

Stenson, through John (son of Alexander) of Trinta House, co. Donegal, born in 1649, who married Jenet Lowry, William (son of John) of Cappagh, co. Tyrone, Ireland, physician, born at Trinta in 1696, who married Isabella Forster, James (son of William) of Cappagh, physician, who married Margaret Lemon, John (son of James) of Philadelphia, Pa., born at Cappagh in 1784, who married Martha McMackin, and John (son of John), his father, born in Philadelphia 27 October 1814.

He was graduated at Columbia University, with the degree of A.B., in 1859, took the degree of A.M. in course at Columbia in 1862, and received the honorary degree of Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin in 1884 and the degree of LL.D. from Columbia in 1885 and from Yale in 1899.

In 1859-60 he was tutor in mathematics at Columbia University, and from 1863 to 1866 he was United States consular agent at Bradford, England. He then entered upon his life work as an actuary for insurance companies, being connected in this capacity with the Asbury Life Insurance Company of New York from 1867 to 1871 and with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee from 1871 to 1889. From 1889 to 1911 he was actuary of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, and he was also vice-president and trustee of this company from 1905 to 1911 and consulting actuary and trustee from 1911 on. He was president of the American Mathematical Society from 1890 to 1894, president of the Actuarial Society of America from 1895 to 1897, honorary fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of London, England. He was a contributor to mathematical journals and to the transactions of mathematical societies.

He married at Trenton, N. J., 10 January 1890, Isabella Bishop of Trenton, who survives him, daughter of Hon. James, M.C., and Mary Faugères (Ellis) Bishop.

Cf. *Who's Who in America*, 1914-1915, p. 1484.

HON. HORACE DAVIS, A.B., LL.D., of San Francisco, Cal., a life member since 1883, was born at Worcester, Mass., 16 March 1831, the son of Gov. John and Eliza (Bancroft) Davis, and died at San Francisco 13 July 1916. He traced his lineage from Dolor¹ Davis of Cambridge, Mass., through Samuel,² Simon,³ Simon,⁴ Isaac,⁵ and Gov. John,⁶ his father; and his mother was a sister of George Bancroft, the historian.

He was graduated at Harvard University in 1849, and received the degree of LL.D. from his *alma mater* in 1911. The same degree was conferred upon him by the University of the Pacific in 1889 and by the University of California in 1912.

After graduating he studied law, but in 1852 went to California and became a manufacturer. His life was largely devoted to business and to educational, patriotic, and religious enterprises. In 1864 he was president of the San Francisco Mercantile Library, from 1867 to 1887 president of the Produce Exchange, and in 1883 president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. He was a representative

from the San Francisco district in the Forty-Fifth and Forty-Sixth Congresses, 1877-1881, a member of the Republican National Committee, 1880-1888, and a presidential elector in 1884. He was president of the University of California from 1887 to 1890, a trustee of the Leland Stanford, Jr., University, being the president of the Board, president of the California School of Mechanic Arts, a corresponding member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and a member of the American Antiquarian Society, the American Historical Association, and The Colonial Society of Massachusetts. At one time he was president of the National Conference of Unitarian Churches, and he was a vice-president of the American Unitarian Association.

Among his published works may be mentioned a book entitled "American Constitutions."

He married, 6 February 1874, Edith Sawyer King, who died in 1909, daughter of Rev. Thomas Starr King.

Cf. *Who's Who in America*, 1914-1915, p. 597.

LOUIS AUGUSTUS WOODBURY, M.D., of Groveland, Mass., a resident member since 1895, was born at Salem, N. H., 1 October 1844, the son of Washington and Dolly Head (Jones) Woodbury, and died at Groveland 18 July 1916.

He was educated in the public schools of Concord, N. H., and in 1860 entered the employ of Edson C. Eastman, publisher, of Concord, where he remained until November 1862. Then he enlisted in Company D, Sixteenth New Hampshire Volunteers, and served with General Banks in Louisiana until August 1863, when his regiment returned to Concord and he was mustered out. After following the occupation of clerk for a few years he entered the office of Charles C. Talbot, M.D., of Lawrence, Mass., as a student of medicine, and in 1870 matriculated at the Harvard Medical School, receiving the degree of M.D. from Harvard in 1872. He settled at Groveland, where he practised medicine until about five years ago, when failing health compelled him to relinquish his large practice to others.

He was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the New Hampshire Association of Army Surgeons, the Haverhill (Mass.) Medical Club, the Society of Sons of the American Revolution, the Essex Institute, and the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a Mason and a Knight Templar, and was a vestryman of Trinity Church (Protestant Episcopal), Haverhill.

He contributed several papers to medical societies and did considerable historical and genealogical work. Among his papers and published works are the following: "A Contribution to the Early History of Medicine in Haverhill, Mass.," "Inscriptions from the Old Cemetery in Groveland," "Early Ministers of Bradford," and "An Historical Sketch of Bradford in the Revolution."

He married first, at North Andover, Mass., 23 June 1869, Alice Chester Stanwood, who died 28 May 1889; and secondly, at Portsmouth, N. H., 16 September 1890, Helen Ney Robinson, who survives him.

Cf. *Who's Who in New England*, 1916, p. 1177.