence for advancement in those towns. For more than half a century his family has played an important part in the town and county. He is of English stock, his great-grandfather, James Bray, born November 3, 1791, in England, died there February 3, 1861, as did his wife, Ann (Jennings) Bray, born December 4, 1792, who died May 5, 1848. Their son, Robert Bray, born at Bath, Eng-



land, March 31, 1818, and died at Shelburne Falls, April 3, 1890. A mill worker in England, he came to this country in 1845, accompanied by his wife and three young sons, settling at Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he was foreman of a department in a woolen mill. He lived in Shelburne Falls for a time, owned a large farm on Heath Mountain, and was a temperance advocate, a widely-read Bible student and ardent supporter of the Baptist Church; a member of the Masonic Order and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Shelburne Falls.

He married, in June, 1840, in England, Amelia Baker, born in Bradford, England, on the River Avon, June 23, 1820, daughter of William Baker. She died in 1908. Their second son, father of Charles W. Bray, became a remarkable man and a leading citizen of Chicopee Falls, where for fifty-two years he conducted a grocery and general store. A small boy when brought to this country from his native England, he was educated in the American public schools. After varied business ventures as an employee, he purchased the Chicopee Falls store in 1868 and made it a factor in town life. His other interests were large. He was an incorporator of the Chicopee Falls Savings Bank and a member of the finance committee in charge of the real estate department. A Republican with great influence, he was for twenty-five years treasurer of the Republican Committee, was assessor for three years, associate for two, then county commissioner, serving for several years. He was chairman of the commissioners of the Mount Tom State Reservation and supervised the laying out of Bray Lake. He was influential in church circles. Mr. Bray died December 3, 1920. He married, November 21, 1866, Annie E. Clark, of Milford, Connecticut, daughter of Lewis and Nancy (Benjamin) Clark, and she died on January 2, 1914. Children: Arthur E., deceased; Frank Clayton, deceased; Charles W., of further mention; Maud, born 1881, deceased.

Charles W. Bray was born August 27, 1879, in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. He was educated in the public elementary and high schools there, graduating in 1899. His business career began in association with his father, George W. Bray, in his general store. A short time before his father's death the business was sold. Meantime, for the past decade, Charles W. Bray had watched the growing importance of the real estate and fire insurance business and the increasing opportunities in that field. When free he therefore, began to devote his entire time to his work and is a leader in the field. His operations cover important property in Chicopee and Chicopee Falls. He is a director of the Cabot Trust Company and a trustee of the Chicopee Falls Savings Bank. Mr. Bray was chairman of Hampden County for the Liberty Loan drives during the greater part of the World War. This included the selecting of chairmen and helping in the organization of the twenty-three towns and cities with the exception of a few of the larger cities. Like his father an enthusiastic Republican, he is associate commissioner of Hampden County. He is also important in Masonry, being a member of the Belcher Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Unity Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, in Chicopee Falls. He

is a communicant of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is a trustee and in whose Sunday School he is superintendent.

Mr. Bray married, in Northampton, Massachusetts, September 14, 1910, Grace Evelyn Harlow, of Northampton, daughter of George Wesley and Mary Louise (Kneeland) Harlow. Children: Lois K., born in Chicopee Falls, May 16, 1913; Dorothy H., also born there, June 30, 1918.

**EVERETT HOSMER BARNEY**—The inventive genius through which Everett Hosmer Barney developed several mechanical devices of exceptional value, was supplemented by practical executive ability of unusual order, and the record of his active career is an interesting story of substantial success. He was born in Framingham, December 7, 1835, the son of Jaries S. and Harriet (Hosmer) Barney. His father, who was a native of Taunton, Massachusetts, was born February 4, 1799, and died December 27, 1859. He was a manufacturer of machinery for woolen mills at Saxonville, Framingham, Massachusetts, and made several important improvements in looms and spinning machinery, which are still used in some of the largest mills in the country. His mother, born in Acton, Massachusetts, February 5, 1805, died August 16, 1847, was descended from the Hosmers of that place, some of whom fought in the battle of Lexington. The union resulted in nine children.

Everett Hosmer Barney, the fifth child, was educated at the public schools, and at the academy at Framingham, followed his father's business until 1851, when he engaged as a contractor in locomotive work for Hinkley & Drew of Boston, Massachusetts. It was while working for them that Mr. Barney conceived the idea of fastening skates by a metal clamp, dispensing entirely with the old method of straps and buckles, and took out his first patent in 1864, followed by a series of patents. In the same year James C. Warner of Springfield, Massachusetts, having a large government contract for guns, engaged Mr. Barney to complete this contract. At the close of the war Mr. Barney turned his attention to his own inventions, and to the manufacturing of the same, and formed a partnership with Mr. Berry, an old friend who had worked with him for several years. They hired the property vacated by Mr. Warner, and at the end of two years Mr. Barney bought out Mr. Berry's interest, but retained the firm name of Barney & Berry. The business grew rapidly, and Mr. Barney erected a new mill, which is equipped with every modern improvement, Barney & Berry skates gaining a world-wide reputation. In 1868 Mr. Barney invented a perforating machine for stamping out the amount payable on bank checks, and took out a patent for it. This machine stamps out any amount from \$1 to \$1,000,000; also such words as "cancelled," "paid," etc. Through talent, ability, and strict attention to business, Mr. Barney acquired a large fortune, and in 1882 purchased one hundred and ten acres of land in the southern part of Springfield, adjoining what is known as Forest Park, and built a handsome residence on a site commanding a superb view of the Connecticut River and valley. The grounds were laid out with great care, with many rare



and valuable plants imported from Europe, Egypt, China, Japan, and India. Mr. Barney intended his beautiful home to pass to his only child, George Murray, born on March 27, 1863, but his death in 1889 decided Mr. Barney to present the place to the city of Springfield, as a memorial of his son, reserving the right to occupy it as a home during his life and that of his wife.

**EDWARD P. DRISCOLL**—One of the enterprising young business men of Holyoke, Massachusetts, is Edward P. Driscoll, who was born in that city March 17, 1894. He is the son of Daniel W. and Hanora (O'Donnell) Driscoll, his father a native of Wales; his mother was born in Milford, Massachusetts.

Edward P. Driscoll was educated in the parochial and high schools of his native Holyoke, after which he immediately entered upon a business career. In 1918 the Paper City Manufacturing Company was incorporated, with himself as president and Thomas J. Kinnevan as treasurer. This company manufactures all kinds of paper specialties, and at the present time (1925) employs a force of thirty people. Under the able direction of Mr. Driscoll, who is shouldering heavy responsibilities, the business is increasing and the future prospects look very bright for the company.

The political views of Mr. Driscoll are those of an Independent, he preferring not to align himself with any one party, but to cast his vote for the man that he thinks can best fill the bill. He is a man highly regarded in the city of Holyoke, his home since the time of his birth. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he also belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Driscoll was married in the Church of St. John Baptist (Roman Catholic) of New Haven, Connecticut, on October 5, 1925.

**JAMES J. DOWD**—The third of his name, James J. Dowd, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, was born in that city February 16, 1889. His grandfather was named James J. and his father also bore that name. There were few men in Holyoke better known or more respected than James J. Dowd, the father. He was prominent in business, political and religious circles. He was a type of the fine citizen. Serious minded in all of his pursuits, he accomplished much good in a quiet, unostentatious way, performing many kind and charitable acts for persons in need. During his more than half a century of life in Holyoke he made a host of friends, and in relations of life he manifested the sterling qualities that command respect and are worthy of emulation. He was a native of Ireland, born in 1859, and when six years of age he came to this country with his parents. They settled in Holyoke, where the son spent his entire afterlife. The father, grandfather of the present James J. Dowd, was employed in the mills at Holyoke, where he died. He and his wife were the parents of fourteen children. One son, Matthew Dowd, lives in Waterbury, Connecticut, two daughters in Ireland, two in Holyoke, and one in the convent of Notre Dame in Lawrence, Massachusetts.

James J. Dowd, son of the immigrant, was educated in Holyoke public schools and his first occupation was a clerkship in the late Jeremiah Doody's market. He finally bought out his employer and conducted the business for fifteen years. For the following thirteen years, having sold his business, he served on the Board of Assessors of Holyoke, for eight years being chairman of the board, and in 1898 he opened an insurance and real estate business with J. J. Keane, continuing until 1907, when the latter retired and Mr. Dowd was alone until 1910, when he admitted his son, James J., Jr., who continues the business. The father represented Holyoke in the Massachusetts Legislature in 1901-2, and won general commendation. From the time he took up residence in Holyoke until his death he was actively identified with St. Jerome's Church, and he served on the altar until he was made collector in 1886. His service in various church activities covered a period of forty years. St. Jerome's Church never had a more faithful official. He was a member of the Holy Name Society, and a charter member and one of the most zealous workers in the Holyoke Council, Knights of Columbus. He was tireless in work to create a home for this order. He had always been a loyal member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians; he was a member of the Holyoke Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a member of the Robert Emmett Literary Association.

In January, 1886, Mr. Dowd married Mary Frances McCann, of Montreal, Canada, who was his constant companion, and they were the parents of four children: an infant, deceased; James J., of whom further; Mary Agnes, died at the age of two and a half years; John Francis, died at the age of three and a half. James J. Dowd, Sr., died at his home in Holyoke, May 6, 1916. In his death, Holyoke lost a model citizen. There was a solemn high mass of requiem in St. Jerome's Church for Mr. Dowd, attended by the bishop of the diocese and many eminent clergymen, and Monsignor Madden paid an eloquent tribute to the deceased.

James J. Dowd, formerly known as "junior," was educated in the Holyoke public schools, the parochial school and high school, and in the Holy Cross College of Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1910 with the degree of B. A. During the time he spent in college Mr. Dowd played with notable success on the baseball team of that institution, as well as on the high school baseball team. Upon completion of his studies he decided to adopt baseball as a profession, at least for his spare time, and from then until his father's death, a period of about seven years, he filled the position of pitcher in professional clubs of the State and national baseball organizations, playing with the Montreal, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, Utica, and Cincinnati teams. His father, loving sport for its own sake, always seconded his baseball efforts and encouraged him in every way, witnessing his work whenever possible, and applauding it with pride. Thus his father, who loved the game, met many professional players of note, and was a great favorite with all of them. As a special mark of respect and liking, the father was often invited to sit "on the bench," a mark of distinction seldom proffered to one not immediately associated with the

sport. At the time of his death the association sent an enormous floral piece, more than six feet in height, as a token of esteem and memory. Upon the death of his father, James J. Dowd, who had won fame in baseball, was forced to abandon that sport and return to Holyoke to assume the responsibilities of his father's business. He is conducting the real estate and insurance business still, and in the latter field represents such insurance companies as the Equitable Life Insurance Society of the United States, and local agent for the Ætna and other well known companies. In politics Mr. Dowd is an Independent. He belongs to the Holyoke Board of Underwriters, to the Massachusetts Board of Life Underwriters, is a member of the Mount Tom Golf Club, of the Holyoke City Club, of the Kiwanis Club and in fraternal circles he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, No. 902, and of the Eagles. He belongs to the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

On September 21, 1921, at New Haven, Connecticut, Mr. Dowd married Clara Elizabeth Sheehan, born July 21, 1895, at Easthampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Edward A. and Clare (Sullivan) Sheehan, both natives of Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Dowd are the parents of Clare Sheehan Dowd, born in Holyoke, July 23, 1922, and James J. Dowd, Jr., born in Holyoke, September 15, 1923.

**ELLERY HERBERT SANDERSON**—Among the successful dealers in leaf tobacco in Massachusetts, who are now retired, is Ellery Herbert Sanderson, who is spending the well earned leisure years of his retirement in Bernardston, the town of his birth. The Sanderson family is of ancient English origin, and the greater number of those in America who bear this name trace their descent from one of two brothers, Robert or Edward.

Mr. Sanderson is a descendant of Edward Sanderson, who came to Watertown before 1638, but later sold his house and land there and removed to Cambridge. The name frequently appears as Sanders or Saunders on the early records. Edward Sanderson married, October 15, 1645, Mary, believed to be the eldest daughter of Bagot and Bridget Eggleston, of Dorchester, later of Windsor, Connecticut. The line descends through Jonathan Sanderson, who married Abia Bartlett, youngest daughter of Ensign Thomas and Hannah Bartlett, of Watertown. Their son, Jonathan (2) Sanderson, who married Abigail Fiske, daughter of John and Sarah (Wyeth) Fiske. Their son, Nathaniel Sanderson, who married Mary Drury, daughter of John and Susanna (Godard) Drury. Their son, Jonathan (3) Sanderson, who married Molly Curtis. Their son, John Sanderson, who married Lydia Morton, of Athol, Massachusetts. Their son, John (2) Sanderson, of whom further.

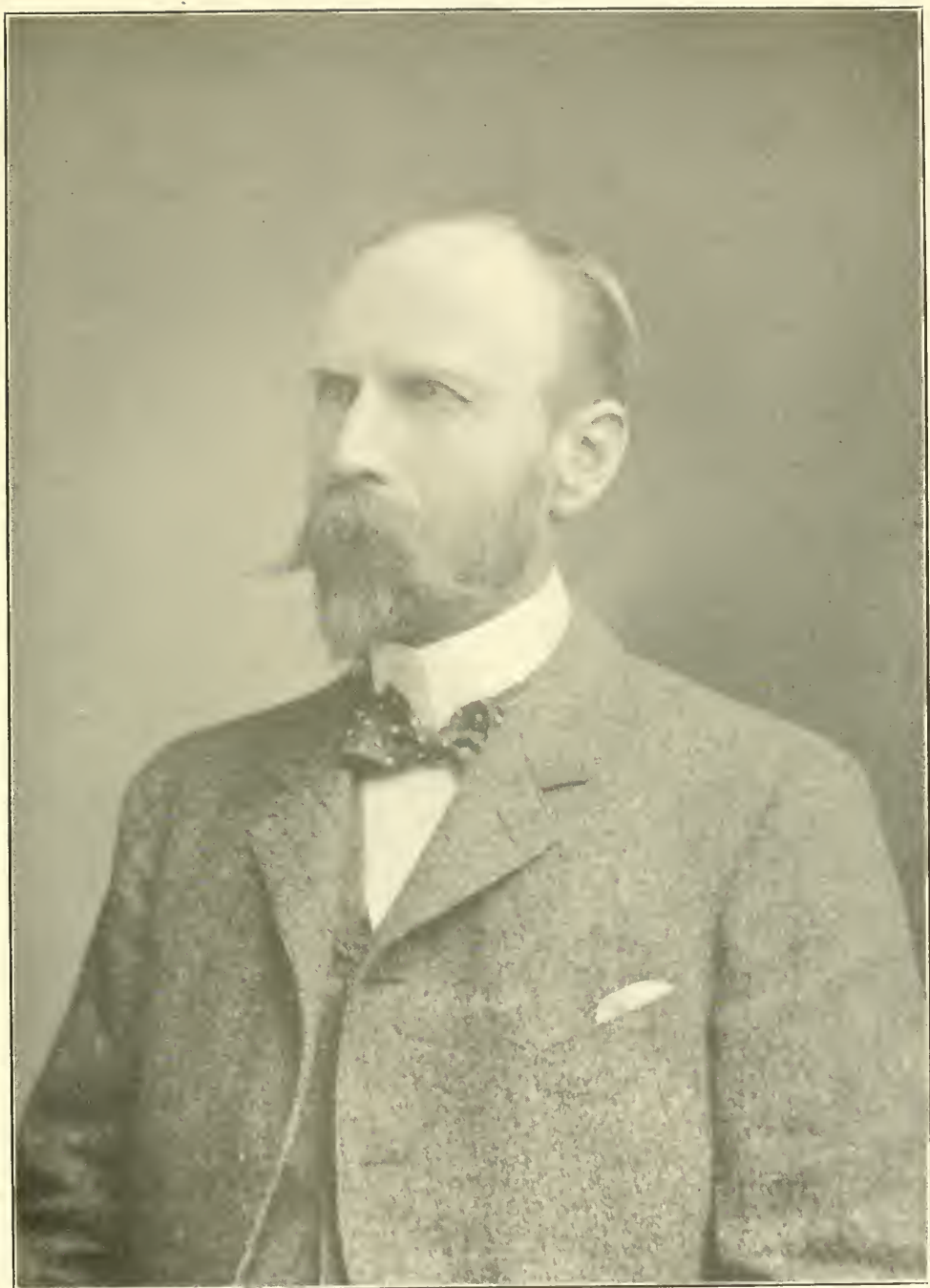
John (2) Sanderson, eldest child of John (1) and Lydia (Morton) Sanderson, was born at Petersham, Massachusetts, July 10, 1814, and died at Bernardston, July 12, 1898. He was educated in the district schools of his native town, and at the age of seventeen years, when his father died, took charge of the business and farm. Later he removed with his mother to Bernardston,

Franklin County, where he was employed for two years as a clerk by Colonel Aretas Perry, and his subsequent business career was characterized by good judgment, tact, sagacity and uniform success. He increased his patrimony until he was possessed of one of the largest and finest estates in the county. He was trustee of the Franklin Institute for Savings, and upon the organization of the Greenfield Savings Bank became its president and continued in that office many years; he was also president and a director of the Franklin County National Bank. He was an honorary member and life trustee of the Franklin County Agricultural Society; for nearly ten years president of Powers Institute and that institute owes much to his interest and labors in its behalf; trustee of the Cushman Library, and it is owing to his liberality that the hall over the library was built. He also contributed liberally to the support of both Unitarian and Baptist societies in Bernardston; was a member of the building committee of the Baptist Church, and for nearly thirty years was parish clerk and treasurer of the Unitarian Church. In politics he was originally a Whig, but upon the formation of the Republican party joined its ranks, held various positions of trust and honor and in 1861 was State Senator from his district.

He married, October 29, 1840, Mary Osgood, born in 1816, died January 27, 1890, daughter of Elihu and Ruth (King) Osgood. Ruth King was a daughter of Samuel King, of Sutton, who served during the Revolutionary War. Their children were: 1. John Horatio, born November 1, 1841, married, May 7, 1879, Jeannie Smith, daughter of General Walter Smith, of Mobile, Alabama. 2. Lavalette O., born January 16, 1843, died October 14, 1874. 3. Lucien Morton, born June 5, 1846, died February 19, 1857. 4. Henry Hunt, born July 13, 1848, died August 19, 1887. 5. Mary Osgood, born July 7, 1850; married, May 25, 1876, Andrew J. Wood, who died at Los Angeles, California, December 31, 1899; she died September 27, 1897. 6. Ellery Herbert, of whom further. 7. Maria, born December 10, 1855. 8. Lydia, born July 29, 1857; married, February 26, 1879, Charles W. Scott, resides at Greenfield and has children: Lavalette, born November 17, 1879; Charles Rufus, born February 19, 1895. 9. Lucien, born June 3, 1859; married, June 11, 1889, Clara Noyes, daughter of William F. Sherwin, of Boston, and has children: Marie, born February 22, 1897; Helen, born February 1, 1902. He is a merchant and resides in New Haven, Connecticut.

Ellery Herbert Sanderson, son of John (2) and Mary (Osgood) Sanderson, was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts, August 14, 1853, and received his education in the public schools of Bernardston and in Powers Institute. When through school he clerked in various stores for a time, spending some five years in Northfield, Massachusetts, after which he was for seven or eight years engaged in buying and selling leaf tobacco. He had his warehouses in Bernardston, and was uniformly successful in the conduct of the enterprise which he had established. For some years now (1925) he has been retired from active life, living on the old homestead in Bernardston, one of the finest estates in the region.





*J. Herbert Henderson*





**FRANK JOHN WESCHLER**, president and general manager of the Indian Motorcycle Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Erie, Pennsylvania March 6, 1883. His father was Leo Benedict Weschler, born in Erie, March 27, 1855, and his mother Anna Klemmett, a native of Germany, born July 26, 1854. His grandfather, Jacob Weschler, was a native of Germany, where he was educated and learned the trade of maltster. Having become highly proficient he left his native land for America, and found a foothold in Erie, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in business on his own account as a maltster and his efforts were crowned with success. He eventually sold his business to the American Malting Company and retired from active pursuits. His seven children were: Daniel D., Joseph, Leo Benedict, Andrew, Frances, Jacobina, and a child who died young.

Leo Benedict Weschler, son of Jacob Weschler, served an apprenticeship at the trade of maltster under the guidance of his father, and found his first employment with the George Bullen Company of Chicago, where he remained for several years. He was a Roman Catholic in religious belief and a Democrat in politics and member of many societies. His children were: Robert, Charles, Joseph, Frank John, of whom further; Harry, and Frances. Leo B. Weschler died at his home in Erie, November 20, 1890, at the early age of thirty-five.

Frank John Weschler attended the public and the parochial schools of Erie, and Chicago, Illinois. He began business life in 1899, entering the employ of the Black Manufacturing Company in Erie, manufacturers of the Tribune bicycle, but in 1902 the company was taken over by the American Bicycle Company, and the works were transferred to Westfield, Massachusetts, where Mr. Weschler was transferred as purchasing agent. He resigned in 1906 to become sales manager of the Hendee Manufacturing Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, engaged in the manufacture and sale of the Indian Motorcycle. In 1909 he was made secretary of the corporation, and his duties were performed so well that a further promotion to the office of treasurer followed in 1910. In 1920 he became vice-president and treasurer, and in 1922 vice-president and general manager, while in 1923 he was elected president and general manager, duties of which he still performs. In 1923 the name of the corporation was changed from the Hendee Manufacturing Company to the Indian Motorcycle Company, under which it operates at the present time. Mr. Weschler is a director of this company; a trustee of the Hampden Savings Bank, Springfield; director of the Highland Coöperative Bank, Springfield; president and director of the Indian Acceptance Company. He is, or has been, a director in the Motorcycle and Allied Trades Association, secretary of the Cycle Trades Association of America, and trustee of the Hampden Savings Bank. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Nayasset Club, the Colony Club, of Springfield, the Tekoa Club of Westfield, the Oxford Country Club and the Advertising Club of New York. He attends the Holy Family Church in Springfield (Roman Catholic).

Mr. Weschler was married in Springfield, April 26,

1906, to Carolyn Agnes Caffrey, of Springfield, daughter of James J. and Ann (O'Brien) Caffrey. She was born in Connecticut, but lived the larger part of her life in Springfield. She died October 25, 1921, and is buried in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Weschler were the parents of four children: Dorothy Mary Weschler, born December 16, 1907; Lillian Frances Weschler, born October 27, 1911; Eleanor Pauline Weschler, born March 7, 1915; and Anna Rose Weschler, born August 26, 1916.

**FREDERICK A. DAYTON**, coal dealer in Springfield, Massachusetts, and manager of the Sullivan Coal Company, is one of the younger generation of successful men in Western Massachusetts. He was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, March 3, 1892, the son of Frederick A. and Laura Hale (Clapp) Dayton. His father was superintendent of streets at Northampton for a long period and later in life engaged in business as a contractor. Frederick A. Dayton, the son, attended the public schools in Northampton and the high school in Springfield, and before he began an active career, he enlisted for the Great War and received a commission as second lieutenant in the National Army, but was not sent overseas. His tour of duty was at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, and Camp Lee, Virginia, where he remained in the service of his country until after the signing of the armistice when he received an honorable discharge. His business life began in the service of the Fisk Rubber Company of Chicopee Falls. He was on "special work" from 1919 to 1922, when he decided to engage in the coal business and came to Springfield, where his connection with the Sullivan Coal Company in the capacity of manager has continued to the present time. He is a member of the Springfield Country Club and of Belcher Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Chicopee Falls. His business address is the Sullivan Coal Company, Taylor Street, and his residence address is No. 33 Pratt Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PERKINS**, president of the American Tissue Mills, of Holyoke, and treasurer of B. F. Perkins & Sons, Inc., was born in this city, July 14, 1896, the son of John Lewis and Malvena Ellen (Perron) Perkins. The surname Perkins has been variously spelled, and is a baptismal name originating from the patronymic Perkin or Parkin, meaning "the son of Peter." There are no Perkins or Parkins in the Hundred Rolls, but the French diminutives Perrin and Perrott are common. What may be called the Flemish forms appear in Yorkshire and the East counties about the beginning of the fourteenth century. The branch of the family to which Benjamin F. Perkins belongs is of record in New England in the early part of the sixteenth century, at which time two brothers, Abraham and Isaac Perkins, joined the community of Hampton, New Hampshire. In Hampton they were assigned adjoining house lots of five acres each.

Benjamin F. Perkins represents the tenth American generation of this family, the line of descent being traced from Isaac Perkins, one of these brothers, as follows: Isaac Perkins and Susannah, his wife; Caleb and Bertha (Philbrick) Perkins; Benjamin and Lydia

(McCrease) Perkins; Joseph and Elizabeth (Dow) Perkins; Benjamin Perkins, and Abigail, his wife; Benjamin (2) and Ruth (Worthen) Perkins; Joseph and Susan (Colby) Perkins; Benjamin Franklin and Ellen M. (Cross) Perkins; John Lewis and Malvena (Perron) Perkins, these latter two bringing the line to Benjamin F. Perkins, whose name heads this review.

Benjamin Franklin Perkins, grandfather of our subject, was born at Sunapee, Sullivan County, New Hampshire, July 21, 1826, and died in Holyoke, Massachusetts, October 21, 1900. He attended schools in both Lebanon and Grafton, New Hampshire, his parents having moved to those towns in 1833 and 1839 respectively. His father, Joseph Perkins, died in 1842, and after this sad event he entered the employ of Fifield and Choate as an apprentice to learn the trade of locksmith. He remained with this company three years, then went to Nashua, New Hampshire, in the employ of the Nashua Lock Company for about a year. Later he learned the trade of machinist under the able instruction of John H. Gage, after which he went to the Amoskeag Corporation in Manchester, New Hampshire, as an employee of their machine repairing department, remaining five years. After this he was employed by various companies until 1857, when he went to the Hampden Mills of Holyoke, Massachusetts, as master mechanic and superintendent, having full charge of the mechanical department. In 1865 he resigned to accept the position of superintendent of the Freeman Manufacturing Company of North Adams, but in 1867 he was induced to return to the Hampden Mills with which company he remained until 1873. In November of this year he established a general jobbing and machine shop business in Holyoke which proved very successful, but in 1888 fire destroyed his entire plant, including all equipment. This was a very great loss for him, but he was built of type expressing courage that never gives up, and immediately set about to rebuild his fortune, using for the purpose the old shop where he first began his business. In March of 1888 he admitted his son, John Lewis Perkins, to a partnership in the business from which time the title became B. F. Perkins & Son. Later they were enabled to build a large and adequate plant, modernly equipped, for the manufacture of various machines. Continuing in this business they also purchased, in 1889, a half interest in a paper mill at South Hadley, of which they later became sole owners. This start in the paper business was the nucleus of all the present Perkins activities. Mr. Perkins, the elder, continued actively interested in the business until his death in 1900. Mr. Perkins had to his credit also the perfecting of a number of inventions which proved of great value. One, the telephone, invented by Mr. Bell, as brought to perfection by him, and was demonstrated to a number of Mr. Bell's intimate friends in Mr. Perkins' machine shop on Front Street, Holyoke. These telephones, together with switchboard, were later sent to the original Bell Telephone Company, then located at New Haven, Connecticut.

Benjamin Franklin Perkins married (first), in 1848, Ruth Cross Hartwell, who died in 1862, leaving five children: George, Clayton Hartwell, Frederick, Charles Edward, and William. He married (second), December

24, 1862, Ellen M. Cross, a cousin of his first wife, daughter of Ephraim and Susan C. (Corliss) Cross. They were the parents of a son, John Lewis Perkins, of whom further.

John Lewis Perkins, only son of Benjamin Franklin and Ellen M. (Cross) Perkins, was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, November 12, 1865. He was educated in the public and high schools, graduating from the latter with the class of 1884. While completing his high school course he kept his father's books, besides filling the position of night operator in the Bell Telephone Central office. Upon leaving school he entered his father's business as an assistant and in 1888 he was admitted to partnership. After the death of his father in 1900, he succeeded him as head of the firm which at that time was known as B. F. Perkins & Son. This title was continued until 1906, when the business was incorporated as B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., with John Lewis Perkins as president. Mr. Perkins is also the founder and president of the Japanese Tissue Mills, a consolidation of several paper interests, which was incorporated under Massachusetts laws with one million dollars capital. Mr. Perkins represents one of the foremost business men of Holyoke, having since entering his father's business, shown ability and initiative of high degree. He is a director of the Park National Bank of Holyoke, and is a member of several of the city clubs.

John Lewis Perkins married, October 14, 1895, Malvena Perron, of Holyoke, and they are the parents of three children: Benjamin Franklin, of whom further, and the subject of this biography; John Lewis, Jr., and Marion E.

Benjamin Franklin Perkins, son of John Lewis and Malvena (Perron) Perkins, was given a thorough education, attending the public schools of Holyoke, and continuing at Williston Seminary, East Hampton, Massachusetts. After this he became a student of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, New York, and was graduated there with the class of 1920. This concluded his scholastic training and he then entered business under the supervision of his father. He was mentally alert and rose rapidly in position because of his ability to efficiently handle the duties entrusted to him, and he is now holding the position of treasurer of the B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., and that of president of the American Tissue Mills. The latter concern are manufacturers of crepe paper, tissue paper, waxed paper, and paper specialties, while B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., are the manufacturers of paper mill and textile machinery. The products of these concerns, so well and favorably known, are sent to all parts of the world, and the business handled is an extensive one.

A Republican in his political views, Mr. Perkins is a member of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Holyoke Canoe Club, and being fond of golf holds membership in the Mount Tom Golf Club. During the World War he was an army ordnance inspector. Mr. Perkins keeps a stable of saddle and polo ponies which he exhibits at the Eastern States Exposition each year, also at the fairs, and has taken a number of ribbons. He is an enthusiastic polo player and a member of the Polo Club.

Benjamin Franklin Perkins married, in Schenectady,



New York, September 22, 1917, Marion Z. Ryan, born December 5, 1896, in Holyoke, daughter of John Henry and Mary Josephine Ryan, of Holyoke, and to them have been born three children: Marilynn Jane, born in Troy, New York, June 21, 1919; Benjamin F., Jr., born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, May 9, 1922, and Pollyann, born in Holyoke, May 6, 1925. Mrs. Perkins is a graduate of the public and high schools of Holyoke, and of the Westfield Normal School. Mr. Perkins is a communicant of the First Congregational Church, of Holyoke.

**CHAUNCEY A. STEIGER**—A popular merchant of Holyoke, Massachusetts, is Chauncey A. Steiger, general manager of the Holyoke branch of the A. Steiger & Company's Department Store, with its home a chain of stores in Springfield. Chauncey A. Steiger was born February 26, 1893, at Westfield, Massachusetts, the son of Albert and Izetta (Allen) Steiger, a native of Easthampton, Massachusetts. Albert Steiger, known throughout the New England and Middle States to be the largest owner of department stores in that section of the country, is the son of Jacob Steiger, and grandson of John Ulrich Steiger, natives of Switzerland. John Ulrich Steiger was born in 1809, and died in 1871. He was a manufacturer of fine goods and muslins in Switzerland until after the death of his wife. Coming to the United States he settled in Huntington, Massachusetts, and manufactured bed spreads until his death at the age of sixty-two years. The children of John Ulrich and his wife, Marcia Steiger, were: John, Marcia, Ulrich, George, Jacob, of whom further; Edward, Matilda, and Robert.

Jacob Steiger, the fourth son, was born in St. Gall, Switzerland, in 1839, and died in Huntington, Massachusetts, in 1872. His education was limited, but through night schools, observation and association, he became well informed, and especially familiar with textile manufacturing through seeing the large plants of St. Gall in operation. He became a weaver and followed his trade in Switzerland and Germany. His father, a partner in the firm of Steiger & Deschler, was interested in one of the largest mills in Württemberg. Jacob Steiger became a foreman and continued till 1869, when he came to the United States and located in Huntington, Massachusetts, where he became associated with Little & Stanton, manufacturers of bed spreads. He had evolved the design for a power loom and when it was perfected and protected by patents it was installed in the Little & Stanton mill in Huntington. Although Jacob Steiger lived only two years after coming to the United States he had proved his skill both as a weaver and designer of textiles and had well improved his thirty-three years of life. Mr. Steiger married Mary Feierabend, born in Cherhofen, Germany, April 28, 1838, daughter of Baptiste and Ettule (Konig) Feierabend. Their eldest child, Albert Steiger, was born in Rosenberg, Germany, May 12, 1860, and passed the first ten years of his life there. In 1870 his parents brought him to their new home in Huntington, Massachusetts. His father, grandfather, uncle and brother died within the next three years, leaving him the head of

the family. It consisted of his mother, himself, and two younger sisters. At thirteen he left school and began selling goods in a small way, obtaining his stock from the mill with which his father had been connected. He became acquainted with Mr. Gillett, a dry goods merchant of Westfield, who took the boy into his employ and was ever after his warm friend. Albert Steiger continued to work for Mr. Gillett for twenty years in the Westfield store.

In those years he evolved a scheme which he meant to carry out at a future time. It was not until 1894, that opportunity appeared ripe and he acted. His broad vision told him the department stores in the smaller cities were not conducted in a way to yield ample profits to the owners nor to serve the customers as they wished to be served. He opened a dry goods store in Portchester, New York, which he conducted for a short time. He next opened a store in Holyoke, Massachusetts, buying a site on High Street; and there developed his ideas of what a modern department store should do for the city where it is established. His hopes were realized beyond his expectations and Holyoke possessed a store modelled on the most advanced "Steiger ideas" of a "People's Store." It was conducted as A. Steiger & Company. He improved his opportunities until Steiger became a household word in many States and sections of New England, while Albert Steiger was a merchant prince. He added to his business stores in Portchester, known as the Steiger-Schick Company; in New Bedford, Massachusetts, by the Steiger-Dudgeon Company; in Fall River, Massachusetts, by the Steiger-Cox Company; three stores in Springfield, Massachusetts, by the Albert Steiger Company, which had as officers president, Albert Steiger; vice-president, Ralph A. Steiger; the Poole Dry Goods Company, and the Poole Court Square Store, of which Mr. Steiger was the creator and the president. In August, 1919, a store was opened in Hartford, Connecticut, at Main and Pratt streets at an outlay of almost \$250,000. Mr. Steiger bought the building from the C. S. Hills Company, the oldest dry goods store in that city. He could not buy the site, but negotiated long-term leases with the owners, and in 1920 erected a five-story department store building which is one of the finest in New England. These stores, comprising the Steiger System, occupy buildings almost all of which are owned by Mr. Steiger personally or by the operating company, it being his settled policy to invest in the best business real estate in each city where he does business and pay taxes rather than rent. The Steiger Stores are models of perfection in merchandising, the customer, his needs, wishes, comforts and conveniences, receiving first consideration. The business of the system of stores totalled \$15,000,000 for the year 1924, which discloses the evolution of Mr. Steiger in business since 1894 when thirty years before he opened the modest store in Portchester, and did a business of \$3,400. This has grown to \$500,000 and in two months Mr. Steiger sells more goods than he did during his twenty years with Mr. Gillett. In 1919 Mr. Steiger bought property worth more than \$250,000 adjoining his main store in Springfield, and has erected thereon a building which

makes the store one of the greatest in New England. Mr. Steiger is a director of the American Dry Goods Company; the Chapin Bank of Springfield; the Hadley Falls Trust Company of Holyoke and the W. D. Kinswan Realty Company. He is a member of the Mount Tom Golf Club; the Springfield Country Club; the Nayasset and Colony Clubs of Springfield; the Westfield Club of Westfield and the Merchants' and Bankers' Club of New Bedford. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a liberal supporter of all churches and other good causes. During the World War he was a staunch supporter of the Government and a liberal contributor to the campaigns for funds through the Liberty Loan campaigns and the Red Cross and other campaigns.

Mr. Steiger was married in 1884 to Izzetta Allen, daughter of Chauncey and Celia (Norton) Allen. They are the parents of five sons: 1. Ralph A., vice-president of the Albert Steiger Company of Springfield. 2. Philip, formerly active manager of A. Steiger & Company of Holyoke, Massachusetts, now in charge of the Hartford store. 3. Chauncey A., of further mention. 4. Robert, who enlisted in the 104th Regiment, Company D., United States Army, went overseas; saw service in the trenches and was transferred to the aviation department. He was honorably discharged from service with the signing of the armistice; and is now connected with the financial department of the Steiger system. 5. Albert, Jr., who also served in the World War, and since its close, connected with the purchasing department of the Steiger System.

Chauncey A. Steiger was educated in the public schools of Holyoke, in the Springfield schools and in Phillips Exeter Academy. He was graduated from Dartmouth College in the class of 1917. He enlisted in the Navy in May, 1919, and was commissioned Ensign soon after. He served at Newport, Rhode Island, and at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He is a member of the Blue Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Royal and Select Masters; the Knights Templar, all the organizations being in Holyoke. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club.

He married, October 3, 1923, Esther Emery, daughter of Edward and Esther (Reynolds) Emery.

**AUSTEN E. PLUMB**, president of the Shelley Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, and likewise its treasurer, is a member of the Nayasset Club, Kiwanis Club, the Springfield Country Club, and the Longmeadow Country Club. He was married to Nina E. Corkins. His business address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield, and his house address No. 28 Marengo Park, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE MONROE JENKS**—A prominent industrialist of Western Massachusetts, and identified with the general march of improvement in Southampton, where he had been a resident for thirty years, George Monroe Jenks was of the highest type of citizenship in this section, and was concerned as member and official with a number of organizations that are representative institutions of this township.

George M. Jenks, a son of Lyman Jenks, was born November 24, 1854, in Pelham, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools, and he afterwards went to Wilbraham Academy. Mr. Jenks was first employed on a milk route, and was afterwards instrumental in establishing the bakery business of Mansfield & Jenks in Springfield. Leaving Springfield in 1898, he removed to Southampton, where he purchased a farm and remained in that township to the time of his death, November 10, 1925, his wife having died October 1, of that year.

Mr. Jenks was a prominent citizen of Southampton, and was interested in many enterprises that have to do with the progress of this community. He was a member of the board of directors of the Northampton Hosiery Company, and of the Lydia Searle Fund for the Worthy Poor. His religious faith was that of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Both he and his wife are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, in Springfield.

George Monroe Jenks married, May 18, 1891, in Springfield, Massachusetts, Arabella Theodosia Paine, daughter of David K. and Marcia A. (Fuller) Paine. Mr. Jenks left his property to his niece, Lora Marcia Paine, who was born July 27, 1893, in Ludlow, daughter of Alfred Kinsley and Minnie Etta (Olds) Paine, both living in Ludlow, Massachusetts. She came to Southampton to reside with her uncle and aunt in 1899. Children of David K. and Marcia A. (Fuller) Paine were: Henry A.; Alice A.; Herbert N.; Alfred K.; and Mrs. George M. Jenks. Children of Alfred K. and Minnie E. (Olds) Paine: Ralph D.; Ernest N.; Lora M.; Herman C.; Olive J.; Walter E.; Alice S.; and Milton K.

**FREDERIC W. FULLER**, since 1898 manager of the Springfield, Massachusetts, Equitable Life Assurance Agency, the Equitable's largest Eastern agency outside of New York, is a man prominent in both business and social circles in Springfield. He is a son of William A. and Harriet E. Fuller, the father an insurance man, who lived for many years in Springfield.

Frederic W. Fuller was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1872. He attended the public schools, Riverview Academy and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he graduated in 1897. Meantime, in 1896, he had made a business connection with George A. Sutton as solicitor, but in 1898, after his graduation, he became associated with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York, in the capacity of manager of the Springfield Agency. The phenomenal growth under him has resulted in its being one of the important agencies in the country. He has now a Springfield and a Boston office. Mr. Fuller plays a prominent part in the insurance world, and is often quoted as an authority on various phases of the subject. He is a director of the Chicopee National Bank, and belongs to many of Springfield's social and civic organizations, among them the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Nayasset, Colony, Longmeadow, Springfield and Winthrop clubs, and he is also a member of the Boston Exchange Club and the Old University Club of



Arabella E. (Paine) Jenks



George M. Jenks





Boston. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Masonic order, York Rite, Knights Templar and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a member of Phi Beta Epsilon fraternity. His religious connections are with the Christ Episcopal Church of Springfield.

Mr. Fuller married, at Springfield, in 1913, Elisabeth Leonard, daughter of George and Adeline (Marston) Leonard; and they have two children: 1. Elisabeth, born in November, 1915. 2. Frederic, born in March, 1917.

**WILLIAM ARTHUR WALKER**—In his highly competent direction of the duties of town clerk and accountant of Easthampton, William Arthur Walker has rendered a very valuable service to the immediate clerical affairs of that office, as well as to the township, by means of his practical comprehension of the affairs of a community that is steadily increasing in industry and in population. A native and a lifelong resident of Easthampton, and long engaged in business here and popular in all matters that have to do with general progress, Mr. Walker is a devoted and thoroughgoing incumbent of the position for which his abilities have well fitted him. He is a son of Duncan Walker, who was born in 1833 in Scotland, and died in Easthampton September 2, 1912, and of Agnes (Dunnigan) Walker, who was born in 1843 in Paisley, Scotland, and died in Easthampton January 7, 1905, daughter of William and Grace (Hill) Dunnigan. Mrs. Walker came to the United States when she was twenty-three years old; her parents came later, and resided in Fall River the remainder of their lives.

Duncan Walker, who was a son of Duncan and Mary (Hill) Walker, who resided all their lives in Scotland, learned the trade of machinist, and coming to the United States in 1867, he lived in Providence, Rhode Island, where he was employed by both the Harrington Company and the Corliss Company in the manufacture of cotton mill machinery. Removing to Easthampton in 1870, he resided there to the time of his death. For many years he was master mechanic in the Williston Mills, and during the later years of his life he was retired. He was a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton, and his religious fellowship was with the First Congregational Church. The children of Duncan and Agnes (Dunnigan) Walker; Grace; Duncan; William, Sarah, both of whom died in infancy; Mary who married Richard Preece, of Ansonia, Connecticut, and who have children: Ralph and Agnes; Agnes; Dougald, of Worcester, married Gertrude Parsons, and they have children: Arthur; Agnes, and Ruth; Mattie, who married Olaf Penquist; John; Margaret, who died at the age of eighteen years; Archibald, of Springfield, married Emily Steele, and they have a daughter Virginia; William A., of whom further.

William Arthur Walker was born April 6, 1885, in Easthampton, where he attended the public schools. He began his business career in the factory of the Williston Knight Button Company, of Easthampton, and he held the position of assistant superintendent there to the time of the company's liquidation in 1923. It was in that year he was appointed town clerk, in succession

to Town Clerk Burt, deceased, and was also appointed town accountant. In 1924 Mr. Walker was elected to the office of town clerk for a term of three years, and since taking up the responsibilities of his position he has indexed the records in a manner far superior to that in vogue previously in that office, so that research matters are simplified with regard to names and dates. Mr. Walker has also served on the town board of registrars.

Fraternally, Mr. Walker is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a Past Master; Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, of which he is High Priest; William Parsons Council, Royal and Select Masters; and he is secretary of the Blue Lodge, and Past Patron of the Eastern Star Lodge. He is also a member of the Congregational Church and of its prudential committee.

William Arthur Walker married, September 8, 1908, Amy Ethel Hull, of Easthampton, daughter of Edward and Sarah (Moore) Hull. Their children are: 1. Eleanor Hull Walker, born July 28, 1909. 2. Barbara Walker, born September 30, 1919.

**WILLIAM EVERETT WELCH**, insurance broker and general agent and treasurer of the William H. Flood Coal Company, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, December 14, 1884. His early life was spent in Gloucester, Massachusetts, where he attended the Gloucester High School, after which he entered Boston University Law School, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1909. He was admitted to practice in the Massachusetts courts March 1, 1910. He entered the insurance business in Springfield, Massachusetts, in October, 1913, which business he has prosecuted successfully, and has created an enviable name for himself. He is a member of Esoteric Lodge of Masons, in Springfield, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a member of the Longmeadow Country Club. He was married July 29, 1925, in Springfield, Massachusetts, to Nancy Vertene (Aldrich) Cummings. His business address is No. 146 Chestnut Street, Springfield. His home address is No. 56 Fort Pleasant Avenue, Springfield.

**HORACE BYRON HATCH**—The Hatch family, of which Horace Byron Hatch, well-known plumbing and hardware dealer, of Easthampton, is a member, derives its name from the locality where the original Hatch lived in England. The name was one time written de la Hache; and Hatch, as did Hatcher and Hatchman, took his name from the simple bar across the wooden pathway where he had his domicile. The family is among the oldest of those in Massachusetts, and is vigorous and prolific. The branch of the family with which this review has to do was founded in Massachusetts by Thomas Hatch, who was born in Sandwich, County Kent, England whence came also his brother, Elder William Hatch, who was a merchant in Scituate a leading man and the first ruling elder of the Second Church of Scituate. He was lieutenant of the militia company. He died, and his widow Jane married Elder Thomas King in 1653, and had children.

Thomas Hatch was in Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1634, and later in Scituate, Massachusetts where he died in 1646. His wife was Grace, a most estimable woman and devoted mother, who died, leaving five children: Jonathan, William, Thomas, Alice and Hannah. He was among the early pioneers of or to Massachusetts. From him the line of descent is through one of his sons to Moses Hatch; to Eliphalet Hatch; to Moses Hatch, whose wife was Lucy; to Hiram Hatch. Hiram Hatch, born in Montgomery, Massachusetts, February 28, 1802, son of Moses and Lucy Hatch, was a farmer and blacksmith in his native town. He died there April 28, 1838. He married, March 6, 1821, Luthenia Chapman Avery, born September 23, 1803, in Montgomery, Massachusetts, died in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 2, 1897, at the age of ninety-three years. They had children: Hiram Duane, died at the age of ninety-eight years; Moses, died young; Delos, Cyrene M., Bronson, and Horace Atherton, of whom further.

Horace Atherton Hatch, youngest child of Hiram and Luthenia Chapman (Avery) Hatch, was born in Middle Farms, Westfield, Massachusetts, July 14, 1835, and died in Westfield June 15, 1898. He lived at different times in Westfield, Easthampton, Southampton and Montgomery, Massachusetts. He was esteemed an expert on horses, and did a large business in buying and selling the animals, shipping them in by the carload from Canada. He was looked upon as a man of excellent judgment in business affairs, and was held in high regard by his friends and associates. He married (first) Lucy Searle, by whom he had one son, Willie M., who died young. He married (second), March 1, 1870, Caroline Cordelia Owen, born in Enfield, Connecticut, September 10, 1838, died in Springfield, Massachusetts, February 15, 1914, daughter of George Carlos and Delia (Burbank) Owen. Children: 1. Lillian, married Raymond H. Allen, of Detroit, Michigan, and they have one son, Richard Owen Allen. 2. Harriet A., married Samuel Clayton Cross, of West Springfield, Massachusetts. 3. Horace Byron, of whom further.

Horace Byron Hatch, youngest child of Horace Atherton and Caroline Cordelia (Owen) Hatch, was born in Southampton, Massachusetts, July 9, 1881, and when six years of age removed with his parents to Westfield, where he attended the public schools. His first stated employment was in a bicycle factory in Westfield. In 1889, when he was eighteen years old, he came to live in Easthampton, and entered the employ of Byron P. Owen, who was a hardware merchant and carried on the plumbing trade. He remained with Mr. Owen until 1907, in which year he launched out into the hardware and plumbing business on his own account. For a time he had in association with him as a partner a man of the name Forbes, the business being conducted under the style of Forbes, Hatch & Company. This arrangement continued in effect from 1907 until 1916, in which latter year Mr. Hatch bought of his partner the latter's interest, and since has conducted the establishment at the same location under his own name. He has been markedly successful, and is rated among the leading business men of the town. He is secretary and treasurer of the Easthampton Merchants'

Association, and has served as a member of the town's Board of Assessors.

Mr. Hatch married, in 1905, Margaret E. Wade, of Rockville, Connecticut, daughter of John and Mary Ellen (Mulvey) Wade. Her great-grandfather, Thomas Wade, was born in Dungarvan, County Warford, Ireland, and married Johanna Murphy. They were the parents of five children: Johanna, Mary, Thomas and William, of whom further. William Wade, son of Thomas and Johanna (Murphy) Wade, was born in Dungarvan, Ireland, in 1821, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, in 1891. He married, in Ireland, Johanna Crotty, born in County Warford, a daughter of Dennis and Anna (Hogan) Crotty. Children: Johanna (deceased), married William Hurley; Mary, John, the father of Mrs. Horace Byron Hatch; Thomas, Michael (deceased), Dennis (deceased), William (deceased), Nellie (deceased), Catherine, married Thomas Mahoney; and Nora. All of these children, except Catherine and Nora, were born in Ireland. The father of these children came to the United States in 1870 and settled in Easthampton, where he lived the rest of his life. Children of Horace Byron and Margaret E. (Wade) Hatch: 1. Dorothy Mildred, a graduate of the Northampton Commercial College, and now in the office of the MacCallum Hosiery Company, Northampton. 2. Horace John, a graduate of the Northampton Commercial College, and now connected with the First National Bank of Easthampton. 3. Raymond Owen, associated with his father in the hardware and plumbing business. 4. Ralph Leverett. 5. George Mathew. 6. Irene Grace.

**WILLIAM OTIS DAY**, treasurer of the United States Envelope Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, since 1907, was born in Springfield November 5, 1857. His father was William Wolcott Day, and his mother Emeline Eunice Day, the father a member of Russell & Day, manufacturers of and dealers in light machinery. The immigrant ancestor of the Day family, Robert Day, was born in England about 1604 and came over in the "Hopewell" in April 1635, giving his age as thirty years. He was admitted a freeman May 6, 1635; settled in Cambridge and died in 1648. He went with his brother-in-law, Edward Stebbins, in the company of the Reverend Mr. Hooker, which founded Hartford in 1636. He is first mentioned in Hartford the same year. His son, Thomas Day, born in Cambridge about 1636, settled in Springfield, Massachusetts, and married there October 27, 1659, Sarah Cooper. He became a land owner and a man of influence, but did not hold office to any extent. He was tithingman, and in 1682 selectman. He died December 27, 1711, and his widow, Sarah, died November 21, 1726. John Day, son of Robert Day, married Sarah Maynard or Butler, of Hartford. His will, dated November 10, 1725, was when he was "Advanced in years," and proved May 5, 1730. He owned a share in a grist or saw mill, which he bequeathed to his son, William. John (2) Day, his son, was born in 1677, and died November 4, 1752. He removed to Colchester, Connecticut, about 1701-02. He married (first), January 21, 1696, Grace Spencer, of Hartford, who died in Colchester May 12, 1714. He



married (second) Mary (surname unknown), who died November 2, 1749, aged seventy-four. Abraham Day, his son, was born in Colchester, Connecticut, March 17, 1712; died March 18, 1792. He married, November 20, 1740, Irene Foot, who died August 7, 1809.

Their son, Nehemiah, was born in Colchester March 5, 1745. After the Revolution, he removed to Dalton, Massachusetts. He fought in the war in the 2d Company, under Captain George Pitkin, of Hartford, in Colonel Hinman's regiment, and answered the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775. He was also in Captain Simon's company, Colonel Erastus Wolcott's regiment, in 1776. He married, August 21, 1766, Dimmis Kilborn, of Colchester. Nehemiah (2) Day, his son, was born in Colchester, March 5, 1772. He removed to South Hadley, Massachusetts, and married August 16, 1792, Thirza Alvord, of South Hadley, who died August 5, 1837. His son, Major Day, was born February 16, 1799, probably at South Hadley, where he died October 1, 1830. He was a distiller of South Hadley. He married, June 26, 1824, Maletha Mandeville, of that town. Their son, William W. Day, was born at South Hadley July 7, 1825. As a young man he went to Springfield and learned the trade of machinist. He became a member of the firm of Russell & Day, machinists, of Hampden Street. For many years he was a member of the fire department of Springfield, and for a time was chief engineer. In religion he was a Congregationalist. He married Eunice E. Russell. They were the parents of: 1. Robert Wolcott, born in 1852. 2. Clara, who married Joseph Berry. 3. William Otis. 4. Edward Hooker.

William Otis Day attended the public schools and the high school of Springfield, leaving at the end of his second year in the high school to enter the employ of the Morgan Envelope Company of Springfield. He started in 1871 as an office boy and rose to positions of ever greater trust and responsibility. In 1891 he became a director of the corporation, and when the Morgan Envelope Company became a constituent part of the United States Envelope Company in 1907, he became treasurer, an office he has filled ever since. He also is a director of the corporation, a director of the Springfield National Bank, of the United States Electric Light Company, of the Indian Orchard Company, of the Bircham Bend Power Company, of the Worcester Manufacturers' Fire Insurance Company of Worcester, Massachusetts, and of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company of Boston. He is a Republican in politics, and was a member of the school board for a term of years, although refusing to accept public office. In religion he is a Congregationalist, and for years was a member of the parish committee of the First Congregational Church. He is a member of the Nayasset and Colony clubs.

Mr. Day was married (first), April 2, 1879, to Carrie Parsons Sanderson, born August, 1857, in Springfield, a daughter of John S. Sanderson. Her father was a prominent builder and contractor of Springfield. Their only child is Hazel Sanderson Day, born October 25, 1881. She married, October 25, 1905, George Willis Pike, of Springfield, manager of the Springfield office

of Hayden Stone Company, bankers and brokers of New York City. Mr. Day married (second) Mrs. Fannie M. Bullock, October 24, 1918. Mr. Day's residence is at No. 54 Ridgewood Place, Springfield.

**WALLACE EDWIN DIBBLE**, architect, has contributed to the beauty of the cities in which he has practised his profession by designing distinctive public as well as private buildings. He was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, August 27, 1889, son of Burton Edwin Dibble and his wife, Mattie Abigail (Bridge) Dibble, who is the niece of the late county treasurer, M. Wells Bridge, who served Hampden County for many years. Burton E. Dibble was in the wholesale and retail drug business in Boston and Springfield for many years until recent association with the New York Life Insurance Company has consumed all his time in and about Springfield.

Wallace Edwin Dibble was educated in the excellent public schools of Springfield, graduating from high school in 1909. He entered Columbia University in New York City and completed with marked ability the course there in 1915. Special training in architecture he secured at the School of Architecture. His adult life has been devoted to the practice of his profession. For some time he gained metropolitan experience by work in various offices in New York City, a foundation for the independent work he even then looked forward to. In Holyoke and Springfield offices he also worked, and came into contact with local conditions and preferences, as well as opportunities. In 1914 he had begun to maintain himself. Now he has his own program of work, including the designing of all sorts of structures, and he is proving an architect much sought after for his originality, artistry and dependableness. Among the public buildings designed by him are the Federal Land Bank Building, Springfield, and the Agawam High School, Agawam, Massachusetts.

Mr. Dibble is a member of the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield, being Master of Samuel D. Sherwood Lodge, 1925-26. His clubs are: Exchange, Publicity, Realty, University, Winthrop, and Nayasset. He served as president of the Publicity Club, of Springfield, 1925-26. Also president of the Massachusetts Affiliated Exchange Clubs, 1925-26. He is also a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

On October 24, 1914, at Garden City, Long Island, Wallace E. Dibble married Edith Fitzgerald, daughter of Hon. Frank F. Fitzgerald, surrogate of New York County for years, and former State Senator. Mr. and Mrs. Dibble are the parents of the following children: 1. Frank Burton, born July 29, 1915. 2. Eleanor, born February 22, 1917. 3. Norris Esleeck, born February 1, 1920. 4. Lina Abigail, born November 5, 1922. 5. Wallace, Jr., born January 7, 1925.

**CHARLES GILMAN BUTTERFIELD**—A well known property owner and citizen of Easthampton, Massachusetts, Charles Gilman Butterfield is one of the ablest members of the regular police force of that city, and has been highly esteemed in the performance of public duty there as in Lincoln, Vermont, his former

place of residence. He is descended from an old English family, the name of Butterfield having probably been taken originally from Bothar's field, or the land owned by some old Viking named Bothar. The American progenitor was Benjamin Butterfield, who settled at Charlestown, in Massachusetts Bay Colony, as early as 1638. His name appears among the first town records of Woburn, of which he was made a freeman in 1643, and on whose tax list he appeared in 1645. He was one of the petitioners for the territory later incorporated as Chelmsford, and built his house within the limits of what is now Ward Four, Lowell, where he owned considerable property. He married (first) Ann, surname unknown, probably in England, and a son, Jonathan Butterfield, was born in England. He died in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, April 3, 1673, having married, in 1667, Mary Dixon, daughter of William Dixon. Their son, Jonathan, born in Chelmsford, lived in West Cambridge, now known as Arlington, fought in the Indian wars in 1676; married, in Woburn, in 1693, Ruth Wright, and had a son, Jonathan, later called John. Captain John Butterfield, born in Chelmsford January 12, 1698, died January 5, 1766, having married Anna Hildreth, daughter of Ephraim and Anna (Moore) Hildreth, and their son, John, also born in Chelmsford February 20, 1731, died in Litchfield, New Hampshire, having married (first) Phoebe, surname unknown; (second) Miss Robie. His son, John Butterfield, born in Litchfield, New Hampshire, on September 7, 1753, served in the Revolutionary War; married, in 1771, Naomi Stevens, daughter of Thomas and Prudence (Merrill) Stevens; he was sergeant in Colonel Moore's regiment, sergeant in Colonel David Gilman's regiment, and major of militia in 1793. He lived in Goffstown, New Hampshire, most of his life, dying in New Boston, New Hampshire, October 10, 1828. His son, William Butterfield, born in Goffstown, New Hampshire, died in Lincoln, Vermont, having married Hannah Weed, daughter of Nathaniel and Rhoda (Currier) Weed, her father and her maternal grandfather both having served as soldiers in the Revolution.

One of their sons, William Butterfield, was born in Woodstock, Vermont, March 4, 1814, died in Lincoln, October 22, 1901. He was a farmer, and lived in Lincoln all his mature life, a home lover and a man of exemplary habits. He married, in 1840, Lydia Varney, born in Lincoln, Vermont, in 1823, died April 17, 1889, daughter of Solomon and Lucy (Gove) Varney, members of the Society of Friends. Children: William Edwin, Walter Leroy and Charles Gilman, of further mention.

Charles Gilman Butterfield, of the ninth generation of his family in America, son of William and Lydia (Varney) Butterfield, was born in Lincoln, Vermont, April 27, 1850. He was educated in the local public schools and lived for forty years or more in Lincoln as a farmer and lumber dealer. He also kept a store for three or four years. In 1894 he moved to Easthampton, Massachusetts, where he first had charge of a boarding house for students at Williston Seminary. After three years in this position he joined the police force of Easthampton, with which he has since been associated for thirty years. From his initial night duty, he was made a

member of the regular force, and for the past fifteen years has been under civil service, having gained the respect and esteem of his fellow-townsmen by the efficiency and honesty with which he has served the public. He also owns valuable real estate in Easthampton. Mr. Butterfield has always been eager to share civic responsibilities, and was on the Board of Selectmen of Lincoln, Vermont, a member of the School Board and justice of the peace for fifteen years, after serving as deputy sheriff for eight years. He is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Golden Cross. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Butterfield married, on September 2, 1872, Ella M. Batchelder, born in Marshfield, Vermont, June 29, 1852, daughter of Mark and Mary (Martin) Batchelder. She died in Easthampton, February 25, 1914. One daughter was born of the union: Myrtie Alice Butterfield, born in Lincoln, Vermont, a graduate of Smith College in the class of 1905. Miss Butterfield is an accomplished musician and a well-known teacher of the pianoforte and of musical theory, trained at the Institute of Musical Art in New York City, and a student under Stokowski in New York, Harold Bauer in Paris, France, Dr. Percy Goetschius, under whom she specialized in harmony and composition, and Dr. Waldo S. Pratt, teacher of musical history. She was also a pupil of Alwin Schroeder, in ensemble. Miss Butterfield taught pianoforte, harmony, ear training, and musical history at Kee Mar College, Hagerstown, Maryland; pianoforte and theory of music at Judson College, Marion, Alabama; was head of the music department at Collegiate Institute, Fort Edward, New York; and taught pianoforte at Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia. She now has a studio in her home, where she instructs about fifty pupils.

**HENRY B. INGRAHAM**—For more than half a century a resident of Holyoke, Hampden County, and for most of that time connected with one of the town's most important industries, paper making, Mr. Ingraham, at the time of his death in 1910, was one of the best known and most respected citizens of this community. He was born at Kirby, Vermont, August 22, 1841, a son of Jeremiah and Eunice (Carpenter) Ingraham, and was a member of an old New England family, being a lineal descendant in the seventh generation of Jarret and Rebecca (Searle) Ingraham, who settled in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, in 1662. The first member of his family to settle in Vermont was his great-grandfather, Jeremiah Ingraham, a native of Woodbury, Connecticut, where he grew to manhood and married, February 16, 1774, Ruth Bell. After the Revolutionary War they removed to Vermont, where they located with their family at Hartford. Jeremiah Ingraham took up land in his new home and engaged in farming until the time of his death. One of his sons, Simeon Ingraham, born in Washington, Connecticut, December 9, 1777, who had come to Vermont with his parents as a child and had grown up in Hartford, Vermont, later moved to the town of Sharon, Vermont, where he spent the rest of his life, engaging in farming and stock raising. He had married there in 1800





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Mehitabel Mosher, daughter of Eber Mosher and granddaughter of Nicholas Mosher, the latter a field officer in the Revolutionary War. They were the parents of seven children, one of whom, Jeremiah Ingraham, born in Sharon, Vermont, January 7, 1804, grew to manhood there and later moved to Kirby, Vermont, and still later to Victory, Vermont, where he died. He was engaged in farming throughout his life, and married Eunice Loraine Carpenter, daughter of Chauncey and Polly (Ford) Carpenter, both descendants of New England families. They were the parents of the following children: 1. William, died in Andersonville Prison during the Civil War. 2. George W., a resident of Lyndon, Vermont. 3. Charles F., a resident of Eau Claire, Wisconsin. 4. Henry B., of whom further. 5. Susan. 6. Melissa and 7. Alonzo (twins). 8. Laura Ann.

Henry B. Ingraham, while still a child, moved with his parents to Victory, Vermont, where he was educated in the public schools. He remained at home, working on his father's farm until he was seventeen years old, when, in 1850, he came with his oldest brother, William, to Massachusetts and located in what is now Holyoke. His first employment was with the Parsons Paper Company as engineer, continuing with this firm until the outbreak of the Civil War. On August 14, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, 1st Massachusetts Cavalry, commanded by Captain Thomas L. Motley, son of John Lothrop Motley, United States Minister to England, and spent over two years in the service of his country. He participated in the battles of Fredericksburg, Brandy Station, Culpeper, Chancellorsville, Aldie, Gettysburg, Mine Run, Spottsylvania and Ashland, Virginia, where he was seriously wounded in the arm and head and his horse killed under him. He was left for dead on the battlefield, but eventually was picked up by some Confederate soldiers and taken to Libby Prison at Richmond, Virginia, where he was confined in the hospital from May 11, 1864, until November 7, 1864, when he was paroled. He then made his way back to Massachusetts, going first to his last home in Holyoke and then to his family's home in Vermont. His family, in the meanwhile, had received word that the oldest son, William, who had also enlisted, had been taken prisoner and had died in Andersonville Prison. He himself had been reported as missing, and had been given up as dead, and memorial services had been held by their sorrowing parents, relatives and friends in the home of their boyhood at Victory, Vermont. There was naturally much rejoicing when, late in 1864, the younger of the two, who had been mourned as dead for six months, returned to his parents' arms alive. He remained in Vermont until he had fully recovered from his wounds, when he returned again to Holyoke to resume his trade as a papermaker. He now entered the employ of the Holyoke Paper Company, where he remained for thirty-four years, becoming one of the most expert and trusted employees of this large paper mill, then under the able and successful management of Mr. Greenleaf. The last five years of his life were spent in the employ of the Holyoke Water Power Company. He was a member of Kilpatrick Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and of Mount Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. In politics he was a staunch supporter

of the Republican party, and in religious matters, like in everything else, a man of liberal views.

Mr. Ingraham married, at Springfield, Hampden County, Isabella Mason, born in Powerscourt, Province of Quebec, Canada, daughter of Lewis and Margaret (Cockburn) Mason, both of Scotch extraction. They were the parents of four children: 1. Emma B., a teacher in the public schools of Holyoke. 2. Ada G. and 3. Ida M. (twins), both teachers in the public schools of Holyoke. 4. Laura, married Lynn C. Hamlin and a resident of Chicopee, Hampden County. The three Misses Ingraham are members of Eunice Day Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and also Daughters of the Union, and make their home at No. 32 Hitchcock Street, Holyoke.

Mr. Ingraham died after a week's illness at his home, No. 501 Northampton Street, Holyoke, March 22, 1910, and was buried in Forestdale Cemetery, where his wife also found her last rest after her death, November 7, 1913. With Mr. Ingraham's death his family lost a loving and devoted husband and father, his friends a genial and faithful associate, and his community an upright, able, hard-working member, and his country a patriotic citizen who had unhesitatingly come to its defense in times of stress and had freely shed his blood to preserve the Union.

**JOHN DENTON SHUART**, director and purchasing agent for the Springfield Glazed Paper Company, and World War veteran, was born in Rochester, New York, November 16, 1894. His father was William Herbert Shuart, and his mother Nella Sumner (Phillips) Shuart. William Herbert Shuart is of Dutch and English descent. The family tradition is to the effect that the immigrant ancestor came from the Netherlands and settled in New Jersey somewhere, about two hundred years ago; but the earliest ancestor about whom anything is known definitely was Johannis Shuart. He purchased a tract of land consisting of several hundred acres in the town of Plattekill, Ulster County, New York; and for many years he was engaged in intensive farming. Johannis Shuart married for the second time Rachel Garrison, and they were the parents of a son, Abraham, born in Ulster County, New York, in 1789; died in 1854. He was one of the pioneer settlers in Mendon, Monroe County, New York, and lived there until his death at the age of sixty-five years. He owned a large farm, and was one of the prosperous substantial agriculturists of the Mendon section. He married Betsey Rall.

Denton Gregory Shuart, their son, was born in Plattekill, Ulster County, New York, February 9, 1805, and died in Honeoye Falls, Monroe County, New York, August 28, 1892. He was educated in the school and Academy of his neighborhood, thus obtaining practical education. In 1826 he took up the study of law in New York City, and in 1831 was admitted to the bar. He settled in Monroe County, soon after and began to practice law in Honeoye Falls, a milling and manufacturing village, sixteen miles from Rochester. He attained high standing at the Monroe County bar, and for half a century was one of its leaders. In November, 1851, he was elected surrogate of Monroe County, and served

in that office for four years, being the first surrogate of Monroe County to be elected by the people. Mr. Shuart was one of the founders and trustees of the Genesee College at Lima, New York, which was removed to Syracuse and became the nucleus of Syracuse University. He was active in politics, a man of substance, and later in life, aside from his professional duties, he was largely engaged in farming and agriculture. He died at Honeoye Falls at eighty-seven years of age.

Denton Gregory Shuart was married September 18, 1837, to Mary Elizabeth Barrett, born in Oneida County, New York, September 30, 1818; died May 10, 1881. She was a daughter of Stephen and Lois (Day) Barrett, and a descendant of Humphrey Barrett, who was born in England in 1592, located in Concord, Massachusetts, in 1639; was made a freeman in 1657, and died in November, 1662, aged seventy years. His widow, Mary Barrett, in her will of June 15, 1663, names sons John and Humphrey, Jr. The latter was born in 1630, was made a freeman in 1662, and was appointed a representative in October, 1691. He married Mary Potter, daughter of Luke and Mary Potter, and had sons, Joseph and Benjamin. The line descends through Benjamin, born in 1681; his son, Stephen, born in 1793; his daughter, Mary Elizabeth, wife of Denton Gregory Shuart. Mr. and Mrs. Shuart were the parents of four sons: 1. Denton Barrett, born in 1842; died in 1866. 2. William Herbert. 3. Clarence Allison, born November 15, 1856, a prominent lawyer of Monroe County, New York, who occupies the offices so long conducted by his father. 4. Irving J., born July 7, 1860; now a resident of Chicago, Illinois, where he represents the Western interests of the Springfield Glazed Paper Company, of which he is vice-president.

William Herbert Shuart, second son of Denton Gregory and Mary Elizabeth (Barrett) Shuart, was born in Honeoye Falls, Monroe County, New York, September 21, 1852. He acquired his early education in the public schools of his native town, prepared for college at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, Lima, New York, and was graduated from Syracuse University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1875. He decided upon the profession of law, and began his studies in his father's office. Afterwards he was a student in Rochester, New York. He was admitted to the bar in 1878, and forthwith began to practice in Rochester, where he continued until his removal to Massachusetts in 1897. He located in Springfield and became the president of the Springfield Glazed Paper Company, of which he is still the head. He also became the head of the Glazed and Fancy Paper Manufacturers' Association. For several years he was a director and vice-president of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and during the World War served two terms as its president. He also was one of the early supporters of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Mr. Shuart is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, the New England Historic-Genealogical Society, the Rochester Historical Society, the Century Club of Springfield, of which he was president in 1921; the Colony Club of Springfield; and also the Rotary Club, of which he has been president also. He is a member and vestryman of Christ Church, Springfield, Massachusetts,

and the members of his family also are members of that church. Mr. Shuart was married to Nella Sumner Phillips, of Springfield, Massachusetts, her middle name being in honor of Charles Sumner, her father's friend. Mrs. Shuart is a daughter of Smith Robinson and Ida M. Bissell Phillips. She was a student at Smith College, in the class of 1882. Mr. and Mrs. Shuart are the parents of three children: 1. Christine, born December 11, 1884; graduated from Smith College in the class of 1907; married, May 6, 1915, Karl R. Hammond, sales manager of the Springfield Glazed Paper Company, son of Dr. Charles H. and Mary Tracy Hammond, of Nashua, New Hampshire. They are the parents of a son, William Bartlett Hammond, born October 25, 1918. 2. John Denton, subject of this review. 3. Katharine Barrett, born June 20, 1899; married, on December 1, 1920, A. Stuart Pratt, Jr., son of A. Stuart and Josephine (Stewart) Pratt, of West Newton, Massachusetts. They have a son, A. Stuart Pratt, 3d, born September 30, 1921.

John Denton Stuart, born November 16, 1894; prepared for college at Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut, and entered Williams College in the class of 1918. He left college in his junior year to enter the United States Navy. He was appointed a provisional ensign in the Naval Reserves in February, 1917; was called into active service at Boston April 13, 1917. His rank of ensign was confirmed, and he was attached to the scout cruiser "Chester." He sailed for the anti-submarine service in foreign waters in August, 1917, and the "Chester" operated between Gibraltar and England for eighteen months, returning to the United States in February, 1919. Mr. Shuart was relieved of sea service in July, 1919. Mr. Shuart was made assistant treasurer and purchasing agent of the Springfield Glazed Paper Company at the close of his service in the navy. He is a member of the Board of Aldermen of the city, having served from 1922 until the present. He is a member of the Republican City Committee and chairman of his ward committee. He is chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee of the Springfield Safety Council; a member of the Board of Control of the Springfield Safety Council; a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the city of Springfield; president of the Independence Day Association, 1922-1924; president of the Lions' Club of Springfield, in 1923; a member of the Budget Committee, Community Welfare Association, 1924; assistant treasurer of the Hampden County Improvement League, 1925. He is a member of the Nayasset Club; the Country Club of Springfield; the Lions' Club and the American Legion. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Shuart was married at Christ Episcopal Church in Springfield on April 30, 1917, to Harriet Andrews Dickinson, daughter of Henry S. and Stella Paige Dickinson. Mr. and Mrs. Shuart are the parents of: 1. John Denton Shuart, Jr., born April 29, 1918. 2. Barbara Phillips Shuart, born June 26, 1920. 3. Steven Dickinson Shuart, born December 11, 1922.

**JUDSON ALVIN CLEVELAND**—A long life so wisely directed that it proved a blessing to himself, a benefit to his town and a joy to his friends, was passed





with Frederick A. Packard, of the Hampden "Federalist." Beginning in 1822, he published the Hampden "Patriot" two years, when he re-joined Mr. Packard in the office of the "Federalist," the name of that newspaper having been changed to the Hampden "Journal." He then took sole charge of that plant and conducted the newspaper until 1835, when it became united with the Springfield "Republican," which had been established in 1824. In 1842 Mr. Tannatt, establishing a job office, conducted the Hampden "Washingtonian," a temperance journal, until 1848, when he retired from newspaper work, and for a time was station agent of the Western Railroad in West Springfield and Westfield. He married Sarah Briggs, who died years ago; and they were the parents of: George, Abraham, Joshua, Thomas, Willard C., of whom further; and Charles.

Willard Colburn Tannatt was born in Springfield, and now resides in Boston at the age of eighty years. Receiving a common school education, after his father's death he became associated with a Mr. Rice, county surveyor at Newton, and he later learned the dry goods business, which he adopted permanently, and he eventually went into the business on his own account, in Boston, which he continued in the south end of that city for about thirty years. He has always been a Republican in his political views. He married Mary Adams, of Boston, who died in 1923, daughter of Thomas Adams. Their children: Sarah Elizabeth, Mary Adams, Willard C., Jr., of whom further; and Henry Adams.

Willard Colburn Tannatt, Jr., was born September 23, 1879, in Boston, where he attended the public schools and the English High School. He afterwards took the course at Massachusetts Agricultural College, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree. He was instructor in geology at Yale College in 1907. As a boy he had made a study of civil engineering and while in college he was associated with the firm of McClintock & Woodfall, civil engineers, of Boston, and after his graduation he continued with that firm until 1909.

In 1909 Mr. Tannatt received the appointment of town engineer for Easthampton, and he continued in that office until 1917, when he began to engage in business on his own account as a contractor for heavy work, road builder and excavator, in the busy season employing about one hundred and twenty-five men. He was a member of the school committee in 1917-1918, and for five years he was chairman of the Republican Town Committee.

In July, 1918, Mr. Tannatt enlisted in the World War as an engineer, being assigned to Camp Humphreys in the Officers' training school; he was later engaged in training regiments, and at the close of his service in 1919, he was a captain of engineers. Fraternally, Mr. Tannatt is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; with the Knights of Columbus; the Northampton, and the Pascommuck Club; and he was commander of the local post of the American Legion during the first three years of the establishment of the post. He is a member of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, Western Massachusetts Society of Engineers, and the New England Road Builders' Association.

Willard Colburn Tannatt, Jr., married, October 9, 1909, Alice Burt, of Easthampton, daughter of Jairus

Frink and Martha Allen Burt. Their children are: Alice Eleanor, Martha Burt, Mary Adams, and Willard Colburn, 3d. Mrs. Tannatt's ancestor was Henry Burt, who came to America in 1638, the line of descent being: David Burt, born in 1632; Henry Burt, born in 1660; Thomas Burt, born in 1699; Noah Burt, born in 1734; Noah Burt, born in 1768; Oren Burt, and Jairus Frink Burt, born in 1839.

**JOSEPH EDWARD TESSIER**—With both a business and an industrial training of the most practical nature, with a well-informed mind in all branches of his vocation, and with a broad interest in the population and the industries and general business in this part of the State, Joseph Edward Tessier has secured a very prominent and prosperous leadership in the general insurance lines in which he has established himself at Easthampton. He is a son of Eli Tessier, whose father, Etienne, lived and died in France, and had two sons, Eli, and Etienne, who resides in Chicago, Illinois.

Eli Tessier was born in 1841, in Touraine, France, and died in Quebec, in 1905; he received a military training in his native country and throughout his life was a military man. He came to Canada in 1862, and very soon afterwards went to the United States, where he took part in the Civil War; he then returned to Canada, where he became attached to the Citadel in Quebec, and where the remainder of his life was spent. He was captain of the Citadel, and in military life he held the title of major. Eli Tessier married Adeline Bouthelette, a native of Canada, who died in 1910, seventy years of age. Their children: Joseph Eli, who lives in Canada; Leon, of Leeds, Massachusetts; Octave, of Montreal, Canada; and Joseph Edward, of whom further.

Joseph Edward Tessier was born June 2, 1887, in Quebec, Canada, where he attended the public schools until he was thirteen years old, when he removed to Winchendon, Massachusetts, where he worked in the White Mill two years. He was fifteen years of age when he came to Easthampton, and since that time he has made his home here. He attended the Northampton Business College, and also became a student in the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; and he was employed in the West Boylston Mills in the meantime, and studied nights. A weaver and a loomfixer, he continued with the West Boylston Manufacturing Company fifteen years. Since 1921, Mr. Tessier has been engaged in the insurance business, and representing some twenty-six insurance companies, he conducts fire and life insurance matters, and represents bondings and surety companies. In 1922 Mr. Tessier was appointed notary public; and he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Bay State Mutual Life Insurance Company. In his fraternal affiliations he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Improved Order of Red Men, Forestiers Franco-Americain, and L'Union Sainte Jean Baptiste d'Amerique.

Joseph Edward Tessier married, June 28, 1910, Diana Lussier, of Winchendon, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Lussier. Their children are: Henry, Edward, Blanche, Marianna, Monica, Emile, Ernest.







*Samuel Green*

**HERMAN OBEREMPT**—Before his retirement an outstanding figure in the business world as treasurer of the Barnett Drop Forging Company of Easthampton, Massachusetts, Herman Oberempt has always played a leading part in civic and social life. His father, Hugo Oberempt, was born in Barmen, Germany, September 25, 1832, and died at Easthampton, Massachusetts, October 9, 1906. He was the son of J. A. Oberempt, a cotton yarn manufacturer who was the first to own a mill of that kind on the Wupper River at Barmen. Hugo Oberempt served a year's apprenticeship as dry goods clerk, paying, according to the custom of the day, one hundred dollars for the privilege, and at the age of twenty entered the German army to serve his term, a member of the Imperial Guards on duty at the palace of the Emperor Frederick and commanded by Captain Otto von Bismarck, later known as the "Iron Chancellor." In 1856, at the age of twenty-four, Hugo Oberempt sailed for America and settled in Easthampton. After a brief term of employment in the Nashawannuck Company's dye house he joined Company D, Fifth Connecticut Volunteers at Waterbury, Connecticut, in 1861, and served until 1865. He was in the battles of Winchester, Cedar Mountain, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and Peach Tree Creek. His service over, he reentered the employ of the Nashawannuck Company, serving as bookkeeper for forty-five years. He was a charter member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, a member of the Harugari, and of the German Society in Easthampton which he helped to organize. He attended the German Lutheran Church. Hugo Oberempt married, in July, 1857, Margaretta Kratz, who died October 28, 1912, at the age of seventy-nine. Children: Christine, deceased; Frederick, deceased; William, deceased; and Herman.

Herman Oberempt, son of Hugo and Margaretta (Kratz) Oberempt, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, October 17, 1861. He was liberally educated in the public schools of the town and at Williston Seminary, from which he graduated in 1879. His first business engagement was with the Nonotuck Silk Mills, where he worked for three years. In 1884 he went to Germany to attend a school of chemistry in connection with dye works, remaining for two and a half years. Upon his return to America he was for a time foreman in a dye house of a Paterson, New Jersey, silk mill, and later he performed the same sort of work in Brooklyn. In 1906 he returned to Easthampton, and in 1907 was elected treasurer of the Barnett Drop Forging Company, a position he held until 1924. In that year he retired from active business. Mr. Oberempt has always carried his full share of civic responsibilities, and was for five years chairman of the town finance committee. He was a member of the Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Pascomuck Club.

On September 2, 1885, in Germany, Herman Oberempt married Evelina Lienarz, born in Viersen, Germany, daughter of William and Wilhelmina (Pleuss) Lienarz. She died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, March 29, 1918, at the age of fifty-six. Children: 1. Margaret, married George F. Palmer, of Springfield,

Massachusetts. 2. William Hugo, died November 14, 1908, at the age of nineteen. 3. Catherine, married D. Nordien of Easthampton, by whom she has children: Evelyn and Marcia. 4. Elizabeth, married Stanley Rodimaney of Portland, Maine, by whom she has children: William and Gertrude. 5. Dorothy, married Howard B. Smith of Easthampton, and they have two children: Nancy and Howard. 6. Gertrude.

**SAMUEL GREEN**, president of Green Brothers Company, manufacturing confectionery, at Nos. 33-43 Essex Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in New York City, but later his parents moved to West Virginia, where he received the basis of his education in the public schools. In 1905 he took a course in the Bliss Business College, North Adams, Massachusetts.

On January 14, 1907, he formed a partnership with his brother, Herman Green, under the name of Green Brothers, and they purchased a small confectionery business in North Adams, from H. P. Silverman. This business was successful and developed into a wholesale grocery, novelty and confectionery business. In 1916 the Royal Candy Company of Springfield, manufacturing and jobbing business, including plant and machinery, was purchased and Eli Green, a younger brother, was admitted to the firm. In 1918 the North Adams business was sold out to the Liberty Wholesale Company and Samuel Green then moved to Springfield and assumed entire charge of the plant there. The business name was then changed from Royal Candy Company to Green Brothers Company. Extensive alterations were made and the business greatly enlarged. In 1924 the company was incorporated, with Samuel Green, president; Herman Green, vice-president and treasurer; and Eli Green, secretary. In 1925 a new specialty was developed which was named "Big Banker" and this has met with such success that they have discontinued all other lines manufactured by the company, such as bulk chocolates, package goods and numerous five cent bars, and will devote the entire factory to the manufacture of this new specialty.

Samuel Green is a member of Lafayette Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of North Adams, all of the Scottish Rite Masonic bodies in Springfield, B'nai B'rith, and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Green was married on October 12, 1920, to Minnie Lasker, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lasker. They have two sons: Lewis Lasker Green, born November 23, 1921, and Robert Arthur Green, born May 28, 1925.

**LEWIS EDWIN BREWER**—A member of an old New England family of English extraction which for many generations had shown a deep love for the soil and its products, Mr. Brewer has proven himself a worthy representative in the eighth generation of this outstanding family characteristic. First as a farmer, then for many years as a lumber man, and still more recently as an extensive dealer in hay, grain, feed and roofing materials, he has done his full share towards the development of the several communities in which he has



lived at various times, and, indeed, as a result of his wide-spread lumbering operations, he has been an active and important factor in the development of many sections of New England during the last three decades.

The first of the name to come to New England was Daniel Brewer who came from London, England, on the ship "Lion" and settled at Roxbury, Suffolk County, now part of the city of Boston, in 1632. He was accompanied by his wife, Joanna, several children and servants and was made a freeman in 1634. He died about 1647, being survived by his widow, who died in 1688, aged eighty-seven years, and by several of his children who were: 1. Daniel, of whom further. 2. George, who died young. 3. Ann. 4. Joanna. 5. Nathaniel, who became the ancestor of the Boston branch. 6. Sarah, who married John May.

Daniel Brewer was born in England in 1624 and upon the death of his father succeeded to the homestead, where he died in September, 1708. He married Hannah, daughter of Isaac Morrill, of Roxbury, November 5, 1652. She died in 1717, aged eighty-one years. They were the parents of three children: 1. a daughter who died in infancy. 2. Hannah, born July 5, 1665, who married Michael Rooth or Booth, of Roxbury, in 1686. 3. Daniel, of whom further.

Daniel Brewer, son of Daniel Brewer, was born in Roxbury, February 7, 1668, and died in 1733. He graduated from Harvard College in 1687, was ordained May 16, 1694, and became the third minister of the First Church, of Springfield Massachusetts. He married, August 23, 1699, Katherine Chauncey, born June 12, 1675, died in 1754, daughter of the Rev. Nathaniel Chauncey, of Northampton, Massachusetts, and granddaughter of the Rev. Charles Chauncey, second president of Harvard. They were the parents of eight children: Katherine, Daniel, Abigail, Eunice, Daniel, Nathaniel, Isaac, of whom further; Charles.

The seventh of these, Isaac, became the ancestor of the so-called Wilbraham branch of the family. He was born in Springfield, Hampden County, in 1713 and died in 1788 at Wilbraham, Hampden County, where he had settled as a young man, having married, in 1736, Mary Bliss. They were the parents of seven children: Mary, Eunice, Katherine, Isaac, of whom further; William, Charles, Gaius.

The fourth child and oldest son of Isaac and Mary (Bliss) Brewer, named after his father, Isaac, born August 16, 1742, went to Ludlow, Hampden County, in 1762, and settled on the Lawrence place. He married, December 17, 1762, Sybil Miller, born in 1747, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Ferry) Miller. They were the parents of twelve children: 1. Isaac, who died in infancy. 2. Daniel, who served in the Shays' Rebellion in 1786-1787. 3. Pliny. 4. Catherine, who married Walter Steffens. 5. Betsy, who married a member of the Snow family. 6. Chauncey, of whom further. 7. Polly, who married Joshua Fuller. 8. Isaac, died young. 9. Abigail, who married John Smith. 10. Isaac. 11. Lyman. 12. Clarissa, who married Zenas Lawrence. Ten of these survived their father when he died as a comparatively young man, July 21, 1788, while the youngest child was not born until after his death. The mother, a woman of sterling character and great

energy, succeeded in keeping the farm intact, paying off her late husband's large obligations and giving to one of her sons, Pliny, a collegiate education. She died in her ninety-sixth year in 1843.

Chauncey Brewer, grandfather of Lewis Edwin Brewer, sixth child of the preceding, born in Ludlow, in 1776, died in 1845, was a large land owner, holding more than one thousand acres, and was engaged in farming. He married Asenath Mandeville, born in 1784, died in 1868. They were the parents of nine children: Mary, who married George Wade; David, James, Isaac, of whom further; Sybil, Lyman, Catherine, John M., Pliny.

The fourth of these, Isaac Brewer, born in Ludlow, May 1, 1810, was the father of Lewis Edwin Brewer. Though he had studied for the ministry in the Congregational Church, of which he was a member, most of his life was devoted to farming. He took an active interest in civic affairs and held various town offices including many years' service on the school committee. He married (first) Angeline Clark and (second) Catherine Dempsey. The three children from his first marriage were: Adelaide, Elizabeth and Mary. His second marriage was blessed with four children: 1. Nellie, now deceased. 2. Chauncey, now deceased. 3. Isabelle, who married Lewis N. Perreault, of Miami, Florida. 4. Lewis Edwin, of whom further. He died in Springfield, Hampden County, November 26, 1897.

