so named in honor of one of Mr. Ware's ancestors, United States senator Nicholas Ware. His immediate family are remarkable for their devotedness to work of a religious and educational character. Eight of his uncles as well as his father have been engaged in the ministry of the M. E. church, while three of his brothers, like himself, are faithful teachers. One brother, N. E. Ware, is in charge of the public schools at Hawkinsville. Mr. Ware organized the Cordele high school in 1895

JAHIEL J. WEST, born April 3, 1856, at Chemung, Chemung Co. N. Y., is one of a family of eleven children, all living and having families of their own. His father, a farmer, Geo. P. West, now lives at Waverly, N. Y. Jahiel received a fair common-school education, and at the age of eighteen took a thorough business of the state ness course at Wyoming Seminary and Commercial college, graduating under Prof. L. L. Sprague. He then went into the milling business at Chemung, remaining there two years, and next engaged in the cider, vinegar and lumber trade at Waverly, where he also established what was afterward called the Herdic Coach line. In 1886 he accepted a position in Gresston, Ga, with the Gress Lumber company, but after eight months, during which he was promoted to the superintendency, he went to Atlanta and established the Georgia Pine and Lumber company, with which he remained two years. He had formed a partnership with Mr. I. X. Cheeves in lumbering, and they now sold out the (Atlanta) business to A. A. Fletcher and G. V. Gress, while Messrs Cheeves & West assumed entire control of the Gress Lumber company, the former as secretary and treasurer, the latter as general manager. From its very beginning the enterprise so prospered that at the end of nine months its managers inaugurated a new undertaking, founding the Parrot Lumber company at Richmond, Ga., with G. W. Parrot as president, the other two members of the firm holding the same offices as in the Gress company. The capacity of the mills is 100,000 feet per day, and in connection with it they carry on a general store and operate a railroad. The latter is fourteen miles in length and requires a force of 250 men, ninety mules, fourteen stationary engines and three locomotives. Mr. West has been in charge of the post-office at Richwood ever since it was established. His wife, whom he married in 1884, was Miss Annie Voris of Waverly, N. Y. He is the proud father of three sons: Herbert, aged nine; Stephen, seven, and George, two years of age. In June, 1895, he sold his interest in the Parrot Lumber company, moved to Atlanta, where he can better educate his boys, and established the West Lumber company at 244 West Petters street. At the same time he bought a nice house at 55 East Georgia avenue, which place he expects to make his perma-

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S. B. BROWN, banker and merchant, Albany, Dougherty Co., Ga., is the son of B. Brown, native of Prussia, and was born in Atlanta in 1855. His father was a leading clothing dealer of Atlanta for many years. The subject of this memoir attended school in Atlanta, but struck out for himself at an early age. In 1866 he located in Albany, and three years later began work as a clerk for thirty dollars a month. In 1871 he was a clerk in the post-office for a year.

He then worked for D. Greenfield, general merchandise, and from 1877 to 1887 was his partner. He then bought out the business and increased the stock and has otherwise developed the trade until it is not excelled for the line in Albany. Ir. Brown was married in 1877 to Miss Ernestina Plonsky, and they have had born to them five children: Paul J., Ed. D., Lee Roy, Marie E. and Etta R. Mr. Brown is a Mason and a member of the A.O.U.W., Knights of Pythias, Knights of Honor, Legion of Honor and I. O. B. B. His sons Paul and Edward are tudents at Yale college. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are members of the Hebrew shurch. In politics he is a democrat, though liberal in his views. Mr. Brown n an excellent example of what push and grit can do in this country. He commenced life as a mere clerk, but by perseverance he finds himself now at the head of one of the best general merchandise business establishments in his section of the state. He is president of the Exchange bank and of the Albany Savlugs and Trust bank, and owns a large tract of farm land, much of which he is cultivating. He is one of the best business men in the state, and his keen mind is ever looking for opportunities for investment and improvement as will promote the prosperity of Albany. The Exchange bank commenced business about April 17, 1895, has a cash paid-up capital of \$50,000, and is doing a large deposit business. Mr. Brown has frequently been solicited to accept office, but has always declined, finding his business affairs too pressing.