Lewis Edwin Brewer, youngest child of the preceding, was born in Ludlow, February 12, 1869, and was educated in the public schools of Ludlow and Springfield. After having completed his education, he entered the employ of the Adams Express Company as a messenger, being stationed on the runs between Boston and Providence, and between Boston and Provincetown. After some years he returned to his native town of Ludlow and devoted himself to farming. Later he became interested in the lumber business and for the next twenty-five years was engaged in clearing off lumber tracts all over New England. He owned and operated three portable steam saw mills with which he carried on extensive operations, especially in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. In 1921 he settled in Easthampton, Hampshire County, and there established himself in the business in which he has been engaged since then, dealing extensively in hay, grain, flour and roofing material. So successful has he been in his latest enterprise that he established a branch in Pittsfield, Berkshire County, which is known as the Pittsfield Roofing Material Company. He is a member of Brigham Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Ludlow.

Mr. Brewer married, November 22, 1899, Catherine Elizabeth Clark, of Springfield, born in Chicopee, Hampden County, December 3, 1869, daughter of Colonel Embury Philip and Eliza Ann (Seaver) Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer are the parents of six children: Doris Clark, Chauncey M., Evelyn, Alice Eliza, Kenneth, Allan Edwin. The family residence is located at No. 99 Hol-yoke Street, Easthampton.

(The Clark Line).

Mrs. Brewer is a descendant, in the fifth generation, of Robert Clark, of Scotch ancestry, who was



one of the early settlers of Buckland, Franklin County, where he was engaged in farming. He had a son, James Clark, who was born about 1780 in Buckland, where he resided throughout his life, also engaged in farming. He married Almeda Davis. Their third son, Chandler Clark, was the grandfather of Mrs. Brewer. He was born in Buckland, February 24, 1807, and died in Holyoke, Hampden County, December 30, 1877. In 1859 he settled in Holyoke, where he was a shoe merchant and an active member of the Methodist Church. He married, December 17, 1835, Joanna Woodward, daughter of Spencer Woodward, of Buckland, who died May 28, 1885. They were the parents of three children: 1. Eliza Townsley, born November 14, 1836, died at Charlemont, Franklin County, November 12, 1853. 2. Francis Asbury, born December 29, 1840, died April 15, 1843. 3. Embury Philip, born in Buckland, March 31, 1845. He was educated in the public schools and began work as clerk in a grocery store. When but seventeen years old he enlisted in Company B, 46th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, for the Civil War, in July, 1862. He was appointed corporal and served nine months, after which he returned to Holyoke, where he was successively a druggist, paymaster of a large manufacturing concern, and registrar of the Holyoke Water Works, an office which he held from July 1, 1876, until January 1, 1893, when he resigned to take up the duties of Sheriff of Hampden County. Colonel Clark also has been prominently identified with educational work and was for many years a member of the school board. He was elected sheriff of Hampden County in November, 1892, and has been reelected regularly ever since. He enlisted in the State Militia, Second Regiment, in 1868, and was appointed sergeant of Company K. In 1869 he was elected captain, in 1871 major, in 1875 colonel and was discharged in 1876. Two years later, in 1878, he reenlisted as captain of Company D, was elected lieutenant-colonel in 1879, colonel in 1899, and brigadier-general of the First Brigade in 1904. He served all through the Spanish-American War, at Santiago, Cuba, as colonel of the 2d Regiment of Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, in 1898. He is a member of many military, social and fraternal organizations and, August 21, 1866, married Eliza Ann Seaver, born February 13, 1846, a daughter of Perley and Julia (Field) Seaver, of Holyoke. Beside Mrs. Brewer they had three other children: Edward Simpson, Frederick Bayard and Alice May, now Mrs. George S. Lombard.

**GEORGE M. HENDEE**—Though the age of bicycles, and especially of high wheel bicycles, seems in the far distant past, now that our highways are overcrowded with fast motors, our rivers filled with speedy motor boats, and even the sky echoes the hum of airplane motors, in actual years it is not so very long ago that people became as excited about bicycle champions as they are to-day about the modern speed kings. It was in these days of the two closing decades of the nineteenth century that Mr. Hendee made for himself a national reputation as a champion high-wheel rider and he has in his possession the medals which he won then in large numbers.

George M. Hendee was born in Watertown, Connecticut, October 2, 1866, a son of William and Emma D. (Upton) Hendee, his father being actively engaged as a silk manufacturer in various localities, including Springfield, Hampden County. It was in the latter place that his son eventually started his successful business career. As it gradually became more and more evident that motor-driven vehicles would be the popular form of locomotion, radical changes took place in the bicycle industry. One of the first to recognize the vast importance and possibilities of these changes was Mr. Hendee, and the Hendee Manufacturing Company, which he had organized in 1897 in Springfield, became the producer of the famous "Indian" motorcycle. He continued in this business until 1916 when he sold out his interests.

Mr. Hendee is a director of the Union Trust Company, of Springfield; a member of the Colony and Nayasset clubs, and chairman of the board of governors of the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children. This last position came to him by right of his longstanding, deep and active interest in Masonic affairs. Mr. Hendee is a thirty-second degree Mason and is a member of Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and one of its Past Masters; a Knights Templar, and a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Hendee was married to Edith S. Hale, daughter of Frederick A. Hale. Mr. and Mrs. Hendee have no children and make their home at Suffield, Connecticut, about ten miles south of Springfield.

**JOHN PATRICK CLAIR**—A native of Easthampton, Massachusetts, Mr. Clair has been connected with the lumber business there for almost all of his active career as a business man, and, having been associated with the Merrick Lumber Company since 1911, he has risen as a result of his ability and industry to the office of manager of both of this company's plants at Easthampton and at Northampton, with offices at No. 8 Maple Street, Easthampton.

Patrick H. Clair, grandfather of John Patrick Clair, was born in County Clare, Ireland, in 1819, a son of James and Bridget Clair, who were both natives and, throughout their lives, residents of Ireland. Patrick H. Clair came to the United States as a young man and settled at first in Southampton, Massachusetts, removing later to Easthampton, where he lived on the property now occupied by O'Brien's store. He was a farmer throughout his life and also engaged extensively in clearing off wooded lands. His wife Ann, like himself a native of Ireland, where she was born in 1828, died in Easthampton, December 29, 1893, having been predeceased by her husband, who died in Easthampton, March 26, 1887. They were the parents of two daughters and three sons, the latter being John J., of whom further; James, and Kennard.

John J. Clair, a son of Patrick H. and Ann Clair, was born in Southampton in 1856 and died in Easthampton, October 11, 1913. At the age of fourteen years he had entered the employ of the Rubber Thread Company, of Easthampton, and he remained with this concern

throughout his entire active business life, covering a period of forty-three years and continuing right up to the time of his death, when he occupied the position of foreman, an office which he had held for many years and in which he had shown great aptitude, energy and fidelity. He was also a captain in the Easthampton Fire Department. He married Annie Coogan, born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, in 1861, died in Easthampton, December 3, 1916, a daughter of John and Julia (Hamilton) Coogan. Mr. and Mrs. Clair were the parents of five children, of whom two died in infancy, the others being: John Patrick, of whom further; Anna, and Sadie.

John Patrick Clair was born September 13, 1888, and educated in the public schools of Easthampton, Williston Seminary, and at Northampton Commercial College. After completing his course there he went to work for a time with the Prentice Brooks Grain Company and then entered the employ of the C. K. Jewett Coal & Lumber Company. Six years later, November 7, 1911, the Jewett Company's lumber interests were purchased by the Merrick Lumber Company, and Mr. Clair transferred his activities to the new owners of the business, remaining with this firm from then on. From his original position of clerk he quickly rose to that of manager of the Easthampton yards and, in 1922, was transferred in a like capacity to the Northampton yards. In recent years the management of the two yards has been placed in his capable hands and he has filled this responsible position with marked success and great efficiency. He is a member of the Pascommuck Club, though most of his time is devoted to his business and to his home life.

Mr. Clair married, July 12, 1920, Alice K. McGrath, of Easthampton, a daughter of Michael and Julia (Vail) McGrath. Mr. and Mrs. Clair are the parents of one son, John Vail, born in Easthampton, October 15, 1922. The family home is located at No. 132 Park Street, Easthampton.

**CHARLES CAPPER COATES**—For more than thirty-five years a resident of Easthampton, Hampshire County, and actively connected with the town's business life throughout this long period, Mr. Coates to-day is one of its most successful and substantial business men and a leader in his particular field, plumbing and heating in all its branches. He was born in South Deerfield, Franklin County, May 10, 1874, a son of George Emerson and Mary L. (Porter) Coates.

Through his father he is a member of an old New England family. Soon after the year 1700 four men, supposedly brothers, of the name of Coates, settled in Stonington, now North Stonington, Connecticut. They were (1) Robert Coates, who married Mary (surname unknown) and had nine children. (2) William Coates, who married Hannah Bill and had four children. (3) Caleb Coates, who married Mary Keyes and had six children. (4) Joseph Coates, who married Hopestill Elliot, but, as far as records show, had no children. One of the descendants of these, named Hezekiah Coates, and married to a member of the Trink family, had five children, one of which, Hezekiah Coates, Jr., married a Crandall and was the father of three sons: Hezekiah, Calvin Grant, and Albert.

Calvin Grant Coates, grandfather of Charles Capper Coates, was born in Stonington, Connecticut, March 12, 1798, and married Sally A. Porter, born March 18, 1807. He died in Heath, Franklin County, August 29, 1854, being survived by his wife until May 13, 1856. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin G. Coates were the parents of fourteen children: Mary E., Charles P., Sarah M., Martha S., Elihu, Dwight T., Reuben P., Almira, Olive, George Emerson, of whom further; Asabel, Amos C., Horace T., and Albert.

George Emerson Coates, father of Charles Capper Coates, was born in Heath, November 11, 1842. His father died when he was a boy and he went to work, after leaving school, in a country store and post office in Charlemont, Franklin County. It was while living in this town that he enlisted during the Civil War in Company B, 52nd Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, with which he served for about eleven months in Louisiana, the Red River district, and Port Hudson, almost his entire term of service being spent in hospital work, caring for the sick and burying the dead. After his return from military service he lived for some time in Conway, Franklin County, where he had established a store and tinware business. In 1866 he moved his family and business to South Deerfield, Franklin County, where he continued successfully to carry on his business until 1885 when he sold out, soon afterwards engaging in the undertaking business, in which he continued until 1902, in which year he retired. He was also an auctioneer and officiated in that capacity probably at some 1000 auctions, having in his possession a very interesting collection of more than 500 different posters of auctions which he had conducted. He was also a country veterinarian and, during one season, ran, with the late E. B. Ockington as partner, a summer hotel at Block Island. He was a member of the Edwin E. Day Post of Greenfield, Franklin County, Grand Army of the Republic, to which he had been transferred after the disbanding of his original post, the Myron E. Stowell Post of South Deerfield, caused by the death and removal from town of most of its members. One of the oldest members of Morning Sun Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Conway, he was probably more widely known than any other man in town, his many and varied occupations having continuously widened his circle of acquaintances, while his unusual geniality had won him a large number of sincere friends, to many of whom he was affectionately known as "Pop" Coates.

Mr. Coates married (first) at Leominster, Worcester County, October 17, 1865, Mary L. Porter. They were the parents of four children: 1. Susie E., wife of Clarence G. Clapp of Lincoln, Massachusetts, and mother of three sons, Harold Clapp, of Greenfield; Forrest Clapp of Boston, and Robert, who died while in service in World War. 2. Jennie, who died in childhood. 3. Amos, who died in infancy. 4. Charles Capper, of whom further. Mrs. Coates died in South Deerfield, October 15, 1910. He married (second) in Easthampton, June 8, 1912, Mrs. Fannie A. Pierce, of Belchertown, Massachusetts, who survived him at the time of his death, October 16, 1920, at his residence on South Main Street, South Deerfield.



Charles Capper Coates was educated in the public schools of South Deerfield and in 1891, came to Easthampton as a youth of seventeen. Under the Oliver Smith Will he was bound out to Mr. F. P. Newkirk, owner of one of the town's leading plumbing and heating businesses, to learn this business. For the following sixteen years he remained with Mr. Newkirk, acquiring a most thorough knowledge of the business in all its branches. In 1908 he established himself in Easthampton in the heating and plumbing business under his own name and has carried on this business ever since, meeting with marked success from the very beginning. His place of business is located at No. 121 Main Street, and he owns the block of which his premises form a part. He handles also ranges, oil burners, pipeless furnaces, does all kinds of sheet metal work and installations of water systems. His activities cover a wide area, extending as far south as Hartford, Connecticut, and he has built up an extensive contracting business, necessitating the employment of a number of men. The high quality of his workmanship, the integrity shown in all his business transactions and the promptness and efficiency with which all work entrusted to his establishment is carried out, have gained for him an enviable reputation and an ever growing circle of customers.

During the earlier part of his life in Easthampton, he was a member of the town's police force. He is now a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Northampton; Williamsburg Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Northampton; Pascommuck Club of Easthampton; Business Men's Club; Massachusetts Association of Plumbers; and National Association of Plumbers. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Coates married, August 21, 1895, Anna Glunz of Easthampton, daughter of Rudolph and Emily (Hawley) Glunz. Mr. and Mrs. Coates are the parents of three children: 1. Ralph, born August 31, 1896, a graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, and a sub-master in the High School, Chelmsford, Massachusetts, married, July 7, 1924, to Ruth Smith. 2. Ruth, twin of the former, who is engaged in office work. 3. Amy, born in 1900, who is a graduate of Easthampton High School and of a Commercial College. The family residence is at No. 12 High Street, Easthampton.

**WILLIAM PETTIGREW BOYD**—The Boyd family of which William Pettigrew Boyd, of Easthampton, chief engineer of the Hampton Mills, and widely known in his field, is a member, is one of the most distinguished families in the history of Scotland, tracing its descent from a younger son of the famous Lord High Steward, of Scotland. Robert, son of Simon and Grandson of Alan, the second Lord High Steward, was of very light complexion and nicknamed Boyt or Boyd, meaning fair or light, in Gaelic. From this came the surname of the family. This Robert Boyd died in 1240, and from him, it is said, all the Boyds of Ireland as well as Scotland are descended, though some genealogists hold that the original spelling of the name was Boit. Sir Robert de Boyd, son of the first Robert, died in 1270, and his son, Sir Robert, was one of the barons of Scotland who

were forced to swear fealty to King Edward of England in 1296. This third Robert was associated with the immortal Sir William Wallace for a time. His son Robert was one of the most gallant supporters of Robert Bruce, and was made Lord of Kilmarnock by that King. His descendants survived in the elder male line to about 1800. The family formerly possessed the earldoms of Arran and Kilmarnock (forfeited). Ayrshire was the original home of the Boyds. When James III was a mere boy, he succeeded to the throne of Scotland, and Lord Boyd seized him and assumed supreme control of the kingdom. In 1467 his eldest son was created Earl of Arran and married the king's sister. But the rule of the Boyds was of short duration. They were tried for treason in 1469 and convicted. The head of the family fled to England, where he soon afterward died. His brother, Alexander Boyd, was executed at Edinburgh. The Earl of Arran was forced to flee, and was soon stripped of his royal wife by divorce, and she afterward married the head of the Hamilton family. Most of the American Boyds are descended from the branch of the Scotch family in the province of Ulster, Ireland. Sir Thomas Boyd, knight, was one of the settlers soon after 1610 in the precinct of Strabane, County Tyrone, and had a wife and family there in 1611. He came from Hedlay or Beneshawe, Renfrewshire, Scotland. Before 1620 he transferred a grant of eighteen hundred acres at Strabane to James Hamilton. Boyd was a son of Lord Kilmarnock. In 1653 there was a Thomas Boyd of prominence in County Antrim. At the present time there are thousands of this surname still living in the counties of Antrim, Down and Londonderry. Eight heads of Boyd families signed the memorial to Governor Shute, March 26, 1718, asking encouragement to obtain land in "that very excellent and renowned plantation" called New England. Captain William Boyd came to this country fourteen times, bringing Scotch pioneers from the north of Ireland, and finally located at Londonderry. There is reason to believe that many of the Scotch Boyds came between the years 1718 and 1750 from Ulster, and that they were the captain's near relatives. A number of them located in Bristol, Maine.

Archibald Boyd, the great-grandfather of William Pettigrew Boyd, was a soldier, and was present at the battle of Waterloo, with the 42d Highlanders. He was a bugler and blew the grand charge. Archibald Boyd, the grandfather, was the sixth Archibald Boyd, in the direct line. He lived in Paisley, Scotland, and there made Paisley shawls. He came to America and lived in Lonsdale, Rhode Island, where he died in 1902, at the age of eighty-six. He joined the Free and Accepted Masons in Scotland. His wife, Margaret, died in Rhode Island. They had children: Archibald, of whom further; Margaret (deceased), married a Craig; Catherine (deceased); Alexander, lives in Lonsdale, Rhode Island; Christina, married Andrew Kenedy; James, lives in Wauregan, Connecticut; Peter, lives in Lonsdale, Rhode Island; John, lives in Providence, Rhode Island.

Archibald Boyd, son of Archibald and Margaret Boyd, was born in Paisley, Scotland, and is living (1926) in Attleboro, Massachusetts, at the age of eighty years. He came to America first and was followed by his



parents. He has been a stationary engineer and master mechanic all his life. He was with the William Coupe Company of South Attleboro, Massachusetts, for forty-three years, and up to the time of his retirement from active pursuits. He early became a naturalized American citizen. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He married Martha Pettigrew, born in Paisley, Scotland, died in 1914, aged sixty-five years, daughter of William and Catherine (Buchanan) Pettigrew. Children: Catherine, Archibald, died in infancy; William Pettigrew, of whom further; Margaret, married Victor Robinson; Elizabeth, Janet, married Thomas Allan; Archibald, Robert, died aged twenty-two years; Mabel, Lester, Ruby.

William Pettigrew Boyd, son of Archibald and Martha (Pettigrew) Boyd, was born in Paisley, Scotland, March 13, 1869, and came to America with his parents when a child. He received his education in the schools of Attleboro, and then took up the trade of steamfitting in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, where he followed it for five years. He then went to the William H. Harris Company and served it as an apprentice in the Corliss Engine Works, where he was employed for three years. His next position was with the Attleboro Steam and Electric Company as engineer. He then removed to Jacksonville, Florida, where he was superintendent of the Jacksonville Electric Light Company, with whom he remained for two years, 1896-98. Returning to the Attleboro Steam and Electric Company, where he remained a year, he next went to Hingham and entered the employ of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, in charge of their third rail plant, and remained in that connection for two years. His next move was to the engineering firm of Stone & Webster. They sent him to Porto Rico to have charge of the Ponce Light and Power Company and the street railway there. He was afterward with the Massachusetts Electrical Company of Boston, and built a great turbine plant at Newport, Rhode Island. He was superintendent of buildings for Simmons College, Boston, for some time. He was with the Emery Eliot Company of Boston as real estate superintendent of buildings, representing a value of more than fourteen million dollars, mostly in office buildings. Mr. Boyd owned and operated a farm in Prescott, Massachusetts, for a time, and later was with the L. A. White Company of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, as its master mechanic.

Mr. Boyd came to Easthampton in 1921 to be chief engineer of the Hampton Mills, bringing to this important position a vast experience and a very wide knowledge of men and affairs. He made his home in Hingham, Massachusetts, for twenty years, and while a resident there served on the Electric Light Commission for two terms. He is a member of the Easthampton Methodist Church, and has held every office within its gift; has been trustee, steward, member of the financial committee and superintendent of the Sunday School. He joined the Free and Accepted Masons in Hingham as a member of Old Colony Lodge; he now is affiliated with Ionic Lodge of Easthampton. He is a member in high standing of important engineering bodies.

William Pettigrew Boyd married (first), June 23, 1890,

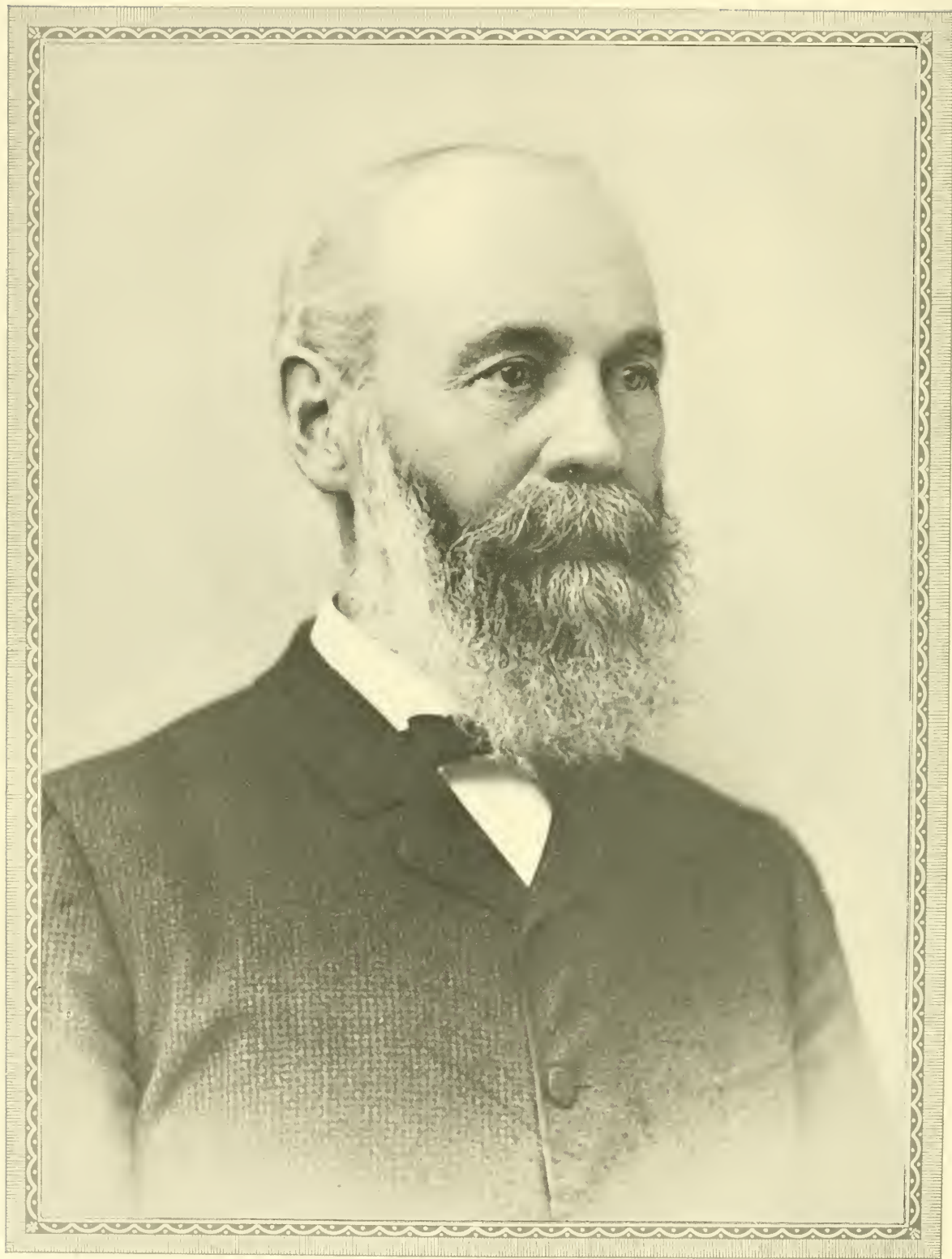
Ruth Harrington, of Woodstock, Vermont, died in 1896, daughter of Ephraim and Sarah (Wheeler) Harrington. She attended the St. Johnsbury (Vermont) Academy, at about the same time as did President Calvin Coolidge. Mr. Boyd married (second), April 9, 1901, F. Louise Tower, born in Hingham, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Harriet A. (Souther) Tower. Children of William Pettigrew Boyd by his first marriage: 1. Shirley Pamela, born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island; married James Brown, of Attleboro, and they have twin sons, Robert and Richard. 2. Ruth Constance, born in Attleboro, Massachusetts; married Thomas Worrell, of Attleboro, and they have twin children, Shirley and Thomas. Children by the second marriage: 3. Harriet Martha, graduate of Brown University; technician at St. Luke's Methodist Hospital, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 4. Hilda May, at the Normal Art School, Boston. 5. Hope Elizabeth, a nurse in the Holyoke City Hospital. 6. Barbara, a student in high school. Three sons died in infancy.

#### (The Tower Line).

The Tower family, of which Mrs. Boyd is a member, is descended from John Tower, son of Robert and Dorothy (Damon) Tower, who was baptized May 17, 1609, died in Hingham, Massachusetts, February 13, 1701; married, in 1638, at Charlestown, Massachusetts, Margaret Sbrock. She died in 1708. They had ten children. Jeremiah Tower, the next in line, was baptized March 9, 1645, died in 1676; married Elizabeth Rowlands, a widow; she died in 1723 leaving three children. Jeremiah (2) Tower was born September 10, 1671, died in 1743; married Hannah Hobart, who died in 1759, leaving four children. Peter Tower, the next in line, was born in 1701, died in 1768; married Patience Garnet. They had eight children: Melachi Tower, born 1737, died 1806, was a soldier of the Revolution. He married (first) Ruth (Hayward) Wilder; married (second) Susannah Ward; married (third) Susannah Harris, widow. He had four children. Melachi (2) Tower, born 1761, died 1833, served in the Revolutionary War; married Bathsheba Weatherbee, and they had five children. Comfort Tower, born 1790, died 1852, married Priscilla Hobart, who died in 1873, leaving two children. John Martin Tower, born July 21, 1836; married, 1860, Harriet Atwood Souther, daughter of Samuel and Rebecca (Tower) Souther, and they had children: John Burby, Frank Atwood, H. Starr; and F. Louise, who married William Pettigrew Boyd.

**RALPH T. ENTWISTLE** was born in Spencer, November 26, 1892, the son of Frank T. and Agnes (Taylor) Entwistle. He was educated in the public schools of Monson and in the Lowell Textile School, where, in taking a special course, he prepared himself for the field in which he is now so well known. In 1913 he entered the A. D. Ellis Mills, one of the best known woolen manufacturers in the country, where serving in the different departments he learned the business thoroughly. In 1916 he became assistant superintendent, and in January, 1924, was promoted to superintendent. He has charge of plant No. 1, of the Ellis corporation, which was founded in 1870, and incorporated the year he be-





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came superintendent. The company's chief products are fancy overcoatings, broadcloths, casket cloths, billiard cloths, chinchillas, kerseys, automobile cloths, uniform cloths, tennis ball cloth and gaiter cloths. There are several mills, all employing many hundreds of men. The plant is one of the leading industries of Monson, the officers being: Dwight W. Ellis, president and treasurer, George W. Ellis, vice-president and assistant treasurer, and Frank J. Entwistle, secretary. Mr. Entwistle served his country in the World War, being a member of the Fourteenth Engineers. He enlisted June 8, 1917, and was sent overseas, serving as a wagoner at the Somme and in the Marne districts, where he was gassed and received the Victor's medal. He received his honorable discharge May 2, 1919.

Mr. Entwistle's fraternal affiliations are with the Free and Accepted Masons, Day Spring Lodge, of Monson, the Hampden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Quaboag Country Club and the American Legion. His religious fellowship is with the Universalist Church, where he frequently plays the organ.

Ralph T. Entwistle married, June 24, 1920, in Wayland, Grace Atwood, daughter of Arthur and Stella (Marsden) Atwood. They are the parents of Ralph T., Jr., born October 21, 1921, and Elizabeth, born October 7, 1924. The family home is at No. 32 Green Street, Monson.

**JOHN J. WALTZ**—Easthampton's record of progress in recent years may be accredited to a very considerable extent to John J. Waltz who, through the departments of public utility in which he holds the office of chief and superintendent, has given a new impetus to the expanding plans and the increasing activities of institutions that are of immediate benefit to the safety and security of the community. A veteran of the United States Navy, and a public official of great resourcefulness and versatility, Mr. Waltz guides the affairs of the departments of which he is the executive head, in constructive fashion, and in conformity with the needs of a growing township. Mr. Waltz is of the third generation of his family to settle in the western part of the State, and to become associated with its industrial and civic life.

Godfrey Waltz, grandfather of John J. Waltz, was born in Germany and died in Florence, Massachusetts, in 1916, having located in that town from the year of his arrival in America, in 1853, and where he was engaged for a period with the firm of Porter Nutting Company in the manufacture of bricks. He married, in Germany, Mary Hover, and their children were: Louis, of whom further; Mary and Margaret, both deceased; John W., Lizzie, and Emma, who died when she was two years old.

Louis Waltz was born in 1853 on shipboard, when his parents were coming to America. After attending the schools in Florence, when he was fourteen years old he entered the employ of the Haydenville Brass Company, at Haydenville, and continuing with that firm to

the present, he is their oldest employee in point of service; he was with this company at the time of the Mill River flood that caused the loss of hundreds of lives.

Louis Waltz married (first) Ellen Molly, who died in 1893. He married (second) Mary Slattery. The children of the first marriage: Thomas, Lawrence, Louis, John J., of whom further; Margaret, deceased. The child by the second marriage is Helen Waltz.

John J. Waltz was born March 19, 1884, in Williamsburg, where he attended school until he was twelve years old. After working on a farm for a year, he came to Easthampton, where he was employed for the same length of time in the suspender factory. In 1899 he went to New York and joined the United States Navy, and for the next ten years encircled the globe in United States ships, visiting every country. Chief master-at-arms in the Navy, he served under Admirals Farquhar, Phillips, Dewey, and Higgins, and he was located for awhile in the Philippines where he performed police duty. He served on the ship "Kentucky" and aboard the war frigate "Vermont," and leaving the service in Manila, he came from there to the United States and to Easthampton.

It was soon afterwards that Mr. Waltz went to El Paso, Texas, for a short time and upon his return to Massachusetts, he was employed in the State Hospital in Northampton, and in Springfield he worked for the P. P. Emery Company, brass manufacturers.

In 1911, Mr. Waltz returned to Easthampton, where he entered the employ of the Easthampton Gas Company as superintendent of line construction, and he has continued with the company to the present time. In 1911 the plant possessed about three miles of gas line, and fifty miles of wire in the electrical department; and now there are thirty-three miles of gas line, and two hundred and ninety-five miles of electric wires. Mr. Waltz is also a member of the police force of Easthampton; he is chief of the fire department, deputy forest warden; and deputy town farm marshal. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and with the Order of Eagles.

John J. Waltz married, June 15, 1913, Margaret Shaw, of Leeds, daughter of Dan and Margaret (Morin) Shaw, and they have two children: Margaret and Phyllis.

**JOEL SANFORD WEBBER**—In a list of the manufacturers and business men who have been most instrumental in building up the city of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and in promoting general prosperity there, Joel S. Webber deserves a leading place. He was a woolen manufacturer, an investor in the paper mill industry, and an executive in other industrial and financial enterprises. Mr. Webber was born at Cazenovia, New York, October 10, 1832, scion of an old New England family. His grandfather was Parley Webber, a native of that part of Massachusetts containing Holland, and in that town was born his son, Joel Webber, father of the subject of this record, who grew up in Holland and as a young man moved to New York State, locating first at Cazenovia, then at Cherry Valley, Otsego County, where he followed the trade of a carpenter and builder. Joel Webber moved to Norwalk, Ohio, rising in his trade to become a con-

tractor who erected many public buildings, including a court house. Later he moved to Indiana, settling finally at Angola, Steuben County, where he died March 30, 1840, and was buried. Joel Webber married Harriet Pease, daughter of Asa Pease, a pioneer settler of Granby, Massachusetts, and she died March 8, 1841, soon after her husband, in Indiana. There were two children besides Joel S. Webber: Mary, who married Oren Jewett, of Connecticut; and Charles Clark, who was a civil engineer of Springfield, Massachusetts.

Joel S. Webber was only ten years old when his parents died. He returned to Massachusetts, living in Monson, where he attended public school. Having completed the course at Monson Academy he taught in the local public schools until he was twenty years old. Moving then to Somerville, Massachusetts, he found employment with Jared Beebe, who taught him all the details of the woolen mill industry. After six years Mr. Beebe made him a partner. In 1860 the firm bought the old Wilimansett mill in Holyoke, which ran so successfully for three years that they erected the present mill, the most extensive in Holyoke. When Mr. Beebe died in 1876, Mr. Webber and the son of his old partner, H. J. Beebe, continued the plant. Cashmeres, kerseys and other goods of fine quality formed the output of the mills. Mr. Webber was interested in other forms of investment, such as the Beebe and Holbrook paper mill and the Farr Alpaca Company, of which he was a director after the death of Mr. Beebe. From its organization Mr. Webber had been vice-president of the Mechanics Savings Bank of Holyoke. He was a Republican in politics and was a member of the City Council for two terms. His religious affiliation was with the Second Congregational Church. Mr. Webber died March 1, 1906, at the age of seventy-four, and is interred in Forestdale Cemetery.

Joel S. Webber married (first), April 30, 1859, Maria L. Beebe, who died and is interred in Forestdale Cemetery, Holyoke. Children: Harriet, deceased, who married Rev. Dwight Goddard; Fred S., treasurer of the Morris Bank of Holyoke; Alice Louise, died at the age of twenty-five; Mary, died at the age of twelve years; Gertrude, deceased; Grace, who married George McNeil, and resides at Litchfield, Connecticut. He married, (second), Isabel E. Howes, born in Ashfield, Franklin County, Massachusetts, daughter of Jonathan Howes, and a woman of great charm and culture. Mrs. Webber survives her husband, resides on Williams Street, Holyoke, and is an active member of the Second Congregational Church.

Sterling character, uprightness in thought and action, and a broad interest in public welfare characterized Joel S. Webber. Everybody, from his employer in his youth to his partner and all his clients in his mature days, placed implicit confidence in his integrity and intelligence. He was a conscientious citizen, a philanthropist who never boasted of his liberality, and a devoted husband and father.

**ELMER JOSHUA MORTON**—A member of an old New England family whose early ancestry traces back to remote times in French and English history, Mr. Morton is a descendant of George Morton, the first of

the family to come to America. Of the family of Morton in England were the Earls of Dulcie and Cornwall, Robert Morton, Esquire, of Bawtry, Yorkshire; Thomas Morton, secretary to Edward III; William Morton, bishop of Meath; Robert Morton, bishop of Worcester in 1486; John Morton, the celebrated archbishop, Cardinal of Canterbury and Lord Chancellor of England, 1420-1500; Albert Morton, secretary of State to James I; Thomas Morton (1564-1659), bishop of Durham and chaplain to James II. Prominent among the English Mortons who early came to America were Thomas Morton, Esquire, Rev. Charles Morton, Landgrave Joseph Morton, proprietary governor of South Carolina, and George Morton. Among the latter's descendants, of whom many became prominent in the affairs of this country, perhaps the most widely known was Levi P. Morton, a native of Vermont and later a resident of New York, vice-president of the United States from 1889 to 1893.

George Morton was born about 1585 at Austerfield, Yorkshire, England. Of his early life no record has been preserved, but it is definitely known that he joined, at an early date, the Pilgrims at Leyden and that he continued of their company until his death. When the first of the colonists departed for America, George Morton remained behind, although he "much desired" to embark then and intended soon to join them. He is said to have been "the agent of those of his sect in London" and to have acted as "the financial agent in London for Plymouth County."

The work, however, for which he is most noted and which will forever link his name with American history, is the publication issued by him in London, in 1622, of what has since been known as "Mourt's Relation." This "Relation" may justly be termed the first history of New England and is composed of letters and journals from the chief colonists at Plymouth, either addressed or entrusted to George Morton, whose authorship in the work is possibly limited to the preface. The "Relation" itself is full of valuable information and still continues an authority. Shortly after it was placed before the public, George Morton prepared to emigrate to America and sailed with his wife and five children in the ship "Ann," the third and last ship to carry what are distinctively known as the "Forefathers." He reached Plymouth early in June, 1623, but did not long survive his arrival in the New World, dying in June, 1624. He had married at Leyden, in 1612, Juliana Carpenter, of Bath, England, who, with their children, survived him, dying at Plymouth, February 18, 1665, having remarried, her second husband being Manasseh Kempton, a member of the first and other assemblies of the colony.

Cornelius Morton, one of the descendants of George Morton, settled in Friendship, Maine, about 1735, coming from Kingston, Plymouth County. His son, Joshua, married and was the father of a son, also named Joshua, born in Thomaston, Maine, January 16, 1789, died January 25, 1857. He married Mary A. Davis, a native of Friendship, Maine, and they were the parents of Joshua Kendall Morton, born in Thomaston, Maine, January 29, 1838. He was a ship carpenter in Maine and later worked in the Navy Yard in Boston, dying in North



Saugus, Essex County, May 31, 1914. He married Margaret Gilchrist Mitchell, born in Thomaston, Maine, June 8, 1846, died April 19, 1920. They were the parents of: 1. Walter Kendall, of whom further. 2. Albert. 3. Lucy, married Charles Stillings. 4. Abbie, and several others who died in infancy of childhood.

Walter Kendall Morton was born in Thomaston, Maine, August 4, 1871. For many years he has been engaged in the meat jobbing business and for a time was also in the retail meat business in Manchester, New Hampshire. His wholesale business has been largely in Massachusetts and especially in Boston. He is a member of the Waltham Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, while his religious affiliations are with the Methodist Church. He married, September 10, 1894, Myrtie Estelle Peaslee, born in Whitefield, New Hampshire, a daughter of Bartlett Richard and Viennia S. (Hadley) Peaslee. Mr. and Mrs. Walter K. Morton are the parents of three children: 1. Elmer Joshua, of whom further. 2. Carrie. 3. Gladys.

Elmer Joshua Morton was born in Manchester, New Hampshire, October 24, 1896, and was educated in the public schools of Malden, Everett and Waltham, Massachusetts. He then attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst from which he graduated in 1918. In October of the same year he entered the United States Army, being attached to the 33d Artillery, Coast Artillery Corps, and stationed first at Boston and later at Camp Eustis, Virginia, where he received his honorable discharge with the rank of band sergeant, December 23, 1918. He then entered the employ of H. P. Hood & Sons, dairymen of Boston, and after about a year went with the Cedarcrest Farm, Waltham, Middlesex County, one of the largest dairy farms of that part of Massachusetts. At the end of the next year he joined the staff of the Milk Producers Association at Fall River, Bristol County, where he was foreman of one of the plants for six months. In March, 1921, he came to Easthampton, Hampshire County, as manager and treasurer of the Easthampton Coöperative Milk Association in which offices he has continued since then meeting with the success which both his extensive and careful training and his own personality and ability had presaged. He is a member of the American Legion; the Reserve Officers' Association of the United States Army and the Quartermasters Association. In politics he is a supporter of the Republican party and as such a member of the Republican Town Committee, while his religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Morton married, December 29, 1917, Ruth Graves, of Florence, Hampshire County, a daughter of Herbert and Cora (Aldrich) Graves. Mrs. Morton is a descendant in the tenth generation of Thomas Graves, a native of England and the first of his name to found a family in America where he had come in 1645, settling in Wethersfield and Hartford, Connecticut. Two of her ancestors lost their lives at the hands of the Indians, John Graves, son of Thomas, being killed in Hatfield, Hampshire County, September 19, 1677, and Samuel Graves, grandson of John, who was killed near the County Farms, Deerfield, Franklin County, May 23, 1756.

Samuel Graves was the son of another John, who was born in 1654, was a sergeant of the militia and a deacon, and married Sarah White. Samuel Graves married Thankful Smead. Their son Ebenezer, born in 1726, died in 1814, married Prudence Hastings; their son Rufus, born 1770, died in 1841, married (first) Lydia Wells, and (second) Martha Workman; one of his sons, also named Rufus, born in 1798, married Mary Parker, and their son Chester Ebenezer, born in 1826, married Miranda Dodge and was the father of Mrs. Morton's father, Herbert Henderson Graves. Mr. and Mrs. Morton are the parents of four children: Gladys, Elmer Joshua, Jr., Eleanor, and Clifton.

**GEORGE W. SUMMERS**—Among the well known insurance men of Springfield, Massachusetts, is George W. Summers who has been for twenty-eight years associated with the agency of Gilmore and Goldthwaite, formerly the Homer G. Gilmore Agency. He is a son of Daniel T. and Caroline (Elliott) Summers, the father a veteran of the Civil War. His maternal ancestors were related to the famous Daniel Boone of Kentucky.

George W. Summers was born in Jacksonville, Illinois, February 16, 1868, and attended the elementary and high schools of Jacksonville, Illinois, and also a business college. For the period from August, 1887, to January 1, 1896, Mr. Summers was employed with the concern of Marshall Field & Company of Chicago in the capacity of bookkeeper before he came to Springfield in 1897. The following year he became connected with the Homer G. Gilmore Insurance Agency, one of the oldest agencies in the State. It had been founded on November 9, 1866, and since that date has continued as a general agency of the Travellers Insurance Company of Hartford, over a period of fifty-nine years. On October 1, 1908, however, the name of the agency was changed from the Homer G. Gilmore Insurance Agency to Gilmore and Goldthwaite. Mr. Summers became silent partner with Mr. Goldthwaite January 1, 1922. October 1, 1923, a co-partnership was formed, Goldthwaite, Summers & Colby, but the old traditions and standards were continued. Mr. Summers was the first man in the company to cover automobile liability insurance in Springfield and Hampden County. The concern handles all varieties of insurance.

Mr. Summers married, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 25, 1894, Bertha J. Holmes, of Westfield, Massachusetts, a direct descendant of Hannah Grant. She is a daughter of William F. and Alice (Loomis) Holmes. Mr. and Mrs. Summers have had four children: 1. Grace Anita, born in Chicago, Illinois, April 5, 1895, died December 31, 1922. 2. Alton, born July 9, 1910, in Springfield. 3. Carl, born February 16, 1915. 4. Dorothy, born February 23, 1920, in Springfield.

**CHARLES PERCY RANDALL**—A successful business man in Holyoke is Charles Percy Randall, who was born in Norwalk, Connecticut, December 9, 1866, son of John Bradley, born in Northeastern, Massachusetts, January 25, 1839, and Sarah Elizabeth (Percy) Randall, born in Burke, New York, March 1, 1839.



Charles Percy Randall attended the public and high schools of Holyoke, and entered the employ of the Parsons Paper Company of Holyoke, May 1, 1882. By industry and dint of effort he has advanced through the positions of clerk, paymaster, bookkeeper, and up to his present position of assistant treasurer and director. He is auditor of the Hadley Falls Trust Company, trustee and auditor of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, director of the Millers Falls Paper Company, and treasurer of the Holyoke Silk Hosiery Company of which he was one of the organizers and directors in 1920.

Mr. Randall is a Republican in political faith, and served his party as councilman for two years, and as alderman from the Seventh Ward of Holyoke; also served as president of the Holyoke Young Men's Christian Association. He is a member of the Mount Tom Golf Club, the Holyoke Canoe Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, including the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, the Commandery of Knights Templar and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Second Baptist Church and chairman of its board of trustees.

Charles Percy Randall married, in Holyoke, September 20, 1892, Edith B. Sackett, daughter of John N. and Francelia Sackett, born in Westfield, Massachusetts, August 23, 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Randall are the parents of three children, all born in Holyoke: Stella I., who married H. B. Schoenmehl, of Waterbury, Connecticut; Gladys Edith; and Stuart Percy. The family residence is located at No. 132 Pearl Street, Holyoke.

**HOMER THEODORE CLARK**—A member of one of the oldest Hampshire County families and a descendant in the ninth generation from the original immigrant, William Clark, a native of Dorsetshire, England. Mr. Clark has followed in the footsteps of many of his ancestors as a successful farmer. He was born in Easthampton, Hampshire County, December 22, 1871, a son of Zenas Brainard and Susan (Clark) Clark, both natives of Easthampton.

William Clark, as his name is commonly spelled, is said to have sailed from Plymouth, England, March 30, 1630, in the ship "Mary and John," in company with Mr. Maverick, Mr. Warham and others, arriving at Nantucket, Massachusetts, May 30, 1630, and after looking around for awhile, decided to settle in Dorchester previous to 1635 where he became one of the prominent citizens, being made a selectman in 1646 and serving continuously up to 1650. In 1653 he was one of the petitioners to the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay for permission to settle in the "New Country" in the Connecticut Valley, and he removed his family to Northampton in 1659. There he was allotted twelve acres of land on the west side of the road, now Elm Street, and bordering on Mill River. He erected a log house on the land in 1659 and occupied it with his family until 1681, when the house burned down through the carelessness of a negro servant who was condemned to death for this offense and paid with his life for it. William Clark immediately rebuilt his house and the new house erected in 1681 remained a landmark of historic

interest in Northampton until 1826. He took a dismissal from the church in Dorchester in April, 1661, and on June 18 was one of the seven incorporators of the first church in Northampton, of which Mr. Mather was ordained minister. For twenty years he served as selectman of the town, was a judge of the county courts and in August, 1661, was elected lieutenant of a company of trained men which he commanded in the King Philip and in other Indian wars. William Clark was married twice, both of his wives predeceasing him, he himself dying in Northampton July 19, 1690, aged eighty-one years. An ancient gravestone still marks his grave in the cemetery at Northampton and in 1884 his descendants erected a monument to his memory.

John Clark, the fourth son and the seventh of ten children of William and Sarah Clark, was born in Dorchester in 1651. He moved with his parents to Northampton and continued to live there during most of his life, but died in Windsor, Connecticut, September 3, 1704. He married twice, his second wife being Mary Strong, daughter of Elder John Strong, and they were the parents of eleven children. The oldest of these, known as Deacon John Clark, was born in Northampton, December 28, 1679, and died August 3, 1768. He married, October 31, 1704, Elizabeth Cook of Hartford, Connecticut, who died October 8, 1761. They were the parents of twelve children, born between 1705 and 1733: John, Eliakim, Aaron, Jerusha, Elisha, Ithemar, Gersham, Stephen, David, Catherine, Sarah, and Elizabeth.

The second of these, Eliakim Clark, was born in Northampton October 7, 1707, and died at Easthampton January 17, 1781. As a young man he removed to Easthampton and settled in Pascommuck where he acquired considerable property. He gave land to the town for a burying ground, and from him and his brother Ithemar, a large number of those in Easthampton and vicinity who bear the name Clark are descended. He married, December 10, 1730, Esther Wright, born in 1709, died August 23, 1786, and they had three sons: Obediah, of whom further; Asahel and Job.

Obediah Clark was born in Easthampton, May 10, 1735 and died October 28, 1815. He was a man of unusual attainments and settled on a homestead in Easthampton which was later occupied for many years by his grandson, Zenas Clark. He married Jemima Burt, born in 1735, died October 30, 1818, and they were the parents of six children: 1. Zenas. 2. Obediah. 3. Thaddeus, of whom further. 4. Clarissa. 5. Jemima. 6. Gaius.

Thaddeus Clark, third son of Obediah and Jemima (Burt) Clark, was born in Easthampton, August 14, 1768, and died there November 17, 1843. He was an earnest Christian, a pillar of the church and married Tomasin Wood, born in 1769, died five days after her husband, November 22, 1843. They were the parents of six children, one of whom died in infancy, the others being: Thaddeus, Philena, Obediah, Zenas, of whom further; and Deacon E. Alonzo.

Zenas Clark, son of Thaddeus and Tomasin (Wood) Clark, was born in Easthampton, February 15, 1801, and died there March 4, 1877. He was a large land



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to Lovina Tait, daughter of George C. and Jean (Straghan) Tait. They are the parents of: 1. Robert Tait Ley, born August 17, 1912. 2. Douglas L. Ley, born August 4, 1914. 3. Gordon S. Ley, born October 7, 1915. 5. Allyn B. Ley, born December, 1918. The parents attend both the Baptist and the Faith Congregational Churches, although the children attend the Baptist Church.

**JOSEPH GEORGE KOSSICK**, president of the Automobile Sales Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, heads one of the most prosperous business concerns of the city. He is also treasurer of the Automobile Sales and Service Company of New Britain, Connecticut, and president of the Bristol Sales and Service Company of Bristol, Connecticut. He was born at Harwood, North Dakota, March 12, 1891. His father was Joseph Kossick and his mother Julia (Solga) Kossick. His grandfather, Joseph Kossick, was a native of Krupp, a province of Silesia, Germany. He was a bookkeeper in the lumber business and also a land owner. He married Johanna Golles, and they were the parents of eight children: Carl, Joseph, Anton, Paul, Franciska, Eva, Marie, and Hedwig.

Joseph Kossick, the father of Joseph George Kossick, was born in Krupp, a province of Silesia, Germany, March 19, 1863. After completing his military service in the German Army, he was engaged in business as a cab driver, and as manager of his father's farm until 1886. In November of that year he came to this country and settled in Ashley, Minnesota. He soon entered the employ of the Great Northern Railroad as a section foreman, and was one of the pioneer railroad builders of the West. He was associated with James Hill in the early days of the westward extension of the railroads; and throughout the entire period of his active career since that time he has been connected with railroad construction in the capacity of section foreman and yard master. His work has made it necessary for him to reside at different times in Ashley, Minnesota; Harwood, Hillsboro, and Cavalier, North Dakota; and in Mallory, Minnesota, although his headquarters are in Moorehead, Minnesota, where he is one of the widely known and highly esteemed citizens, possessing the confidence of many friends. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Foresters. He married, in Germany, Julia Solga, and they are the parents of ten children: 1. Gertrude, since dead. 2. Leo, who married Elsie Tomaier, and has one son, Leo, Jr., born in 1919. 3. Joseph George. 4. Anna, who married Felix W. Evans, and has a daughter, Doris Helen. 5. Helen. 6. Albert, since dead. 7. Alphonse. 8. John. 9. Clara. 10. Lawrence, since dead.

Joseph George Kossick, third child of Joseph and Julia (Solga) Kossick, was born in Harwood, North Dakota, March 12, 1891, and received his education in the Harwood Public school of Harwood, North Dakota; the parochial school of Moorehead, Minnesota; and the public school of Hillsboro, North Dakota. Upon the completion of his school training he found his first employment in a clothing store in Moorehead, Minnesota, where he remained for a period of three years. His next position was in a confectionery and grocery store. He

maintained that connection for two years, then did farm work for four more years. At the end of that time, he obtained a position in the Dilworth yards of the Northern Pacific Railroad, as car checker and car clerk, and he discharged the duties of that responsible position most efficiently for three and one half years. He then made another change, both of residence and line of business activity, going to Fargo, North Dakota, in 1911, in the employment of the Ford Motor Company, being assigned to the store room, and working his way through various positions to assistant branch manager. After six and one-half years he went to Glendive, Montana, where, in 1917, he established a Ford agency. Another year found him in Springfield, Massachusetts, where, in April, 1919, he became associated with the Auto Parts and Repair Company as sales manager. He was identified with this company for six months and in October, 1919, he purchased an interest in the company. In January, 1920, he took over the management of the Automobile Sales Company, of which he is now president, also operating the Automobile Sales and Service Company of New Britain, Connecticut. He and his partner, O. H. Flore, (q. v.), first bought the Auto Parts and Repair Company from George C. Adams in October, 1919. They have built up an extensive business in Springfield and New Britain, both being expert mechanics and widely known as honest and trustworthy business men. They handle Ford cars and Fordson tractors and the Lincoln car, and are still growing through the methods which satisfy customers and bring new trade.

Mr. Kossick is a member of the Knights of Columbus and attends the Holy Name Catholic Church, the Oxford Country Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Automobile Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and the Shuttle-meadow Club of New Britain, Connecticut.

Mr. Kossick was married on June 25, 1912, to Martha Fay Lang, who was born in Felton, Minnesota, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fay) Lang; and they are the parents of three children: 1. Dolores Diane, born in Moorehead, Minnesota, October 27, 1915. 2. Joseph George, Jr., born April 19, 1920. 3. Mary Jane, born January 5, 1924, in Springfield, Massachusetts.

**OLAF HENRY FLORE**, organizer and treasurer of the Automobile Sales Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, of which Joseph George Kossick (q. v.) is president, was born in Moorehead, Minnesota, May 28, 1888. His father, John Flore, was born in Nordfjord, Norway, in 1858, and after receiving a practical education in the schools of his native district, he engaged in the occupation of fisherman, the usual occupation of the inhabitants of the coast villages. In 1882 he came to this country and settled in the West, where he added the occupation of carpenter to that of farming. He finally made his home in Moorehead, Minnesota, where he is living (1925) in retirement. He married Martha Hansen, born in his own native town of Nordfjord, and they were the parents of five children: 1. Olaf Henry. 2. Ann, who married Jack Tierney and resides in Spokane, Washington. 3. Bertha, who married C. B. Young of Spokane. 4. Delia, who married Stanley Bixby, of







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Spokane. 5. Lem. J., of Springfield, Massachusetts, who married, June 22, 1920, Ruth Garrett of Fargo, North Dakota, who has one child, Madge, born in Fargo, March 28, 1921.

Olaf Henry Flore, eldest son of John and Martha (Hansen) Flore, was educated in the schools of Moorehead, Minnesota. When his school training was completed at the age of sixteen, he found his first employment in a grocery store of Fargo, North Dakota. Afterwards he entered the employ of the railroad yard office of the Northern Pacific Railway, where he continued until 1906. In that year he was made abstract and claim clerk for the railroad company, a position he continued to fill efficiently for five years. At the end of that time, in 1912, he engaged in the automobile business at Fargo, for the Ford Motor Company. He was book-keeper and cashier for three months, when his aptitude and capacity won him advancement to the post of office manager. For a period of five years he was engaged in selling Ford cars throughout a large district in North Dakota. In 1916 he moved to Detroit, Michigan, to become office manager in the home branch of the Ford Motor Company. After a year he went to Boston, Massachusetts, as office manager and chief clerk of the Ford Company's branch in that city. In October, 1919, he removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, and organized the Automobile Sales Company of which he was made treasurer. Since that time he has devoted his energies to the advancement of the interests of that concern. He is also the executive head and president of the Automobile Sales and Service Company of New Britain, Connecticut, and vice-president of the Bristol Sales and Service Company of Bristol, Connecticut, more recently known as the Automotive Sales and Service Company. Both of these businesses are due to his initiative and organizing skill. Mr. Flore is a Republican in politics. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he finds recreation in the Young Men's Christian Association, the Country Club, the Automobile Club, the travel and variety which tours afford. He is a member also of the Automobile Dealers' Association, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and religiously with the Holy Name Church.

Mr. Flore was married on June 22, 1911, to Lillian May Lang, of Felton, Minnesota, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fay) Lang, and they are the parents of four children: 1. Janis, born in Moorehead, Minnesota, August 7, 1912. 2. Lorraine, born July 19, 1914, in Moorehead. 3. James Henry, born November 28, 1915, in Fargo, North Dakota. 4. Warren Paul, born May 20, 1920, in Springfield, Massachusetts.

**WILLIAM KOCH**—Of the group of merchants in Greenfield, who through their enterprise and acumen are performing a large share of the business that makes that township a distinctively progressive community, Mr. Koch, who may well be accounted a merchant by birthright, is proprietor of one of the principal groceries in Greenfield, and possessor of a very large circle of friends and acquaintances. A man of sound business understanding, and appreciative of popular requirements, he holds a highly valued position among grocers, and his

store in the Mansion House block is a business landmark.

He is a son of Gottlieb and Maria (Bitzer) Koch, the latter surviving her husband. Gottlieb Koch was born in Württemberg, Germany, in 1849, and he died in Turners Falls, in 1909. As a boy in his native country, he followed the trade of shoemaker, and emigrating to America in 1884, he settled at Turners Falls. Here he became interested in agriculture, and afterwards was employed in the paper mills and the cutlery works, continuing his activities until within a short time previous to his death. His fraternal affiliations were those of the Harigari Society, and he was a communicant of the German Lutheran Church. He married Maria Bitzer, who was also born in Württemberg, and who is now living at Turners Falls. They were the parents of: 1. Louis, who is associated with the milk and grocery business at Turners Falls, and whose children are: Charles; Anna; Dora; Carrie. 2. Gottlieb, who also is in the grocery business at Turners Falls, and whose children are: Eugene; Louise, and Albert. 3. John, who is in the farming business on the Millers Falls Road, and whose children are: Florence; Helen; William; Edward, and Emily. 4. Annie, who is a district nurse at Greenfield. 5. George, a farmer, who is proprietor of the "White Coal" farm on the Millers Falls Road, and whose children are: Mabel; Herman; William; Evelyn, and Elsie. 6. Margaret, who married Martin Schule, proprietor of a meat market at Turners Falls, and they are the parents of: John; Karl; Elizabeth; Marie, and Harold. 7. William, of whom further. 8. Karl F.

William Koch was born at Turners Falls June 2, 1890, and he received his education at the public schools of his birthplace. At the age of fourteen years, he went to work in the grocery store of his brother Gottlieb, at Turners Falls, so continuing in apprenticeship for seven years, when he became associated with his brother in a store that they had established at Greenfield. In 1920 William Koch assumed the control of the business of the Greenfield store, and since that date has carried on the enterprise alone. The Koch Grocery, located in the Mansion House Block, is one of the best known stores in this part of the State, its proprietor, a man of sterling integrity, having built up a large business through fair dealing with the public. Some time ago he also established a branch store in this township, which he recently sold. He has considerable farming interests, and is proprietor of a farm of about one hundred acres in Colerain, where he maintains a herd of Guernsey cattle. Mr. Koch's fraternal affiliations are those of Republican Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Greenfield; of Pocomtuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of Green River Encampment and Canton Davis, of that order. He is a member of the Farm Bureau, of the Retail Trade Committee, and the Kiwanis Club. He is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Koch married, June 10, 1913, Eva Lucie Magoon, of Montague City, a daughter of Calvin C. and Bertha (Prell) Magoon, the latter born in Bavaria, and they are the parents of: Robert Magoon, born in Greenfield March 22, 1914; and Harry Frederick, born in Greenfield June 7, 1916.



**HARRY OSCAR EBERHARDT**—One of the energetic and forceful young lawyers of Springfield is found in the person of Harry Oscar Eberhardt, who, besides conducting a private practice, is filling the office of assistant clerk of the District Court of Springfield. He was born in Springfield October 21, 1899, the son of Oscar Albert Eberhardt, a native of Kansas, and Amelia (Steiner) Eberhardt, who was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. His father is filling the office of railroad secretary for the Young Men's Christian Association.

Harry Oscar Eberhardt obtained his education in the public and high schools of Springfield, graduating from the Central High School with the class of 1918½. For his legal course of study he matriculated at the Boston University Law School, graduating with his LL. B. degree, class of 1922. In September of this last-named year he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, and to the United States District Court in June, 1924. In October, 1922, he was appointed assistant clerk in the District Court of Springfield, which office he is filling most acceptably at the present time (1925). In October, 1923, Mr. Eberhardt opened an office in Springfield for the practice of his profession, and that he is conducting along with his other duties. He is a member of the Massachusetts State Bar Association and Hampden County Bar Association, and is a Republican in politics. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield; the Royal Arch Chapter; Council; and Commandery; and he is also a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Legal fraternity Delta Theta Phi. He holds membership in the Ludlow Country Club, and he is a member of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Eberhardt married, April 3, 1926, Stella Hamblen Wilde, of Framingham Centre, Massachusetts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Wilde. They reside at No. 24 Barney Street, Agawam, Massachusetts.

**ARTHUR THOUIN**—A substantial citizen of Easthampton, Massachusetts, Arthur Thouin, millwright for the George S. Cotton Company, is a leader of the thrifty and prosperous French community of that city. The surname of the family to which he belongs has appeared in various combinations: Roche; Desroches; La Roche; De Roche, and Lafontaine. The progenitor of the Thouin de Roche line in America is believed to have been Pierre Roche, born in Paris in 1630, who came to Canada in 1665 and settled in the vicinity of Montreal.

Amable Thouin, father of Arthur Thouin, was born in province of Quebec, near Montreal, and died in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1920, at the age of eighty-six. He was a carriage maker and carpenter in Canada, and confined himself to carpentry after he moved to Holyoke, Massachusetts, in 1888. He later went with his son, Alexander, to Westfield, Massachusetts, where he lived until his death. He married Adeline Gannotte, who died in Canada. Children: Exilda, deceased; Joseph; Ferdinand; Arthur; Alexander.

Arthur Thouin, son of Amable and Adeline (Gannotte) Thouin, was born in Mascouche, Province of Quebec, Canada, September 3, 1870. He was educated in the local

schools. On completing the course, he worked with his father at carriage making in Montreal until 1888, then came with him to Holyoke, where he continued at carpentry for five years. It was in 1893 that he moved to Easthampton, where he has since resided, and for several years he continued there to follow his trade of carpentering and contracting. During the last nine years, however, Mr. Thouin has been millwright and carpenter for the George S. Cotton Company. Having built the attractive residence in which he has lived since 1902, he is a responsible householder of the town. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Carpenters' Union, and a communicant of the Baptist Church.

On May 14, 1892, Arthur Thouin married Rose Delema Brisson, born in St. Lin, Canada, daughter of Louis and Leah (Garipey) Brisson. The surname of her family has varied, including the following: Boisson, La Roche, Tilly, De Tilly, and Montargis. Sebastian Brisson was born in 1655, in the diocese of Bordeaux, France, came to Montreal in 1709, and is thought to have been the founder of this family in Quebec. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thouin. 1. Hector A. Thouin, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, August 14, 1893, enlisted in the World War, August 23, 1918, 12th Division Infantry, was in training at Camp Devens and Camp Upton, and was mustered out June 10, 1919. An electrician by trade, he resides in Easthampton, having married, May 18, 1920, Alva Charest, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, daughter of Elzear and Clerena (Brisbois) Charest; and they are the parents of: Wesley Julian, born April 13, 1921; Robert Hector and Richard Edwin, twins, born November 29, 1925. 2. Arthur S. Thouin, born December 4, 1895, educated in the local schools and high school, and at Wiliston Seminary. Having learned carpentry, in 1922, he entered the contracting and carpentry business for himself, and has built many fine residences in Easthampton, Holyoke, and Springfield, employing several men in the summer, or building season. He is a member of the Grange, president of the local chapter of the Epworth League, and in the Springfield District Cabinet. Enlisting as a first-class private for service in the World War June 29, 1917, he went to Fort Slocum, to Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana, to Camp Chillicothe, Ohio, again to Indiana, thence in the spring of 1918 to Camp Mills, Long Island. Thence he sailed for France on June 20, 1918. First in the infantry, he was later detailed to the ambulance department of the Medical Corps. His company was at Le Havre, then at Chaumont, near General Pershing's headquarters, and later at Le Mans, where emergency hospitals were established. After the armistice, Mr. Thouin, as acting corporal, accompanied the Army of Occupation into Germany. Returning to America and landing at Norfolk, August 8, 1919, after two years and two months in the service, he was mustered out. 3. Laura G. 4. Delema R., married Thaddeus E. Parsons. 5. Edna L.

**FREDERICK LIBERTY FROST**—Among the custodians of public property in America, no one man has done more to enhance the value of the land and improvements than has Frederick Liberty Frost, superintendent of the Town Farm of Easthampton, Massachu-





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setts. He has also proved himself a progressive and constructive factor in all local affairs. He belongs to a family which dates back many centuries in English history, and branches of the Frost family are widely scattered throughout the United Kingdom. The New England representatives, according to excellent authority, are descended mainly from Rev. John Frost, a non-conformist minister, who had two sons, Nicholas and Edmund, who settled in America about 1635; Nicholas in Portsmouth, New Hampshire; and Edmund in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he attained to the rank of elder. Elder Edmund Frost was born in England about 1610 or earlier, and was ruling elder of Mr. Shepard's church in Cambridge, where he was admitted a freeman March 3, 1635-36, and proprietor of the town as early as 1636. He bought land of Thomas Blodgett in 1639 on the west side of Dunster Street, between Harvard Square and Mount Auburn Street, which he later sold to Catherine Haddon, while he purchased for himself a house on the west side of Garden Street, near Mason. There he lived until 1642, and he sold it to Richard Eccles in 1646, purchasing an estate on the north side of Kirkland Street, extending from Divinity Hall Avenue to and beyond Francis Avenue. There his descendants lived for many generations until recently. He married (first), in England, Thomasin, surname unknown; (second) Reana Daniels, and he died July 12, 1672.

From Elder Edmund Frost was descended Selah Frost, grandfather of Frederick Liberty Frost. He lived in Springfield, where he possessed some sixteen acres of property. His son, Orrin D. Frost, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1828, and died in North Hadley, Massachusetts, February 26, 1899. His long and useful life included public service in the shape of enlistment in the Union Army during the Civil War, throughout which he fought, and the carrying of the mail at home. He was a prosperous farmer. He married Sophia D. Davis, born in 1837, who died July 3, 1907, and their children are: Harvey; Hattie; Mattie; Franklin, all deceased; and Frederick L., subject of this record.

Frederick Liberty Frost, son of Orrin D. and Sophia D. (Davis) Frost, was born April 13, 1871. He attended school at Stafford, Connecticut, and Palmer, Massachusetts, and throughout most of his life has been a farmer. For a time in his youth he worked in a hat shop in Monson, Massachusetts, and for a short time lived in Haydenville. In 1896, soon after his arrival in Easthampton, Mr. Frost was employed in a button shop. Since then, however, he has devoted himself to farming, and has made his ability in that line most valuable to Easthampton by his lucrative management of the Town Farm. It was valued at \$5,000 when he took it over, and is now rated as worth \$20,000. Mr. Frost has made many improvements and additions in the thirteen years of his management, has developed from the one pure-bred cow he found on the farm a herd of twenty-two pure bred Holsteins, as fine as any in Massachusetts. Mrs. Frost ably seconds the efforts of her husband, and everything inside as well as outside the farm house is immaculately clean and comfortable, and the inmates are treated with skill and kindness.

Other recognition is given Mr. Frost by his fellow

townsmen. He has been chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and at one time candidate for high sheriff of the county. He has been Master of the Grange and of the United Workmen. He is deputy chief fire warden and member of the Police Association, director in the Three Counties Fair Association, and president of the Easthampton Farmers' Club. He has also been a director in the Easthampton Milk Association.

On February 15, 1893, Frederick Liberty Frost married Carrie Eva Bartlett, of Cummington, Massachusetts, daughter of William Oscar and Helen (Barrus) Bartlett, and granddaughter of John Bartlett and his wife, Lydia (Robinson) Bartlett. Mrs. Frost is a descendant of Richard Bartlett, who was born in Wiltshire, England, in 1575, and traced his descent twelve generations from Adam Bartlett, who came to England as squire in the train of William the Conqueror. From this ancestor came a numerous and influential family, including Josiah Bartlett, of New Hampshire, member of the Continental Congress and signer of the Declaration of Independence. One of his descendants was Robert Bartlett, who was in Cambridge in 1632 and moved to Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1655, where he was killed by Indians in 1676. Descended from Robert Bartlett was John Bartlett, father of William Oscar Bartlett, whose daughter Mrs. Frost is. Mrs. Frost's maternal ancestry traces back to John Barrows, born in England in 1609, who came to America in 1637 (note variation in spelling). His son, Robert Barrows or Barrus, had a son George, who had a son, Samuel, whose son, George Barrows, was the fifth generation. His son, Lazarus Barrows, born in Tolland, Connecticut, in 1763, was left an orphan in 1777, and ignorant of the correct spelling of his name, changed it to Barrus. He had a son, Levi, born in 1795, who had a son, Lorin Barrus, born in 1825, who married Lucinda S. Naramore. Their daughter, Helen L. Barrus, ninth generation in America, married William Oscar Bartlett, and their daughter, Carrie E., married Mr. Frost, subject of this sketch. The children of this union are: Gerald Bartlett Frost, born February 25, 1907, lives in Springfield, where he is employed with the Mallory Dairy Concern, after attendance at Business College; he is married to Alice Lahoe, and they have children: Robert; Richard, and Eleanor. 2. Donald Bruce Frost, born July 27, 1903, attended Smith School in Northampton, now living in Rochester, New York, where he is assistant manager of a large dairy company.

**EMMA E. BRIGHAM**—The women of to-day who have won their way into public life are pioneers. With high ideals and the encouragement of all who believe that honesty and efficiency and progress can be a part of every local, State, or National government, these forceful personalities have already made their mark in public affairs. Mrs. Emma E. Brigham is one of these remarkable women. Her whole life is one of service to her fellows. She was born in Hartford, Vermont, June 10, 1872, daughter of Dan B. and Ruby J. (Cloud) Neal. Her father was born in Hartford, Vermont, June 7, 1843, her mother, who died in 1921, was born in Norwich, Vermont, November 11, 1846. Educated in the public grammar and high schools of her native town, Emma Neal



(Mrs. Brigham now), who believed that teaching would offer her the opportunities she wanted, prepared for this profession at the Randolph State Normal School in Vermont. She then taught for five years in Vermont and in New York City. She then took a very complete nursing course, graduating from the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts, and also from McLean Hospital Training School. She was for three years assistant superintendent of nurses in this hospital and held, later, a similar position as superintendent at Norristown, Pennsylvania. Since her marriage she has been active in social service and political work in Springfield. She was president of the Springfield branch of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, was interested in the local Y. W. C. A. and past clerk of the board. A Republican, she was a delegate to the Republican State Convention for three years and one of the Platform Committee; she is also chairman of the Women's Division of the Republican Committee, and vice-chairman of the Republican City Committee. Woman's suffrage has always claimed her ardent support. Mrs. Brigham was elected to the City Council of Springfield in 1923-1924, and to the Board of Aldermen, 1925. In a life busier than most people contemplate as possible, she has found time for much club life; past president of the Morning Club; member of the Order of Eastern Star; vice-president of the Sons and Daughters of Vermont. She is also an active member of the Hope Congregational Church.

The normal domestic life that usually occupies the whole time of women has not been neglected by Mrs. Brigham. A devoted wife and mother, she has a family of which she can be as proud as of her public record. As Emma E. Neal she married Dr. Fred Clayton Brigham, only son of Anson Orlando and Mary Minerva (Mansfield) Brigham, and ninth in line of the New England Brigham family. Dr. Brigham was born in Fayston, Vermont, June 7, 1871. He was educated at the Fayston and Royalton schools and at Vermont State Normal School and Baltimore Medical College. After gaining experience as interne and drug clerk for a time, he located in Jamaica, Vermont, where he practiced for five years. In 1905 he began to practice in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he successfully continues. The marriage of Emma E. Neal and Dr. Fred C. Brigham occurred September 5, 1900. The children of the union were: Lydia, born in Jamaica, Vermont; Alice C., also born there; and Anson Neal, born in Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOHN B. SHEA**, prominent among the younger men of his profession in Springfield, Massachusetts, attorney-at-law, who is practising law in Springfield under his own name and is spoken of with high favor in the community, is the son of Joseph and Margaret (Boland) Shea, both parents natives of Chicopee, Massachusetts. John B. Shea was born at Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, December 9, 1896. His early education was received in the public schools and the Chicopee High School, from which he graduated in the class of 1914. He then attended, successively, Holy Cross College, Georgetown University, and the Catholic University of Law, graduating from the latter in the class of 1919 with the de-

gree of Bachelor of Laws. In 1919 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar and entered upon the practice of his profession with the firm of McClintock & Hoar, in Springfield, remaining with them for a period of four years, after which he began practice under his own name. He is associated with Edward J. Ryan, whose career is related elsewhere in this volume. Politically Mr. Shea is an independent, giving his support where he believes it is best deserved, and his religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church of Springfield. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, of Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Hampden County Bar Association. During the World War Mr. Shea interrupted his university course to serve with the United States Merchant Marines in support of his country, and in times of peace, as well, he is ready to give his interest and support to every good cause.

Mr. Shea married, August 31, 1925, at Springfield, Massachusetts, Mabel Frances Cullen.

**HARLAN JAMES PORTER**—Ability and public spirit in conducting his work as contracting painter have won for Harlan James Porter, of Easthampton, Massachusetts, an excellent reputation and large patronage. He is of the eighth generation of his family in New England. The first representative of the family in England was William de la Grande, a Norman knight, who came with William the Conqueror in 1066 and acquired lands at or near Kenilworth in Warwickshire. His son Ralph or Roger, was grand porteur to Henry I from 1120 to 1140, a service which gave rise to the surname of the family. The ancient coat of arms: Argent on a fesse sable between two barrulets or three church bells of the first. Crest: a portcullis argent chained or. Motto: *Vigilantia et Virtute*. The American progenitor was John Porter, who came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1630 and five years later moved to Windsor, Connecticut, where he lived near the Little River. Fairly wealthy he was prominent in the community and died April 22, 1648, having married Rose, surname unknown, and left children, including Samuel Porter, born in England in 1626, died September 6, 1689, a merchant. He married Hannah Stanley, daughter of Thomas Stanley, and one of their sons was Ichabod Porter, born June 17, 1678, died in Hatfield, Massachusetts, married Dorcas Marsh, by whom he had seven children, including James Porter. He was born in Hatfield, September 19, 1714, and married (second) in 1743, Eunice Belding, daughter of Gideon and Eunice (Butler) Belding, by whom he had six children, including Silas. Silas Porter, born August 18, 1759, died February 19, 1841, was a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and married Mary Graves, born July 20, 1765, daughter of Seth and Mary (Dickinson) Graves, and their youngest child, Seth Porter, was next in succession. He was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, July 3, 1799, and died in Huntington, Massachusetts, in 1875, where he had gone as a young man to teach school and where he remained as the operator of a tannery. He married Mary Etta Knight, who died in 1843, leaving a daughter Olivia, and a son, James Knight Porter, born in Huntington, Massachusetts, November 10, 1835, died in Easthampton November 26, 1900.

James Knight Porter was educated in the Huntington



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schools and worked with his father in the tannery until about 1870. He then moved to North Amherst for a two-year stay, when he returned to Huntington. He was a carpenter during much of his life. In 1892 he moved to Easthampton, where he lived until his death, and where he worked in the button shop. He was a responsible citizen and served as road surveyor in Huntington, while his support of the Congregational Church, of which he was a member, was continuous. He married, January 30, 1862, Ellen Jones, born in Shelburne, Massachusetts, March 14, 1841, daughter of James and Maria (Kellogg) Jones. She resides with Harlan James Porter, one of her two sons, in Easthampton. The other son, Dr. Fred Knight Porter, died in April, 1919, in Southwick, Massachusetts, where he had long practiced his profession of medicine.

Harlan James Porter, son of James Knight and Ellen (Jones) Porter, was born in Huntington, Massachusetts, June 29, 1864. His early education was gained in the Huntington schools, and he finished his schooling in Hitchcock Academy, at Brimfield, in 1884. For two years he taught school in Chesterfield, Westhampton and Huntington, Massachusetts. In Westfield, after this pedagogic experience, he learned wood carving and applied himself to that trade for four years. It was on April 1, 1890, that he moved to Easthampton, where he has since lived and prospered as an independent contracting painter. He has a large business in the town and surrounding country, and is popular because of the thoroughness and artistry with which his work is performed. Mr. Porter is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and of the Congregational Church.

On January 2, 1902, Harlan James Porter married N. Mabel Toogood, of Easthampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Lyman Oaks and Antoinette (Campbell) Toogood.

**GEORGE EMERSON SEARLE**—Prominent in all progressive phases of community life in Easthampton, Massachusetts, and vicinity, is George Emerson Searle, prosperous farmer and representative of an old and notable New England family. He was descended from John Searle, born in England, and among the first settlers of Springfield, Massachusetts, where the records indicate he was lot-measurer in 1637 and proprietor and taxpayer in 1638. The surname is variously spelled Surles, Searles and Sale. John Searle married, March 19, 1639, Sarah Baldwin, who survived him when he died September, 1641. Their son, John Searle, was born at Springfield, Massachusetts, May 30, 1641, and died at Northampton on October 31, 1718. A well-to-do farmer, he was a subscriber to the Harvard College fund, and he was admitted a freeman in 1690. He married (first) Ruth Jones, who died within five years, and whose son, with his family except Elisha, who escaped death and was taken to Canada, was tomahawked by the Indians. He married (second) Mary North, May 10, or 30, 1675, who died November 5, 1726. Among the children of the second marriage was Nathaniel, born at Northampton, May 3, 1686. Nathaniel Searle was the richest settler of Southampton, the only one with a house of two rooms, and his home was used as a meeting place

before the church was built. This site of his house, built about 1732 or 1735, may be located by the cellar hole, which is still discernible. Nathaniel Searle married Priscilla Webb, by whom he had nine sons.

Zophar Searle, one of these children of Nathaniel Searle by his wife Priscilla (Webb) Searles, was born in 1735 in Southampton, Massachusetts, where he died March 10, 1817. He came to the section where Orlando Cornelius Searle now lives and married Anna Clark, born in 1739, died June 13, 1816. He built houses for all his sons, and the list included: Zenas, Zophar, Israel, Joel, Clark, Bela and Cornelius. Joel Searle was born in Southampton, Massachusetts, November 18, 1774, and died in Huntington, Massachusetts, January 4, 1860. He moved to Huntington in early life and was a prosperous farmer, with his own home built by himself. He married, on January 24, 1799, Sophia Sheldon, born January 29, 1770, died 1861, and one of their children was Emerson Searle.

Emerson Searle was born in Huntington, Massachusetts, in 1816, the famous "year without a summer," when there was a frost every month of the year. He died in Northampton, Massachusetts, May 1, 1894. In Huntington, where his early life was spent, he acquired a farm property of some four hundred acres. From 1870 to the end of his life he lived in the Park Hill section of Northampton as a successful farmer with an extensive lumber business involving the purchasing and clearing of wood lots and the sale of lumber. His dairy of fine Durham cows was highly regarded, and his cattle were well kept and of excellent stock. He was a member of the Congregational Church. On January 18, 1844, Emerson Searle married Meriam Sanford, born in Huntington, September 18, 1812, died July 3, 1894, daughter of Halsey Sanford, of Saybrook, Connecticut, a Revolutionary soldier at the age of sixteen, when he substituted for a sick brother. Mrs. Searle's mother was Meriam Lamphier, of Monson, Massachusetts. Children: Jerusha Gertrude, born May 21, 1846, died January 24, 1866; Julia Esther, died January 20, 1866, at the age of eighteen; Halsey J. born April 29, 1849; Meriam Adelia, born October 22, 1850, who married Wallace A. Mann; George Emerson, of further mention; Abner Sanford, born February 22, 1854; and Charles P., a sketch of whom follows.

George Emerson Searle, son of Emerson and Meriam (Sanford) Searle, was born in Huntington, Massachusetts, June 9, 1852, and educated in the district schools. At the age of eighteen he moved to Northampton with his parents, and for a time attended school in Easthampton. Until 1888 he worked with his father on the Park Hill farm, then spent a year on a farm in Connecticut, after which he ran an express business of his own between Wallingford and New Haven, Connecticut. Returning to his father's farm in 1891, he purchased the following year his present place on West Street in Easthampton, where he has since resided. He has a farm of some forty acres, located on the outskirts of the town, where, until two years ago, he kept a large herd of Holstein cows and operated an extensive dairy. Several acres of his land are planted every year to tobacco. Mr. Searle has always been a zealous and public-spirited cit-

izen, who has served on the town board of assessors. He is a director in the Easthampton Creamery Association, one of whose most active founders he was. His religious affiliation is with the church of his fathers, the Congregationalist.

On December 28, 1881, George Emerson Searles married Sarah Jane Strong, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Parmenas L. and Miranda (Frary) Strong, and they were the parents of a daughter, Ethel Searle, born March 31, 1889, who married Henry C. Strong, a salesman, by whom she has children: Clinton, Ralph and Hazel. Mr. Searle also had a foster son, George Monroe, who was killed in France in action during the World War. The genealogy of the Strong family, to which Mrs. Searle belongs, is given below.

(The Strong Line).

The American progenitor was Elder John Strong. His son, Thomas Strong, moved to Northampton with his father in 1659, married (first) Mary Hewett; (second) Rachel Holton. His son, Waitstill Strong, born in 1677, died in 1762, married (first) Sarah Janes; (second) Mindwell Bartlett. His son, Deacon Waitstill Strong, born 1703, died 1767, married (first) Esther Root; (second) Mary Wright. His son, the fifth generation, Waitstill Strong, born 1746, died 1855, married Rhoda Clark, and their son, Horatio Strong, born 1785, died 1857, married Sarah Elwell. Their son, Parmenas Lysander Strong, born November 12, 1815, married, September 16, 1840, Miranda Frary, born December 14, 1813. Children: Alvin Lyman; John Marshall; Sarah Jane, who married George Emerson Searle; and Harriet Maria.

**CHARLES PAYSON SEARLE**—One of the substantial and prosperous citizen farmers of whom Northampton, Massachusetts, is proud, particularly as they represent survivals of the best of old New England stock, is Charles Payson Searle, owner of a farm with large barns, a fine residence and live stock within the city limits. Seven generations of sturdy New Englanders have preceded him, including well-to-do farmers, factors in the civic and educational progress of the community, details of whom are related in the accompanying biography of Mr. Searle's brother, George Emerson Searle, a sketch of whom precedes. One of these distinguished forebears was Nathaniel Searle, a contributor to the Harvard College fund late in the seventeenth century. The maternal grandfather of Mr. Searle, Halsey Sanford, of Saybrook, Connecticut, was a youthful hero of the Revolutionary War, in which he fought at the age of sixteen as a substitute for an older brother too ill to continue his service.

With such ancestry Mr. Searle's own useful and prosperous life was to be expected. He was born in Norwich, in the town of Huntington, Massachusetts, September 10, 1856, son of Emerson and Meriam (Sanford) Searle. He was educated in the district schools of Huntington and at Easthampton. When his family moved to the Park Hill section of Northampton, he accompanied them and worked with his father on the farm until his father's death. Charles P. Searle then displayed the initiative which has characterized him throughout life

by establishing a milk route in Northampton, which he continued until 1906. He then moved into Northampton to live, buying a thirteen-acre farm on the outskirts of the city. There he has maintained a small dairy, keeping a fine stock of cows and selling his milk within the city to a few favored customers. He has also grown tobacco on a large scale. His large barns and fine residence are a distinct addition to the city residential section. Every undertaking has succeeded, thank to his integrity and ability, like his whole personality and manner of living a heritage from his fine old New England stock. Like his forebears, Mr. Searle has played a responsible part in civic life, having served for two years on the Northampton City Council, and has been a loyal member of the Congregational Church, being affiliated with the First Church of Easthampton.

On June 4, 1879, Charles P. Searle married (first) Rosella F. Brown, of Perkinsville, Vermont, who died December 12, 1923. He married (second), May 24, 1924, Hattie R. (Stowell) Hendrick, widow of Aldoras Hendrick. Mrs. Searle has by her first marriage the following children: 1. Raymond Duane, who married Mabel Beals, and has a son, Rolfe Beals. 2. Irving Aldoras, married A. Belle Baton. 3. Orrell Lewis, who married Hazel Lyman and has children: Ruth Evelyn, Robert Lyman, and Theodore Lewis Hendrick. Mrs. Searle has two more granddaughters: Hazel Doris, and Ruth Hope Hendrick, children of Carleton English Hendrick (deceased).

**EDWIN FENNO LEONARD**—The founder and executive of a large drug business, which has become one of the stablest enterprises in Springfield, Massachusetts, Edwin Fenno Leonard, has so won the liking and confidence of his fellow citizens that he was in 1920 elected mayor. The same spirit of efficiency and loyalty to public interests marked his political career as has distinguished his own business attitude. Mr. Leonard is a good business man and a good citizen. He was born in Belmont, New Hampshire, April 15, 1862, son of David P. and Susan (Mudgett) Leonard, and of English ancestry. His American progenitors are said to have come from England to New England about 1635, and were early pioneers in the iron industry in this country, owning a foundry in Northeastern Massachusetts, near Taunton, in which town the Leonard Forge is still to be found. His father was a farmer. The boy came to Springfield at the age of thirteen and completed his education in the grade and high schools there. He specialized in the study of chemistry, completing advanced courses in that subject in preparation for his work as druggist.

Mr. Leonard began his business career as drug clerk with E. N. Gates, and later was associated with H. A. Hamilton. In 1890, at the age of twenty-eight, he established a drug business of his own, located at No. 62 Main Street, Springfield. His business grew. In 1898 he purchased the property from Nos. 66 to 72 North Main Street, and erected the Leonard Building. In 1904 he associated with himself as partner, Homan F. Dickenson, and the relationship continued until the latter's health prevented him from continuing in business. Mr.



Leonard continues this prosperous business, and has also a drug store on Belmont Avenue, in the same city.

In addition to this active business life, Mr. Leonard has been keenly interested in State and local politics. In 1906-07 he represented his district in the State Legislature. The years from 1917 to 1920 found him serving his city as alderman, and in the latter year he was elected mayor of Springfield, serving until 1924. He was an admirable mayor, sane, well balanced, and governed by high ideals of honesty and public service. He holds the thirty-second degree in the Free and Accepted Masons, Springfield Lodge; and is a Knights Templar; a member of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is enrolled in the De Soto Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are: The Nayasset, the Winthrop, the Kiwanis and the Commercial Travellers. His religious affiliation is with the Memorial Church, in which he is very active. He is a man of great independence in thought and action.

Mr. Leonard married, in Springfield, in 1888, Harriett Shattuck, daughter of Edwin W. and Sarah (Bugbee) Shattuck. Children: 1. Clifford S. Leonard, Ph. D., born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1895, graduated from the local public schools, and from Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University. Like his father greatly interested in chemistry, he pursued his studies at Stockholm, Sweden, under the famous Dr. Svante August Arrhenius, Ph. D., M. D., D. Sc., LL. D. One of the best known young chemists in the country, Dr. Leonard is now instructor in research work at Yale University, having served during the World War as tester of high explosives for the duPont Company, near Philadelphia, and having been commissioned second lieutenant in the United States Army Sanitary Corps. 2. Pauline H. Leonard, born in Springfield, educated in the local public schools, and a graduate of Wellesley College, now a teacher of English at Oxford, Ohio.

**HERBERT R. WOLCOTT**—For almost thirty years, ever since he began his business career, Mr. Wolcott has devoted his untiring energy and his great ability to one line of business, plumbing and steam fitting supplies. Beginning on the lowest rung of the ladder, he has gradually climbed to the very top, until to-day he is considered one of the most successful and expert men in his particular field. He was born in Easthampton, Hampshire County, October 31, 1876, a son of Ralph and Emma Clark (Upson) Wolcott, his father being an expert toolmaker connected with various shops in Northampton and Amherst until his death in the latter city. On both his father's and his mother's side he is descended from old New England families, members of which have played an important part in the history of this country for many generations. Amongst his paternal ancestors are Roger Wolcott, one-time Governor of Connecticut, and Oliver Wolcott, also a former Governor of Connecticut, and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence from Connecticut. He also represents the ninth generation in direct descent from Henry Wolcott, the founder of the family in America, who, born about 1578 in Tolland, Somersetshire, England, as a scion of an old landed family, came to this country comparatively late in his life. He landed in Massachusetts from

the ship "Mary and John," May, 30, 1630, and soon afterwards settled in Windsor, Connecticut, where he took an important part in public affairs until his death there, May 30, 1655. On his mother's side he is a descendant of Deacon Samuel Chapin, who came to Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1642, dying there in 1675, and who is considered the founder of the Chapin family in America.

Herbert R. Wolcott was educated in the public schools of Amherst, Hampshire County, and then attended Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, where he was a member of the class of 1898, but left before graduating. He then went to Boston and secured a position with the Boston Steam Specialty Company, with which concern he remained for about five years. It was while working for this firm doing all kinds of labor pertaining to its business that he began to lay the foundation on which he later built his reputation and success. His next position was with the firm of Brown and Wales, another important Boston wholesale plumbing and steamfitting supply house, where he remained for two years as a member of their sales force. In 1902 he came to Springfield and entered the employ of the Hitchcock Supply Company, engaged in the same type of business as his two previous employers. Beginning as shipping clerk, his knowledge, efficiency and ability rapidly pushed him along the road to success, and by 1912 he had been made assistant manager of the business. Upon the death of Edward Hitchcock, president of the firm, some years later, he became his successor as the head of the concern, and remained in this position until his firm was acquired by the Crane Company, of Chicago, the largest manufacturers of pipe fittings and similar equipment in the world, with branches and sales offices in one hundred and fifty cities in this and foreign countries. The Crane Company continued their newly-acquire Springfield property as one of their own branches, with offices at No. 60 Cypress Street, and Mr. Wolcott was installed as its manager. It was not long before his great abilities found further recognition, and, in 1918, he was called to New York City, to establish there for the Crane Company an export division which he organized under the name of the Crane Export Corporation, with offices in New York City, San Francisco and Shanghai. He remained in New York and at the head of this department of the Crane Company until 1921, when he returned to Springfield and assumed again his position as manager of the Springfield branch, in which capacity he has continued since then.

Mr. Wolcott is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Morning Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and, indeed, a member of all Masonic bodies of both the York and Scottish Rites, as well as of the Knights of Pythias. He is also very active socially, and belongs to the Chapin Society, the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Nayasset Winthrop and University clubs of Springfield. His religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church, and more particularly with the First Congregational Church of Springfield.

Mr. Wolcott married, at Waverley, Middlesex County, September 1, 1903, Mildred Frances Houlahan, a daugh-



ter of Charles H. and Emma France Houlahan, of Belmont, Middlesex County. Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott are the parents of two children: 1. Dorothy Chapin, born in Springfield, September 11, 1904, a student at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Hampshire County, class of 1926. 2. Miriam Cooper, born in Springfield June 21, 1906, a student at Mount Holyoke College, class of 1927. The family city residence is at No. 26 Irvington Street, Springfield, while the summer home is at Amherst, Massachusetts.

**MILO HARRISON BUZZEE**—A native and life-long resident of Easthampton, Hampshire County, and on his mother's side a member of the Pomeroy family, one of the old and historic Hampshire County families, Mr. Buzzee has been connected with one of his native town's most important industrial establishments, the Hampton Company, for more than twenty years and for the larger part of this period has held the responsible position of traffic manager in charge of all outgoing products and all incoming materials. He was born in Easthampton May 15, 1881, a son of David Harrison and Agnes Helen (Pomeroy) Buzzee, and grandson of John and Catherine (Applegate) Buzzee, the latter residents of New Brunswick, New Jersey.

David Harrison Buzzee was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey, June 9, 1838, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, June 26, 1906. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted for three months in the 1st New Jersey Infantry, and after having completed his term of enlistment he went to Poughkeepsie, New York, where he worked in the Parrott foundry, assisting in the casting of the famous Parrott guns used extensively in the Union armies. He later reënlisted, this time with the 2d New York Heavy Artillery, with which he saw much and hard service until he was taken prisoner in the battle of Cold Harbor, Virginia. He was confined in several Southern prisons and was finally sent to Andersonville, from where he was fortunate enough to escape. Having made his way home, he remained there to recover his shattered health, and during this time the Civil War was concluded. His regiment was promptly mustered out, but he himself did not receive his discharge until several years later. In 1867 he came to Easthampton and entered the employ of the Rubber Thread Company, with which concern he remained for twenty-five years, eventually rising to the position of plant manager. About 1892 he resigned and for a short time went to Providence, Rhode Island, but soon after removed to Akron, Ohio, associating himself there with B. F. Goodrich in the rubber business and taking a leading part in starting up the new plant of the Goodrich Company. Somewhat later he returned to Easthampton, where he continued to live in retirement to the time of his death. He was a member of the W. L. Baker Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Northampton, and of the Ex-Prisoners of War Association.

Mr. Buzzee married, May 1, 1866, Agnes Helen Pomeroy, born in Easthampton, April 30, 1852, died there October 21, 1911. She was a daughter of Hiram and Eunice (Goodrich) Pomeroy and through her father, who was born in 1819, and died in 1896, was a descendant in the eighth generation from the original American

settler, Eltweed Pomeroy. The Pomeroy family of England and America is descended from Ralph de Pomeroy, a knight of William the Conqueror. He took his name from the parish of S. Savern de la Pomeraye, in the department of La Manche, in Normandy. He founded a great and famous family in England, and he or his descendants named Berry Pomeroy, in Devonshire, the ancient seat of the family. Ralph de Pomeroy held fifty-eight lordships at the time of the survey of the Domesday Book. The name Pomeraye in old French means orchard, and it is easy to see how it came to be first a place name and then a surname. All the families of this name seem to belong to the Devonshire family. Richard Pomeroy, father of Eltweed, lived in the parish of Beaminster, Dorsetshire, England, where the latter was born and christened July 4, 1585. Eltweed Pomeroy married twice, his second marriage, to Margery Rockett, occurring at Beaminster, May 7, 1627. With his wife and their first born, Eldad, he came to America in 1636 in the ship "Mary and John," and settled in Dorchester, as it was called, and from the first was a prominent citizen. He was admitted a freeman March 4, 1632, was one of the proprietors and founders of the town of Dorchester, and presided at the first town meeting, being first selectman. Though the idea of the town meeting did not originate in this town, it has been said that "this Dorchester town meeting, the first in America, was the model of all the town meetings in New England, and the germ of our American commonwealths." The meeting was held in the church or meeting house, in which the first service was held in June, 1630. The meeting house stood at the corner of what is now East Cottage and Pleasant streets, Dorchester, now part of Boston. It was built of logs, surrounded by palisades and had a thatched roof, and a sentinel was kept on guard, so that it served as a place of refuge and defense against the Indians. Eltweed Pomeroy was an armorer and gunsmith by trade, and must have been an exceedingly valuable man in the colony. He was appointed constable of Dorchester by the General Court June 3, 1634. In 1636-37 he emigrated with Rev. John Warham's congregation to Windsor, Connecticut, where his house and lot were within the Palisado. He had a grant of land in 1638, and in 1671 moved to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he lived with his son Medad to the time of his death, spending, according to tradition, the last years of his life in blindness, and doubtlessly was buried in the Bridge Street burial ground, Northampton. Of his ten children the seventh, Caleb, baptized at Windsor, Connecticut, March 6, 1641, became one of the first settlers of Northampton, and was admitted a freeman in 1663. In 1686 he sold his farm at Northampton and moved to Southampton or Easthampton, where he died November 18, 1691, having married, March 8, 1665, Hepsibah Baker, daughter of Jeffry and Joan (Rockwell) Baker, of Windsor, Connecticut. Their oldest son, second of their ten children, Samuel, was born at Northampton, May 29, 1669, was a school teacher and farmer, and in or about 1732 moved to what was then Easthampton, though his old homestead, as the result of a later change of town lines is now located in Southampton. He married three times, and had thirteen children, the seventh of whom was Caleb, born



*Wm. N. Buzzee*





in 1707, died in 1783, married Thankful Phelps. Through one of their sons, Enos, born in 1746, died in 1813, married (first) Freedom Clark and (second) Miriam Bartlett Wolcott, the line is carried on to Wareham Pomeroy, born in 1781, died in 1858, married Laura Griswold, these being Mrs. David Harrison Buzzee's paternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. David Harrison Buzzee were the parents of twelve children: 1. Howard David, born June 27, 1867. 2. Frank C., born February 22, 1869. 3. Nellie, now deceased, born June 5, 1871, married Carl Dolloff. 4. Fred H., born January 27, 1873. 5. Lewis, born December 24, 1874. 6. Edith, born May 25, 1876, married Joseph Buckley. 7-8. Effie and Ettie, twins, born July 10, 1878. 9. Milo H., of whom further. 10. Susie Winslow, born May 25, 1883, married Daniel Nagyby. 11. Ralph, born May 27, 1888. 12. Arthur J., born May 13, 1890.

Milo Harrison Buzzee was educated in the public schools of Easthampton, and after leaving school went to work with the Nashawannuck Mills of Easthampton, manufacturers of suspender goods, with which concern he remained from 1897 to 1903. In the latter year he became connected with the Boston and Maine Railroad as chief clerk of its freight office, which position he held for about a year and a half. In 1905 he entered the employ of the Hampton Company, Fern Street, Easthampton, as a clerk in the shipping department, and since then he has continued with this important industrial establishment, occupying now the position of traffic manager in which responsible and difficult work he is assisted by a force of some twenty-eight men. He has taken an active interest in the public affairs of his native town for many years, and has been a member of the Board of Public Works for three years, and its chairman for the same period of time, and has also been town auditor for seven years. For two years he was a member of Company 8, 18th Infantry, 3d Brigade, Massachusetts National Guard, with the rank of Corporal and later of second lieutenant, his commission for the latter rank having been signed by President Coolidge, at that time Governor of Massachusetts. Mr. Buzzee has been especially active in Masonry, and is widely known in Masonic circles throughout the entire State, being a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masters, of which he is a Past Master; also of James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is a Past High Priest; of William Parsons Council, Royal and Select Masters, of which he is a Past Illustrious Master; and of Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar. Earlier in life he was successfully and actively interested in all sports, especially in baseball, football and basketball, and for some eight years he played on professional basketball teams. He is now a member of the Fish and Game Association.

Mr. Buzzee married, June 11, 1911, Katherine Mungall, of South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts, a daughter of Robert and Mary (Golden) Mungall, the latter both natives of Scotland, but for many years residents of the United States. Mr. and Mrs. Buzzee are the parents of two sons: 1. Milo Harrison, Jr., born March 25, 1912. 2. Robert David, born December 27, 1918. The family home is located at No. 104 East Street, Northampton.

**EDWARD J. MURPHY**—A real estate business that has become recognized throughout Western Massachusetts and a considerably larger area for the substantial and reliable foundations upon which it has been built and the extensive service that it continues to perform in all that concerns the sale, the management, and the appraising of realty, personal and State, is that of Edward J. Murphy, one of the foremost realtors in Massachusetts, whose offices in Springfield have become a landmark of real estate purchase and exchange covering every field. Mr. Murphy, a civics leader in Springfield, whose association with the Planning and Survey Boards in particular is of material present and future benefit to the community, is a veteran and an expert in all realty interests, and a citizen whose counsel both in business and in city government affairs has had much to do with the present advancement and healthy growth of Springfield.

Edward J. Murphy, a son of John David Murphy, a mechanical contractor and inventor, and Hester Murphy, was born August 19, 1867, in Yonkers, New York; and he attended the primary and grammar schools in Springfield, afterwards graduating from Childs and Geers Business College. In 1892 Mr. Murphy began to engage in real estate activities, and he has continued unremittingly since that date, with steadily increasing success and an expansion of the bounds of a territory of business that he has made through his own efforts. His enterprises are inclusive not only of a general brokerage business, and the management of estates, offices and business buildings throughout Western Massachusetts and beyond the bounds of this State, but he has charge of the management and the sale of power plants; and he is, besides, owner, trustee and treasurer of a number of Realty Associates, and appraiser for government, county, city and railroad corporations. Mr. Murphy is interested in many outside business corporations, holding the office of vice-president and assistant treasurer and director in some of them. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a director and chairman of important committees.

In 1902 Mr. Murphy was elected an alderman to represent his constituency in Springfield, and during the years 1923-1925 he has been one of the most efficient and active members both of the Planning Board and the Survey Board. During the World War he held the responsible office of selling representative for the United States Government, as well as appraiser.

Faternally, Mr. Murphy is affiliated with the local council of the Knights of Columbus, formerly serving as chairman of and trustee for this order for a number of years, and he is a member of the Nayasset Club, the Country Club, and president of the Tuesday Club of Springfield; the Misquamicut Country Club, of Watch Hill, Rhode Island; the Blandford Club, of Blandford; the Wallagrass Club in Maine, and the Birchen Bend Fly Club. His religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic Church.

Edward J. Murphy married, February 6, 1895, in Springfield, Pauline Garfield, daughter of Edwin F. and Elizabeth (Baldwin) Garfield.

**EDWIN OTIS HAPGOOD** was born in Chester, Massachusetts, June 16, 1867, son of George Henry and Marietta (Wilcox) Hapgood. The family of Hapgood is an old New England one of excellent reputation, and its members have always held prominent and useful places in the political and social life of the community. George Henry Hapgood was a tanner, and for some time conducted a successful insurance agency, meantime, serving his town of Chester in various town offices and representing his district for a year in the Massachusetts Legislature.

Edwin Otis Hapgood was educated in the public elementary schools of his native town, and continued his education in the Springfield High School, graduating with the class of 1886. His special training in pharmacy he gained at the Albany College of Pharmacy, graduating with the class of 1890. Shortly after completing his schooling he was associated with Frank B. Mason, retail druggist of Chester, from 1886 to 1888. In 1890 he accepted a position as clerk with H. & J. Brewer, and in 1895 became a partner. With the corporation of H. & J. Brewer Company, established in 1907, he has since been associated. He is a member of the Hampden Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He has a responsible and busy life with the drug company, and he has a reputation for excellent citizenship.

Edwin O. Hapgood married, in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 10, 1896, Cornelia F. Pease, daughter of Dallas M. and Ann Eliza Pease. Mr. and Mrs. Hapgood have two children: Edwin Dana, born May 14, 1904; and Herbert Pease, born March 8, 1909.

**ERNEST D. BUGBEE**, treasurer and general manager of D. H. Brigham & Company, one of the largest mercantile establishments in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Springfield July 10, 1874. His father was Frank M. Bugbee, a merchant, with D. H. Brigham & Company for twenty-five years. His mother was Emma C. Brigham, born in Springfield May 26, 1852. Mr. Bugbee began his business career with the Brigham house in 1892 as a clerk. Upon the death of Mr. Brigham, founder of the business, he was elected treasurer and general manager. He is a director of the Union Trust Company of Springfield, and an active Republican. He is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, the Colony Club, and the Long Meadow Country Club.

Mr. Bugbee was married, in Chicopee, Massachusetts, October 27, 1898, to Maude M. Blaisdell, a native of Chicopee, daughter of Samuel B. and Harriett (Crane) Blaisdell. His business address is No. 401 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HOWARD GRANT GRAHAM**—There are few better known factors in the ice industry in this part of the State than Howard Grant Graham, who, having entered upon that activity early in his career, has always and favorably been associated with the business, in the employ of others or as the builder of a large plant at Easthampton. He is accounted one of the most capable men in the business, and is known throughout the section as a man of great energy and probity. He is of

sturdy stock of farmers and lumbermen, who have long established their record and repute in the world of general industry. His grandfather, Charles Graham, who came from Scotland to Nova Scotia at an early day, was born about 1800, and died about 1881, and he was a farmer by occupation. He married Lettie Pepper, and they had children: Charles, of whom further; John; Rebecca, who married Peter Grant; Sarah; Jeannette.

Charles Graham was born in Nova Scotia about 1846 and died in 1922; he was a farmer, a carpenter, and a lumberman; and for many years he was a member of the board of deacons of the Presbyterian Church. He married Annie Johnson, who was born in Stewiacke, Nova Scotia; and they had children: Elizabeth; Howard G., of whom further; Melissa and Melville, twins; Mary Rachel and Duncan.

Howard Grant Graham was born April 3, 1871, in Colchester County, Nova Scotia, where he attended the public schools. He was employed in the lumbering business until 1892, when he came to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he worked for William Grant in the ice business for fourteen years. In 1907 he established himself in business under his own name at Easthampton, where he erected extensive ice houses and a large residence. He disposed of his plant here in 1921, when he became associated with Alfred Grant in the Norwood Ice Company, of Northampton, a corporation in which Mr. Norwood was made treasurer, and to which he devoted his time.

Fraternally, Mr. Graham is a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and he is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Howard Grant Graham married, April 25, 1899, Helen Shipperley, who was born in England, daughter of Robert and Esther Shipperley. Their children: 1. Edna Helen, a graduate of Mount Holyoke College, now teacher of physical culture at Godfrey, Illinois. 2. Doris Hester, a graduate of Sargent School for Physical Education, of Boston. 3. Howard Melville, a student at Williston Academy.

**WERNER HILTPOLD, M. D.**—The son of a physician, who was so eager to complete his medical studies in the face of rather adverse economic circumstances that overwork undoubtedly became a contributing cause to his comparatively early death. Dr. Hiltbold apparently possessed the same strong love for the medical profession which had influenced his father's life and quite naturally followed the latter's lead when it came to the choice of his life's work. He was born December 22, 1889, in Easthampton, Massachusetts, a son of Jacob and Bertha (Witzig) Hiltbold.

Jacob Hiltbold was born in 1859 in Schinznach, a small town in the canton of Aargau, Switzerland, near which are located the ruins of the ancient castle of the Hapsburgs. He was the oldest son of Hans Hiltbold, likewise a native of Switzerland, whose other children were: John; Annie; Elizabeth and Barbara. Jacob Hiltbold was educated in his native town and later became a male nurse. The training for this work first aroused in him the desire to study medicine, and, in order to improve his circumstances and thereby make the accomplishment of





Werner Hiltpold.









Adams



Chapin



Harwood



Hancock



Sybly  
(Sibley)







#### ADAMS.

*Arms*—Argent, on a cross gules five mullets or.

*Crest*—Out of a ducal coronet or, a demi-lion affrontée gules.

*Motto*—Aspire, persevere, and indulge not.



#### CHAPIN.

*Arms*—Argent, two bars azure.

*Crest*—A hawk rising proper.



#### HARWOOD.

*Arms*—Azure, a fesse gobony gules and argent between three owls of the last.

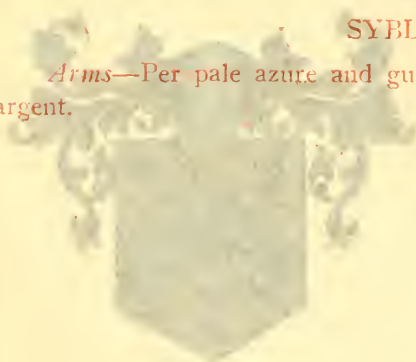
*Crest*—An owl argent.

#### HANCOCK.

*Arms*—Or, a chevron cotised between three griffins' heads couped sable, the two in chief respecting each other.

#### SYBLY (SIBLEY).

*Arms*—Per pale azure and gules, a griffin passant between three crescents argent.



his ambition possible, he came to this country in 1881, bringing not only his own family, but also his father with him. The latter eventually went to live with his second son, John, who had also come to the United States and had settled in New Britain, Connecticut, and Hans Hiltbold died there. Upon his arrival in the United States Jacob Hiltbold went to Easthampton and, for a time, worked in the Nashawannuck Mills, now known as the Glendale Mills, where he became foreman of the box shop. At the same time he studied medicine and worked under Dr. Green, one of the local practitioners of Easthampton. Having successfully passed the Medical State Board examination he was licensed to practice medicine in February, 1895, and from then on until his death, December 26, 1912, followed his profession at Easthampton. He was entirely a self-made man, studying at nights, but in spite of these difficulties became a most highly successful physician, greatly beloved by all with whom he came into contact and deeply regretted when death cut short at a comparatively early age his useful career. His interest in medicine was not restricted to general practice only, but he specialized in microscopic work and became favorably known as a micro-chemical analyst. In spite of his busy professional life he found time to become a very active member of the Easthampton Lutheran Church, one of the founders and president of its mission society, a member of its finance committee, and superintendent of its Sunday school. He was married in Switzerland to Bertha Witzig, a native of Fierthalen, Switzerland, daughter of Theodor and Louise (Mühlbach) Witzig, the latter a native of Kandern, Germany. Dr. and Mrs. Hiltbold were the parents of five children: Walter; Albert; Werner; Arnold and Helena. Mrs. Hiltbold survives her husband and, in 1925, was still a resident of Easthampton.

Werner Hiltbold was educated in the public schools of Easthampton and at Williston Academy, Easthampton, and then studied medicine at the Medical College of the University of Vermont, at Burlington, from which he graduated in 1912 with the degree of M. D. His period of internship was spent in the Salem (Massachusetts) Hospital and in the German Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. Licensed as a physician in 1913, he began the practice of his profession in his native city in 1914 and quickly established one of the most extensive and successful practices in Western Massachusetts. During the World War he served in the Medical Corps of the United States Army from August, 1917, to August, 1919, first as a surgeon at Camp Benjamin Harrison and later at Hoffman Island, in Lower New York Bay where he was port inspector of hospital ships and trains. He was discharged with the rank of first lieutenant and immediately resumed his private practice at No. 1 Clark Street, Easthampton. He is a fellow of the American Medical Association, and a member of the Massachusetts State Medical Association, and his religious affiliations are with the Lutheran Church.

**ADAMS and Allied Lines**—The family of Adams, or Addams, can claim the distinction of having the oldest individual name on record. Adamah is the Hebrew for

Adam, and means red earth or red. The name is variously spelled Adam, Adame, Adames, Adams, Adamch. The soft sound of "s" in the Anglo-Saxon was formerly not common, the more general form being a soft "ch" as Adamch. Hence the various spellings would seem to have the same pronunciation. The Adams pedigree is one to which genealogists have given much attention with the result that there are several points still under discussion.

The Adams coat-of-arms is as follows:

Arms—Argent, on a cross gules five mullets or.  
Crest—Out of a ducal coronet or, a demi-lion affrontee gules.

Motto—Aspire, persevere, and indulge not.

Burke records in his "General Armory" some thirty-six coats-of-arms for various branches of the Adams family residing in London; in Counties Pembroke, Surrey, Carmarthen, Warwick, Northampton, Norfolk, York, Middlesex, Lincoln, Kent, and Devon; in Ireland, and in Wales. The disagreement of eminent genealogists concerning the English ancestry and relationship to each other of the various founders of Adams families in this country carries with it a problem for the heraldist. Matthews, in his "American Armoury" and "Blue Book," uses for various descendants of Henry Adams a coat-of-arms identical with the one described herewith except that the lion of the crest is in profile instead of affrontee, and no motto is given. Several of the Adams families in this country make use of some one of the various mottoes of the English families. The coat-of-arms blazoned herewith is that recorded by Burke for Adams of County Carmarthen, and used with the motto by various branches of the family in this country.

The family traced below is believed to be of Saxon origin, springing from Randall Adams, of Norwood, a small village in the town of Wem, Shropshire, England. Their ancestors in England were respectable, industrious men of firm religious principles, and were generally found on the side of the Puritans in all the religious and political persecutions from 1604 to 1640, and this determined character caused them and other families of the same name to leave their native land and flee to America.

(I) Randall Adams, a descendant of one of the old Saxon families which settled in England, had a son, Thomas, of whom further.

(II) Thomas Adams, son of Randall Adams, was born in 1558. He married Margaret Erpe, and they had a son, William, of whom further.

(The Family in America).

(I) William Adams, son of Thomas and Margaret (Erpe) Adams, was born in England, February 3, 1594, and died in Ipswich, Massachusetts, January 2, 1659. He came to America about 1628, among the original emigrants of the Massachusetts Colony, and settled first in Cambridge, but in 1642 removed to Ipswich, where he took up a large tract of land on the Ipswich River, on the site of what is now Hamilton, Massachusetts. The farm which he cultivated remained in the family, being handed down through will or inheritance for over two hundred and fifty years. He had four sons and,



probably, other children: 1. William, born 1620, in England. 2. Nathaniel, born in 1622, in England. 3. Samuel, of whom further. 4. John, born in America, in 1632.

(II) Samuel Adams, son of William Adams, was born in England, in 1624, and died in Ipswich. He married Mehitabel Stacy, in 1646, and they had a son, Nathaniel, of whom further.

(III) Nathaniel Adams, son of Samuel and Mehitabel (Stacy) Adams, was born in Ipswich December 8, 1647, died November 28, 1736. He married Mary Dickinson, and they had a son Samuel, of whom further.

(IV) Samuel Adams, son of Nathaniel and Mary (Dickinson) Adams, was born in Ipswich, March 8, 1676, and died August 31, 1747. He married Mary Burley, September 28, 1706, and they had a son, John, of whom further.

(V) John Adams, son of Samuel and Mary (Burley) Adams, was born September 13, 1719, in Hamilton, Massachusetts, and died at Northbridge, Massachusetts, April 24, 1796. He was a Revolutionary soldier. He married Mary Hunt, of Concord, October 31, 1745, and they had a son, Andrew, of whom further.

(VI) Andrew Adams, son of John and Mary (Hunt) Adams, was born in Uxbridge, now part of Northbridge, Massachusetts, November 7, 1759, and died on the home farm, June 30, 1822. He removed to Greenfield, in 1803, and purchased a tract of land in the Connecticut Valley and settled on the farm where his great-granddaughters now reside, living at that time in a log house. He built a portion of the road known as the Swamp Road, that ran from Greenfield to what was later the old Peleg Adams homestead. He took an active part in all community affairs, and was one of the leading citizens of his day. After the incorporation of Franklin County, in 1811, the first session of the court, the old Common Pleas, was held in March, 1812, at Greenfield, and Andrew Adams was foreman of the traverse jury. He attended the church at the old meeting house, which was the first in Greenfield.

Andrew Adams married (first) Molly Morse. They had a daughter, Martha, called "Patty." (See Probate Records of Franklin County, Greenfield, Massachusetts.) Martha ("Patty"), wife of William Remington, died June 11, 1822, aged thirty-seven years. She was buried in the Battery Cemetery, near Soakewood, which is in the vicinity of Providence, Rhode Island. Andrew Adams married (second) Betsey Chapin, born April 21, 1763, at Mendon, Massachusetts; died at Greenfield, Massachusetts, January 3, 1846, aged eighty-three years. (See Chapin VII.) She was descended from Deacon Samuel Chapin, of Springfield, baptized in Paignton, England, October 8, 1598 (see the "Chapin Book," published by the Chapin Family Association, Hartford, Connecticut, 1924, p. 2), died 1675; through his son, Josiah Chapin, born in 1634, died September 10, 1726; through his son, Seth Chapin, born August 4, 1668, died April 1, 1746; through Joseph Chapin, born March 6, 1708, in Mendon, died July 1, 1788, at Milford; through his son, Gershom Chapin, born May 27, 1734, in Mendon, died August 23, 1801, in Uxbridge, who married Mrs. Deborah (Holbrook) Towrey, of Mendon, for his

second wife. Gershom Chapin marched from Mendon, on the alarm at Fort William Henry, 1757, and he later served in the Revolutionary War. They were the parents of Betsey Chapin, who married Andrew Adams, above noted. Children, born in Northbridge: 1. George, born December 28, 1792. 2. Nahum, born June 14, 1795. 3. Eliza, born October 5, 1796. 4. Peleg, of whom further. (See Northbridge Vital Records.)

(VII) Peleg Adams, son of Andrew and Betty or Betsey (Chapin) Adams, was born in Northbridge, Massachusetts, December 29, 1799, and died at the farm in Greenfield, September 8, 1887. He received a thoroughly practical education in the public schools of his day, his time between lessons being spent in working upon his father's farm, and on the completion of his studies continued on the farm until he reached the age of twenty-three years, when he began to work out by the month at farm labor. He continued in this mode of employment for the greater part of six years, until 1831, when he purchased in the town of Greenfield the farm on which he later built the house in which he resided during the remainder of his lifetime. Besides cultivating his farm, he became a large dealer in cattle, and was so sagacious a business man that he won substantial success in all his dealings. He later, in 1877, purchased the Mansion House in Greenfield, and this property still remains in the family (1925). Subsequently he made extensive additions and improvements, turning it into a modern model hotel, which gained the reputation of being the best, as well as one of the oldest, in Franklin County. The value of the property is likewise enhanced by these improvements, and it stands today one of the most attractive spots in the State. Mr. Adams was active in the public life of his locality, and served as selectman and also as assessor, besides in other offices and capacities. He had always maintained a reputation for honor and strict integrity, and enjoyed the respect, confidence and esteem of all who knew him. Peleg Adams first attended the Congregational Church which was the faith of his parents, but later in life he was closely identified with the Universalist Society of Bernardston, where his last wife was an attendant, and he had contributed generously to the support of both churches. He passed from the scene of his labors loved and lamented by his fellow-citizens, whose interests had also been his interest and care.

Peleg Adams married (first), February 15, 1831, Lucinda Hancock, of Longmeadow, who was a descendant of the old Hancock family, which dates back to early Colonial times. (See Hancock VII.) She died September 30, 1840, aged thirty years. He married (second), June 16, 1841, Sarah B. Meriam, daughter of Joel and Sarah (Meriam) Meriam, of Greenfield, who died May 23, 1862, aged fifty-three years. He married (third) Jane W. Bascom, born July 21, 1813, and died in 1890. Children of first marriage: 1. Eliza Lucretia, born October 19, 1833, married Jeremiah Pratt Morgan. 2. Elizabeth Lucinda, born February 2, 1836, died March 10, 1853. 3. Ruth Alma, born December 5, 1837, died April 11, 1852. 4. John Andrew, of whom further. Children of second marriage: 5. ———, died in infancy. 6. Sarah Lucy, born December 10, 1846, died young.





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(VIII) John Andrew Adams, son of Peleg and Lucinda (Hancock) Adams, was born at Greenfield, August 14, 1840, died there December 3, 1880. He received his early education in the common schools of the day, and finished his studies at Shelburne Academy. On the completion of his course in the academy he gave his attention to farming, and was very successful in this line of activity. Except for two years spent in Bernardston, his whole life was passed in Greenfield, the latter years near the home of his father. He was active in the affairs of his community, and held the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens.

John Andrew Adams married, June 29, 1864, Charlotte E. Meriam, who was born in Barre, Massachusetts, February 26, 1843, daughter of Jotham Addison and Charlotte (Harwood) Meriam. (See Meriam IX). Mr. and Mrs. Adams were the parents of two daughters: 1. Ruth Charlotte, of whom further. 2. Elizabeth Leola, of whom further.

(IX) Ruth Charlotte Adams was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts, September 27, 1865, and her sister, Elizabeth Leola, in Greenfield, March 25, 1867, daughters of John Andrew and Charlotte E. (Meriam) Adams. They were educated in the public and high schools of Greenfield, from which latter institution they were both graduated, and taught school for a time. For two hundred years the Adams and the Meriam names have stood for patriotism, honesty, high ideals and service to humanity, and these traditions the Misses Adams have accepted as a personal obligation and are meeting in full those duties which in the present day fall upon the women as well as the men. They have of late years devoted their time to their real estate and financial interests, as well as to extensive farming interests, being owners of the Mansion House of Greenfield, and looking after their farm lands themselves. They are noted as hostesses of the Mansion House throughout New England, and about this historical structure Miss Elizabeth L. Adams has written a voluminous history, covering a period of more than a hundred years. Part of this was embodied in excerpts in a paper that she read before the Historical Society of Greenfield on the history of the Mansion House site, and below is quoted an account that appeared in one of the Greenfield papers, the "Gazette and Courier," regarding this. She told:

Of the early days when the site was that of the old James Corse fort, where the first preaching was held in Greenfield. The log house was turned into a tavern, and finally burned. Afterward a wood building facing Main Street was put up, and conducted as an old stage coach tavern by quite a number of landlords. Calvin Munn was a famous tavern keeper about 1790. He was a natural landlord, and laid the foundation of the business. He was a Revolutionary soldier and pensioner. The tavern came into the hands of Asa Goodenough, who bought out the old Willard Hotel on the site across Federal Street, to get rid of a competitor, and when he sold the land it was with the restriction that no hotel be built there.

Miss Adams gave "a description of conditions in the old stage coach days, describing the original post office, book store and printing house of the early editions of the 'Gazette and Courier,' conducted in the Hart Leavitt Building on this site. At that time people came from twenty miles around to get their mail, and letters came once a week from Boston." Miss Adams recounted

many of the historic scenes and associations clustering around this old building, where women met at the time of the Civil War to work for the soldiers. Peleg Adams bought the place in 1877, added a large ell with a dining room without pillars, installed the first passenger elevator seen around here, brought up the whole building to the same height, added a carriage repository, and made other changes. He left the building by deed to Mrs. Charlotte E. (Meriam) Adams, and the Misses Ruth C. and Elizabeth L. Adams. Miss Adams also wrote of the periods when the hotel was conducted by George T. C. Holden, by Thompson and Schoff, and later by W. E. Wood and the Wood family. The Mansion House is now (1924) conducted by Herman L. Wood.

The sisters, who have inherited the estate of their forebears, are active in the community life, and hold in trust that inheritance that always brings with it a responsibility of service. They are rendering this service to their section and their associates and are held in high regard throughout a wide area, where they and their parents and grandparents have rendered service which has well-earned confidence and esteem. The Misses Adams are active in philanthropy, as well as in the social life, and they are carrying on those traditions of their family that stand for high honor, integrity, and progress. They are both members of the Dorothy Quincy Hancock Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, at Greenfield, Massachusetts.

(The Meriam Line).

This surname is derived from two ancient Saxon words—Mirige and Ham, meaning pleasant or merry home. The ancient spelling was Merryham, Merriham, Merihan. The family was formerly quite numerous in England in County Kent, but at the present time there are none of the name living there. A branch of the family was living in Pembrokeshire within a few years, but the name occurs but rarely in England now. As early as 1295 the name occurs in England in County Sussex, and frequently afterwards in County Kent.

Bulkeley, Hunt, Willard, Hosmer, Meriam, Flint, Possessed the land which rendered to their toil Hay, corn, roots, flax, hemp, apples, wool and wood; Each of these landlords walked amongst his farm Saying, "It is mine, my children's and my name's —."

So wrote Ralph Waldo Emerson in an ode honoring the pioneers of Old Concord, Massachusetts, and so long as the nation exists and history remains recorded, at least one spot of land, which was the pioneer Meriam's, will continue to bear his name. The British, driven back from the North Bridge, were outflanked by the pursuing Minute Men at a corner of the Meriam farm where the roads forked, and were driven in the utter rout and confusion of retreat toward Boston.

Meriam's Corner is marked by a bronze tablet and shares equally in the victory of the day with the North Bridge, both having played their part in the famous "Concord Fight."

(I) William Meriam, born in County Kent, England, was of Barn Street in Hadlowe, clothier, formerly of Tudeley, was seized of lands in Hadlowe, Couldhurst, and Yalding, County Kent, and buried at Hadlowe, September 23, 1635. Married Sarah, possibly daughter of



James Burgess, of Tudley, who mentions his son-in-law, William Merryam, in his will, dated 1590. William Meriam's will was dated September 8, 1635. Children (or of birth not known): 1. Joseph, of whom further. 2. George, born about 1603; settled in Concord and was admitted as freeman 1641; died December 29, 1675; married Susan or Susanna Raven, October 16, 1627, at Tonbridge. 3. Robert, born about 1613, devisee of lands in Hadlowe and sole executor of father's will; freeman of Massachusetts, March 13, 1639; died February 15, 1682; married Mary, daughter of Edmund Sheaf, of Cranbrook, baptized September 26, 1620; town clerk of Concord and deputy to General Court. 4. Susan. 5. Margaret, "already preferred," September 8, 1635. 6. Joan, married Thomas Day, of Breachley, who died in 1653, had issue. 7. A daughter, married Thomas Howe (?) and died before September 8, 1635, leaving issue.

(II) Joseph Meriam, son of William and Sarah Meriam, was born about 1600 in England, and died at Concord, Massachusetts, January 1, 1641. He was the only one through whom the family name has descended. Like his father, he was a clothier and merchant. He helped charter the vessel "Castle" and came in it to America, arriving at Charlestown, Massachusetts, in July, 1638. He settled at Concord, Massachusetts. According to his father's will he was the eldest son and inherited from his father all of the goods in his house at Tudley, and to him and his heirs was bequeathed the lands at Yelding. He was a freeman of Massachusetts March 14, 1639. He married Sarah Goldstone, daughter of John and (probably) Frances (Jeffrie) Goldstone, and sister of Robert Goldstone, of Tonbridge, England. She married (second) Joseph Wheeler, of Concord, Massachusetts, and died March 12, 1671. Children: 1. William, born in 1624, served as trooper in King Philip's War. 2. Sarah, born in 1626. 3. Joseph, of whom further. 4. Thomas. 5. Elizabeth, married Thomas Hinchman. 6. Hannah. 7. John, posthumous, born in Concord, Massachusetts, July 9, 1641.

(III) Joseph Meriam, son of Joseph and Sarah (Goldstone) Meriam, was born in England, about 1628 (see "History of Lexington," p. 422), and died at Concord, Massachusetts, April 20, 1677. His gravestone in the Hill Burying Ground at Concord, Massachusetts, is still standing, and is the oldest tombstone in Concord. He came with his father's family to Concord, Massachusetts, where he lived, and where he was made freeman May 22, 1650. He was successful in his affairs, and like his father, accumulated a considerable estate. He married, at Concord, July 12, 1653, Sarah Stone, who died at Lexington, Massachusetts, April 8, 1704, aged seventy-one (see Hudson's "History of Lexington," p. 422), daughter of Deacon Gregory Stone, of Cambridge. Children: 1. Sarah, born at Concord, August 2, 1654; married (first) Eleazar Ball; (second), June 7, 1699, Samuel Fletcher, of Chelmsford. 2. Lydia, born August 3, 1656, died December 29, 1690. 3. Joseph, born at Cambridge May 25, 1658 ("Vital Records," p. 492). 4. Elizabeth, born at Cambridge May 20, 1660 ("Vital Records," p. 492), married Isaac Wood. 5. John, of whom further. 6. Mary, born at Cambridge

June 11, 1664 ("Vital Records," p. 492), married Isaac Stearns. 7. Robert, born February 17, 1667. 8. Ruth, born in 1670; married, December 3, 1690, Nathaniel Stow. 9. Thomas, born in 1672.

(IV) John Meriam, son of Joseph and Sarah (Stone) Meriam, was born at Cambridge, Massachusetts ("Vital Records," p. 492), August 30, 1662, died May 21, 1727 (see "History of Lexington," p. 423). He resided at "The Farms" and was made deacon of the church at its organization, October 21, 1696. He acquired large amounts of land in various surrounding towns, and served as assessor, selectman and other positions of trust. He married, in 1688, Mary Wheeler, of Concord (see "History of Lexington," p. 423), who died December 20, 1745, aged seventy-five years. Children, born in Cambridge, Massachusetts ("Vital Records" of Longmeadow, p. 492): 1. Mary, born January 6, 1689. 2. Sarah, married Phillip Russell. 3. Lydia. 4. John, born July 26, 1696. 5. Ruth, baptized November 6, 1698. 6. Benjamin, born January 6, 1700; baptized March 4, 1706; married Mary Preston. 7. Jonas (Cambridge church records record this name as John), born February 13, 1702-03; baptized January 12, 1704. 8. Ebenezer, of whom further. 9. Joshua, born February 21, 1707-08, died May 7, 1795. 10. William, born September 24, 1712, died June 21, 1735. 11. Amos, baptized July 25, 1715; married, November 9, 1738, Hannah Danforth.

[Lexington, Massachusetts, was taken from Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1712. Prior to that date the birth, death and marriage records were in Cambridge "Vital Records."]

(V) Ebenezer Meriam, son of John and Mary (Wheeler) Meriam, was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, March 2, 1706 ("Vital Records of Cambridge," p. 492), and died in Oxford, Massachusetts, August 20, 1761. As his father had done before him, he waited only to reach manhood when he left the parental roof and started out to make his own way in the world and establish his own homestead. Since the days when his own ancestors had helped establish the first inland town in the colony, Concord settlers had gradually moved west and had taken up land in the middle and southwestern part of the now Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and it was, therefore, in this direction that Ebenezer Meriam looked for a homesite to his liking. He was accompanied on his quest by his cousins, Jonathan and Hezekiah, and the trio eventually selected Oxford as offering the most advantages. Ebenezer Meriam bought eighty-eight acres in the section of the town known as "The Gore," the record of the land transfer being dated April 14, 1729.

He married (first) Esther Gleason, who was born at Framingham, Massachusetts, April 6, 1711, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Mellen) Gleason. Esther Meriam died December 8, 1740. He married (second) Elizabeth Locke, baptized at Lexington, June 19, 1720, says "Book of the Locke's," p. 26, daughter of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Poulter) Locke, intention of marriage being published September 17, 1747. Elizabeth (Locke) Meriam died May 1, 1797 (see "Book of the Locke's," p. 42). Children by first wife: 1. Ebenezer, of whom fur-



ther. 2. Mary, born September 14, 1735, died October 30, 1749. 3. William, born June 16, 1737, died young. 4. Esther, born April 11, 1739; married, October 15, 1767, Dr. Isaac Burnett, of Warwick, Massachusetts, and Dummerston, Vermont. Children by second wife: 5. Elizabeth, born June 1, 1748; married Benjamin Tewell (Tuel). 6. Jotham, born August 26, 1749; was a soldier in the Revolution, he enlisted from Warwick and marched with a company of minute men from Northfield, Massachusetts ("Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolution," Volume 10, page 641); married Sarah Burnap, of Sutton, July 8, 1777. 7. Phebe, born June 21, 1751. 8. Jonathan, born March 22, 1753. 9. Ephraim, born July 8, 1755. 10. Sarah, born February 3, 1760.

(VI) Ebenezer Meriam, son of Ebenezer and Esther (Gleason) Meriam, was born March 28, 1734, at Oxford, and died July 16, 1795. He remained in Oxford throughout his life, and was a brickmaker by trade. He married Phoebe Locke, intention dated April, 1752 ("History of Lexington," p. 423), sister of his father's second wife. (See Locke IV.) She died October 27, 1802 (Hudson's "History of Lexington," p. 423). Children: 1. Mary (Molly), born October 5, 1753; married Reuben Eddy. 2. Jesse, born June 4, 1755; married Deborah Pratt, November 6, 1779. 3. Phebe, born September 11, 1759, married Jonathan Pratt, September 8, 1785. 4. Rachel, born March 7, 1762; married Joel Clark. 5. Ebenezer, born December 4, 1764; married Phoebe Stockwell, November 29, 1789. 6. Esther, born May 10, 1767, died November 24, 1790. 7. William, born April 7, 1769; married (first) Ruth Eddy; (second) Lucy Hatstat. 8. Rhoda, born May 19, 1771, died unmarried at Dummerston, Vermont. 9. Joel, of whom further. 10. Abigail, born April 1, 1777; married Wilkins Burnett, of Dummerston, Vermont.

(VII) Joel Meriam, son of Ebenezer and Phoebe (Locke) Meriam, was born in Oxford, Massachusetts, April 9, 1775, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, January 4, 1846. He was a farmer by occupation, and resided (first) in "The Gore," in Oxford, but removed to New Salem in 1818, and later to Greenfield, where he purchased land which he cultivated and where he made brick, and where he died. He married (first), December 7, 1800, Sarah Meriam, born at Oxford, June 16, 1778, a cousin, daughter of Jotham and Sarah (Burnap) Meriam. She died December 24, 1822, at New Salem. He married (second), May 23, 1833, Phebe Pratt, daughter of Stephen and Phebe (Meriam) Pratt. Children: 1. Eliza, born November 18, 1802, died June 4, 1820, in New Salem ("Book of the Lockes," p. 85). 2. Almira, born September 28, 1804; married Obed Taylor, and removed to Dexter, Michigan. 3. Erastus, born July 17, 1806; married Caroline M. Hitchcock and settled in Boston. 4. Sarah Burnap, born June 13, 1809; married, June 16, 1841, Peleg Adams, of Greenfield, died May 23, 1862. 5. Joel Wilkins, born January 25, 1811; married Freedom Holton. 6. Jotham Addison, of whom further. 7. Lysander, born March 18, 1816; married, June 26, 1864, Mrs. Mary Anne (Pratt) Case, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, born September 2, 1831. 8. Lucy Ann, born July 27, 1818; married David S. Hastings, of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts; she died May 25, 1863, at Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

(VIII) Jotham Addison Meriam, son of Joel and Sarah (Meriam) Meriam, was born February 25, 1813, in Oxford, and died at Greenfield, Massachusetts, June 24, 1887. He was naturally a student, and made good use of such opportunities as were to be found in the district schools of his native town, and in New Salem and Greenfield, to which place he removed with his father's family. When he reached manhood he purchased land and settled in Barre, Massachusetts. He was a man of remarkable attainments, a great reader and a scholar; he taught school for a time in his early years, and, although never admitted to practice law at the bar, was well versed in legal lore, and was a wise counsellor, whose advice was sought and followed by his neighbors. He was a successful farmer, a man of substance, and a leading citizen of Barre. He married, May 3, 1841, at Barre, Charlotte Harwood. (See Harwood VII.) Children: 1. Charles Addison, born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, February 8, 1842, died at Greenfield, August 25, 1877; married, at New Salem, August 28, 1872, Ellen M. Porter, daughter of Elijah and Sally Porter. 2. Charlotte Eliza, of whom further.

(IX) Charlotte Eliza Meriam, daughter of Jotham Addison and Charlotte (Harwood) Meriam, was born in Barre, Massachusetts, February 26, 1843, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts, April 21, 1909. She was educated at Barre and New Salem Academy. She was a school teacher, a woman of refinement and of good executive ability. She married John Andrew Adams, of Greenfield, Massachusetts. (See Adams VIII.)

(The Locke Line).

The English surname, which is local, derived from residence "at the lock" a hatch or wicket, should not be confused with the Gaelic *lock*, meaning a lake. The name Geoffrey Loc or Lock appears upon the records of County Suffolk as early as 1273, that of Richard the Loke, upon the Fines Roll of the eighteenth year of the reign of Edward II, and numerous other forms of the name are found between 1273 and 1600. The Locke family has long been prominent in England, and the name is also a familiar one in Scotland and Ireland. The American line traced below is of English origin.

(I) Deacon William Locke, son of William and Elizabeth Locke, was born in Stepney Parish, London, England, December 13, 1628, and came to this country in the ship "Planter" in 1634. He married, December 27, 1655, Mary Clarke, daughter of William and Margery (—) Clarke, of Woburn, Massachusetts. Children: 1. William, born December 27, 1657, died January 9, 1658. 2. William, of whom further. 3. John, born August 1, 1661. 4. Joseph, born March 8, 1664. 5. Mary, born October 16, 1666. 6. Samuel, born October 14, 1669. 7. Ebenezer, born January 8, 1674. 8. James, born November 14, 1677. 9. Elizabeth, born January 4, 1681.

(II) Deacon William Locke, Jr., son of Deacon William and Mary (Clarke) Locke, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, January 18, 1659. He lived in Woburn, Massachusetts, where he was deacon in 1709, selectman, 1703-04, and in 1732; and held many other offices. He married (first), May 29, 1683, Sarah Whittmore, daughter of Francis and Isabel (Park) Whittmore, of Cambridge. He married (second), June 8, 1698, Abigail



lowed"; also Captain Bartholomew Woodbury's company, Colonel Jacob Cushing's regiment; enlisted August 13, 1777; marched August 16, 1777; was in the battles of Bemis Heights and Saratoga; discharged November 29, 1777; service three months, twenty-seven days, in Northern Department including ten days (200 miles) travel home. About 1800 Mr. Harwood removed with his family to Barre, Massachusetts, where he died. He married, March 28, 1758, Lydia Gould, born August 27, 1742 (see "Harwood Families," Vol. II, p. 14), daughter of Ebenezer and Lydia (Marsh) Gould, of Sutton. (See "Sutton History," p. 652). Children: 1. Daniel, born April 7, 1759. 2. Mary, born March 21, 1761. 3. Peter, born February 23, 1763. 4. Jesse, born February 14, 1765. 5. Simeon, born March 2, 1769. 6. Lydia, born September 1, 1773. 7. Abner, born January 8, 1776. 8. Huldah, born January 22, 1778. 9. Caleb, born May 13, 1780. 10. Wilcut, of whom further.

(VI) Captain Wilcut Harwood, son of Daniel and Lydia (Gould) Harwood, was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, February 13, 1783, and died in Barre, Massachusetts, January 15, 1866. "In military affairs Mr. Harwood had the title of Captain." He married, in 1806, Sally Sibley. (See Sibley VI.) Children: 1. Hiram, born December 19, 1806. 2. George, born October 24, 1809. 3. Charlotte, of whom further. 4. Samuel, born December 5, 1816. 5. Wilcut, born January 29, 1819. 6. Caleb, born February 25, 1823. 7. Daniel, born February 22, 1826.

(VII) Charlotte Harwood, daughter of Captain Wilcut and Sally (Sibley) Harwood, was born in Barre, Massachusetts, November 5, 1814, and died at Barre, Massachusetts, 1880. She married, at Barre, Massachusetts, May 3, 1841, Jotham Addison Meriam, son of Joel and Sarah Meriam. (See Meriam VIII.)

(The Hancock Line).

Arms—Or, a chevron cotised between three griffins' heads couped sable, the two in chief respecting each other.

In French patronymics this surname appears as Balcoq, Billecoq, Velcoq, etc. Its first syllable is derived from the given name John through Hans, the Flemish nickname for Johannes (John), with the diminutive cock added. The family has long been a distinguished one in England where several branches are armigerous.

Several persons of this name settled in Massachusetts in early Colonial days including Nathaniel Hancock, mentioned below, from whom was descended the distinguished patriot John Hancock.

(I) Nathaniel Hancock, one of the "first company," was in Cambridge as early as 1634, and resided on the easterly side of Dunster Street, between Harvard and Mount Auburn streets. He died early in life, about 1648, and his widow, Joanna, was appointed, fifteen years afterward, in 1663, administratrix of his estate. Children: 1. Mary. 2. Sarah. 3. Nathaniel. 4. John. 5. Elizabeth Lydia. 6. Solomon. 7. Thomas, of whom further.

(II) Thomas Hancock, son of Nathaniel and Joanna Hancock, was born about 1647, or 1648, but the exact date is not recorded. He appears in Farmington, Connecticut, in 1670, and was then about twenty-five years

of age. He was one of the original proprietors of the town, and was a prominent citizen in both civic and ecclesiastical affairs. The church records state that "Thos. Hancock was one of those who sat in the first seat, in the square body of the church." In 1691 he removed to Hartford, where he kept the jail. He married, March 17, 1684-85, Rachel Leonard, daughter of John and Sarah Leonard, of Springfield, Massachusetts. Children: 1. Thomas. 2. John, of whom further. 3. William. 4. Rachel. 5. Daniel. 6. Abel. 7. Jonathan. 8. Mehitable.

(III) John Hancock, second son of Thomas and Rachel (Leonard) Hancock, was born August 1, 1688, and died July 10, 1775. He moved to Springfield, where he passed most of his life. He married (first), November 19, 1713, Anna Webb, who died July 6, 1771. He married (second), May 1, 1773, Martha Olmstead, of Belchertown. At this time he was eighty-five and she seventy-four years old. She died in 1776, aged seventy-seven. Children: 1. Mary, born February 22, 1716. 2. John, born May 20, 1717. 3. Anna, born July 14, 1719, died 1740. 4. Abel, born January 19, 1721, died November 29, 1807. 5. Abner, born August 9, 1722. 6. Jonathan, born August 4, 1724. 7. Mabel, born February 2, 1726, died 1806; married George Cooley. 8. Thomas, born May 10, 1727, died 1804. 9. Jabez, born July 29, 1728. 10. William, born October 26, 1729. 11. Experience, born November 2, 1730, died 1780. 12. Daniel, of whom further. 13. Abigail, born January 12, 1734; married Jabez Cooley. 14. Mercy, born August 25, 1735; married David Bonner.

(IV) Daniel Hancock, of Longmeadow, son of John and Anna (Webb) Hancock, of Springfield, was born about 1732, and died July 18, 1784. He married, October 12, 1754, Lucy Long, of Windsor. Children: 1. Abiel, born December 5, 1755, died young. 2. Lucy, born October 26, 1757. 3. Abiel, of whom further. 4. Lucy. 5. Lucretia, born February 12, 1764. 6. Sybel, born September 7, 1766. 7. Lovisa, born September 28, 1768. 8. Daniel, born December 24, 1770. 9. Azariah, born 1773. 10. Ariel, born 1779. 11. Jonathan.

(V) Abiel Hancock, son of Daniel and Lucy Hancock, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, September 27, 1761, died June 24, 1829 (Longmeadow Centennial, p. 68, genealogical appendix). He settled in Longmeadow, six miles south of Springfield, where he was a blacksmith, and proverbially called the "honest blacksmith." He married, September 7, 1781, Margaret Baxter, daughter of Francis Baxter. (See Baxter II.) Margaret, wife of Abiel Hancock, died September 12, 1808, aged forty-five years (see gravestone record in Brookside Cemetery, East Longmeadow; also Longmeadow deaths). Children ("Longmeadow Records"): 1. Ethan, born June 13, 1786. 2. Levi, of whom further. 3. Ariel, born February 21, 1802. 4. Zenas, born October 13, 1784. 5. Abiel, Jr.

(VI) Levi Hancock, son of Abiel and Margaret (Baxter) Hancock, was born in Longmeadow, Massachusetts, September 2, 1787, and died intestate, September, 1827. He married, April 3, 1808, Ruth Baxter, who died April 11, 1824, aged thirty-six years, daughter of Benjamin and Mabel (Brown) Baxter. The marriage note (Longmeadow Records) "both of this town." (See Baxter IV.) Children: 1. Lucinda, of whom further.



2. Lucretia, married Theodore Bliss (?). 3. Loisa, born in Longmeadow, November 3, 1814; married ——— Buck. 4. Levi, born January 8, 1817; married Betsey Park, of Bernardston, Massachusetts. Children: George Cyrus, Levi, and Augusta. 5. Infant, died March 12, 1820.

(VII) Lucinda Hancock, daughter of Levi and Ruth (Baxter) Hancock, was born in 1809 or 1810, and died, according to the gravestone record in High Street Cemetery, Greenfield, Massachusetts, September 30, 1840, aged thirty years. She married Peleg Adams. (See Adams VII.) Lucinda Hancock Adams' death is also given in the Vital Records of Greenfield, Massachusetts.

(The Baxter Line).

The occupation of the baker is responsible for this surname, which is derived from the word *bakester*, meaning a female baker, which became Backster and finally, following the sound, came to be spelled Baxter. The family was prominent in several sections of England, and was early represented in this country.

(I) Francis Baxter, born in England, came to this country early in the seventeenth century and purchased a farm at Enfield, Connecticut. He met his death by accident. The name of his wife is not known, but records of the children are preserved: 1. Francis, of whom further. 2. William. 3. Mary.

(II) Francis Baxter, son of Francis Baxter, lived at Enfield, Connecticut, and died at the age of eighty-eight years. He married (first) Sarah Machfield, from Scotland. He married (second) ——— Saxton. Children by first wife: 1. Francis. 2. Mitty. 3. Moses. 4. Marian. 5. Alexander. 6. Benjamin, of whom further. 7. Thomas. 8. Molly. 9. David. 10. Margaret, married Abiel Hancock (see Hancock V). Children by second wife: 11. Sally. 12. William.

(III) Benjamin Baxter, son of Francis and Sarah (Machfield) Baxter, lived in several places in Northern Connecticut and Southern Massachusetts, finally removing to Butternuts, New York, where he died at a ripe age. He married (first), December 28, 1780, Mabel Brown. She died August 6, 1793. He married (second), January 22, 1794, Hannah Hale. Children by first wife: 1. Benjamin, born August 23, 1781. 2. Alexander. 3. Hervy, born May 16, 1785. 4. Ruth, of whom further. 5. Simeon, born November 21, 1789. 6. Mabel, born August 21, 1791. 7. Patty, born July 22, 1793. Child by second wife: 8. Seth, born September 29, 1794.

(IV) Ruth Baxter, born in Longmeadow, September 23, 1787 (see Longmeadow Centennial, p. 5; also Town Records of Longmeadow), daughter of Benjamin and Mabel (Brown) Baxter, married Levi Hancock. (See Hancock VI.)

(The Chapin Line).

Arms—Argent, two bars azure.  
Crest—A hawk rising proper.

The family name Chapin may be from the old French person name Chopin, which Larchey's "Dictionnaire Des Noms," says is a name for a cripple, but Harrison, "a small shopkeeper."

(I) John Chapin, of Paignton, County Devon, England, married, September 14, 1590, Philippe Easton. Children, born in Paignton Parish, Devonshire: 1. Joane, baptized at St. John Baptist Church, June 26, 1591; married, July 9, 1611, James Narracot. 2. Thomas, baptized March 8, 1596. 3. Samuel, of whom further. 4. Margaret, baptized November 16, died December 11, 1600.

(II) Samuel Chapin, son of John and Philippe (Easton) Chapin, was baptized at Paignton, Devonshire, October 8, 1598, died at Springfield, Massachusetts, November 11, 1675. He came to Roxbury, Massachusetts, probably with his father and family in 1635. (See Chapin Book, published at Hartford, Connecticut, 1924, by the Chapin Family Association.) A record of early date shows that he possessed twenty-four acres of land there, and had in his family himself, wife, father, and five children. In 1641 he bought a house and lot of James Howe. He became a freeman. He was an acquaintance and a neighbor for a short time in Roxbury, of William Pynchon, who led about a dozen families to found Agawam, soon named Springfield, and followed him, apparently during the winter of 1642-43. He held the office of selectman continuously from 1644 to 1652, and in 1661 and 1664, and later was town auditor. He is called deacon in the records of February 21, 1650, and conducted the Sabbath services, including preaching, for several years when the church lacked a pastor. In 1652 he, with Captain John Pynchon and Lieutenant Elizur Holyoke, were by the General Court commissioned magistrates, allowing them the power of a County Court. He held the office until 1664, and also laid out land grants, and the plantations that became Northampton and Hadley. His first home lot was at the corner of the present Main and Pynchon streets, but in 1664 he appears to have been living in Chicopee, with his son, Japhet.

He married, at Paignton, Devonshire, February 9, 1623, Cicely Penney, baptized February 21, 1601, died at Springfield, Massachusetts, February 8, 1682-83, daughter of Henry and Jane Penney, of Paignton. Children, first five born at Paignton, England: 1. David, baptized January 4, 1624, died August, 1672, at Boston, Massachusetts. 2. Catherine, born before April 6, 1630, died February 4, 1712, at Springfield, Massachusetts. 3. Sarah, born before April 6, 1630, died August 5, 1684, at Springfield, Massachusetts. 4. Josiah, of whom further. 5. Henry, died August 15, 1718, at Springfield, Massachusetts. 6. Japhet, baptized at Roxbury, Massachusetts, October 15, 1642, died February 20, 1712, at Springfield, Massachusetts. 7. Hannah, baptized December 2, 1644, died at Springfield, Massachusetts.

(III) Josiah Chapin, son of Deacon Samuel and Cicely (Penney) Chapin, was born in Paignton, Devonshire, in 1634, died September 10, 1726, at Mendon, Massachusetts. He first settled in Weymouth, Massachusetts, and later removed to Braintree. His father transferred to him lands in Mendon, Massachusetts, granted by the Massachusetts Colony to Deacon Samuel for services rendered to it. Josiah Chapin removed to Mendon between 1680 and 1682, and spent the rest of his life there; he was selectman there for many years, and for eleven years chairman of the Board of Selectmen. He was also justice of the peace, and in 1689 was

the first elected Representative to the General Court, being again chosen Representative in 1720, when he was eighty-six years old. He was for successive years the largest taxpayer in Mendon.

He married (first), November 30, 1658, Mary King, born June 15, 1639, died in Braintree, May 30, 1676, daughter of John and Dorothy King. He married (second), September 20, 1676, Mrs. Lydia (Brown) Pratt, born in November, 1658, died at Mendon, October 18, 1711. He married (third), June 22, 1713, Mehitable Metcalf, of Dedham, who died December 2, 1724. Children, by first marriage (all born in Braintree, except the first): 1. Samuel, born in Weymouth, November 11, 1659, died at sea, April 10, 1692. 2. John, born June 11, 1661, died at sea February 22, 1686. 3. Mary, born August 27, 1662, died June 14, 1687; married, February 20, 1682, Joseph Adams, Jr. 4. Deborah, born June 16, 1664, died August 16, 1668. 5. Josiah, born December 17, 1665, died May 20, 1693. 6. Shem, born May 11, 1667, died June 6, 1667. 7. Seth, of whom further. 8. Joseph, born May 17, 1670, died April, 1722, unmarried. 9. Henry, born February 15, 1671, died March 20, 1671. 10. Ephraim, born December 18, 1673; married, January 23, 1705-06, Margaret Torrey. 11. Deborah, born February 12, 1675, died April 9, 1702; married, in 1693, Samuel Reed. Children by second marriage (all born at Braintree except the last): 12. Lydia, born September 29, 1677, died March 31, 1758; married, in December, 1706, Daniel Taft. 13. Sarah, born March 12, 1679, died May 16, 1773; married, February 7, 1704, Ebenezer Reed. 14. David, born November 11, 1680, died October 9, 1704. 15. Hannah, born at Mendon, November 11, 1684, died April 12, 1770; married, in 1706, John Holbrook.

(IV) Seth Chapin, son of Josiah and Mary (King) Chapin, was born at Braintree, Massachusetts, August 4, 1668, and died at Mendon, Massachusetts, April 1, 1746. He removed from Braintree to Mendon, Massachusetts, 1680-82, where he became a large landholder and a distinguished citizen; he also won the title of captain in the militia. He was an expert surveyor, and did much to reclaim the virgin land. He married (first), May 23, 1689, Mary Read (see "Chapin Book," p. 23, published at Hartford, Connecticut, 1924), born March 21, 1669, at Weymouth, died September 12, 1689, at Mendon, Massachusetts. He married (second), March 25, 1691, Bethiah Thurston, born in Medfield, April 30, 1671-72, died March 2, 1744, at Mendon, daughter of Deacon John and Mary (Wood) Thurston. He married (third), May 24, 1744, Mrs. Mary (White) Hill, born in 1672. Children, born in Mendon, Massachusetts, all by second marriage: 1. Seth, born July 2, 1692, died April 1, 1740; married (first), Abigail Adams; (second) Elizabeth French. 2. Bethiah, born February 16, 1694, died 1734; married, October 1, 1714, Jonathan Thayer. 3. Josiah, born March 1, 1695-96, died November 6, 1718; probably unmarried. 4. John, born May 13, 1698, died August 3, 1770; married, 1718-19, Dorcas —; (second) Mrs. Bullard. 5. Mary, born April 30, 1700, died January 22, 1768; married, November 20, 1720, Captain Robert Taft. 6. Samuel, born June 2, 1702, died April 27, 1753; married, May 19, 1729, Anna Craggin. 7. Deborah, born

June 14, 1704, died July 21, 1777; married, 1725, Nathaniel Nelson. 8. Hopeskill, born November 27, 1705, died October 12, 1805; married, December 27, 1727, Dr. John Corbitt, Jr. 9. Joseph, of whom further. 10. Abigail, born June 10, 1710, died September, 1738. 11. Lydia, born February 2, 1712, died 1778; married, December 28, 1731, Josiah Taft. 12. Benjamin, born April 6, 1713, died May 6, 1782; married (first) Sarah French; (second), 1738, Annie Rice; (third), 1750, Mrs. Jennima (Draper) Morris. 13. Ebenezer, born December 23, 1714, died February 19, 1805; married, 1743, Mrs. Abigail (Perry) Whitney; (second), 1758, Mary Vose; (third), 1776, Mrs. Lydia (White) Staples. 14. Japhet, born February 24, 1716-17, died April 15, 1717.

(V) Joseph Chapin, son of Seth and Bethiah (Thurston) Chapin, was born in Mendon, Massachusetts, March 6, 1708. ("Town Record," March 1); died in Milford, Massachusetts, July 1, 1788. (Milford changed from Mendon, 1780). He married, February 5, 1730, Mary Nelson, born April 16, 1713, in Rowley, Massachusetts, and died February 16, 1798, in Milford, daughter of Gershom and Abigail (Ellithorpe) Nelson. Children, born in Mendon, Massachusetts: 1. Joseph, born January 29, 1730-31, died August 18, 1809; married, March 9, 1758, Ruth Taft. 2. Abigail, born, May 10, 1732, died in Conway, Massachusetts; married, January 5, 1762, Silas Rawson. 3. Gershom, of whom further. 4. Ephraim, born May 5, 1743, died March 26, 1812; married, May, 1768, Hannah Rider. 5. Samuel, born October 29, 1736, died September, 1803; married, February 26, 1761, Beulah Taft.

(VI) Gershom Chapin, son of Joseph and Mary (Nelson) Chapin, was born at Mendon, Massachusetts, May 27, 1734, died at Uxbridge, Massachusetts, August 23, 1801. He marched from Mendon on the alarm at Fort William Henry, August, 1757, in the French and Indian War, in Captain Phineas Lovett's company, Colonel Abraham Williams' regiment. He removed to Uxbridge at the time of his marriage. He married (first), March 9, 1758, Elizabeth ("Betty") Johnson, born 1736, died September 11, 1761. He married (second), May 5, 1762, Mrs. Deborah (Holbrook) Torrey, born February 24, 1731-32, died September 18, 1776, widow of Joseph Torrey. He married (third), November 5, 1778, Mary Sherman, born October 28, 1743, died December 15, 1819, daughter of Ephraim and Thankful (Temple) Sherman. Child by first marriage, born at Uxbridge, Massachusetts: 1. Hannah, born July 17, 1759, died November 22, 1832; married, 1779, Lieutenant Elisha Murdock. Children by second marriage: 2. Betty or (Betsey), of whom further. 3. Henry, born May 4, 1765, died October 5, 1844; married, in 1794, Abigail Baylies. 4. Joseph, born May 4, 1767, died April 12, 1814; married, 1797, Sarah Jacobs. 5. Phineas, born August 3, 1769, died May 3, 1839; married, September 3, 1795, Eunice Taft. 6. Lois, born June 27, 1771, died 1859; married (first), 1790, Abijah Legg; (second), 1797, Josiah Woodward. 7. Mary (Polly), born March 1, 1774, died January 24, 1804; married, May 20, 1797, John Warren. Children by third marriage: 8. John Sherman, born August 2, 1779, died December 19, 1849; married, October 21, 1806, Mary Capron. 9. Sally, born February 7, 1781;



married, October 6 1803, Moses Smith. 10. Nancy, born February 13, 1786; married, December 7, 1809, Obed Goldthwait.

(VII) Betty or Betsey Chapin, daughter of Gershom and Mrs. Deborah (Holbrook-Torrey) Chapin, was born in Mendon, Massachusetts, April 21, 1763, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts January 3, 1846. She married, November 4, 1790, Andrew Adams. (See Adams line, VI.).

(The Sibley Line).

From the christen name Sibylla, Sibylle, the family name Sibley is derived, brought by the Normans into England. Sibila of Conversana was the wife of Robert, Duke of Normandy, and the name Geoffrey Sibilie, is on the "Hundred Rolls" of County Suffolk, A. D. 1273, while Thomas Sibley is on those of County Cambridge.

The Sybly-Sibley coat-of-arms is as follows:

Arms—Per pale azure and gules, a griffin passant between three crescents argent.

(I) John Sybly or Sibley came to America with Higginson's fleet in 1629, with Richard, believed to be his brother. It is not clear whether that John who was admitted to Charlestown, Massachusetts, Church, with his wife, Sarah, February 21, 1634-35, was the John who was freeman of Salem, Massachusetts, May 6, 1635, and juryman and selectman in 1636, who may have been the son of the former. John, of Salem, held land at Jeffrey's Creek (now Manchester) in 1637, and died in 1661. He married Rachel Pickworth. Children: 1. Sarah, baptized September 18, 1642. 2. Mary, baptized September 8, 1644; married, January 26, 1665, Jonathan Walcott. 3. Rachel, baptized May 3, 1646; married a Bishop. 4. John, baptized May 4, 1648. 5. Hannah, baptized June 22, 1651; married Stephen Small. 6. William, baptized July 3, 1653. 7. Joseph, of whom further. 8. Samuel, born February 12, 1657; married Mary. 9. Abigail, baptized July 3, 1659.

(II) Joseph Sibley, son of John and Rachel (Pickworth) Sibley, was born in Salem, Massachusetts, 1655. He was a fisherman and was once impressed for hard service on board a British frigate for seven weeks. He married, February 8, 1683-84, Susanna Follett, daughter of William Follett, of Dover, New Hampshire. Children, born at Salem, Massachusetts: 1. Joseph, born November 9, 1684. 2. John, born September 18, 1687; married, 1713, Lenuiah Gould; lived in Lynn. 3. Jonathan, born May 1, 1690. 4. Hannah, baptized May, 1695; married, in 1722, Ebenezer Dagget. 5. Samuel, of whom further. 6. William, born September 7, 1700. 7. Benjamin, born September 19, 1703.

(III) Samuel Sibley, son of Joseph and Susanna (Follett) Sibley, was born in Salem, Massachusetts, where he was baptized May 16, 1697. He married, August 6, 1722, Martha Dike, and settled in Sutton, Massachusetts, where his death occurred. Children, born in Sutton, Massachusetts: 1. Samuel, of whom further. 2. Nathaniel. 3. Lucy, born April 26, 1726; married, June 28, 1743, Jonathan Park. 4. Jeremiah, born December 31, 1728. 5. Benjamin, born February 27, 1730; married, February 6, 1754, Lucy Park.

(IV) Samuel Sibley, son of Samuel and Martha

(Dike) Sibley, was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, in 1744 (see "History of Sutton," p. 723, by Benedict and Tracy, Worcester, 1878), and died there, August 31, 1801. He married, March 19, 1743-44, Abigail Park, daughter of a militia captain. Children, born in Sutton, Massachusetts: 1. Abigail, born May 30, 1745 (see "History of Sutton," p. 723); married, June 21, 1763, Bradford Chase. 2. Lucy, born October 15, 1750; married, October 19, 1767, John Burdon, Jr. 3. Samuel, of whom further. 4. Judith, born June 6, 1757; married, August 21, 1776, Caleb Putnam. 5. Nathan, born October 26, 1760; married, November 21, 1782, Rachel Studley. 6. Mehitable, born July 27, 1762; married, May 15, 1781, John Elliot. 7. Job, born February 12, 1766, died 1848; married, November 16, 1786, Polly Hicks.

(V) Samuel Sibley, son of Samuel and Abigail (Park) Sibley, was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, April 26, 1756, and died in Barre, Massachusetts, June 30, 1840. He served in the Revolution for a short time. On December 10, 1778, he married Sarah Leland, who died April 11, 1842, and in the year 1785 he settled in Barre, Massachusetts. Children, first three born in Sutton, rest in Barre, Massachusetts: 1. Charles, born October 29, 1779 (see Sutton Vital Records), married (intent), August 19, 1803, Huldah Harwood, of Barre. 2. Sardinus, born January 11, 1782, died December 11, 1801. 3. Lyman, born May 18, 1784; married (first) Lydia Eaton; (second) Hannah Robinson; (third) Abigail Robinson. 4. Samuel, born in Barre, September 19, 1786, died March 8, 1842. 5. Sally, of whom further. 6. Jonathan, born May 13, 1794.

(VI) Sally Sibley, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Leland) Sibley, was born in Barre, Massachusetts, January 18, 1790, and died there, September 27, 1859 (see "Harwood Families," Vol. II, p. 21, by Watson H. Harwood, M. D., Chasm Falls, New York, 1912). She married, May 28, 1806, Wilcut Harwood, who was born in 1783. (See Harwood line, VI.)

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RT. REV. MONSIGNOR JOHN FRANCIS FAGAN, P. R., present pastor of St. Jerome's Roman Catholic Church of Holyoke, Massachusetts, is a native of Massachusetts, born in North Adams, August 5, 1860, the son of John and Margaret (Galligan) Fagan. He was graduated from the Drury High School in 1880, as valedictorian of his class and then attended the Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1883, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then attended the Grand Seminary, Montreal, Canada, and was ordained a priest December





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18, 1886, with the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology.

Father Fagan's first appointment was to St. Michael's Cathedral in Springfield, Massachusetts, January 6, 1887, where he remained until January 6, 1899. While he was at St. Michael's Cathedral, in Springfield, he was sent as administrator for short periods to Great Barrington; St. Stephen's, Worcester; and St. Paul's, at Warren. His first pastorate was at the church of St. Bridget's, in Housatonic. There he built a beautiful church and rectory and enlarged the church property and left it in a prosperous condition, where he remained from January 6, 1899, to September 8, 1922, when he was assigned to St. Jerome's Church in Holyoke, as permanent rector, to succeed Monsignor John T. Madden.

Father Fagan has now had the title Rt. Rev. Monsignor conferred upon him, he having been made a domestic prelate in the household of Pope Pius, with the rank of monsignor. He has been the recipient of many congratulations from his parishioners, and also from the clergy of Holyoke and the Springfield diocese.

Soon after taking over the reigns of St. Jerome Church, the people realized that they had an exceptional leader. Since his coming the traditions of St. Jerome's parish have been maintained in the highest standard and Rt. Rev. Monsignor Fagan to-day is held in the highest esteem and respect.

Other priests of Western Massachusetts have also been raised to this dignified office, among them Father Conoty, V. G., of Pittsfield; Father Conlin, P. R., of Chicopee; Father Sheehan, of Ware; Father Derochers, P. R., of Webster; and Father Phelan, of Whitinsville.

**WILLMORE B. STONE**, distinguished attorney-at-law of Springfield, Massachusetts, widely known in his State and recognized in the councils of his colleagues throughout the Nation, was born in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, June 24, 1853. He died April 18, 1924, at the age of seventy years, leaving behind him a record of brilliant achievement in his chosen profession. His father, Ambrose D. Stone, was a contractor and dealer in stone; his mother was Florette E. (Grandin) Stone. Willmore B. Stone was graduated from the Springfield High School in 1872 and took over a four years' course thereafter under private tutors, preparing for Harvard College, although he did not enter. Deciding upon a legal career, he read law in the office of Judge A. L. Soule, and still later under George M. Stearns, and Justice Marcus P. Knowlton. While pursuing this course he likewise tutored in the classics, and acted also as principal of the Indian Orchard Evening School. He was admitted to the Hampden County bar on June 24, 1878, and engaged in practice. Through the years which followed with their long record of private and public work his reputation as a lawyer reached far and wide and his practice in both civil and criminal law grew to large dimensions.

Likewise in his native Commonwealth he was called to service, and was made a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives for five successive terms, including the years 1895 to 1899; and during that time he served on many important committees, and was the

author of the present Jury Law and the law authorizing the appointment of women as assistant clerks of court, as well as other notable legislation. A brilliant orator with a compelling personality, seldom were there any vacant places in the House when he had the floor, speaking upon the many important issues of the time. Ever an active leader in politics, he served conscientiously and consistently evidenced by the fact that as chairman of the Democratic Committee he was the first incumbent to turn over the office to his successor with a cash surplus in the treasury. He was candidate of his party for mayor of Springfield, and was defeated by but one vote. With keen interest in men and events, he traveled widely both in the United States and foreign lands.

Mr. Stone was a member of the Democratic Club, the Nayasset, Winthrop and Country Clubs, and was a charter member of the Springfield Colony Club, and member of the American Academy of Political Science. He was vice-president of the Hampden County Bar Association; president for three years of the Springfield Bar Association; a member of the Massachusetts State Bar Association, and twice a delegate to the conventions of the American Bar Association.

Mr. Stone married Carrie Bliss Newell, a native of Northampton, the daughter of John Curtis Bigelow Newell, and Lucy Chapin (Bliss) Newell. She is a direct descendant of Deacon Samuel Chapin, one of the founders of Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Stone are the parents of two daughters, Pauline Stone, and Mrs. Beatrice Taylor, both living in Springfield, Massachusetts; of four sons, Willmore B., Jr., Bradford, and Chapin N., of New York City, and John N., of Buffalo, New York. A sister, Miss Frances E. Stone, and a granddaughter, Miss Jacqueline Chapin Stone, of Buffalo, also survives him. Mr. Stone lived at No. 192 Pearl Street, at the time of his death.

**JULIUS HERMAN TROTT**—For twenty-eight years Julius Herman Trott has been a most successful business man of Amherst. He was born in Hadley, Massachusetts, October 21, 1868, a son of Herman and Catherine (Dewald) Trott. His father settled in Amherst, in 1876, and until his death, in 1908, he was a highly respected resident of that town. His wife died in Amherst in September, 1911. Their children: Julius Herman, of whom further; Louise, married Dr. S. F. Howard, one child, Martin Stodard; Augusta, married Harry Meyers; Celia, married Zene Trachy and has three children, Ralph, Richard, and Helen.

Julius Herman Trott, eldest child and only son of his parents, Herman and Catherine (Dewald) Trott, first attended the public schools in his native town of Hadley, and following his removal with his parents to Amherst, 1876, was a student in the high school of that town for two years. He desired to follow the trade of a plumber, and learned it as an apprentice and became a journeyman, entering the employ of his master, a Mr. Hunt, with whom he remained for ten years. He then established in Amherst his own plumbing and heating business, which he conducted with uniform success for eighteen years. About 1915 he disposed of that business to George C. Moore, and thereupon engaged in the mercantile business, having conducted a variety store in



Amherst for now ten years. He occupies the building which he built for business purposes.

Mr. Trott was a member of the Amherst Fire Department for two years. He is affiliated with the Amherst Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are members of the Daughters of Rebekah, and also members of the First Congregational Church, of Amherst.

Mr. Trott married, October 3, 1901, Marion Field, daughter of Edwin Wiley and Sarah (Hall) Field, and on the maternal side a descendant of John Alden and Priscilla Mullins. To Mr. and Mrs. Trott has been born one daughter, Ruth Field, born in January, 1903; graduated from the Amherst High School and the Westfield Library School; engaged in library work in Salem, Massachusetts, for three years; married, October 20, 1924, Edward Bancroft Heinlein, of Washington, District of Columbia.

**GEORGE BRINTON BURNETT**—A splendid heritage of family name and industrial prestige was that bestowed upon George Brinton Burnett, president of George B. Burnett & Son, of Amherst, Massachusetts, hat manufacturers, whose products are shipped to all parts of the world. Living up the best of the family traditions, Mr. Burnett is a constructive force in the affairs of Amherst, having been prominently identified with welfare and charitable work there for many years.

The surname Burnett has its origin in variant spellings: Burnard, Burnet, Burnett. A male member of the family was simply baptized "the son of Bernard," or "Barnard." Burnard is found without surname attached in the Hundred Rolls (ii; 633). Both English and Scotch branches of the Burnett family were represented among the early settlers of America. This family is first heard of in Massachusetts, and later the ancestral connection is located in Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Thomas Burnett, the first known member of the line in which is George Brinton Burnett, was of the borough of West Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1803, and of the township of West Town, Pennsylvania, in 1809. He married Susan Seal, daughter of William and Mary (Hunt) Seal. Among their children was William Harvey Burnett, of whom further.

William Harvey Burnett, son of Thomas and Susan (Seal) Burnett, was born in Birmingham Meeting House, Pennsylvania, October 23, 1798, and died there April 9, 1878. He married, October 22, 1829, Deborah Darlington Brinton, born November 13, 1798, died June 1, 1876, daughter of William and Deborah (Darlington) Brinton, and a Quakeress. Deborah Darlington Brinton was a direct descendant of Robert de Brinton, born in Berks, England, in 1155, and her great-great-great-grandfather was William Brinton, the first of the line to come to America (1684). William Harvey Burnett and his wife Deborah resided in Pennsbury Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, and they had children: 1. George Brinton, of whom further. 2. Thomas, born in March, 1834, died young. 3. William H., born July 16, 1837, died August 24, 1867; married Mary Jones. 4. Lewis, born July 23, 1840.

George Brinton (1) Burnett, the first of that name

recorded in connection with the immediate family herein reviewed, was born in Chadds Ford, Chester County, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1832, died at the Hotel Albert, New York City, December 13, 1919, in his eighty-eighth year, a son of William Harvey and Deborah Darlington (Brinton) Burnett. He was one of the pioneers of the hat industry and president of George B. Burnett & Son, Inc. The homestead where he was born was the scene of the battle of the Brandywine, in the Revolutionary War, in which Washington and Lafayette were defeated. He received his education at Birmingham Meeting House, and when he was eighteen years of age he left home to learn the machinist's trade at the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia. Having discovered that he had a bent toward a business career, he accepted a position offered him by his uncle, Elihu, in Philadelphia. He began in the lowliest place in his employer's establishment, but soon made his ability known, and merited the frequent promotions that came to him. In 1851 he went to New York City and attached himself to the staff of Parmlee, Sterritt & Company, of Park Place. He soon gave evidence of his ability as a salesman, and his services were in great demand. He accepted an alluring offer from Draper-Clark Company and was identified with that house for many years, until it became George H. Clark & Company. He worked on a commission basis of five per cent, and so great was the volume of his earnings, that the firm, following the Civil War, invited him to become a partner. His travels in those days took him to the then frontier towns of the South and West, when the sole means of transportation were stage coach and saddle. Native courage and indomitable will were brought into active play in times and places of great hazard, and many were the interesting anecdotes of his early days of travel when representing his house on the road with which he would regale his friends and associates.

In 1882 he launched out into business for himself, forming the firm of George B. Burnett & Son, the other partner being his son, William A. Burnett. They made an humble start on Spring Street, New York City, taking the palm leaf account of P. S. Newton, of Royalston, Massachusetts, on a commission arrangement, and they later added braids, malages and other body hats. Their enterprise met with instant success, which was founded on the senior Burnett's reputation for integrity and persistent endeavor. The growth of the business compelled removal to larger quarters, and the first move was to No. 114-116 Greene Street; then to No. 142-144 Greene Street; then to No. 198-200 Greene Street, and finally, under the pressure of steadily growing business, to Fourth and Greene streets, New York City, which building, No. 34-36-38, has been the home of the firm in the metropolis for more than a quarter century. George B. Burnett & Son had their goods finished, prior to 1892, at Amherst, Barre and Plymouth, Massachusetts, and Nyack, New York. In that year they purchased the H. D. Fearing & Company plant in Amherst, where they engaged in the manufacture and selling of cased goods direct to the jobbing trade. In 1906 the firm was incorporated, and into the reorganized concern were received as stockholders with official capacities Fred Kohler and E. R. Fitzmaurice, who had long and



*Geo B Burnett*





faithfully been identified with the old firm. The concern now enjoys a leading position in the hat industry.

George Brinton (1) Burnett married, November 7, 1860, Josephine M. Horn, born in 1841, died in June, 1892. To them were born two sons, William A. Burnett, of whom further, and George Brinton, who died in infancy. There also survived seven grandchildren: George Brinton (2), of whom further; Henry Wootton; Viola, married Walter G. Charnbury, of Kew Gardens, Long Island, and has a daughter, Mildred; William A., Jr., married Elizabeth M. Phillips; Stewart; Mildred; and Eldredge Tiemann; and one great-grandchild, George Brinton (3).

William A. Burnett, late president of George B. Burnett & Son, Inc., was born in New York City, October 13, 1861, and died in Atlantic City, New Jersey, September 3, 1924, a son of George Brinton (1) and Josephine M. (Horn) Burnett. Less than two months before he was fatally stricken he had returned from a tour around the world. He entered the straw hat selling business with his father, when the latter established the firm of George B. Burnett & Son, in New York City, in 1882. In 1892 he removed to Amherst, Massachusetts, where the firm had taken over the old Fearing hat factory, and there entered upon the manufacturing and direct-to-jobber selling career for which the concern has become noted in the trade.

For thirty years William A. Burnett was prominent in the business and social life of Amherst. He indulged a fine appreciation for music, art and the drama, and in his latter years he had built in connection with his residence on Sunset Avenue, Amherst, an art gallery in which he housed his large collection of paintings—more than four thousand pieces, among them being several famous masters—but the total number was so great that numerous repositories were employed for their safe keeping until such time as he, and, after his death, his estate should dispose of them. He was chairman of the music committee of the First Congregational Church, and did much to raise the standard of the musical features of the services there. He had also incorporated an elaborate music room at his home. He was well read in classic literature, and could recite with rare charm and finish from favorite dramatic works. His religious association was with the First Congregational Church, and he was active as chairman of the first board of trustees when the church was incorporated. He was a member of the Amherst Club, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Salmagundi Club of New York and other art associations. In his youth he was a most ardent yachtsman, and his yachts "Carita" and "Josephine" repeatedly won annual races on Barnagat Bay off the New Jersey coast. Two of his ancestors, Daniel F. Tiemann and Peter Cooper, served as mayor of New York City.

William A. Burnett married, in 1886, Carrie Wootton, of Atlantic City, New Jersey, daughter of Henry Wootton, of Amherst, Massachusetts, and of whom further. Mr. Burnett, on the death of his father, in 1919, became president of George B. Burnett & Son, Inc., and in recent years the business has been in charge of George Brinton (2) Burnett.

Mrs. Carrie (Wootton) Burnett, wife of William A. Burnett, was born in Atlantic City, New Jersey, August

29, 1864, and died at her home in Amherst, Massachusetts, April 28, 1905, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wootton. After her marriage to Mr. Burnett, October 13, 1886, they lived in New York City for eight years, and then removed to Amherst, where she since had made her home. She inherited musical talent, which she cultivated to a high degree, and was noted for the sweetness and quality of her voice, mezzo-soprano. As a girl she was identified with the Musical Union of Atlantic City, and in New York she studied voice culture under able masters. She was mezzo-soprano of St. Luke's Church choir and a member of the Metropolitan Musical Society. She was made a member of the Rubinstein Club, which had the honor of accompanying Madame Adelina Patti, at the Metropolitan Opera House, on the occasion of the diva's appearance there on a tour she was making of the United States. On coming to Amherst, Mrs. Burnett identified herself with musical circles. She was chairman of the music section of the Amherst Woman's Club and a member of the Ladies' Chorus, singing in oratorio under Professor Bigelow, of Amherst College. She frequently sang solo parts for various causes, and as a member of the First Congregational Church was active in its musical services. She was always among the foremost in charitable work, and loved by rich and poor alike.

George Brinton (2) Burnett, son of William A. and Carrie (Wootton) Burnett, was born in New York City March 6, 1888. He prepared for college in the public schools of Amherst, and at the age of sixteen left high school for one year, during which he had a valuable experience working on a large cattle ranch in Texas. He entered Amherst College, where he was prominent in athletics and public speaking. He was an "A" man and manager of the track team and a member of the senior honorary society, "Scarab." He was graduated in the class of 1910, and from college halls entered the manufacturing plant of George B. Burnett & Son, Inc., at Amherst, the internationally known hat concern. He first was employed in the machine shop, and later had charge of the orders and then of mill work. In 1913 he was made assistant superintendent, in 1914 superintendent, and, in 1924, on the death of his father, William A. Burnett, he was made president of the company.