N. J. CRUGER, manufacturer, Albany, is the son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Robert) Cruger, and was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug 18, 1855. He attended Suwanee university of the south, and in his younger days followed clerking. In 1886 he engaged in the brick business. Not having any ready cash, he borrowed \$1,000 from a bank and gave his paper. In two years' time he had made \$5,000, and demonstrated the possibilities of the business. In 1889 he formed a partnership with W. W. Pace, and the firm manufacture five million bricks annually, and together with their lumber business, their annual sales amount to \$75,000. Mr. Cruger was united in matrimony to Anna Bell Alexandra, daughter of Dr. P. W. Alexandra of Albany. To this union has been born one child, Nicholas Wight, named after Col. Wight of Albany.

F. G. EDWARDS, sheriff, Albany, Dougherty Co., Ga., is a son of F. G. and Eliza A. (Cade) Edwards, natives of Georgia, and was born March 17, 1849. His father died in 1856 and his mother survived until 1876. He was sent to the university of Tennessee for his education, and at twenty years of age opened a store in Albany and commenced business for himself. In 1875 he was made deputy sheriff, a position which he filled until 1878, when he was elected sheriff, and he has since been continued in the office. He is a straightforward, honest official, accommodating and painstaking, and his administration of the office is eminently satisfactory. Mr. Edwards is a stockholder and manager in the Albany Brick Manufacturing company, with a capacity of ten million bricks per annum, and a cash business of \$45,000 yearly. They employ 125 men and have a large plant. Mr. Edwards, besides other interests, owns a fine farm of 1,250 acres, situated about a mile from Albany. As a public official and citizen Mr. Edwards has no peer.

WILLIAM M. GODWIN, deputy sheriff, Albany, is a son of F. G. and Melvina M. (Hill) Godwin, both natives of Georgia. The father died in 1857, when the lad was only fourteen years old. He went to school until the war broke out, when he enlisted with the Georgia state militia. In a short time T-39

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—at eighteen—he was made captain of the company, and was with it all through the war. When hostilities were ended he returned to Albany and began planting on his farm of some 700 acres, which is located near Albany. In 1889, he with his son, opened a fine livery and feed-stable, with some twenty head of horses and a number of vehicles for hire. In 1888 Mr. Godwin was made deputy sheriff under Mr. Edwards and has held the position ever since. He was maried to Miss Mayo, of Albany, daughter of J. J. Mayo, and they have had born to them six children: William C., Frank W., Jennie H., Salix and Felix G. Mrs. Godwin takes an active interest in the doings of the Baptist church, Mr. Godwin is a democrat and a public-spirited citizen.

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CAPT_JOHN TEMPLE HESTER has been prominently identified with the history of Dougherty county for the last thirty years. He was one of six children born to Simeon and Sarah D. (Graves) Hester, and first saw the light of day Dec. 14, 1839, in Washington, Wilkes Co., Ga. He was educated at the Washington academy under R. M. Wright, as principal, and at the age of seven-teen was made assistant principal. He continued in that capacity until twenty years of age, when he went to South Carolina to teach school. Returning to Georgia he came to Albany, where he was when the storm of war arose. He enlisted in the Fourth Georgia regiment and served two years in that command, when on order of Gen. Lee, he was placed in command of a company from Wilkes county. He remained with the Sixty-first Georgia regiment, colonel (afterward general) Chement A. Evans, until the surrender. Immediately after the war he opened a general merchandisie store in Albany and has both up an extensive business. He retired from merchandising on being elected tax collector, a position to which he has been re-elected for a number of terms. He was a member of the general assembly one term in 1880-1881, and served his county with credit. Capt. Hester was first united in marriage to Miss Tate Collins of Albany, who died in 1836. Three years afterward he married Miss Lillie Hutcherson of Louis-ville, Ky, by whom he has had five children: Daisy, Eugenc G., John H. Maz-querite and Cora D. Mr. and Mrs. Hester are members of the Protestant Episcopal church. He is a democrat, eminent in county and state councils and his popularity is demonstrated by his repeated election as tax collector of his county. Here is a democrat, eminent in county and state councils and his popularity is demonstrated by his repeated election as tax collector of his county. Here are member of the county.