Mr. Burnett was one of the founders of the Amherst Boys' Club, of which he is secretary. For this organization the sum of sixteen thousand dollars was raised in a single night, showing the intense interest manifested in this work by the people of Amherst. Since his graduation from college he has been secretary of his class. In town affairs he can always be counted upon to take an active interest and to give monetary support to charitable enterprises. His incumbency of the office of secretary of the Amherst Planning Board over a period of years was one of the most helpful of his services to the town. He served the Amherst Gun Club as president, and is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta college fraternity. His great love for nature made him a keen woodsman, and he is known as a good shot with rifle, gun or pistol. He is a member of the Sons of the Revolution, through Andrew Newell, who served in that war and was deputy-commander of United States troops at Concord, Lexington and Bunker Hill.

The hat concern of which Mr. Burnett is the executive head gives employment to two hundred and fifty persons in its busy season, and is accounted one of the chief commercial assets of the town of Amherst.

George Brinton (2) Burnett married, November 18, 1911, Blanche Phillips, of Atlantic City, daughter of Arvine H. and Lavinia (Beal) Phillips. They are the parents of a son, George Brinton, Jr., born January 4, 1913.

**CHARLES E. WELLS**—One of the best authorities on the making and finishing of carriages, and esteemed a born salesman, was the late Charles E. Wells, treasurer and manager of the Smith Carriage Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, with which concern he was connected for a quarter century up to the time of his withdrawal on account of his decline in health which terminated in his decease. It might be truthfully said that he inherited the carriage-making trade, since his father and grandfather were experts in that craft. To the Smith Carriage Company he brought new life, which was particularly noticeable in the sales department. Being an all-round carriage man, plus unusual ability as a salesman, the company's volume of business greatly enlarged because of his association with it, and he eventually was made a member of the concern as a partial compensation for his contribution to its success.

Charles E. Wells was born in Waterbury, Vermont, October 24, 1865, a son of Edwin H. and Julia F. Wells, and a grandson of Henry W. and Alma L. Wells. His father and grandfather were well known in the carriage-making trade of their day, and the strain was revealed in a telling manner in son and grandson, when he had an opportunity for making his own decision as to his life work. He had two brothers, and the father concluded that he was unable to support all three boys in a proper manner, so, after teaching Charles E. the rudiments and considerable advance work in the making of carriages, the father sent him off to a friend to work on a farm. He was only sixteen years of age when he left the parental roof tree, and aside from his personal effects, his only earthly possession was his carfare. But Charles Wells had no idea of becoming a farmer; he had a trade and resolved to ply it. Instead of going to his father's friend's farm, there to eke out an existence, he went on to Randolph, Vermont, and there went to work for a Mr. Bean, a carriage-maker. He remained at that employment for a short time, however, and soon went on the road as a traveling salesman, but continuing for brief periods in any one position. Subsequently he went to Brattleboro, Vermont, where he entered the employ of Rockwell & Sherwin, well-known operators of a high-class carriage factory. He remained with that firm about six years, during which period he rendered valued service, and added not a little to his knowledge of the business.

The principal turning point in Mr. Wells' career came in 1896, in which year he removed to Springfield, Massachusetts. For two years he was with the Bugbee Carriage Company and the Howard Carriage Company of that city. In 1898 he joined the force of William H. Smith, a predecessor of the Smith Carriage Company,

which had its origin in 1827, when the business was established by David Smith. This concern all through the years has enjoyed a high reputation for personal and business integrity and for the fine quality of its products. With the coming of Mr. Wells the prestige and volume of business took on a decided advance. His success as a salesman and in other departments of the concern was recognized in 1912, when he was given an interest and received as a member of the firm. It was said of Mr. Wells at the time: "The firm has been large and its reputation in the trade the highest, and among travelers they are popular. Their success has been helped by Charles E. Wells, whose connection of twelve years is now rewarded by an interest. Mr. Wells enjoys the reputation of being the very best retail carriage man in New England, and this carries with it a great compliment, for it is there carriage men flourish. His friends are legion, and they are all showering him with congratulations on his new position, and expressing the hope that he will go on to greater success." Mr. Wells was made treasurer and manager of the Smith Carriage Company, which is the present concern, successor of Smith and Hubbell, Inc., organized in 1912, in which year Mr. Wells became one of the proprietors. What Mr. Wells accomplished for the house during his twenty-five years' connection with it is a matter of record on the books of the concern and of the enviable reputation which he achieved. Ill health so persistently attended him that in 1923 he resigned his official connection with the company.

Mr. Wells' father was a soldier of the Civil War, and affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons. The son never joined a fraternal organization nor any club, and up to the time of his retirement he devoted his time almost exclusively to the interests of the business; all his other attention and affection were centred upon his home. He died January 20, 1924.

Charles E. Wells married Anna B. Nichols, a daughter of William Leonard and Louise (Loomis) Nichols, and they were the parents of one daughter, Marion N.

Mrs. Wells' parents were both natives of Norwich, Connecticut. Through her mother's father she traces her ancestry to Joseph Loomis, born in Braintree, England, who came to America in 1638 and settled in Windsor, Connecticut. One Joseph Loomis, her ancestor, of Lebanon, Connecticut, answered the "Lexington Alarm" for the relief of Boston in 1775, and later served in the 3d Regiment under General Israel Putnam. Through her mother's mother, Anna B. Webb, Mrs. Wells is a descendant of John Clark, of New London, Connecticut, who was killed in the battle of Groton Heights, Connecticut, September 6, 1781. His name has come down in history as the only member of the force there engaged who was killed outside the breastworks. The story of his heroism is brief but enduring. The ammunition was running low at Fort Griswold, and he volunteered to help replenish the supply. The undertaking was of the most perilous nature, since he must cross the Thames River to New London in an open boat. He made the trip successfully and was within a few yards of the fort when shot down by the British.



**WILLIAM HENRY BOND**—Certain vocations are handed down from father to son for generations, but there are probably few representatives of families in this country that have been in the paper-making business as long as the Bonds. William Henry Bond, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, is of the fourth generation of his family engaged in some department of the paper-making industry in the Holyoke section of Massachusetts.

Mr. Bond traces his ancestry back to William Bond, of Watertown, this State, one of the pioneers of the early seventeenth century, who came to New England in 1630. Mr. Bond's great-grandfather Bond, prior to coming to the Connecticut Valley operated a hand pulp mill at Cooperstown, New York, and at an early period manufactured paper in his own mill at Springfield, Massachusetts. He was a contemporary of the elder Zenas Crane and Byron Weston, and together they learned paper making in a mill near Fitchburg, Massachusetts. The death of this great-grandfather of Mr. Bond occurred by accident, from the kick of a horse. His son, Henry William Bond, was the first of the family to manufacture paper in Holyoke, and in the pursuit of his vocation was in charge of paper mills in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Virginia. He was associated with the early operations of Whiting Mill No. 2, in Holyoke, and his son, Henry William Bond (2) was with that company for forty-two years. From such forebears comes William Henry Bond, treasurer of the Japanese Tissue Mills of Holyoke, a corporation with which he has been connected since its organization. He began in this industry in youth, and has had experience in all the details of paper making from the engine room to the treasurer's desk. There is no process of mill or detail of office work with which he is not familiar. And he has won his way up to his present position through personal merit, and not through favor or influence, without reference to the expertness of his family before him in the industry. A native of Holyoke, he is a worthy representative of his generation of Bonds, a family that has been a notable part of Holyoke's industrial history.

Henry William Bond, grandfather of William Henry Bond, was born during the residence of his parents in Cooperstown, New York, in 1813, and died in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1894. After becoming an expert paper maker his specialty was the promotion of paper-making companies and installing machinery for the plants he promoted. This was his association with Whiting Mill No. 2 of the Whiting Paper Company of Holyoke, with which he continued for a time after placing the mill in operation as its superintendent. He also installed plants at Lee and Dalton, Massachusetts, and in the States mentioned. He left sons who expertly carried on the business they had learned from him. Retiring from activity some time before his demise, he spent his later years with his son, John M. Bond, in Westfield. He married Mary Ann Cornwall, daughter of Chester Cornwall, born at Otis Centre, Massachusetts, in 1816, died in 1867. They were the parents of Henry William; Caroline, born October 29, 1836; Edward A., January 28, 1841; Chester, December 25, 1844; George, December 14, 1846, and John M., October 7, 1848.

Henry William (2) Bond, eldest child of Henry Wil-

liam (1) and Mary Ann (Cornwall) Bond, was born in Dalton, Massachusetts, October 29, 1835, and died in Holyoke in 1903. Following the examples of his father and grandfather, he learned the paper maker's trade, beginning in a mill at Lee, Massachusetts at the early age of thirteen years. Continuing at his trade in various mills, he came to Holyoke while still a young man and an expert. The Carew Manufacturing Company was the first of the Holyoke Paper Mills, and he engaged with that company, but later, in 1865 or 1866 entered the employ of the Whiting Paper Company, and continued with that corporation for forty-two years. His first promotion was to the position of boss finisher, and for many years he was foreman of that department. He was highly regarded both in his business associations and in all other circles. He was a charter member of Mount Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and a companion of Holyoke Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He was a Congregationalist in religion, attending Holyoke's first church of that denomination. Mr. Bond married Abigail Ann Bidwell, born in Manchester, Connecticut, daughter of Stephen White and Henrietta Minerva (Post) Bidwell. Their children were: Caroline M., who married (first) Irving Clark, of Easthampton; (second) Henry Lyman; Grace Ann, deceased; William Henry, subject of this article; Kitty Belle, deceased, wife of H. W. Cowan; a child who died in infancy, and Leon Elmer Bond.

William Henry Bond, eldest son of Henry William (2) and Abigail Ann Bidwell Bond, was born in Holyoke April 11, 1866. He finished a course of grade and high school study, graduating with the class of 1884 from the high school, and like his forebears, turned his attention to paper making. His first employment was in the warehouse of the Whiting Mills. After four years in Philadelphia, he returned to Holyoke, and for four years was employed in the office of the Whiting Paper Company. Resigning, he became associated with the Armour Company in Holyoke, and continued with that company more than a year. Making a decided change, he purchased a drug store in company with Edward Blossom, in Westfield, but after eighteen months he returned to mill work with B. F. Perkins & Son, at their paper mill in South Hadley. Beginning as a steam fitter, he fired the boilers, and from the manufacturing department joined the office force. He became fully qualified for official position, and when the company was incorporated as B. F. Perkins & Son he assumed the assistant treasurership. Experience in that position fitted him for a higher place, and upon organization of the Japanese Tissue Mills in Holyoke he was elected treasurer of the enterprise, and still holds that position. Mr. Bond is a man of strong and consistent character. His administrative ability is notable. Devoted to his business, he is nevertheless fully alive to the responsibilities and duties of citizenship, and mindful of the amenities of social life. He is a member of the Mount Tom Golf and Holyoke Canoe Clubs, is Republican in politics, and attends the First Congregational Church.

In 1890 Mr. Bond married (first) Nellie E. Smith, of Holyoke, who died in 1910. She was a daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Peroy) Smith. He married (sec-



ond), in 1911, Bessie McElwain, of Holyoke, daughter of Thomas and Lucy McElwain. William Henry and Nellie E. (Smith) Bond were the parents of William Henry, a chemical engineer, now with the Atlas Powder Company of New Jersey; a child who died in infancy; Philip Edgar, a civil engineer, now engaged in dock construction for the United States Government; Grace Elizabeth; Raymond Smith; Chester Cornwall, connected with the United States Government Radio Service, who served in France; Frances; Ruth Isabelle; and two children who died in infancy. William Henry and Bessie (McElwain) Bond are the parents of a daughter, Lucy Eleanor.

**DAVID HORATIO TOWER**—A notable figure for almost six decades in the paper manufacturing business of New England and New York as an architect and engineer of paper mills, the late Mr. Tower was considered an authority in his special field and designed and built most of the important paper mills erected in his territory during the period in which he was actively engaged in his profession. The business, conducted for many years under the name of D. H. & A. B. Tower, one of his brothers, being his partner, in later years branched out extensively, and the firm designed and erected many mills for other industries than paper making, and also engaged in a general engineering business. It enjoyed a very high reputation for progressiveness, integrity and efficiency, and much of its great and long continued success and prosperity was attributable to Mr. Tower's great professional skill, his remarkable capacity for the latest and most useful ideas and his untiring energy, and his contributions to the progress and prosperity of the paper manufacturing industry, and of his native State, Massachusetts, were of great and lasting importance.

David Horatio Tower was born at Cummingtown, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, March 7, 1832, the eldest of the ten children of Stephen Dyer and Esther Eliza (Beal) Tower. On his father's side he was a descendant in the eighth generation from John and Margaret (Ibrook) Tower, of English origin, who settled in Hingham, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, in 1637, from which town his paternal grandparents, Asa and Deborah (Dyer) Tower, removed shortly after their marriage to Cummingtown. There his father was born in 1807 and married, June 2, 1831, Esther Eliza Beal, a daughter of David Beal, of Windsor, Berkshire County, and a granddaughter of Joshua Beal, the latter a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen D. Tower removed to Windsor in 1835, and to Dalton in 1853, where the former engaged in farming, devoting part of his time to the carpenter trade. In 1881 they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, surrounded by their ten children and their families and by representatives of four successive generations. Mr. S. D. Tower died October 13, 1881, and after his death his widow made her home with her oldest son, the subject of this article. Their children were: David Horatio, of whom further; Dwight Gideon; Jarvis Edson; Henry Alphonse; Ashley Bemis; Emma Eliza, married Isaac Congdon; Elma Louisa, married Benjamin Newell; Lucy Beal, unmarried; Deborah Dyer, married to William

Newell; Mahala Jane married to Harry W. Hitt; Mrs. Hitt now resides in Dalton.

Mr. Tower was educated in the small country school at Windsor, and at the age of thirteen years became an apprentice of a local millwright. In 1846 he was employed on work being done in connection with the rebuilding of the old Red Mill, erected at Dalton, Berkshire County, in 1842 by Zenas Crane. From then on, to within a few years of his death in 1907, he remodeled, designed and built a very large number of paper and pulp mills, mills for other industries, and engaged in all kinds of engineering work, including the building of dams, wheel pits, flumes, and similar equipment, and also in general architectural work in connection with school houses, business blocks, and dwellings. In 1871 his younger brother, Ashley B. Tower, became connected with the business, and in 1878 they formed a partnership, the business being conducted from then on as D. H. & A. B. Tower, with offices and headquarters at Holyoke, Hampden County, Massachusetts, in which town many of the largest mills were designed by their firm. The business grew constantly and rapidly and enjoyed such a very high reputation that numerous applications for plans of paper, pulp, and fibre mills, together with other industrial buildings were received from as far as Canada, Brazil, Germany, Japan, and Australia, while in this country they did at various times work in all of the New England States, as well as in New York, Wisconsin and Colorado.

Among the mills designed by Mr. Tower are the four Crane paper mills at Dalton, in which all the money paper for the United States Government has been made for over forty years. These mills also make the money paper for twenty-two foreign governments. These mills represent the highest in paper mill design. The world-famous Byron Weston Company Mills, where the finest record and ledger papers are located in Dalton, and were the design of David H. Tower. David Tower and Byron Weston worked side by side in the paper mills at Windsor, Connecticut. The new Pioneer Mill & Company, at Dalton, was Mr. Tower's masterpiece, and was the last mill he designed. It was erected on the site of the mill where he did his first millwright work.

During the Civil War Mr. Tower was exempted from military service as the result of a curvature of the spine, from which he had suffered for a number of years. He did not belong to any fraternal organization or clubs, but was a member of the Congregational Church, in the work of which he took a sincere interest.

Mr. Tower married, at Huntington, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, July 2, 1859, Margaret Young, born at Glasgow, Scotland, May 30, 1838, a daughter of James and Agnes (Allen) Young. Mr. and Mrs. Tower were the parents of one son, Walter Lamont, born at Dalton, December 26, 1863, still a resident of his native town, of which he has been postmaster for some years.

Mr. Tower died at his home in Dalton, December 22, 1907, at the age of seventy-five years and eight and a half months, having retired from business some years prior to his death. By his death his family lost a loving and devoted husband and father, his friends a faithful and kind associate, and his community one of its most useful and upright citizens.





*P. M. Bidwell*



**PAUL WINSHIP BIDWELL**—The family of Bidwell has as one of its outstanding members Paul Winship Bidwell, of Easthampton, a nationally known mechanical engineer, and general manager of B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., of Holyoke, Massachusetts, manufacturers and designers of paper mill and textile machinery, one of the leading concerns engaged in that line of business in the world.

The name Bidwell is of Saxon origin, the spelling Biddulph means War Wolf. From Biddulph the following names are derived: Bedwelle, Bidewell, Bydwelle, Bidwell, Bidwill, Bidwelle, Bidle, Biddle, Bidel, Biddel, Biddell, Biddol, Biddoll, and Biddulps. Biddulph Castle, in Norfolk County, is one of the oldest castles in England, built about 1066; and tradition has it that one of William the Conqueror's generals married the Biddulph heiress of that time and assumed her name.

(I) Richard Bidwell, the American ancestor, and founder of the family in this country, was one of the early settlers of Windsor, Connecticut. The records have him as Goodman Bidwell. He died December 25, 1647. Children: John, of whom further; Hannah, Joseph, Samuel, Richard.

(II) John Bidwell, son of Richard Bidwell, married Sarah Wilcox, daughter of John and Mary Wilcox. (Manwaring: "Early Connecticut Probate Records," Vol. 1, p. 255, says the will of Mary Wilcock, of Hartford, mentions "my son-in-law, John Bidwell, whom I make my soal executor." The inventory is dated January 1, 1668-69, and the will October 4, 1666. The will of John Bidwell, p. 274, and the inventory is dated June 4, 1667.) John Bidwell was an early settler of Hartford, where four acres of land were allotted to him in the division of lands there in 1639. He and his wife Sarah were charter members of the Second, or Centre, Church. In 1669 John Bidwell and Joseph Bull received a grant of two hundred acres. He is mentioned as a freeman in 1669. He died in 1687. Children: John, of whom further; Joseph, Samuel, Sarah, Hannah, Mary and Daniel.

(III) John (2) Bidwell, son of John and Sarah Bidwell, was born about 1641, died July 3, 1692. He married Sarah Welles, born in 1659, died in 1708, daughter of Thomas Welles, and granddaughter of Governor Welles. This John Bidwell lived in Glastonbury, Connecticut, where he operated the first sawmill to be set up there. He lived in Hartford later, and he received from his father's estate land and buildings west of the Connecticut River. He had at Hartford a saw, grist and fulling mill, six other saw or grist mills, three at Hartford, one each at East Hartford, Wethersfield, and Middletown. He was a civil engineer, and commissioned by the town of Hartford to deepen the channel in the Connecticut River, between that town and Wethersfield, in 1686. He and his wife Sarah were admitted to full communion at the Second, or Centre, Church, Hartford, February 21, 1685. He was buried at East Hartford. His estate amounted to one thousand and eighty-one pounds. Children: John (3), of whom further; Hannah, Sarah, Thomas, Jonathan, David, James.

(IV) John (3) Bidwell, eldest son of John (2) and Sarah (Welles) Bidwell, was born September 1, 1679, and died September 3, 1751. He built and operated a

saw and grist mill in East Hartford, on the Hockanum River, which was twice burned by Indians. A story has come down of him that once he was so fatigued from overwork he fell asleep in his mill and slept twenty-four hours; awakening at sunset, he shut down the mill, went home, and found to his horror that the mill had been running all day Sunday. He kept the next twenty-four hours as piously as though it were the Sabbath, reading the Bible and abstaining from work. He married Hannah Pitkin, born May 30, 1864, and died January 14, 1751, daughter of Captain Roger Pitkin. Among their children was John (4), of whom further.

(V) John (4) Bidwell, eldest son of John (3) and Hannah (Pitkin) Bidwell, was born in 1707, and died June 14, 1765. He fell heir to his father's mill property at East Hartford, Connecticut, and spent his life in that town. He married Mabel Gilman, born in 1711, died October 1, 1776, daughter of Solomon Gilman. He cleared up a swamp on the south side of his house and set fire to the brush. After the fire was started, the wind shifted from the north to the south, and to save the house, he ran to it and closed all doors and windows. In the burning brush was what was known as dogwood, very poisonous, and the smoke from this poisoned him, and he died in twenty-four hours. His wife was so severely poisoned that she was a cripple the remainder of her life. He had a son, Zebulon, of whom further.

(VI) Captain Zebulon Bidwell, son of John (4) and Mabel (Gilman) Bidwell, was born in 1743, and died September 19, 1777, having been killed at the battle of Saratoga, New York, on that date. He is mentioned in Hartford (Connecticut) town records, 1762 to 1770, and in Revolutionary War rolls. He married, December 18, 1766, Mary Burnham, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Barber) Burnham, and granddaughter of Thomas (3), son of Thomas (2), son of Thomas (1) and Anna Burnham. They lived in East Hartford, Connecticut. They had a son, Moses, of whom further.

(VII) Moses Bidwell, fourth child of Captain Zebulon and Mary (Burnham) Bidwell, was born in East Hartford, Connecticut, March 16, 1773, and died there in 1840. He married his fourth cousin, Lucy Bidwell, January 8, 1795. She was born October 3, 1772, at East Hartford, Connecticut. They had a son, Joseph, of whom further.

(VIII) Joseph Bidwell, fourth child of Moses and Lucy (Bidwell) Bidwell, was born in East Hartford, Connecticut, September 30, 1801, and died in Manchester, Connecticut, June 7, 1865. Joseph Bidwell was a wagon maker by profession and conducted a wagon factory at Manchester Green, Connecticut. He was the inventor of the elliptic spring, and was the first man to ever manufacture them. He built them in the blacksmith shop attached to his wagon factory and marketed them for a great many years. The old anvil and some of the swages and other tools used in the manufacture of the first elliptic spring is now in the possession of Paul Winship Bidwell, and will probably be placed eventually in the Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford. He married, in 1824, Phyla Wetherell, born June 13, 1799, died in Manchester, Connecticut, October 12, 1879. They had a son, John Wetherell, of whom further.

(IX) John Wetherell Bidwell, only child of Joseph and Phyla (Wetherell) Bidwell, was born in Manchester, Connecticut, February 13, 1826, and died at Hartford, Connecticut, April 7, 1913. He married, in October, 1851, Sarah W. Rich (formerly spelled Ritchie), born in Manchester July 4, 1825, and died in Hartford, May 9, 1899. They had a son, Joseph Rich, of whom further.

(X) Joseph Rich Bidwell, second child of John Wetherell and Sarah W. (Rich) Bidwell, was born in Manchester, Connecticut, October 12, 1857. He was a stationary engineer and machinist in the employ of Cheney Brothers, the silk manufacturers, in Manchester. For thirty years he has followed agricultural pursuits. He married, April 14, 1881, Lillian Mabel Batchelor, born in Granby, Massachusetts, December 25, 1859. Of their children were Paul Winship, of whom further; Ethel Mabel, Rachel Hazel, and Howard.

(XI) Paul Winship Bidwell, second child of Joseph Rich and Lillian Mabel (Batchelor) Bidwell, was born in South Manchester, Connecticut, August 28, 1884. He received his education in the schools of Granby, Massachusetts, and at Williston Seminary, a famous old school, at Easthampton, Massachusetts. In 1906, at the age of twenty-two, he obtained employment at the Powers Paper Company, Holyoke, Massachusetts, and was made manager of its tablet department. In 1912, he became a traveling salesman for B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., of Holyoke, and continued with them in that capacity for some time. In 1920 he was made general manager of the concern, whose great plant in Willimansett, just over the line from Holyoke, he designed, and the construction of which he supervised. This plant is declared to be one of the largest and best equipped of its kind in the country. The company designs and manufactures paper-making machinery and textile finishing machinery. Many of these machines are the product of Mr. Bidwell's inventive genius. One of the machines he designed is known as the "Perkins Man Cooler" for the use and comfort of workers employed in highly heated places. He also designed the Perkins embossing calendars, a variety of machinery for bleachery and textile finishing processes, and many other machines of remarkable performance and note, produced by the Perkins corporation.

Mr. Bidwell is well known throughout the paper-making world, and wherever machinery is used in the production of textiles. He has been for many years an important contributor to the success attained by B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., as that concern's owners are most free to acknowledge. He enjoys high standing among engineers of the country, and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Engineers' Society of Western Massachusetts, and the American Society for Testing Materials.

He takes an intimate interest in the community life and spirit of Easthampton, where he has his residence, and is a trustee and corporator of the Easthampton Savings Bank. He is prominently identified with the Masonic fraternity, being a member in the thirty-second degree; affiliated with William Whiting Lodge, of Holyoke, the York Rite bodies in Holyoke, the Scottish Rite bodies in Springfield, and the Ancient Arabic Order

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Paul Winship Bidwell married, November 5, 1913, Emma Jane Reid, of Easthampton, daughter of John McKinley and Anna Reid. Her father, born in Malin Head, County Donegal, Ireland, came to America in 1850, and died December 10, 1905. He served in the Civil War and acted as orderly to General Ulysses Simpson Grant, being also present at the surrender of Vicksburg. Mr. and Mrs. Bidwell have their residence at No. 15, High Street, Easthampton, and Mr. Bidwell's business address is Holyoke, Massachusetts.

**HENRY J. PERKINS**, president of Henry J. Perkins, Incorporated, dealing in wholesale fruit and products in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, November 29, 1859. His father, Jason Perkins, was an architect, born in Brockton, his mother, Jerusha Blackmer, was born in Middleboro, Massachusetts. Mr. Perkins attended the public schools in Springfield. He began active life as a clerk in the grocery business, working for E. C. & G. S. Gilbert, three years, 1873 to 1876. He was with Richardson, grocers, of Springfield, 1876 to 1878. He went with A. F. Mills & Son, grocers, in 1878, and was with Mills & Carter, grocers, for a period of years. He bought out George Gould's meat market at the corner of Main and Emory Streets, and conducted this retail market business for two years, selling out to Mills & Son at the end of that time. He went to New York City and Springfield, Missouri. Returning to Springfield, Massachusetts, he worked for E. D. Clark, grocery merchant, for three or four years, when he engaged in business for himself with a partner named Aiken. They dealt wholesale in butter, cheese and eggs. Fire burned them out, and Mr. Perkins opened a retail grocery store on his own account, at No. 305 Main Street. He afterwards formed a partnership in the same business with F. C. Hatch, and they continued the association for ten years, when Mr. Perkins bought out his partner, and incorporated the Henry J. Perkins Company, wholesale dealers in fruit and products, of which he was elected president and treasurer. This concern has grown to be the largest wholesale house in New England.

Mr. Perkins is a director of the Third National Bank; president of the Beneficial Loan Society; president of the Chamber of Commerce; a member of Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and a thirty-second degree Mason; a member of Samuel Oscar Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Rotary Club; the Long Meadow Country Club; the Springfield Country Club; president of the President's Club; past president of the Rotary Club, and of the Baptist Church, Springfield. He is independent in politics.

Mr. Perkins was married, in Rahway, New Jersey, to Fidelia Reese Morton, born in Rahway. They are the parents of Harold Morton, Elliott Holmes, and Alice Perkins, all born in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Perkins' address is Chamber of Commerce Building, Springfield, Massachusetts.



**HAROLD A. WHEAT**, first vice-president of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, the great dry goods house in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Springfield, June 13, 1886. His father was William G. Wheat, and his mother Clara L. Abercrombie Wheat, the father a native of Canaan, New Hampshire, where he was born in 1855; the mother a native of Massachusetts. The name of Wheat goes back to Normandy, where it was a family name among the Normans at a very early period. In 1180 Unfredus de Ble' resided in Normandy. In 1192 Robert de Blee lived in County Stafford, England, and Galfrius de Blie in Lancaster. The English version became Wheat, Wheatt, Whet, Wheat, Weat, Weet. In 1619 the family was widely scattered through the English counties of Stafford, Gloucester, Lincoln, Berks, Middlesex, and Nottingham.

(I) Moses Wheat, immigrant ancestor of the family in America was born in England about 1616, and came to this country probably from Southwark (South London), as his brother, Joshua, at seventeen years, obtained a certificate from the minister at St. Saviors' Southwark, in 1635. He married Thomasin, surname unknown. Moses Wheat settled in Concord, Massachusetts, about 1635. He died in Concord in 1700.

(II) Joshua Wheat, son of Moses and Thomasin Wheat, was a yeoman. He resided at Lynn for a short time, and also at Concord; but in 1679, he bought land in Groton, where he lived until 1691. In 1691-92 he was enrolled in the West Regiment and served in the garrison. After his father's death he exchanged his land in Groton with his brother, John, for a part of his father's estate; and the same day, December 19, 1701, he deeded half his land to his eldest son, Samuel. Five years later he sold the remainder to his son, Joseph, and left no will. He married, in Lynn, June 10, 1675, Elizabeth Mansfield, who died February 3, 1703-04, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Needham) Mansfield; granddaughter of Robert Mansfield, of Lynn.

(III) Joseph Wheat, son of Joshua and Elizabeth (Mansfield) Wheat, a farmer at Concord, married, June 5, 1705, Priscilla Flagge.

(IV) Thomas Wheat, son of Joseph and Priscilla (Flagge) Wheat, was born at Concord May 12, 1723. He was one of the first settlers of Hollis, Massachusetts (now in New Hampshire). He married (first), in Concord, Mary Ball, October 23, 1745; (second), at Concord, August 23, 1768, Sarah Temple.

(V) The Rev. Joseph Wheat, son of Thomas and Mary (Ball) Wheat, was born at Hollis, New Hampshire, July 18, 1759. He was a soldier in the Revolution, a private in Captain Edward Everett's company, Colonel Bedell's regiment in 1776; also in Captain William Walker's company, Colonel David Gilman's regiment, to reinforce Continental Army in December, 1776; serving to June, 1777; also in Daniel Emerson's Company, Colonel Moses Nichols' regiment, on Rhode Island alarm in summer of 1777, and again in same company in 1778. He enlisted for a year to help fill up the 3d New Hampshire Battalion in the Continental service, and was mustered in on August 7, 1779. He afterwards enlisted for the war. He was promoted corporal April 1, 1780; is said to have been at Valley Forge, and his services are credited wholly to Hollis, New Hampshire. After the

war he studied for the ministry, and was ordained in the Baptist Church in August, 1801, preaching there until 1815. He resided in Canaan, New Hampshire, without a charge from 1815 until his death, October 28, 1837. He married, at Hollis, New Hampshire, October 10, 1783, Mrs. Bridget (Powers) Farley.

(VI) Joseph Wheat, son of Joseph and Bridget (Powers) Wheat, was born in Canaan, New Hampshire, about 1790. He was educated in the district schools and followed farming at Canaan. He was a Baptist in religion and married (first), May 27, 1811, Lydia Bullock; (second), March 13, 1834, Mrs. Lucett Kidder.

(VII) Dr. Asa Wheat, son of Joseph and Lucett (Kidder) Wheat, was born at Canaan, New Hampshire, in 1836. He attended the schools of his native town and studied his profession at Dartmouth Medical School. He established himself in practice in his native town, where for many years he was an active general practitioner. He passed his later years in Springfield, Massachusetts, in the home of his son, William. He married Isabella Francis George, of Croyden, New Hampshire, daughter of William W. and Lucy B. (Whipple) George, descendant of General Israel Putnam. Children: William George Wheat and Allen Asa, who married Ada Wheeler.

(VIII) William George Wheat, son of Dr. Asa and Isabella Frances (George) Wheat, was born in Canaan, New Hampshire, July 19, 1857, and attended the public schools and old Union Academy in Canaan. It was his desire to study medicine and follow his father, but the latter objected, and he decided on a business career. In 1874, at seventeen, he left home and found employment as clerk in the store of A. L. Shumway, dealer in dry goods. He acquired a thorough knowledge of the dry goods business and accepted the invitation of Azel A. Packard to enter the store of Meekins & Packard, in Springfield, agreeing to remain five years. His services were such that at the end of the term of his contract, he was admitted into partnership, a relation he maintained until 1914, when the concern was incorporated under the firm name of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, and Mr. Wheat was made vice-president, a position he held until his death. He was a director of the Springfield Gas Light Company, the Hampden Hotel Company and the Northern Connecticut Securities Company, of Hartford. He was also a director of the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association; one of its founders and generous contributors. He was one of the most active in promoting the memorial bridge across the Connecticut River. He was a member of the Colony Club, the Nayasset Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Rowing Association, the Golf Club, of which he was president; the Sons of the American Revolution, and an associate member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was vice-president of the Springfield Board of Trade, and a director for many years. He was regarded as one of Springfield's most public-spirited citizens. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and at one time superintendent of the Sunday school. For years he was the prime mover in the charity balls held in the old City Hall, and the Court Square extension plan was carried out partly at his suggestion. He was interested especially in the old



Independence Day Association, which became a permanent organization under his presidency in 1903-1904. His active interest made it one of the outstanding organizations of its kind in the country. William George Wheat married Clara Louise Abercrombie, of Pelham, Massachusetts, daughter of Stillman Abercrombie, and they were the parents of: 1. Isabelle Frances, born in 1882; married George W. Prentiss, of Holyoke, Massachusetts. 2. Harold Abercrombie, born June 13, 1886.

(IX) Harold Abercrombie Wheat attended public schools in Springfield and was graduated from the Springfield High School in the class of 1905. He entered Dartmouth College and was graduated in the class of 1909. He began his business career with the firm of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, Incorporated, in 1908, as a clerk. He was advanced to the credit department, and later made manager of the entire store. He was elected treasurer in 1915 and continues to hold that office as well as that of vice-president. He is a Republican in politics and has served two years as a member of the Springfield Common Council. He is a member of the Republican Club, the Winthrop Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Longmeadow Club, and the Nayasset Club, as well as the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the First Congregational Church.

Mr. Wheat was married, in Springfield, September 29, 1915, to Ruth Killgren, born in Providence, Rhode Island, February 25, 1893. She was the daughter of Oscar and Ann Killgren. Mr. and Mrs. Wheat are the parents of Phyllis L., born in Springfield July 21, 1920, and of Dorothy A., born in Springfield October 3, 1922.

**DANIEL E. GALLEHER**, vice-president and assistant treasurer of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, Incorporated, dry goods merchants in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born January 12, 1867, in Palmer, Massachusetts. His father, Bernard Galleher, and his mother, Margaret Keefe Galleher, were natives of Ireland. Mr. Galleher attended the public and high schools in Palmer, and in 1888, at twenty-one, entered the employ of Meekins & Packard as clerk. He became manager of the drapery department and merchandise manager and was elected to the office of responsibility he now holds in 1919. William George Wheat, vice-president of this large concern died suddenly June 10, 1924, his death removing the last of the original firm of Meekins, Packard & Wheat.

Azel A. Packard, born in 1849, began life as an errand boy for Azel D. Matthews & Company, dry goods merchants in Brooklyn, New York. He returned to his birthplace in Conway, Massachusetts, after two years, and was graduated from the Conway Academy. He became clerk thereafter in a local store; but soon went to Greenfield, Massachusetts, where he was employed for six years in the carpet department of T. D. Root & Company, where Emory Meekins, his cousin and future partner, was a clerk.

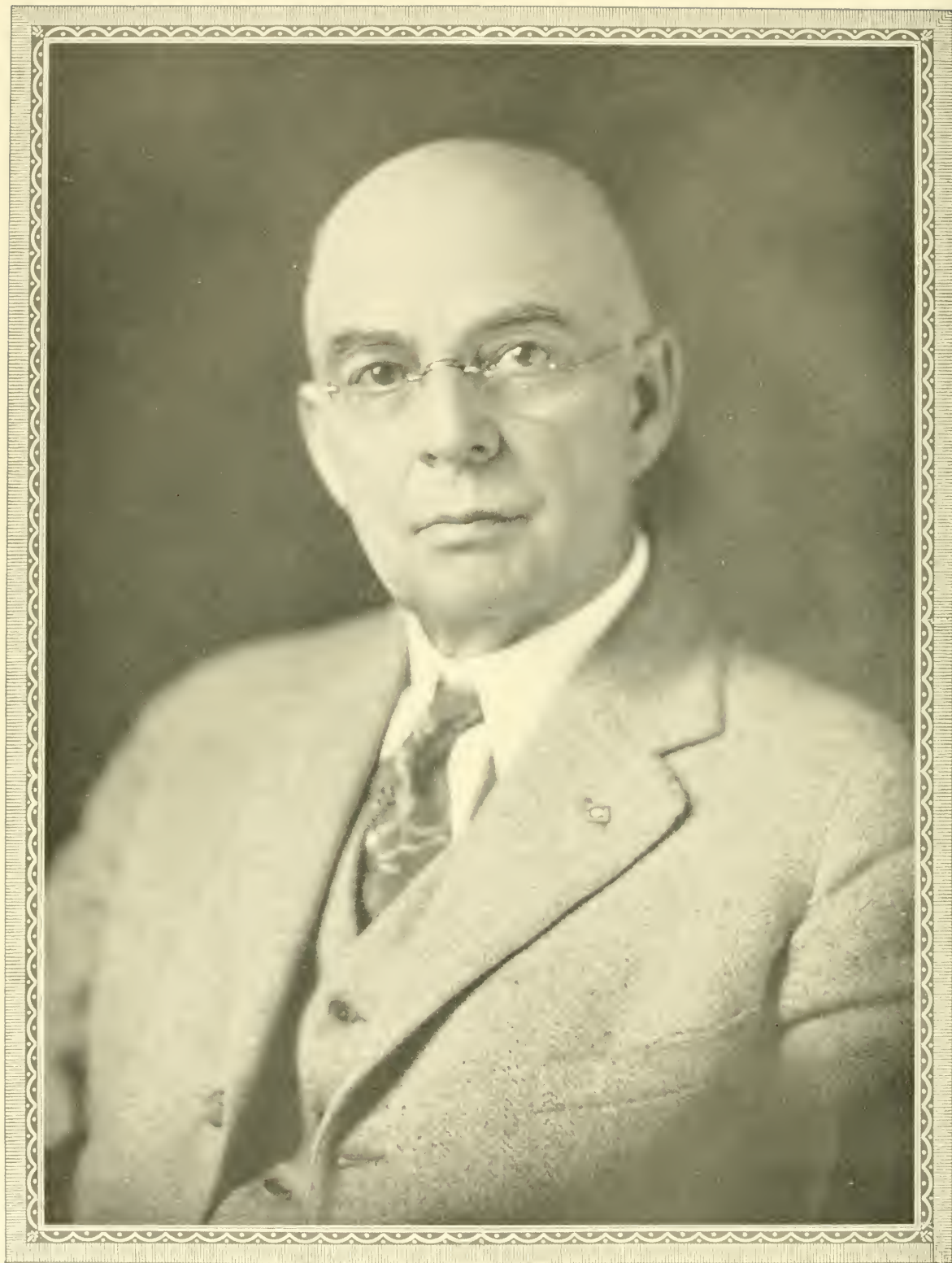
In 1871 Mr. Meekins took charge of the carpet department of Tinkham & Company in Springfield, who owned the largest dry goods store in the Connecticut Valley. He soon found a place for Mr. Packard, and they remained for four years. The last two years Mr. Meekins was a partner in the business. In 1875, Mr. Meekins,

with \$5,000 capital, proposed that his cousin join him in a business venture. The firm of Meekins & Packard was organized to conduct a business in carpets and house furnishing goods. The new firm rented a store in the Main Street building now owned and occupied wholly by Charles Hall. Failure within a year was predicted for the young merchants; but the end of a year found them looking for larger quarters to take care of their growing business. They leased the two stores on the south side of the Third National Bank Building for five years, with a combined floor space of only 5,000 feet. The business now requires six acres of floor space and has grown to a volume of millions of dollars annually. A few years after moving in the new building it was occupied entirely by Meekins & Packard, and three connected six-story buildings with a frontage of four hundred and fifty-six feet on Hillman Street were annexed. In the spring and summer of 1924 the lower floor on the Main Street side was overhauled and improved, making one of the most imposing business blocks in the city. William G. Wheat was admitted as a partner, and the firm became Meekins, Packard & Wheat.

On the death of Mr. Meekins in 1900, his partners bought out his interest, and continued the business under the old style for fifteen years. In 1915, Mr. Packard's failing health led him to retire, and a corporation was formed in which he became a director, continuing as such until his death. He was an untiring worker, and under his direction the furniture department of the store became one of the largest of its kind in New England. He enjoyed his beautiful summer estate of "The Beaches," at Longmeadow, and was fond of outdoor life. Mr. White supervised the dry goods department through a long period of years. His foresight in judging the public taste, and his skill in buying were large factors in the development of the department, which grew rapidly and finally required not only what was originally the entire store; but also the second floor and the basement beneath and the first floor of an annex one hundred feet in depth, with a side extension forty by sixty feet. From 1882 to 1894 the dry goods business of Meekins & Packard increased ten fold, and the rate of progress has been maintained through the succeeding thirty-odd years. The store covers 100,000 square feet of floor space, and several hundred clerks handle the ever increasing volume of business. The firm's operations have extended outside the city of Springfield, and through the Connecticut Valley for a radius of from fifty to one hundred miles. It is a striking coincidence that the three senior partners were all natives of the little town of Conway, Massachusetts. Emory Meekins was a schoolmate of Marshall Field, the merchant prince of Chicago, and began his career as a clerk in the dry goods store of E. F. Williams, in Springfield. Mr. Wheat had entire charge of the extensive alterations of the lower floors of the store and wished to see them completed, as he intended, in time for the fiftieth anniversary of the business in 1925, which he lived to realize. The present members of the firm are: President, Charles H. Tenney; second vice-president, Daniel E. Galleher; and treasurer, Harold A. Wheat. There are about four hundred persons on the pay roll.

Mr. Galleher is a member of the Benevolent and Pro-





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tective Order of Elks, the Oxford Country Club, the Retail Merchants' Association, the Knights of Columbus, and the Holy Name Catholic Church of Springfield. He is unmarried.

**CHARLES MILLIKEN TENNEY**, director of the great dry goods establishment of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born February 18, 1899, in Hartford, Connecticut. His father, Charles H. Tenney, is president of the company, a native of Everett, Massachusetts. His mother, Emma (Milliken) Tenney, was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts. The father is a banker and merchant, and interested in public utilities. Charles M. Tenney attended the public schools of Hartford and Springfield, the Taft School at Watertown, Connecticut, and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Having completed his course of study he began business life under the ægis of his father, and the well-known dry goods house of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, in Springfield, one of the largest in New England. In 1920 he was made a director of the company, and has continued in that office to date. He is a Republican in politics. In the great war he enlisted in the air service on September 2, 1918, and was stationed at the United States Military Aviation field at Princeton, New Jersey, and at the aviation field at Austin, Texas. He is a member of the American Legion and the Longmeadow Country Club, the Colony Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the South Church, Springfield.

Mr. Tenney was married in Detroit, Michigan, February 3, 1923, to Margaret Begg, daughter of George O. Begg, a native of Canada, and Louise Breck Begg, born in Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Tenney was born in Detroit July 26, 1899.

**GEORGE WOOD PUTNAM**—With a record of having been one of the largest real estate operators and promoters of development projects in the Eastern and Middle States, George Wood Putnam is living in virtual retirement and enjoying a well-earned rest from his long years of intensive activities, residing at his beautiful place, "Ten Acres," in his native Easthampton. He is a lineal descendant of John Putnam, who more than three centuries ago came from England to Massachusetts, and in this State founded the American family of that name. This family in every generation since that of the immigrant ancestor, has given members who became prominent in many walks of life. It is of ancient origin in England, where is the town of Puttenham, which gave to this family its name, it being mentioned in the Domesday Book. The parish of Puttenham is in Hertfordshire, where beginning with Simon de Puttenham, in 1199, the line has its origin. From this Simon sixteen generations are traced to John Putnam, the American ancestor, who was a son of Nicholas and Margaret (Goodspeed) Putnam, of Wingrave and Stewkley, County of Bucks, England. The family were owners of large tracts of land.

(I) John Putnam, the immigrant founder, was born in Wingrave, County of Bucks, England, January 17, 1759, and died in Salem Village, now Danvers, Massa-

chusetts, December 30, 1662. He was possessed of property both in England and New England, being a land owner in Salem, where he is believed to have settled about 1634. The first formal record of him was made March 21, 1640, when his wife became a member of the church, and he received a grant of land the same year. He was a prominent farmer of Salem, and a man of education, as indicated by his hand writing. His wife, it is believed, was Priscilla Deacon, and he left children, all born in England: Elizabeth, Thomas, John, died young; Nathaniel, Sarah, Phebe, John (2), of whom further.

(II) Captain John (2) Putnam, youngest child of John and Priscilla (Deacon) Putnam, was born in England and baptized there May 27, 1627. He died in Salem Village in 1710. He married Rebecca Prince, and they were the parents of nine children: Rebecca, Sarah, Priscilla, Jonathan, James, Hannah, Eleazer, of whom further; Susanna, and Rith.

(III) Eleazer Putnam, son of Captain John (2) and Rebecca (Prince) Putnam, was born in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1665, and died there January 25, 1732. He married (first) Hannah Boardman, and married (second) Elizabeth Rolfe, and had seven children: Hannah, Eleazer (2), Sarah, Zeptha, Joseph, Samuel, and Henry, of whom further.

(IV) Henry Putnam, son of Eleazer Putnam, was born in Salem Village August 14, 1712, and was killed at Lexington, Massachusetts, April 19, 1775. He and his wife, Hannah, had children: Henry (2), Eleazer, Elijah, Roger, of whom further; John, Billings, and Benjamin.

(V) Roger Putnam, son of Henry and Hannah Putnam, was born in Danvers (formerly Salem Village), Massachusetts, October 10, 1743. He married and was the father of children: Sally, John, Henry Gilbert, David, Benjamin, Charles, and Ebenezer, of further mention.

(VI) Ebenezer Putnam, son of Roger Putnam, was born in Medford, Massachusetts, in 1786, and died in 1844. He married (first), in January, 1806, Sally Patterson, who died in 1826. He married (second) Ann Lawrence. He married (third) Mrs. Conig, a widow. Among his children was a son, Ebenezer, of whom further.

(VII) Ebenezer (2) Putnam, son of Ebenezer (1) Putnam and his first wife, Sally (Patterson) Putnam, married Mary Wright Fletcher. They were the parents of three children: Francis Henry, of whom further; Ciarissa, and Abigail.

(VIII) Francis Henry Putnam, son of Ebenezer (2) and Mary Wright (Fletcher) Putnam, was born in Medford, Massachusetts, April 13, 1833, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, April 30, 1898. His school years ended, he learned the trade of machinist, being rated an expert toolmaker, and he followed that branch of his trade in Grafton, Massachusetts, until he came to Easthampton in 1865. In the latter town he developed his trade to such proportions that his place of business came to occupy four floors, the volume amounting to about \$100,000 a year. In 1889 he disposed of his business and removed to Tryon, North Carolina, where he was a manufacturer of broom handles for some time, and also had an orchard and a vineyard. He then removed to Anniston, Alabama, where he was engaged in

business for about three years. Eventually he returned to Easthampton, where he lived the rest of his life in retirement from active pursuits. He enjoyed the reputation of being a substantial business man, of the progressive type, filled with energy, and esteemed as worthy citizen and kind neighbor. In politics he was an actively loyal Republican, and during the second Lincoln campaign was captain of the Wide Awakes, a patriotic political club. He was a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Easthampton, being enrolled on its charter list, and gave one-tenth of his income to the church for benevolent purposes. He married Mary Lawrence, born January 13, 1832, died January 7, 1917, daughter of Joseph Lawrence, of Groton, Massachusetts. They were the parents of six children: Frank, deceased; George Wood, of whom further; Albert Sheridan, Meriton Joseph, Edwin Ward, and Mary Emmeline, who married, May 28, 1912, James A. Sturges, of Easthampton.

(IX) George Wood Putnam, of the ninth generation from his American immigrant ancestor, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, April 11, 1859, a son of Francis Henry and Mary (Lawrence) Putnam. He received his elementary education in the public schools of his native town, and finished his studies at Wilbraham (Massachusetts) Academy. His business career began as an associate of his father in the latter's store, which he entered at the age of sixteen years, and where he remained for twenty-two years, 1875-97. His first commercial venture on his own account was a boot and shoe store, which he opened in Easthampton, but he did not possess it for very long, disposing of his stock and good will and journeying to the Klondike during the gold fever of 1898. His invasion of Alaska was only as a transient, for he soon returned to Easthampton, which proved to be the natural base of his business operations, and the only place that he could be contented to call home.

Again taking up the reins of commercial endeavor, following his return from the Klondike, Mr. Putnam began to engage in real estate operations on a large and widely scattered scale, the interests of Putnam & Ball Company, of which Mr. Putnam was the senior member, being located in five States. Later Mr. Putnam took over all other interests in the business, wound up the affairs of the Putnam & Ball Company, and assumed the position of manager of a number of corporations in which he had vested interests. To bring him into contact with this great business required travel on his part of some 20,000 miles a year. His business was largely confined to buying tracts of land, cutting them up into building lots and selling them, the construction of houses and the handling of notes and mortgage loans incident to such a great enterprise. In 1905 he disposed of more than thirteen hundred building lots, and for fifteen years his business continued to increase in volume and extensiveness, until his operations covered many of the Eastern States and as far west as Springfield, Missouri. Real estate development in whatever section they operated was a large feature of their several operations. Noteworthy projects which he developed and matured were: Development in Sandusky, Ohio, of five large tracts within twelve months; in Dayton, Ohio, for the Dayton View

Inn Improvement Company, a tract of seventy-two acres, containing four hundred and forty lots; also three large tracts in Cleveland, Ohio; in Springfield, Missouri, two large tracts; in Lorraine, Ohio, one tract developed under the Putnam & Ball Company; also developed Sumner Park and Parkside in Springfield, Massachusetts, and Maplehurst and Mountainside in Easthampton. He also erected a large number of fine dwellings in Easthampton. One of the latter enterprises was the development of a large tract in Rochester, New York. In 1914, Mr. Putnam bought a farm, to which he made additions, until, in 1919, he had a well-improved tract of one hundred and thirty-five acres. There he developed a model fruit farm, and also specialized in cattle and swine, devoting a section of the farm to tobacco raising. He afterward disposed of this farm, reserving to himself ten acres, on which he has his residence, this being known as "Ten Acres," and conceded to be one of the show places of the town.

Mr. Putnam is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; is a member of the Pascommuck Club, and with his family is an attendant of the Congregational Church.

George Wood Putnam married, March 28, 1888, Lydia M. Kaplinger, daughter of Christian and Catherine (Frazier) Kaplinger, of Williamsburg, Massachusetts. They are the parents of three children: 1. Earl Francis, born August 5, 1890; attended Williston, Worcester, and Groton educational institutions, and for two years studied fruit growing in courses at Massachusetts Agricultural College; now living in Easthampton, where he is engaged in the trucking and heavy haulage business; married Dorothy Stoddard, and has a son, Rodwell Stoddard Putnam. 2. Hazel Catherine, born November 2, 1892; married Carl S. Shute, and lives in Springfield; has two daughters, Barbara and Eleanor. 3. G. Wendell, born August 8, 1905.

From the foregoing appreciation of Mr. Putnam's full business career it will be properly gathered that he has been the means of contributing to the success of many cities and communities. His quality of citizenship has always been of the progressive type, and he is known for his public spirit and generous disposition. The esteem in which he is held by his legion of friends and associates is quite properly most cordial and enduring.

**ELBERT EBENEZER WADSWORTH**—A native and lifelong resident of New York State, Mr. Wadsworth, at the time of his death in 1888, was survived by his wife and two daughters, and they have been for many years residents of Springfield, Massachusetts, where Mrs. Wadsworth makes her home with one of her daughters. Mr. Wadsworth was born in 1845 at New Lebanon, Columbia County, New York, and was reared there on a farm.

Elbert Ebenezer Wadsworth was educated in the public schools of his native region, and as a young man came to New York City, where he entered the wholesale jewelry business, in which he continued to the time of his retirement from active business. He was a member of several bodies of the Masonic fraternity, including one of the New York City Commanderies, Knights



Templar, while his religious affiliations were with the Christian Church.

Mr. Wadsworth married, in 1880, at Meriden, Connecticut, Almira L. Breckenridge, a daughter of Elias and Martha Cook (Culver) Breckenridge. Mrs. Wadsworth was born in Ware, Massachusetts, where she continued to make her home until her seventh year, at which time she removed with her parents to Meriden, Connecticut. At the time of her marriage she conducted a successful millinery business in New Haven, Connecticut, in which she had been engaged for some seven years. A year after their marriage, in 1881, Mr. and Mrs. Wadsworth moved to Englewood, New Jersey, where they continued to make their home and where there were born to them two daughters: 1. Elberta A., married Charles S. Marriott, of Springfield, Massachusetts, who is connected with the Highland Branch Post Office of that city. 2. Rachel M., married Herman C. Heiden, for many years an expert auditor. Mr. and Mrs. Heiden are the parents of one son, Cecil, and also have adopted one son, John D. They reside at No. 97 Westford Avenue, Springfield, which is also the home of Mrs. Wadsworth.

Mr. Wadsworth was a victim of the great blizzard of 1888, during which he caught a severe cold which resulted in his death. Though only forty-three years old at the time of his sudden death, he had made his mark in the work in which he had been engaged ever since he had come to New York City, and was sincerely mourned, not only by his family, but also by a large circle of friends.

**GEORGE PERKINS**—A name well known in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and in paper-making circles throughout the country is that of George Perkins, for many years superintendent of the Whiting Paper Company of Holyoke. He saw long and active service during the Civil War, and from the same sense of public responsibility played an active part in civic betterment movements in times of peace. George Perkins was a native of Northampton Massachusetts, born in 1838, on February 19, of Silas and Orphia (Brooks) Perkins, and scion of one of the best-known families in New England. He grew to manhood in his native city, attending the local schools.

His first position was that of clerk in the Probate Court of Northampton, a position which he held for a few years. After moving to Holyoke, he conducted a teamster's business and was employed as armorer in the Springfield Armory for a time. When the call to take up arms in support of the Union came at the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted in 1861, joining the 4th Massachusetts Regiment, and later being assigned to the 30th Artillery, unattached. While stationed at Washington he saw President Lincoln many times and he was on guard at the Capitol when the President was assassinated. A close and sympathetic observer, Mr. Perkins was able to talk interestingly afterward of Washington in war time, and of the riots expected to follow the assassination of Lincoln. He believed these were averted by the torrential downpour of rain which scattered those who had planned a hostile demonstration. He was mustered out of the service in Washington June 17, 1865, after four years of service.

Back again in Holyoke he was given employment at the Whiting Paper Company by his personal friend, Mr. William Whiting, and an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of the business with a view to rapid advancement. He displayed good business judgment, aptitude for executive management and in due time was advanced to the position of superintendent of the mill and later of both mills. This position of responsibility he filled with great credit, becoming one of the best known paper-makers of the Connecticut Valley. The friendship between him and Mr. Whiting was lifelong and Mr. Perkins remained superintendent of the mills until a nervous breakdown necessitated his resigning in 1908. Ill health kept him in retirement the rest of his life, and he died at his Elm Street home on April 13, 1920, being buried in Forestdale Cemetery. He was a staunch Republican, a prominent Mason, and a member of the Second Congregational Church.

George Perkins married, in Holyoke, October 6, 1869, Mary Doyle, born at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, daughter of Patrick and Elizabeth (Smith) Doyle. Her father, a native of Dublin, Ireland, migrated to America, settling in Carlisle. He enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War, was seriously wounded in the fighting in Tennessee, and died shortly afterward from the effects of his wounds. On October 6, 1919, six months before the death of Mr. Perkins, he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding. Mrs. Perkins, who survives her husband, lived in Holyoke in summer, where her membership in the Second Congregational Church is active, and in winter resides in Florida. Although no children were born to the couple, they adopted three girls, daughters of the brother of Mrs. Perkins, whom they reared and educated: Mary, deceased; Mrs. Carlisle, residing in Florida; Katheryn, Mrs. Howard G. Hubbard, who resides with Mrs. Perkins. The family has, since 1884, occupied the home at No. 167 Elm Street, purchased by Mr. Perkins.

Loyalty was one of the most striking characteristics of Mr. Perkins, and he had a warm and generous heart. Everybody loved him and was glad of the success he attained.

**CLARENCE DWIGHT PRATT**—Few residents of the town of Bernardston are better known than is Clarence Dwight Pratt, who is extensively engaged in the buying and selling of live stock.

(I) Mr. Pratt is a descendant of the immigrant ancestor, Thomas Pratt, born in England, who came to this country as early as 1647, was of Watertown in 1652, and later of Framingham.

(II) Jonathan Pratt, son of Thomas Pratt, married (first) Lydia Phillips; (second) Ruth Eddy; (third) Deborah Coolidge.

(III) Captain Elias Pratt, son of Jonathan and Deborah (Coolidge) Pratt, married Lydia Hill.

(IV) Jonathan Pratt, son of Captain Elias Pratt, married and had a son, Elias.

(V) Captain Elias Pratt, son of Jonathan Pratt, married and had a son, Jeremiah.

(VI) Jeremiah Pratt, son of Captain Elias Pratt, was born in Oxford, Massachusetts, and died in Greenfield, Massachusetts. He was an early settler in Greenfield, to



which place he came by ox-cart. He married Celia Fitz, and their children were: Stephen Lorenzo, of whom further; George, Abner, Edward, Lysarder, Eugene, Dwight, Emery, Sarah, Maria.

(VII) Stephen Lorenzo Pratt son of Jeremiah and Celia (Fitz) Pratt, was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, April 5, 1821, and died June 2, 1881. He was a farmer in Greenfield. He married, June 1, 1853, Persis Betsy Capron, of Jeffrey, New Hampshire, born November 24, 1836, daughter of Josiah and Tilena (Flagg) Capron. Their children were: 1. Albert L., deceased. 2. Ella Abigail, married (first) Frank P. Sawtelle; (second) Walter L. Beebe. 3. Clarence Dwight, of whom further. 4. Julia Ellen, married Harry C. Tuttle.

(VIII) Clarence Dwight Pratt, son of Stephen Lorenzo and Persis Betsy (Capron) Pratt, was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, February 15, 1872. He was educated in the schools of Greenfield and of Turners Falls. As a boy he worked on a farm in Shelburne, but later went into the Rugg Shop, which was engaged in the making of crates and shovels. He remained there for ten years, and then again took up farming. For twenty-five years he has lived in the town of Bernardston, and during those years he has conducted an extensive business in the buying and selling of live stock, horses and cattle, principally the latter. At the present time (1925) he has extensive farming interests, and is one of the highly esteemed citizens of his community. He is a member of the Grange, and his religious connection is with the Congregational Church of Bernardston.

Clarence Dwight Pratt married, in August, 1892, Lucy Lucinda Wrisley, of Westhampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Albert and Ella (Ryther) Wrisley. They are the parents of the following children: 1. Fred Franklin (q. v.). 2. Lucy Almeda, married (first) Frank Richardson; (second) Casper Fuchs, of Greenfield. 3. Ella May, deceased. 4. Julia Louise, married Myron E. Barber, of Bernardston. 5. Lottie Delia, married Herman Streeter, of Bernardston. 6. Gladys Betsey, deceased. 7. Clarence Albert. 8. Harold Stephen. 9. Louis Arthur.

**FRED FRANKLIN PRATT**—Among the successful mechanics who are conducting prosperous business ventures, handling used automobiles in addition to conducting a sales agency for standard makes of new cars, is Fred Franklin Pratt, of Greenfield, whose ancestry is traced in the preceding sketch.

Fred Franklin Pratt, son of Clarence Dwight and Lucy L. (Wrisley) Pratt (q. v.), was born in Deerfield, July 14, 1891. After receiving a careful education in the public schools of Greenfield and at Powers Institute in Bernardston, he was engaged in farming for a time, but later handled auto-trucks in Greenfield. In 1922 he established an enterprise of his own as agent for Durant and Star automobiles and Brockway trucks. To this business as agent for new cars he had added a used car department and he also does a large amount of repairing. He is a member of the Grange.

Fred Franklin Pratt married (first), in 1911, Blanche Lois Baker, daughter of Arthur and Belle (White) Baker; (second) March 29, 1924, Mary Jane Sears, of Lenoxville, Canada, daughter of Moses and Emma (Kent) Sears. Mr. Pratt has one son, Fred Edwin Pratt, born of the first marriage, March 30, 1912.

### FREDERIC ABRAHAM CHARLES, D. D. S.

—A little more than fifteen years after the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, the first member of the Charles family to seek freedom in the New World was John Charles, who landed in Charlestown, Boston, Massachusetts, in 1636, and in 1637 moved to New Haven, Connecticut; died there, or in Saybrook, Connecticut in 1673. He married a Moss; their children: 1. Sarah, born 1637, married William Bachus. 2. John (2), of whom further. 3. Mary, married Martin Tichenor.

(II) John (2) Charles, son of John (1), was born in 1639; moved to Branford, Connecticut, 1666; married and had children: 1. Hannah, born April 13, 1677; married, November 4, 1706, Christopher Parks. 2. John (3), of whom further.

(III) John (3) Charles, son of John (2) Charles, born 1680, moved to Springfield, Massachusetts, where he married, March 10, 1708-9, Elizabeth Swetman; their children, born in Springfield, Massachusetts: 1. Elizabeth, born October 3, 1711; married, September 1, 1730, Benjamin Cooley, Jr. 2. John (4), born August 6, 1713; married Abigail; (see "History of Brimfield, 1701 to 1876," page 389). One of their children, John (5), born February 28, 1746, married, October 12, 1769, Phebe Russell. He went to Fryeburg, Maine, and Chatham, New Hampshire. 3. Abraham, of whom further. 4. Thomas, born November 14, 1718. (See early Springfield, Massachusetts records.) 5. Aaron, born 1723, died November 18, 1802. Revolutionary War service. Married, October, 1747, Elizabeth Burt. Children: Aaron, born August 27, 1755; died September, 1821. Thomas, born born October 31, 1758, died April 3, 1843. War service against Shay's Rebellion. Married (first), February 22, 1781, Phebe Bond. Married (second), September 10, 1834, Sally Wedge. Elizabeth, born March 4, 1761; married, January 6, 1785, Hosea Sprague. Araunah, born 1767, died May 11, 1821. Nancy, born November 27, 1772; married November 17, 1791, Tertius Ellinwood. 6. Jonathan, born 1725, married, August 8, 1750, Judith Smith. Revolutionary War service. (See "History of Brimfield, 1701-1876," pages 389 and 344.)

(IV) Abraham Charles, son of John (3) and Elizabeth (Swetman) Charles, born November 20, 1715, died May 26, 1804; married Sarah Holbrook, 1760. She died March 27, 1795. Children: Nathaniel, born August 1, 1762, died April 8, 1819. Revolutionary War service; married Mary Lombard, April 10, 1794. Abraham, born November 2, 1763, died August 11, 1764. John, born July 6, 1765. Pelatiah, born January 30, 1767, died December 2, 1795. Darius, of whom further.

(V) Darius Charles, son of Abraham and Sarah (Holbrook) Charles, born December 6, 1768, died October 24, 1859; married, January 20, 1803, Prudence Faulkner; she died February 4, 1824. Married (second), December 22, 1825, Tirzah Holbrook. She died March 22, 1826. Married (third), April 30, 1828, Thena A. Thompson; she died June 16, 1868. Children: Truman, born March 29, 1804; married Mary Carlisle Allen, October 27, 1830; he died May 6, 1881. Abraham, of whom further. Daniel Faulkner, born April 7, 1810; died August 25, 1813. Salem, born April 11, 1813; died May 17, 1902. Dwight, born May 7, 1816; died March 8, 1824.



*Fred F. Pratt*





(VI) Abraham Charles, son of Darius and Prudence (Faulkner) Charles, born February 5, 1807, died August 18, 1889; married, May 3, 1837, Sarah Jane Thompson; she died February 6, 1840, leaving a daughter, Ellen Adelia, born March 16, 1838, who married, June 4, 1872, Edward Bliss. She died February 29, 1920. Married (second), September 29, 1841, Esther Lorean Wallis. She died March 2, 1906. Children: Luvan Augusta, born August 22, 1842; married Henry D. Hyde, October 9, 1866. She died August 21, 1922. Byron Wallis, born January 6, 1845. Civil War service, G Company, 46th Regiment, Massachusetts Infantry. He died August 8, 1919. Wilder Allen, born August 20, 1847, married in 1886, Kate (surname unknown); he died September 17, 1892. Salem Darius, born March 19, 1850; married, June 12, 1911, Ada Kimmel; he died December 6, 1915. Frederic Abraham, of whom further.

(VII) Dr. Frederic Abraham Charles was born in Brimfield, Massachusetts, in the ancestral home of the Charles family, March 10, 1863. His father, Abraham Charles, was a farmer all his life in that town, and died there August 18, 1889. He was a great-grandson of the John Charles (3) who, as the fourth settler of the town of Brimfield, went there from Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1716, and was one of those patient enduring pioneers who carved the now present town of Brimfield's foundation out of the rough wilderness. The mother of Dr. Charles was Esther Lorean (Wallis) Charles, and was born in Holland, Massachusetts, August 27, 1822. The Wallis family, like the Charles family, was prominently connected in Massachusetts. Abraham and Esther Lorean (Wallis) Charles had five children, of whom Dr. Frederic A. Charles, of this review, is the only survivor, at this date, March, 1926.

Dr. Charles first attended the public schools of Brimfield, completing his education at the Hitchcock Free Academy in Brimfield, whence he was graduated in June, 1882. At the age of nineteen years he went to Ohio, where, for two years, he was employed by the Toledo, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad. Here he filled the positions of baggage master and express messenger, later, in turn, engine fireman, round-house worker, clerk in freight office, passenger brakeman, passenger train conductor. He resigned his last named position and made a complete inventory of the rolling stock of said railroad, for the American Loan and Trust Company of Boston, Massachusetts, returning to Boston he accepted the position of superintendent of construction with the Service Tie Plate Company, and in that capacity directed the laying of the first service tie plates on any railroad in the United States and Canada. His work in this line was confined principally to railroads in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and the Intercolonial Railway in Canada.

Thereafter for a period of two years he was a travelling salesman for the Neverslip Horse Shoe Company of Boston; he then returned to Ohio and took a position in the factory of the National Cash Register Company of Dayton, subsequently he was travelling salesman for this company for two years.

In 1890 he went to Baltimore, Maryland, having reached the decision to become a dentist. He matriculated at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, the oldest dental college in the world, whence he was grad-

uated in the class of 1892, with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. He first engaged in the practice of his profession at Catskill, New York, subsequently he removed to Boston, and later to Exeter, New Hampshire, where from 1895 to 1923, he was in active practice. During that period he took an active interest in Exeter town affairs, and for six years, 1918 to 1924, served as moderator of said town; was a director in Exeter Coöperative Bank. After spending nearly three decades in Exeter, Dr. Charles returned to Palmer, in his native State, and since July, 1923, he has been in continuous practice, having his offices at No. 341 Main Street.

For several years Dr. Charles has taken an active interest in the Hitchcock Free Academy in Brimfield, Massachusetts; he was elected a member of the board of trustees, of said institution in 1920, and president of the board in 1923, and president of the Alumni Association of said academy in 1924. He is the donor of the Abraham Charles prizes for public speaking, which he founded in memory of his father, who was one of the members of the original board of trustees of the institution, founded by Samuel Austin Hitchcock in 1855.

Dr. Charles is well known as a fraternal society man. He is a member of and a Past Master of Star in the East Lodge, No. 59, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Exeter, New Hampshire; member of St. Alban Chapter, No. 15, Royal Arch Masons; the Olivet Council, No. 11, Royal and Select Masters, also in Exeter, New Hampshire; member of the Scottish Rite bodies, Ineffable Grand Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree; Grand Council, Princes of Jerusalem, sixteenth degree, New Hampshire Chapter Rose Croix, eighteenth degree, Valley of Portsmouth and Dover, the thirty-second degree in the New Hampshire Consistory; the Lawrence Chapter, No. 78, of Lawrence, Massachusetts. Order of the Eastern Star; member and Past Grand of Sagamore Lodge, No. 9; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Exeter, New Hampshire; a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of New Hampshire; member of Odlin Encampment, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Exeter, New Hampshire; member of Fraternity Rebekah Lodge, No. 43, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Exeter, New Hampshire. Member and Past Warden of Byington Lodge, No. 321, New England Order of Protection, of Exeter, New Hampshire; a Past Grand Warden, year 1921, of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, of the New England Order of Protection. Member of Ossipee Lake Grange, No. 175, of Mountainview, New Hampshire, Patrons of Husbandry.

Dr. Charles married, March 24, 1896, Ida M. Franks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Franks, of Houlton and Calais, Maine. They have six children: 1. Marion Freeland, born in Exeter, New Hampshire; married Edward L. Sleeper, of Winthrop, Massachusetts, and they have one son, Richard Thorndike, born September 29, 1914. 2. Salem Darius, 2d, born July 18, 1898, married Ruth M. Higgins, of Exeter, New Hampshire, May 13, 1923. He was a volunteer in February, 1917, before the United States entered the World War, and was advanced to the post of gun captain, in which capacity he went overseas and was honorably discharged October, 1919. 3. Frederic Abraham, Jr., born March

22, 1900, enlisted in the World War. 4. Byron Wilbur, born February 1, 1904. 5. Esther Luvan, born October 7, 1905. 6. William Arthur, born in New Durham, New Hampshire, May 31, 1912.

Dr. Charles is a member of the Congregational Church of Exeter, New Hampshire.

**ROSCOE KENT NOBLE**—Among the surnames in England of great antiquity is that of Noble. It first appears in 1199, in the reign of Richard I, and the name has been common since. It is found also in Scotland, and several noted merchants of that name lived in Edinburgh. Families in England, Scotland and Ireland bore arms. The principal seats of the family were in Cornwall, Belson and Bishop's Tentoe, County Devon, and Marming, near Maidstone, County Kent. This family bore these arms:

Arms—Or, two lions passant guardant, in pale azure between as many flaunches of the last; on a fess gules three bezants.

Crest—A lion passant azure.

(I) Thomas Noble, the immigrant ancestor, was born as early as 1632, and died in Westfield, Massachusetts, January 20, 1704, aged at least seventy-two years. He was an early settler of Springfield, coming from Boston, where he was an inhabitant, January 5, 1653. He had an account at the store of John Pyncheon, in Springfield, and this account book shows that he visited England soon after removing from Boston. In 1664, with others, he was given leave to set up a saw mill on "a brook below Ensigne Cooper's farme over Agawam River." He was an appraiser of the town. He had lands granted him in Westfield in July, 1666, on condition of settlement, and the grant was renewed on January 9, 1668. He settled there as early as January 21, 1669, and was on a committee to decide the boundary lines. His homestead was about two and a half miles from the present center of the town. He served as constable, and took oath of allegiance January 23, 1678. He joined the Westfield Church February 20, 1681, and was admitted a freeman, October 12, 1681. He was fined five shillings at one time for travelling on a fast day. His home was exposed to Indian attacks during King Philip's War. Rev. Dr. Davis says: "One night during family prayers Gray Lock, an old Indian, stepped up and pulled the string and let the door swing open, and as soon as all was quiet he would pull the string again. Mr. Noble was persuaded by his friends to move into town. Gray Lock said he had several opportunities of killing most of his children at a shot, but did not want scalps as much as captives." On March 2, 1796, Thomas Noble was chosen county surveyor. He was a tailor by trade. His will was dated May 11, 1697, and proved September 5, 1704.

Thomas Noble married, November 1, 1660, Hannah Warriner, born in Springfield August 17, 1643, only daughter of William and Joanna (Scant) Warriner. She joined the Westfield Church November 11, 1680. she married (second), January 24, 1705, Deacon Medad Pomeroy, of Northampton. Children: 1. John, born March 6, 1662; married (first) A. Sackett; (second) M. Goodman. 2. Hannah, born February 24, 1664; married (first) J. Goodman; (second) N. Edwards; (third) S.

Partridge. 3. Thomas, born January 14, 1666; married Elizabeth Dewey. 4. Matthew; married Hannah Dewey. 5. Mark; married Mary Marshall. 6. Elizabeth, born February 9, 1673; married (first) R. Church; (second) S. Loomis. 7. Luke, mentioned below. 8. James, born October 1, 1677; married (first) Ruth, surname unknown; (second) C. Higley. 9. Mary, born June 29, 1680; married Ephraim Colton. 10. Rebecca, born January 4, 1683; married Samuel Loomis.

(II) Sergeant Luke Noble, son of Thomas and Hannah (Warriner) Noble, was born in Westfield July 15, 1675, and died there March 21, 1744. He was a farmer in Westfield, and joined the church there, November 24, 1700. His will was dated April 21, 1741, and proved April 16, 1744. He married (first), February 1, 1700, Hannah Stebbins, born December 22, 1680, died June 26, 1705, daughter of Thomas and Abigail (Munn) Stebbins. He married (second), May 5, 1708, Ruth Wright, born April 26, 1687, daughter of Joseph and Ruth (Sheldon) Wright, of Northampton. He married (third) Mrs. Sarah Dewey, probably the widow of Deacon David Dewey, of Westfield. She died August 3, 1756, aged seventy-four. Children of first wife, born in Westfield: 1. Luke, born October 23, 1700; married (first), E. Sackett; (second), H. Welsh. 2. Samuel, born January 6, 1705, died November 1, 1719. Children of second wife: 3. Ruth, born January 6, 1709, died August 1, 1714. 4. Moses, born April 1, 1710; married Mary Grant. 5. Aaron, born November 10, 1711, died unmarried, February 16, 1790. 6. Asa, born January 16, 1715; married Bethia Noble. 7. Naomi, born March 8, 1717; married Samuel Fowler. 8. Samuel, born August 5, 1722; married Catherine Fowler. 9. Jacob, mentioned below. 10. Ruth, born in February, 1726, died April 6, 1744. 11. Ephraim, born June 25, 1729, died August 12, 1734.

(III) Jacob Noble, son of Sergeant Luke and Ruth (Wright) Noble, was born at Westfield, March 5, 1725, and died there November 11, 1796. He was admitted to the church October 27, 1741. He resided where Oliver Mosely lived in 1852, about a third of a mile south of the Academy at Westfield. He married, May 5, 1750, Hannah Sackett, born in Westfield October 10, 1726, died October 13, 1799, the daughter of Joseph and Abigail Sackett. Children, born in Westfield: 1. Jacob, born January 29, 1751, died May 8, 1752. 2. Hannah, born November 22, 1752; married Samuel Pitts. 3. Elizabeth, born November 24, 1754; married Joseph Loomis. 4. Mercy (twin), born July 17, 1757; married (first) W. Everton; (second) E. Griswold. 5. Thankful (twin with Mercy), married (first) in May, 1778, Noah Ashley; (second) Judah Barnes; died October 3, 1825. 6. Jacob, mentioned below. 7. Benjamin, born May 13, 1762; married Mary Sikes. 8. Princes, baptized September 6, 1767; married Thomas Root.

(IV) Colonel Jacob Noble, son of Jacob and Hannah (Sackett) Noble, was born in Westfield November 28, 1759, and died there August 2, 1828. He was in the Revolution under Captain Gray, and was in the battle at Stone Arabia. Having taken part with the insurgents in Shay's Rebellion, he took the oath of allegiance March 26, 1787. He married, November 29, 1792, Eunice Moseley, born in Westfield October 18, 1771, daughter of



Azariah and Miriam (Parsons) Moseley. She retained her health and faculties to a wonderful degree until her death, June 13, 1856, aged eighty-four. Children, born in Westfield: 1. Clarissa, born November 23, 1793; married Joseph Avery. 2. Jacob Moseley, mentioned below. 3. Roland, born October 4, 1799, died unmarried, October 25, 1849. 4. Alvena, born December 5, 1801; married Dennis Hedges. 5. Fidelia, born January 8, 1807; married (first), October 16, 1834, Francis Taylor; (second), June 23, 1843, Frederick Fowler.

(V) Jacob Moseley Noble, son of Colonel Jacob and Eunice (Moseley) Noble, was born at Westfield, Massachusetts, January 13, 1797. He was a blacksmith by trade. He married, in 1824, Elizabeth Alderman, born in 1800. Children: 1. Jacob Augustus, born August 25, 1825. 2. Joseph Sheldon, mentioned below. 3. Carolina Eliza, born July 27, 1834.

(VI) Joseph Sheldon Noble, son of Jacob Moseley and Elizabeth (Alderman) Noble, was born at Westfield, Massachusetts, June 5, 1829, died in Springfield, Massachusetts, in February, 1898. He went to California in 1850, and was there one or two years. He travelled on the road for a time, and later went into the grain business in Springfield. He had a partner, a Mr. Moore, in the grain trade, which was conducted both on the retail and wholesale plan, and it was conducted under the firm name of Noble & Moore. Then he was for a time alone in business, but before long again took in a partner, Mr. Carter, and the firm was Noble & Carter, and he was alone in business until his death. He was turnkey under the sheriff at the Hampton County Jail, and ran for sheriff himself at one time. He was a member of Mount Moriah Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Westfield, and was a thirty-second degree Mason; also member of Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar. He attended the Congregational Church. In Leicester, on June 15, 1864, he married Lucy Watson Kent, of Scituate, Massachusetts, born May 24, 1841, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, in February, 1908, a daughter of David Waldo and Harriet Newel (Grosvenor) Kent. Their children were: 1. Caroline Edna, born February 15, 1866. 2. Daniel Waldo, born February 8, 1870, died March 1, 1870. 3. Burton Ellsworth, born July 25, 1871. 4. Roscoe Kent, mentioned below.

(VII) Roscoe Kent Noble, son of Joseph Sheldon and Lucy Watson (Kent) Noble, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, July 13, 1880. He was educated in the public schools of Springfield, and when through school carried on the grain business after his father's death for four years. He then went to Florence, Massachusetts, in the office of the Florence Manufacturing Company, now the Prophylactic Brush Company, where he remained about four years. He then went into the insurance business. In 1909 he opened an office in Northampton, doing a general real estate and insurance business. He carried this business on alone until January, 1922, when he took in a partner, and the firm name was Noble & Nuttleman. This partnership continued through 1922 and 1923. In 1924 Mr. Nuttleman sold out his interest to Mr. Bidwell, and since that date the name has been Noble & Bidwell. Mr. Noble has made his home in Florence since 1904. He is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton, of which he is

Senior Warden; a member of Northampton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; William Parsons Council, Royal and Select Masters; a member of Bethlehem Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; of the Exchange Club; was a member of the Memorial Church, of Springfield, and is now a member of the Congregational Church, of Florence.

On May 1, 1919, Mr. Noble married Elsie M. Ely, of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Oscar F. and Addie Judson (Marks) Ely. Mrs. Noble is a sister of Charles E. Ely.

**HENRY ADDISON BIDWELL**—One of the many names derived from Biddulph, meaning "War Wolf," is Bidwell, the surname of a family well known in New England, and of which Henry Addison Bidwell, a prominent realtor and insurance agent of Northampton, Massachusetts, is a member. Other derivatives of the original name are Bedwell and Biddle. Biddulph Castle, in County Norfolk, England, was built about 1066, and tradition says that one of William the Conqueror's generals married the Biddulph heiress and took her name. The Bidwell arms of the Devonshire and Thutford branches are so similar as to show them descended from a common ancestor. The arms of the Devonshire family are thus described by Burke:

Arms—Per saltire or and gules four roundels, each charged with a martlet, all counterchanged.

Crest—A hand in fesse couped holding a curling stone.

(I) John Bidwell, the founder of the New England branch of the family, was born about 1600 in England and came to America in 1630. He was one of the first settlers of Hartford, Connecticut, and operated a tannery on an island in the Little River. This land is now a part of Bushnell Park, in Hartford. His house lot was on the south side of Trumbull Street, now Pearl Street, in that city in 1640. With Joseph Bull he built a sawmill on Sawmill River, now Hockanum River, in 1669. They were granted two hundred and forty acres of land in the next commons for timber for their mill in 1671. John Bidwell shared with three others in a tract of two hundred and seventy acres in the distribution of 1666, probably lying on Burnside Avenue, East Hartford, once known as "Bidwell's Lane," upon which some of his descendants settled. He married Sarah Wilcox, daughter of John and Mary Wilcox. In his will he gives all his children sums which in those days were considered large bequests. The Province of Connecticut made a contract with three of his sons for the improvement of the channel of the Connecticut River, so that boats could sail up to Hartford. It is believed that this was the earliest navigation contract made in America. John Bidwell died in 1690, and his wife in 1687. A monument at Hartford, erected to the memory of the founders and settlers of the colony, and bearing one hundred and one names contains the name of John Bidwell on the north face of the monument. His oldest son was John (2), of whom further.

(II) John (2) Bidwell, eldest son of John (1) and Sarah (Wilcox) Bidwell, was born in Hartford, Connecticut, about 1641, died July 3, 1692. He owned a sawmill, grist mill and fulling mill at Hartford, and owned



other mills at East Hartford, Wethersfield and Middletown, Connecticut. He was estimated as a man of considerable wealth for his time. He married, November 7, 1678, Sarah Welles, born in 1659, died in 1708, daughter of Thomas Welles and granddaughter of Governor Thomas Welles, of Connecticut. John Bidwell and his wife were admitted to full communion in the Center Street (Second) Church at Hartford, February 21, 1681. He left an estate valued at ten hundred and eighty-one pounds. His eldest son was John (3), of whom further.

(III) John (3) Bidwell, eldest son of John (2) and Sarah (Welles) Bidwell, was born in Hartford, Connecticut, September 1, 1679, and died at East Hartford, Connecticut, September 3, 1751. He built a saw and grist mill in East Hartford on the Hockanum River, which was twice burned by the Indians. It is told of him that he was once so fatigued from overwork that he fell asleep in his mill and slept twenty-four hours. Awakening at sunset, he shut down the mill, went home, and found to his horror that the mill had been running all day Sunday. He kept the next twenty-four hours as piously as though it were the Sabbath, reading the Bible and abstaining from work. He married Hannah Pitkin, born May 30, 1684, died January 14, 1751, daughter of Captain John Pitkin. Of his children the fourth was Joseph, of whom further.

(IV) Joseph Bidwell, fourth child of John (3) and Hannah (Pitkin) Bidwell, was born in 1709, died in 1793. He married Hannah Rockwell, born December 25, 1717, died at East Hartford, Connecticut, in 1806. Of their children, the second child was Eleazur, of whom further.

(V) Eleazur Bidwell, second child of Joseph and Hannah (Rockwell) Bidwell, was born at East Hartford, Connecticut, August 2, 1752, and died at Colebrook, Connecticut, November 2, 1840. He was a sergeant in the 4th Connecticut Regiment, commanded by Colonel Benjamin Hinman, and recruited mainly from Litchfield County, Connecticut, in April and May, 1775. This regiment was sent to Ticonderoga, New York, and participated in the operations of the Northern Department of the Continental Army in the invasion of Canada. His term of service expired December 31, 1775. He married his cousin, Ruth Bidwell, born September 15, 1752, at East Hartford, died April 27, 1825, at Colebrook, Connecticut. Of their children the eldest was Eleazur (2).

(VI) Eleazur (2) Bidwell, eldest son of Eleazur and Ruth (Bidwell) Bidwell, was born at Colebrook, Connecticut, July 29, 1776, and died there October 26, 1854. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church of North Colebrook, Connecticut, and in 1802 he served as selectman of the town. He married, December 22, 1796, Rhoda Ives, born at Colebrook, October 22, 1781, died at Brighton, Ohio, November 5, 1865. Of their children the youngest was Henry Addison, of whom further.

(VII) Henry Addison Bidwell, youngest son of Eleazur (2) and Rhoda (Ives) Bidwell, was born in Tolland, Massachusetts, June 8, 1815, died at Becket, Massachusetts, April 4, 1882. He formed a partnership, the firm being known as Bidwell, Wheeler & Claflin, the last named member being William Claflin, who was Governor of Massachusetts, from 1872 to 1874. They built and conducted a store at Becket, and carried on an extensive

lumber and tannery business. They cut hemlock timber, using the bark for the tannery and the lumber for building purposes. Mr. Bidwell built most of the houses of his time in Becket, and was an influential man in the community. The store, managed by him, did a business totaling \$140,000 a year. He twice represented his district in the Massachusetts Legislature, and served as postmaster of Becket. After using up the hemlock lumber on the hills in the Becket region, the firm moved its plant to Caroga, Fulton County, New York, where they operated a business along similar lines to those in Becket. They conducted large tanneries and lumber mills. He was affiliated with Mount Moriah Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Westfield, Massachusetts, and was a member of the Baptist Church. He married, June 24, 1845, Louisa Hull, born June 2, 1816, at Tolland, Massachusetts, died at Becket, Massachusetts, July 10, 1895, daughter of John and Rebecca (Slocum) Hull. They had children: 1. David Henry, of whom further, born at Becket, March 13, 1847, died there August 16, 1909. 2. Addison Hull, of whom further, born at Becket, December 3, 1850, died there October 26, 1907. 3. Walcott, born at Becket, March 26, 1854, died there April 24, 1855. 4. Sarah Louisa, born at Becket, April 16, 1857, died there unmarried, September 23, 1917.

(VIII) Their eldest child, David Henry Bidwell, was a merchant. He married, June 16, 1873, Anne Pulsifer born at Conway, Massachusetts, July 10, 1853, died in New York City January 8, 1924. They had one child, Bertha, born at Caroga, New York, July 31, 1879; married, January 25, 1900, Pratt Anthony Brown, born at Macon, Georgia, September 6, 1874, died at Jacksonville, Florida, in April, 1911. He was a lawyer in New York City.

(VIII) Addison Hull Bidwell, second child of Henry Addison and Louisa (Hull) Bidwell, was educated in the schools of Becket and Wilbraham Academy, Massachusetts. He was manager of the Bidwell, Wheeler & Claflin Company store at Caroga, New York. This business was later closed out, and Mr. Bidwell returned to Becket, Massachusetts, where he conducted a general store up to the time of his death. He was interested in building and real estate, and served as postmaster for many years. He was active in town affairs, and contributed to the support of the two churches in the town. He married, June 12, 1878, Florence Halsey Smith, born in Durham, Connecticut, daughter of Rev. Iram W. Smith, a Congregational minister. They had two children: Henry Addison, of whom further, and David Halsey, born at Becket September 27, 1894, and died two months afterward.

(IX) Henry Addison Bidwell, elder son of Addison Hull and Florence Halsey (Smith) Bidwell, was born in Caroga, Fulton County, New York, November 18, 1885, and when he was two years old he was brought to Becket, Massachusetts, by his parents on their removal from Caroga. He was a pupil in the public schools of Becket, and was graduated from the high school of Springfield, Massachusetts, in the class of 1905. During his boyhood and the school vacations he was employed in his father's store at Becket. His school years at an end, he became connected with the department store of Meekins, Packard & Wheat, in Springfield, where he was





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floorwalker and manager and had to do with the hiring of help. He remained with that firm for three years, and upon the death of his father he returned to Becket and managed the store that his father had operated. At the end of another year he disposed of the business, and beginning with the year 1908 he gradually worked into the real estate business at Becket. In the fall of that year he went to Springfield, where he opened a real estate office. He disposed of that business in 1909, and for two years was a traveling representative. Returning to Becket in 1912, he again engaged in the real estate business, adding insurance, with headquarters in that town. His activities covered a wide area. He was chairman of the board of selectmen and overseer of the poor of Becket.

Mr. Bidwell was always interested in military affairs, and was captain of a local militia company in Springfield. During the World War he was engaged in secret service work for the government. In 1923 he was special agent for the Globe Indemnity Company, covering a large part of New England in the interest of that company. In February, 1924, he formed a co-partnership with Roscoe K. Noble, of Northampton, Massachusetts, the firm engaging in the real estate and insurance business. He retains his real estate and insurance business interests in Becket, where he owns the Bidwell homestead. He is a director of the Morrissey-Stowell Company, contractors, of Springfield. He became a member of Globe Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Hinsdale, Massachusetts, and on removing to Northampton he transferred his membership to Jerusalem Lodge of that city. He is also a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, and of Bela Grotto, Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, of Springfield. His clubs are the Exchange, of Northampton, and the Park, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Henry Addison Bidwell married, June 7, 1922, Marion Smith, born in 1888, in Meriden, Connecticut, daughter of Dr. Edward Wier and Helen Bethiah (Rice) Smith.

**CHARLES HENRY JOHNSON**—A banker of long experience and great ability, a citizen with the best interests of his town at heart, and a man of fine character, Charles Henry Johnson is generally regarded as a leader in all progressive activities in Easthampton, Massachusetts. He is a member of a family long significant in the history of New England. The first of the house to settle in America was Thomas Johnson, who came to New England with his brothers (presumably) Robert and John, from Kingston-on-Hull, England, and landed at Boston. They were Puritans. Thomas and Robert Johnson settled in New Haven, but John moved on to Rowley, Massachusetts, where the former pastor of the three, Ezekiel Rogers, had settled with his followers. Thomas Johnson was drowned in New Haven harbor in 1640. He married Helena, surname unknown, and one of their children was William, who was born in England, October 10, 1635. Various names have been assigned to William Johnson, including Wingle or Windle, and confusing him with his cousin William of Guilford, son of Robert Johnson. The traditional English home of the family was Cherry-Burton, three miles from Beverly, Yorkshire. William Johnson married (first) in

America, in December, 1664, Sarah, daughter of John and Jane (or Jeanne Wollen or Woolin) Hall, born in 1643, and baptized by Rev. Mr. Davenport in New Haven, August 9, 1646. He married again, according to some records, but had no children. A husbandman and planter, he owned much land in New Haven and in Wallingford, where he was one of the original proprietors in 1670. He sold a plot of land twenty rods square to Isaac Curtis in 1694.

His son, Sergeant Jacob Johnson, was born in New Haven, September 25, 1674, and died July 17, 1749. He was sergeant of the Wallingford trainband, as recorded in a deed dated 1752 and in probate records. Four times he was deputy to the General Court from Wallingford, and he was a wealthy landowner, whose estate was valued at over £14,000, including four hundred acres and several slaves. He married (first), December 14, 1693, Abigail, daughter of John and Abigail (Merriman) Hitchcock, granddaughter of Matthias Hitchcock, one of the original signers of the "fundamental agreement" of the New Haven colony. Abigail Hitchcock was born in New Haven, April 10, 1674.

One of the children of Sergeant Jacob and Abigail (Hitchcock) Johnson was Lieutenant Caleb Johnson, born in 1703.

His son, Isaac Johnson, born in Willington, Connecticut, January 17, 1735, died September 14, 1808. He married Elizabeth Beals, born in 1735, who died April 6, 1803.

Their son, Caleb Johnson, born in Wilmington, Connecticut, November 6, 1757, died January 17, 1823. He moved to Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1785, thence to Williamsburg, in 1789. Caleb Johnson married Mary Scott, born July 30, 1755, died July 30, 1859.

Their son, Benjamin Johnson, born in Hadley, July 15, 1787, died September 29, 1855. A farmer, he also owned and operated the Johnson Tavern on the Beaver Brook Road between Williamsburg and Northampton. He married Eleanor Swaney, of Lyme, Connecticut, born April 29, 1783, daughter of John Swaney, who was a Revolutionary soldier. Children: Benjamin Sidney, and Charles B., of further mention.

Charles Bigelow Johnson, eighth in line of descent of his family in America, son of Benjamin and Eleanor (Swaney) Johnson, was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, October 24, 1816, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, 1887. In Haydenville he was associated with Williston and Hayden, pioneer covered-button manufacturers, and he moved to Easthampton with them when they transferred their factory to that town. There he was for many years town clerk and town treasurer, and there he engaged for a time in the insurance business. He married Emily M. Treat, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, daughter of Chauncey and Emily (Chapman) Treat. She was born in 1820 and died in 1911. They had one son, Charles H. Johnson, of further mention.

Charles Henry Johnson, ninth of his family in direct descent from the American progenitor, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, August 30, 1856. He attended the local public schools and graduated from Williston Academy in 1875. That same year he entered the Easthampton Bank, as clerk in the savings and national bank departments. When the two departments separated and

became the Savings and the National Bank, occupying different quarters, Mr. Johnson, who was cashier of the National Bank, was in 1899, transferred to the Savings Bank, of which he was made treasurer, an office he still holds. Mr. Johnson has been with the bank throughout its growth from a small affair with deposits of \$300,000 to its present status of a large and important concern with over \$4,000,000 on deposit. He is a director in the First National Bank of Easthampton, in the Hampshire County Trust Company of Northampton, in the Glendale Elastic Fabric Company of Easthampton and the Easthampton Gas Company. Much interested in civic affairs, Mr. Johnson for twelve years was a member of the School Board. Affiliated with the Congregational Church, he has served it as clerk and deacon for thirty-eight years. He is a member of the Pascommock Club.

Mr. Johnson married, January 13, 1886, Hattie Muchmore Strong, of Northampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Ebenezer and Rebecca (Whitney) Strong. Children: 1. Paul Beekman, born May 30, 1887, attended Cornell University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology; is an architect in Springfield, Massachusetts, and married to Maud W. Hess, by whom he has three children: Gordon Hess, Eleanor May, and Wilbur Clark. 2. Carl Strong, born April 2, 1893, graduate of the University of Maine, an orchardist, married to Myrtle Naugle, and has one daughter, Doris Winefred. 3. Edward Whitney, born October 16, 1899.

**FRANK LEON HUXLEY**—Northampton's repute for its business men of genuine merit as builders of the city's homes and its best civic interests is confirmed in the experience of men of the type of Mr. Huxley, who, both as a building contractor and a member of the city government, has long been associated with the community's industrial and civic advancement. His belief in Northampton and its progress is that of the citizen born and bred here, sharing in the establishment of its continued prosperity, and aiding all movements that have to do with the general welfare.

The surname Huxley originated from residence in the township of Huxley in the parish of Waverton in Cheshire, England. "This Inquest post mortem was taken at Chester, on the Tuesday next after the Feast of Trinity 4 Henry VIII, by the oath of Richard Gerard, Hugh Tilston, of Huxley, Nicholas Huxley," etc.

(I) Thomas Huxley or Huxly is mentioned in the will of John Wakeman, of New Haven, Connecticut, as his servant, to whom he gives his "short gun," September 14, 1661. John Wakeman was in the list of freemen of New Haven, June 4, 1639, so that Huxley may have been in New Haven several years before 1661, a well-grown youth when the will was made. After his term of service expired, he removed to Hartford, before 1668, and was the grantee of lands there from John Pantry and Obadiah Spencer, August 29, 1671; and a grantor 1674, 1679, and 1684. In 1678 he removed to Suffield, Massachusetts (now in Connecticut). Sergeant Thomas Huxley, in 1686, was voted keeper of "public house," and served as selectman, 1686-8, 1689-90, and 1697-8. He married about 1667, Sarah Spencer, oldest daughter of Thomas Spencer, Jr., of Hartford. He died July 21,

1721, and she died October 24, 1712. Children, first five born in Hartford, the rest in Suffield: 1. Thomas, born April 7, 1668, fence viewer, Suffield, 1698. 2. John, of whom further. 3. Sarah, married, January 10, 1688, James Barlow; (second) Ebenezer Smith. 4. Mary, married, 1692, Ichabod Smith, of Hadley and Suffield. 5. Elizabeth, died August 20, 1745, married, June 23, 1698, James King. 6. Jared, born in Suffield in 1680. 7. Hannah, born 1682. 8. Nathaniel, born 1683, died within two years. 9. William, born 1687.

(II) John Huxley, son of Thomas and Sarah (Spencer) Huxley, was born in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1670, and died in Suffield, Massachusetts, April 15, 1722. He owned land and was probably a farmer. He held office as constable, fence viewer, and surveyor of highways. He married (first), June 23, 1698, Elizabeth King. She died April 5, 1705, and he married (second), November 6, 1706, Experience Gibbs. Children, by first wife: 1. John, born June 12, 1700, died December of the same year. Children by second wife: 2. John, of whom further. 3. Elizabeth, born October 15, 1710.

(III) John Huxley, son of John and Experience (Gibbs) Huxley, was born in Suffield, Massachusetts, July 12, 1707, and died in Stafford, Connecticut, about 1768. The only records of him are found at Stafford and Suffield, where his children were born and where he owned land. He married, at Suffield, April 24, 1733, Naomi Gary. Children: 1. Anne, born December 15, 1733. 2. John, born August 7, 1735, died young. 3. Lucy, born May 5, 1737. 4. John, of whom further. 5. Phineas, born April 19, 1741. 6. Martha, born April 2, 1744. 7. Sarah, born December 6, 1746.

(IV) John Huxley, son of John and Naomi (Gary) Huxley, was born in Suffield, Massachusetts, April 30, 1739, and died in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. He served in the French and Indian War in 1756. In 1757 he removed from Suffield, Massachusetts, to Great Barrington, Massachusetts. In the Revolutionary War he was a private in Captain Aorson's Company, 3d New York Regiment, on the line from 1776-1779. He enlisted again at Great Barrington, Massachusetts, in Lieutenant Person's Company, Colonel Ashley's Regiment, 1781, and served throughout the war. He married, in 1757, Mary Highstead, of Sheffield, Massachusetts. Children: 1. Ann, born July 6, 1758. 2. James, born 1759. 3. Silas, of whom further.

(V) Silas Huxley, son of John and Mary (Highstead) Huxley, was born in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, in 1761. He followed the sea for several years, and later removed to Northern Vermont and then into Lower Canada (Province of Quebec) where his son, William Harvey, was born in 1797.

(VI) William Harvey Huxley, son of Silas Huxley, was born in Lower Canada, January 20, 1797, and died at Alburgh Springs, Vermont, November 21, 1874. He served in a company organized in 1839 to quell border controversies with the Canadians, and during one invasion of the Canadians his house was burned. He married (first) Alma Wing, who was born March 8, 1803, died March 18, 1845, daughter of John, granddaughter of Giles and Mary (Cornell) Wing; great-granddaughter of Jabez; and great-great-granddaughter



of Joseph and Deborah Wing. William Harvey Huxley married (second) about 1846, Margaret Scott. Children, by first wife: 1. Elizabeth. 2. Silas. 3. Hannah. 4. John, of whom further. 5. Phoebe, born 1838, died 1839. Children by second wife: 7. Alma, born 1847. 8. Amelia M. born 1849. 9. Charles M. 10-11. Martha and Mary, born 1853. 12. Malisia, born 1856.

(VII) John Huxley, son of William and Alma (Wing) Huxley, was born at Alburgh Springs, Vermont, March 23, 1835, and died in Northampton June 16, 1914. He left home when he was fifteen years of age and came to Massachusetts, and thence to Pennsylvania. Upon his return to this State he enlisted in the 21st Massachusetts Regiment of Infantry for service in the Civil War, continuing therein three and a half years. He participated in the first Bull Run Battle; and he was in the hospital for some time with fever and ague, the only occasion that he was under a doctor's care until after he was forty-eight years of age. He was a sergeant of his company, and he also had charge of an ambulance corps. After his discharge from the service he went West a while, later, returning East, he lived in Deerfield and Whately. In 1867 he came to Florence, where he conducted building operations until a few years prior to his death. He constructed many residences, and he retired during the latter years of his life. He married, November 22, 1867, Emily Montague, who was born in North Leverett, Massachusetts, August 19, 1848, and died in Northampton, October 11, 1901, daughter of VI Elijah and Emily Hemenway Montague. She was a descendant of Richard Montague, one of the original settlers of Hadley, Massachusetts, through John II, Samuel III, Richard IV, Elijah V. The children of John and Emily Huxley: George L., Frank L., of whom further; Alice May, and Florence Alma.

(VIII) Frank Leon Huxley, son of John and Emily (Montague) Huxley, was born December 12, 1869, in Northampton, where he attended the public schools. He worked for his father and others at the carpenter's trade until 1904, when he began to engage in building operations on his own account; and since then he has done general contracting, largely residential work, having constructed many fine homes in Northampton and its neighborhood. He has served in the City Council as a member of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; and he is a member of the board of trustees of the Nonotuck Savings Bank. He is also a member of the Men's Club of the Edwards Congregational Church, and George S. Bliss Camp, Sons of Veterans.

Frank Leon Huxley married, November 16, 1895, Marion Batchellor, of Hatfield, daughter of Henry and Mary Elizabeth (Scott) Batchellor; and they are the parents of: 1. Robert Standish Huxley, born August 18, 1896; he graduated at Pratt Institute in New York City, as an architect, and is associated with his father in business. At the time of the World War he was in training camp from June, 1918, to the signing of the Armistice, as a member of the United States Army Aviation Corps. He married, November 22, 1922, Charlotte Parsons, of Florence, daughter of Charles O. and Mame (Dillworth) Parsons, and they are the parents of Charles Robert Huxley, born February 11, 1925. 2. Hurbert Seymour Huxley, born January 8, 1898. He at-

tended the public schools, and is associated in business with his father. He married, October 9, 1920, Dorothy Newcomb, daughter of Walter R. E. and Mary (Dalrymple) Newcomb. 3. John Maurice Huxley was born July 14, 1901, and died November 28, 1918. 4. Richard Montague Huxley was born May 15, 1902, and died November 28, 1918. John M. and Richard M. Huxley were victims of influenza on the same day.

(The Scott Line).

(I) William Scott, born in England, came to Hadley, now Hatfield, Massachusetts, about 1668. He married, January 28, 1670, Hannah Allis, daughter of William Allis, of Hatfield. Children: 1. Josiah. 2. Rachel. 3. William. 4. Hannah. 5. Joseph, of whom further. 6. John. 7. Mary. 8. Mehitable. 9. Jonathan. 10. Abigail.

(II) Joseph Scott, son of William and Hannah (Allis) Scott, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, March 21, 1682, and lived and died at Hatfield, Massachusetts. He married, February 13, 1707, Lydia Leonard. Children: 1. Lydia. 2. Miriam. 3. Ebenezer. 4. David. 5. Hepzibah. 6. Joseph, of whom further. 7. Martha. 8. Leonard. 9. Abigail. 10. Submit.

(III) Joseph Scott, son of Joseph and Lydia (Leonard) Scott, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, in 1722, and died June 4, 1776. He was early of Whately, and was at Fort Massachusetts at the time of its capture by the French in 1746. He married Margaret Belding. Children: 1. Ebenezer. 2. Joel. 3. Margaret. 4. Joseph. 5. Gad. 6. Lucius. 7. Abigail. 8. Abraham, of whom further. 9. Hepzibah. 10. Isaac. 11. Lydia Leonard. 12. Submit. 13. Israel.

(IV) Abraham Scott, son of Joseph and Margaret (Belding) Scott, was born in 1763 and died June 14, 1803. He was a resident of Whately, Massachusetts. He married, November 6, 1793, Elizabeth Smith, who died about 1826, daughter of Philip Smith. Children: 1. Content Wait. 2. Aretas, of whom further.

(V) Aretas Scott, son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Smith) Scott, was born in Whately, Massachusetts, August 16, 1794, and died February 17, 1849. He served in the War of 1812 as a member of the Whately Rifle Company. He settled at Hatfield. He was an athlete and prominent in local affairs, serving as selectman, assessor, etc., and was a farmer. He married November 21, 1816, Nancy Sanderson, daughter of Asa and Lucy (Scott) Sanderson. Lucy (Scott) Sanderson was a daughter of David Scott (son of Joseph, son of William). Children of Aretas and Nancy (Sanderson) Scott: 1. Mortimer. 2. Artemas. 3. Lucy. 4. Alma. 5. Abraham. 6. Martha. 7. Maria C. 8. Minerva. 9. Sophia Esther. 10. Nancy Sanderson. 11. Charles Abraham. 12. Edward Aretas. 13. Mary Elizabeth, of whom further.

(VI) Mary Elizabeth Scott, daughter of Aretas and Nancy (Sanderson) Scott, was born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, October 16, 1841. She married, March 31, 1867, Henry C. Batchellor, who died April 10, 1870. They were of Hatfield, Massachusetts. Children: 1. Marion Batchellor, born November 15, 1867, married, November 16, 1895, Frank Leon Huxley. (See Huxley VIII).



**CHARLES ARTHUR ALLINGHAM RICE—**

The New England family of Rice is descended from one Edmund Rice, who was born about 1594, and who came in 1638 or 1639 from Burkhamestead, Hertfordshire, England, to Sudbury, Massachusetts. This early colonist established the tradition of civic usefulness which has been handed down in the family from that early date. Whatever their walks of life, his descendants have been honest, law abiding, desirable citizens, many of them leaders of their communities, and obtaining deserved distinction. Charles Arthur Allingham Rice belongs in spirit and life, as well as by birth, to this fine old family. He is the son of Charles Edward and Julia A. (Wardwell) Rice, grandson of George and Ann (Allingham) Rice.

His father, Charles Edward Rice, was born in 1842 at Longmeadow, Massachusetts. Soon after he completed his schooling in the local schools there and in the vicinity, he answered the call for service in the Union Army during the Civil War. Enlisting as a private in the 22d Connecticut Regiment for nine months, he served with the Department of the South in the Carolinas, and at Alexandria was promoted to the rank of corporal. Returning home, he learned the trade of tinsmith, at which he practiced for seven years, moving about to various towns in Massachusetts, until he finally settled in Springfield. There he went into business for himself, doing all kinds of metal work and dealing in tinware and milk dealers' supplies. With energy and efficient management the business prospered. Mr. Rice married, June 8, 1864, Julia A., daughter of Nathan O. and Emeline Amanda (Beach) Wardwell, of Enfield, Connecticut. Their children were: i. Edward F., married Julia Gowdy; five children: i. Clifford E., married Ethelind Watkins, and father of one child, Marion. ii. Lula May, married Henry Williams, mother of four children: Edward F., Ann, Lee, Henry. iii. Mildred, married Ralph Otis, and had three children, Emerson, Caroline, and Marian. iv. Edward, married Pearl B. Crysler. v. Marion. 2. Clifford M., married Dora Fletcher, and died in 1914. 3. Amy, died in infancy. 4. Charles Arthur Allingham, subject of this sketch.

Charles Arthur Allingham Rice was born December 1, 1881, at Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. He received his education in the Springfield public schools and followed this early training with a course at Dartmouth College, from which he graduated in 1907. His early business career was developed in Chicago, where for seven years he was interested in various lines of enterprise. In 1914 he returned to Springfield and took over the management of the business founded by his father, now known as the C. E. Rice Company, of which Mr. Rice is proprietor. In addition, he has recently formed a sales corporation called the Rice-Durfee Company, of which he is president and treasurer, to deal in milk plant machinery and dairy farm equipment.

Mr. Rice is a member of the Masonic order, having taken all the York Rite degrees; he is a Knights Templar, and member of the Melha Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His college fraternity is Phi Sigma Kappa. He is a member of the Springfield Kiwanis Club, Springfield Country Club, Springfield Automobile Club,

the Chamber of Commerce, and the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a member of South Church, Springfield.

Charles A. A. Rice married, October 28, 1909, Lucy M., daughter of Horace R. and Hester (Hunter) Hurlbut, of Chicago, and they have three children: Charles Hurlbut, born December 16, 1912; Kathryn Hester, born October 11, 1914; Hamilton Hunter, born July 30, 1924.

**CHARLES WINFIELD DENNETT—**Because of his exceptional ability and force of character Mr. Dennett was well known in the town where he resided and among the leaders of the worsted and cotton trade throughout New England. He was born in Bowdoin, Maine, November 4, 1847, and died in Holyoke, Massachusetts, November 19, 1919. As a boy he attended Litchfield Academy, Litchfield, Maine, and afterwards by extensive reading and attention to his business concerns was largely a self-educated man. Removing to Lewiston, Maine, in 1860, when he was fourteen years old, he went to work in the Lewiston Bleachery and finally became overseer of the department in which he worked. Later, he went to the Hill Mill as overseer of the finishing room. In 1883, Mr. Dennett went to Westbrook, Maine, where he became superintendent of the Westbrook Manufacturing Company, remaining there until 1892. During that year he went to North Adams, Massachusetts, as manager of the old Johnson Mill, and he there built the addition known as the Dunbar mill. Mr. Dennett continued with that concern until 1903, when he removed to South Hadley Falls, to the Glasgow Mills, a concern that was reorganized as the Hadley Mills, with C. Fayette Smith, president, and Charles W. Dennett, vice-president and general manager.

Mr. Dennett always took an active part in the political and civic life of the community. In Westbrook he was a president of the City Council, and after a few years' residence in North Adams, he held the same office in that city. He was also president of the Board of Trade in North Adams, and was a delegate to many political conventions, and a member of committees of the New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association and of the Association of Wool and Worsted Manufacturers. In 1864 he entered the service of the United States in the Civil War and, as a member of the Lewiston Light Infantry, he served three months and was mustered out in July, 1864. He was not seventeen years of age when mustered out. He joined the Masonic order in Maine, and later became a member of Greylock Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at North Adams. He was also a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, Council of Royal and Select Masters, and St. Paul Commandery, Knights Templar, of North Adams. His religious fellowship was with the First Baptist Church of Lewiston, Maine.

Charles Winfield Dennett married, June 10, 1869, at Lewiston, Maine, where the ceremony was performed by Rev. M. J. Steere, to Susan J. Haley, of Topsham, Maine, daughter of Harvey and Phebe (Potter) Haley. Their children were: 1. Harlan Ingalls, born at Lewiston, Maine, July 14, 1877. 2. Winfield Haynes, born at Lewiston, Maine, October 21, 1880. 3. Ralph Norton,



*W. D. Bennett*









Harlow I. Bennett

born at Westbrook, Maine, November 3, 1885, died at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 1914. Mrs. Dennett died in 1914 at Old Orchard, Maine, and was buried in the family lot at Lewiston, Maine.

From Colonial days Mr. Dennett's ancestors were of the builders of the townships of Maine, and custodians of its civic and social life. The first emigrant to this country came from Sussex, County, England. The name, Dennett, is an English name of Norman derivation, originally d'Anet. The founder of the family came to England at the time of the Norman Conquest, and was granted lands in Sussex County which are still in possession of the family. Mr. Dennett's line of descent from the first comer of that name in New England is as follows:

(I) Alexander Dennett, the original emigrant from England, settled in New Castle, New Hampshire, about 1660, and died in 1698. His children were: Alexander (2), of whom further; Samuel, Amy.

(II) Alexander (2) Dennett was born in New Castle, New Hampshire, about 1664, and died in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, June 7, 1733. He lived part of his life in Kittery, Maine, as appears by Kittery records: "At town meeting, March 19, 1694, Alex. Dennett chosen surveyor of highways." "May 16, 1694, granted to Alex. Dennett 20 acres of land." He married about 1691, Mehitable Tetherly. Children of this marriage: Moses, Ebenezer (1), Susanna, Mehitable, Elizabeth, Sarah, Samuel.

(III) Ebenezer (1) Dennett was born in Kittery, Maine, in 1695, and he died there in 1758. He married, about 1713, Abigail Hill. Their children: Samuel, born March 19, 1715; Elizabeth, born October 22, 1719; Ebenezer 2d, born October 22, 1721; Mehitable and Susanna, twins, born May 29 1726; John, born May 20, 1730.

(IV) Ebenezer (2) Dennett was born October 22, 1721, and died March 18, 1808, in North Berwick, Maine. He first settled in Barnstead, New Hampshire, and went from there to Berwick, Maine, about 1746. He married, July 19, 1745, Mary Hanscomb, the ceremony being performed by Rev. John Newmarch, of Kittery. Their children: Samuel, born August 26, 1748; Mary, born February 15, 1753; Ebenezer, born August 3, 1764, died September 20, 1821; John, born June 28, 1767, died at Bowdoin, Maine, November 5, 1843; Annie R., born August 28, 1769, died in 1786; Moses, of whom further.

(V) Moses Dennett was born March 4, 1772, in Berwick, Maine, and died November 16, 1845, in Bowdoin, Maine. He removed from Berwick, or North Berwick, to Bowdoin, in 1795, with his brother John, with whom he bought two hundred acres of land in North Bowdoin, and he also had a boat-building business in Bowdoinham. He was active in civic matters, was a member of the Massachusetts Legislature before Maine was set off as a separate State. He had an important part in the establishment of the new State, and was a member of the Maine Legislature after the separation. He married, November 25, 1802, Susannah Combes, and they were the parents of: 1. Nathaniel, who lived in Sababatus and Webster, Maine, and married Mary Chase, and had children: Susan and Irwin. 2. Charles, of whom further. 3. Robert, who was lost at sea. 4.

Sarah H., who married Isaac Starbird, of Litchfield, Maine. 5. Annie. 6. Mary.

(VI) Charles Dennett was born May 2, 1808, in Bowdoin, Maine, and he died May 11, 1864, during the Civil War. With roving inclination in early life, he was in the mining camps of Arizona when he was nineteen years old, and returning to Maine, he afterwards went West again. In Ohio he engaged in trading, taking produce down the Mississippi River; in 1848 he was living in Illinois; and in 1849 he crossed the Isthmus of California, and arriving there in 1850, he prospected for five years, and he was a member of the first Vigilantes Committee that cleaned up San Francisco. Arriving home in 1855, he removed to Lewiston, Maine, in 1860. At the beginning of the Civil War, in 1861, he enlisted in Company B, 15th Maine Regiment, and serving two years in Florida, he was discharged, came home and re-enlisted in the 29th Maine Regiment. He died during the Red River campaign under General N. P. Banks. At the time of his enlistment he was over the military age. He gave his age as forty-two instead of fifty-two, so that he would be accepted for service, and on the military records of the United States his age is given as ten years less than it actually was. He and four of his sons were in the service; he and two of his sons died while on duty, and one son was taken prisoner by the Southern Army.

Charles Dennett married, December 10, 1835, Mary Starbird, sister of Isaac Starbird, who married Sarah H. Dennett. Their children: 1. Moses S., born September 3, 1838, enlisted in the 19th Maine Regiment and was killed in the battle of the Wilderness, May 6, 1864. 2. Norton, born September 6, 1841, enlisted in the 17th Maine Regiment, died in August, 1862, at Lewiston, Maine. 3. Menander, born in August, 1845, died in April, 1922, at Lewiston, Maine. He served in the 1st District of Columbia Cavalry, later consolidated with the 1st Maine Cavalry. Was captured by the Confederates just before the battle of Appomattox Court House. 4. Charles Winfield (q. v.). 5. Isaac Chase, born December 7, 1850, and died in October, 1892, at Boulder, Colorado.

**HARLAN INGALLS DENNETT**, vice-president and general manager of the Hadley Mills, was born July 14, 1877, at Lewiston, Maine. His father was Charles Winfield Dennett. His mother was Susan J. Haley, daughter of Harvey Haley, of Topsham, Maine. He attended school first in Lewiston, later in Westbrook, Maine, and afterwards the high school at North Adams, Massachusetts. Mr. Dennett then took the liberal arts course at Williams College, Williamstown, graduating with the class of 1900, and then he attended the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania, leaving in 1902 to enter upon a business career. He first became associated with the Johnson Mill, at North Adams, where he learned the business; and in December, 1903, he went to Hadley Mills, at South Hadley, where his father was vice-president and general manager, the firm manufacturing men's wear and dress goods. Mr. Dennett was superintendent there until 1912. The company experiencing financial reverses at that time, Mr. Dennett went



to Versailles, Connecticut, where he became president and general manager of a large plant then engaged in the manufacture of absorbent cotton and surgical bandages. Remaining with that firm until 1917, he then joined the Lewis Manufacturing Company, of Walpole, Massachusetts, where he continued a year. In the meantime the Hadley Mills had again been started under the receivership of C. Fayette Smith, and Mr. Dennett's father as general manager. These mills, employing some three hundred and fifty hands, have a weekly pay roll of about \$7,000, the product being sold directly to the cutting-up trade.

At the time of his father's death in 1919 Mr. Dennett was appointed general manager of the plant, and in 1922, when the receivership was discharged and the company reorganized, he was elected vice-president and general manager, and he has continued with the firm in this capacity.

Mr. Dennett is descended from the earliest settlers of Maine through both his father's and mother's families. His first maternal ancestor in New England was Samuel Haley, who came from the southeastern part of England in 1630 and settled on the Isle of Shoals, near Portsmouth. The family removed later to the mainland and established themselves in Kittery, Maine, and Portsmouth, New Hampshire. They later took up lands in Bowdoin, Brunswick and Topsham, Maine.

Mr. Dennett's grandfather, Harvey Haley, lived in Bowdoin, and about 1840 bought a farm in Topsham, Maine, and lived there until his death in 1888. His father, John Haley, owned a farm in Topsham and died there. Joseph Haley, father of John, lived in Brunswick, Maine, and served in the Revolutionary Army.

Mr. Dennett's fraternal affiliations are with Mount Holyoke Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of South Hadley Falls, Nonotuck Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Holyoke, the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, and the Council of Royal and Select Masters. He is a member of the Rotary, Canoe, Golf, and Rod and Gun clubs; and his religious fellowship is with the First Congregational Church.

Harlan Ingalls Dennett married, August 27, 1902, Sara Wood, daughter of Richard A. and Genevieve (Pierce) Wood, of North Adams, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. L. Tenney. They are the parents of Genevieve Susan, born at Holyoke, Massachusetts.

The West Boylston Manufacturing Company, one of the largest manufacturing plants in the State, came into existence by an act of incorporation in the General Court of Massachusetts, February 3, 1814, its purpose being the "manufacture of cotton and woolen cloths and fine wire." Its facilities, throughout its entire history, have been devoted to the manufacture of specialty lines, either in woolen or cotton. The first buildings were located in what was then known as White's Village, in West Boylston, Worcester County, Massachusetts, later called Oakdale. The original factory building was a small wooden structure, which was destroyed by fire and replaced about 1839. In 1900 the growing company was forced to move to a new location because its site became a part of the system of water

supply of Boston. The Williston Mills at Easthampton offered advantageous new quarters, and the move was made in 1900, after the old building had been remodeled and equipped with new machinery. Since then the expansion of plant, production and business has been rapid. New mills have been built, also living quarters and a fine community house for the use of employees. Among the many specialties now manufactured are fabrics and cords for bicycle and automobile tires, for the rubber industry, and filter fabrics for the sugar, paint, and oil trades; as well as drapery and upholstery materials.

The officers of the company are: James W. Lane, president; F. Coit Johnson, vice-president; and G. Arthur Cook, treasurer.

**FREDERICK CARLOS STEELE**, a civil engineer and surveyor of West Springfield, is a native of Massachusetts with ancestral ties dating to the early days of the colony. Frederick Carlos Steele was born in Reading, Massachusetts, November 15, 1885. He is the second son of Frederick Carlos and Eleanor Nelson Steele, the family he represents having been founded in New England by John and George Steele, who came from England and settled in Dorchester in 1630. John Steele led the band of settlers from Cambridge, Massachusetts, to Hartford, Connecticut; George Steele, the direct ancestor of the West Springfield family, accompanied him. From George Steele the line descends through James Steele, a commissary for Connecticut troops in King Philip's War; his son, Lieutenant John Steele; his son, Rev. Stephen Steele, a graduate of Yale College, class of 1718; his son, Lieutenant James Steele, who won his rank in the Colonial War of 1753; his son, Andrew Steele; his son, Aaron Steele; to his son, Rodney Charles Steele, a veteran engineer of the Boston and Maine Railroad at the time of his death in 1872. He was the father of Frederick Carlos Steele, and grandfather of the present Frederick Carlos Steele, of this record.

Frederick Carlos Steele, son of Rodney Charles and Mary S. (Baker) Steele, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 22, 1853, and died in Lyndonville, Vermont, in 1904. He was a painter and fresco artist, and passed the last twenty-five years of his life with the Boston & Maine Railroad, having charge of the paint shops in Springfield. For years his headquarters were in Springfield, but in 1900 he was transferred to Lyndonville, Vermont, to take charge of the railroad's paint shops at that place, where he died four years later. He was a Republican in politics; a member of the Congregational Church; affiliated with Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Springfield; and with Hampden Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Steele married Eleanor Nelson, of Palmer, Massachusetts, born in 1854; died February 12, 1917, daughter of Lyman N. and Eleanor (Hogaboom) Nelson. They were the parents of five children: Harry Williams (q. v.); Florence Eleanor, who married William Pike, of Pasadena, California; Frederick Carlos, of whom further; Lyman Nelson; and George Louis, physician of West Springfield.

Frederick Carlos Steele, son of Frederick Carlos and Eleanor (Nelson) Steele, was educated in the schools





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of Springfield and West Springfield, Massachusetts, and Lyndonville, Vermont, completing his studies at the Lyndon Institute. He was employed for two years in Cheney Brothers' drug store at Lyndonville, after which he came to Springfield, where he was employed similarly by E. F. Leonard for a time. Afterwards becoming associated with George N. Merrill & Company, civil engineers, he remained in their office for three years. He was with Cobb & Beasely, engineers, for the following two years. In 1911 Frederick Carlos and his brother, Harry Williams Steele, organized the firm of Steele Brothers, civil engineers, with offices at West Springfield. They are engineers for the town of West Springfield, and conduct a large and soundly established business. Mr. Steele is an assessor of the town of West Springfield; secretary of the West Springfield Planning Board; a director of the West Springfield Chamber of Commerce; and a member of the Republican Town Committee. Frederick Carlos Steele is a member of Mount Orthodox Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of West Springfield, and a Republican in politics.

Mr. Steele was married, February 22, 1916, to Sarah Eaton Darling, born in Turners Falls, Montague Township, Massachusetts; a resident of West Springfield since 1903, daughter of Irving A. and Lizzie Bowen Darling. Her father has been in business in West Springfield since 1903. He was born in New York State. Mrs. Steele is one of two children. Her brother, Irving H. Darling, was in the 101st Regiment in the World War. Mr. and Mrs. Steele are the legal parents of Eleanor Eaton Steele, born in Springfield July 10, 1924.

**HARRY WILLIAMS STEELE**, a prominent civil engineer and surveyor of West Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, November 2, 1880, the eldest son of Frederick Carlos Steele and Eleanor Nelson Steele. The family came to Springfield in 1889. He was educated in the public schools of Reading, Palmer, Springfield, and West Springfield, where he attended high school, graduating in 1899. Afterwards he passed two years at the University of Vermont in Burlington and was variously engaged until 1905, when he entered the offices of George N. Merrill & Company, civil engineers of Springfield and remained with them for seven years. He became thoroughly familiar with theoretical and practical engineering, and in 1911 he formed a partnership with his brother, Frederick C. Steele (q. v.) as Steele Brothers, establishing a civil engineering business with offices in West Springfield. They have charge of the engineering for sewers, roads, and other public works of the town of West Springfield, and have a large clientele of private interests. Mr. Steele is a former member of the West Springfield School Committee, and is a member of Mount Orthodox Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of West Springfield; of Tekoa Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being a past Noble Grand; a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity; and chairman of the prudential committee of the Congregational Church in Mittineague, West Springfield.

Mr. Steele was married October 17, 1906, to Mabel

Chapin, of West Springfield, daughter of Henry M. and Harriet (Darling) Chapin, a descendant of Deacon Samuel Chapin through his son Japhet; his son, Deacon David; his son, Josiah; his son, Israel; his son, James; his son, Henry M.; his daughter, Mabel. Henry M. Chapin, born April 28, 1840, died June 3, 1915. He married, November, 1866, Harriet Darling, and they were the parents of six children: Frank, Emma, Carrie, Mabel (Mrs. Steele), James, and Lester.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele are the parents of two children: Isabel, born February 28, 1909; and George Chapin, born February 24, 1911. The family home is at No. 13 Boulevard, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HON. JAMES WILLIAM O'BRIEN**—An all-round activity and consequent success in business matters, and accomplishment in the functions of civic office in behalf of his native city, are inclusive of the record that Hon. James William O'Brien has made in the course of a career of practical value and usefulness. Since the day when he first started in the business of buying and selling property, Mr. O'Brien has made a most thorough survey of the real estate field and its varied interests; he has displayed great energy in its development, and in realty and insurance affairs no one is more highly regarded. As mayor, he met the problems of office in a business-like way and to all civic and financial concerns with which his merit has made him a co-worker, he has given painstaking and unswerving devotion. Three generations of his family have shared in the business and professional life of Northampton.

Edmond O'Brien, the father of James William O'Brien, and son of Richard O'Brien, was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1832, and died May 14, 1914, in Northampton, Massachusetts, where he had located when he came to the United States in 1847, and where he resided to the time of his death. He was a stone mason by trade. He married Catherine Griffin, who was born in 1833 in Ireland, and died December 16, 1899, in Northampton, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Rowe) Griffin. Their children are: Mary; Thomas, who died in infancy; William; James William, of whom further; and Edward J., of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

James William O'Brien was born January 29, 1867, in Northampton, where he attended the public schools. From the age of twelve years he was employed for several years in a Northampton factory; and afterwards for the Springfield Street Railway Company, and then as a clerk in a grocery. In November, 1893, the real estate and insurance business of the firm of Barrett & O'Brien was established, that partnership continuing to 1914, when Mr. O'Brien carried the enterprise along alone for nine years. In 1923 he received his son, James William O'Brien, Jr., into partnership, the business having been conducted since that time under the firm name of J. W. O'Brien & Son, real estate and general insurance. During the long period in which Mr. O'Brien has been associated with his vocation, he has dealt extensively in real estate throughout Massachusetts and Connecticut, opening up tracts of land and selling house lots, and in many cases buying land, building houses

thereon, and selling. He has built many residences in Northampton, and he has taken the greatest interest in all public and civic affairs.

Mr. O'Brien was a member of the City Council in 1890 and 1891, and he served on the Board of Assessors seven years. He fulfilled the duties of mayor of Northampton in 1908 and 1909. He has been a member of the board of directors of the Northampton Coöperative Bank for thirty years; and for twenty-five years he has served as chairman of the finance committee of that bank. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus; and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

James William O'Brien married, June 12, 1894, Margaret E. Frawley, of Northampton, daughter of William and Bridget (Coleman) Frawley. Bridget (Coleman) Frawley was born in Ireland in 1841, and died November 9, 1924; she had come to the United States in 1856. Her brother, James Coleman, served in the Civil War and had charge of a recruiting station; he died in Fargo, North Dakota. The children of James W. and Margaret E. (Frawley) O'Brien: 1. Francis Edward, a sketch of whom follows. 2. James William, Jr., born February 27, 1898, at Northampton, and attended the public schools. He became a partner with his father in the real estate business in 1923. Enlisting in the World War in 1918, in the Marine Corps, he served on the United States Steamship "Texas"; he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Knights of Columbus.

**FRANCIS EDWARD O'BRIEN, M. D.**—The highly responsible executive and professional office of superintendent of the Hampshire County Sanatorium at Leeds, in the township of Northampton, is under the direction of Dr. Francis Edward O'Brien, a physician and surgeon whose capabilities as such have been recognized throughout Europe, particularly while put to their supreme test at the insistent demand of the battlefields and the epidemics of the World War. Four years in the medical service of the United States Navy were filled to the utmost for Dr. O'Brien with some of the most striking and remarkable events of the period, his calls to the performance of duty in his line being quite unparalleled for the historic occasions in which he participated for the sick and the wounded. He is of Northampton, and of that fact the township is justly proud; and here his father and grandfather have lived, his father, James William O'Brien, prominent in the real estate business, having been mayor of the city.

Dr. Francis Edward O'Brien was born September 12, 1895, in Northampton, where he attended the public schools, graduating at the high school with the class of 1912. He took a pre-medical course at Fordham University, graduating from the School of Medicine of that institution with the class of 1917, after completing a four-year course with high honors; and on this occasion he was awarded the Justin Herald prize for the best examination in medical jurisprudence. During his senior year at Fordham, also, he served as interne at St. Mary's Hospital, at Jamaica, Long Island. Even before his graduation at Fordham, Dr. O'Brien enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve Force, as assistant surgeon. He served thus for a month at the Newport Naval Hospital, after which he took an intensive train-

ing course in New York City, studying at St. Francis Hospital, St. Luke's, the Polyclinic, and the New York City Hospital. Upon being ordered to sea, he served until April, 1918, as junior medical officer aboard the United States steamship "North Carolina." With his promotion to senior medical officer in the United States steamship "Tenadores," he was placed in command of five junior medical officers and forty-five hospital corps men. He continued with that ship, it being engaged in transporting troops to France and returning wounded and sick men to this country until she was sunk off the coast of France in December, 1918, the doctor being one of the last to leave the ship. Because of his self-sacrificing service aboard ship during the influenza epidemic, he was recommended for the Naval Cross; and he devised a system for transporting wounded men that was mentioned in the surgeon-general's report. Dr. O'Brien made a total of thirteen round trips to Europe in the transport during the war; and he had on the "Tenadores" on one trip eight hundred and sixty-five sick and wounded men bound for the United States, of whom four hundred were surgical cases, about one hundred tubercular, twenty-five insane, and the remainder heart and chest cases. After the sinking of the "Tenadores" Dr. O'Brien temporarily returned to the United States, and for a time was attached to the United States steamship "Northern Pacific," after which he was ordered to the Eagle Boat Division, as division medical officer, operating in Northern Russian waters, and he occupied seventeen months on this trip with an incessant round of duties in his profession. He was connected with the American evacuation work at Archangel, in Russia, and later was in Norway, France, Spain, on the Adriatic shores, in Jugo-Slavonia, and in Turkey. At Novorossisk he assisted Admiral McCully during the typhus epidemic, when 5,300 cases were cared for. In May, 1920, leaving Constantinople for the United States, he was ordered to the main recruiting station in New York City, as medical examiner, and he was afterwards aboard the United States steamship "Delaware," where he was assistant medical officer of the ship with its crew of 1,400, during the South American cruise for Pacific manoeuvres. Dr. O'Brien was made past assistant surgeon of the United States Navy June 6, 1920, and he was thus enrolled upon his retirement from the service July 25, 1921. He was the youngest senior medical officer in the transport service during the war.

On August 6, 1921, the Hampshire County Commissioners, at a special meeting, appointed Dr. Francis E. O'Brien as physician and superintendent of the Hampshire County Sanatorium, at Leeds, succeeding Dr. Charles N. Perry, who had resigned, and the new incumbent was commended for his notable service in the United States Navy. He is a member of the American Medical Association and the Massachusetts Medical Society; and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. Francis Edward O'Brien married (first), August 22, 1917, Gladys Howell Fowler, of Port Jefferson, Long Island, who died January 18, 1920, while he was in the service; he married (second), July 5, 1923, Ethel May Riley, of Fall River, daughter of John Holland and Mary Emma (Mosley) Riley. John Holland Riley was born in England and came to the United States in 1867,







*Francis E. O'Brien*



*Ethel May O'Brien*





with his father, John Riley. Kenneth Fowler O'Brien, born June 21, 1918, is the son of Dr. O'Brien by his first marriage.

**ALBERT EATON TAYLOR** is one of the outstanding business men of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, where he is well and widely known for the important positions he holds with various local commercial, industrial and financial institutions. Mr. Taylor is a native son of Chicopee Falls, having been born there on October 9, 1865, a son of George Sylvester and Asenath Boylston (Cobb) Taylor, both of whom are now deceased. The father, George Sylvester Taylor, at his death in 1910, was serving as agent and treasurer of the Belcher & Taylor Agricultural and Tool Company of Chicopee Falls, and had also been moderator, selectman, and assessor of the old town of Chicopee; first mayor of the city of Chicopee; a member of the House of Representatives in 1890-91; a justice of the Police Court; and State Senator in 1899. His son, Albert Eaton Taylor, received his education in the public schools of his native community, following which he entered into local business circles by associating himself with the Chicopee Manufacturing Company, of Chicopee Falls. In 1888, together with Walter Bramley, they started to manufacture men's underwear under the firm name of Taylor & Bramley, starting business in a small building owned by the Lamb Knitting Machine Company. In 1890 the firm began the manufacture of children's and ladies' underwear, and in 1893 the company was incorporated under the Massachusetts laws with the firm name of The Taylor Bramley Company. From that year until 1920 the concern manufactured various lines of underwear, as well as athletic and bathing suits; but in 1920, upon a reorganization, all lines were discontinued except infant's shirts. At the present time (1926) Mr. Taylor is treasurer of the Taylor Bramley Company, as well as president and treasurer of the United Craftsmen Insurance Company of Springfield, Massachusetts. In financial circles he is identified with the Chicopee Falls Savings Bank as vice-president, and with the Commercial Trust Company of Springfield as a member of the board of directors. Politically, Mr. Taylor is a staunch Republican, and has served his chosen party ably and faithfully as councilman for two years, alderman-at-large in the city of Chicopee for four years, and as mayor of Chicopee for three terms, 1905-06-07. He has also been identified with local military circles as a member for four years of Company K, 2d Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and as a member of Colonel Clark's staff, of the 2d Regiment, for four years, retiring with the rank of captain. During the late World War he served on the Selective Service War Board. Fraternally, Mr. Taylor has been correspondingly active, and is a Past Master of Belcher Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts; Past High Priest of Unity Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Chicopee Falls; a member of Springfield Council, Royal and Select Masters, of Springfield, Massachusetts; a Past Commander of Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar, No. 6, of Springfield; a member of the Connecticut Valley Consistory, Sovereign Princes of the Royal

Secret, thirty-second degree; Past Potentate of Melha Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine, of Springfield; Bela Grotto, Mystic Order Veiled Prophets; and a member of Cabot Lodge, Knights of Pythias; Springfield Lodge, No. 261, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also president of the Oxford Country Club, of Chicopee Falls, and a member of the Longmeadow Country Club, of Longmeadow, Massachusetts. His religious affiliation is given to the Second Congregational Church of Chicopee Falls, of which he is a regular attendant and a liberal supporter.

Albert Eaton Taylor was married at Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, on June 15, 1895, to Florence M. Parsons, a daughter of Dwight H. Parsons. She died in 1916, and he was married (second), on August 22, 1918, to Blanche A. Newkirk, daughter of Epenetus T. Newkirk. By the first union Mr. Taylor is the father of two children: 1. Marjorie Brooks Taylor, married in 1924 to Victor E. Giles, of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, now living in Detroit, Michigan, and they have one son, Douglas Taylor Giles, born August 11, 1925. 2. George S. Taylor, born in September, 1905, and died on May 23, 1906. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor reside at No. 57 Washington Street, Chicopee Falls.

**RAYMOND H. JACKSON**—The son of one of Amherst's prominent and successful business men, and himself a far-sighted and constructive merchant, Raymond H. Jackson has added largely to the progressive business life of his native town. His grandfather, William Henry Jackson, was born in Glastonbury, Connecticut, in September, 1828, and died on May 8, 1910. He married Lurancy Babcock, who was born in Tolland, Connecticut, 1828, and who died in May, 1856. Their children were: Clara, who became Mrs. Smith. 2. William B., of whom further.

William Babcock Jackson was born in Rockville, Connecticut, in 1854, and died in Amherst on December 27, 1916. Apropos the death of Mr. Jackson the "Amherst Record," under date of January 3, 1917, had the following to say:

In the death of William B. Jackson the town of Amherst lost one of its most prominent and successful business men. Directing for many years the policy of one of the town's oldest business establishments, he was largely instrumental in keeping it in line with modern trade conditions. Directing his energies largely to his business, he found little time for outside activities. He came to Amherst early in his life, and learned the dry goods business in the store of George Cutler, serving for several years as a salesman in a store in Worcester and, returning to Amherst, he became a member of the firm of Jackson and Cutler, in which he was active up until his death. He was a member of the Congregational Church and of which he was the clerk for a number of years.

He married Leilla Hobard, who was born in Granby, Massachusetts, the daughter of Spencer and Marcia (Woods) Hobard, and who died on February 3, 1913. Leilla Hobard Jackson was a descendant of Edmund Hobard through: I. Edmund, Jr.; II. Samuel; III. Peter; IV. Joshua; V. Richard; VI. Spencer, who, as shown, married Marcia Woods. William H. and Leilla Jackson had three children: 1. Raymond H., of whom further. 2. Frank William, born November 14, 1888. 3. Ralph, who was born November 4, 1890.

Raymond Hobart Jackson was born in Amherst May 22, 1885, and received his education in the schools of his native town, attending later the Massachusetts Agricultural College, from which he was graduated in 1908, entering at once the dry goods store of Jackson & Cutler, where he learned the business in all its ramifications. He later became financially interested in the business, and in 1920 he took it over as its sole owner, still retaining the old firm name and carrying on its policy of modernization, so that now the business has become a finely equipped department store, doing a large and ever increasing trade. He is a member of the following organizations: The Pacific Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, Commandery, Knights Templar, and of the Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Springfield.

He married, October 22, 1908, Bertha M. Bolles, daughter of George W. and Martha (Moulton) Bolles, who is a direct descendant of Joseph Bolles through: II. Samuel; III. Jonathan; IV. Jonathan, Jr.; V. Lemuel; VI. Nelson; VII. George W., who married Martha Moulton. Raymond H. and Bertha M. Jackson have one son, Donald Bolles, born May 1, 1915.

**EARLE L. CARTER**, manager in Springfield, Massachusetts, for Paine, Webber & Company, of New York and Boston, was born July 24, 1893, at Bar Harbor, Maine. His father, Lester P. Carter, a contractor in Bar Harbor, is living in retirement. His mother, Ella F. (Hanson) Carter, is dead.

Earle L. Carter attended the public schools of Bar Harbor; and attended Dartmouth College, class of 1917. He followed this with a course in the Harvard School of Business Administration, and was graduated in 1918. The World War enlisted his energies and he was commissioned an ensign in the United States Navy in 1917, which he continued to serve until 1919. He was stationed at the Torpedo Station, Newport, Rhode Island. His college fraternity is the Phi Gamma Delta. He is a member of the Masonic order; of the Longmeadow Country Club; the Colony Club, of Springfield; the Exchange Club, of Springfield; the Dartmouth Club, of Springfield and Boston, and the Harvard Club, of Boston and Springfield.

Mr. Carter married, June 17, 1917, at North Adams, Massachusetts, Marion W. Wright, daughter of Charles W. and Emily P. (Keyes) Wright. They are the parents of Nancy Wright, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, April 19, 1923. Mr. Carter's business address is No. 387 Main Street; his house address No. 29 Washington Road, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOSEPH NORMAN DONAIS**—With the basis of his professional equipment for his career in law inclusive of special study and research and the advanced course of the master's degree, Joseph Norman Donais has established his office as a general practitioner at Easthampton, and has entered upon a field of activity in law business that is steadily increasing in importance and value. Prominent among the younger group of attorneys in this part of the State, Mr. Donais is popular as an advisor and a

counsellor, and he has a public-spirited interest in civic and community affairs.

The great-great-grandfather of Mr. Donais came from France to Canada in the latter part of the eighteenth century; and he had a son, Jean Baptiste Donais, great-grandfather of Mr. Donais, who lived in Sorel, Canada, and who married Amelia Bourdreau, and whose children were: Maxime, Francis, of whom further; John Baptiste, Cyril, Pierre, Oliver, Sophia, Marie, and Morance.

Francis Donais was born in 1846, in Sorel, Province of Quebec, Canada, and coming to the United States when he was seventeen years old, he located at Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, where he engaged in farming. Removing east in 1891, he resided at Oakdale, Massachusetts, until 1902, when he came to Easthampton, where he continues to make his home. He married Celina Barrett, who was born in 1859, and died January 28, 1915, and they had children: Charles, Cyril, of whom further; Jennie, who is now deceased; Jessie, deceased; Agnes, who married Austin Allen; Frank; Alice; Emma, who married Peter Flannagan; Eva, deceased; Raymond.

Cyril Donais was born March 26, 1876, in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he attended the common schools, and engaged in farming until he was sixteen years of age. Coming East, he located at Oakdale, where he was employed in a cotton mill two years, and for seven years he worked in Peter Laprade's meat market. He removed to Easthampton in 1902, where he was employed in a market for four years; and in 1911, in company with Euclid Laprade, he became engaged in the meats and provisions business under the firm name of Donais and Laprade. Mr. Donais is active as a member of the Republican town committee and the town planning board, and his fraternal affiliations are with the Foresters of America and the Loyal Order of Moose. He married, in March, 1898, Adele Laprade, who was born at St. Joseph, Canada, daughter of Frank and Lena (St. Martin) Laprade. Their children: Jessie E.; Blanche Eva, married William Brousseau; Norman, deceased, aged two years; Joseph N., of whom further; Aura; George Edward; Henry; Rose; Henrietta.

Joseph Norman Donais was born April 22, 1902, at Oakdale, and he attended the public schools at Easthampton and the high school. He was graduated at Williston Academy in 1921, and then matriculated at the Law School of Georgetown University, Washington, District of Columbia, where he was graduated in 1924 with his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He then took the master's course, and graduating with the degree of Master of Laws, he was admitted to the bar in January, 1925. For a time he was with the office of Coolidge and Hemingway, at Northampton, and in October, 1925, he opened his present law office at Easthampton. He is a member of the Republican town committee; and his fraternal affiliations are with the Hampshire County Bar Association, and the Phi Beta Gamma, a law fraternity. Mr. Donais was honorary editor of Book Reviews of the Georgetown "Law Journal."

**THOMAS FRANCIS LYNN**—One of the energetic and progressive business men of Easthampton, Massachusetts, whose private business has always been





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of a nature to stimulate commercial activity in general in the town, is Thomas Francis Lynn, owner of a shoe business there and chairman of the municipal finance committee. The grandfather of Mr. Lynn was James Lynn, born in Ireland, who came to the United States as a young man and settled in Connecticut, where he followed the stone mason's trade. He died in Willimantic, July 4, 1871, at the age of eighty-four. He married Bridget Killian, by whom he had six children: Mary, who married Robert Murray; Catherine, who married first, Thomas Finnigan, second, Michael McLaughlin; Margaret, deceased September 25, 1904; Thomas Francis, of further mention; and John.

Thomas Francis Lynn, born in 1850, son of James and Bridget (Killian) Lynn, died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, January 17, 1881. His schooling completed, he entered the Willimantic cotton mills, where he was advanced to the position of second hand. He then moved to Easthampton, where, after a short period as mill foreman, he engaged in business for himself as a grocer, prospering until his death at the early age of thirty-one. He married Ellen Gallagher, of Easthampton, whose family came originally from Brooklyn, her father being Patrick Gallagher. Their only child was a son, Thomas Francis, subject of this record.

Thomas Francis Lynn, son of Thomas Francis and Ellen (Gallagher) Lynn, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, July 10, 1870. He attended the public schools, completing his education by two years at the Williston Seminary, Easthampton, and a course at Child's Business College in Springfield, Massachusetts. After his father's death, the boy lived with an aunt, Margaret Lynn, proprietor of a store in which he ultimately became her assistant. In 1894 he began business under his own name which operated profitably until 1917, when Mr. Lynn retired. His temperament, however, was far too active and his business acumen too great to allow him to remain happily idle. He, therefore, bought out a shoe business in Easthampton, in 1923, which he continues to manage with great success. He has always taken a keen interest in local affairs, in political sympathies being a Republican, and he was in 1919 elected one of the Easthampton assessors. He is also chairman of the finance committee of the town. Mr. Lynn is a member of the Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Easthampton Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men. His club is the Pascommuck of his native city. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Thomas Francis Lynn married, October 30, 1905, Ann Veronica McKee, born August 23, 1879, in Brooklyn, New York, daughter of John and Christina (O'Brien) McKee, of Brooklyn. Her father is a son of James McKee, born in County Armagh, Ireland, a shoemaker by trade, who came to this country and settled in Brooklyn, where he died at the age of seventy-six years. Self-educated, but a man who had read and traveled much, he was very intelligent and highly respected. He married Sarah Toner, and one of their children, John, born at Bar Head, Scotland, in 1849, is now engaged in the shoe business in Brooklyn. The children of Thomas Francis and Ann Veronica (McKee) Lynn are: 1. Thomas Francis, Jr., born September 24, 1906, a graduate of the

St. Michael's High School of Northampton, now attending Northampton Commercial College. 2. John, born February 13, 1908, who is also a graduate of St. Michael's High School and is attending Northampton Commercial College. 3. Jeannette Elizabeth, born October 11, 1910, attending St. Michael's High School in Northampton; and 4. Mary Elizabeth, born April 1, 1913, attending parochial school of Easthampton. The family resides at No. 7 Payson Avenue, Easthampton.

**HERMAN RICHARD DIETZ**—Born into a family which has played no small part in the development of the baking industry on a large scale, Herman Richard Dietz has proved himself an important factor in expanding the business and adapting its objectives and methods to present day demands. He is manager of the Massachusetts Baking Company, Dietz Bakeries, and resides in Holyoke, Massachusetts. The same sturdy industry and attention to details by which his father engineered the early years of the business, the son displays.

Mr. Dietz's grandparents, Hermann and Christliebe Dietz, were natives, respectfully, of Bohemia, Austria, and Saxony, Germany, and came to America in 1882, settling in Holyoke. Hermann Dietz was a weaver and died in 1909. Their son, Richard Hermann Dietz, was born on June 16, 1863, in Krimmitschau, Saxony, Germany, and came to Holyoke in 1881, a year ahead of his parents. He had received an excellent education in Germany and soon found work in the new world in the Germania Mills. For a short time he worked also in the Skinner Silk Mill, but in 1883 he embarked in business for himself as a baker, with his shop on Park Street. The following year he moved to Adams Street, and by 1889 so prosperous was his business that he erected a building of his own on Park Street, which he occupied as a bakery and office until 1905. Then the demands of his growing business necessitated still larger quarters, and he moved to another of his buildings on High Street. In 1909 he established a retail branch in Springfield, devoted especially to fancy pastries and confectionery, as well as ices. In 1912 he moved to his present commodious factory on Commercial Street, and the business was incorporated as the Dietz Baking Company. In September, 1917, Mr. Dietz and his associates organized the Massachusetts Baking Company, which was sold in February, 1925, to the Continental Baking Company of New York, and now operates under the name of the Massachusetts Baking Company, Dietz Bakeries, with sixteen branches in New England, employing over a thousand workers. Mr. Dietz retired from business on February 1, 1926. He also has found time in his constructive life to serve his city as Alderman and as park commissioner, and to affiliate himself with many civic and fraternal, as well as social organizations. Richard Hermann Dietz married, on July 6, 1887, Bertha Domki, a native of Posen, Prussia, Germany, daughter of Wilhelm and Christina (Shultz) Domki. Children: Walter H., born in 1888, owner of the Dolly Madison Bakery in Springfield, who married, on November 8, 1916, Ann Mildred Brooks, daughter of Archibald Alexander and Dora Brooks of Holyoke, and has three boys: Walter, Jr., born 1918; Brooks, born 1919; and John, born 1925.

2. Herman R., subject of this record. 3. Rudolph A., born 1898, an electrical engineer, associated with E. B. Atmos, Incorporated, of Boston, auto motor jobbers; married and father of a son, Rudolph, Jr., aged two years. 4. Edwin O., born 1900, superintendent of the Dietz plant in Holyoke, married. 5. Richard, born 1901, supervising a bakery at Willimantic. 6. Erna Dietz, married Emil B. Atmos, by whom she has two children: Rudolph, born 1920, and Dorothy, born 1921. 7. Helen Dietz, married William L. Muentner, of Springfield, and has two boys, Rolf, born 1916, and Richard, born 1918.

Herman Richard Dietz was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, September 30, 1895. He attended the Holyoke grammar and high schools and completed a special course at Siebel Technical Institution of Chicago for bakers. In 1913 he entered his father's establishment, from which he was called by his enlistment in the United States Army in 1918 for service in the World War. He was in training at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, when the armistice was declared, and was mustered out in February, 1919. He then spent fifteen months as manager of the Moir's Bakery Ltd., Nova Scotia. Returning to Holyoke in 1921, he became manager of the Massachusetts Baking Company Dietz Bakeries, a position he continues to hold. This responsible office he discharges well, and the company is expanding rapidly.

Popular with his fellows, Mr. Dietz is a member of the Holyoke Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of the Lions' Club, the City Club, and Bela Grotto, Mystic Order, Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm. He enjoys outdoor life, hunting and fishing. His religious affiliation is with the German Lutheran Church.

On July 7, 1923, Mr. Dietz married Ethel May Roberts of Hartford, Connecticut, daughter of Cassius Roberts, now deceased, and his wife Florence (Bronson) Roberts, now Mrs. J. B. Clement. Mr. and Mrs. Dietz reside in an attractive new home on Easthampton Road.

**ROBERT W. KING**, who was admitted to the bar in 1918, has practiced his profession in Springfield since that date, associated with the law firm of Ely and Ely until 1926, when he, with his brother, Raymond T. King, opened their offices. Mr. King is very much at home in Springfield, for it was in this city that he was born on March 5, 1891, son of Thomas E. and Anna A. (Davis) King. His father is an old and highly respected resident of Springfield. For many years he was proprietor of a large market, and after he had sold out his interest in this business, he became a well known realtor.

Robert W. King was educated in the public school and prepared for college at the Central High School. He then entered Georgetown College, and at the end of the regular course, continued his professional studies in the Georgetown Law School, from which institution he received his degree, Bachelor of Laws, in 1915. His further career was interrupted by the World War. He enlisted, and served in the United States Navy until the close of hostilities.

Mr. King has always been much interested in politics, and in 1924 was chosen by the Democratic Party to head their municipal ticket, running for the office of mayor. Though he was defeated in the elections, he had the

honor of polling the largest vote ever given to a Democrat running for that office.

Mr. King is not only a member of the Massachusetts State bar, but he has also been admitted to the Federal courts. He belongs to the Hampden County Bar Association, the American Legion, and holds fraternal relationship with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. From boyhood he has been athletic. In high school days he captained his football and basketball teams, and in college was a member of both teams also. He has never lost his interest in these sports.

**GEORGE KENDRICK**—In his forty odd years of occupation with the manufacture of elastic webbing, George Kendrick, superintendent of the George S. Colton Elastic Web Company, of Easthampton, Massachusetts, has come to be regarded as an expert on all angles of the process. His long experience has included the actual performance of most jobs as well as the supervising of their performance by hundreds of other workers. Enthusiasm for the work, stability, and the faculty of getting products turned out rapidly have always characterized him.

The surname Kendrick is an old one in America. The first representative came here as early as 1630, and subsequent bearers of the name have always been of that desirable type of citizens sought by American towns and cities; as, for instance, Mayor Kendrick, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The grandfather of George Kendrick was Thomas Kendrick, who lived and died in England, where he was a manufacturer of tongues and buckles for bridles and harness. He married Ann Kendrick. Their son, Samuel Kendrick, was born in Staffordshire, England, and died in Ansonia, Connecticut, in 1906, at the age of sixty-two. Like his father he manufactured tongues for buckles used in making saddles, bridles, and harness, when in his native country. He worked also at forging and in the limestone mines. On reaching America, however, he devoted himself to gardening, farming and the nursery business. In England, Samuel Kendrick married Eliza Cook, a native Englishwoman, daughter of John and Eliza Cook, and she died in Ansonia, Connecticut, in 1899. Children: Annie, deceased; George, of further mention; Lizzie, who married William Oakes; Solomon; William; Samuel, a manufacturer of Brockton, Massachusetts, member of the firm of Herbert, Stretch & Kendrick.

George Kendrick, born in Staffordshire, England, September 12, 1867, son of Samuel and Eliza (Cook) Kendrick, came to this country with the family in July, 1880. In England he attended the local schools, and after reaching this country completed his education for the most part in night schools. Very ambitious, he studied hard and became very well educated through his own efforts. His first work was in Middletown, Connecticut, with the Russell Company, manufacturers of elastic webbing. After a number of years in this connection, he went to Ansonia, Connecticut, where he continued the same line of manufacture and remained for seven years. In Lowell, subsequently, he was made superintendent of the Thorn-dyke Company, a position he retained for five years. The plant at Ansonia then recalled him, and ran success-





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fully for seven years under his management. At West Haven, Connecticut, next, he opened a plant for the manufacture of narrow fabric, for the Narrow Fabric Corporation, with whom he remained for about two years. The year 1908 found him in Easthampton, Massachusetts, where he formed the association with the George S. Colton Elastic Web Company, which still continues. The plant manufactures garters, surgical webs, and elastic for artificial limbs, and markets its product all over the United States and Canada through jobbing houses and syndicate stores. Mr. Kendrick has charge of the entire plant and oversight of some three hundred workers. He finds time, however, for active membership in the Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton, and of the James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. His club is the Pascommuck. He is a member of the Congregational Church and of the Prudential Committee.

On December 3, 1891, George Kendrick married Alice Minnie Pitt, born in Staffordshire, England, daughter of Samuel and Phoebe Pitt, who came to America in 1887. Her father died October 14, 1897; her mother, December 12, 1925. Mrs. Kendrick, a very public spirited woman, is a member of the Easthampton Planning Board. Children: 1. Alice Emily, born in Ansonia, Connecticut, October 13, 1892, graduate of commercial college at Northampton; married George Weidhass, by whom she has a son, George Kendrick Weidhass. 2. Frances Helm, born in Lowell, Massachusetts, January 4, 1895, married Frank Welch, by whom she has a daughter, Grace Alice. 3. Hazel May, born in Ansonia, May 4, 1901, graduate of Smith College, and a teacher in the high school of Easthampton.

**THOMAS ROE**, superintendent and manager of the Corticelli Silk Hosiery Company, and one of Northampton's most prominent citizens, is a man of broad and versatile interests. His business career has been consistently identified with the hosiery mills, in which he first found employment while he was still a boy in England, but although he has won marked success for himself in this field, he has now many other important business interests, and in addition has been in the forefront of many civic movements for the well-being of the community. Mr. Roe is of English birth and ancestry.

(I) W. John Roe, the grandfather of Thomas Roe, was born in England in 1790, and was engaged in stone quarrying there as an employee in the clay cross stone quarries. He died in 1875, leaving three sons: Samuel, William and Joseph, and several daughters.

(II) Samuel Roe, son of W. John Roe, was born in Derbyshire, England, in 1822, and was a manufacturer of silk hosiery and underwear for the Smedley Lea Mills in England. He married Maria Wheatcraft, who died in 1878, at the age of forty-seven, and he, himself, died in 1886. They were the parents of the following children: John, living in England; James, living in England; William, deceased; Samuel, deceased; Hannah, married to George Hollinsworth; Thomas, of further mention; Albert, living in Cleveland, Ohio; Elias, living in Cleveland; and Anna, who married William Hamlin, profes-

sor and treasurer at Tougaloo University, Tougaloo, Mississippi.

(III) Thomas Roe, son of Samuel and Maria (Wheatcraft) Roe, was born in Crich, Derbyshire, England, February 12, 1865. He attended the public schools of his native town, and then, at the age of eleven, went to work in the Lea Hosiery Mills, with which his father was associated, and since that time has been engaged in the manufacture of hosiery. In the fall of 1888 he came to America, and after a short time spent in Cleveland, Ohio, came to Holyoke, and in April, 1889, went into the hosiery mill of McCallum & Constable. He remained in Holyoke until 1908, and in that year was sent by McCallum to Florence, Massachusetts, in the capacity of superintendent of the local mill, a position which he held until 1913. In this year he made an extensive trip to Europe, visiting his old home in England and also spending a considerable time in Germany and France. Upon his return to Massachusetts, he resumed his connection with the firm of McCallum Company, who had up to this time been his sole employers in America, and to whom his unusual abilities and thorough knowledge of the business had made him invaluable, and became superintendent of the concern's West Street plant in Northampton.

By this time outside business interests had begun to attract attention, and in 1918 he left the hosiery mill and for a time had a half interest in the Mardell Shoe Company in Northampton. But in 1919 he returned to the manufacture of silk hosiery, this time connected with the Corticelli Silk Company, of Florence for whom he designed and laid out a modern plant. He became superintendent and manager of that branch of the business, and still continues in that capacity. Mr. Roe has been eminently successful in the business of hosiery manufacture throughout his long career. In addition he now has a number of outside business interests. He is treasurer of the Northampton Tobacco Company, and is growing some two hundred acres of tobacco. This concern has its own warehouse and owns much valuable land, and seems destined to become one of the largest concerns of the kind in the valley. In connection with the growth of Northampton Mr. Roe has developed a great deal of valuable real estate, among which may be mentioned the Canning property on Prospect Street, which he bought and is developing at the present time, and his own handsome residence, which he built in 1912. He has served on the City Council and on the Board of Aldermen, and is serving on the city planning and improvement committees, and has been importuned to run for mayor of the city. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and with Williamsburg Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is an active member of the Edwards Church, and of the Men's Club of that institution, and has always taken a keen interest in everything pertaining to civic welfare.

Mr. Roe married, December 8, 1888, Florence Turner, of Clay Cross, Derbyshire, England, daughter of William and Mary Turner, and they have three children: 1. Charles A., born at Holyoke; married Eleanor Philips, of New Haven, Connecticut, daughter of John



and Maria Philips, and he is at present engaged with his father in the silk hosiery business. 2. Maud Evelyn, born at Holyoke, is associated with the People's Institute. 3. Florence, born at Northampton; she is in charge of the office of the Northampton water works.

**MAXWELL WAGNER**—An independent business man and progressive citizen of Florence, Massachusetts, is Maxwell Wagner, proprietor in conjunction with his brother, William R. Wagner (q. v.), of the Florence Ice Company. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, June 18, 1883, son of Frederick Herman and Bertha (Burkhardt) Wagner. The father, born in Heinigen, Saxony, Germany, February 12, 1850, son of Frederick Herman and Johanna Sophia (Schultz) Wagner, was a weaver there all his life, and is thought to have been cousin to the famous musician, Richard Wagner. The whole family was of strongly musical bent. Maxwell Wagner's parents came to this country in 1882, the father following his trade of weaver for the most part and ultimately settling down in Easthampton, where he was noted for his expert craftsmanship and his leadership in the musical life of the community. They were also the parents of two other children, Gustaf and Emily, the latter now deceased, wife of Robert Schultz.

Frederick Herman Wagner, like his father, was a weaver by trade, and throughout his life an accomplished and enthusiastic musician. He came to this country in 1882, locating at first for a short time at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Cleveland, Ohio, in both of which places he worked at wagon making. Later removing to Holyoke, Hampden County, Massachusetts, he resumed his original trade of weaver, being an expert in this craft. In 1894 he transferred his activities and his family to Easthampton, Hampshire County, where he continued as a weaver until his retirement. His greatest interest in life, beside his family and his work was music, and he exerted a strong influence upon the musical life of his community. He was an able and effective band leader and instructor, one of the organizers of the Columbia Band and a member of the "Horae Aurae" Society. His religious affiliations, like those of his ancestors and his descendants, were with the Lutheran Evangelical Church. He married Bertha Burkhardt, a native of Bergen, Germany, and a daughter of Ernst and Therese Burkhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner were the parents of seven children: 1. Herman. 2. Ella, married Charles Neubel. 3. Maxwell, of whom further. 4. Minnie, married Frank Linnehan. 5. Paul H., a sketch of whom follows this. 6. William R., a sketch of whom follows. 7. Fred. Mr. Wagner died in Easthampton February 8, 1923, having been predeceased by his wife August 27, 1922.

Maxwell Wagner was educated in the public schools of Holyoke and Easthampton. For some years he devoted himself to a variety of mill occupations and in various places, for he was seeking the type of work for which he was best fitted by natural aptitude. He worked in the button factory in Easthampton and in the George S. Colton Mills and the Nashawannuck Mills. In Pawtucket, Rhode Island; Fall River, Massachusetts, and

Bayonne and Paterson, New Jersey, he continued to work in various manufacturing plants. Returning to Easthampton, he tried clerking in a store. By June, 1924, Mr. Wagner found the opportunity he had long been seeking, and purchased the ice company now operated by him and his brother as sole proprietors, the Florence Ice Company. The brother also operates the Easthampton Ice Company. The Florence business is a well-equipped, modern plant, which cuts and sells from three to four thousands of tons of ice yearly, all disposed of locally and occupying several trucks and many employes.

Maxwell Wagner married, on September 11, 1911, Elizabeth Wilson Campbell, of Bayonne, New Jersey, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Wilson) Campbell, of Scotch birth.

**PAUL HERBERT WAGNER**—Connected for some fifteen years with the electrical supplies business, chiefly in the selling end of the business, and acquiring through his several associations an exceptionally thorough knowledge of all branches of the business, Mr. Wagner, in recent years, has been secretary of the Pease Oil Burner and Electric Refrigerating Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts, with offices at No. 186 Dwight Street. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, May 6, 1890, a son of Frederick Herman, a sketch of whom appears in the preceding biography, and Bertha (Burkhardt) Wagner.

Paul Herbert Wagner came with his parents to Easthampton as a boy about four years, and was educated there in the public schools and later at the Northampton Commercial College. Having completed his education he entered the employ of the Nashawannuck Manufacturing Company in Easthampton as a shipping clerk, remaining with this concern from the time he was sixteen until his twentieth year. He then went to Boston, and for one and a half years was a shipping clerk in the plant of the company manufacturing the world famous Stillson wrench. His next employment was as a salesman of electrical supplies with the Roland T. Oakes Company, of Holyoke, with which concern he remained for some eight years, going then to Springfield, Massachusetts as manager of the Interstate Electric Company. Two years later he accepted a position as travelling salesman with Brown & Ross, electrical supplies, and while with this firm covered the territory between Springfield and Greenfield, Massachusetts. In 1923 he associated himself with the Feed Oil Heating Company of Springfield, and when this company later became the Pease Oil Burner & Electric Refrigerating Company he was made secretary of the company, a position which he continues to fill with much ability and success. His company handles oil heating apparatus and electrical refrigerators and covers Hampden County, both in respect to selling and installing. Mr. Wagner personally supervised the installing of the first oil heating plant ever put into any building in Easthampton. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Easthampton; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic

Shrine, and a member of the Shrine Drum Corps. His religious affiliations are with the German Lutheran Church.

Mr. Wagner married, August 31, 1915, Alma Anna Hillert, of Easthampton, a daughter of Oscar and Fredrika (Buck) Hillert, both the latter being natives of Germany, but residents of the United States since 1875.

**WILLIAM R. WAGNER**—Though a native of Hampden County, the town of Easthampton, in the adjoining county of Hampshire, has been the place of Mr. Wagner's residence ever since he was two years old, and the scene of his business activities since 1910, first as an employe in one of the town's stores and later as the successful owner and manager of the town's principal ice company. He was born in Holyoke, Hampden County, March 1, 1892, a son of Frederick Herman, a sketch of whom appears in a preceding biography, and Bertha (Burkhardt) Wagner.

William R. Wagner came with his parents to Easthampton from his birthplace, Holyoke, as a small child in 1894. He was educated in the public schools of Easthampton, and, after leaving school, entered a men's furnishing store as a clerk, remaining with the same firm for eight years. In February, 1918, he entered the United States Army as a private, being promoted successively to corporal, sergeant, and first sergeant. At first he was stationed at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, then at Camp Humphries, Virginia, and later attended the Officers' Training School at Camp Grant, Illinois. He was discharged November 26, 1918, as a result of the armistice, before having received his commission. He had the distinction of being the third man to receive his discharge from the National Army. During the term of his service he was engaged chiefly in training other men and in breaking men in on the extensive office and paper work connected with military service. After his discharge he returned to Easthampton, and in 1919 he bought the ice business to which he has since then devoted all his time. This business is now conducted as the Easthampton Ice Company, and has grown from small beginnings, thanks to the ability and energy of its owner, to the point where it has become the chief source of supply of ice for Easthampton, and now employs a large force of men in cutting and distributing of ice. Mr. Wagner is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Pascommuck Club, while his religious affiliations are with the Lutheran Evangelical Church.

Mr. Wagner married, August 6, 1921, Helena Hiltbold, of Easthampton, daughter of Dr. Jacob and Bertha (Witzig) Hiltbold, and sister of Dr. Werner Hiltbold (q. v.), of Easthampton. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner are the parents of two children: 1. Herman William, born in Easthampton February 21, 1923. 2. Irene Bertha, born in Easthampton May 14, 1924.

**JOHN R. DALEY**—A successful plumber and steamfitter at Easthampton, John R. Daley, a native of this township, has engaged in this line of business throughout his career, winning the high regard and the good will of the people of this section of the State for

his thoroughness and expertness. A veteran of the World War, in which he took part in many of the foremost engagements, he has brought honor to the military and civic organizations with which he is associated. He is of a sturdy, industrious stock, three generations of his family having established themselves in the United States; his great-grandparents, Richard and Mary (Fitzgerald) Daley, lived and died in Ireland. His grandfather, John Daley, was born in County Monahan, Ireland, in 1819, and he died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, December 30, 1899, at the age of eighty years. Coming to America when he was twenty-three years old, he located at Easthampton, where he was employed by Samuel Williston the larger part of his active career. He married, in Holyoke, Mary Condon, daughter of David Condon; she died in Easthampton March 11, 1905, aged seventy-eight years. They had children: Richard; John W., of whom further; Mary; Helen.

John W. Daley was born in Easthampton in 1859, and he died here July 17, 1923, aged sixty-three years. Early in life he was employed on the steam railroad, and later he was a caretaker in the Easthampton schools; he was also town constable and a special police officer for twenty-five years. He married Susan Agnes McMahon, who was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and who died August 26, 1920, at forty-seven years of age, daughter of Frank and Catherine (Connors) McMahon. Their children: Frank; William; John R., of whom further; Edward; Mildred, who married Raymond Smith; James; Marian.

John R. Daley, son of John W. and Susan A. (McMahon) Daley, was born January 7, 1895, at Easthampton, where he attended the public schools; and from 1912 to 1917 he learned the steam-fitting and plumbing business with C. C. Coates. After his service in the World War he returned to Mr. Coates' employ, where he remained six months. For one and a half years he was in the employ of J. Murphy; and in 1921 he established himself in his present plumbing and steam-fitting business, and, with a large patronage in Easthampton, Northampton, Holyoke and Chicopee, he has a prosperous business.

Mr. Daley enlisted in the World War in July, 1917, and with the 101st Engineers went directly to France, where he was on the firing line with the combat engineers for seventeen months. He was engaged in trench digging, road building, in repairing and camouflage work, and in making machine gun rests; he was with both infantry and artillery, and went over the top at Chateau-Thierry with fifteen pounds of T. N. T. on his back. He received his discharge with the rank of sergeant at Camp Devens, April 29, 1919. His brother, Frank Daley, served in the World War in Company I, 104th Infantry, was decorated by the French Government with the Croix de Guerre, and received three other citations for bravery. John R. Daley is a Past Commander in the American Legion, and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Daley married, November 26, 1925, Eva Pontbriant, who was born in Worcester, daughter of Gilbert and Cora (Lapanelle) Pontbriant.



**WILLIAM ARTHUR VAN TRAIN**, business manager of the Easthampton News Company of Easthampton, Massachusetts, has already made a place for himself in Easthampton, although he has been there only a short time. Mr. Van Train's grandfather is believed to have been born in France; he was a paper maker who lived for many years in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and was the father of the following children: Elzier; Henry; George, and Arthur A.

Arthur A. Van Train, Mr. Van Train's father, was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, but now makes his home in Lawrence. He has always been a paper maker, and is an expert paper coater, well known in fraternal circles in Lawrence as a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Celina Fournier, of Holyoke, and they are the parents of William A., the subject of our sketch; Edgar; George U., and Beatrice.

William Arthur Van Train, son of Arthur A. and Celina (Fournier) Van Train, was born in Wabash, Indiana, August 5, 1893. He attended the public schools in Springfield, Massachusetts, but has been largely self-educated. As a boy Mr. Van Train went into the paper mills and had considerable experience in this line in the paper coating factories in Richmond, Virginia, and other places. He has traveled extensively both in the South and West, having worked on more than one cattle ranch in the Western States. When the World War broke out, he went into the United States Marine Corps and was stationed at Paris Island, South Carolina. He entered the service April 5, 1917, and in June, 1917, went overseas and saw active service in many important engagements, never leaving his company for a single day. After the Armistice he served with the Army of Occupation in Germany, and finally, on August 13, 1919, was discharged with the rank of first sergeant. Since the World War Mr. Van Train has been engaged in the advertising and business end of newspaper work, locating for a time in Springfield and Boston, and then coming to Easthampton as business manager of the Easthampton News Company. He is an active member of the American Legion.

He married, on June 4, 1923, Alice Landon Wood, of Norwich, Connecticut, daughter of Henry T. and Lucy Hinckley (Landon) Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Van Train have two children: William Arthur, Jr., born in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 5, 1924, and Barbara Wood, born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, January 21, 1926.

**ABRAHAM KAMBERG**—Maintaining his general law practice at Springfield under successful auspices, Mr. Kamberg is active in both the professional and civic life of the city. Abraham Kamberg is the son of Morris Kamberg, a dry goods merchant, who was born in Russia, and Dora (Berezensky) Kamberg.

Abraham Kamberg, who is a native of Russia, was born May 28, 1895, but came to the United States with his mother as a child in 1900, the father having come previously. He attended the public schools and the English High School in Boston, graduating from the latter with the class of 1913. He prepared for his profession at Northeastern College School of Law, where he graduated with his degree of Bachelor of Laws in

the class of 1917. He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1916, but practiced in Boston while still a student in the law school, having successfully passed the bar examinations before graduating. While practicing in Boston he was associated with many prominent attorneys, among whom were James R. Murphy, former chairman of the Board of Appeals in Boston, and Joseph J. Donaghue, former assistant district attorney. His practice in Boston continued until the year 1920, when he moved to Springfield, where he has established an office in partnership with Aaron A. Aronstam (see biography elsewhere) under the firm name of Aronstam & Kamberg. A Republican in his political convictions, he has served as a member of the city committee.

Mr. Kamberg's fraternal affiliations are with Lodge No. 161, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Springfield; Springfield Lodge, No. 684, B'nai B'rith; the Knights of Pythias; and he is also a member of the American and the Hampden Bar Associations; and practices before the State, Federal, and United States Supreme courts. He attends the Temple Beth-El in Springfield, and is past president of the Men's Club of this congregation, and is a member of the Y. M. H. A.

Abraham Kamberg married, November 28, 1920, Fannie Browdy, who was born in St. Petersburg, Russia, the daughter of Max and Rosa (Maslow) Browdy, both from Russia, but residing in Springfield.

**ARTHUR J. BRUNELLE**—Prominent in business and social circles in Holyoke, Massachusetts, is Arthur J. Brunelle, head of the flourishing undertaking business at No. 63 West Street that bears his name. Mr. Brunelle was born at St. Damase, Province of Quebec, Canada, January 15, 1884, son of Arthur J. and Angelina Brunelle. The father also is an undertaker. The son attended the Sacred Heart School, on King Street, in Northampton, Massachusetts, and public school in that town. In special preparation for the business to which he has devoted his life, he attended the Massachusetts College of Embalming, from which he graduated in 1908. His first position was secured somewhat prior to that time, with Mr. Edwards, an undertaker of Northampton, with whom he was associated from 1906 to 1911. From 1911 to 1915 Mr. Brunelle worked with another undertaker, Mr. Ahern. In September, 1915, as an experienced business man and undertaker, he established a business of his own at No. 63 West Street, Holyoke, which he has since maintained, and which has greatly prospered. Ability, courtesy, and thoroughness characterize Mr. Brunelle. His ideals are high, and his clients realize that he lives up to them. He is a member of St. Jean Baptiste, Cercle Rochambeau, and of the Aldenville Quoit Club. His religious affiliation is with the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church of Holyoke.

Mr. Brunelle married, in Easthampton, May 25, 1909, Angelina Contois, daughter of Clement Contois. Children: Irene, born May 8, 1910, now attending high school; Leona, born December 30, 1911; and Arthur J. Brunelle, Jr., born December 18, 1925.

**THOMAS PATRICK LYNCH**—When a man gives his heart and soul to the welfare of his city, his family, his church, and his business, he is bound to be a citizen





*Abraham Hershberg*









John F. Cronin

who is the backbone of the community. Such was Thomas Patrick Lynch, member of the firm of Lynch Brothers, builders and contractors of Holyoke, Massachusetts. His home was open to all who stood in need of shelter, his purse was ready in the cause of charity, his influence was lent to every movement for community welfare.

Thomas Patrick Lynch was born in County Kerry, Ireland, in 1847, son of Patrick and Catharine (Kennedy) Lynch. It was his father who transplanted the family in America. In 1848, with his three sons, John, Patrick, and Michael, he migrated to this country from County Kerry, where he was born and grew to manhood. They were among the earliest of the Irish race to settle in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and there Patrick and his son and namesake died during a cholera epidemic within a year of their arrival. Meantime, his brave wife was on the high seas with the three younger children, en route to her husband awaiting her in their new home. She arrived to find herself a widow, in a strange land, with five young children to support. With commendable courage she set to work to support and educate the little family. Like her husband she was a staunch Catholic and a devout Christian, with unshakeable faith in God. Her son, Thomas Patrick Lynch, with his brothers and sisters was educated in the Holyoke public schools. His mother lived to the ripe age of eighty years, and when she died in 1892 left her sons successful and prosperous business men of the town. The youngest of her children learned the trade of brick and stone mason and associated himself with his brothers, Maurice and Michael, in the contracting and building business as previously mentioned. The firm came to be one of the best known in the western part of Massachusetts, and with it Thomas Patrick Lynch remained until his death on May 10, 1899, in the fifty-second year of his age. Lynch Brothers built many of the mills and other large structures in and near Holyoke, and the stable and thriving industrial sections of the city owe much to the design and quality of workmanship given them by this firm.