popularity is demonstrated by ms repeated entered planter, Albany, was born in 1826, and H.F., and T. Albany, was born in 1826, and eomes from one of the oldest families of Brunswick, Ga. His father was H. H. Karver and his mother, Anna Rutherford Wienberry, both of Scotch parentage, the mother coming from Virginia. Henry Karver was born in Baker county, Ga, but at the age of fifteen years located in Albany, and was employed on a plantation eighteen miles from the city. Here he started for himself and soon owned a fine plantation of 7,500 acres in a high state of cultivation, and a large number of slaves. After the war he gave up active management and leads a quiet life with his family at Albany. He was married on March 6, 1850, to Elizabeth G. Solomon, and this union has been blessed with eight children, four boys and four girls. Mr. and Mrs. Karver are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and he is a strong democrat.

J. W. KEMP, real estate owner, Albany, is a son of W. W. and Phoebe (Rodgers) Kemp, and was born in Warren county in 1836. He attended the common schools when he could, but the lact that he worked on a plantation when only nine years old shows that his opportunities were abridged. For five years he pegged away on a small salary and plenty of work; but when fourteen years old he started

in business for himself and established a livery stable. He was conducting this business when the war broke out, and he was elected marshal of Albany. He resigned, however, and enlisted with the Albany guards. He served four years, and in 1866 was elected sheriff of Dougherty county, and subsequently re-elected shree times. During President Clevelant states appointed a deputy United States marshal, and at the same time was made special policeman. He was united in marriage on Nov. 26, 1868, to Nellie, a daughter of Dr. J. Tomlinson, of Lee county. They have had born to them three children-lared H, twenty years of age and a graduate of Emory college; William L, Jured H, twenty years of the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics Mr. Kemp and daughter are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics Mr. Kemp is a strong democrat. He has a fine farm of 400 acres near Albany, and owns considerable property in that city.

JACOB LORCH, one of Albamy's most prominent merchauts, is a self-made man. He is a son of Leopold Lorch and Katharine (Lampert) Lorch, and was born in Germany. He came to America when he was nineteen years old, and for a while was employed in a store in Philadelphia, but later located in Albamy, for a while was employed in a store in Philadelphia, but later located in Albamy, and first worked for D. Mayer & Bros. as clerk for about six months. When the war broke out he was among the first to enlist, and joining the Fitty-first Georgia was broke out he was among the late war, seeing plenty of hard fighting and active regiment, served through the late war, seeing plenty of hard fighting and active regiment, served and the set of the first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war he settled in Alabama, but soon returned to his first love-service. After the war salways found faithful and honest in his capacity as a statistician on cotton buyer-everybody wishing him the success he deserved. As a statistician on cotton he is said to have no equal in the south. Mr. Lorch, has a statistician on cotton he is said to have no equal in the south. Mr. Lorch, his connection with his nephews, Mayer and Crine, has one of the largest stores and finest stocks of merchandise in Albamy. The store occupies three stories and a lasement; they carry a stock of an average value of §30,000, and their annual sales amount to \$55,000. Mr. Lorch is a member of the masonic fraternity, council degree, Knights of Pythias, I. O. of Heptosoph, and Eria Brinth. He summarried a ship of everybody.

W. W. PACE, of Albany, Dougherty Co., Ga., is a son of Davis and Julia Wilkinson Pace of Georgia, and was born April 26, 1860. His father was a very
large planter, and at one time owned some 300 slaves. His father died some years
ago, but his mother is still living. Mr. Pace attended the common schools in his
early days, and at the age of inteleen years took a business position with H. H.
Tilt, of Titon, as clerk and bookkeeper, he remained with him in that capacity for
seven years. He then engaged in the mercantile business for himself for a few
years. The property of the property

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of the Episcopal church. Mr. Pace is a man with all the qualifications promising a most successful business career.

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R. N. WESTBROOK, chief of the police and planter, Albany, is a son of Richard N. and Josephine Westbrook, natives of Pulaski county, N. C., and was born in Houston county, near Andersonville, June 3, 1846. His boyhood days were spent on the farm, and his education obtained in the common schools. On June 12, 1861, when only fifteen years old, he joined a Confederate company under command of John C. McMillan. It was Company C. Twelfth Georgia, and was made up at Marshallville, Macon Co, and after organization left immediately for Richmond, Va. After two years fighting he was discharged, and at once organized a company in Dooly county, and was made second lieutenant. With this company he served until August, 1866, when he returned to Albany and went into the merchandise business with A. C. Westbrook. In 1879 he was elecetd marshal and chief by police of Albany; the latter position he is still holding, being his sixteenth year. This is the longest that any officer has held the office, which is a tribute to Mr. Westbrook sefficient administration and popularity. Mr. Westbrook has two large farms, and a great deal of real estate in Albany, and by long and faithful service has secured a competence of the world's goods. He was married to Miss Lizzer Cruger, a daughter of Col. N. Cruger, of South Carolina, and later of Savannal, April 6, 1875. To this union have been born three children: Allatia C. Cruger and William P. Mrs. Westbrook is a member of the Episcopal church. Mr. Westbrook is a leader in local politics and a faithful adherent to the cause of democracy.

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COL EDWIN LEIGH WIGHT, wholesale grocer, Albany, Dougherty Co, Ga, is a gentleman extensively and favorably known throughout Georgia, especially in military circles, where he has labored faithfully and successfully for acreditable and efficient state militia. Samuel B. Wight, the colonel's father, was a merchant and leading citizen of Atlanta. Samuel B. Wight, the colonel's father, was a merchant and leading citizen of Atlanta for years prior to and succeeding the late war. He was the first mayor of the west end, then a suburb of Atlanta, and during the war served as quatermaster of Howell Cobb's regiment, with the rank of captain. He died in 1888. Col. Wight was born in Decatur county, Ga, Oct. 4, 1846, and was educated at the state university, and while a student enisted in the Sixteenth Georgia battalion of cavalry, Col. Samuel J. Winn, now of Lawrenceville. Gwinnett Co, Ga, commanding. After the war he, in company with his father, 'into the wholesale'dry goods business in Atlanta. After two years' experience he cluded to try the general merchandise business in a smaller town, and Joca. at Newton, Baker Co, where he continued successfully until 1873. Fron 1873 to 1881 he was with the cotton firm of Welch & Bacon, Albany. For the six years following he conducted a cotton warehouse of his own. In 1887 he associated himself with Mr. Morris Weslasky under the firm name of Wight & Weslasky. This firm is one of the most prominent wholesale grocery houses in Southern Georgia, and does a yearly business of some half a million dollars. Col. Wight is a popular citizen of Albany, in the progress of which thriving city he has always displayed an active interest, having frequently served the city as a councilman, served a term as mayor in 1881, and is at this time (1895) occupying that honorable position. He was for fifteen years foreman of a volunteer free company, in which position he did valuable service for the city. Col. Wight is an honored member of a number of the best fraternal organizations—a Knight

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hetch, Col. Wight has given much attention to the state militia. His record in the its in so follows: He was elected second lieutenant of the Albany guards in 1, 1876, and captain of the same, March 27, 1897. Feb. 1, 1833, he was pointed side-de-camp to Gov. Stephens, was made captain of Jackson light pointed side-de-camp to Gov. Stephens, was made captain of Jackson light pointed side-de-camp to Gov. Stephens, was made captain of Jackson light with the control of the Albany guards Feb. 1, 1834, and again began to the Albany guards Feb. 1, 1894, when he was placed on the Fourth 1895, when he was placed on the Fourth 1895, when he was placed on the retired list Government of the Complete requirent, which he held until 1893, when he was placed on the retired list Government of the Complete requirent, which he held until 1893, when he was placed on the retired list Government of the Complete requirent, which he held and 1893, when he was placed on the retired list Government of the Complete required the complete return the complete recommendation of the Complete return the

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ROBERT N. ANDERSON, farmer, Douglasville, Douglas Co., Ga., son of Thomas and Annie (White) Anderson, was born in South Carolina in 1831. Thomas and Annie (White) Anderson, was born in South Carolina in 1831. The paternal grandfather, David A. Anderson, was a native of Scotland, emigrated the paternal property of the paternal property. The paternal property of the paternal pro