Mr. Lynch built for his family a beautiful brick home on Pleasant Street, where he died. He was interred in St. Jerome Cemetery, Holyoke. He was a staunch Democrat, a self-made man of the most generous instincts and liberal processes of thought. Like his father and mother, a devout Catholic, he was at first a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and he united himself with the Holy Cross Parish when that was formed. It was characteristic of him to offer his Pleasant Street home to Father John C. Ivers as a residence and as a place to celebrate mass before the new church was built, and Father Ivers availed himself of the privilege for many months.

Thomas P. Lynch married (first) Mary Ann Langford, who died in 1881 and left two children, Maurice and Margaret, both of whom died young. He married (second), in Holyoke, Massachusetts, Mary Josephine Ashe, born in that city, daughter of Francis and Mary (Donahue) Ashe, who were also natives of Ireland and pioneer settlers in the Irish community of Holyoke. Mrs. Lynch survives her husband, is a communicant of Holy Cross Parish, and resides in the Maurice Apart-

ments on Pleasant Street. To this second union were born four children: Katharine C. Lynch, died September 29, 1918, at the age of thirty-three, after a beautiful life of devotion to her mother and to her profession of kindergarten; John, died in young manhood; Mary and Thomas died in youth.

Thomas P. Lynch satisfied his mother's ambition for him. Kindly, generous, yet strong and forceful, he left his imprint on the American city of Holyoke, where he made his way in spite of the handicaps of foreign birth and poverty. Durable and handsome buildings are a monument to his business career. Holy Cross Parish recognizes the assistance he gave it in its beginnings. To friends and family he was devoted and loyal.

**RUSSELL C. SAYRE**—One of the prominent young business men of Springfield, Massachusetts, is Russell C. Sayre, president and manager of the Morris Plan Company of Springfield. He is the son of the late Daniel W. and Emeline (Morrill) Sayre, long residents of Springfield. The father was a woodworker, active in local affairs and treasurer of St. James Methodist Episcopal Church.

Russell C. Sayre was born at Asbestos, in the province of Quebec, Canada, on March 3, 1890. He came to Springfield with his parents when he was four years old, and was educated in the Springfield public schools and Springfield Business College. His first employment was with the Chicopee National Bank of Springfield, in the capacity of messenger and general office boy, and in the eight years that he spent in the employ of the bank he steadily worked himself up to the position of teller, displaying in his work those qualities of industry and general trustworthiness that have made a place of note for him in the financial world. He was next, for a time, with the Stevens-Duryea Company, at Chicopee Falls, in the capacity of bookkeeper, after which he became bookkeeper in the Third National Bank, of Springfield. In 1916 he accepted a position as clerk with the Morris Plan Company, of Springfield, and since that time has been associated with this concern, being advanced to the position of assistant treasurer and then to that of treasurer and manager, and in January, 1926, was elected president of the institution. Mr. Sayre is one of the directors of the Morris Plan Company, of Springfield, and in addition to his interests in this concern is a director of the Mortgage and Investment Company and president and director of the Realty Bond and Mortgage Company of Springfield. Fraternally, Mr. Sayre is affiliated with the Samuel D. Sherwood Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and he is a member of the Winthrop and Springfield Country Club, and attends the St. James Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married, at Springfield, May 14, 1913, Annie Sparrow, daughter of William and Isabelle (MacDonald) Sparrow; and Mr. and Mrs. Sayre have four children: Barbara Isabelle, born June 7, 1915; Mazie Emeline, born December 31, 1916; Virginia May, born February 17, 1918; and Ruth Frances, born October 27, 1923.

**JOHN FRANCIS CRONIN**—The city of Holyoke boasts in John Francis Cronin, a mayor who has occupied the office for six years, and has equalled the

record for tenure as the executive. This statement of itself bespeaks the political sagacity of Mr. Cronin, for he is recognized as a past master of practical politics, and it also gives an abbreviated appreciation of his popularity with the electorate. He came to the office of mayor following three years of service in the Massachusetts Legislature, both in the House of Representatives and the Senate, and thus was equipped as a lawmaker to supervise the legislative acts of Holyoke's governing body. Then, too, he knows his Holyoke as well as any native son, and this is a live asset in his favor when it comes to the administration of the city's business. He possesses also the happy faculty of fitting in well with the voters of both great parties, from which he has drawn his undeniably phenomenal strength as a vote getter.

John F. Cronin was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, December 19, 1874, the son of Eugene and Margaret (Mahoney) Cronin. His father was a paper mill worker. John attended the public schools of his native city until he attained the age of fourteen years, and then entered the employ of the Merrick Thread Company, one of the largest of Holyoke's industries, and remained at that work for two and one-half years. He next was employed by the Holyoke Machine Company for about one year, following which he served an apprenticeship in the plumbing trade with C. P. Lyman & Co., of Holyoke. He became a full-fledged journeyman and followed the trade of plumber until 1912, when he was elected special deputy for the Holyoke Building Trades Council. In that capacity he served the council faithfully and intelligently, adding to and cementing the valued friendships made among employers, workers, and the people generally. At the end of five years in the office of special deputy he was successful in his campaign for a seat in the General Court at Boston, as a representative of his legislative district. On January 1, 1917, he took his seat in the House of Representatives and served for two years. His record in the House was highly creditable and reflected honor upon his home city, whose matters that were brought before the Legislature were skillfully handled by their representative. The citizens of Holyoke showed their appreciation of Mr. Cronin's services in the House by promoting him, in 1919, to the Senate.

All the events in Mr. Cronin's career hereinbefore chronicled were stepping stones to the office of mayor, to which the people of Holyoke elevated him. He entered upon the duties of executive in January, 1920, and has been successively reelected at the expiration of every term since that year. The period of Mr. Cronin's incumbency of the mayoralty has been marked by a series of improvements throughout the municipality. Salient features of his administration are in evidence in physical developments, while the internal machinery of the city government has functioned, as a rule, smoothly and efficiently, the several departments coöperating for the general welfare, and in harmony with the occupant of the Mayor's chair. When one considers the great complexity of the population of the teeming industrial center, which is Holyoke, there must be drawn the conclusion that the body of the people, using a general term, were eminently satisfied with the administration of their af-

fairs by the man who sat in the chief place within their gift.

Mayor Cronin is prominently identified with fraternal and social organizations. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Foresters of America, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Improved Order of Red Men and Loyal Order of Moose. He is a member of the Holyoke Young Men's Christian Association and the Plumbers' Union. His clubs are the Paper City Rod and Gun, Holyoke Country, Holyoke Automobile, Holyoke City and the Kiwanis of Holyoke, the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts, and the Order of the Alhambra. His religious affiliation is with St. Jerome's Roman Catholic Church, Holyoke.

Mayor Cronin married, in 1906, Margaret Flynn, and to them have been born four children, of whom three survive, the latter being: George, who is in the United States Navy; Margaret, a student at the Academy of Our Lady of the Elms, Chicopee, Massachusetts; and Edward, a student in the Holyoke public schools.

**GEORGE BOARDMAN COOK**—For thirty-five years during which period he has been connected with the police force of Easthampton, Massachusetts, and for the past ten years the occupant of the office of chief, George Boardman Cook has given efficient and pleasing service in the administration of his department. One of the secrets of his success lies in the fact that he is fond of police work, having acquired a liking for it in the days when he served as constable. Chief Cook has risen to his present position from the grade of being the youngest member of the Easthampton force and the first regularly paid officer of that department. Many complex police problems have been brought before him for solution, and he is regarded on all sides as a most dependable guardian of the public peace.

Almon R. Cook, grandfather of Chief of Police George Boardman Cook, who lived in Wallingford, Connecticut, and West Springfield, Massachusetts, was a blacksmith by trade. His wife was Lauretta O. Cook, and they were the parents of four sons: William; Frank; Charles B., of whom further; and George Cook.

Charles B. Cook, son of Almon R. and Lauretta O. Cook, was born in West Springfield, Massachusetts, August 28, 1848, and died in Springfield February 25, 1871, at the age of twenty-three years, from the effects of injuries received in a railroad accident. He enlisted at Westfield, Massachusetts, for service in the Civil War, but was rejected for active service because of his youth. Instead he became a conductor on the Boston & Albany Railroad, and while in that employ met his death. He married Delia Lyons, of Springfield, daughter of Michael Lyons, and to them was born one child, George Boardman Cook, who was one year old when his father was fatally injured.

George Boardman Cook, son of Charles B. and Delia (Lyons) Cook, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, January 25, 1870, and was only two years old when brought by his mother to Easthampton. When school age arrived he attended the public schools of that town and pursued his studies until he was twelve years of age.



when he secured employment on the farm of a neighbor, with whom he remained seven years. At the age of nineteen years he went to work in a meat market, and continued in that employment until he was twenty-one. He next launched out into business on his own account as a dairy farmer, and acquired possession of the farm, operating it until 1901.

It was while he was operating the dairy farm that he accepted appointment as a special police officer of Easthampton, and he held that position for three years. He then had the honor of being appointed to the regular police force, being the youngest member and the first regularly paid man of the force to be so appointed. He had the distinction of holding that position without interruption for eighteen years, and made a most commendable record as a regular officer. So, when death claimed Chief George S. Buckner, he, then the oldest member on the force in point of years of service, was appointed acting chief. On April 28, 1916, he was appointed chief of police. The people of the community were generally highly pleased with the appointment, and through all the years they have never regretted reposing their confidence in his marked ability as the head of the police department. During his incumbency he has seen many changes take place in the life of the community; a more complex civilization has created a demand for new and improved methods of doing police work; the town itself has made marked gains in population, while the duties of the chief of police and his force have become more exacting.

He is a member of the Sons of Veterans, and a charter member of the Easthampton Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; a member of the Farmers' Club, and of the Old First Congregational Church.

Chief George Boardman Cook married, in May, 1901, Effie J. Strong, born in Royalston, Massachusetts, a daughter of George and Cora (Norton) Strong.

**WILLIAM HENRY KIELY**—With superior qualifications for serving the travelling public by means of automobile and garage service, Mr. Kiely meets every present-day requirement in those matters in his extensive Amherst plant, with its show rooms and agency, his business plans comprehending in their entirety all that the automobilist might ask, from the general repairs department to that of special sales. Esteemed both for his military and his civic service, Mr. Kiely is a citizen of business gifts of an advanced order. Two generations of the family previous to that of his own had already made their home and successfully conducted their business affairs in Western Massachusetts. His grandfather, William Kiely, who was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1833, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, February 14, 1913. Coming to the United States in 1855 and residing in New York City for a while, where he was employed as a longshoreman, he afterwards removed to Northampton, there to make his permanent residence, and purchasing a fine residence on State Street, about 1865, he spent the remainder of his life there. A stone cutter and a stone mason and contractor, he built cellar walls, underpinning and foundations for residences, as well as abutments and founda-

tions for bridges, and in his calling he became very successful and prosperous, retiring some ten or twelve years prior to his death. He possessed the respect of the community, and he held a foremost place as a mason.

William Kiely married, in 1861, Mary (Morrissey) Burgess, who was born in County Waterford, Province of Dunhill, Ireland, and died in Northampton, Massachusetts, October 26, 1903; she was the widow of Patrick Burgess, whom she married in Ireland, and by whom she had children: Catherine Burgess and Ellen Burgess. The children of William and Mary Kiely: Thomas H., of whom further; David, deceased; and Margaret and Minnie, both of whom reside at the homestead, No. 27 State Street, Northampton.

Thomas H. Kiely, son of William and Mary (Morrissey-Burgess) Kiely, was born September 17, 1863, in Northampton, where he attended the public and high schools, afterwards working with his father in stone masonry contracting. About 1900 he formed a partnership with a Mr. Gleason, of Northampton, and this company, under the firm name of Kiely & Gleason, have conducted an extensive business in stone and cement grading, building side walls, and erecting foundations and abutments for bridges. They are general contractors upon a large scale, and have been considerable employers of labor. Mr. Kiely is a member of the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Northampton. He married, November 14, 1888, Ella T. Smith, of Florence, daughter of James and Ellen (Shannon) Smith. Their children: William H., of whom further; Mary; and James.

William Henry Kiely, son of Thomas H. and Ella T. (Smith) Kiely, was born April 11, 1893, in Northampton, where he attended the public schools. For about eight years afterwards he worked for his father in the stone mason business, contracting and building. In 1920 Mr. Kiely began to engage in the automobile business in company with his brother, under the firm name Kiely Brothers. His brother afterwards withdrawing from the partnership, Mr. Kiely has since conducted the business in his own name. He established himself in Amherst as agent for the Lincoln and Ford cars and the Fordson tractor; and in 1925 his business had increased to such proportions that he was compelled to erect a large addition to his establishment that now has the repute of being one of the largest and best appointed plants and show rooms in Western Massachusetts.

Entering upon the service of the United States Government in the World War in March, 1918, he first attended the Wentworth Motor Transport School for two months, and in May of that year he went to France, and he was there engaged in conveying ammunition for the artillery service. After the signing of the Armistice he was with the Army of Occupation in Germany until July, 1919, and received his discharge as a sergeant. Fraternally, Mr. Kiely is affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men; the Knights of Columbus; and the American Legion.

William Henry Kiely married, September 1, 1923, Theresa Fenton, of Holyoke, daughter of John and Johanna (Higgins) Fenton, and granddaughter of John Fenton; her father, John Fenton, was for years a prom-

inent carriage builder in Holyoke. Mr. and Mrs. Kiely are the parents of one son, William H. Kiely, Jr., who was born June 24, 1925.

**RICHARD JAMES RAHAR**—Northampton's hospitality through the mediumship of its inns and hotels has been generally appreciated since the first days of the township, and that the mantle of the old-time provident innkeepers has fallen upon the shoulders of Mr. Rahar, and that he keeps his hostelry in the front rank of the present-day inns, as well, has long been recognized and appreciated by guests from nearby and from afar. The practical system of service and equipment, as well as the homelike attractiveness with which Rahar's Inn was established in 1897, has been continued with an increasing comprehension of public demands, which accounts for the success that has accompanied its history to the present time. Mr. Rahar is the son of Richard Rahar, who was born in 1824, in Waterford, Ireland, and died October 31, 1884, in Northampton. Richard Rahar received a good education in Ireland, and he was known as an especially fine penman, though he also engaged in farming on a large scale. He came to the United States in 1858, and locating in Western Massachusetts, he spent a year at Williamsburg, and then came to Northampton, where he resided to the time of his death. He married (first), in Ireland, Catherine Whalen, by whom he had children: Bridget, who married ——— Kiley; Edmund; Johanna; Thomas; Mary, who married William Keefe. These children were all born in Ireland, and they came to the United States with their parents while they were young. Mrs. Rahar died suddenly soon after coming here, leaving her husband with five small children. Mr. Rahar married (second) Mary Herring, who was born in Waterford, Ireland, in 1836, and died December 28, 1917, in Northampton, at the age of eighty-one years, daughter of James Herring. The children of the second marriage: Richard J., of whom further; John Henry, who died at the age of three and a half years; Catherine, who married John J. Prakup.

Richard James Rahar was born August 2, 1862, in Northampton, and he attended the public schools until he was nine years of age, when he went to work in a cutlery shop. Later, he was employed in driving artesian wells, and in the course of his activities in that business he set the deepest well in this section, that at the plant of Belden Brothers. It was in 1886 that Mr. Rahar first became interested in the hotel business, when he entered the employ of Orcutt Brothers at the Hampshire House, as clerk, and in 1894 he became associated with the interests of the Norwood Hotel, where he remained three years. In 1897 he established Rahar's Inn on the site of the first hotel in Northampton, and which was formerly Enos Parsons' homestead. There Mr. Rahar has made many additions and improvements, and he is everywhere known and respected as a genial host. He has the honor of having had President Calvin Coolidge as a boarder at his inn, many years prior to the marriage of the President; other men of note, as well, have made Rahar's Inn their headquarters. Mr. Rahar is a broad and civic-minded citizen, and though he has always taken an active part in the affairs of the city, he

has never been inclined to office holding. He is a charter member of the Northampton Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he was prominent among those who engaged in raising funds for the superb Elks' Home and the Elks' lodge rooms in Northampton.

Richard James Rahar married, April 26, 1894, Christine Steele, who was born in Scotland, daughter of James and Agnes (Penn) Steele; her parents came to Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, from Scotland, and died there.

**JOSEPH TANEY MCGINITY, M. D.**—For some thirteen years Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts, has been the scene of Dr. McGinity's successful professional activities as a general practitioner of medicine, activities which had been preceded by some seven years of equally successful practice in Ludlow, Vermont. His thorough medical training, his long and wide experience, and his great professional skill have made him one of the best known physicians of Springfield, where he has maintained offices in recent years at No. 293 Bridge Street.

Joseph Taney McGinity was born at Moriah, New York, April 29, 1880, a son of James J. and Ellen (Cook) McGinity, the former for many years engaged in educational pursuits and a very successful school teacher. He was educated in the public grammar and high schools of Mineville, New York, and of Shoreham, Vermont, and then took up the study of medicine at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, from which he graduated in 1905 with the degree of M. D. In the next year, 1906, he established himself in the practice of his profession at Ludlow, Vermont, where he met with marked success, continuing there until 1913. In the latter year he removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, and there resumed his practice, which quickly grew into one of the largest and most important in the city. Though Dr. McGinity carries on a general practice, he gives special attention to obstetrics, and has acquired in both respects a very high reputation. He is a Fellow of the American Medical Association, a member of the Springfield Academy of Medicine, the Massachusetts State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Fraternally, he is associated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and with the Knights of Columbus, and he is a member of the Springfield lodges of both of these organizations. He is also a member of the Springfield University Club and of the Oxford Country Club, while his religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. McGinity married, at Burlington, Vermont, June 30, 1908, Anna M. Leary, a daughter of Moses and Catherine (Cassidy) Leary. Dr. and Mrs. McGinity have no children and make their home at No. 30 Burton Street, Springfield.

**PHILIP E. BOND**—A native of Holyoke, Hampden County, of which city his parents also have been residents for many years, Mr. Bond returned to his home city in 1921, after several years in the West and in South America, and established himself in his profes-



sion as a consulting engineer. Within a year after his return home he was appointed city engineer of Holyoke, and after successfully completing his term of office he again established himself as a consulting engineer, becoming a member of the firm of Tighe & Bond, with offices at No. 189 High Street, Holyoke.

Philip E. Bond was born in Holyoke May 13, 1894, a son of William H. and Nellie (Smith) Bond, his father being a well-known paper manufacturer. He was educated in the public and high schools of Holyoke, and after graduating from the latter, in 1912, he went to Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he matriculated in the University of Michigan as a student in civil engineering. In 1916 he received his degree as Bachelor of Civil Engineering, and immediately afterwards accepted a position with the municipal government of Flint, Michigan, in its department of water works. After a year there and two years with John Monks & Son, contractors and engineers, of New York City, he became connected with the Barahona Sugar Company, Incorporated, of Barahona, San Domingo, and during 1919 and 1920 he represented that company in South American. At the close of his South American sojourn he returned to New England and established himself independently in his chosen profession. Appointed city engineer of Holyoke in January, 1922, he filled this position with much ability, and in it rendered notable services to his native city. At the end of his term he returned to the practice of his profession as a consulting engineer. During the World War he saw considerable service with the United States Navy, enlisting as soon as the United States had become involved, and being attached to the ships "Burtzorg" and "Westerdyk." He is a member of the Society of Civil Engineers, the Oxford Country Club, the William Whiting Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Holyoke; and of Lodge No. 902, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, while his religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church and more particularly with the First Congregational Church of Holyoke.

Mr. Bond married, May 18, 1923, at Holyoke, Dorothy M. Brooks, born in Holyoke June 5, 1893, a daughter of Archie A. Brooks, the latter a native of Scotland, but for many years a resident of Holyoke. The family home is located at No. 95 Brown Avenue, Holyoke.

**SAMUEL OSBORN HOYT**, a successful contractor in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he has lived since 1909, was born in Stony Point, Rockland County, New York, July 20, 1873. He was the youngest child of Dennis Melancy and Catherine H. (De Camp) Hoyt. He is the tenth generation of the family founded by Simon Hoyt, who came from France, where he was born about 1600, and settled in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1629. Simon was the ancestor of most of the Hoyts who settled in Western Massachusetts and Eastern New York. He passed the remainder of his life in Salem and died about 1657. Walter Hoyt, his son, succeeded him, and from him the line is through his son, Zerubbanel Hoyt, born in 1650. He married Mehitable Keeler. Their third son and third child, Rice Hoyt, born October 21, 1750; died in 1830, married Theodosia Dibble, and was the first of this branch of the family to settle in New

York State. He made his home at Lewisboro, Westchester County, forty-two miles northeast of New York City. The family moved to Rockland County and made its home at Stony Point, the site of the fort which General Mad Anthony Wayne captured by storm the night of July 16, 1779. There Dennis Melancy Hoyt was born November 30, 1835. After finishing his studies in the public schools he began to learn the trade of ship carpenter at Stony Point, at the time the seat of an extensive boat-building industry. He became an expert workman and followed that trade until he reached his fiftieth year. Thereupon he bought a farm where he lived for many years, and was a successful cultivator of the soil. He retired to the village of Stony Point and lived far into the eighties. Mr. Hoyt was married January 1, 1858, to Catherine H. De Camp, born December 31, 1836, at Stony Point, the daughter of John Marsh and Catherine De Camp. They were the parents of two daughters and three sons: Mary E., deceased; John H.; Gertrude; Franklin S., and Samuel Osborn, of whom further.

Samuel Osborn Hoyt was educated in the public schools of Stony Point. He entered into a partnership and it continued until 1896, when he located in Brooklyn, New York, and for the next ten years followed the trade of carpenter. He removed to Montclair, New Jersey, where for ten years he was engaged as a carpenter and builder until after 1909, when he removed to Holyoke, where he has been ever since actively occupied with building and real estate operations. He is widely known as the organizer of the Highland Park Association, opening up and improving the association's property, which is one of the most beautiful residential sections of Holyoke. He became its superintendent and manager, and under his direction scores of houses were built, remarkable for their artistic symmetry and beauty. He finally purchased the interest of his associates in the enterprise. Mr. Hoyt has been active in politics and served the city as alderman from the Seventh Ward for two terms. He is a leader in the Masonic fraternity and a member of William Whiting Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Mount Holyoke Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Holyoke Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Commandery, Knights Templar; Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Holyoke Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Holyoke Club, the Bay State and Masonic clubs; the Rotary Club, Holyoke Chamber of Commerce, and the Mount Tom Golf Club. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Christian Science Church.

Mr. Hoyt married (first) Isabelle Turner. He married (second), at Montclair, New Jersey, March 5, 1910, Mrs. Grace L. Parish, of Chicago, Illinois, daughter of John Lewis and Frances Eugene (Clark) Parish. John Lewis Parish, descendant of a noble French family, was a member of the Chicago bar; Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives; American Consul in Germany under President Arthur; a personal friend of President Grover Cleveland, and a writer of verse. He moved to Montclair, New Jersey, and engaged in the real estate business at No. 149 Broadway, New York. His



wife, Frances E. (Clark) Parish, was descended from Sir Roger De Clark, of England. By her first marriage Mrs. Hoyt had the following children: Mary E., a graduate of Holyoke High School and Wheaton College; and John F., a former student of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, he enlisted in the 6th Regiment, United States Engineers, June 2, 1917, and served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, beginning as corporal. Mr. Hoyt adopted the children and they now bear the name of Hoyt.

**AUGUST JOHN KIENTLE**—A leading business man and citizen of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is August John Kientle, who was chief of the fire department for many years, treasurer and manager now of the A. J. Kientle Coal Company. Mr. Kientle was born in South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts, July 8, 1859, son of Frederick J. G. and Barbara (Hofman) Kientle. His father, who was born in Magstadt, Württemberg, Germany, October 13, 1835, came to the United States in 1854, disembarking in New York on August 18, living for a time in New Jersey, but ultimately settling in Massachusetts. He was for a time an employee in the Glasgow Mills, at South Hadley Falls. In 1862 the family moved to Easthampton, where the father was first employed with the Glendale Elastic Fabric Company, and later with the Colton Elastic Fabric Company, until his retirement at the age of fifty-six years. He died at the age of sixty-seven, in 1915, after a useful life and with the high regard of the community. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias of Holyoke. Frederick J. G. Kientle married, March 21, 1858, Barbara Hofman, born in Oberkalzan, Bavaria, February 22, 1834, who came to this country in 1854, landing in New York on Christmas Day. She lived in South Hadley Falls, where she married. Children: August J.; Edmund F., and a daughter, Emma L.

August J. Kientle was three years old when his parents moved to Easthampton, and there received his education. Until he was nine years old he attended public school regularly, but then had to begin earning money to help out the family maintenance, so limited his schooling to twenty weeks during each winter term until he was seventeen. He completed his education by a course at Eastman's Business College in Poughkeepsie, New York, and by independent study. After working for several years in the Elastic Fabric Mills in Easthampton he went to Hannibal, Missouri, where he was employed in a flour mill. Returning to the East, he again, for a time, was employed by the cotton mills until he engaged in the coal business with Mr. Burt under the firm name of Burt & Kientle. As head of the coal business, which he for some time maintained alone, he built up one of the largest enterprises of its kind in Western Massachusetts. In 1913 this was incorporated under the name it bears to-day, the A. J. Kientle Coal Company, of which his brother, Edmund F., was president until his death, January 26, 1926, and Mr. Kientle treasurer and general manager. He is also a director of the Easthampton Coöperative Bank, on whose board of finance he long served. Mr. Kientle has always been faithful in the performance of his civic duties. When a young man

he became interested in the fire department and has since risen through the various offices to chief of the department, a position he held for eleven years. For eighteen years he served as a member of the Town Committee, and for a number of years as vice-president of the Board of Trade. He is a member of the Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the James Rogerson Royal Arcanum, as well as the Loyal Order of Moose, of Easthampton. His club is the Pascommack, and for many years he was auditor of the German Society of Easthampton. He is a communicant of the Congregational Church, and was for many years a member of the prudential committee of that body.

August John Kientle married, December 18, 1894, Charlotte, daughter of Carl G. Wabnitz, of Easthampton. Children: Marion Charlotte, born in July, 1897, a graduate of the Easthampton High School, a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, in Boston, now a music teacher; Frederick Harold, born in November, 1905, a graduate of the local public schools and Williston Seminary, now a student of architecture in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**T. P. O'CONNOR**—The name of T. P. O'Connor is well and widely known throughout the city of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and environs. He is a successful business man and one who has helped in a material way to forward the progress of his adopted city. The first nineteen years of his life Mr. O'Connor spent in his native Ireland. Here, on his father's farm, he was born on March 17, 1861, and in the public schools of Ireland he received his early education. Then with his parents, Patrick and Margaret (Curran) O'Connor, he came to the United States in the year 1880, and made his home in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He was nineteen years of age upon his advent into America—the Land of Opportunity. Mr. O'Connor has always been his own employer, being possessed of the initiative and executive ability which are so essential to the successful launching of any new enterprise. In 1882, at the age of twenty-one, he opened his own meat market in Holyoke, which business he carried on successfully for a number of years. In 1905, however, he abandoned all other lines of endeavor in order to devote himself to an entirely new project. In that year, in the Old Whitcomb Building on Dwight Street, he established and opened the New Method Wet Wash Laundry, the first to make its appearance in this thriving Massachusetts city. It prospered from the very first, and grew to such proportions (beyond the most sanguine expectations of its founder), that Mr. O'Connor was obliged to seek larger quarters, and in 1909 he bought the Gus Allyn property on Pleasant Street and opened the O'Connor Laundry, with much additional equipment, so that he was able to meet the increasing demand for all branches of laundry work. Because of the high grade of work, which went out from the O'Connor Laundry, and because of the owner's unflagging industry, watchfulness and close application to the business, the enterprise reached a point in the year 1919 when it seemed wise to Mr. O'Connor to form a company and to incorporate. This was done in that year (1919) when the Highland Laundry was formed, absorbing the National



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Laundry, whose owner, Joseph U. Smith, became production manager of the new concern. Mr. O'Connor continues as the executive head of the Highland Laundry Company, whose existence is entirely due to his own astute business knowledge, initiative, industry and proved ability. The company is one of the largest of its kind in that section of the State, and in addition to more than sixty employees, boasts of one of the finest equipped plants in the entire New England area. The quality of the work turned out is of a uniformly high and excellent nature.

Mr. O'Connor is an active member of the Massachusetts State Laundry Owners' Association, the Laundry Owners' National Association, the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce, and the Kiwanis Club. Fraternally, he is connected with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he has been a foremost member since 1896, a period of fraternal identification covering exactly thirty years. Politically, Mr. O'Connor is non-partisan and independent, preferring not to let the often too closely drawn and restricted party lines confuse or obliterate altogether the important political issues of State and Nation. His religious affiliation is given to the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church of Holyoke, Massachusetts, of which he is a regular attendant and a most liberal supporter.

T. P. O'Connor was married, in Holyoke, Massachusetts, in March, 1905, to Mary F. McGertie, a daughter of John McGertie, a native of Ireland. T. P. and Mary F. (McGertie) O'Connor are the parents of one daughter, Jeanette O'Connor, who was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, in April, 1910.

**JACOB BERGMANN**—A highly respected and useful citizen of Easthampton and member of the firm of H. and J. Bergmann, bakers, whose modern and well-equipped plant is an important factor in business and community life. The father of Mr. Bergmann was Jacob Bergmann, son of Jacob and ——— Bergmann, born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1831, who died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, February 27, 1906. A farmer and pottery maker in Germany, Jacob Bergman in this country did gardening, tree grafting, and various sorts of outdoor jobs for the townspeople of Easthampton, where he was everywhere recognized as a man of sterling character. He was a member of the German Lutheran Church and of the Sons of Hermann. Jacob Bergmann married Barbara Koehler, born in Bavaria, who died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, May 20, 1921. Children: Dora, deceased; Lina, deceased; Barbara, who married Richard Kloetzer; Dolly; Bertha, deceased; Lawrence; Jacob, of further mention; Herman; and Martin, who died in Germany.

Jacob Bergmann, son of Jacob and Barbara (Koehler) Bergmann, was born in Bavaria, Germany, November 23, 1882. His early schooling was obtained in Germany, and after his advent in America at the age of nine, he attended school in Northampton, Massachusetts. His business career began as clerk in the store of Mr. Long, where he remained for several years. He then entered the bakery of his brother, Lawrence, as an employe and remained in that association for nine years, learning all there was to know about the business. In 1918, Jacob

and his brother, Herman, bought the business from their brother, Lawrence, and have since operated under the name of H. and J. Bergmann. The firm employs a number of workmen and operates an up-to-date plant, which does a large business, for the most part locally. The quality of their output is high, and their wares popular. Mr. Bergmann is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton; of the James Rogerson Royal Arch Chapter; and of the German Society. He is a communicant of the German Lutheran Church.

Jacob Bergmann married, June 27, 1906, Lucy Uebel, born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, daughter of Rhinehart and Catherine (Ulch) Uebel, both natives of Germany. Children: Herbert Lincoln, born February 12, 1907; Mildred Ruth, born May 26, 1909; Ruth Elsie, born January 19, 1911; and Roy Jacob, born June 15, 1912.

**JOHN JOSEPH DALEY**—An outstanding citizen of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is John Joseph Daley, proprietor of a restaurant widely known for the excellence of its cuisine, and of a well-stocked tobacco shop. The great-grandfather of Mr. Daley was Richard Daley, who lived and died in Ireland. His wife, Margaret (Fitzgerald) Daley, came to America after the death of her husband, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, June 22, 1887, at the age of eighty-six. She was the daughter of John and Margaret Fitzgerald. One of the eleven children of Richard and Margaret (Fitzgerald) Daley was Piercy, or Peter Daley, as he was commonly known. He was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1826, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, December 16, 1894, at the age of sixty-eight. It was in 1854, in his twenty-eighth year, that he emigrated to America, settling in Loudville, a suburb of Easthampton. There he drove teams and did odd jobs out of doors for others, and ran his own farm. He married, in Ireland, Ellen Walsh, born in County Waterford in 1830, daughter of Richard and Mary (Bowers) Walsh, and she followed her husband to this country with their children. She died in Easthampton March 28, 1905. Their children: Richard, of further mention; Mary, died in Ireland; Margaret, deceased; William, deceased; Maurice; Mary; Nellie, who married Thomas David; Joanna, who married William D. Friel; John, deceased; Alice, who married Jeffrey Merrick; Katherine, deceased, who married John Shean; Bridget, who married Thomas Quinlan.

Richard Daley, son of Peter and Ellen (Walsh) Daley, was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1851, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, November 5, 1888, at the age of thirty-seven. As he was brought to America in childhood, he was educated here in the Loudville and Easthampton schools. In his boyhood he helped on the farm, but as he grew older he became a builder, assisting in the construction of houses and of railroad bridges. An able man and experienced builder, Richard Daley was highly respected in the community. He married Mary F. Healey, of South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts, born in 1854, died April 4, 1885, at the age of thirty-one. She was the daughter of Martin and Johanna (Manning) Healey.

John Joseph Daley, son of Richard and Mary F. (Healey) Daley, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, September 7, 1881. As his parents died when he was very young, he was reared by an aunt, Mary Daley. He attended the Easthampton public schools and the Holy Angel School in Buffalo, New York, the latter for two years. His early business career was varied, including work for a short time in the Glendale plant, and two years in a men's furnishing store in Easthampton, and a year and a half in similar work in Northampton. Returning then to Easthampton, Mr. Daley found himself in the sort of occupation for which he was best fitted, and in which he was most interested, the restaurant business. After remaining in the restaurant of Mr. Leahy for six years, he bought that gentleman out in May, 1911, and has since conducted the establishment for himself along the best of modern lines. He also has a well-appointed cigar and tobacco store in Easthampton. Mr. Daley is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Northampton, of the Knights of Columbus, and of the Improved Order of Red Men.

**ARTHUR F. BROWN**—An innate ability to make a situation bend to his will, that is to dominate and master difficulties, accounts in a measure for the exceptional success in business of Arthur F. Brown, the owner of "Brown's Own Garage," at No. 2 Northampton Street, Easthampton, Massachusetts. He was born January 16, 1898, in Holyoke, the house being on Main Street. Arthur Brown, his father, now deceased, was a master mechanic. His mother, Myrtis Brown, is living. Mr. Brown attended the Southampton school, in West Springfield, and the Appleton Street School in Holyoke. He began his active life as master mechanic in the Buick Hall Motor Company's employ. This was in the years 1918 and 1920, when he was twenty and twenty-two. In 1920 he became master mechanic at the garage he came to own in a short time.

Mr. Brown was married, August 17, 1918, at Southampton Massachusetts, to Myrtis Woolley, daughter of Arthur and Marien Woolley. They are the parents of three children: Phillip; Arthur, Jr.; and Nathely Brown. Mr. Brown's business address is No. 2 Northampton Street; his house address is No. 53 Glendale Street, Easthampton, Massachusetts.

**J. Yael BECKER** is engaged in the practice of law in Springfield. He was born March 18, 1900, in New York City, where his parents, Israel and Ida Becker, were living at the time. Both of his parents are natives of Russia, who fled the persecutions of that country to seek a livelihood in America, the doors of which are always open to the worthy and self-supporting emigrant. After living for some time in New York City, they went to the State of Massachusetts, and, locating in the city of Springfield, which is one of the most beautiful in that State, Mr. Becker engaged in business there as a shoe merchant. This business proved a profitable one for him, as it has brought him prosperity; this was not because of any magic luck as some would call it, but simply by his having strived hard and with a perseverance that knew no defeat. He is to-

day (1925) still engaged in the shoe business in Springfield, where he has the respect and admiration of his fellow-townsmen.

J. Yael Becker, son of these parents, received his education in the public and high schools of both New York City and Springfield, and then having made up his mind that he would like to become a lawyer, he went to Boston, Massachusetts, and entered the Northeastern University Law School as a student. In 1922 he graduated from this university, having received his Bachelor of Laws degree, and later in the same year he was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar. Since this time he has been practicing his profession in Springfield, at present in association with Harry & Finkelstein. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and a Republican in politics. Fraternally, he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, and he is a member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and the B'nai B'rith of Springfield. His religious affiliation is with the Jewish Church of Springfield.


**HAROLD P. KELLY** was born in Holyoke on January 16, 1896, son of Patrick H. and Catherine (Barry) Kelly. He was educated in the public and high schools of that city, taking his college course in the Catholic University of America, Washington, District of Columbia. In 1923, having completed his studies, he returned to Holyoke and established himself in the insurance business, holding the agency for the National Security Fire Insurance Company, the Travelers' Insurance Company, the Travelers' Indemnity Company, and the Eagle Star Company, of New York. He also represents the Western Assurance Company of Toronto and the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company.

Mr. Kelly served two years during the World War, enlisting on April 16, 1917. He was chief gunner's mate until he received his honorable discharge, February 8, 1919. Politically, he is free of all party ties, casting his vote at each election on the merits of the candidates or of the issues at stake. He is a member of the Exchange Club; Lodge No. 902, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Harold P. Kelly married Cynthia M. Giusta, of Washington, District of Columbia, on June 19, 1919, daughter of Joseph F. and Eleanor (Brown) Giusta, and they are the parents of two sons: Harold P. and Patrick H. Mr. Kelly and his family are communicants of the Roman Catholic Church.

**MURRAY G. MARBLE**—A young lawyer of Springfield, Massachusetts, whose pronounced success and personality have gained him the confidence of a large clientele composed of hard-headed business men, is Murray G. Marble. His offices are at No. 1293 Main Street. Certain outstanding qualities doubtless account for his rapid advancement. Mr. Marble knows his fellow men very thoroughly, because he has had to manage large groups of them in engineering and construction work; moreover, he is intimately acquainted with business conditions and social problems in general in Springfield, where he has lived for most of his life. His loyalty to the interests of those who come to him for advice, his









keen and clear understanding of the merits and demerits of a case, and his forceful personality are convincing. Mr. Marble was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, August 27, 1899, son of Leon E. and Martha R. (Ross) Marble. The father, born in Springfield, Vermont, near the Coolidge residences, is a railroad engineer for the Boston and Maine Railroad, and resides in Springfield, a highly esteemed citizen.

Murray G. Marble received a well-rounded elementary education in the public grammar schools of Springfield and graduated from high school, pursuing the study of law at Boston University Law School, from which he graduated in 1921 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. It is greatly to Mr. Marble's credit that he overcame difficulties discouraging to most young men in completing his education, for he paid his own way through college and supported himself during the early difficult years of his legal practice. His occupation before studying law was construction work, and he was assistant field superintendent and labor foreman to Fred T. Ley Construction Company. His engineering experience also gave him a definite status in the United States Army during the World War, for he was enlisted in the 22d Regiment, Field Engineers, stationed, first, at Camp Green, South Carolina, then at Brunswick, Georgia, where he had control of large operations. Since his admission to the bar in 1921, Mr. Marble has been engaged in the general practice of the law in Springfield and the territory thereabout, and he has ably handled difficult and important litigation.

He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and an active worker for the Republican party. Affiliated with the Civitan Club, he is a member of its sports committee. He is a communicant of the First Congregational Church. In college his fraternity was the Phi Delta Phi. Mr. Marble's intellectual and social qualities, as well as his record and experience, entitle him to great advancement.

**MICHAEL JOHN O'NEILL**—A native of Vermont and later, for many years, a resident of New York, Mr. O'Neill came to Easthampton, Massachusetts, in 1917 as town engineer, a position which he has filled since then with great ability and success. He was born in Proctor, Vermont, a son of Thomas C. and Mary Ellen (Reese) O'Neill, August 16, 1882, his mother dying about the time of his birth. His father was born in West Rutland, Vermont, in 1856, a son of Michael and Ellen (Shortle) O'Neill, and was a marble cutter by trade, being accidentally killed at Marietta, Georgia, in 1888, when he was only thirty-two years old. He was married, in 1881, to Ellen Reese, of Boston, Massachusetts.

Michael O'Neill, the paternal grandfather of Michael John O'Neill, and the founder of this family in the United States, was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1822, and died at West Rutland, Vermont, May 20, 1894, in his seventy-second year. He had come to Quebec, Canada, with his family in 1849, removing later to Vermont, where he became a farmer. During the Civil War he saw active service for four years, and was wounded while fighting in the ranks of the Union Army. Before leaving Ireland he had married Ellen Shortle, of Dub-

lin, who survived him for over five years, until September 12, 1899, being in her eighty-fourth year at the time of her death. They were the parents of eight children, one of whom died in Dublin prior to their emigrating to Canada, the others being: Thomas C., of previous mention; John J.; Michael E. and a twin, who died in infancy; Margaret E.; Mary A. and Ellen.

Michael John O'Neill was educated in the public schools of Middletown Springs, Vermont, and later in those of Delaware County, New York, where he had gone to live with relatives after his father's death and where he remained from his twelfth to his sixteenth year. In 1899 he came to Easthampton, Massachusetts, and for one year was a student at Willston Academy. In the next year he entered New York University, New York City, where he studied engineering. In 1904, after graduating from college, he became connected with the Rapid Transit Company of New York City, remaining for one year, when he removed to the borough of Richmond, Staten Island, where he was engaged in engineering work of various kinds until 1906. In that year he became associated with the Board of Water Supply of New York City, and until 1913 was engaged as an engineer on the construction of the Ashokan reservoir in the Catskill Mountains. From 1913 to 1917 he was a resident engineer of the New York State Highway Department in charge of construction of State highways until in the latter year he accepted the position of town engineer at Easthampton, which he continues to occupy. In this position he has complete charge of all new highway and sewer construction as well as oversight over all the highways of the town. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and of Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. O'Neill married, June 25, 1907, Ethel Friel, of Easthampton, a daughter of Daniel and Nellie (Murphy) Friel. Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill are the parents of six children: 1. Donald Thomas, born in Kingston, New York. 2. Kathleen Grace, born in Watertown, New York. 3. Rose Mary, born in Watertown, New York. 4. John Glenn, born in Easthampton, Massachusetts. 5. Ellen Jean, born in Easthampton. 6. Carroll, born in Easthampton.

**ARTHUR ANDREW HASTINGS**, vice-president of the Hampden Paint and Chemical Company, was born in Brooklyn, New York, September 1, 1882. His father was Andrew, and his mother Annie (McEvoy) Hastings. The name Hastings goes back in England to a period prior to the Conquest, when the form Hastang was also used. The castle and seaport of Hastings were owned by the family that adopted the surname as early as 911, before the Normans invaded Gaul. A Dutch pirate Hastings also troubled the Saxons in Sussex. Branches of the family settled in almost every colony of England, and branches bearing the coat-of-arms are found in at least twelve different districts of the Mother Country. The American branch claims the following:

Arms—A maunch sable.

Crest—A bull's head erased sable, crowned and gorged with a ducal coronet, and armed or.

Supporters—Two man-tigers, affrontée or, their visages resembling the human face proper.

Mottoes—In virtute victoria. Also: Honorantes me honorabo.

Deacon Thomas Hastings, immigrant ancestor of the family in this country, was born in England in 1605, and sailed from Ipswich, with his wife, Susanna, when he was twenty-nine years old. He settled at Watertown, Massachusetts, where he was admitted a freeman May 6, 1635, and where he took a foremost part in public affairs. He served as selectman from 1638 to 1643 and from 1650 to 1671; town clerk from 1671 to 1680, and deputy to the General Court in 1673. He also served as deacon for many years. His wife, Susanna, died in 1650, and in 1651 he married Margaret Cheney, daughter of William and Martha Cheney, of Roxbury. They were the parents of eight sons; no daughters. They were: Thomas; John; William; Joseph; Benjamin; Nathaniel; Hepzibah, and Samuel. The sons are the forebears of a large number of family groups, which have carried the name to almost every section of the country. Many persons of the name ventured far westward, while others found the State of New York to their liking and stayed. Among them were the ancestors of Arthur Andrew Hastings. Andrew Hastings, of Esopus, Ulster County, New York, was engaged in the trucking business for many years, and continued in that occupation throughout the period of his active life. He is living in retirement in Brooklyn, New York, having passed his eighty-second year. His wife was Annie McEvoy.

Arthur Andrew Hastings, their only son, was born in Brooklyn, and received his early education in the Brooklyn schools. At seventeen he began his active career in the employ of E. B. Estes & Son, manufacturers of woodenware, and that connection he maintained for a period of six years, at the end of which time he went to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he entered the employ of the Voltex Company, engaged in the manufacture of paint. He continued with the firm for five years, giving valuable service and gaining an experience which was to serve him in good stead. His next change was to Syracuse, New York, where he was associated with a paint manufacturing concern. He ever had improved his opportunities to gain experience and to master the details of the business with which he was connected. In 1912 his proficiency won him the offer of the post of superintendent of the Hampden Paint and Chemical Company's plant at Springfield, the largest concern of its kind in New England. He accepted the offer promptly. During the years that followed he has won the confidence of the persons associated with him and the esteem of the community and business circles in which he moves. His energy and activity have been important factors in the advancement of the business, and the high quality of the service he gave has been often and fully recognized by the officers of the company. Mr. Hastings is a member of Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is widely known in club circles, being a member of the Winthrop Club, the Nayasset, and the Exchange clubs. He is highly esteemed among a large group of friends and associates, and is recognized as one of the ablest and most successful executives in the city of successful businesses.

Mr. Hastings married (first) Loretta McGowan, who was the mother of his children: Arthur Andrew Hastings, Jr., and Sylvester Clifford Hastings. He married

(second) Rhea Teatreault, who is the mother of Andrew Russell Hastings, died May 17, 1926.

The Haydenville Company of Haydenville, Massachusetts, manufacturers of high grade brass and iron for plumbers, steam and gas fitters, is one of the oldest and best known concerns of its kind, its product being distributed to all parts of the world.

The history of the company dates back to 1845, when it was first started by Joel Hayden, later Lieutenant-Governor of Massachusetts, and Albert D. Sanders. Following the death of Mr. Sanders, in 1861, Mr. Hayden took into partnership his son, Joel Hayden, Jr., and several well known men who had been associated with the old firm, such as Collins Gere, Sereno Kingsley and Jacob Hills, father of the present managers, under the firm name of Hayden, Gere & Company.

The business continued to prosper until 1874, when the entire works were swept away in the Mill River disaster, referred to elsewhere in this volume. The works, however, were rebuilt in 1875 and 1876, but owing to the heavy losses occasioned by the flood, the company was obliged to reorganize in 1878, and was succeeded by The Hayden Company, later The Haydenville Manufacturing Company. In 1899 the entire property was purchased by C. J. Hills and his four brothers, Albert S., Jacob H., Henry M. and Reuben B. Hills, who have carried on the business successfully to the present time, during a period of twenty-seven years. Two of the brothers, Jacob H. and Albert S., have died in the interim.

The present officers of the company are: C. J. Hills, president; H. M. Hills, vice-president, and R. B. Hills, secretary and treasurer.

**WILLIAM CHARLES MACKENZIE**—Starting in with the Novotuck Silk Company of Florence, Massachusetts, twenty-five years ago in the capacity of errand boy, William Charles MacKenzie has a splendid record of continued service with the concern and holds to-day the position of chief clerk of what is now the Corticelli Silk Company. Mr. MacKenzie belongs to a family of Scotch ancestors, and both his father and grandfather came to America from Scotland.

(I) Alexander MacKenzie, grandfather of William Charles MacKenzie, was born in Scotland and came to the United States in 1867, settling in Florence, Massachusetts, but later went to Philadelphia, where he lived until his death. He was the father of seven children: Alexander; John; James; Jane and William C.; Jessie, who lived in Florence; Susie, who went to England.

(II) William Charles MacKenzie was born in Folkebers, near Port Gordan, a city of Banffshire, Scotland, November 15, 1851, died in Florence, Massachusetts, November 9, 1914. He came to the United States in 1869 and settled immediately in Florence, where the remainder of his life was spent. For a short time he was employed on the Allen and Abbott Stock Farm and later worked as a carpenter for William Warner, contractor; but eventually he went into the dyehouse of the Novotuck Silk Company, where he was employed until the time of his death, in all a period of thirty-eight years,



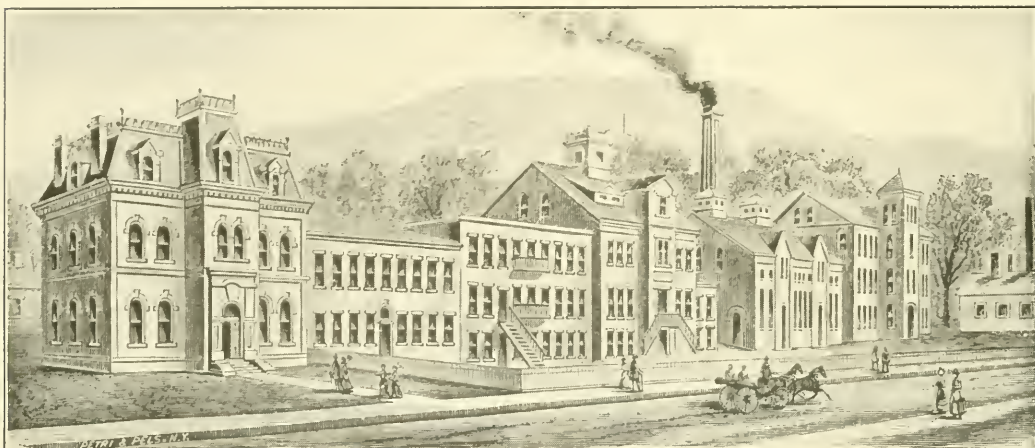


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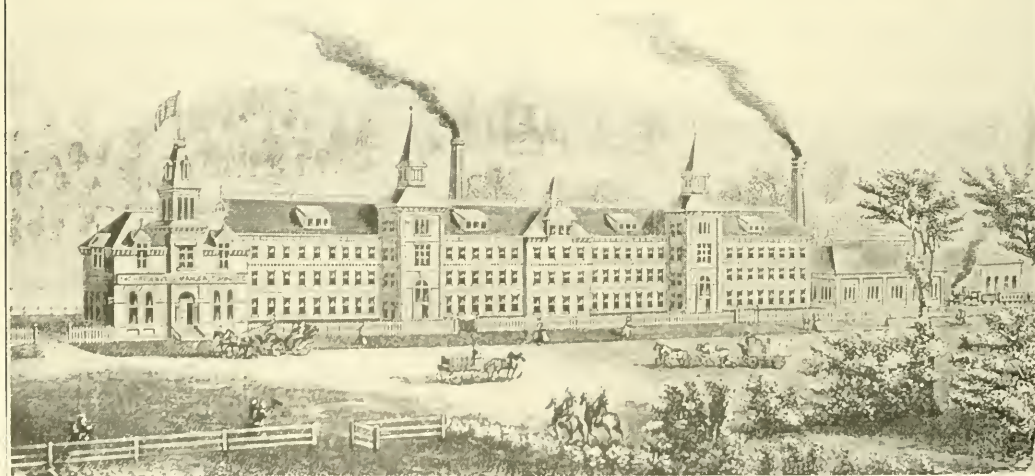




WORKS AT HAYDENVILLE, MASS., ESTABLISHED 1845.



DESTROYED BY FLOOD, 1874.

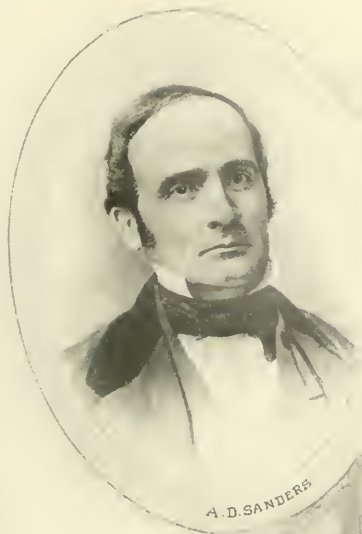


REBUILT, 1875.

DIMENSIONS.

Finishing Shop.....	360 x 40 ft.	Core Shop .....	106 x 32 ft.
Brass Foundry.....	102 x 80 ft.	Pattern House.....	40 x 30 ft.
Iron Foundry.....	50 x 38 ft.	Office .....	50 x 35 ft.

**THE HAYDENVILLE COMPANY, HAYDENVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS.**



*George H. Hill  
-22 Northampton St.*









*R. B. Hiles*



*A. S. Hills.*





and for twenty-eight years was in charge of the department. He was familiar with all phases of the business and an expert in his line. Mr. MacKenzie also took a keen interest in public affairs, and was active in local politics, and something of a power in the city of Florence. For many years he was a member of the Republican City Committee; he served in the Common Council in 1896, 1897 and 1899, served on the Board of Aldermen, and was elected president of that body in 1901. He took a genuine interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of Florence, and was highly respected by a wide circle of his fellow citizens. For several years he was foreman of Hose Company No. 2, and in numerous other local activities he took a prominent part, which is still remembered by those who were privileged to associate with him.

He married, in 1874, Mary Ann Gardner, born in Hampstead Heath, London, March 29, 1843, died August 28, 1914, daughter of James and Mary Ann Gardner, and they were the parents of five children: 1. Fred, deceased. 2. Grace, married to Harry A. Johnson, of Newton Center, mother of three children: Mary Linnia, born March 31, 1912; William Mackenzie, born August 13, 1914; Ruth Elizabeth, born April 6, 1916. 3. William Charles, of further mention. 4. J. Alexander, now in the employ of the Federal Government, stationed at Springfield, Massachusetts, as headquarters. During the World War he went overseas with the 104th Regiment. 5. Florence, married to Arthur Dickson, of Arlington, Massachusetts, and mother of two children: David MacKenzie, born October, 1916; Barbara born July, 1918.

(III) William Charles MacKenzie was born in Florence, October 12, 1879, and was educated in the public schools of Florence and the Northampton High School, from which he graduated in 1900. In September of that year he went into the office of the Novotuck Silk Company as errand boy, and in the twenty-five consecutive years that he has been with the concern, has worked up to the position of chief clerk of what is now the Corticelli Silk Company. He is a member of the Cemetery Committee, and a member of the Congregational Church, of which he is auditor. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, has taken fourteen degrees in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and is a member of the Novotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Like his father, Mr. MacKenzie takes a keen interest in matters of public welfare, and bears the reputation of a public-spirited citizen, respected and held in high worth by all who know him.

He married, September, 1914, Lillian C. Warren, of Bridgeport, Connecticut, daughter of Chauncy Warren, and they have two children Warren Lincoln, born September 8, 1915, and Gardner Willis, born December 14, 1917.

**WILLIAM H. ANDERSON**—Among the prominent officials of Monson, Massachusetts, who has served his town in various capacities, and who is now (1926) acting postmaster, is William H. Anderson, who was born December 5, 1868, at Cleveland, Ohio, son of George W. and Elizabeth (Green) Anderson. Both his parents

were born in Lestershire, England, and were esteemed in the community in which they lived, the father's business being that of overseer in the card room of a woolen mill.

The son received his education in the public schools of Monson, Massachusetts, where his father and mother had emigrated to make their new home. In 1880 he entered the employ of the A. D. Ellis & Son Woolen Mills in the town of Monson. Four years later, however, he decided to learn the trade of barber, returning to Monson in 1890 when he bought out Lewis Flebut, a barber, and conducted the business until 1923. Mr. Anderson is very prominent in civic affairs, and has held many important local offices in the political organization of his town. He was a member of the Board of Assessors for four years. In addition, he was clerk of the board for two years and chairman for a similar period of time. He belonged also to the Board of Selectmen, and Overseers of the Poor for ten years. During the World War he served as chairman of this board. For five years he held membership on the Board of Water Commissioners, serving as chairman three years. On March 20, 1923, he was honored by being appointed postmaster of his native town for a term of four years. In his political affiliations he is a Republican, but does not participate in the work of fraternal organizations, as the claims upon his attention in official life drain very heavily upon his leisure. He is a great lover of the out-of-doors, and finds some time for recreation at the Quaboag Country Club, of which he is a member. In his religious faith he is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

William H. Anderson married, April 5, 1895, at Monson, Mary A. Hanley, daughter of Patrick H. and Mary (Cantwell) Hanley, both of whom were born in Clonmel, Ireland, and they are the parents of one son: William Hanley, born in Monson June 14, 1902, and who is a graduate of the Boston University Law School.

**BEN HARRY GRANGE**—One of the men prominent in the business and civic life of Easthampton is Ben Harry Grange, who has been since 1908 superintendent of the National Felt Mills there. Mr. Grange is of English birth and parentage. His grandfather, who lived and died in England, was the father of the following children: Tom; Benjamin; James; Hetty, who married Joseph Sikes; Elizabeth and Eliza. Tom Grange, the eldest of these children and the father of Mr. Grange, was born in Yorkshire, England, in 1858, and died in Franklin, Massachusetts, in 1910. He was a woolen weaver in England, and after coming to the United States in 1892, followed the same occupation in Franklin, becoming a naturalized American citizen. He was a member of the Improved Order of Red Men. He married (first) Orpha Ann Bottomley, born in Yorkshire, England, died in 1889, and (second) Elizabeth Mary Clay. By his first marriage there were three children: Ben H., of further mention; George, of Easthampton, and Mildred, of Providence, Rhode Island; and by his second marriage two children: Thomas and Alice.

Ben Harry Grange, son of Tom and Orpha Ann (Bottomley) Grange, was born in Linthwaite, Yorkshire, near

Huddersfield, England, in April, 1877. He attended school in his native town, and at the age of eleven went to work in the cotton mills in England. The following year, when he was twelve, he came to America with his father and went to work in the felt mills near Franklin, Massachusetts, where he was employed for ten years. He then went to Byfield, Massachusetts, in the capacity of overseer of carding in a felt mill there. In 1905 he moved to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he became connected with the National Felt Company, and in October of that year this concern moved their business to Easthampton, and Mr. Grange served as overseer of carding until 1908, when he was made superintendent of the mills. The National Felt Company is one of the larger concerns of Easthampton, employing a considerable number of hands and selling their goods through commission houses in Boston and New York. Mr. Grange is a leading member and senior warden in the Episcopal Church, and is quick to give his support to movements for the good of the community. He is affiliated, fraternally, with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton and with the James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

Mr. Grange married, on December 14, 1898, Eliza E. Gregory, born in England, daughter of John and Mary (Reynolds) Gregory, who came to America with her parents at an early age. Mr. and Mrs. Grange have one son, Harold Benjamin, who married Grace Catham, and one daughter, Edith Mildred.

**DAVID CLARK COE**—Proprietor of a successful merchant tailoring business, which is housed in the David C. Coe Building on Vernon Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, and active in civic and social affairs, David Clark Coe holds the high regard of his fellow citizens. He is a son of Joseph and Mary (Clark) Coe, his father having been a hardware merchant in the West. Mr. Coe is a nephew of Dr. David Clark, the editor of the medical chapter of this history.

David Clark Coe was born in Garnett, Kansas, April 8, 1870. He came to Springfield when he was eleven years old and attended the Springfield public schools and the Collegiate Institute of Springfield, which is now no longer in existence. In 1902 he started his present business, becoming one of the partners of the concern of Renison & Coe, merchant tailors in the Phoenix Building, where the business was conducted for seven years. At the end of this time the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Coe continued to run his business, adopting the use of his own name, David C. Coe. The David C. Coe Building, on Vernon Street, was built for Mr. Coe by Daniel B. Burbank, and was purchased in 1920 by Mr. Coe, who still owns it. In December, 1922, Mr. Coe opened a shop for the sale of imported haberdashery in the Hotel Bond, Hartford, Connecticut, which has been conducted since that time under his name. For four successive winters he had a shop of the same nature in the Hotel Bellevue, Belleair, Florida, and in April 1925, opened a year-round shop in Clearwater, which has turned out to be a most successful venture, and has gained an enviable reputation throughout the State.

Fraternally, Mr. Coe is affiliated with the Springfield

Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, in which he served as director for three years, from 1919 to 1922; the Kiwanis Club, of which he was the second president; and the Nayasset Club. Mr. Coe takes a keen interest in the affairs of the Springfield Boys' Club, of which he was president for four years, and has served as a director for a period of fifteen years.

Mr. Coe married, at Chicopee, Massachusetts, September 3, 1901, Laila Phelon, daughter of Henry and Calista (Megargel) Phelon. Mr. and Mrs. Coe have three children: 1. Mary Calista, born March 29, 1904, a graduate of the Scudder School in New York City, class of 1924. 2. Carolyn Clark, born February 23, 1910. 3. Kathleen, born October 7, 1912.

**SHEPARD JOSEPH GOLDIN** was born September 5, 1896, in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he attended the grammar and high schools. During the World War his father, Joseph Goldin, a prominent banker, social worker, loved and respected by all was ruined financially.

Joseph Goldin, following his financial reverses and despite his advancing years, then arranged for employment as a social worker among the poorer classes in the city of New York. He rapidly gained distinction in his new work because of his executive ability, personality and understanding of human nature. He is a gifted orator and scholar, enjoying entry and privileges in journalistic and literary circles in Brooklyn and New York City. He has recently been honored by appointment as executive, director and superintendent of the large orphanage in Brooklyn, New York, known as "The Pride of Judea Home," occupying in area, with modern buildings, an entire city square. Joseph Goldin was born in Russia and came to the United States during 1890 an immigrant escaping the rigors of Czaristic oppression, then prevailing in Russia. He is an accomplished linguist, speaking and writing in nine languages. He is a recognized Hebrew Talmudic scholar. He was constantly active in civic matters and was appointed by Mayor Denison a member of the dedication committee for the dedication of the municipal group of buildings.

Anna Goldin, mother of Shepard Joseph Goldin, passed away in 1916. She was also a native of Russia, and came to America about the same time as Joseph Goldin. They were married in Philadelphia in 1895. She was a gentlewoman of culture and refinement and especially gifted in the art of water-color painting of flowers and bird life as well as an accomplished lace and embroidery worker.

Shepard J. Goldin undertook the study of law following the family financial disaster and gained his education and legal training entirely by his own efforts despite the financial misfortunes and physical handicaps. After an academic course at the Suffolk School of Boston, and a law course at the Northeastern University Law School, he was admitted to the bar in March, 1923. He successfully encountered the bar examinations, although he undertook to do so six months ahead of the class graduation. He had studied law in the office of Richard J. Talbot prior to admittance and after passing







*Frederic A. Ballou*

the bar established an office for himself where he practiced for a period of two and one-half years until, at the suggestion of Richard J. Talbot, Esq., a partnership was formed under the style of Talbot & Goldin, which now continues with offices at No. 310 Main Street, the Whitney building. They are counsel for the Commercial Trust Company, the Union Newspaper Company and other prominent clients.

Mr. Goldin has developed gifts as an amateur actor, and has been prominent in local theatricals. He took the leading part in the play "Going Some," that was presented for the benefit of the United Hebrew Charities at Court Square Theatre in 1915; he also took a leading part in the French play entitled "Three Hats" that was presented by the Sapiens Club. He's a Republican in political matters; Mr. Goldin served as a member of the Republican City Committee, and is active in legislative matters.

During the World War, Mr. Goldin was a member of the United States Naval Aviation Force stationed at Gulfport, Mississippi. He is a member of the "American Legion," the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, the Herzel Club, which he organized, and of which he serves as counsellor, United Order of American Men, and Better Transportation Club, of which he is the executive secretary and associate counsel, and of the Hampden County and the Massachusetts Bar Associations. Mr. Goldin is a member of the Congregation Beth-El.

Since the beginning of his law practice Mr. Goldin has been active in the interests of his profession in Springfield, in whose civic and social life he takes part.

**FREDERIC A. BALLOU**—Numbered among the prominent attorneys of Springfield is Frederic A. Ballou, who since 1917 has had his office in Springfield, his previous legal experience having been obtained in Westfield. He is the son of Charles E. Ballou, a native of Guilford, Vermont, and Mary E. (Allen) Ballou, his wife, who was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts. Charles E. Ballou continued in agricultural pursuits all his life, being a successful farmer.

Born in Greenfield, November 27, 1866, Frederic A. Ballou was educated in the public and high schools of this village, after which he pursued advanced studies in Amherst College, from which he graduated with his B. A. degree, class of 1890. He studied law with Henry Fuller, in Westfield, and in 1894 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He began immediately to practice his profession in Westfield, and continued thus engaged until 1917, when he removed to Springfield and opened an office in that city. He is endowed with a natural ability for law work, and by his persistent efforts in behalf of his constituents or clients he has built for himself a reputation of integrity and worth. At the present time (1925) he is attorney for the Woronoco Savings Bank of Westfield, the Westfield Coöperative Bank, and the Springfield Coöperative Bank. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and his club affiliation is with the Automobile Club, from which he derives much pleasure, also Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. In politics he is a Republican, and in religion a communicant of the Church of Unity, Springfield.

Frederic A. Ballou married, July 9, 1901, Elizabeth Harris, born September 16, 1869, in Westfield, daughter of Henry and Eliza Harris, both of whom are natives of England. One child has been born to this marriage, Henry H., in Westfield, September 18, 1904.

**OLIVER FULLER PINNEY**—For forty years Oliver Fuller Pinney as a good business man and loyal citizen proved himself a valuable asset to Springfield, Massachusetts, during the growing period of that city. He was born at Somers, Tolland County, Connecticut, January 7, 1821, one of four children born to Oliver F. and Lois (Chapin) Pinney. His father died October 11, 1820, at the age of fifty-three, nearly three months before the birth of the subject of this record, leaving his widow with her small and helpless family to provide for. Thus the educational opportunities of Oliver F. Pinney were confined to winters in the local schools and to summers at work on farms to earn something toward the family maintenance. With a great desire for learning, however, and with indomitable energy and pluck, he acquired a good education.

Mr. Pinney began his business career as clerk in a clothing store at Chicopee, Massachusetts, for a short time. Moving then to Spencer, he opened a general store, an enterprise which was followed by a period during which he travelled throughout Massachusetts and other parts of New England, selling clocks and other articles. In South Hadley he then entered into a partnership with his brother-in-law, Oliver Pease, operating a general store. After several successful years at this, he moved to Springfield, where he opened a store at the water shops and ran it for several years. He then sold out the business, and for two years devoted himself to life insurance. Retiring then, he gave all his attention to investments he had made earlier in his business career. His last four years were semi-invalid, due to a broken hip and he was tenderly cared for by his devoted wife until his death at his home on Stebbins Street, Springfield, December 30, 1906, at the age of eighty-six. He was buried in Springfield Cemetery. Though interested in politics and loyal to the Republican party, he was no office seeker. He was a communicant of the First Congregational Church.

Oliver Fuller Pinney married (first) Mary Ann Clark, born February 27, 1824, who died early and was buried in West Springfield Cemetery. He married (second) in September, 1885, Fanny Elizabeth Spooner, born in Granby, Massachusetts, daughter of Barzelia and Fanny (Blanchard) Spooner. Her father was a native of Western Massachusetts, born at Greenwich, and as an adult settled in Granby as a farmer and land owner, dying there at the ripe age of ninety-two. He attended the Congregational Church, as did his wife, and they were both buried in Granby. Children: 1. Elbridge Spooner, now deceased, was a butcher and meat dealer at South Hadley. 2. Sophrona, married Henry Morgan, both now deceased. 3. Charles, who operated the home farm and died at South Hadley. 4. Angenette, married (first) Allen Shaw; (second) Judge Robinson, lived at Post Hill, Missouri, when she died. 5. Hamet, died in childhood. 6. Fannie Elizabeth, married Oliver F.



Pinney. Mrs. Pinney survives her husband, residing still in their Stebbins Street home. She is an active member of the Congregational Church and generous in giving time and energy and money to all worthy philanthropic causes.

**THOMAS AQUINAS O'SHEA**, superintendent of the American Tissue Mills, at Amherst, Massachusetts, was born in Salem, Massachusetts, May 10, 1887. His great-grandfather came from Ireland and settled in Massachusetts. His grandfather was born in the State, and like the other members of the family followed the trade of tanner and leather worker. John O'Shea, the father of Thomas Aquinas O'Shea, was born in Salem in 1846, and died in Malden, Massachusetts, April 27, 1925, at seventy-nine years. He was a tanner in Salem with his father, and after gaining experience and skill at the trade, he came to Malden, where he worked in the tannery of Webster & Company until he retired. He married Mary S. Wilson, of Stoneham, Massachusetts, whose grandfather was the immigrant ancestor from England. The Wilsons were in the leather business in Stoneham for many years. John and Mary S. O'Shea were the parents of Timothy, Annie, Catherine, Mary, Robert and Thomas A. O'Shea.

Thomas Aquinas O'Shea was educated in the schools of Malden. On finishing school he worked for the Malden Gas Company for three years. In 1912 he came to Amherst, and entered the Amherst Wax Division of the American Tissue Mills. He began as a paper cutter, but his aptitude for the work and his skill were such that he was made superintendent of the plant after a period of six or seven years. He has continued in the office ever since, and has the oversight of some thirty-six employees.

Mr. O'Shea was married on June 6, 1909, to Margaret J. Walsh, of Malden, daughter of John Walsh. They are the parents of John; Pauline; Thomas and Robert O'Shea. Mr. O'Shea's address is: Superintendent of American Tissue Mills, Cushman Post Office, Amherst.

**JOSEPH ARTHUR ANGERS**—When thinking in terms of well-established and progressive business, more than a passing word must be given to the family name of Angers, whose active senior representative in Springfield was Joseph Arthur Angers, leading member of the firm of J. A. Angers & Brother, proprietors of one of the largest retail lumber establishments in the Springfield area. For more than three decades Mr. Angers has been a factor in the business life of the city of his adoption, having been for twenty years of that period in association with his brother Edelmard, a contractor and builder, whose business attained very large proportions. For the past thirteen years he engaged exclusively in the lumber business, in which he and his brother have achieved success through consistent and substantial gains, their retail yards on Eastern Avenue, in Springfield, being among the most advantageously arranged and situated and among the best-stocked yards devoted to that kind of business in that city. Some of the fine apartment houses and a number of the attractive residences of Springfield are examples of Mr. Angers' contribution to the architectural features and the real growth of the city. Under

his leadership his firm enjoyed high standing as a stable and constructive concern, and its members have taken their place with fine coöperative spirit in the community life.

Pierre Paul Angers, of St. Ours, Quebec, Canada, grandfather of Joseph Arthur Angers, was a descendant of Simon Angers, born in 1642, in Tracy-le-Bas, Picardy, France, who landed in Quebec, Canada, in 1664.

William Angers, son of Pierre Paul and Cesarie (Massé) Angers, was born in St. Cesaire, Quebec, Canada, October 28, 1844. In 1887 he removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, and since has made his residence in that city. Before he reached the age of twenty years he engaged in business on his own account, operating sawmills and gristmills, until 1887, in which year he disposed of all his property in Canada and came to live in the United States. He set up as a retail grocer and provision dealer in Springfield, and was engaged in that business for twelve years. His first wife was Salome Tetrault, daughter of Damase and Lucie (Fontaine) Tetrault, who died in 1885, at the age of forty-two. The eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Angers, is Joseph Arthur, of whom further.

Born in L'Ange Gardien, Conte Rouville, Quebec, Canada, April 25, 1868, Joseph Arthur Angers attended the parish schools in his native village until he was fourteen years of age. He then went to work in the sawmill and grist mill operated by his father, and continued in that employment for four years, becoming a competent and valued assistant of his father. In 1886 he came to Massachusetts, at the age of eighteen years, and settled in Holyoke, where he entered the employ of the Connecticut Valley Lumber Company, remaining with that concern for several months. In 1888 he came to Springfield and began to learn the trade of carpenter. He worked as a journeyman until 1892, in which years he formed a co-partnership with his brother, Edelmard Angers (q. v.), under the firm name of J. A. Angers & Brother. They executed building contracts, and did a constantly increasing business in that line, and in 1902 added a small retail lumber yard to their establishment. The two branches of the business they conducted until 1912-13, when they began to devote their attention to the lumber business exclusively. The lumber yards of J. A. Angers & Brother, on Eastern Avenue, Springfield, cover an entire city block, and the total sales has grown from a nominal figure to more than \$1,000,000 a year. Notable examples of their period of operating as building contractors are "The Winthrop," "The Salem," "The Oxford," "The Myrtle" and "The Harvard" apartment houses, while a number of the finer dwellings are testimonials of their career as contributors to the realty growth of Springfield. They also built and owned the Clinton Hall Hotel in Springfield in association with Frank L. Dunlap. All these properties were eventually disposed of in the course of their business relations.

Mr. Angers was a member of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association and the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. In political matters he exercised an independent attitude. He affiliated with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Joseph Arthur Angers married, September 21, 1886, at L'Ange Gardien, Quebec, Canada, Celina Roberts,

born May 10, 1869, at L'Ange Gardien, the daughter of Hubert and Marie (Corriveau) Roberts. Children: 1. Rudolph, born in Canada. 2. Albert. 3. Salome. 4. Romeo. 5. Robert. 6. Philip. 7. Juliette. 8. Lionelle. 9. Rouville. 10. Wilfrid. The last nine named children were born in Springfield. Mr. Angers' death occurred January 19, 1926.

**EDELMARD ANGERS**, of the firm of J. A. Angers & Brother, retail lumber dealers in Springfield, was born in L'Ange Gardien, Quebec, Canada, January 1, 1874, a son of William and Salome (Tetrault) Angers. In the parish schools of his native place he laid the foundations of his education, which he has since employed to excellent advantage in his business relations. The success of his elder brother, Joseph Arthur Angers (q. v.), led him to follow him to Massachusetts, and he established himself in Springfield, becoming an apt and able coadjutor in building the great business which stands as a monument to the integrity, acumen and thrift of the firm of which these two brothers are the principals. Mr. Angers shares the success of his brother Joseph, and their lives have gone hand in hand since they joined their fortunes in Springfield more than thirty years ago.

Mr. Angers is a member of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Edelmard Angers was married, February 14, 1911, at Bic, Quebec, Canada, to Ida Pineau, born in 1877, the daughter of Michel and Febronie (Gagnon) Pineau, both natives of Bic. Children: 1. D'Antes, born in Springfield, July 22, 1914. 2 and 3. Lorraine and Jeanine, twins, born in Springfield, June 24, 1918. Mr. Angers' address is No. 373 Eastern Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JOSEPH M. GODDU**, general manager of the lumber firm of J. A. Angers & Brother, of Springfield, is of French-Canadian ancestry. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, July 3, 1891, the son of Joseph D. Goddu, born in L'Ange Gardien, Quebec, Canada, and Mary Louise (Amnotte) Goddu, born in New Bedford, Massachusetts. His father is sealer of weights and measures in Holyoke, and a Republican in politics. The son, Joseph M., attended a parochial school in Holyoke, and afterward took a business course in St. Cesaire Commercial College, St. Cesaire, Quebec, Canada, whence he was graduated in the class of 1910. Having finished his studies, he returned to Holyoke and entered the office of the city treasurer, where he was employed from June, 1910, until February 1, 1914. He then identified himself with J. A. Angers & Brother, and has risen to the office of general manager, being the executive head of the concern.

Mr. Goddu is a member of the Cercle Rochambeau of Holyoke, the Oxford Country Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Springfield, the Knights of Columbus, L'Union Jean Baptiste d'Amerique, the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, the Hoo Hoo's and St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Springfield.

Joseph M. Goddu married, September 15, 1914, at Easthampton, Massachusetts, Eldora R. Provost, born

in Holyoke, November 18, 1891, the daughter of Euclide and Georgianna (Paradise) Provost, natives of Chambly, Canada. Children: 1. Irene, born in Springfield, February 25, 1918. 2. Vincent, born in Springfield April 7, 1920. 3. Claire, born in Springfield December 9, 1921.

**JAMES PATRICK RYAN**—For more than a quarter of a century Mr. Ryan's activities as a progressive and, therefore, successful business man have made definite contributions to the prosperity and growth of his native city. He was born in Easthampton December 5, 1878, a son of James and Anastasia (Butler) Ryan. His father was a son of Thomas Ryan, a native and until his death a resident of Ireland, and was born in County Waterford in 1837, coming to the United States in 1870. He settled at first in Northampton, Hampshire County, and, being a moulder by trade, went to work in the Florence foundry, moving somewhat later to Easthampton, where he was put in charge of the local foundry there, a position which he continued to fill successfully until his death, March 28, 1891. He had married, while still in Ireland, Anastasia Butler, also born in County Waterford in 1838, daughter of Edward and Margaret (Fitzgerald) Butler, who, in 1870, had accompanied him to the United States. They were the parents of five children: 1. Thomas, born in Ireland. 2. Annie (deceased), born in Ireland and later married to P. B. Driscoll. 3. Nellie, now dead. 4. Martin Edward, an account of whom is given in the following sketch. 5. James Patrick.

James Patrick Ryan was educated in the public schools of Easthampton and then learned the plumber's trade in Springfield. In 1899, when only twenty-one years old, he went into business for himself in his native city, opening a hardware store besides doing contract work in plumbing and heating. His store, which he has conducted most successfully without interruption ever since its foundation has grown into one of the most up-to-date mercantile establishments of Easthampton. However, in spite of his ever-growing business interests he has always taken a very active part in public affairs, and at various times has served as a member of the Board of Selectmen, the finance committee, the Water Commission, and many important committees connected with local civic enterprises. He is also president of the Easthampton Merchants' Association and a member of the Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. Ryan was married, February 8, 1910, to Alice Ryan, daughter of William and Mary (Dillon) Ryan, of Buffalo, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are the parents of two children: Alice and Joan. The family home is located at No. 259 Main Street.

**JAMES BERNARD RYAN, M. D.**—For almost five years, indeed, ever since he completed his medical education, his native town of Easthampton, Hampshire County, has been the scene of Dr. Ryan's professional activities as a physician and, though one of the younger generation of medical practitioners in Western Massachusetts, his practice has met with marked success from the beginning, and is rapidly expanding. He was born in Easthampton, February 4, 1897, a son of Martin Ed-



ward and Elizabeth (Kane) Ryan. His father was a son of James and Anastasia (Butler) Ryan, the former a son of Thomas Ryan, a native and, until his death, a resident of Ireland. James Ryan was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1837 and came to the United States in 1870. He settled at first in Florence, Hampshire County, and, being a moulder by trade, went to work there in the local foundry. Moving somewhat later to Easthampton, he took charge of another foundry there, a position which he continued to fill successfully for many years, during which he acquired a high reputation for expert workmanship and for great ability in handling men. He died in Easthampton, March 28, 1891. While still living in Ireland he had married Anastasia Butler, like her husband a native of County Waterford, where she was born in 1838, a daughter of Edward and Margaret (Fitzgerald) Butler. Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan were the parents of five children: 1. Thomas, born in Ireland, now a resident of Easthampton. 2. Annie, born in Ireland and later married to P. B. Driscoll, now deceased. 3. Nellie, born in the United States, now deceased. 4. Martin E., born in the United States, of whom further. 5. James Patrick (see preceding sketch), born in the United States. Mrs. Ryan survived her husband for twenty-five years until March 17, 1916, when she died in Easthampton.

Martin Edward Ryan, father of Dr. Ryan, born in Northampton, Hampshire County, November 29, 1872, was educated in the public schools of Easthampton, and at the Christian Brothers' school in Chicopee, Hampden County, which latter he attended for three years. After leaving school he secured a position in a men's furnishing store in Easthampton, remaining with this one firm for thirty-three years. In 1922 he became a motorman with the Northampton Street Railway Company, in which position he has continued since then. He is a member of the Railway Trainmen's Association. Mr. Ryan married, August 26, 1895, Elizabeth Kane, of Southampton, Hampshire County, a daughter of Patrick and Mary (Moore) Kane. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are the parents of five children: 1. James Bernard, of whom further. 2. Mary, married to John Snyder, and mother of one son, John. 3. Catherine, died in childhood. 4. Elizabeth, died in childhood. 5. Edward.

James Bernard Ryan was educated in the public schools and at Williston Seminary, Easthampton, and after graduating from the latter institution attended Tufts College, Medford, Middlesex County, for one year, where he took an academic course in preparation for a medical education on which he had decided by that time. In 1916 he entered Tufts College Medical School at Boston, where he graduated in 1920 with the degree of M. D., spending the next eighteen months in further study and in hospital work at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Boston. Returning to his native town of Easthampton in January, 1922, he established himself there in the practice of his profession at No. 53 Maple Street maintaining also an office in Southampton. During the World War he served in the infantry, being stationed in Boston. He is a member of the American Medical Association; the Massachusetts Medical Society; the American Legion; the Reserve Officers' Association; Knights of Co-

lumbus; St. Joseph's Temperance Society; and the Northampton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

**LINWOOD ALEXANDER RUST**—One of the ablest and most enterprising business men of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is Linwood Alexander Rust, representative of several excellent makes of motor cars, dealers in automobile accessories, operator of a garage which handles all sorts of repair work. Mr. Rust is also a member of the Board of Public Works, and director of the Hampshire County Used Car Exchange. He is descended from an ancient English family, the name of a certain Hugh Rust being recorded in England as early as 1312; the name is also common in Germany, as it is of Anglo-Saxon origin. The American progenitor was Henry Rust, from Hingham, County Norfolk, England, who settled in Hingham, Massachusetts, in 1633 or 1635, a glover by trade. He had a grant of land at Hingham in June, 1635, followed by others the same year, and he was admitted freeman in March, 1637-38; selected to make rates in 1638, and as town clerk in 1645. Henry Rust was also admitted an inhabitant of Boston, where he purchased property in the shape of a house and land on the site now occupied by Trinity Church, at the corner of Summer and Hawley streets. His wife was admitted to the church with him on February 20, 1669. Their son, Israel Rust, carried the line, born in Hingham and baptized November 12, 1643. He moved to Northampton in his youth and married Rebecca Clark, daughter of William Clark, and their son, Israel (2), carried the line, marrying Sarah North, by whom he had children including Israel (3), a lumberman of Northampton, who married Mary Warner, and had a son, Elijah Rust, born in Northampton March 8, 1736, died in 1789, who married (first) Miriam Strong; (second), Deliverance Cleveland, widow of Aseph Wales. Their son, Titus Rust, born in Northampton in 1779, died in Berlin, Connecticut, having lived as a tanner and shoemaker in Pompey, New York, and having married Charlotte Pomeroy. Their son, Daniel Rust, born in Pompey, New York, August 27, 1803, died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, August 12, 1881, a blacksmith, who married, in 1826, Julia Parsons, born in 1805, died July 15, 1876, daughter of Abner and Dorothy Parsons. Among their children was Daniel Warner Rust, father of the subject of this record, of further mention.

Daniel Warner Rust, son of Daniel and Julia (Parsons) Rust, was born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, August 24, 1834, and died January 5, 1894. After completing the local public school course he worked for a time with the Williston and Knight Company, then with the Easthampton Rubber Thread Company, with whom he remained for the rest of his life. An inventor, he supplied the company with several machines still in use, and had charge of various departments. Mr. Rust was also musical, a member of the church choir and a leader of the band. He was affiliated with the Congregational Church. He married (first), in 1855, Mary Murphy, who died in 1875. He married (second) May 24, 1877, Nettie Alexander, born in Meriden, Connecticut, December 31, 1854, daughter of Philip Colby and Mary Ann (Taylor) Alexander, granddaughter of Enoch Alex-



ander and Miriam (Colby) Alexander. Children: 1. Charles W., who married Bertha Lloyd and had three children: Virginia, Charles W., Jr., and Lois. 2. Minnie Julia, who married Frank Button and had a daughter, Dorothy Alexander. 3. Maytie Ella, who married Dan Shaw and had a daughter, Charlotte. 4. Linwood A., subject of this record, and of further mention. 5. Fayette Warner.

Linwood Alexander Rust, born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, April 8, 1887, is the son of Daniel Warner and Nettie (Alexander) Rust, ninth generation of his family in America. He attended the local schools and as a boy supplemented the family income by peddling milk. Enterprising from his early youth, he clerked for a time in a grocery store, then operated an automobile express business. For a time he was foreman of the stock room at the West Boylston Mills. By 1916 he had sufficient business experience and capital to start in the automobile business for himself, with headquarters in Easthampton, and for a time with a branch in Northampton. He is agent for the Hudson, Essex, Cadillac and Chevrolet cars and for the White truck. He sells all sorts of automobile accessories, operates a garage, and provides for all kinds of repair work. In addition, as mentioned above, Mr. Rust is a director in the Hampshire County Used Car Exchange, and a member of the Board of Public Works. He is also a member of Lodge No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and attends the Congregational Church.

Mr. Rust married, July 22, 1916, Janet Agnes Noland, of Middlebury, Vermont, daughter of William and Katie (McSorby) Noland. They are the parents of a daughter, Natalie, born August 13, 1918.

**REV. JOHN J. O'MALLEY**—Well beloved by his flock, the Rev. John J. O'Malley has given all the years of his life to the service of his faith and his fellowmen. His parents were Michael and Bridget (Heffern) O'Malley, born in Ireland and died at Clinton, Massachusetts, honored and respected. The children of Michael and Bridget (Heffern) O'Malley are: Mary; Delia, who married Owen J. Philbin; Abbie; Hannah; Winifred; Margaret; Catherine, who married Thomas Cassidy; John J., of whom further; Rev. William R., a Roman Catholic priest in South Barre; and Rev. Francis, who also is a priest of this faith at South Ashburnham.

The Rev. John J. O'Malley was born in Clinton, Massachusetts, in the year 1868, and received his earlier education at the public schools of his home town; he then attended the Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts, and later the St. John's Seminary in Brighton. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1893, his first pastorate being in Chicopee Falls as assistant pastor. In this capacity he later served in Worcester. In 1913 he received the call as pastor of the parish in Hatfield, Massachusetts, and remained there until 1919, when he became pastor of the St. Bridget's Church at Amherst, where he since has been active. The Rev. O'Malley has also to his credit the constructive leadership he gave in the campaign and building of the new, beautiful parish church of which he is the pastor. This edifice, in the Italian Renaissance style, took the place of the wooden structure which for many years had been the parish's place

of worship. It was built at a cost of \$200,000, and dedicated with impressive pontifical services on September 27, 1925. With its noble exterior and its beautiful interior, it is one of the finest churches in Western Massachusetts.

**JOSEPH SCHOTT**—A citizen of highly exemplary character, Joseph Schott is one of the foremost men in agricultural industry in Easthampton where, in both tobacco raising and dairying he has secured a position of recognized leadership. He has established his reputation in mercantile matters as well as in general industry in this part of the State; and he maintains the principles of civic progress by his practical interest in the affairs of the township. He is a grandson of John and a son of Michael and Annie (Ryba) Schott. John Schott was born in Poland in 1851, and he died there in 1894; his wife, Annie Ryba, was a native of Poland, and she now resides in Simsbury, Connecticut. They had children: 1. Joseph, of whom further. 2. Tekla, who married Peter Starzyk, and they have a son, William. 3. William, who resides in Holyoke.

Joseph Schott was born January 1, 1875, in Austrian Poland, and he attended schools in Poland and Bohemia, and college in Bohemia. In Bohemia he worked in the mines, in rolling mills, and at brick burning; and he served in the army three years, from 1896 to 1899. Coming to America in 1900 he lived in Springfield two years, where he studied evenings and was employed in a glazed paper mill. After residing in Chicopee for a time, he removed to Easthampton in August, 1904, where he operated a market for a number of years.

In 1919 Mr. Schott bought a farm of forty acres on the outskirts of Easthampton, where he has built a fine residence, and where he raises tobacco and keeps a herd of cattle; and he is owner of much valuable real estate in the township. He takes an active part in the civic affairs of the community.

Joseph Schott married, in January, 1903, Mary Kusnierz, of Poland, daughter of John and Agnes (Sypek) Kusnierz. Their children: 1. William Frank, born May 1, 1904. 2. Edward Hiram, born October 30, 1905. 3. Theodore Jacob, born August 7, 1912. 4. Edmund Joseph, born December 9, 1914.

**GEORGE EDWARD O'DONNELL**—Associated throughout his career with a number of the mercantile activities of Easthampton, and a very progressive factor in all its civic interests, George Edward O'Donnell, one of the leading furniture dealers in this part of the State, has always possessed the faculty of keeping at the forefront of local affairs, and as an office holder and a director of the affairs of business and civic institutions, he is an energetic and thoroughgoing official and a public-spirited citizen. His ancestors and the immediate first-comers of the name to America have all been men and women of industry, representing the most substantial industrial and business interests of Easthampton. The generations from his grandfather onwards are as follows:

Robert O'Donnell, who was of Scotch-Irish stock, lived in the North of Ireland, and he worked at farming throughout his career. Coming to America in 1812,

he resided with his son, Samuel A. O'Donnell, in Easthampton, where he died in 1878 at the age of eighty-four years. He married Catherine Duffy, who died at an early date in Ireland. Their children: John, who lived in Scotland; Eliza, who married Patrick Dwyer; William, who died in Ireland; Robert, who lives in Easthampton; Samuel A., of whom further; Edward, who is now deceased.

Samuel Alexander O'Donnell, who was born in 1851 in the North of Ireland, was employed in farming in Ireland until 1871, when he came to America, settling at Easthampton. He was first employed in the Nashawanuck Mills dyehouse, and afterwards as fireman and day watchman, remaining with that company twelve years. At the expiration of that time he engaged in the trucking business, also taking contracts for grading and for digging cellars; and with five pairs of horses and with single rigs, he continued in that line of business until 1916, when he sold out. Throughout that period he had intermittently held the position of superintendent of streets, and he afterwards had that office continuously until 1923. In 1901 he built the present residence on Cottage Street. He married Mary Mullin, who was born in Middlebury, Vermont, and died in Easthampton in 1881, daughter of Edward and Janet (Kane) Mullin. Their children: Catherine; George Edward, of whom further; Mary, who died when she was seven years old.

George Edward O'Donnell was born March 20, 1879, in Easthampton, where he attended the public schools. As a boy he drove a team, and when he was only thirteen years old he worked on the construction of the trotting park at Easthampton. Later on, he was employed in the town factories for a short period, and he then went to work in the grocery of William J. Sheehan, with whom he remained until the business was disposed of to M. B. Collins. Mr. O'Donnell continued with Mr. Collins until he went into business on his own account in November, 1903, when he conducted a grocery for a year, then buying a furniture store, and carrying on grocery and furniture business at the same time, from 1904 to 1920. In 1920 he disposed of the grocery, and enlarging his store, added to his furniture establishment, which he has conducted to the present.

Mr. O'Donnell is a member of the board of trustees of the Easthampton Savings Bank. He was a member of the town finance committee for many years, and he has held the office of deputy sheriff of Hampshire County since 1914. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and with the local council of the Knights of Columbus; and he is a past president of the Easthampton Business Men's Association.

George Edward O'Donnell married, October 9, 1905, Nellie Maher, of Greenfield, daughter of Michael and Statia (Rourke) Maher. Their children: 1. May, born June 20, 1909. 2. Elizabeth, born August 18, 1912. 3. Janet, born February 19, 1916.

**MICHAEL JOSEPH MAHONEY**, superintendent of the Water Department, Easthampton, is rated as one of the most important and efficient officials of that progressive community, noted alike for its great industries, its fine schools and attractive residential districts. He

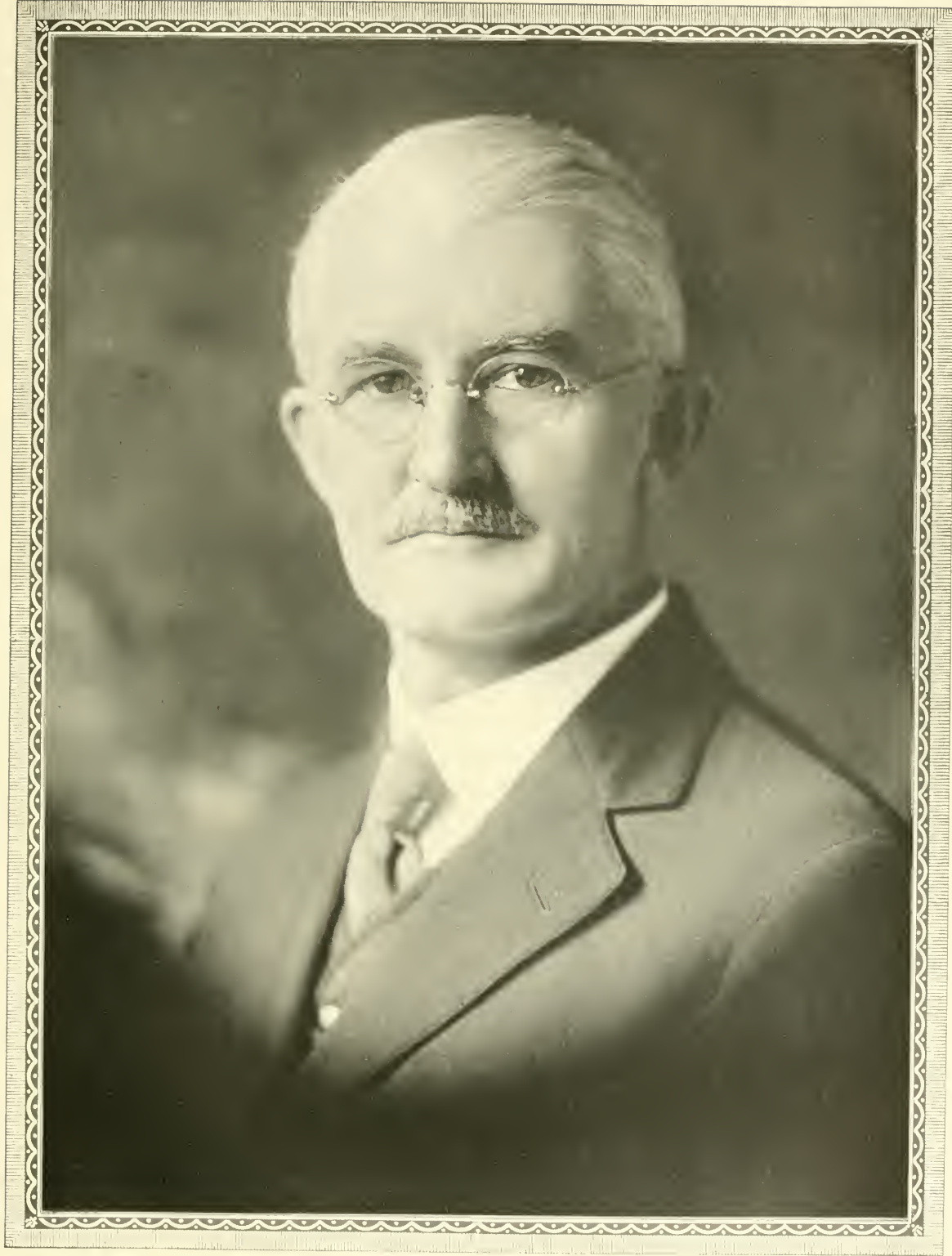
is the grandson of Cornelius Mahoney and his wife, Mary (Ryan) Mahoney, who lived and died in Ireland, and the son of James Mahoney, who was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1840, being reared and educated there, and when he attained his majority, coming to the United States and settling in Loudville, Northampton, where he went to work in the lead mines. He also resided in Glendale, a part of Easthampton, Massachusetts, for a number of years, and was held in high regard by his associates for his fine personal qualities. Much of his time away from his employment was spent in home pursuits, and he was known as a man of quiet and retiring disposition. He married Mary Ryan, also a native of Tipperary, Ireland, born in 1844, and they were the parents of the following children: James Andrew, treasurer of the Eastern States Refrigerating Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, of which city he is one of the most prominent business men; Cornelius V.; John; Michael Joseph, of whom further; Thomas, deceased; Nellie, married E. J. Sheehan, of Westfield, Massachusetts; Margaret, married Thomas Lynn; Mary; Katie. The father of these children died at his home in Easthampton September 11, 1910, aged seventy years, and his wife died in February, 1914, at the age of seventy years.

Michael Joseph Mahoney, fourth child of James and Mary (Ryan) Mahoney, was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, March 28, 1873. He received his education in the schools of Glendale, Loudville and Easthampton. His first stated employment was in the Glendale Mills, where he learned the trade of weaving, which he followed for thirty years in mills of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He answered the call of the United States Government for troops to free the island of Cuba from the Spanish yoke, enlisting, in 1898, in Company I (Northampton), 2d Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and participated in the short but severe campaign in Cuba. On his return from the seat of war Mr. Mahoney again took up his trade as a weaver and pursued it for fifteen more years. In 1913 he received an offer of a position in the Water Department of Easthampton, and accepting it, remained in that capacity for three years, during which time he acquired much valued experience in the construction and operating details of the town's water supply system. In 1916, Mr. Mahoney was made superintendent of the Water Department, an office which he was eminently qualified to fill, the appointment meeting with general approval on the part of the townspeople. For ten years now he has devoted his entire time to the duties of his position, on the efficient and conscientious performance of which depends so much of the comfort, convenience and health of the community. He is declared to be a past master in the construction of water works, and at times he has from thirty-five to forty men engaged under his supervision in making extensions of the system.

Mr. Mahoney married, November 12, 1911, Clara, daughter of Carl Petzoldt, of Easthampton, Massachusetts.

**HARRY LINCOLN RYTHUR**, of Ryther and Warren, millers and dealers on a large scale in grain, feed, lumber and building material in Enfield and Belchertown, Massachusetts, was born in Palmer, Massachu-





Harry L. Ryther





setts, December 21, 1870. His father was Edwin E., and his mother Georgianna Victoria (Flemming) Ryther. David Ryther, of English descent, settled in Bernardston, Massachusetts, in 1740. He bought a large tract of land, and built the house still known as the Ryther home. He was the father of twelve children, one of whom was the great-grandfather of Harry Lincoln Ryther. Amasa Ryther, grandfather of Harry Lincoln Ryther, was born in Bernardston, Massachusetts, and died in Montague, Massachusetts, in 1864, at ninety years. He lived in Bernardston, Greenfield and Montague, and did teaming and trucking. He married in Bernardston, Nancy Crow, who died in 1870, aged seventy-eight years. Their children were: George H.; Henry W.; William Alton; Charles W., Daniel, who died young; Martha, who married Hilard Sherman; Julia, who married Henry Webber; Kate, who married George Mitchell; Harriet, who married Joseph Severance; Ellen E., who married Edward Barnard, and Edwin E., twin of Ellen E.

Edwin Eugene Ryther, born in Montague, Massachusetts, October 17, 1845, went to Greenfield with his parents when he was three years old. He was educated in the schools of Greenfield; and was placed on a farm in Greenfield to work for a living when he was nine years old. Afterwards he was employed on a farm in Sunderland, Massachusetts. At fifteen years of age he drove mules on the Erie Canal, and for a short time he worked in a shipyard in Buffalo. He enlisted in October, 1862, in Company A, 52d Volunteer Infantry, Massachusetts; and served for nine months. He came home and after remaining a year, he reënlisted in 1864, in the 2d Massachusetts Heavy Artillery and served to the close of the war. He was at the siege of Port Hudson in the army commanded by General Banks. After the war he learned the painter's trade in Northampton. Afterwards he went with the Boston Duck Company in Bondsville, and had charge of that concern's painting for twenty years. In 1907 he left the company and went to Hopkinton, Massachusetts, where he bought a twenty-acre farm and continued for two and a half years. He afterwards sold this place and bought another in Natick, Massachusetts, where he lived with his daughter Mabel for five and one-half years. He eventually sold out and came to Monson, Massachusetts, where he lived in retirement until 1925, moving in that year to Palmer, his present home. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic; of the Methodist Church, in which he has been steward and superintendent of the Sunday School. He married (first), October 7, 1866, Georgianna Victoria Flemming, of Palmer, daughter of George and Melissa Flemming, who died in March, 1915. He married (second), April 24, 1919, Abbie Collis. Children of the first marriage: 1. Jessie, who married A. L. Squier; and has children, Donald; Leonard and Roger. 2. Harry Lincoln. 3. Mabel Esther, who married Fred Lathrop. 4. Leon, who married Clyde Hood and has children: Nancy; Janet and John Hood.

Harry Lincoln Ryther was educated in the public schools of Palmer. His school days ended, he went to work for a grocer in Bondsville. From there he went to Enfield, where he was station agent for six or seven years. Thereafter he went to work for A. J. N. Ward in the grain business in Enfield. After five years he be-

came a partner, the style being Ward & Ryther. This partnership continued for ten years, when it was dissolved by the death of Mr. Ward. In 1916, Mr. Ryther formed a partnership with L. G. Warren, and since that time the business has been conducted under the firm name of Ryther and Warren. They have a mill in Enfield, and in 1921 they came to Belchertown and bought out the grain business of E. A. Fuller. They have built since that time a large up-to-date mill. There they do a large business in handling grain and feed and doing custom grinding. They also handle lumber and building materials. The plant is one of the finest and most completely equipped to be found in Western Massachusetts. Mr. Ryther has made his home in Enfield for twenty-seven years. He has served the community as tax collector and member of the school committee. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge in Enfield, and of the Royal Arch Chapter in Palmer; of Athol Commandery, Knights Templar.

Mr. Ryther was married in 1891 to Lilla Morgan, of Palmer, daughter of Henry and Abbie (Fairbanks) Morgan. She died in 1908. He has a son, Harry Morgan Ryther, born in 1893. He was educated in the public schools of Enfield, afterwards attending the Worcester School of Technology, and Bates College, becoming a civil engineer. He served in the World War, enlisting with the 1st Corps Cadets in Boston. He went overseas with the 101st Engineer Corps, and was engaged in building roads and bridges, holding the rank of sergeant. He was honorably discharged from the service at Camp Devens, in May 1919. He is now associated with his father in the grain business in Enfield. He married Gladdys Fairbanks, and they have one child, Rosemary. Mr. Ryther's daughter, Lucy Esther, married Augustus Hermann, of Lynn, and they have two daughters: Marie Hermann and Lucy Ann Hermann.

**CECIL L. VAN HEUSEN**, who is responsible for the organization and development of the concern of Van Heusen's Home Made Candies, Incorporated, of Springfield, Massachusetts, is one of the most enterprising of the younger business men of Springfield. He is a son of Adam C. Van Heusen, born in New York State of Dutch ancestry, and Annie A. (Pease) Van Heusen, of Middlefield, Massachusetts. His father is engaged in the retail hat business in Springfield.

Cecil L. Van Heusen was born at Bridgeport, Connecticut, October 15, 1893. He attended the local public schools and Springfield High School, and also took a special course in business school. In 1913 he organized, and in 1922 incorporated, his present business, that of manufacturing and selling confectionery and ice cream, and the business has grown steadily since its very beginning. Mr. Van Heusen has been forced to move twice to more commodious quarters, and now has three Springfield stores in addition to the plant where all the products sold in the stores are manufactured. Fraternally, Mr. Van Heusen is affiliated with the Springfield bodies of the Masonic order, including Knights Templar and Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a member of the Kiwanis and Automobile clubs and of the Park Memorial Baptist Church.

Mr. Van Heusen married, on June 1, 1916, Maude E. Hobson, daughter of William E. and Annie (Sadler) Hobson, and they have one son, Arthur E., born at Springfield February 22, 1917.

**WILLIAM C. GODFREY** is agent and treasurer of The Indian Orchard Company, located in the village bearing that name, which is a part of the city of Springfield. Its predecessors were the Indian Orchard Canal Company, incorporated in 1839, who secured the water power and completed the dam. This company in 1853 was succeeded by the Ward Manufacturing Company, who completed a factory and commenced the manufacture of cotton cloth. In 1859 a new company was organized as the Indian Orchard Mills. This company was successful in the manufacture of sheetings until its Mill No. 2 was destroyed by fire in 1886. April 28, 1890, the present Indian Orchard Company was incorporated for \$225,000 under the laws of Massachusetts. The business of the company steadily increased and a new mill was completed in 1900, with a new power plant and entire new machinery, and the capital increased to \$350,000. In 1915 the capital stock of the company was again increased, bringing the total capitalization up to \$600,000. The company manufactures cotton warps, novelty yarns and white and colored cotton, and has been very successful since its organization in 1890, under the able and efficient management of its present agent and treasurer, who has been in charge since the company's very beginning. The present (1926) officers are: President, Robert W. Day; vice-president, Walter L. Mulligan; treasurer, William C. Godfrey; clerk, Walter L. Spaulding. Directors: Robert W. Day, William C. Godfrey, Walter L. Mulligan, Alfred Leeds, Charles L. Long, Charles C. McElwain, William O. Day, Edwin A. Carter.

**WILLIAM JOSEPH SUNN**, treasurer of the Baker Extract Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Plainfield, Connecticut, October 15, 1886. His father was Joseph Sunn, born in Worcester, Massachusetts, July 10, 1861. His mother was Caroline (Medbury) Sunn, born in Plainfield, Connecticut, February 8, 1868. His father is living in retirement. Mr. Sunn attended the public schools in Plainfield and the high school in Killingly, Connecticut; Colby Academy at New London, New Hampshire; and the Norwich Business School, Norwich, Connecticut. In 1910 he entered the employ of the Baker Extract Company, beginning in the laboratory, where he continued for a year. He was next in the office as a bookkeeper, for the years 1911 to 1915 inclusive. He became office manager in 1920, and has continued to date. He was elected treasurer of the company in 1922, and continues to discharge the duties of that office. He is also treasurer of the Miller Manufacturing Company. Mr. Sunn is a Republican in politics and a member of the Ward Committee.

William J. Sunn enlisted in the service at the outbreak of the Great War in 1917, and was stationed at Fort Slocum and later at Camp Dix. He is a member of the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and of both York and Scottish Rite Masonic bodies; of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic

Shrine; of the Winthrop Club; the Young Men's Christian Association; and the Baptist Church.

Mr. Sunn was married June 17, 1922, to Marion Badger, born in Burlington, Vermont, May 28, 1895, the daughter of Walter and Evelyn Badger, since dead. Mr. and Mrs. Sunn are the parents of Janice Harriet Sunn, born in Springfield January 13, 1925.

**WINFIELD SCOTT HANCOCK SEYBOLT**, one of the substantial business men of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born at Port Jervis, New York, June 1, 1880. His father was Hulet Clark Seybolt, an employee of the Erie Railroad, his mother Emma (Allard) Seybolt. He attended the public schools and the Matamoras, Pennsylvania, High School, being graduated with the class of 1897. He attended the Port Jervis Academy the two following years, 1897 to 1899. On leaving school he was employed by Swift & Company, and continued with them for six years. He was with the First National Bank of Port Jervis the following five years. He engaged in business for himself thereafter as a merchant conducting a general store in Circleville, New York, which continued for six years. He came to Springfield in 1916 and has continued here to the present time.

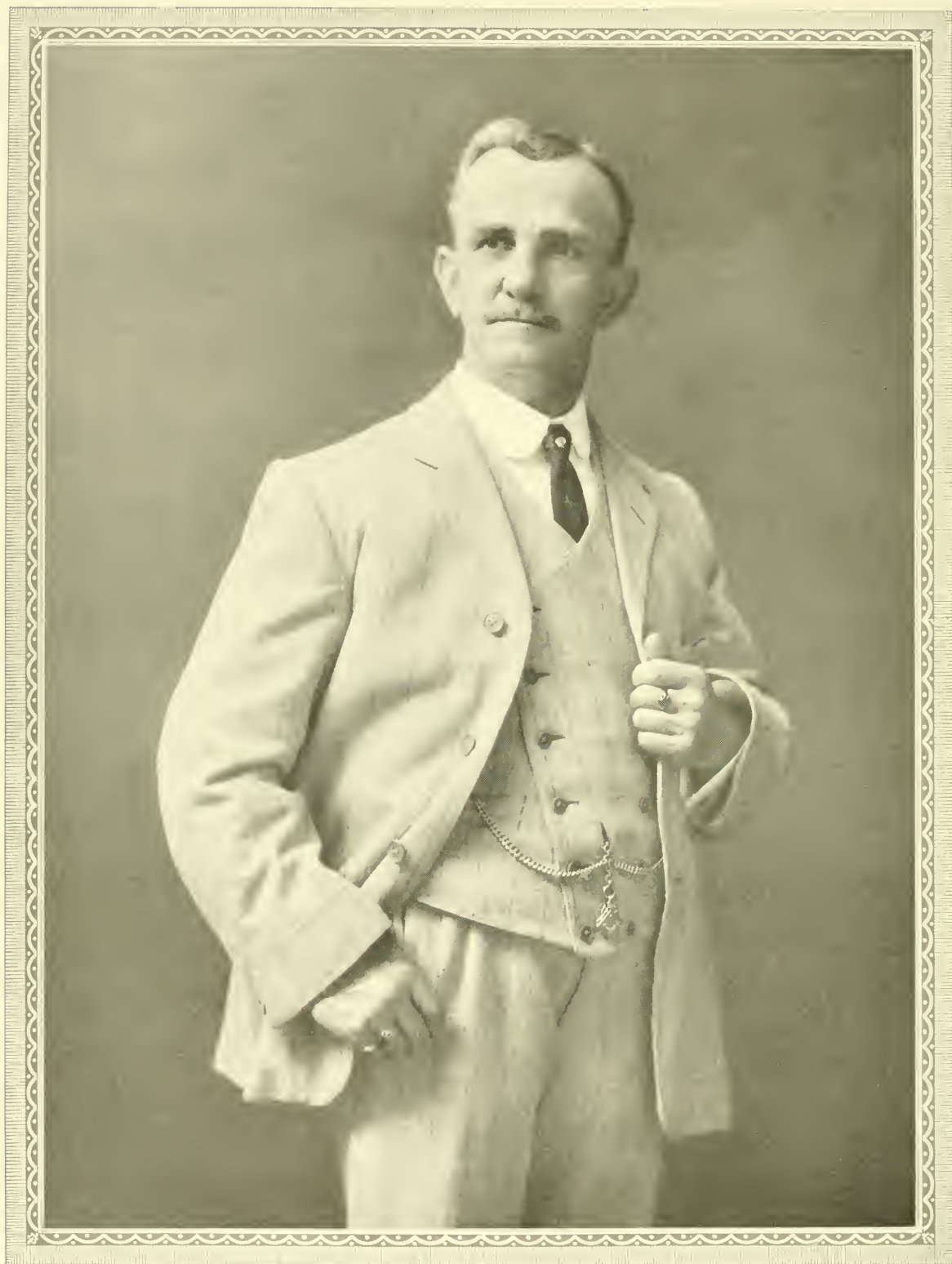
Mr. Seybolt always took an active interest in politics. He was tax collector of the town of Walkill, Orange County, New York, at one time and selectman of the town of Longmeadow, Massachusetts, for two terms, six years, at another. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, of the Sons of the American Revolution; president of the Longmeadow Men's Club; president of the May Breakfast Association for the past two years; a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and of the Orpheus and Publicity clubs. In religion he belongs to the Congregational denomination and attends the First Church at Longmeadow.

Mr. Seybolt was married at Port Jervis, New York, January 7, 1902, to Grace Fritz, daughter of Michael F. Fritz and Alice Spencer Fritz, Mr. and Mrs. Seybolt are the parents of three children: 1. Paul Spencer, born March 10, 1903. 2. Alice Emma, born July 6, 1906. 3. Lewis Arnold, born January 21, 1908. Mr. Seybolt's business address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield.

**FRANK EMMETT SEYBOLT**, of the brokerage house of Seybolt & Seybolt, Inc., Springfield, Massachusetts, was born at Matamoras, Pike County, Pennsylvania. His father was Hulet Clark Seybolt, born in Orange County, New York, October 12, 1835; his mother was Emma (Allard) Seybolt, born in New York, New York. His father was for many years connected with the traffic department of the Erie Railroad. Mr. Seybolt attended the public and high schools of Matamoras, and was graduated from the Young Men's Christian Association College in Springfield, in 1906. He was a member of the secretarial staff of the Young Men's Christian Association, at Twenty-third Street branch, New York City, from 1906 to 1908, after which he became general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Westfield, New York, 1908-1910. He served one year, 1910-11, as secretary of the Young Men's Christian As-







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sociation, Ridgewood, New Jersey, after which time he became engaged in the brokerage business in Springfield. The firm is known as Seybolt & Seybolt, Inc., and it deals in investments and bonds at No. 387 Main Street, third floor. Mr. Seybolt is a Republican in local political affiliations and independent in National politics. He took his seat in the Common Council to represent the Eighth Ward on January 1, 1925. He was reelected in November, 1925, and his term will expire with 1928. He is a member of Esoteric Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Kiwanis Club, the Ludlow Country Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. Also of the Hope Congregational Church.

Mr. Seybolt was married in Springfield, August 18, 1909, to Edith Upson, born in Kensington, Connecticut, October 14, 1882, the daughter of Royal R. Upson and Sarah Upson. Mr. and Mrs. Seybolt are the parents of: 1. Alan U., born in Westfield, New York, May 29, 1910. 2. Elizabeth A., born in Springfield, May 6, 1912. 3. John F. Seybolt, born in Springfield, August 9, 1915. Mr. Seybolt's business address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield.

**ANDREW J. LA FLEUR** early began to beat down the obstacles life presented against his advancement. Education was all-important, and he sandwiched it into his busy, self-supporting life at odd evening hours; but he gave himself a fairly good working knowledge of books. He had no capital for a business of his own, but he had a mechanical bent. This he capitalized by engaging in the plumbing business. From this humble business he has expanded into a general contractor for plumbing and heating, with successful side ventures into real estate.

Andrew J. La Fleur was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, September 27, 1876. He was the son of Theodore and Mary Louise (Caplet) La Fleur, both born in Canada, where Theodore La Fleur was a stone cutter. Andrew J. began in the plumbing business in 1890 in Worcester and Springfield, has gradually succeeded throughout the years, and now, has an establishment of his own at No. 71 Pomona Street, Springfield. He keeps abreast of the developments in his trade by actively joining in the meetings of the Master Plumbers' Association, of which he is a member. His shop is equipped to supply the most modern of plumbing. Efficiency, honesty and courteous service are the constant aims of Mr. La Fleur, and Springfield people have learned that his promise is to be relied on. A Republican in politics, he is keenly interested in civic affairs. He is a loyal and devoted member of the Howard Street French Catholic Church.

Andrew J. La Fleur married, in Springfield, Massachusetts, October, 1913, Rose A. Grise, who was born in Indian Orchard, Massachusetts. Their children were: Phyllis, born in 1914, in Springfield; and Everitt A., born in Springfield in 1917.

**JOSEPH AMBROSE NOWAK**—Mental as well as physical industry typifies many a man of foreign parentage who has the fortune to be born in this country.

Joseph Ambrose Nowak is an example. He was born in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, September 5, 1894. Mr. Nowak's early education was gained in the public schools of Chicopee Falls, from which he was graduated in 1908. Then he worked for five years in the establishment of the Chicopee Manufacturing Corporation, and then in the Stevens Arms and Tool Company's works. Entering the Chicopee High School in 1913, he completed a four-year course in two years, graduating in 1915. Thence he went to the Boston University School of Law, graduating in three years, in the class of 1918. The same year he was admitted to the practice of the law at Chicopee, Massachusetts, and now engages in general practice in that city. Mr. Nowak is president of the Polish National Credit Union; president of the Highland Park, Incorporated, a real estate development. He was alderman from the Fifth Ward of Chicopee in 1920, being the first and only independent elected from that ward. In politics he is an independent Republican. He is clerk of the District Court in Chicopee, appointed by Governor Coolidge in 1920, and reappointed by Governor Fuller in 1925; president of the Polish Citizens' Club; a member of the Knights of Columbus; the Polish National Alliance; the Polish Roman Catholic Union; and of other organizations. Mr. Nowak's father is Felix Edward, and his mother Victoria (Lech-Karczmarzka) Nowak. He is one of twelve children, and his father's vocation is that of a gardener.

On September 17, 1917, Mr. Nowak married Eva M. Constant, daughter of Wilfred and Josephine (Sampson) Constant. They are the parents of two children: Esther Nowak, born November 13, 1919, and Joseph Andrew Nowak, born June 2, 1923.

**GEORGE BARTON**—A lifetime's study of and devotion to the bleaching and finishing industry have made of Mr. Barton one of the world's most notable experts in this important branch of the textile industry, and the results of his extensive researches, his unequalled experience and skill, and his numerous inventions and improvements have been of vast benefit to the entire industry, not only in his native land, England, and in the country of his adoption, America, but all over the world. For the last twenty-five years the chief beneficiary of his eminence in his chosen line have been the Hampton Mills of Easthampton, Hampshire County, where he has been superintendent of the piece goods dyeing and finishing department since 1905, and the product of which has been brought to an extraordinary high state of perfection chiefly as a result of his untiring efforts and unsurpassed skill.

George Barton was born in Nottingham, England, January 30, 1862, and is a native of that part of England known for the importance and extent of its textile industry, as well as for containing Sherwood Forest, made famous by Robin Hood. He was a son of John and Millicent (Smith) Barton, whose other children were: Benjamin, now deceased; Catherine, now deceased; Hannah; John; Amos and Thomas. Both of his parents died in 1895, his father, born in Nottingham about 1825, having been a railroad contractor and the builder of the first railroad to be used in connection with



the important quarries of Lancashire, to which part of England he had removed in 1864 with his family. It was there that George Barton attended school, which, however, he left, when he was only slightly more than ten years old, to go to work in a bleaching and finishing mill, the Rosebank Bleachery, where he started at a weekly wage of five shillings. By close application to his work in the mill and by continuous attendance of night schools, where he studied especially hard the science of chemistry, he gradually acquired a great deal of expert knowledge of finishing, bleaching and dyeing, and by the time he was twenty-two years old he occupied the responsible position of foreman. In 1892, while he was connected with the Turnbull Stockdale Mill, he bleached and finished all goods sent by his mill to the World Exposition in Chicago, and the entire exhibit of his concern took first prize. Somewhat later, he returned to the Rosebank Mill to reconstruct its plant, remaining for two years, at the end of which period he accepted a position as special expert with Jackson Brothers, of Bolton. After he severed his connection with this firm he travelled for a considerable period of time for the purpose of teaching the bleaching and finishing processes, in which he had become a well known expert by this time. He visited Germany, Switzerland, Italy, France, China and Japan and established bleaching, dyeing and finishing plants in all of the larger centres of these various countries. In 1903 he came to America for the first time, spending some months in Wilmington, Delaware, in research work. In 1904 he accepted an invitation from the Hampton Mills of Easthampton to establish himself there for the purpose of doing experimental work and to start up a new bleachery.

Upon the completion of this work he returned to England in the latter part of 1904 and again became associated with Jackson Brothers, of Bolton. However, only a short time elapsed before the Hampton Mills once more made him an attractive offer, and in December, 1905, he returned to Easthampton as superintendent of the piece goods dyeing and finishing department of the Hampton Mills, in which position he has continued since then. There he has a force of some two hundred people working under his direction, and the product of their work under Mr. Barton's supervision finds a market throughout the entire world and has acquired a very high reputation for perfection and quality. Mr. Barton has taken out patents on a number of important machines, which are being used everywhere throughout the entire industry, and he was the first man to bring to perfection the process of bleaching mercerized damask. He is especially capable in solving vexatious problems and in discovering the causes of unexpected difficulties and complications, for which he usually finds a prompt and effective remedy. His long familiarity with dyes and colors has given him a keen appreciation of the finest in the art of painting, and he is no mean artist himself, the walls of his home being covered with paintings from his own brush, chiefly landscapes of the English countryside, churches and cathedrals. He is a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. While he lived in England he was a member of the Meth-

odist Church, but in Easthampton his religious affiliations are with the Congregational Church.

Mr. Barton married, January 30, 1883, Martha Alice Ormerod, a native of Ramsbottom, Lancashire, England, and a daughter of John and Sarah Ann (Sager) Ormerod. Mrs. Barton died in Easthampton May 25, 1925. Mr. and Mrs. Barton were the parents of one daughter, Rebecca, who married Samuel Hopton, and died December 17, 1910. Mr. and Mrs. Hopton were the parents of one child, Alice, born August 27, 1908, who after the death of her mother was legally adopted by Mr. Barton and is now known as Alice Barton, making her home with her grandfather in Easthampton.

**STEPHEN ANDREW MAHONEY, M. D.**—For almost four decades Holyoke, Hampden County, has been the scene of Dr. Mahoney's successful and helpful activities, first, as a general practitioner and, later, as a specialist in surgery, in which latter field he has gained a reputation second to none in Western Massachusetts. He was born in North Brookfield, Worcester County, December 26, 1863, a son of Jeremiah and Mary A. (Healey) Mahoney, his father, a farmer of New Braintree, Worcester County, now dead.

Stephen Andrew Mahoney was educated in the public schools of Gloucester, Essex County, and, after having been graduated from Gloucester High School in 1881, attended Holy Cross College, Worcester, Worcester County, from which he graduated in 1885 with the degree of A. B. He then took up the study of medicine in the Medical School of Harvard University at Cambridge, Middlesex County, graduating there in 1889 with the degree of M. D. Having served as an interne in the Boston City Hospital, he came to Holyoke, Hampden County, in August, 1889, and established himself there in the general practice of medicine. Before long he gradually drifted into surgery and in recent years he has devoted himself exclusively to this branch of the medical profession in which he is rated amongst the leading and most successful practitioners. He is a surgeon on the staff of Providence Hospital and on that of Holyoke City Hospital, and has served as city physician of Holyoke from 1890 to 1895, and as a member of the Holyoke Board of Health during the same period. In spite of the heavy calls on his time and energy made by his professional activities, Dr. Mahoney has found it possible to carry his interests into other directions and he is the president and one of the directors of the Park National Bank of Holyoke, as well as president of the Holyoke and Westfield Railroad. Besides being a Fellow of the American Medical Association and of the American College of Surgeons, he is also a member of the New England Surgical Society, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, the Hampden County Medical Society, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Holyoke Men's Club, the City Club, the Rotary Club, the Mount Tom Country Club, and the Holyoke Country Club. During the World War he was one of the medical examiners of the Local Draft Board. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church and most particularly with St. Jerome's Roman Catholic Church, Holyoke.

Dr. Mahoney married, September 1, 1898, Caroline





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L. Munn. Dr. and Mrs. Mahoney are the parents of three children: 1. Stephen Andrew, Jr., born in Holyoke, March 1, 1900, educated in the public and high schools of Holyoke and at Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1921 with the degree of A. B., and in 1925, from its Medical School, with the degree of M. D. He is an interne in the Massachusetts General Hospital and expects to specialize in surgery. 2. Constance M., a student at Smith College, Northampton, class of 1926. 3. Edwin M., a student at Harvard University, Cambridge, class of 1929. The family home is located at No. 630 Dwight Street, Holyoke, where Dr. Mahoney also maintains his professional office.

**JOHN MULLEN**, for thirty-five years a well known business man of Amherst, Massachusetts, has always taken an active part in local affairs, and is one of the substantial citizens of that place. Although retired from active business, Mr. Mullen still maintains his interest in real estate and in civic affairs.

Mr. Mullen is of English birth. His grandfather, Thomas Mullen, died in England; his father, John Mullen, was born in the North of Ireland, and as a young man went to England where he became herdsman on a large estate. He came to America in 1858 and located first in New Braintree, Massachusetts, and later in Warren, Massachusetts, where he farmed, raised sheep and kept cows. The Mullen family are all of the Protestant faith. John Mullen, the elder, married, in England, Catharine Mack, who died in Warren, Massachusetts, in 1908, and they were the parents of the following children: Thomas, deceased; John, of further mention; Mathew; Henry, deceased; Margaret, deceased; Mary, married Fred Keith; Julia, deceased. Mr. Mullen himself died in Amherst, January 27, 1902, at the age of seventy-nine.

John Mullen, son of John and Catharine (Mack) Mullen, was born in Shrewsbury, England, October 10, 1856. He came to America with his parents at the age of two years and received his education in the elementary and high schools of Warren, Massachusetts. When he left school he worked at farming for a year, and then became a partner in the coal and grain business in Brookfield, Massachusetts, in association with D. R. Tyler, under the firm name of D. R. Tyler & Company. Later he went to New Orleans, Louisiana, where he worked for one winter on a sugar plantation. On his return North he became connected with the meat business, in which the remainder of his business career was spent, working for a time for S. M. Bemis, in Fiskdale, and in the town of Sturbridge, Massachusetts, for two years. In 1879 Mr. Mullen came to Amherst, Massachusetts, and for six years worked for B. F. Kendrick in the meat business, at the end of which time, in 1885, he went into business for himself in Amherst. He was actively engaged in the meat business there until 1920, when he retired, after thirty-five years in business under his own name. Since his retirement Mr. Mullen has been more or less interested in real estate and land development.

Mr. Mullen has always taken an active part in public life and has held many local offices. He has served as constable and was chief of the Amherst Fire Depart-

ment for four years. From 1910 to 1913 and again from 1919 to 1922 he served on the Board of Selectmen and during the latter period was chairman of the board, and he was also chairman of the Board of Assessors for three years. In 1910 he was appointed deputy sheriff and still continues to hold this office. He has also been treasurer of the school board, and he is an active member of the Methodist Church and chairman of its board of trustees. Fraternally he is affiliated with Pacific Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Commandery, Knights Templar; and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Springfield, Massachusetts; also Amherst Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Encampment; and the Improved Order of Red Men. He is a member of the Business Men's Club, and the Grange, holding the office of auditor of the latter.

Mr. Mullen married (first), in 1881, Mary Childs, born in Deerfield, Massachusetts, died in 1915, daughter of Lemuel Childs. He married (second), in January, 1918, Emma Dewar, of Northampton, daughter of Charles D. Dewar. By his first marriage Mr. Mullen is the father of one son, Carl Childs Mullen, born in January, 1895. He is associated with the Columbia Insurance Company of Boston in the Loan Department. He married Mary Angus, of Newton, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two sons: Everett, and Bradford.

**CHARLES EDWIN HARRIS**—A member of an old and influential New England family, originally of Welsh extraction, Mr. Harris is a representative of the ninth generation in direct descent from Thomas Harris, born in Deal, Kent, England, died in Providence, Rhode Island, June 7, 1686. This first founder of the family came to America with his brother William in the ship "Lion" from Bristol, England, December 1, 1630. He was one of the signers of the compacts of 1637 and 1640, concerning the organization and government of the town of Providence. He was for many years conspicuous in the public affairs of the town, was many times commissioner, deputy to the General Court, member of the Town Council and juryman. The Christian name of his wife was Elizabeth, who died in Providence, Rhode Island, and they were the parents of four children: Thomas, of whom further; William, Mary, and Martha.

Thomas Harris, the second of this name and eldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth Harris, lived in Providence all his life, and died there February 27, 1711. He was many times a deputy to the General Court and a member of the Town Council. He married, November 3, 1664, Elantha Tew, born October 15, 1644, daughter of Richard and Mary (Clark) Tew, died January 11, 1718. They were the parents of nine children: Thomas, Richard, Nicholas, William, Henry, Amity, Elantha, Jacob, and Mary. The oldest of these, Thomas, the third to bear this name in this country, was born in Providence, October 19, 1665, lived there all his life, was a deputy to the General Court and a member of the Town Council, and died in Providence, November 1, 1741. He married Phebe, daughter of Henry and Wait (Waterman) Brown, who died August 20, 1723. They were the parents of eight children, the sixth of whom, Charles, was born in

1709 and inherited from his father land in Scituate, Rhode Island, and a house in Gloucester, Rhode Island. It is through him, his son Gideon, and his grandson Henry, of the fourth, fifth, and sixth generations, respectively, that the line is carried on to Charles Morris Harris of the seventh generation, grandfather of Charles Edwin Harris.

Charles Morris Harris was born in Providence, Rhode Island, August 3, 1822, a son of Henry and Waty (Smith) Harris. He was reared in Scituate and early in life went to work in the cotton mills. In 1842 he formed a partnership with David S. Wilder for the manufacture of thread. In the same year the firm located in West Boylston, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and began to make satinetts, afterwards leasing the mill at Lovelville, in Holden, Worcester County. In 1845 he became associated with his brothers, Linus Monroe and Gideon Harris, and a brother-in-law, Alfred Whiting, buying the Holt mill at what was called afterwards Harrisville, and manufacturing cotton cloth under the name of the L. M. Harris Company. In 1857 Mr. Harris bought a mill at Pequonnock, Connecticut, but sold it three years later, at which time he bought an interest in a factory at Savage, Maryland. In 1863, he and his brother, Linus M. Harris, bought half the stock of the West Boylston Manufacturing Company, which had been chartered in 1814 to make "cotton and woolen clothes and fine wire." Mr. Harris became general manager and treasurer and conducted the business until his death which occurred in Boston, April 24, 1889, when he was succeeded by his son, Henry Francis Harris. He married Emily Dean, and they were the parents of three children: 1. Henry Francis, born in Harrisville, West Boylston, Worcester County, August 19, 1849, died at Worcester, January 14, 1915, lawyer and manufacturer, married Emma Frances Dearborn and had two daughters: Rachel, now Mrs. James Herbert Johnson, of Worcester; and Dorothy Dudley, now Mrs. Harold Paul Buckingham. 2. Charles Morris, of whom further. 3. Emily, married Alonzo R. Wells.

Charles Morris Harris, namesake of his father, was born in Harrisville, West Boylston, Worcester County, in 1852. While still attending school, he worked in his father's mills during vacation periods. After leaving school he entered the West Boylston Mills, of which his father had been one of the founders. He quickly rose to the position of superintendent, which he occupied very successfully for twenty-one years, retiring in 1891, a year before his death, which occurred at Oakdale, Worcester County, in October, 1892. He was prominent in Masonic affairs, being a thirty-third degree Mason and Past Master of his lodge. His religious affiliations, like those of his family, were with the Baptist Church. He married (first) Emma Laurie, and they were the parents of four children: 1. George L. 2. Grace N., who married Dr. E. A. Williams. 3. Alice, who married Berton Sanford. 4. Bertha, who married George Mead. He married (second) Clara Augusta Mague, of Danielson, Connecticut, daughter of Thomas and Laura (Campbell) Mague, and they were the parents of one son, Charles Edwin, of whom further.

Charles Edwin Harris was born in Oakdale, Worcester County, May 11, 1883, and after attending the public schools of his native town studied at Worcester Academy

and at the Lowell Textile School, Lowell, Middlesex County, from which latter he graduated in 1905. He then entered the mills of the West Boylston Manufacturing Company, in which his family had been interested for several generations. These had originally been located in West Boylston, but had by this time been removed to Easthampton, Hampshire County. In 1910 he severed this connection and established a garage in Easthampton, which he carried on for some time. Later he bought the Dipple and Warner plant on Union Street, Easthampton, and equipped it with the latest improved machinery for the manufacture of wheels for automobiles, trucks, and trailers. In this business he has continued since then with marked success, operating under the name of the Harris Wheel Company and employing in normal times from fifteen to eighteen men. He is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Delta Kappa Phi and Sigma Zeta Kappa fraternities; and the Fish and Game Club, in which latter he is chairman of the executive committee.

Mr. Harris married, September 21, 1905, Lillian Arline Hall, of West Medway, Norfolk County, daughter of Arthur and Jennie C. (Messenger) Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Harris are the parents of six children: 1. Muriel Arline, born August 5, 1906. 2. Charles Henry, born January 11, 1908. 3. Donald Campbell, born August 18, 1909. 4. Robert Danford, born January 19, 1912. 5. Richard Arthur, born August 4, 1914. 6. Barbara Jean, born October 14, 1920. The family residence is located at No. 9 Northampton Street, Easthampton.

**REV. OSWALD LORETAN**—The work accomplished by Rev. Oswald Loretan in Ware, Massachusetts, has been of the broadest significance to the advance of the people, for it is in the spiritual realm that he has taken up his work among the people of this community, and his leadership of their activities in the development and growth of the parish of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church has done much for the community as well as for the people of his flock. Father Loretan is imbued with the same spirit of devotion which inspired the Apostles of old to carry the word of God to new and strange countries, and his endeavor toward the construction of the present church and parish buildings was a worthy example of pioneer effort. He is revered and honored among his people as indeed a spiritual leader, and he is carrying forward the progress of the people in a manner commendable in the highest degree.

Father Loretan was born in Switzerland, March 4, 1876. Following his early studies in his native country and in France, he attended Regonium University in Rome, Italy, and was ordained to the holy priesthood in the year 1902. He was sent to Poland to study the Polish language and spent two years at Lemberg and did much missionary work while engaged in the study of this tongue. Coming to America in 1904, he was appointed curate of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Ware. The work of building the new church with all its exactions and the great labor involved was carried on during these early years of Father Loretan's service here and his efforts towards the success of the project and the completion of the structure were most



untiring. He gave to this great work his ceaseless endeavors, and in its success and final accomplishment the community has been greatly benefited. The new church edifice is a structure of dignity and beauty, its interior designed with true appreciation of the sacred character of the edifice, and the people feel that in gathering here they are receiving inspiration, for they worship in a building in the erection of which they have been permitted to bear a share. The splendid parochial school is located in the basement of the church, and those in charge are teaching to the parish the lessons of Christian fortitude and honor, as well as the elements of education, and the work of St. Mary's is continually widening and growing. Father Loretan has organized many societies for the young people of the church, and his leadership in all their endeavors is bringing about wide and permanent good. He commands the esteem and admiration of the people of every faith, and is considered one of the influences for good in Ware to-day.

**MORGAN B. HODSKINS, M. D.**—Of that group of Massachusetts physicians who have specialized in the theory and practice of neurology and kindred sciences. Dr. Hodskins for more than a quarter of a century has been prominently associated with study and research in the department of psychiatry, and is known as one of the foremost and best informed men in the investigation of its phenomena. As superintendent of the Monson State Hospital, Dr. Hodskins from the beginning of his profession has devoted himself to the care and alleviation of the afflicted with the remedial methods of present-day progress and development, and the excellence of his administration has a State-wide appreciation.

Dr. Morgan B. Hodskins, the son of Rufus B. Hodskins, a farmer, and veteran of the 71st New York Regiment of Infantry in the Civil War, and Clementine (Prouty) Hodskins, was born February 9, 1875, at Westport, New York, where he attended the public and high schools. He prepared for his profession at the medical department of the University of Vermont, where he graduated in 1899, with his degree of Doctor of Medicine. That year he came to Monson, Massachusetts, where he was appointed superintendent of the State Hospital, specializing in neurology and psychiatry. He is a member of the board of directors of the Palmer Coöperative Savings Bank.

Dr. Hodskins enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and was commissioned captain, August 2, 1917, being promoted to major, March 1, 1918, at Fort Adams, and received his discharge at Camp Devens, February 9, 1919. His fraternal affiliations are with the American Legion; Brookfield Medical Club; Eastern Hampden Medical Association; Springfield Academy of Medicine; Massachusetts Medical Society; American Medical Association; American Psychiatric Association; Massachusetts Psychiatric Society; New England Society of Psychiatry; Boston Society of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Dr. Morgan B. Hodskins married, December 6, 1912, at Boston, Miss M. H. Dowling; they are the parents of two children.

**MAX HEYMAN**, president and treasurer of the Standard Gas-Electric Supply Company, of Springfield, Massachusetts, a business he himself founded, and did much to originate and develop, was born in Germany, July 5, 1866, the son of Herman and Ottielie Guttstadt Heyman, natives of that country. The father was a farmer and a military mail officer. Max Heyman came to the United States in 1889, after having attended the public schools abroad and served the two years required of every able-bodied youth in the army. After his arrival in New York he worked for six years as chemist in a tannery. Thereupon he undertook the manufacture of gas mantles in New York City, a business he continued for eighteen years. He came to Springfield in 1909 and engaged in business as the Self-Lighting Gas Mantle Company. Although he was the head, his post was that of superintendent and he continued for three years. At the expiration of that time he established a business of his own in the manufacture of gas mantles. It is the Standard Gas-Electric Supply Company and he is president and treasurer. His son, Harry, is vice-president of the company; and Leo, another son, is secretary.

Mr. Heyman is a Republican in politics. His military service was performed in 1885-86, thirty-five years ago. He is a member of the Electrical Contractors' Association; the Building Trades Association; and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, having received the thirty-second degree, Scottish Rite, and he worships in Beth-El Temple.

Mr. Heyman was married in New York City to Annie Fischer, daughter of Gabriel Fischer, a native of Austria. They are the parents of Harry, Leo, and William Heyman, all born in New York City.

**NELSON B. JONES** is achieving success as a contractor and builder in Palmer, where his name stands high among the prominent citizens of the community. He is a man of experience in the commercial and general building world, and this business characteristic, coupled with energy and ability, has brought him a justly-earned success in his chosen field of endeavor.

He is well known in Palmer as an active, public-spirited man, as a club man and as a leader in ecclesiastical affairs.

Nelson B. Jones was born in Ware, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, on September 28, 1887, the son of Ira Lyman Jones, a lumber merchant, and Josephine (Thresher) Jones. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and of Greenwich, in Hampshire County, his family having moved to the latter place when he was six years old. He also spent some time in the schools of New Salem. Mr. Jones lived with his brother on the latter's farm, while he attended the schools of Greenwich, wherein he remained until he was fourteen years old. Subsequently he was employed by another brother, Francis L. Jones, in the general building trade in Greenwich. At the age of seventeen Nelson B. Jones went to Lachute, Canada, where he was identified with the lumber business for two years. Later he was associated with his brother, Charles, as a carpenter in Lachute. At the age of twenty-one Mr.



Jones returned to his native State and settled in Palmer. For one year he was associated in business with his brother Francis; following which, for a period of eight years, he served as a master mechanic in the employ of the Monson State Hospital. Subsequently he spent two years with the Wright Wire Company, in charge of the department known as the Safety First Department. In 1919 he became a builder and contractor, with offices at No. 12 Park Street, in Palmer, and with a wealth of experience behind him, plus native ability and industry, he has built up a flourishing business. Mr. Jones is well known and especially active as a builder of fine residences; his reputation in this phase of his work extending far into Hampden County. He is a member of the Thomas Lodge, in Palmer, of the Free and Accepted Masons; the Hampden Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons, and the Washington Council of the Royal and Select Masters. He also holds membership in the Federated Men's Club of Palmer. His religious affiliation is given to the Palmer Baptist Church, of which he is a deacon.

Nelson B. Jones was married to Mabel L. Thomalty, daughter of Robert and Mary (Morrison) Thomalty, in Louisa, Province of Quebec, Canada, on November 17, 1909. They have two children: 1. Gordon Edwin Jones, born in Palmer, August 7, 1916. 2. Ruth Emeline Jones, born in Palmer, August 4, 1918.

**DR. JOHN F. ROCHE**—Highly regarded as a citizen of Palmer, and in his professional capacity as a dentist, John F. Roche was born at Thorndike, Massachusetts, son of Michael and Mary (Kelliher) Roche.

His early education was gained in the Palmer High School, after leaving which he entered Holy Cross College, where he remained one year. He then entered the Philadelphia Dental College, and was graduated from that institution in 1900, with the degree of Doctor of Surgical Dentistry. He has been practicing in Palmer for the last quarter of a century, where he enjoys a large clientele. Dr. Roche has been a member of the Palmer school committee for fifteen years, his present term expiring in 1927. He is Past Grand Knight of Palmer Council, Knights of Columbus; Past Sachem in the Improved Order of Red Men; a member of the Palmer Business Club; and a member of the Connecticut Valley District, Massachusetts State and National Dental societies. He is a communicant of St. Thomas's Roman Catholic Church.

John F. Roche married, June 28, 1905, at Springfield, Massachusetts, Anna E. Healey, daughter of James and Ellen (Owens) Healey. Dr. and Mrs. Roche are the parents of a daughter Dorothy H., born March 6, 1908.

**WILLIAM PARSONS ALLEN**—A highly esteemed farmer and citizen of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is William Parsons Allen, who is active in every phase of community progress. He is descended from a long line of notable New England ancestors, dating from 1630, when the American progenitor of the family, Samuel Allen, came to this country in the good ship "Mary and John" from his birthplace in Braintree, County

Essex, England. He settled in Windsor, Connecticut, where he engaged in agricultural pursuits, and where he died in 1648, being buried April 28, of that year. He married Ann, surname unknown, of Dorchester, and among their seven children was Samuel Allen, born in 1639, who came to Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1657, where he died October 18, 1719. He married, in 1659, Hannah Woodford, by whom he had eleven children, including Deacon Samuel Allen, born in 1675, died in Northampton in 1739, who married, in 1699, Sarah Rust. One of their seven children was Joseph Allen, born in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1712, died in 1798, who married Elizabeth Parsons, born in 1716, died in 1800, daughter of Noah and Mindwell Parsons. Six sons among their fourteen children served in the War of the Revolution; so conspicuous were the services of this family in the patriot cause that the Northampton chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution adopted the name of "Betty Allen" for their chapter. Elijah Allen, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Parsons) Allen, born in 1757, died in 1850, married Keziah Wright, born in 1755, died in 1825, and one of their children was Captain Joseph Allen, born in Northampton in 1791, died July 12, 1876, a farmer who fought in the War of 1812. He married Mehitable Parsons, born in 1796, died in 1870, and their children were: Ruth, Joseph, Ann Sophia, William S., of further mention; James O., Thomas Putnam, and Sarah Elizabeth.

William Spencer Allen, son of Joseph and Mehitable (Parsons) Allen, was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, March 3, 1829, and died in Southampton, Massachusetts, July 22, 1885. He was an adventurous man, who in youth, after a journey to California with those who made the "Gold Rush" of 1849, settled down in Easthampton, where he ran a livery business for a while, and in Southampton, where he farmed. He married, on December 31, 1860, Maria Louise, daughter of Robert and Ruth (Bassett) Rogers, born October 6, 1835. Children: Emma Sophia, born December 19, 1861, died February 5, 1890; William Parsons, of further mention; Frankie Goodman, born October 17, 1865, died September 14, 1866; Thomas Hubbard, born January 17, 1872, died June 5, 1873.

William Parsons Allen, born in Easthampton, Massachusetts, October 4, 1863, was the son of William S. and Maria Louise (Rogers) Allen. He grew up in Southampton, where he attended the public schools. In early manhood he was occupied in farming, which he abandoned for twenty-seven years, during which he successfully conducted a livery business in Easthampton. Having sold out in 1916, Mr. Allen bought a farm of over a hundred acres in Southampton, where he raises tobacco and hay. This is a well managed and fertile property, of which the community is justly proud. Mr. Allen also has found time to render public service in various capacities and is now a member of the Board of Public Works. A member of the Congregational Church, he is affiliated with the Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton. Mr. Allen married, on June 6, 1894, Martha Johnson, of Leyden, Massachusetts, daughter of Patrick and Isabelle (Strange) Johnson, and they are the parents of a son, Frank Johnson Allen.

Frank Johnson Allen, ninth generation of his family in America, was born July 16, 1896, and educated in the town schools and at Northampton Commercial College. He enlisted for service in the World War June 28, 1918, and was discharged March 28, 1919. Stationed first at Camp Dix, he then went to France, where he was assigned to the Motor Transport Service, with the duty of taking ammunition to the front and bringing back the wounded. He was himself wounded a few hours before the armistice was signed and was confined to the hospital until he was mustered out of the army. Since his return from France, Mr. Allen has been associated with his father in the management of the farm. He married, in November, 1922, Lina Beauregard, of Manchester, New Hampshire, daughter of Frank and Phoebe (Ross) Beauregard.

**HARRY P. TRUE**, head of True Brothers, Jewelers, in Springfield, Massachusetts, was born August 10, 1864, in Litchfield, Maine. His father was Lewis P. True, of Litchfield, a hotel proprietor, and his mother was Annie R. (Pierce) True, born in North Yarmouth, Maine.

Harry P. True attended school in Saco, Maine, and was graduated from the high school in 1884. He began active life working with his father, continuing from 1884 until his father's death in 1898, in which year he formed a partnership with his brother, Fred L. True, and bought out the F. A. Hubbard Jewelry Company, in Springfield, which took the name of True Brothers. Fred L. True died in 1907, and Grenville M. Stevens subsequently became a partner. The firm conducts a general jewelry business, which they conduct at No. 408 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. True is a Republican, a member of the Nayasset Club, the Winthrop Club, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Springfield Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Unitarian Church.

Mr. True was married in West Springfield, March 20, 1908, to Alice Corvett, born November 18, 1881, in Brattleboro, Vermont. She was the daughter of Jerome and Rose V. (Covey) Corvett, natives of Vermont.

**LESLIE K. TALMADGE**, vice-president and sales manager of the Baker Extract Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Agawam, Massachusetts, October 5, 1882. His father was Newell Talmadge, and his mother Dela O. (Kent) Talmadge. Newell Talmadge was born in Southwick, Massachusetts, and died December 12, 1895. He was superintendent of the building of ice refrigerating plants. His wife also is dead. Leslie K. Talmadge attended the public and high schools of Springfield. He began his business career in the office of the First National Bank of Springfield as a clerk on October 1, 1897, and continued until 1902. In 1902 he entered the employ of the Baker Extract Company as bookkeeper, and continued for two years until 1904. He became office manager in 1904 and continued until 1920. Since 1920 he has been sales manager and vice-president of the company. He also is treasurer of the Van Duzer Extract Company. Mr. Talmadge is a Republican in politics, and has been treasurer of the City Committee for two years.

Mr. Talmadge is president of the Springfield Canoe Association; a past commodore of the Springfield Yacht Club; a member of Springfield, Free and Accepted Masons; of the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Commandery, Knights Templar; and of Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also is a member of the Chamber of Commerce; and of the Baptist Church, of Springfield.

Mr. Talmadge was married, in Winthrop, Maine, March 2, 1905, to Adelaide Carman, who was born in New York City, November 2, 1883.

**EDWIN ERNEST BARTLETT**, general manager of the Florence Garage Company, of Florence, Massachusetts, was born at West Farms in the town of Northampton, November 27, 1887. His father was Edwin Patterson Bartlett; his mother Emma (Howard) Bartlett. Like his brother, Frank A. Bartlett, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere, he is of the eighth generation in descent from Robert Bartlett, the founder of the family in America, who was an early settler in Hartford, Connecticut, and was slain by Indians in Northampton in 1676.

Edwin Ernest Bartlett attended the small district school at West Farms, and worked on his father's farm until he was twenty-one years old. At that time he went to work as a motorman for the Northampton Street Railway, and continued in the employ of that company for about eight years. He afterwards worked for the Williamsburg Manufacturing Company in the manufacture of screw drivers and ice picks, for a year and a half. He next joined the Northampton Police Force as patrolman, but resigned after a year and six months. Since 1920 he has been engaged in the automobile business for himself and for others. Since July, 1925, he has been general manager of the Florence Garage Company of Florence. Mr. Bartlett has been a member of the Grange, in which he has held various offices. He is a member of Nonotuck Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Northampton, in which also he has held office. He is a member of the Congregational Church, of Westhampton.

Mr. Bartlett married (first), October 5, 1910, Ellen J. Torrey, of Gardner, Massachusetts. She died March 26, 1918. He married (second), on December 17, 1920, Lottie (Huling) Tilley, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Tourgee) Huling. The children of the first marriage were: Florence, who died in infancy; Doris Eleanor, born April 18, 1915; and Grace Ernestine, born May 10, 1917. His business address is No. 51 Main Street, Florence.

**DR. JAMES M. MURPHY**—The ancestors in this country of Dr. James M. Murphy settled first in New Jersey, but migrated to Connecticut, fixing residence in Norwich, in that State. Dr. Murphy was born in Norwich, December 8, 1891, son of Charles O. and Annie (Moore) Murphy, his father, now retired, having been a plumbing and heating contractor in Norwich.

The early education of Dr. Murphy was acquired in the Norwich schools, including the Norwich Academy, from which he went to Tufts College graduating in



1917 with the degree of M. D. from the Medical School of that institution. Thence he went to the New York Post-Graduate School, after which he became an interne in the Hartford Hospital. In medicine he has specialized on the eye, nose and throat, and he has been a physician in Palmer, Massachusetts, since 1920, and on the staff of the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer. He is also a consultant on the eye, nose and throat at the Monson State Hospital. On August 27, 1917, he entered the United States Medical Corps, and he spent five months in Southern training camps. He was commissioned as captain in this corps, and sailed overseas in February, 1918. He returned and was discharged on July 2, 1919, at Camp Dix. He is a member of the Kappa Kappa Medical Fraternity; a member of the Knights of Columbus; a member of the American Legion; a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society; a member of the Brookfield Medical Club; and he belongs to the Quaboag Country Club.

At Palmer, Massachusetts, August 18, 1924, Dr. Murphy married Katherine Duffy, of that city, daughter of Frank and Mary (Walsh) Duffy.

**DANIEL JOSEPH RUSSELL**, for several years an alderman of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and a stone cutter mason by trade, was born in County Kerry, Ireland, February 1, 1869. His father, James Russell, was born in County Kerry, and there attained manhood. He married Ellen Breen, and they were the parents of three children: Michael, since dead; Mary, a resident of Holyoke; and Daniel Joseph, of whom further. The parents crossed the ocean early in life and found Holyoke an agreeable abode. They lived here the remainder of their lives, and are buried in Saint Jerome's Cemetery, having been members of the Roman Catholic Church. Their three children joined them soon after they were established in Holyoke.

Daniel Joseph Russell was educated in the public schools of County Kerry. At the age of seventeen, in 1886, he crossed the ocean. Arriving in Holyoke he learned the trade of stone mason under John Marra, a relative. Afterwards he remained with Mr. Marra as a journeyman until his employer died; he was then employed as a journeyman by the widely known stone and granite cutters and monument workers, the McCormicks, with whom he continued in active work as long as he lived. In politics he was active all his life as a staunch Democrat. He was elected alderman from the First Ward, and filled the office for two years. His election as alderman-at-large followed and he served for five years. He possessed clear convictions and a terse, and convincing style of expression. He was frank and outspoken, and his manner never left a doubt about where he stood or the sound, logical reasons for the position he had taken. This he did in a simple and unassuming bearing which could not give offense. He was efficient and thorough in executive positions, and had all the attributes of a natural leader of men. This was as apparent in his trade union relations as it was in politics. He was president of the Stone Cutters' Union, and had been a delegate to its international convention many times. He was at one time president of Division

I of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and always keenly interested in their affairs.

Mr. Russell was married in South Manchester, Connecticut, to Nellie Forgarty, a native of County Kerry, Ireland, and the daughter of John and Mary (Doyle) Forgarty. Her father died in Ireland; her mother in South Manchester, Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Russell were the parents of ten children: 1. James J., resides in Holyoke. He married Elizabeth Shea, and has three children: Ann, Helen, and Mary. 2. Lillian C., who lives at home. 3. Helen M., who married Emmett Rooney, and makes her home in Ludlow, Massachusetts. 4. Lila M., who lives at home. 5. Irene, who lives at home. 6. Samuel, who died in young manhood. 7. John E., died in childhood. 8. Mabel T., who lives at home. 9. Mary (May) E., a student at Saint Jerome's School. 10. George E., a student at Saint Jerome's School. Mrs. Russell and her children are members of Saint Jerome's Church. Mr. Russell died March 26, 1923, after a short illness from pneumonia, and was laid at rest in Saint Jerome's Cemetery. He was widely known, and had the respect of all with whom he came in contact. The family occupies the house at No. 157 Beech Street, Holyoke.

**WILLARD B. SEGUR, M. D.**, well known physician of this district, is descended from Richard Segur, born in England, and who came to the New World, and was a resident of Newton, Massachusetts, as early as 1632. He was one of the company of Rev. Thomas Hooker, who in 1636 followed the famous Congregational pastor with about one hundred others, including women and children, through a trackless wilderness, upwards of one hundred miles, until they reached the Connecticut River, having driven before them one hundred and sixty head of cattle, horses, and swine, over hills, through swamps and rivers, and having no guide but their compass. On their safe arrival at this fertile spot they settled and laid the foundation of Hartford, Connecticut. The Rev. Thomas Hooker's Puritan Company came, most of them, from the vicinity of Braintree, Colchester, and Chelmsford, England, about 1632. Richard Segur was among the first proprietors of town lots in Hartford, Connecticut, and he married about 1649, Elizabeth Moody, sister of John Moody, of Roxbury, Massachusetts, who was with the Rev. Thomas Moody in 1636. The line descends through the various generations, each having done his part in the upbuilding of our country, and being represented during the Revolutionary War by several participants, among them: Joseph Segur, private in Captain Mill's Company, Bradley's Battalion, Wadsworth's Brigade; Darius Segur, from Simsbury, Connecticut, private in Captain Robert's Company, 18th Regiment of Military, arrived in New York August 24, 1776, discharged September 13, 1776; and Daniel Segur, enlisted May 11, discharged October 13, 1775, private in 6th Company, 5th Regiment, Colonel Waterbury's Regiment, raised on first call for troops by act of Legislature April and May, 1775, marched first to New York under Wooster, then to the Northern Department; their term of service ex-





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pired December, 1775, but on account of sickness many men returned home during October and November, 1775.

Dr. Willard B. Segur was born April 7, 1865, in Talmadge, Ohio, son of Rev. Seth Willard and Ellen (Blossom) Segur, his father a direct descendant of Richard Segur, who removed to Simsbury in 1683. The son received his education at Phillips Academy, of Andover, Massachusetts, followed by attendance at Princeton, class of 1889, and on the completion of these studies he matriculated at Dartmouth Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1892. He then became interne at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, at Boston, where he remained for one year; at the end of that time becoming connected with the Boston Emergency Hospital, being in charge there for three years. In 1895 he began to establish his practice in Enfield, and his broad hospital training in combination with his great gifts for healing soon gave to him a clientele that occupied much of his time. He is to-day one of the most sought after and most successful physicians in the vicinity. Besides his practice, Dr. Segur takes an active interest in the community welfare, and has served in public offices, being chairman of the school committee, chief of the local fire department, and having been for ten years on the Board of Selectmen. He is a Republican in politics, and is medical examiner for the 4th Hampshire District. He is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and fraternally is affiliated with Northampton Lodge, No. 997, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. Segur married, September 29, 1909, at Enfield, Massachusetts, Laura G. Warren, daughter of George H. and Kate (Gardner) Warren, and they are the parents of a son, William Warren, born March 31, 1912.

**HAROLD W. BRAINERD**—Belonging to a family that have been residents of Palmer, Massachusetts, since the days of the Revolutionary War, Harold W. Brainerd was born in that old Massachusetts town, September 22, 1878.

He was educated in the Palmer public schools, and at the age of twenty-two he entered the firm of his father, W. H. Brainerd, whose work consisted of civil engineering for various towns in the vicinity. He is still engaged in engineering, and the business is prosperous. Mr. Brainerd was elected selectman of Palmer, Massachusetts, and has served for ten years. During the World War Mr. Brainerd served in a camp for military training. He is a member of the Palmer Business Men's Club, and of the Quaboag Country Club, of Monson. Mr. Brainerd's father, as noted, is a civil engineer. He has lived in Palmer for thirty years, and is still active. He has been a member of the Hampden County Board of Commissioners, and is prominent in Palmer affairs. Mr. Long's mother is Mary A. (Fenton) Brainerd.

Harold W. Brainerd, September 19, 1906, married (first) Eloise Stone, who died January 29, 1922. On August 1, 1924, he married (second) Hattie F. Flynt, of Palmer, daughter of Rufus and Addie L. (Green) Flynt, of Monson, Massachusetts. Mr. Brainerd is father by his first wife of two children: Nellie E. Stone, and William Kellogg Brainerd.

**FLETCHER SMITH**, overseer of the finishing department of the George S. Colton Elastic Web Company's plant at Easthampton, is a prominent and highly regarded citizen, and active in many of the social and fraternal interests of the community. He is a son of Thomas Smith, who was born at Princess Resby, Buckinghamshire, England. Thomas Smith married Sarah Ann Kennedy, who died December 22, 1923, at Easthampton, at seventy-two years of age. They had children: 1. William Edward, who resides in England. 2. Mary Ann, deceased. 3. Jabez Ernest, deceased. 4. Fletcher, of whom further. 5. Thomas, who resides in Easthampton.

Fletcher Smith was born May 21, 1879, in Saddleworth, Yorkshire, England, and he attended public schools at Mill Brook and Staly Bridge. He went to work in a cotton mill when he was sixteen years old, at the same time attending evening schools for the study of shorthand and bookkeeping, and also taking a technical course. He left his employ in the cotton mills, and for a time was engaged in office work and stenography, afterwards entering the employ of an extensive bleachery and dye works and printing plant, where, in the different departments, he became conversant with the details of bleaching, dyeing and printing. He worked for thirteen years with the one company, and had the responsible office of producing orders for display forms, and for other plants.

In 1908, Mr. Smith came to the United States, settling at Easthampton; and for seven and a half years he was employed in the Hampton Mills, a large bleaching and dyeing plant. In 1917 he joined the George S. Colton Elastic Web Company, manufacturers of elastic goods and cords, where he is overseer in the finishing department. At once becoming an American citizen, he has always taken a deep interest in civic affairs. While in England, he was a citizen soldier for ten years, and at the outbreak of the Boer War, he volunteered for active service, and was a territorial soldier in the Western Transvaal.

At the time of this going to press, Mr. Smith is negotiating for the purchase of the Easthampton News Company, and, if successful, intends to continue the paper as a weekly. The Easthampton "News" has been established for about fifty years, under the management of various well known and interested townsmen.

Fraternally, Mr. Smith is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easthampton, of which he is a Past Master; with James Rogerson Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and William Parsons Council, Royal and Select Masters, of Northampton; and he is a member of the Pascommuck Club. He is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Fletcher Smith married, in England, Catherine Currie Sheldon, who was born at Thornliebank, Scotland, near Glasgow, daughter of Andrew and Mary Wardrobe (Scott) Sheldon. Their children: Violet Scott, born in England; Hilda Scott; Katherine Sheldon; Irene Florence; Fletcher, Jr.; Norman Edward; Barbara Louise; all born in Easthampton.



**EDWARD F. CUSHMAN**—There are few men in Palmer, Massachusetts, better known than Edward F. Cushman. He was born in Monson, in that State, April 30, 1879. His father, Edward D. Cushman, died in May, 1915. His mother, Florence (Sedgwick) Cushman, a native of Massachusetts, is still living. The father was chairman of the Republican town committee of Monson for years; he was treasurer of that town for a long period; he held the presidency of the Monson Savings Bank, and was a director of the Monson National Bank. He was also a member of the Massachusetts Legislature in 1910-11. He was born in Monson, Maine, but came to Monson, Massachusetts, when but six months old with his parents. At the age of fourteen he worked in a Monson mill, and later, with his brothers and his father, Solomon F. Cushman, purchased the mill and continued operating it until he became ill.

Edward F. Cushman acquired his education in the Monson Academy and the Tabor Academy. His studies finished, he engaged in business with his father, Edward D. Cushman, of Monson, a woolen manufacturer, to whom he continued as assistant, the father's health being poor. About 1900 the elder Mr. Cushman retired from business, and his industry was carried on by the brothers of Edward D., Rufus, Fred, and Robert. Edward F. Cushman came to Palmer in 1915, and with Henry W. Holbrook purchased a building on Thorndike Street and started a garage business, also handling the Nash cars, for which he has the agency. Mr. Cushman is a member of the Rotary Club, of Palmer, and in religion is a member of the Congregational Church.

At Webster, South Dakota, December 15, 1915, Edward F. Cushman married Louise M. Marclay. They are the parents of Mary Cushman, born March 11, 1918, at Palmer, Massachusetts; and Frances Cushman, born January 1, 1920. Mr. Cushman, besides the brothers mentioned, had two sisters: Mrs. L. J. Brainard, and Grace Cushman, who died in 1896.

**JOHN B. SHEA**—An excellent repute and standing in his native city, John B. Shea, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, funeral director, was born April 25, 1880. Mr. Shea's father, John Shea, is foreman and watchman of the Holyoke city yards. His mother, Mary (Ferris) Shea, died on August 29, 1916. They were the parents of six children, all living. His early education was acquired in St. Jerome's parochial school, after which he entered the Childs Business College of Springfield, from which he was graduated. In politics, Mr. Shea is an Independent. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Holyoke, and the Kiwanis Club; the Holyoke Country Club; City Club; and the National Association of Funeral Directors. He is a Catholic, and a member of the Holy Cross Church.

John B. Shea was married in September, 1918, to Ella M. Gilday, daughter of Richard Gilday.

**DENIS E. O'NEIL**, real estate dealer in Springfield, Massachusetts, contractor and builder, was born in Winchester, Massachusetts, October 8, 1877. His father was Timothy O'Neil, native of Ireland, and vet-

eran of the American Civil War; his mother, Katherine Lynch O'Neil, of Winchester. The father was superintendent of a felt factory at Winchester in his active career. Denis E. O'Neil attended the public school and the high school at Winchester. He was barely out of school when the Spanish-American War was declared by President McKinley in 1898, and Mr. O'Neil offered his services to the country. He became staff orderly for the 6th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment, and saw service in Porto Rico. He fought in all the engagements under the command of General Nelson A. Miles. He engaged in the real estate business for himself in Springfield in 1910, and has continued to date. He does a general real estate business. Mr. O'Neil is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Catholic Church.

Mr. O'Neil was married in Winchester, Massachusetts, on June 30, 1902, to Nora A. McDonough, a native of Ireland, where she was born on February 18, 1880. Mr. and Mrs. O'Neil are the parents of: 1. Margaret, born May 24, 1903, in Malden, Massachusetts; 2. Kathleen, born November 23, 1904, in Fall River, Massachusetts. 3. Frances, born May 14, 1906, in Brooklyn, New York. 4. Barbara, born August 6, 1907, in the Bronx, New York City. 5. Denis E., born July 28, 1916, in Springfield, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES B. PROCTOR**—One of the pioneer loan brokers of Springfield was Charles B. Proctor, whose recent death has robbed the business world of Springfield of one in whom the public had great confidence as a man of integrity and sound business judgment. He was the son of Martin and Clara Proctor, of Springfield.

Charles B. Proctor was born in Springfield in 1869. His education was received in the Springfield public schools and in Blake's Commercial School. At the age of twenty-one Mr. Proctor started a real estate and loan brokerage business in the Walker Building, where he remained until the time of his death, and where the business, under the management of his son, Charles B. Proctor, Jr., is still conducted. Mr. Proctor's reputation as a man of integrity and honor gained for him the confidence of bank committees throughout the entire Connecticut Valley, and during the many years of his business career, his relations with the banks of the vicinity were practically uninterrupted. He was a man who combined a genial personality with strength of character and keen business acumen, with the result that he held the confidence of a wide circle of his fellow citizens. He was a member of the Hope Congregational Church, and of the Nayasset Club, the Oxford and Springfield Country clubs, and the Manchonis Club.

He married, in 1892, Gertrude A. Kelley, who survives him. They had one son: Charles B. Proctor, Jr., who was associated with his father in the business and now conducts it.

**EDWIN EMIL SCHORTMANN**—One of the best known and most popular business men of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is Edwin Emil Schortmann, interior decorator and proprietor of an art and gift shop now op-



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erated as Edwin E. Schortmann & Son. Mr. Schortmann's grandfather, Emil Carl Schortmann, born in Saxony, Germany, died in Broadbrook, Connecticut, at the age of seventy-four, after thirty-eight years in the United States. He had been a spinner and weaver in his own country and followed that trade in the New World. He married Christina, and their children were: Hermann, deceased; Bernhardt, in California; Emil Carl, of further mention; Paul, of Springfield, Massachusetts; Albert; Richard, deceased; Christina, deceased; Bertha, of Rockville, Connecticut; Annie, of California; Hattie, of Broadbrook, Connecticut; Pauline, of Massachusetts, and Agnes, of Oxford, Massachusetts.

Emil Carl Schortmann, son of Emil Carl and Christina Schortmann, was born in Saxony, Germany, and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, in 1923, at the age of seventy-three. He was educated in the local German schools and came to America in 1868, about six months after his father's migration. A boss spinner, he worked in the Connecticut and Massachusetts mill for many years, settling in Easthampton in 1908 and working with his son, subject of this record, until his death. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity in Glastonbury, Connecticut. He married Clara Louise Rudolph, born in Saxony, Germany, and still living. Their children are: Edwin E., of further mention; Emelie, who married Arthur Noble, of South Coventry, Connecticut; Alma, who married Gustave Kruger, of Webster Massachusetts; and Elsa, who married Rembaldt Kruger, of Colorado.

Edwin Emil Schortmann was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, July 16, 1875, son of Emil Carl and Clara Louise (Rudolph) Schortmann. He was educated in the schools of South Glastonbury and South Coventry, and moved to Holyoke in 1890, where he learned painting and decorating, and worked at various branches of his profession for five years. Moving to Easthampton in 1895, he was associated for five years with George Searle. In 1900 he engaged in business for himself, specializing in interior decorating and doing a large business in painting and paperhanging as well. His enterprise has grown rapidly, and he employs a considerable force of employees, caring for an extensive business in Easthampton and adjoining towns. He has a finely appointed store and stock of art and gift articles. His excellent taste and wide acquaintance with the best modes of decorating interiors have won for him a merited reputation as an expert in this line. In 1924 he admitted his son, Alvin Edwin, to partnership, under the firm name of Edwin E. Schortmann & Son. Mr. Schortmann is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the James Rogerson Royal Arch Chapter. He is affiliated with a number of German societies, the Pascommuck Club, and a communicant of the Congregational Church.

On June 20, 1895, Edwin E. Schortmann married Emma Amelia Knodel, born in Germany, daughter of Frederick and Frederika (Smith) Knodel, whose parents had come to America when she was eight years old. Children: 1. Elfreda, born May 12, 1896. 2. Alvin Edwin, born May 29, 1902, associated with his father in business, married, August 20, 1924, Marjorie York, born in Colerain, Massachusetts, daughter of John I. and

Sarah (Ashton) York. 3. Gertrude, born June 5, 1904. 4. Raymond Emil, born May 21, 1908.

**SAMUEL S. PEASE** has devoted a large part of his adult life to building up the H. & J. Brewer Company, and he now has the satisfaction of seeing it a wholesale drug concern on a large scale, while he enjoys an important part in its management. This story of perseverance, hard work, faithfulness to insignificant duties, and personality, which achieved such signal success is the story of Mr. Pease's life. He was born in Broadbrook, Connecticut, June 21, 1869, son of Dallas M. and Anne Eliza (Coombs) Pease. His father, who had in early days been a farmer, and who had done some clerical work, retired late in life and died in 1919. He was a veteran of the Civil War. The family moved to Springfield when Samuel was fifteen, after he had secured the rudiments of his education in the grammar schools of Longmeadow. The boy's first job was with H. & J. Brewer Company, as clerk. During subsequent years, at various periods he continued to work for them, slowly but steadily advancing. He knew the whole business so thoroughly that he finally became a partner. In 1906 the firm incorporated under the name of H. & J. Brewer Company, instead of the old partnership name of H. & J. Brewer. Mr. Pease became treasurer and manager, of the wholesale department, while Mr. Hapgood was president and manager of the retail department. In 1914, all the retail stock was sold out, and Mr. Pease took over the secretaryship and management of the new wholesale concern, with Mr. Hapgood as president. The firm now deals in wholesale drugs, heavy chemicals, confections, fountain supplies, denatured alcohol, and druggists' sundries. Mr. Pease is a member of the Hampden Lodge, of Springfield, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is Past Master, and of the Chapter, Council, and Commandery, and the Melha Temple of the Shriners. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His church affiliation is the Congregational Church.

On April 16, 1901, in Springfield, Massachusetts, Samuel S. Pease married Clara J. Plaiice.

**CHARLES HENRY MANSON**—The proprietor of a well-established and modernly equipped grocery and meat market in the town of Amherst, Charles Henry Manson is justly proud of his honorable Scottish ancestry. His grandfather, Robert Manson, was born in Scotland in 1776. He came to America and died September 4, 1854; first settling in Vermont and afterward in the Province of Quebec, Canada, where he established a town known as Mansonville. There he operated a grist mill and spent the rest of his days. He married Patience Andrews, a native of Scotland, and they had children: 1. William, born in 1800, died in 1860; married Fannie Peabody, born 1802, died in 1887; children: William, Jr., born 1827, died 1907; McNeil, born 1822, died 1902; Nathaniel, born 1839, died 1897; George, still living; Ezubia, died in 1924. 2. James, born 1803, died 1883; married Martha Perkins, born 1813, died 1899; children: Orin, died 1871; W. B., born 1830, died 1912; Robert, died 1874; David, still living; a daughter, died

young. 3. Manley, of whom further. 4 and 5. Hiram and Olive, twins, born 1809. Hiram died 1899, married Mary Blanchard, and had two children: Eliza and Celia. Olive died 1867; never married. 6. Robert, Jr., died 1874; married Rebecca Bartlett, and had children; Patience, Stella and Belle, the latter deceased. 7. Joseph, born 1820; married Martha Holbrook, and had children: Jay and Junior. 8. Nathaniel, born 1839, died 1897; never married; killed in the Rebellion at Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec. 9. Janet, died 1886; married Oliver Failes, died in 1888; one child, Caroline. 10. Julia, born 1815; married Edwin Bickford; they had five sons and one daughter. 11. Lydia, married Jonah Hill and had children: Myron, Thomas, Moses, Uriah, and one daughter.

Manley Manson, son of Robert and Patience (Andrews) Manson, was born in Mansonville, Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1807, and died in Farnham, Province of Quebec, Canada, December 14, 1881. He removed to Farnham in 1876, and was a farmer there until his death. He was a member of the Conservative party. He married (first) Theodora Stickney, born 1810, died 1865, and by this marriage there were children: Nathan, died in infancy; Elizabeth, born 1842; married John Emerton and lived in Laconia, New Hampshire, until her death in 1925; Amelia, born 1846, died 1864; Jeremiah, of whom further. He married (second), in 1868, Lucy Felch, born in Shefford, Canada, daughter of Henry Felch, who came to Canada from New Hampshire while young and later bought land of the Dominion Government. She died in 1918, leaving twin sons, Curtis R. and Charles Henry, born 1868, of the latter of whom see further.

Charles Henry Manson, twin son of Manley and Lucy (Felch) Manson, was born in Shefford, township of Farnham, Province of Quebec, Canada, May 17, 1868. He was reared in his native town, where he attended the local schools and worked the farm with his widowed mother until he attained his majority. In 1889 he came to South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts, and drove stage from that point to Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, and worked in a livery stable. He followed that employment for a year and a half, and then went to Holyoke, where he was employed for a short time in the Kelton market. After a brief visit to his native home in Canada, he returned to South Hadley, where he became connected with the Spooner meat market, remaining there until 1897. His next move was to Northampton, Massachusetts, where he had charge of a meat market until 1922.

In 1923, Mr. Manson removed to Amherst, where he opened an up-to-date grocery and meat market. His enterprise has been attended with success, he being esteemed one of the substantial business men of the town.

Charles Henry Manson married (first), in 1892, Mary Spooner, of South Hadley, and they had children: 1. Mildred. 2. Doris, married Ernest Samuel Russell, of Hadley, who have children: Jeanette Elizabeth, born December 2, 1919, and Stuart Manson, born July 27, 1924. He married (second), in 1911, Catherine Glazier, of Leverett, Massachusetts. Mr. Manson maintains his residence in Northampton, where he is a member of the Christian Science Church.

Jeremiah Manson, fifth child of Manley and Theodora (Stickney) Manson, was born about 1853. He married, in 1890, at Stanstead, Province of Quebec, Christina Halley, and they had children: 1. David McNeil, born October 29, 1891, married Mae George. 2. Nathaniel Vernon, born June 19, 1894, married Mabel Marsh, and has five children: Doris, Dalton, Jerry, Thorpe and Rita. 3. Theodora, born August 28, 1902.

**JULIAN ROYAL ALBEE**, proprietor of the Springfield City Laundry, a leading business man, active in public affairs as well, was born in Northfield, Vermont, December 22, 1864. His father was Vietts W. Allbee, and his mother Isabelle K. (Flint) Allbee, natives of Vermont. He himself simplified the spelling by dropping one "l." Mr. Albee is a descendant of an old colonial family. His great-grandparents were Ebenezer Allbee, a native of Townsend, Massachusetts, who was born April 17, 1768, and died December 13, 1846, and Anna (Johnson) Allbee, born in Lancaster, Massachusetts, January 20, 1771; died September 16, 1849. Ebenezer Allbee and his wife were the parents of six children: Ebenezer, Timothy Johnson, Philena, Horace, George Washington, and Elijah Warren, the youngest, who was born in Rockingham, Vermont, February 29, 1812, and died March 21, 1885. He married Maria Adams, born December 20, 1812; died May 6, 1900. They were the parents of Vietts W., Juetts A., Frances, Ann, Ida. Vietts W. Albee, born in Rochester, Vermont, died in the Soldiers' Home in Iowa. He was an able and versatile man of decided mechanical ability, who was successful as blacksmith, engineer, and painter, and he followed those trades at various centers in the West. He passed many years in Iowa and Illinois, finding the climate and living conditions in those States much to his liking. He saw active service in the Civil War, and he had the satisfaction of passing his last years amid the pleasant surroundings and the congenial comrades offered in those days by the Soldiers' Home at Waterloo. He married Isabelle K. Flint, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Washburn) Flint; and they were the parents of two children: Lillian Frances, the daughter, married Henry A. Utley, and they are the parents of two sons: Lewis and Lester Utley.

Julian Royal Albee, the son, was taken to Illinois by his parents at a tender age. He began his schooling in the city of Moline; but at ten years he returned to his native Vermont, and attended the public schools. Until he was sixteen he appears to have done farm work in off hours, summer and winter, taking advantage of the summer vacations and the short school terms of the winters. This occupied the years 1880 and 1882. In 1883 he worked on a stock farm. Ambitious to make his own way in the world, he went to Randolph, Vermont, where for two years he was employed in a sash and blind factory until 1887. He decided to make a change and went to Ware, Massachusetts, where he began his career in the laundry business. With the experience he gained he went to Amherst, Massachusetts, where, for eight years, he was associated with the laundry business of his brother-in-law, H. A. Utley. At the end of that time he came to Springfield and engaged in the laundry busi-



ness for himself. He formed a partnership with Charles L. Brown under the firm name of Brown & Albee, and opened an establishment at No. 19 Lyman Street. The enterprise was a success; and, after a time Mr. Albee bought the interest of his partner and ran the business alone. In August, 1905, he moved into the large and well-equipped plant his laundry now occupies on State Street. This building, which he designed and ordered built to meet the special needs of his expanding business, is fitted with every recent convenience and appliance for the safe, rapid, and most hygienic handling of the large amount of trade he has built up. At the present time (1925) Mr. Albee employs about thirty-five hands. In addition to his business responsibilities he has found time to serve the community in public office. He was treasurer of the Republican City Committee for five years. For four years he also served as a member of the City Council; while for two years he was a member of the Board of Aldermen. He is a member of Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He is president of the Sons and Daughters of Vermont; and is also a member of the Rotary Club. His religious affiliation is with St. Paul's Universalist Church, being president of the parish. He is also a member of De Soto Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a member and director of the Springfield Automobile Club; a member of the Reciprocity Club; of the Massachusetts Laundry Owners' Association, and of the National Laundry Owners' Association.

Mr. Albee was married, in Randolph, Vermont, on June 14, 1885, to Caroline E. Snow, born in Cambridge, Massachusetts; but a resident of West Randolph, Vermont, during most of her life before marriage. She is a daughter of Nathaniel Osgood and Mary A. (Taylor) Snow. Mr. and Mrs. Albee are the parents of two children: 1. Ethel Snow, born in Amherst, Massachusetts, May 5, 1891, and the wife of Ralph S. Higgins. They are the parents of Ralph Albee Higgins. 2. Rachel Muriel, born June 18, 1897, in Amherst, Massachusetts, and married Frank J. Leahy, of Yonkers, New York. They are the parents of one child, Joan Leahy.

**HAROLD ABBOTT WOOSTER**—The Westfield Athenaeum, in the course of years, has become one of the most valuable libraries in any of the townships in the western part of the State, and its interests are directed and conserved by Librarian Harold Abbott Wooster, who by training and study and practical experience has been the means of broadening its various departments, and of rendering its service of present-day public use. Mr. Wooster is a veteran of the World War, and is held in high regard in Westfield and its large neighborhood of Athenaeum interests.

Harold Abbott Wooster was born in 1892, at Northfield, Connecticut, and graduated at Wesleyan University in 1914 with his Bachelor of Arts degree, and he received his Master of Arts degree from the same institution in 1915. He was with the United States Naval Reserve Force from 1917 to 1919. He married, September 15, 1917, Violet Scriber.

**JOHN JOSEPH O'CONNELL**—His grandfather was born in Ireland and came to this country while yet a young man, locating in Delaware, and later moving to Pennsylvania where his son John, of whom further, was born. His other children were: William, Cornelius, who died in Australia, Teresa, and Hannah.

John O'Connell, the father of John J., was born in Westgrove, Pennsylvania, and died there November 28, 1898, forty-five years of age, having meanwhile taken an active part in all public and town affairs. He married Julia Elizabeth Sheehan, born in Ireland, and the daughter of William and Mary (Twomey) Sheehan. William Sheehan died in his eighty-fifth year, and Mary (Twomey) Sheehan lived to be one hundred and two years of age. John and Julia O'Connell had six children: 1. Johanna, who died in infancy. 2. Alice Fabiola. 3. Paul James. 4. John Joseph, of whom further. 5. William Francis. 6. Mary Margaret.

John Joseph O'Connell was born in Westgrove, Chester County, Pennsylvania, May 9, 1889, where also he received his primary education in the public schools, ending his studies when he was fifteen years of age, and then going to work in the electrical department of the Worth Brothers Iron and Steel Company at Coatesville, Pennsylvania, where iron and steel plates were manufactured. He remained with this firm for five and one-half years, and studied privately under a professor of the University of Pennsylvania, then entered the employ of the Amherst Gas Company, of Amherst, Massachusetts, in the capacity of contract agent. He was later promoted to the assistant managership of the Greenfield Electric Light & Power Company, an associated company, managing the company's holdings at South Deerfield, and subsequently at Shelburne Falls, following which he was made superintendent of the Amherst Gas Company with headquarters in Amherst, Massachusetts, serving in the capacity until May 31, 1918, at which time he entered the service of his country, being first sent to Fort Slocum and later to Camp Jackson, whence he left for duty in France July 21, 1918. He was a member of Battery "C," 19th Field Artillery, 5th Division, participating with this organization in the battle of Saint Mihiel and other major engagements. Upon the signing of the armistice, he remained with the army of occupation serving until July 29, 1919, at which time he was discharged with the rank of sergeant. He then located in Springfield, Massachusetts, for a period of three months, having become the assistant manager of the Turners Falls Power and Electric Company. In the fall of 1919 he was offered the position as manager and assistant treasurer with his old organization in Amherst, which office he is still holding (1925). The Amherst Gas Company operates gas properties in the town of Amherst and Pelham, and electrical properties in the towns of Amherst, Hadley, Hatfield, Pelham, Sunderland, and Whately. Among the many varied interests that are Mr. O'Connell's besides his connection with the gas company may be mentioned the following: Director of the Amherst Factory Company, director in the Amherst Water Company, director of the First National Bank of Amherst, incorporator of the Amherst Savings Bank. He is vice-president of the Amherst Busi-



ness Men's Association, and a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Rotary Club.

He married, in Shelburne Falls, June 2, 1920, Agnes May Boyle. They have one child: Shelah Elizabeth, who was born July 7, 1921.

**JAMES MONROE LEACH**—Among the prosperous general farmers who have brought Western Massachusetts to its present condition of general well-being, an important name is that of the late James Monroe Leach, of Shelburne Falls. His whole life time was spent in that section. He was born in East Charlemont, Franklin County, Massachusetts, January 21, 1826, son of Eliab Leach and his wife, Eunice (Keith) Leach. James Monroe Leach was educated in the district schools and prepared himself for his successful career as a farmer by boyhood training on his father's farm, where he remained until maturity. He then moved to Buckland, where he purchased his own farm which he operated as a general farm the rest of his life.

James Monroe Leach married, in Shelburne, Massachusetts, Sarah Farnsworth, daughter of Levi and Hannah (Comstock) Farnsworth. Four children were born of the union: Don Carlos, who died at the age of three; an infant who died; Charles Horace, born October 28, 1867, died September 1, 1921; and Sarah E. Leach, who resides in Shelburne Falls.

A strong, dependable man, Mr. Leach filled an important position in the community as a substantial farmer and constructive citizen. It was his habit to neglect the performance of no duty, whether civic or personal, and to regard his obligations as sacred. He therefore had the respect of all with whom he came in contact, and the general reputation of enrollment with those who furthered the progress of the town.

**THOMAS FRANCIS MEEHAN**—A resident of Orange, Massachusetts, for over four decades. Mr. Meehan, who has served his community in various official capacities over a long period of years, has always been active in his civic duties, and has done much for the general welfare and improvement of the section. Active, progressive, and far-seeing, he has always been in the vanguard in all movements for the advance of this locality, and he has held the confidence of the people to so great an extent that his official service has been almost continual. Born of Irish parentage, he himself is native born, his mother and father having come to this country to settle more than sixty-five years ago, when they made their home in Williamsburg, Massachusetts.

Thomas Francis Meehan was born in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, May 20, 1858, son of John and Elizabeth Meehan, both natives of Ireland, who early came to America, and settled as above mentioned. The son received his education in the district schools of his native town, and at the age of fifteen years found employment with the firm of Hills Bros., who had a mill at Williamsburg. He then worked for two years with W. E. Shars in a tool shop, until 1880, when he removed to Florence, Massachusetts, and found employment there, remaining until 1881. In 1881 he came to Orange, Massachusetts, and has remained here since that time, work-

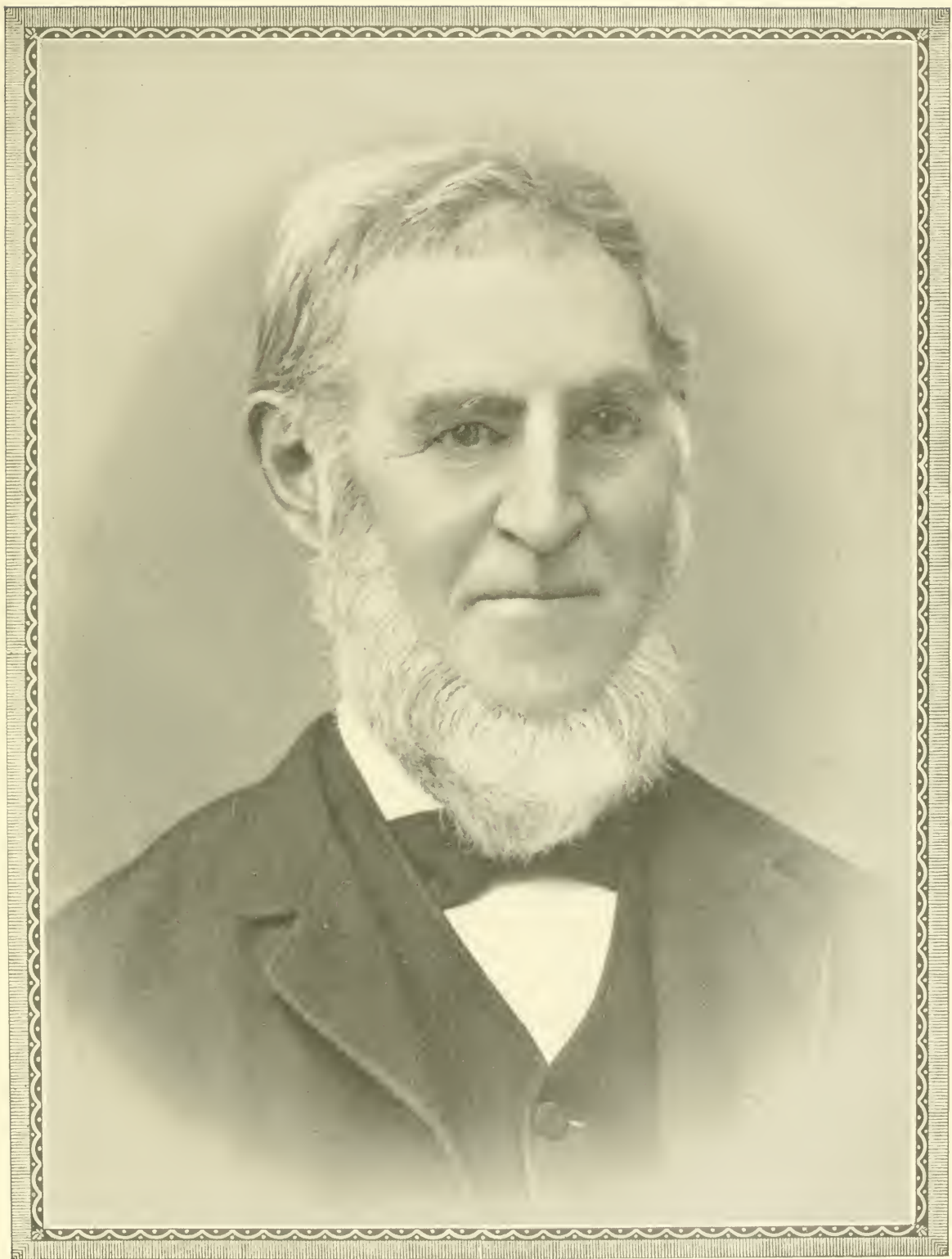
ing in various lines, and taking an active part in the public life of the community. He was interested in politics, and served as secretary of the Town Committee, having been chairman of the same for several years. For fifteen years he was registrar of votes, and in 1915 he was appointed postmaster of the town, and has retained this office ever since. He is also at the present time a member of the Finance Committee of Orange, and has always taken a keen interest in the community work, and during the great World War he was a member of various committees, and also had charge of the sale of War Savings Stamps. He is a member and a trustee of the Knights of Columbus; treasurer of the Ancient Order United American Mechanics of Orange; a member of the Foresters of America, of which he is Past Chief Ranger, having held this office for several years; was former financial secretary of the Ancient Order of United American Mechanics, of which he was also for eighteen years a Past Master.

Thomas Francis Meehan married, May 24, 1887, Nellie A. Connery, daughter of Michael and Margaret Connery, and they are the parents of three children: 1. John James, who served the United States Government in its Civil Service, and who during the great World War, served in the United States Army, holding a commission. He died in 1922, at the age of thirty-one years. 2. Elizabeth. 3. Earl T., of Shelton, Connecticut.

**OSCAR HIRAM GUNSOLUS**—Though a native of the State of Ohio, Mr. Gunsolus has been a resident of Massachusetts for many years and since 1922 has engaged in the taxi and trucking business in Easthampton, Hampshire County. His industry, promptness and courtesy have enabled him to make a marked success of his business from the very beginning and his headquarters at No. 52 Northampton Street, Easthampton, form the background for steadily increasing activity. He was born in Marietta, Ohio, October 9, 1895, a son of Anson Filmore and Etta (Outcalt) Gunsolus, the former for many years a farmer, now retired.

Oscar Hiram Gunsolus was educated at Oberlin Academy and at Williston Seminary, graduating from the former in 1910 and from the latter in 1913. In the year following his graduation from Williston Seminary he accepted a position as receiving clerk and his close application to his duties won him rapid advancement to the position of foreman. Having joined Company I, Massachusetts National Guard, stationed at Northampton, in 1915, he went overseas during the World War with the 26th Division and was discharged from active service after twenty-one months, late in 1918. In 1922 he went into business for himself in Easthampton, doing general taxi work and trucking, the latter especially in respect to sand, gravel and cement products. The business proved very successful from its start and Mr. Gunsolus has continued in it during recent years. He is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Ku Klux Klan, while his religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Gunsolus married, at Easthampton, Massachusetts, April 28, 1915, Bertha Edith Vaughn, a daughter of George and Margaret (Brakey) Vaughn. Mr. and Mrs. Gunsolus are the parents of two children: 1. Margaret Etta, born November 28, 1916. 2. Oscar Calvin, born August 1, 1921.



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**DAVID ARTHUR FOLEY**—One of the prominent young lawyers of Easthampton, Massachusetts, is David Arthur Foley, a member of the law firm of Lyman and Foley and at present serving as town attorney for Easthampton. Mr. Foley is a son of William Foley, born in Abington, Massachusetts, died in Rockland, Massachusetts, where he had lived for many years and practiced his trade of shoe making. He married Margaret Sweeney and they were the parents of the following children: Edward, died at the age of two; Elizabeth; William C., an attorney in Worcester, Massachusetts; Charles J., of Rockland, Massachusetts; Gertrude; David Arthur, of further mention; and Margaret, married Vance Ames, of Rockland, and they have one son, David.

David Arthur Foley, son of William and Margaret (Sweeney) Foley, was born in Rockland, Massachusetts, October 17, 1893, and was educated in the public schools of Rockland and Worcester. In 1912 Mr. Foley began the study of law in the office of his brother, William C. Foley, also attending lectures in Boston University, and in 1915 was admitted to the bar. He practiced law in Worcester for a time, and then in 1917 came to Easthampton, where he has since been engaged in practice, with the exception of a period during the World War, when he was engaged in Washington, District of Columbia, in a civil capacity, examining war risks, disability claims and death claims. He carried on his practice in Easthampton alone for two years but in 1919 formed a partnership with Judge John L. Lyman under the firm name of Lyman and Foley and continues to practice as a member of that firm. He is now serving as town attorney for the town of Easthampton. Mr. Foley is a member of the Hampshire County Bar Association, of the Holyoke Country Club, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Knights of Columbus.

He married, on September 28, 1922, Mary Frances Manley, of Holyoke, daughter of Thomas and Mary A. (Reynolds) Manley.

**HAROLD J. BURDICK**—Belonging to a family that has resided in Monson, Massachusetts, for more than a century, Harold J. Burdick was born there July 14, 1896. He was educated in the Monson Academy, Bay Path Institute, Springfield, Massachusetts, and the Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B., *cum laude*, in 1920. Mr. Burdick has a general practice in the law in Springfield, Palmer and Monson. He enlisted during the World War in the United States Naval Reserve Corps in June, 1918, and was stationed at Chatham, Massachusetts, at the government air station. He was honorably discharged in December, 1918. Mr. Burdick belongs to the Springfield Lodge, No. 61, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; to the Knights of Columbus, Monson Council, No. 2151, of which he is advocate; and to the American Legion. In religion he is a Catholic, a member of St. Patrick's Church of Monson. His parents are James J. Burdick and Mary A. (Wood) Burdick. His father is a blacksmith.

Mr. Burdick was married, October 21, 1925, to Alice T. Dalton, of Monson, who also is a graduate of Monson Academy and of the Normal Division of Bay Path

Institute. Before her marriage Mrs. Burdick was supervisor of commercial subjects in the high school at Biddeford, Maine, and Derby, Connecticut.

**CHARLES TIFFT**, partner in the brokerage business in Springfield, Massachusetts, with his brother, Lewis E. Tift, was born September 13, 1887, in Springfield. His father, Eliphalet T. Tift, was city treasurer, and his mother, Katherine (Higginbotham) Tift, also a native of Springfield. Mr. Tift attended the public schools and high school, and engaged in the brokerage business in 1906. Two years later, 1908, his brother, Lewis, joined him in establishing a business which has grown to be the largest of its kind in the city. Charles Tift is a director of the Mahawie National Bank, and a Republican in politics. In the World War he joined the Field Artillery and was at Camp Zachary Taylor. He is a member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, the Long Meadow Country Club, the Springfield Country Club, the Colony Club, and the Universalist Church.

Mr. Tift was married June 25, 1913, in Springfield, to Mary D. Gillett, daughter of Ralph D. Gillett, both natives of Westfield, Massachusetts. They are the parents of Charles Tift, Jr. Mr. Tift's address is No. 387 Main Street, Springfield.

**DAVID LEWIS BODFISH**, superintendent of State Highways in the Palmer district of Massachusetts, was born in Wareham, January 19, 1864. His father was David and his mother Kezia L. (Bartlett) Bodfish. Mr. Bodfish obtained his preliminary education in the public schools of Wareham, graduating from the high school in 1880. He then engaged in the dry goods business in Wareham, Bridgewater, and Palmer, Massachusetts, but in 1910 he was appointed superintendent of State Highways for the district, an office he has filled ever since. He is a member of Thomas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and one of its past masters. He is a past District Deputy Grand Master of the Nineteenth Masonic District of Massachusetts; is a charter member of the Palmer Business Club, and a public spirited citizen, prominent in civic and community affairs. His religious fellowship is with the Congregational Church, of which he has been a deacon since 1912.

David Lewis Bodfish married, January 19, 1890, at North Anson, Maine, Winifred Ware, daughter of Albert H. and Harriet E. (Palmer) Ware. Mr. and Mrs. Bodfish are the parents of two children: Elisabeth, born October 31, 1891, married Dr. Edwin L. Clarke, and died in 1920; Robert Ware, born September 8, 1895, is now a lawyer in Springfield, Massachusetts.

**HENRY LASKER** was born in Lithuania, but received the basis of his education in the public schools of Springfield. He was graduated from New York University in 1903 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, while he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws the following year. In his junior year he won the Sandham Oratorical Contest. For a time he taught in the evening schools of Springfield and New York. He was admitted to the bar in 1905, and began to practice in the office of Brooks & Hamilton in Springfield. In 1921 he



formed a law partnership with John H. Schoonmaker of Ware, formerly District Attorney of Hampden and Franklin counties, and his nephew, Raymond Lasker, under the firm name of Lasker, Schoonmaker & Lasker. He is a member of the American Bar Association. Mr. Lasker was the founder of the Springfield Young Men's Hebrew Association; and was elected first president of the Springfield Lodge, B'nai B'rith; the Congregation Beth-El, and the United Hebrew Charities. He has been president of the People's Institute, now the Springfield Girl's Club; director of the Springfield Boys' Club, and the Boy Scouts. He served as director of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and the Atlas Trust Company; is a corporator of the Springfield Hospital, and life member of the Springfield Library Association. He is a director of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and director of the Legal Aid Society. He has served as a member of the Republican City Committee and from 1907 to 1913 was a member of the Board of Aldermen, and in the last year was its president. In his official capacity as Acting Mayor, Mr. Lasker dedicated the Municipal Auditorium. He has served on the Charter Revision Commission, the City Planning Board, and the Municipal Building Committee. In 1920-1921, he served as president of District No. 1 of the B'nai B'rith, which covers all the New England States, New York State, and Canada, east of Chicago. During his administration the membership was increased from six thousand to ten thousand, with sixteen new lodges and twenty auxiliary lodges. In 1915 he was delegate to the Constitutional Convention at San Francisco, and in 1920 at Cleveland; and also at the convention held in the spring of 1925 at Atlantic City. He is chairman of the Women's Auxiliary Lodges of the district. Governor Draper appointed him Master in Chancery. He is a director of the National Jewish Hospital and a director of the Jewish Telegraph Agency. Mr. Lasker is a member of the American Jewish Committee, and interested in a number of communal activities. He was chairman of the Third Liberty Loan Campaign in the World War, and chairman of the War Relief Drive in 1921, which drive resulted in raising the sum of \$50,000. 1926—Temporary State Chairman and first vice-president of Massachusetts of the Million Dollar Quota in the Fifteen Million Dollar Drive for the United Jewish Campaign. He went abroad in 1919, traveling in many countries. He brought home 2,500 letters from writers in Poland and Lithuania to relatives in this country who were cut off from communication with their folks at home from the time of the outbreak of hostilities. He is affiliated with many fraternal organizations among them being the Knights of Pythias; the Masonic fraternity, including the Consistory; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Elks, and Melha Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Century Club of Boston, the Manchonis, the Nayasset Club, and the Springfield Country Club.

Mr. Lasker was married to Helen Ruth Hirsch, daughter of Morris and Bella Hirsch. They have a daughter, May Flora, born at Springfield, May 18, 1912. Mr. Lasker's address is No. 310 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**JAMES F. BATCHELOR**—One of the largest concerns in that State of great manufacturing interests is the Dwight Manufacturing Company, of Chicopee, Massachusetts, in which James F. Batchelor has held the position of superintendent since the beginning of 1921. He brought with him here the results of many years experience in other factories and a thorough knowledge of his craft in its every department.

Woonsocket, Rhode Island, was his native city. Here he was born on February 18, 1873, son of George and Mary (Miller) Batchelor. His father, who was mayor of Woonsocket in 1907-08, was established in the grocery business in that city, and after passing through the public and high schools, James F. Batchelor entered his father's store and worked with him for two years. But production rather than distribution was to be his work, and by way of practical preparation for his future work, he entered the Manville Company Cotton Mills, at Manville, Rhode Island, where he studied the manufacture of cotton goods from the beginning to the finishing process. For five years he remained at Manville, being promoted from one grade to a higher one, until he became foreman of the carding department. He left this company to accept an offer made him to enter the employ of the Dodgeville Mills of the B. B. and R. Knight Company as their superintendent. Between the years that he spent with them and his connection with his present firm, he was also superintendent of the Mohawk Valley Mills at Utica, New York.

Mr. Batchelor is a member of Mt. Moriah Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Lime Rock, Rhode Island; the Attleboro Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Attleboro, Massachusetts; the Bristol Commandery, No. 320, Knights Templar; the Massachusetts Consistory; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also joined the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Woonsocket, Rhode Island. His clubs are the Chicopee Kiwanis, and the Automobile, of Springfield.

On September 18, 1907, James F. Batchelor married Ella Jackson, daughter of James and Sarah (Burgess) Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor have one daughter, Edna M., born in Manville, Rhode Island, on August 17, 1908. The family are of the Christian Science faith.

**ARTHUR C. MONTMENY**—One of the best known and most highly commended public officials of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, is Arthur C. Montmeny, Chief of the City Fire Department. He was born in Sturbridge, Massachusetts, June 13, 1883, son of Theodore and Marie Louise (L'Heureux) Montmeny. His father, now retired, was a machinist and tool maker by trade, long employed by the Chicopee Manufacturing Company and afterward by the Stevens Arms and Tool Company. The son was educated in the local public and high schools of the town where his family had been residing for some thirty-five years. His career as a self-supporting citizen began in the employ of the old Spaulding and Pepper plant, now known as the Fisk Tire Company, with whom he remained for three or four years. With the J. T. Stevens Arms and Tool Company, on whose clerical force he was employed, he

remained for five years. Having proved observant and quick to utilize business methods, he then accepted an offer of the assistant managership of the rebate department of the Springfield News Company, and for five years admirably filled that aggressive and responsible position. Returning to the J. T. Stevens Arms and Tool Company, he worked for some two years in their machine department. The next five years found Mr. Montmeny associated with the testing and repair department of the old Stevens Duryea Company; and thereafter for two and a half years he was construction engineer with the National Equipment Company of Springfield. His varied business career ended with a year and a half as insurance solicitor for the Metropolitan Insurance Company in the Springfield territory.

Meantime Mr. Montmeny always took a lively interest in politics, particularly in Chicopee Falls. For twelve years he was a member of the Republican City Committee, serving as chairman for four or five years. He was also a member of the Chicopee Board of Aldermen. His name was well and favorably known in the town, therefore, when he was appointed chief of the fire department of Chicopee Falls, by Mayor Grise in March, 1922. Chief Montmeny still ably fills that position. He is a member of the Navajo Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, of St Jean Baptiste Societe, and of the Foresters of America. His clubs are: The Laurier, the Oxford Country, and the Kiwanis Club, of Chicopee. He is a communicant of St. George's Roman Catholic Church.

Arthur C. Montmeny married, in Chicopee, October 23, 1904, Eva Roberts, daughter of George and Emerence (Perrin) Roberts.

**FRANK J. HEGY**—For more than thirty-five years his native city, Holyoke, has been the scene of Mr. Hegy's successful business activities which have been devoted throughout this entire period to one business, that founded by his father a few years after his birth. He was born November 9, 1875, in Holyoke, Hampden County, a son of Theobald A. J. and Mary M. (Sender) Hegy, his father, a native of Alsace-Lorraine, having emigrated to this country as a young man. He came directly to Holyoke and took charge of the dye house in the New York Mills, Holyoke. In 1878 he established himself in business as a cleanser and dyer, and later, as the business expanded and his sons grew up, associated his sons with him.

Frank J. Hegy was educated in the public schools of Holyoke, which he left in 1890 to enter his father's business. There he received a most thorough training, and gradually worked his way up to his present position of treasurer and general manager. His firm, now known as "Hegy's, Inc.," was incorporated in 1919 with Theobald A. J. Hegy, as president, John B. Hegy, as vice-president, Frank J. Hegy, as treasurer and general manager, and George S. Hegy, as clerk. Its new sanitary, fireproof, and scientifically equipped works are at No. 920 Main Street, while its executive offices are at No. 527 Dwight Street, Holyoke. Stores are maintained at the latter address as well as in Springfield, Northampton, and Westfield. The firm is a member of the

National Association of Dyers and Cleansers, and does a very large business in cleansing and dyeing of wearing apparel and house furnishings of every description, possessing a high reputation for quality work, honesty, and promptness. Mr. Hegy, ably supported, of course, by the other members of the firm, has done his full share in bringing about his concern's continuous growth and success. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Columbus, Improved Order of Red Men, Kiwanis Club, City Club, Mount Tom Country Club, Holyoke Country Club, and the Chamber of Commerce of both Holyoke and Springfield. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church and more particularly with Holy Cross Church of Holyoke.

Mr. Hegy married, at Holyoke, June 29, 1910, Anna B. McCabe, of Holyoke, a daughter of Patrick and Anna (Tully) McCabe. Mr. and Mrs. Hegy have no children, and make their home at No. 215 Madison Avenue, Holyoke.

**ROBERT GOTTLIEB JAHRLING**—Ranking high as business man and hotel operator, Robert Gottlieb Jahrling has made the Highland Hotel, of Springfield, of which he is manager, one of the best known in that section of New England. He is also treasurer of the Highland Hotel Company. Mr. Jahrling was born in Bremen, Germany, April 2, 1884, son of Robert John and Anna Rebecca (Rohr) Jahrling. His father was also a hotel proprietor. Their son was educated in Bremen, graduating from high school. He learned the hotel business at Hillman's Hotel in his native city, in Weimar, at the Hotel Allemande, in Verviers, Belgium, at the Grand Hotel in Cologne, and at various American hotels, including Franconia Inn in New Hampshire, the American House in Boston, Dartmouth College Hall in Hanover, the Algonquin Club, Boston; the Ridgewood and Despland Hotels in Daytona, Florida; the Atlantic-Atwood Hotels at Narragansett Pier, the Appledore at the Isle of Shoals, and the Eastern Yacht Club at Marblehead. Before his promotion to his present position, Mr. Jahrling was chef at the Highland Hotel, which is especially noted for the excellence of its cuisine.

Mr. Jahrling is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and of a number of professional and other organizations. His hotel connections are maintained by membership in the American Hotel Association, the International Chefs Association, and the National Restaurant Association. He is a member of the Greeters of America, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Epicurean Club of Boston, and the Automobile Club of Springfield. His religious affiliation is with the First Church of Christ Scientist.

In New Jersey, in 1910, Robert Gottlieb Jahrling married Mary Anna Penney, daughter of John J. and Mary Ann Penney.

**ROMEO W. JUBINVILLE** was born in Holyoke, on January 3, 1900 and was educated in the parochial and high schools of that city, finishing his studies at La Salette Seminary in Hartford, Connecticut. Since



1910, William Jubinville, his father, has been doing insurance business in Holyoke, and when his son, Romeo W., was prepared to begin his career, he entered his father's offices and has since been associated with him. They are the Holyoke agents for the Globe Indemnity Company, the General Accredited Fire and Life Insurance Company, the County Fire Insurance Company, the Commonwealth Insurance Company, the Agricultural Insurance Company, the New Zealand Insurance Company, Limited, and the Hudson Insurance Company.

During the World War, Mr. Jubinville enlisted for service in the United States Army, and served in the 8th Infantry, Company C, of the Army of Occupation. Politically, he is a Republican, and is of the Roman Catholic faith.

**JOHN J. SULLIVAN**, known as "Sullivan, the Mover," of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born at Feeding Hills, Massachusetts, June 20, 1888. His father was John H. Sullivan, a farmer, born in Ireland, and since dead. His mother was Anna (Kelly) Sullivan, also born in Ireland. John J. Sullivan attended the high school at Feeding Hills. He engaged in the moving business in Springfield in 1911 doing business for himself. His equipment consisted of a single horse-drawn vehicle. Fourteen years after he began his venture he is the head of perhaps the most important motor-driven moving fleet in Western Massachusetts. His service includes moving, packing and shipping of furniture, household goods and general merchandise. His large fleet of Sulli-VANS are heavily padded. Their huge size permits them to carry in one lead the furniture and furnishings of the largest dwelling house, and to carry them swiftly and safely. There is also a large fleet of Sulli-VANS, plying back and forth between Springfield and the principal cities of the East. Mr. Sullivan boasts that this efficient fleet of Sulli-VANS is the largest in New England outside of Boston, and the enormous Sulli-VANS are as familiar to the inhabitants of New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and a score of other distant cities as they are to the people of Springfield themselves. "Gangway for the Sulli-VAN" is a catch phrase known from Atlanta to Portland. No town is too far away to be reached by a Sulli-VAN. The day of the baggage smasher faded away as the big Sulli-VANS came into general use. It is indeed, a veritable house on wheels. Mr. Sullivan makes a specialty of piano moving. His fleet requires thirty-five men to take charge of fourteen trucks. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Chamber of Commerce. He attends the Catholic church. His address is No. 19 Broadway, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**GRANDISON GERVAIS GERKE**—To the engineer belongs primarily the honor of opening up for habitation not only the wide new lands of the western part of the United States, but the more remote and inaccessible regions in the thickly settled States of the East. A bridge here, a highway there, facilities for such modern improvements as electricity and telephone, the feat

of engineers, and a whole new community is developed. Grandison Gervais Gerke, engineer of the John Swaine Architectural Iron Works of Springfield, was born in Alpine, Bergen County, New Jersey, the son of Henry Christian and Marion Frances (Cullen) Gerke. His father, who had been a sea captain and a member of the Danish Army, came to America and later was interested in land development in New Jersey. Grandison G. Gerke began his education in the New Jersey State Model School. His technical training was acquired in Stevens Preparatory School and at Stevens Institute of Technology, of Hoboken, New Jersey. Thus he entered upon his profession with an unusual preparation.

For three years he filled engineering positions with the Fuller Construction Company, the Western Electric Company and Purdy & Henderson, of New York. The next two and a half years he was associated with the Hinkle Iron Company of that city, followed by a year of service with the John Fichley Company, of Pittsburgh. He was associated with the Eastern Bridge Company, of Worcester, for seven years, then came to the John Swaine Architectural Iron Works, of Springfield, with which he is still associated. During 1910 and 1911 Mr. Gerke, while a resident, was town clerk of Alpine, New Jersey. During the World War he was a first lieutenant in the United States Army, ranking now as a captain in the United States Reserves. He served during the war as a casual replacement officer. In his profession of engineering, Mr. Gerke ranks high, and his present position gives scope for originality and inventiveness of design, which combined with his thoroughness, has contributed largely to his successful career. He has always been actively interested in military affairs, to which he has devoted much time and study, and is a member of a committee for the development of Boy Scout work in Springfield. He is a member of the Mitineague Congregational Church.

Mr. Gerke married Daisy Rowlee on January 18, 1910, in Closter, Bergen County, New Jersey. Mrs. Gerke was the daughter of John W. and Elizabeth (Steiman) Rowlee. Mr. and Mrs. Gerke are the parents of two sons: John Henry, born December 15, 1910, in New York; and William Francis, born January 26, 1917, in Worcester.

**JACOB OGAN**—In a little Russian village called Sidra, Jacob Ogan was born on August 14, 1895. Ten years later his parents came to the United States and found their way to Massachusetts, where his father engaged in business as a merchant. Their son, Jacob, attended the public and high schools of Lynn, going later to Northeastern Preparatory School, at Boston. Desiring to enter the legal profession, he entered Northeastern University, at Boston, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws, with the class of 1920. In March of that same year, he was admitted to the Massachusetts State Bar, and began to build up private practice in Athol, coming to Holyoke three years later.

At the time of the war, Jacob Ogan entered the United States Army and was stationed with Company E, 73d Infantry, 12th Division. He is now a member of the Edward N. Phillips Post, No. 102. He is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows,



and the Knights of Pythias. Politically, he is an Independent.

On May 8, 1921, at Roxbury, Massachusetts, Jacob Ogan married Sarah Singer, and they are the parents of a son, Norman, who was born at Boston, on August 12, 1922. Mr. Ogan is of the Jewish faith.

**OSCAR BORRNER**, interior decorator of Springfield, Massachusetts, and junior member of the firm of Vining & Borrner, is of Swedish origin. He was born and brought up in Sweden, where an artistic bent was educated in the practical line. He has followed as a profession, and a business. His father was a wagon maker, Lars Olanson Borrner, and his mother was Pamela (Kronquest) Borrner, also a native of Sweden. Oscar Borrner was twenty years old when the great opportunity offered in the United States brought him across the Atlantic in quest of fortune in 1897. His birth occurred on August 28, 1877. He immediately found business for himself as a painting contractor; but he soon mastered the situation which environed him, and was able to engage in a calling nearer to his heart—that of interior decorator. He formed a co-partnership with Albert W. Vining, and they engaged in business in West Springfield, where they continued through 1908 and 1909. Success encouraged them to invade Springfield in 1909 and their place of business was at No. 181 State Street. In 1911 they also occupied the premises at No. 179 State Street, which was purchased in 1920, and where the business has continued to the present day with ever increasing growth and gratifying success, under the style of Vining & Borrner. Mr. Borrner is a Republican in politics; a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. He is a member also of the Swedish Lutheran Church.

Mr. Borrner was married in Springfield to Emma Parsons, like himself, a native of Sweden. She was the daughter of Benson Parsons, a native of Sweden, living in Sweden. Mr. and Mrs. Borrner are the parents of Carl Borrner, George and Helen Borrner. Mr. Borrner's business address is No. 181 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**NATHAN N. FELDMAN**—An active citizen of Holyoke, Massachusetts, Nathan N. Feldman was born in Russia, December 10, 1877. He came to the United States in 1894, and in 1902 started in the grocery business, continuing in that line until 1913, when he engaged in the insurance business in Holyoke. He is now in that business with his son, George J. Feldman, under the firm name of Nathan N. Feldman & Son, this partnership being formed in 1925. In politics Mr. Feldman is an Independent. He is a member of Mount Tom Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and is a Shriner. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Sons of Zion, and all other Jewish organizations. In religion he is a member of the Congregation of the Sons of Zion and the Rodphio Sholem. His father, Noah, and his mother, Annie Feldman, were both born in Russia, and the former is in the insurance business.

On March 27, 1898, Mr. Feldman married, in Connecticut, Lizzie Lavine, born in Russia, May 11, 1889, daughter of Simon and Pauline Lavine, both natives of Russia. They are the parents of six children: Samuel Henry, George Joseph, and Annie Beatrice, all born in New Haven, Connecticut, and Lena Rosamond, Myer Leonard, and Noah Norman Feldman, all born in Holyoke.

**CHARLES HENRY LEAHAN**—As a distributor of the popular Ford automobile in Ware, Massachusetts, Charles Henry Leahan holds a prominent position in commercial activities in this section of the State, and his endeavors are counting for the public good. Mr. Leahan is considered one of the practical, progressive young men of this county, and his future is unquestionably assured. He is a son of James F. Leahan, and his father is associated with him in business. The mother, Carrie M. (Johnson) Leahan, died in 1922.

Charles Henry Leahan was born in Ware, Massachusetts, April 28, 1890. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he made a practical preparation for a business career at a commercial college of Springfield, Massachusetts, and was graduated in 1907. His early business experience was in the employ of Smith & Murray, a leading department store of Springfield, where he was engaged for about three years. Then returning to Ware in 1910, he became identified with the Metz Sales Agency, where he was active for about two years in association with the existing concern. Then taking up the distribution of Ford products, Mr. Leahan has since been active in this field, developing a very extensive and lucrative business. The rapid growth of the interest made it vitally necessary to extend the space available several years ago and a new building was erected which is now entirely outgrown. Another and larger building is now projected and will soon be in course of erection. Mr. Leahan's natural ability and excellent training have carried him to a really remarkable position in local business affairs and he holds leading rank in his field. He is a Republican by political convictions, although he retains the right to act independently when his conscience so dictates. He has never thus far accepted official honors but is now serving on the building committee of the Junior High School. Fraternally, Mr. Leahan is affiliated with Springfield Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Charles Henry Leahan married, in Ware, Massachusetts, October 19, 1914, Annabel Irwin, daughter of Douglas and Mary (Reid) Irwin. Mr. and Mrs. Leahan reside at No. 108 Church Street, Ware.

**WILLIAM L. RICHARDS**, agency manager of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in Springfield, Massachusetts, and one of the oldest insurance men in the city, was born July 26, 1860, in West Springfield, Massachusetts, the son of William H. and Phebe A. (Losea) Richards. William H. Richards was born in Danbury, Connecticut, where he was educated, and learned the trade of carriage trimmer. He enlisted in the Thirty-fourth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry for the Civil War and was killed in action at Newmarket, Virginia, in 1864.

William L. Richards was educated in the public and high schools of Springfield, Massachusetts. On leaving school he found employment with Lincoln & Parmenter in Springfield, drys goods dealers. In 1887 he came to the agency office of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Springfield, beginning as book-keeper. He was advanced to cashier, and in 1906 he became agency manager, a position he has continued to fill for almost twenty years. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution; Roswell Lee Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Masonic Club; the Nayasset Club; the Automobile Club; the Winthrop Club; the Publicity Club; the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and the First Church of Christ, Congregational.

Mr. Richards married, in Springfield, November 12, 1895, Marion E. Hitchcock, daughter of Abner D. Hitchcock, of Ware, Massachusetts. Mr. Richards' business address is No. 500 Main Street, and his residence address is No. 166 Westminster Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**MARCUS I. N. COHN**—The father of Marcus I. N. Cohn was born in Austria in 1833, and died in Northampton, Massachusetts, in October, 1914. He came to this country as a young man, first arriving in New York, and later went to New Haven, Connecticut. In New Haven he married, and with his wife came to Northampton and entered the clothing business, operating a fine store at the corner of Main and Pleasant streets. He married Augusta Seiles, who died March 15, 1920. Their children were: Carrie, who married Phineas Levy, a merchant of Greenfield, Massachusetts; Sarah, who married Edward Rosenbaum, of New York; Rose; Marcus I. N., of whom further.

Marcus I. N. Cohn, born in Northampton, Massachusetts, June 24, 1876, died October 5, 1918. He was educated in the public schools of Northampton and a commercial school in Springfield. When through school he went into his father's store in Northampton, and the firm name became Cohn & Son. This firm thus continued until the father retired, about 1900, when Mr. Cohn became sole owner and proprietor of the business. In later years he not only conducted a clothing store, but had a shoe store for women in the Cohn Annex on Pleasant Street. He was a man held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was an active worker in the Chamber of Commerce, of which he was a member. He was a member of Jerusalem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of Northampton Commandery, Knights Templar and a member of Melha Temple, Mystic Shrine, of Springfield. He was a member of Hebrew associations, and was popular in all.

On September 24, 1912, Mr. Cohn married Rachel Cohn, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles and Rosalie (Wituskey) Cohn. Charles Cohn came to this country at the same time that Simon Cohn came, and the former was a dry goods merchant in Greenfield, Massachusetts. The children of Marcus I. N. and Rachel Cohn are: Charles Robert, born March 18, 1914; Simon Louis, born June 15, 1917. The family residence is at No. 72 Columbus Avenue, Northampton.

**WILLIAM R. HAGYARD**—Canadians, though not native citizens of the United States, they being born under the British flag, are yet Americans though not native born citizens of the United States. They have in the structure of their souls that subtle indefinable something which is called the spirit of Americanism of which among other prominent men Theodore Roosevelt was a fine and typical exponent. It is owing to that fact that once settled in our midst they take naturally and easily to our ways and institutions.

Mr. William R. Hagyard, a Canadian by birth and by education, but now well established in the real estate and insurance business in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, was born April 10, 1880, in Canada, a son of Thomas C., a farmer, and Flora (Craig) Hagyard. He was educated in the public and high schools of Canada and also completed a pharmaceutical course at the Canadian College of Pharmacy, from which he graduated with distinction. Having completed his professional education, he came to Lenox, Massachusetts, and for ten years worked in his brother's drug store. He then came to Pittsfield and established himself in the drug business in the Wendell Pharmacy which he owned from 1912-1921, then in the real estate and insurance business. He has developed several districts and now is creating a new road called the Spadina Parkway, which when completed will be the finest in the city. In politics he is a Republican, and in religion a member of the South Congregational Church. He is a member of the Mystic Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, and also holds membership in the following clubs: Park, Country, Automobile, and in the Young Men's Christian Association.

William R. Hagyard married, November 14, 1907, Genevieve Belden, a daughter of Henry and Jennie (Palmer) Belden. Mr. and Mrs. Hagyard are the parents of two children: William Belden and Fred Stephen. The family home is at No. 83 Spadina Parkway, Pittsfield.

**JOHN P. DOWLING**—Since September 22, 1922, when he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar, John P. Dowling has maintained his law office in Holyoke, where he has taken his place among the leading young attorneys of the city. He was born in this same city on May 9, 1899, son of John and Katherine E. Dowling. His father was born in Ireland, but his mother is a native of Holyoke. His early education was obtained in the public and high schools of his home city, and he finished his college preparatory work with the class of 1918, at Williston Academy. Entering Boston University, he pursued his studies in that institution, and graduated from the Law School in 1922.

Mr. Dowling is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and the Knights of Columbus, acting as Advocate of Council No. 90. In politics he stands with the Democratic party, and his religious affiliation is with the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church.

**TYCHO M. PETERSEN** was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, August 29, 1889, the son of Peter and Kristene Petersen. His father was also born in Copenhagen, while





*John P. Dowling*





his mother was born in Yuttland. His father was occupied in soap manufacturing. Tycho M. Petersen was brought to the United States at the age of four. In spite of the handicap of his foreign birth, he has managed to secure a good education and to make a useful and important place for himself in the life of his chosen city, Springfield, Massachusetts. He attended public schools abroad and in the United States, and as he worked put himself through the Evening High School in Springfield, Massachusetts. He was connected with the Highlands Restaurant Hotel for eighteen years. Now he is finding a field for his dynamic personality in real estate and insurance, in which he has an office at No. 387 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Petersen is an active politician; he was elected to the Common Council for the term 1925 to 1928, is on the Executive Board, member of the Republican City Committee, and chairman of Ward Eight. He is a member of the State Republican Club; the Swedish Republican American Club of Springfield; organized the Danish Brotherhood, of which he was for four years president; and has also been president of the Hotel and Restaurant Employers' Association of the State of Massachusetts, and past president of the Vudcan Corporation for four years. Interested in Masonry and secret orders, he is an Odd Fellow and belongs to the Braga Order. Mr. Petersen is a valued member of the Swedish Lutheran Church.

Tycho M. Petersen married, in Springfield, Massachusetts, Margaret M. Long, daughter of Edward Long, born in Quebec, Canada, in 1895. Their children are: Wilbur E., born in Springfield, and Doris M., born in Springfield.

**MICHAEL V. FITZ GERALD**, whose large business of forging and heat-treating is conducted at No. 576 St. James Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Springfield, in September, 1878. His father was Michael Fitz Gerald and his mother was Mary H. (Beahm) Fitz Gerald.

Michael V. Fitz Gerald was a blacksmith in the employ of the Connecticut River Railroad before it became a part of the great New York, New Haven & Hartford system. After attending the public schools, Mr. Fitz Gerald was employed by the Boston & Maine Railroad as a blacksmith for four years. He was with the Hartford Electrical Vehicle Company as a blacksmith for one year and a half. His next place of employment was with the Providence Machine and Tool Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, where he remained one year. He was employed in the United States Armory at Springfield, Massachusetts, for eleven years, and in the Armory at Rock Island, Illinois, for a year, serving as tool hardener. He was for four years with the Colonial Steel Company of Boston, Massachusetts, service engineer being his position. He was thereafter for three years and eight months with the Eddystone Rifle Company, of Eddystone, Pennsylvania; superintendent of drop forge and heat-treating. He was a year in Detroit, Michigan, as service engineer for the Colonial Steel Company. He followed this with one year as steel salesman for the Latrobe Steel Company, of Latrobe, Pennsylvania. He engaged in business for himself in November, 1921, at

No. 576 St. James Avenue, forging and heat-treating, and has continued to the present time with success and increasing business. Mr. Fitz Gerald is a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Fitz Gerald married, in 1913, at Holyoke, Massachusetts, Evelyn S. Connell, daughter of James and Ann (Maloney) Connell. His residence address is No. 231 College Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**FRANK C. De FALCO**—In the real estate and insurance world of Western Massachusetts Frank C. De Falco is taking a prominent place and his work is contributing to the general well being. Along these allied lines he is giving to the development and prosperity of the community the tireless effort and faithful attention which count, in any realm, for noteworthy achievement and his name is one of definite significance to the general progress of the day. Mr. De Falco is a son of Achille and Filomena (Lanzara) De Falco, his father is now deceased, and his mother is residing in Europe.

Frank C. De Falco was born in Italy, January 30, 1885. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his native land, he later attended private school in America, having been successively a student at Atena Lucana, Italy; Newark, New Jersey; and Montreal, Canada. Mr. De Falco's early experience was in photographic work at Orange, New Jersey, where he was active for three years and gave much promise of future success. Coming to North Adams in 1903, however, he became interested in real estate and insurance affairs and he has followed these affiliated branches of endeavor continuously since. Giving to his work the constructive spirit of the truly able executive Mr. De Falco has achieved much of value, both to the community and to the individual, as well as rising to a position of personal success. He goes forward principally along brokerage lines but is doing a fine real estate and insurance business. Politically independent in his views, Mr. De Falco is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of North Adams, and the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the North Adams Country Club, the Berkshire Club, and attends St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church.

Frank C. De Falco married, in North Adams, on June 1, 1907, Maria Ghidotti, daughter of Angelo and Maria (Pedercini) Ghidotti, both parents now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. De Falco are the parents of two children: Iris Florence; and Ugo Edmond.

**DAVID MULLANY**—The only one of the Mullany family who ventured away from the homeland, was Thomas Mullany, who came to America in 1867 and settled in Hatfield, where he lived to the time of his death, in 1912, at the age of sixty-five years. He was a farmer and worked for others. He married Mary Fitzgerald, born in Ireland, died in Hatfield, in 1888, aged forty-five years. Their children were Thomas, David and Patrick.

David Mullany was born in Hatfield, October 24, 1877. He was educated in the Hatfield public schools, and entering active life worked in a shop for a time. He later went to farming, and is now one of the successful tobacco and onion growers of the region. He owns and

operates some fifteen acres of highly-cultivated land, and has a fine house on Elm Street.

David Mullany married, August 23, 1905, Margaret Adele Allaire, born in Hatfield, Massachusetts, April 27, 1874, a daughter of Nelson and Mary (Callahan) Allaire. Charles Allaire, born in France in 1655, came to Canada in 1663. He married Catherine Tievre, thought to be the ancestor of the Allaire family in Canada. Nelson Allaire was born in New York. He was the son of Anthony and Rose Allaire, who were natives of Canada. Mrs. Mullany has been trustee of the Hatfield Public Library for the last eight years and was a teacher in the public school for thirteen years. She is one of the organizers of the Woman's Endeavor and the first president. One of the incorporators of the Hatfield Library Association, Incorporated; and a member of Hatfield Book Club. She is a graduate of Westfield Massachusetts Normal College of the class of 1893. Mr. and Mrs. David Mullany were the parents of Richard Allaire, deceased; David Nelson, born August 17, 1908; John, deceased; Thomas Leonard, born November 9, 1912; and Robert Allaire Mullany, born January 17, 1919.

**OWEN COOGAN**—It is fitting that those who are enjoying the benefits of the achievement of those who have lived before them should sometimes pause and look back with appreciation upon the varied processes by which the community in which they live has reached its present state of prosperity, giving honor to the faithful ones who aided in its development. Among those who should thus be remembered is Owen Coogan, who, though not a native of this country, was prominently identified with the business and political life of Pittsfield a half century ago.

Born in Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland, October 27, 1820, he was one of those who had the courage to seek a land of larger opportunity in which to build his career. As a young man of less than thirty years, he came to Pittsfield, Massachusetts, in 1849, and soon after he established a tannery, which he continued to conduct to the time of his death. The business steadily grew, and when his sons were old enough to begin active business life they became his associates, the concern then being conducted under the firm name of Owen Coogan & Sons. With the firm's financial foundation which a well established business provides, he turned his attention to local public affairs and gave freely of his time and his ability to the work of improving the community in which he lived. As a member of the school committee he labored for the betterment of the school system and for the enlargement of educational opportunity for the young people of Pittsfield; as a successful business man he became interested in the maintenance of a well managed savings institution, and eventually became a trustee of the Berkshire County Savings Bank; and as a public-spirited citizen he accepted the responsibilities and burdens of public office, and in 1875 was elected to represent his district in the State Legislature.

Active and able in all these varied fields of activity, he contributed much of lasting value to the life of his adopted town, and was one of those who more than fifty years ago had the foresight and the practical ability

which builds stability and a progressive policy into the fabric of local public life. His death, which occurred at Pittsfield, December 11, 1887, before he had reached his sixty-ninth year, closed a career of steady activity, of sane policy and of worthy achievement—the kind of achievement which is the foundation of healthful growth.

Owen Coogan married Elizabeth Booden, March 5, 1849, and they became the parents of four children: 1. W. J., who was postmaster of Pittsfield in 1887. 2. Clement F. 3. Kate S. 4. Mary A., who married Bartholomew J. Castello, of Boston.

**EDWARD THOMAS FOLEY**—The Foleys were among the early Irish settlers in Florence, Massachusetts. Edmund Foley, grandfather of Edward T. Foley, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, May 31, 1873, aged eighty-two years. His wife was Mary (Cahill) Foley, who died in Ireland, before his migration.

William Foley, father of Edward Thomas Foley, was born in Cork, Ireland, in 1831. He died in Florence December 16, 1887. He was a son of Edmund Foley, above mentioned, who came to America after his son William had migrated to this country. Edmund Foley had children: William, of further mention; John, Johanna, Mary, who married Frank Connell; Catherine, who married Martin Dwyer. William Foley attended school in Ireland and came to America as a young man, locating in Florence, where he worked for Mr. Hill, of the Nonotuck Silk Mills up to the time of his death. He was yard foreman for a number of years, and had charge of farm and mill work for Mr. Hill, and was active to the time of his death. He married (first) Ann Shannon, born in Roscommon, Ireland, who died August 2, 1877, in Florence, Massachusetts. She was a daughter of Patrick and Mary (Pidgon) Shannon. His second wife was Margaret Reardon. The children by the first wife were: Mary, who married John E. Witherill; Emily, deceased; Margaret, deceased; Edward Thomas, of whom further; Annie, deceased; John Henry and William. The children of the second marriage were: George, deceased; Catherine, married Dr. G. J. Hickey; Ella, married Clayton E. Davis, deceased; Josephine, Charles, deceased, and Florence.

Edward Thomas Foley, born in Florence May 17, 1864, attended school in Florence until twelve years of age. He drove a team for fifteen years, and worked for the Nonotuck Silk Mills Company up to the age of fifty-six. He was yard foreman for the company, and did an extensive trucking business for himself, owning some eighteen horses at one time that he used in his business. He is now retired. He served on the City Council of Northampton for a year, and was park commissioner of Northampton for eight years.

Mr. Foley married, October 30, 1901, Catherine E. McGrath, born in Hadley, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Catherine (Mulcahey) McGrath. Her parents were both born in Ireland, coming to America and settling in Hadley. Edward Thomas Foley has one son, Edward John, born in Florence, October 8, 1902. He was educated in the Florence schools, and is an automobile mechanic.



**CHARLES A. LUDDEN**—One of the well-known men in the plumbing and heating business in Western Massachusetts, is Charles A. Ludden, of Chicopee, where he has been established for thirty-five years and in an establishment over eighty years old. He began in 1845 and has been continually in business.

Charles A. Ludden, son of John Ludden, a carpenter, and Margaret (Walls) Ludden, was born February 2, 1866, at Hartford, Connecticut, and attended the public schools at Springfield, Massachusetts, later graduating at Hinemans Business College. He began his business life on May 1, 1882, as a tinsmith, and in 1890 he laid the foundation of his present business at Chicopee, which is known as one of the largest plumbing, heating and contracting concerns in the city, employing thirty-two men. He is vice-president of the Chicopee Coöperative Bank, and a member of the board of directors of the Chicopee Savings Bank, and one of the directors of the Cabot Trust Company. He is a Republican in his political convictions, and is a member of the Chicopee Cemetery Commission.

Mr. Ludden is president of the Chicopee Board of Trade; member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce; the Massachusetts State Association of Master Plumbers; and the National Association of Sheet Metal Contractors. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, and has taken both the York and Scottish Rite degrees, and in the latter has taken the thirty-second degree; a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; of the Nayasset Club, of Springfield; a past vice-president of the Kiwanis Club; and a member of the Oxford Country Club. He is a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Charles A. Ludden married, in November, 1888, in Hartford, Connecticut, Annie M. Norman, of Liverpool, Nova Scotia, daughter of John Norman, and they are the parents of Daisy G. Ludden, born July 10, 1890, at Springfield. She is a graduate of Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts. Is now a teacher of domestic science, in West Springfield High School, having had charge of that department since 1918.

**JOHN T. QUINN**—An outstanding figure in present-day advance in Western Massachusetts is John T. Quinn, of Turners Falls, whose usefulness in various realms gives his name large significance to the people of this region and places him among the thoroughly representative citizens of the Old Bay State.

Mr. Quinn is a son of Henry P. Quinn, who was born in County Armagh, Ireland, but removed to Port Glasgow, Scotland, when still a young lad. He entered the Merchant Marine service, eventually coming to America in the course of his voyages and settling in Lynn. There he was employed as a granite quarryman until 1876, when he came to Turners Falls. Engaged in various lines of activity until his retirement. He married, in Lynn, Mary Elizabeth Crimmins, who died March 3, 1904, and they were the parents of seven children: Mary, deceased; Catherine; Margaret J., deceased; Rose Mary; John T., of whom further; Henry; and Anna M., deceased. Henry P. Quinn died March 15, 1914.

John T. Quinn was born in Turners Falls, June 24, 1879. His education was begun in the local schools, and

his first business experience was in the employ of the J. Russell Cutlery Company. There he was employed for five years and resigned to accept the position of foreman with the International Paper Company. This position he filled for about two years, then on February 5, 1907, he became identified with the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company in the capacity of clerk. He has remained permanently in railroading activities of the New Haven and Boston & Maine Railroad until the present time, with the exception of a few years with the Keith Paper Company. His breadth of experience, added to his natural ability in business affairs, gives Mr. Quinn his present high rank in the organization and for a number of years past he has fulfilled the responsible duties of agent and operator.

Along other lines of human endeavor Mr. Quinn has also made his influence widely felt. He has for a number of years been a member of the School Board of Montague township and is chairman of the playground committee, of which he is one of the organizers and builders. Fraternally he is affiliated with Council No. 737, Knights of Columbus, of which he is a Past Deputy Grand Knight; a member of the Bishop Corrigan's Fourth Degree, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which he is financial secretary; St. Mary's Temperance Society, of which he has been a member for thirty years and in which he has held every office, now being a member of the board of trustees; and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which he is Past Worthy President. He is a member of Turners Falls Community Service, of which he is treasurer, and the Holy Name Society, of which he is financial secretary. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

John T. Quinn married, October 10, 1913, at Turners Falls, Mary E. Sullivan, daughter of Timothy W. and Margaret W. (Murphy) Sullivan.

**WALTER L. HALES**—A progressive figure in business advance in Orange, Massachusetts, is Walter Hales, whose residence of a full decade in this community has given him high standing both as a citizen and as a business man. Mr. Hales is practical in his attitude toward the daily progress of the community, and in his chosen line of commercial distribution is meeting the daily needs of the people. A native of England and thus an American by choice, rather than by accident of birth, he has honored both his native land and the country of his adoption and is a thoroughly representative man of the day. He is a son of Alfred and Rhoda (Curtis) Hales, members of well known and honored families of England.

Walter L. Hales was born in Rushden, Northamptonshire, England, May 12, 1888. His education was received in the public schools and for ten years he served in the British Navy, rising to the position of junior officer. During the last three years of this period he was active in the submarine division and was a member of the crew of the famous "Irresistible," previous to its sinking in the Dardanelles. Becoming a resident of Orange in 1914, Mr. Hales established an interest in the distribution of electrical fittings and supplies, also handling contracting activities in the same field. Successful from the beginning, he has developed an important interest, which is

ever extending in its scope and his work is recognized in the community as of superior excellence, while his stock of supplies and apparatus is thoroughly up-to-date. Mr. Hales is affiliated with various branches of organized endeavor, being a member of the Masonic Order, including the Lodge, Chapter, and Commandery; Orange Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Knights of Pythias, of Orange.

Walter L. Hales married, May 21, 1914, Elsa Perkins, and they are the parents of two children: Walter L., Jr., and Edna.

**MANUEL IGNATIUS ANTONE**—As a leading member of the contracting firm of Antone & Ransom, of Greenfield, Manuel Ignatius Antone is bearing a worthy and prominent part in the progress of Western Massachusetts, and the engineering world is feeling a strong impetus in the right direction in his activities. Mr. Antone is an able and efficient executive, always alert to the movement of the times in any line of endeavor and gifted with the capacity for deriving relevant and useful information from every phase of current progress. He is a grandson of Manuel Antone, who came to America from the Azore Islands and first locating in California, later became a resident of Cohasset, Massachusetts. He was the father of eighteen children. Charles V. Antone, his son, was born in Cohasset, Massachusetts, in 1868, and throughout his active lifetime was a well known general contractor of the South Shore. He is now living retired, at Hull, Massachusetts, after an eminently useful and distinguished career in his chosen field of endeavor. He married Helen C. Francis, of Cohasset, daughter of John C. Francis.

Manuel Ignatius Antone was born at Cohasset, Massachusetts, December 15, 1891, and is a son of Charles V. and Helen C. (Francis) Antone. Receiving his early education in the public schools of Hingham and Boston, he later attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology and there gained a thoroughly comprehensive and excellent technical training. His first activity in his present realm was in the capacity of steel inspector for the Boston & Maine Railroad, his duties including the inspection of new steel bridges. He has continued active along the lines of civil engineering and big construction work, and in 1920 he formed a partnership with Lake S. Ransom, under the firm name of Antone & Ransom. Establishing their headquarters in Greenfield, Massachusetts, these progressive men have established a largely important and successful interest, and among the contracts which they have already executed are many interesting and important public works, as well as private enterprises. They drained the Cherry Run section of Greenfield, thereby reclaiming some four hundred acres of land, and this work was the first piece of drainage done under State supervision. They handle pile driving and every branch of heavy engineering work on contract, and have demonstrated not only their ability in construction activities, but the clear vision and sound judgment so vital in work of this nature. Their activities are by no means limited to this general region, but they accept contracts in all parts of the State of Massachusetts and even throughout New England. Fraternally, Mr. Antone is

affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Manuel Ignatius Antone married, May 5, 1920, Margaret Masterson, of Leominster, Massachusetts, daughter of Edward and Elizabeth (Crowley) Masterson. Mr. and Mrs. Antone are the parents of one daughter and one son: Margaret Aileen, born April 6, 1923; and Charles Edward, born August 16, 1924.

**SAMUEL LAW FEIN**—Entering a new country and there mingling with new people having strange customs, and then to struggle with the learning of a new language in order to be able to converse with these people, are what Samuel Law Fein was called upon to do when he left his native Russia and came, as a youth of seven, to this country; therefore he deserves much credit for his achievements since entering the New World, for to-day (1925) he is a qualified lawyer, practicing his profession in the city of Springfield.

He was born in the town of Minsk, Russia, June 8, 1899, and with his parents, Abraham and Sarah (Schwartz) Fein, came to this country in the year 1906. Both of his parents are natives of Russia, his father having served in the militia of the Russian Army. He is now engaged in business in Springfield as a merchant, in which enterprise he is meeting with success.

Samuel Law Fein completed the public and high school courses, with graduation from the latter in the year 1917, after which he went to Amherst College for one year. By this time he had decided to take up the study of law and for this course he entered the New York University Law School. From this last-named University he graduated with the class of 1922, and later in this same year he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar. Following this he immediately opened an office in Springfield for the practice of his profession, and this he is conducting at the present time, his clients growing in number as the years go by. Mr. Fein in his rise has shown a courage and perseverance that few can equal. Besides his duties in the legal field, he is prominent in newspaperdom, being the editor of the Springfield "Hebrew Record." He is a member of the Hampden Bar Association, and in politics is a Republican. Mr. Fein is a member of Tau Epsilon Phi fraternity; the Knights of Pythias; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the American Legion; the Young Men's Hebrew Association; and he is also associated with the B'nai B'rith Association; the Independent City of Homes Association; and the Jewish Community Center of Springfield. Mr. Fein is actively interested in Beth-El Temple, of Springfield, of which he is a member, and he also belongs to the Men's Club of this Temple.

Samuel Law Fein married, in New Britain, Connecticut, Mildred Burris Sherman, of New Britain, daughter of Albert and Estella (Burris) Sherman, her parents both natives of Russia. To this marriage has been born one daughter, Phyllis Gloria, in Springfield.

**MARTIN SCHÜHLE**—Having arrived in America at the early age of five, Mr. Schühle grew up in Turners Falls, where his parents, Jacob and Katherine Barbara



Schühle settled and though a native of Wittenburg, Germany, is an American not only by citizenship but also by environment. He is the youngest of seven children: Agnes, deceased; John; Anna, who married Mr. Haigis; Jacob; Mary, who married Mr. Carrig; Catherine S.; Martin.

After attending the local schools Martin Schühle worked as a boy in several kinds of trades and a mercantile establishment, gathering practical experience and growing into young manhood. In the year 1900 he purchased the property at the corner of Fourth and L. avenues, where he established an up-to-date general store which he has carried on with great success up to the present date. Mr. Schühle and his family are attendants of the German Lutheran Church.

On November 3, 1910, he married at Turners Falls, Margaret Koch, a daughter of Mr. Gotlieb Koch, and with her has five children: John Martin; Karl Edward; Elizabeth Anna; Marie Hazel; and Harold Edward.

**ALBERT V. ROPELL**, large and successful dealer in automobiles in Springfield, Massachusetts, and owning the oldest in this line of business in the city, was born in East Longmeadow, Hampden County, Massachusetts, May 1, 1876. His father was Charles Reopell, a veteran of the Civil War who served in the 148th New York Volunteer Infantry. He was employed by the street railway in Springfield at the time there was only one car operating, the line being from Hooker Street to Mill River.

Albert V. Reopell attended the Elm Street Grammar School in Springfield and as a young man he took his first position as cash boy for Smith & Murray, dry goods merchants in Springfield. He afterwards was employed for a short time in a meat market. He was for the following ten years employed by the Springfield Street Railway. In 1905, he engaged in the automobile business during which time he handled those cars: The old Lambert; the Crawford, long since obsolete; and later the Stoddard. Eventually he organized a co-partnership, known as the Woodward and Reopell Company, on Fort Street, Springfield; and the business continued there until 1911, when they moved to Washington Street. In 1912 Mr. Reopell withdrew from the Woodward and Reopell Company, and formed the corporation of Bunker & Reopell at No. 24 Fort Street. This continued until July, 1913, when the company sought larger quarters and moved to No. 687 State Street, Springfield, where they handled the Chevrolet car. In August, 1914, Mr. Bunker withdrew from the partnership, leaving Mr. Reopell sole owner. A beautiful new building, with show and sales rooms, was built at the same place in 1923, the building being a brick and steel fireproof structure with eighteen thousand square feet of floor space, considered one of the finest in the city. Mr. Reopell belongs to the Noyasset and Oxford Country clubs and the Springfield Automobile Dealers Association.

He was married in Springfield, September, 1910, to Lena G. Stowe, daughter of Luke Stowe, who died in May, 1924.

**WILLIAM FERRIER**, as general superintendent of the Griswoldville Manufacturing Company, holds a

very important place in the industrial life of this town. He is of Scotch birth and parentage, and came to this country as a very young boy in his early teens, and since taking up his residence here he has been active in the civic and national life of the land of his adoption. His grandparents were William and Mary (Lorimer) Ferrier, of Scotland, their son, William Ferrier, Jr., married Williamina Innes, of Scotland, daughter of Alexander Innes. William Ferrier, Jr., died April 17, 1923.

William Ferrier, son of William, Jr., and Williamina (Innes) Ferrier, was born in Forfar County, Scotland, March 7, 1893. He came to the United States at the age of thirteen years, arriving on August 1, 1906. He found employment with the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates, Ludlow, and during his spare time studied, but after some time spent in becoming familiar with this industry he entered the Bradford Durfee Textile College of Fall River, and after completing a three years' course was graduated with his class. In 1918 he entered the employ of the Palmer Mills Otis Company, at Three Rivers, and remained with this establishment until 1919, when he came to Turners Falls as general superintendent of the Griswoldville Manufacturing Company. He has remained in this capacity ever since, and his knowledge, not alone of the industry, but of men and conditions, has enabled him to do much for the benefit of the organization. Mr. Ferrier has earned the respect and friendship of all with whom he comes in contact, his sturdy integrity, industry and justice, making him liked by all who know him, his character being one that commands their esteem. He is interested in all matters that tend towards the progress and welfare of the community life, and takes active part in performing his civic duties. He is a member of Brigham Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Ludlow; Hampden Chapter, of Palmer; Greenfield Lodge of Perfection; James W. Hannun Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

William Ferrier married, October 4, 1920, at Turners Falls, Gertrude House, daughter of Albert B. and Etta (Whittle) House. Mr. and Mrs. Ferrier are the parents of two children: Ruth C., and Helen E.

**GEORGE VITTORIO CORSIGLIA** has established a business and an industry at Greenfield, whose repute is not confined to the plumbing interests of that city, but covers a wide territory in the western section of the State, and is widely known for excellence and thoroughness. The enterprise of the founder of this plant has made itself evident from the beginning of his activities in his chosen vocation, and his capabilities of development of the different branches of his work have steadily increased to the present fulfillment of his plans. The Corsiglia family is a distinguished one in Italy, both grandparents having passed their entire lives in that country.

(1) Joseph Corsiglia was of high grade stock, and was owner of a successful farm. He married Louise Guiffra, and they were the parents of: 1. Rose, who married — Cuneo. 2. Constantino, of whom further. 3. John Batisto. 4. Dominic. 5. Anthony. 6. Jacob. 7. Maria, who married — Carpinoto. 8. Pasqualine, who married — Guiffra. 9. Victoria, who married — Bacigalupo.



(II) Constantino Corsiglia was born in Tribogna, Italy, near Genoa, May 5, 1848, and died in Greenfield, October 29, 1918. He came to the United States in April, 1876, and was one of the first Italian settlers at Greenfield, and engaged in the fruit and confectionery business to the time of his death, became one of Greenfield's most respected citizens. He married, April 30, 1872, Mary Arimini, who was born in Tribogna, Italy, January 18, 1854, and was adopted as a child by John Baptisto Garbari and Teresa (Bacigalupo) Garbari. Their children: 1. died in infancy. 2. George V., of whom further. 3. Elizabeth, deceased, married Louis Carraro. 4. Rose. 5. Louisa, deceased. 6. Frank, deceased. 7. John. 8. Mary, married James Buckley, of Springfield. 9. Annie. 10. Victoria. All, with the exception of George V., were born in America.

(III) George Vittorio Corsiglia was born in Tribogna, Italy, July 14, 1875, and received his early education in the schools of his birthplace, completing his school work at Greenfield, at the age of fourteen years, he having come to this country with his grandmother. Thereafter, he was employed at the silver works at Greenfield two years, and then, for five years, he was an apprentice in the plumber's trade, preparing himself for his career. In June, 1897, he established his own plumbing establishment, and during the first two years his location was in the basement of the Masonic Building. At the expiration of that time he removed to the present location on Federal Street, where he has continued to do business to the present. There he has not only a store thoroughly equipped, but an up-to-date plant, as well, that has no peer in the western part of the State. His store is furnished with high grade stoves and all kinds of kitchen utensils, and its proprietor employs many men in his plumbing business. Mr. Corsiglia is Independent in his politics, and has not held public office. His fraternal affiliations are those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Sons of Italy. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Corsiglia married, April 14, 1903, Victoria Deferrari, born in Ferrada, Italy, a daughter of Joseph and Colomba (Garbarino) Deferrari, who still reside in Italy, though Mrs. Corsiglia came to the United States with her mother's mother, in September, 1901. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Corsiglia: 1. George Frank, born August 4, 1904. 2. William Joseph, born October 20, 1906. 3. Paul Constantino, born February 25, 1912.

**EMANUEL GEORGE LEPOULOS**—The aptitude of so many new citizens of this country in business is so apparent that it may pass into a proverb to be coined by future generations, and they furnish examples of shrewdness and ability without number. Emanuel George Lepoulos is one of these citizens. George Lepoulos, his father, was born in Greece, near the historic Sparta, in 1840, and died in April, 1918, aged seventy-eight years. He was a carpenter but later branched out to contractor and builder, and thus a large employer of labor. His wife, Constantina, died in December, 1924, aged eighty-five years. Their children were: James G., who lives in Greece; Epstatius, the first of the family to come to America, is in business in Springfield, Massa-

chusetts; Nicholas, the second member to reach the shores of America, is also in business in that city; Yianaula, who resides in Greece; and Emanuel, a resident of Northampton, and Kostos, in Greece.

Emanuel George Lepoulos was born in Greece, near Sparta, June 26, 1882, and was educated in the schools of his native town. He came to the United States in August, 1899, joined his brothers in Springfield, where they had established a business dealing in cigars, tobacco, ice cream and confectionery, and who own and operate a chain of like stores in which Emanuel George Lepoulos is a partner. In 1920 he came to Northampton and took over the old stand of Kingsley, Inc., of which he became treasurer, his brother Epstatius, president. They handle patent medicines, cigars, tobacco, ice cream and confectionery, and have one of the finest establishments in Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Lepoulos married, on July 14, 1921, Afrodite Papadoblon, a native of Greece. Their children are: Constantina E., born June 24, 1922, and a daughter born January 12, 1924.

**HENRY EDWARD BEAUMIER**—To start one's professional career as a newsboy, seems to have a particularly bracing effect upon the character and to make the ambitions aim at good posts and profitable careers and employments, and as we know in modern psychology, the secret of success and of attaining almost any aim, is first of all to wish intensively and incessantly for what you want to get, and let the intensity of your striving communicate itself and set to work the unconscious powers of your soul, which will do all the rest and find the appropriate means for the desired end. Mr. Henry Edward Beaumier, who has the privilege of being sales agent of the Ford Company for Turners Falls, started life as a newsboy.

Born on December 21, 1882, at Turners Falls as a son of James and Alicia (St. Cyr) Beaumier. Mr. Beaumier continued the sale of newspapers while receiving his education in the local schools. At the age of eighteen he entered the service of the New Haven Railroad as a clerk and continued in that position for eight years. In 1908 he was promoted to the post of station agent at Turners Falls and in 1918 joined as a partner with Fred C. Haigis in trucking and express business in which he continues to the present time. In 1922 he established a Ford Sales Agency in Turners Falls and has proved a successful representative of that huge concern. For five years he has been chairman and for ten years member of the Board of Selectmen. His fraternal associations include membership of the Independent Order of Foresters, and of the Society of St. Jean Baptiste, and he attends St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Turners Falls.

Mr. Beaumier married, in June, 1907, at Northampton, Blanche Desmarais, a daughter of Amadeé and Mariette (Bachand) Desmarais.

**VALENTINE BARTKIEWICZ**, in his long-established business as a funeral director in Chicopee, has a reputé for excellence both in his careful methods of doing business in the line in which he has a thorough training and experience, and in the equipment of his

undertaking concern, that is maintained in an up-to-date style. He is a son of Henry Bartkiewicz, who died July 12, 1924, and of Constance (Muszynska) Bartkiewicz.

Valentine Bartkiewicz was born January 1, 1886, in Chicopee, Massachusetts, where he attended the Christian Brothers School, and was graduated there in 1900. He then engaged in the barber business and conducted a shop of his own from 1905 to 1910, and he then established himself in his present funeral directing and pool room activities. In the World War Mr. Bartkiewicz was a member of the 68th Company of Coast Artillery in the United States Army. His fraternal affiliations are with St. Stanislaus, St. Joseph, St. John and St. Michael societies; and he is a communicant of St. Stanislaus Church.

**LOUIS KATZ**, manufacturer, of Springfield, Massachusetts, was born in Russia, December 15, 1870, the son of Davis, who was a peddler, and Becky (Barver) Katz. Mr. Katz was eleven years old when the family removed from Russia to the United States. They settled in Hartford, Connecticut, where he attended the common school and afterwards the night school. He engaged in business for himself at an early age. At first he sold newspapers to help support himself as a boy. He found a better opportunity selling fruit and vegetables, and was soon able to own his own wagon and horse. He came to Northampton with his parents in 1884, but five years later, in 1889, the family moved to Springfield and Mr. Katz sold fruit and vegetables in the city from his wagon, which he continued until 1891. He turned to a grocery business in Bondsville, Massachusetts, as more stable in that year, and remained in charge for two years. In 1893 he returned to Springfield and engaged in the fruit and vegetable business. In 1900 he bought out the Max Winkler plant, manufacturing soda waters, and situated on Bridge Street, Springfield. In 1906 he bought the Chandler Hotel, continuing to conduct his soda water business at the same time. In 1906 he also built a factory for the manufacture of soda waters on a larger scale, and moved that business from Bridge Street to No. 38 Emory Street. His business grew to large dimensions, and in 1920 he erected a new building, 65 by 98 feet, of brick and concrete. It contains a basement and two stories. Mr. Katz incorporated his business for \$24,000 in 1914 and increased it to \$75,000 in 1922. The officers are Morris Katz, president; Louis Katz, treasurer; and Mike Katz, vice-president. The name of the company is the Country Club Soda Company. Mr. Katz is a member of Springfield Lodge, No. 684, Independent Order of B'nai B'rith; and of the Young Men's Hebrew Association. He is treasurer of the Congregation Kodimah General Fund.

Mr. Katz was married, in Hartford, Connecticut, to Ida, daughter of Isaac and Lena Cohen. They are the parents of the following children: Helen, born in Springfield, July 7, 1900; Abraham, born in Springfield, September 11, 1902; and Milton, born in Springfield, February 20, 1905. His business address is No. 42 Emory Street, and his residence address No. 207 Forest Park Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts.

**DOMINICK ANTONY TASSONE**—It is said in photographic circles in Massachusetts, that the studio of Dominick Antony Tassone in North Adams is one of the most complete in this State. In the perfection of its appointments and the high quality of the work done are exemplified Mr. Tassone's attitude toward progress in his own field and along other lines. A native of Italy, highly educated and a member of a cultured family, Mr. Tassone has won the unqualified esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens in North Adams and holds an outstanding position in present day progress.

Dominick Antony Tassone was born in Serra San Bruno, Province of Catanzano, Italy, July 13, 1889, and is a son of Joseph and Frances Tassone. His education has included special private tuition, state courses and night school courses and has been supplemented by very wide and carefully chosen reading, particularly along historical and classical lines. Coming to America in his youth, Mr. Tassone took up the study of photography under Charles Wesley Hearn, of Boston, and at different times he has been identified with several leading Fifth Avenue studios of New York City, including W. Burden Stage and the White Studios. Mr. Tassone won first prize at a New York competition, March 18, 1913, and has won high honors at professional photographic exhibitions. While active in New York City, he specialized in theatrical and leading operatic stars, the world famous Caruso having posed for his camera. In 1914 he opened his studio in North Adams which he has since conducted with remarkable success. In addition to meeting the demands of the general local trade, Mr. Tassone has photographed many distinguished persons, who have visited this section of New England. These include Lord Bryce of England and Tommaso Tiltoni, of Italy, who came to America as a delegate to the Williams College Institute of Politics, and who was at that time president of the Italian Senate. Mr. Tassone has contributed special articles to many photographic journals and in addition to his technical library, he has a very fine collection of classical works including many de luxe editions. Mr. Tassone has gained some note as a director and producer of amateur and semi-professional theatricals. He has directed the production of a number of royalty plays in North Adams and this work has won for him not only the praise of the local press, but creditable notice from New York and Boston papers. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and his religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church.

Dominick Antony Tassone married, October 10, 1917, in New York City, Ebba Linwood, daughter of Carl E. and Georgiana Linwood. Mr. and Mrs. Tassone are the parents of one son, Lloyd Vincent, born September 13, 1918.

**VERNON D. ODETTE**, son of Duncan M. and Helen E. (Conley) Odette, was born in Potter, New York, December 11, 1877. To a man ambitious and able to get on well with his fellowmen, Springfield offered a promising opportunity, both for the business in which Mr. Odette was engaged and for the political career which greatly attracted him. Consequently, after finish-



ing his schooling in public and high school, and working for a while in Auburn, New York, as embalmer, he moved to Springfield. Since September, 1905, he has been employed by Cheney D. Washburn, No. 172 State Street. He has proved a valuable asset to that employer, for he is faithful, hard working, and popular. A Republican, Mr. Odette was a member of the town's Common Council from 1919 to 1924, and is now city alderman. Much interested in religion, he is an active member of the First Baptist Church. Some time ago he affiliated himself with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Vernon D. Odette married, October 8, 1907, Janet M. Atkins, in Auburn, New York. Born there May 28, 1882, she was the daughter of Benjamin F. and Sarah C. (Cameron) Atkins, her father being born in Ireland and her mother in Massachusetts. The children of the union were: Janet Rosamond, born in Springfield, January 11, 1913; and Barbara Carolyn, also born in Springfield, April 23, 1917.

**JOHN P. O'NEIL**, general foreman at the Springfield Armory, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1878. He was the son of James T. and Eliza J. (Benoit) O'Neil. His father, living in retirement, was ordnance storekeeper at the Arsenal during the larger part of his active life. John P. O'Neil was educated in the public and high schools of Springfield. Having finished his schooling he worked for the "Springfield Republican" in the circulation and mailing department. He went with the "Springfield Union" subsequently and remained three years, when he was employed as a messenger in the Armory, and since that time he has been continuously in the employ of the United States War Department. He advanced through training in every department of the manufacture of ordnance, and finally became an inspector, which he passed to become chief inspector. He was appointed general foreman in 1917 and still continues in that capacity. He attends the Roman Catholic Church, and holds membership with the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. O'Neil was married, in Springfield, June 27, 1908, to Mollie Kellar, daughter of John Kellar. They are the parents of Mary O'Neil, born in Springfield August 30, 1909; and of John P. O'Neil, Jr., born in Springfield April 21, 1912. Mr. O'Neil's business address is the United States Armory, Springfield; his residence is East Longmeadow, Massachusetts.

**JEROME KOLWICZ**, lawyer in Westfield, Massachusetts, was born September 17, 1897, in Poland. His father was Felix Kolwicz, a baker, born in Poland, and his mother Florence Kolwicz, also a native of Poland. The family came to America in 1906. Mr. Kolwicz studied in the public schools of Bridgeport, Connecticut, and was graduated from the Polish National Alliance College, in the class of 1917. He studied for a year at Maryland University, and followed with three years at Boston University, where he was graduated in the class of 1921 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to practice in the courts of Massachusetts, October 31, 1924. He began practice in Springfield, but now has offices in the National Bank Building in West-

field, where he does a general practice, and has met with exceptional success. Mr. Kolwicz is a Republican in politics. In the World War he attended the Students' Army Training Camp at Boston University. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association, and the Roman Catholic Church.

**ALBERT J. RYPYSC**—For almost a decade his native city, Chicopee Falls, Hampden County, has been the scene of the successful business activities of Albert J. Rypysc, first as the manager of a restaurant and later as the owner of an undertaking establishment. He was born in Chicopee Falls, March 1, 1901, a son of John and Mary (Stanek) Rypysc, his father being manager of a club.

Albert J. Rypysc was educated in the George S. Taylor School and at the New England Institute of Anatomy, Boston, Massachusetts, where he took a course in sanitary and scientific embalming, and from which he graduated in 1925. In 1918 he became manager of a restaurant in Chicopee Falls, which work he followed successfully for some time. In 1925, however, he established himself in business under his own name as an undertaker, his establishment being located at 69 East Street, Chicopee Falls, where he has continued since then, meeting with marked success from the very beginning. Though both Mr. Rypysc and his business are still young, the latter holds great promise of growth and expansion as a result of its founder's careful training, great ability, pleasant personality and capacity for hard work. He is a member of the St. Michael Society and of the Improved Order of Red Men. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic Church, and more particularly with St. Stanislaus' Church in Chicopee. He makes his home at No. 54 Pine Street, Chicopee Falls.

**PETER MICHEL SURPRENANT**—The family of Peter Michel Surprenant was founded on this side of the ocean by one Jacques Surprenant, who crossed from France to Canada in 1678, according to the *Dictionnaire Genealogique* of the French people, compiled by L'Abbe C. Tanquay. He had seven children: Jean; Marguerite; Pierre (who became the grandfather of Peter Michel Surprenant); Catherine; Claude; Anne, and Marie. Pierre Surprenant was born in Canada, married, lived and died there. Theresa Blain became his wife, and Pierre H. Surprenant was the second of their nine children.

Pierre Henri Surprenant, father of Peter Michel Surprenant, was born at St. Hyacinth, Province of Quebec, but in early life he came to Massachusetts and went into business in Southbridge. In 1880 he moved to Amherst, where, for two years, he worked for B. F. Kendrick, after that establishing a prosperous business for himself, which he carried on until he retired from active life about a year before his death, which occurred in that city in 1913. He married Melissa Miller, daughter of Stephen and Phoebe (Hurlbut) Longevine, her father taking the name of a man for whom he worked by the name of Miller.

Peter Michel Surprenant was the fourth of their seven



children, and was born in Southbridge, Massachusetts, on March 16, 1880. When but a few months old, he came to Amherst with his parents, and here, in the public schools, he received his education. When his studies were completed he went into his father's store and then for four years he worked for George S. Kendrick. Being ready then for a business of his own, he bought his father's market and during the next few years it was owned alternately by him and by his father, until 1912, he sold it to Mr. Paresian and removed to Keene, New Hampshire, where he operated the Central Market for a year, but on May 10, 1915, he bought his present business and bringing his family back to Massachusetts established himself in Amherst, where he is proprietor of the finely appointed market which bears his name, dealing in groceries, meats and provisions.

Mr. Surprenant's fraternal affiliations are with the Improved Order of Red Men.

In October, 1898, Peter Michel Surprenant married Minnie Parker, daughter of Dwight and Caroline (Bissell) Parker, of Enfield, Massachusetts. To Mr. and Mrs. Surprenant were born two daughters: Bernice Lillian, who married Edward A. Wheeler, on June 3, 1923, and has one child, Edward A., Jr., born December 10, 1924; Blanche, the wife of Thomas Clary, and mother of three children: Irene; Thomas, and Dorothy.

**JOSEPH SWIRSKY**—With the increasing interests of his law practice at Springfield, Mr. Swirsky has won the respect and esteem of his colleagues and of the general public. He is a son of Raphael Swirsky, a junk dealer, and of Rose (Albert) Swirsky, both of whom were natives of Russia.

Joseph Swirsky was born August 15, 1900, in Russia, and with the removal of his parents to the United States in 1906, he attended the public schools, graduating at the Springfield High School with the class of 1917. He then spent two years, 1917-1919, at Harvard College, and prepared for his profession at Boston University School of Law, where he graduated in 1922 with his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the bar that year, and established his offices for general practice at Springfield. He is a Republican in his political convictions. Mr. Swirsky's fraternal affiliations are with B'nai B'rith, the Knights of Pythias, and Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity, Mu Chapter; and while at Harvard he was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps. He is a member of the Hampden County Bar Association; the Young Men's Hebrew Association; the Young Men's Christian Association; the Independent City of Homes Association; and he is secretary of the Springfield Zionist District. He is a member of the Beth Israel Congregation, at Springfield.





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